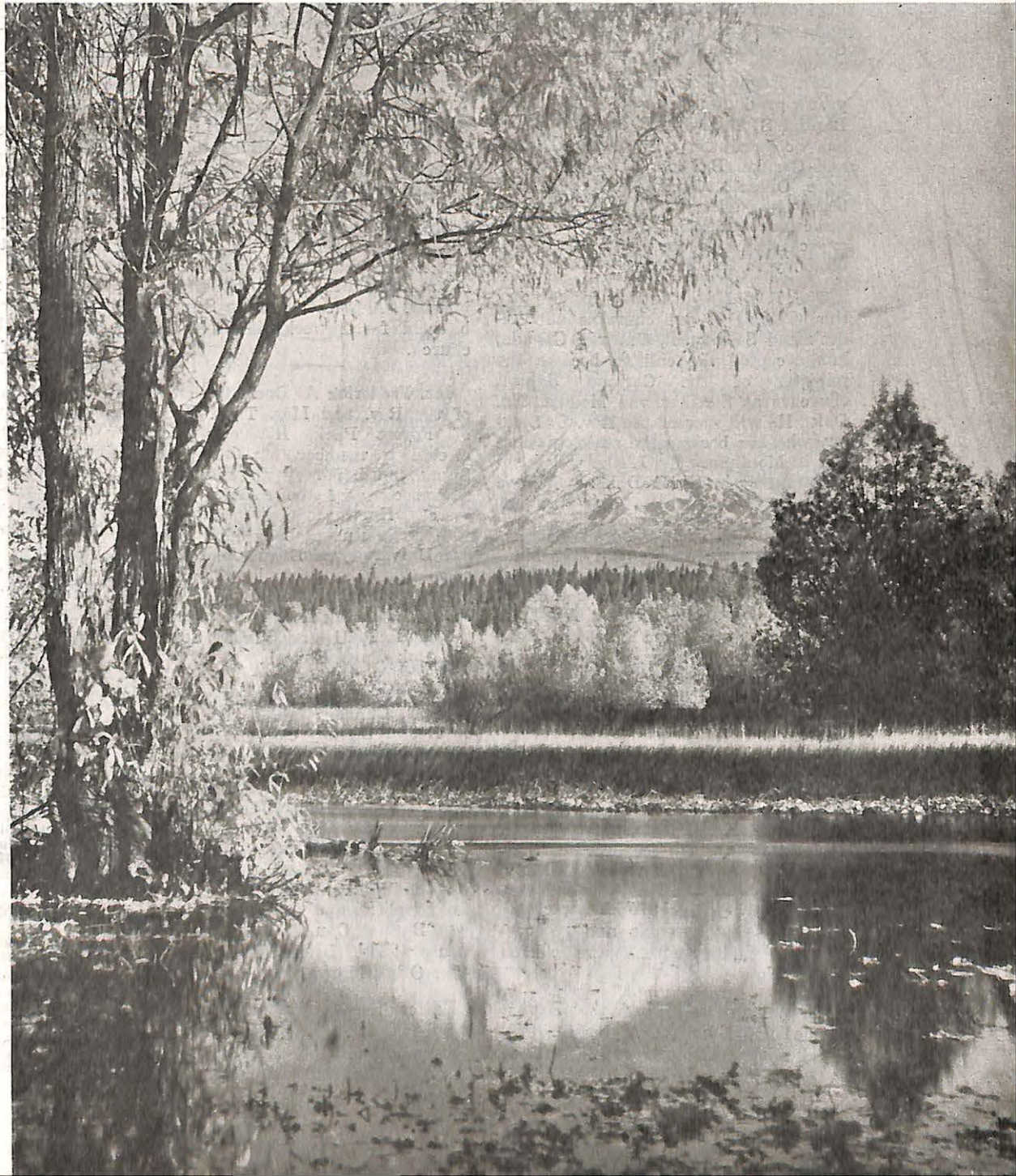


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Spring Has Come
in
all its Festive Colors
to the
State of Washington
Reflecting
in the Quiet Waters
of One
of its Many Rivers
the Reflection of
Lovely Mt. Adams!



What's Happening

The Rev. Fred Trautner of Hettinger, No. Dak., has resigned his charge in the Gnadenfeld Church in order to accept the call extended to him by the German Baptist Church of Eureka, So. Dak., with its several stations at Greenway, Weisenburg, Hoffnungstal, Tolstoy and Alaska. He will begin his ministry in Eureka on July 1.

The Rev. Herman A. Bothner of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been called to serve as pastor of the German Baptist Church of Pound, Wis., for the three months of April, May and June. Mr. Bothner, a member of the Second Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., is a graduate of the German Baptist Seminary and the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School of Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. Edgar Klatt, a member of this year's graduating class of the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., has accepted the call of the Calvary and German Baptist Churches of Killoe, Ontario, Canada, where he will begin his ministry soon after the commencement exercises on May 23. He expects to be ordained into the gospel ministry in the month of June.

The Rev. David Littke, for 6 years the minister of our churches at Lyndock and Sebastopol, Ontario, Canada, has accepted the call to become the minister of the German Baptist churches at Streeter and Medina, No. Dak. He will succeed the Rev. G. Eichler, who has become the state missionary in Montana. Mr. Littke will begin his ministry in North Dakota on June 6th.

The Rev. G. Eichler began his ministry as the state missionary of Montana on May 1st, preaching his farewell sermon in his former church at Streeter, North Dakota, on April 18. Mr. Eichler will cover a field of more than a thousand miles, ministering to the mission churches at Lambert, Vida, Bredy and Box Elder and carrying on other missionary activities wherever possible.

On Easter Sunday the enlarged choir of the Memorial Baptist Church of New Britain, Conn., sang the cantata, "The Risen King," to a large appreciative audience. On the previous Sunday the pastor of the church, the Rev. Reuben P. Jeschke, had baptized several persons. The church has recently purchased new hymnals and redecorated the auditorium of the church building.

The young people of the Baptist Church in Eberta, Alabama, presented a very interesting program on Easter Sunday evening with Miss Sa-

vine Lewis in charge. The program consisted of dialogues, recitations, musical numbers, and a brief address by the pastor, the Rev. Phil. Potzner. The young people are actively engaged in furthering the work of God's Kingdom on this promising missionary field.

"Children's Day Sunday" will again be observed on the second Sunday of June, namely, June 13, with colorful, festive programs to be held in most of the churches. The programs and recitation material have been sent by the publication society to all the churches. Several new songs by Prof. von Berge and Mr. Windisch are included in the program. If any additional material is desired, requests can be sent to Mr. M. L. Leuschner, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill.

The Rev. George Lang, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., received 4 persons into the fellowship of the church on Sunday, April 4, three of whom came by baptism. On Easter Sunday evening the church choir rendered the cantata, "King of the Ages," before a large audience. Mr. Ed Stabbert is the director of the choir and Miss Freda Stuermer the pianist. A Vacation Bible School will be held for 2 weeks in June by the church.

Mr. Frederick A. Dons, the only son of the Rev. and Mrs. Theo. W. Dons of Forest Park, Ill., was recently elected a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, an honorary national scholarship society of the colleges of commerce. He was one of 9 students out of a large student body of Northwestern University of Evanston, Ill., to receive this scholarship honor. He will be the recipient of the B. S. degree in June. Frederick Dons is very active in the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School of the Oak Park Church.

The young people's society of Olds, Alberta, Canada, held a fine program on Easter Sunday consisting of 2 dialogues in German and English, a pantomime, "The Old Rugged Cross," in which the solo was sung by Mrs. C. B. Thole. The president of the society, Miss Frances Link, brought an inspirational message. The young people's society of the English Baptist Church also brought a program recently for the members and friends of the German Baptist Church, featuring 2 dialogues, "The Lonesome Bibles" and "The Other Marys."

Easter Sunday had many spiritual blessings for the German Baptist Church in Martin, No. Dak. Both services were well attended with the

church filled to overflowing by members and friends. In the evening service two Easter plays were presented by the King's Daughters Class which were greatly appreciated by the audience. The musical program consisted of numbers by the choir, a male quartet and several duets. The offering amounted to \$27. The Rev. G. G. Rauser is the minister of the church.

The students' quartet of the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., will leave Rochester soon after the commencement exercises on Sunday, May 23, for a singing tour among the churches of the denomination. The members of this year's quartet are Karl Korella, Daniel Fuchs, Helmut Waltereit and Otto Zinn. They plan to visit our churches on the Atlantic seaboard, throughout the central states and the Dakotas, the Northern Conference churches in Canada and some of the churches on the Pacific Coast. We wish them "God speed!" on their ambitious summer tour.

The male chorus of the Second German Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., had a large part in the first annual song festival of the Union of Male Choruses of German Churches of North America held in the spacious auditorium of the St. Luke's Methodist Church of Newark, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, May 2. For 5 years the male chorus of the Second Church of Philadelphia had sung with two other choruses of the city for an annual festival. This was so successful that the larger union was organized with 5 choruses participating from Baptist, Lutheran and Methodist churches. On Sunday morning, May 2, the Philadelphia male chorus also sang in the Sunday School hour and worship service of the Clinton Hill Church of Newark, N. J.

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Editorial

NEAR the midway mark of this year 1937, it is our privilege to view the possibilities of making this "a banner year" for "The Baptist Herald."

A Banner Year for "The Baptist Herald."

The increase of subscriptions to a total approximating 4000 has been gratifying, even though not reaching the expected goal. Most of the letters that reach the editorial office comment on the gradual improvement in the contents of "The Baptist Herald."

However, 1937 will never be "a banner year," unless certain definite goals are reached before the close of December. At least five hundred new subscribers must be secured during the coming months. This should be far from a difficult task, in view of the generous special offer, announced in this issue by Mr. H. P. Donner, the business manager of the publication society. Think of it! For the small price of fifty cents "The Baptist Herald" will be sent to any new subscriber for seven months from June 1 to December 31. We especially urge present readers to order "The Baptist Herald" at this special offer for some distant member of the family or neighbor. Do this kind favor for someone else!

We assure our readers that the contents of "The Baptist Herald" will be constantly improved along with the increase in subscriptions. No stone is being left unturned to secure the best available articles. "The Baptist Herald" in the June 1st issue will publish the story of the hymn, "No Longer Lonely," related by the author and composer, Mr. Robert Harkness, which will appear in print for the first time anywhere in our publication. In view of the fact that the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God," will be sung as the General Conference song in Portland, the Rev. Wm. L. Schoeffel will tell its story and in-

terpret its message in a later issue. The favorite hymns, "The Old Rugged Cross," "In the Garden" and "Living for Jesus," will become much more precious to the reader after articles about them have appeared in "The Baptist Herald" to be based on personal interviews with the authors and composers.

This issue is presenting the first of a series of articles on the fundamentals of our Christian faith. We need to formulate our beliefs more clearly and to strengthen our convictions more deeply, if we are to let our lights shine for Christ in the world. The Rev. William H. Schober's article on "The Final Authority for Faith" is a masterful beginning for this series of articles, which will deserve earnest and prayerful consideration by our readers.

Colorful special numbers are being prepared. The June 15th issue will be a "Seminary Number," in which the call of God to full-time Christian service and the romance of the ministry will be featured along with the report of the seminary's commencement exercises. Preceding and following the General Conference in Portland from August 9 to 15 special issues of "The Baptist Herald" will cover every phase of these memorable sessions for those who cannot be present. Dr. Herbert Gezork, the close friend of Missionary Paul Gebauer and a scintillating writer, has promised to write the Thanksgiving message for "The Baptist Herald."

Unusual snapshots taken by our readers and enlarged will be used from time to time as front cover pictures. Contributions from the readers are always welcome. Any suggestions for the new serial story to begin in October will be given serious consideration. The editor is firmly convinced that this year can still become "a banner year" for "The Baptist Herald" if you will do your share of our mutual task.

The Final Authority for Faith

This notable article by the pastor of the Baptist Church of Victor, Iowa, is the first of a series of articles to be published in "The Baptist Herald" at monthly intervals on a clear and provocative interpretation of the fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith to be presented by a number of the ministers of the denomination.

By the REV. WILLIAM H. SCHOBERT

RECENTLY "The Moody Monthly" quoted the words of the youth secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society which are very much like the cry of many other young people of to-



Rev. Wm. H. Schobert

day. "Give us something with authority, something which springs from an eternal source!" This sentiment is not confined to any particular group of Christian young people but it is universal in scope. In grappling with the problem of certainty in a world of disorder, in a period of history when "men's hearts are failing them for fear," the voice of disunited Christendom and the emotional hysteria of hyper-Pentecostalism must be relegated to the side lines with firmness, even though kindly. This applies also to that approach which does not see "an infallible revelation" in the Scriptures. Appealing to reason alone will not suffice to reach out to finality. For faith goes on where reason ends. It must be insisted that authority can only come from an infallible Bible. There is no infallible church nor infallible experience that can be used as a guarantee of authority. Experience and individuals vary but God's Word never varies. It endures beyond time and into eternity.

Paul's own words in 2 Timothy 1:12 challenge the thinking and experience of men concerning life now and in the beyond. That God's Word is an infallible revelation from God is still held by many Christian people. These believe sincerely that the "Scriptures cannot be broken." They consider Paul's words to be part of the Holy Scripture. This text implies five distinct contrasts with far reaching differences. The apostle states, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that

which I have committed unto him against that day."

Knowledge versus Ignorance

There can be no satisfaction concerning eternity unless one can say, "I know." In the exact science the knowledge that two and two make four or that the angles of a right triangle are equal to 180 degrees enables one to say, "I know." Even so, when men have proven Christ in their lives they can say, "We know." Test tubes also verify the unknowable through analyzing and classifying the ingredients to be tested. Even so the ingredients of the gospel are tested in our lives and not found wanting.

Your neighbor upon being asked his name, does not reply, "I think my name is Frank Jones." He KNOWS that it is Frank Jones. It is no more presumptuous to claim to be a child of God if one has received him and thus has been invested with the authority and privileges of a Child of God. (John 1:12.) One need not circumvent the question, "Are you a Christian?" by answering, "I guess so" or "I hope so" or "I'm trying to be." One should be able to say, "Yes, I am, because I've received Christ and I am a new creation in him. I have believed in my heart and confessed him and so I am saved." (Rom. 10:9, 10.)

Only ignorance says, "I hope so." Knowledge says, "I know." From Paul to the present hour multitudes of people have been able to say, "We know." It was true of Calvin, Moody, Spurgeon and others. What was true of them may be true of young people today. Uncertainty raises its head from an ignorance of God's Word. It also comes from a failure to trust the promises of God. Faith in an unchangeable God should nullify every fearful trepidation concerning eternal verities. Eternity alone will tell the story of the tremendous toll of fear engendered by ignorance of God's eternal plan.

Christ versus the Unknown

Certainty in our Christian faith is not due to an impersonal "unknowable something-ness." It comes from endorsement of the prerogatives of the Lord Jesus Christ. This distinguishes Christianity from mere "religion." Where the embalmed body of Lenin or the paganism of the Swastika fail, and when every known precept

of the philosophers from Socrates to William James have been tried and found wanting at the bar of certainty, Christians turn to Jesus, "the author and finisher of their faith." Both the Scriptures and the experiences of numberless saints prove the contention of Paul—"whom therefore ye ignorantly worship him declare I unto you" (Acts 17:23).

Assurance of salvation is not found in the golden calf of custom or organization. Neither the state, nor dictatorship, nor the proposition of pseudo-science can procure the sense of security to the believer. The difference lies in the object of faith. It is in a "Whom" as opposed to an "it." The former guarantees eternal life, the latter is only a two-letter word.

Faith versus Unbelief

Entrusting one's life in the care of the Savior approximates the meaning of "faith." This is Godward, not towards self or man. The acceptance of the finished work of Christ without adding one spark of human merit assures one of receiving God's marvelous provision of salvation. (Eph. 2:8.)

True faith is more than a creed. Faith is the positive acceptance of the Savior, and therefore reaches beyond mere intellectual assent. Eternity lies in the contrast between believing "about" Christ and "in" him. When men pass from the historical Jesus to the present living Christ who by virtue of his blood at Calvary is "able to save unto the uttermost that come unto God by him," they cross over from mere credal affirmation to everlasting life. The distance from the mind to the heart is short, but it embraces a difference as far apart as heaven and hell. If faith in Christ were exercised as simply as trust in one's parents or in the ordinary events of life, such as the rising of the sun, the real meaning of faith would be discovered. It will embrace Paul's assertion, "I have believed."

Uncertainty comes partly through trusting in passing whims, in taking what men say as truth rather than the words of Jesus, "I am the way, the truth and the life." A personal sense of sin operates as successfully as any in the diminishing of assurance, but the sin-question is solved when young Christian people realize that "if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the Righteous."

God's Ability versus Man's Ability

The words of Jesus, "Him, that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out," are equivalent to Paul's words, "He is able to keep." How needful it is to stress in this day the sovereignty of God, to emphasize again the ability of the One who having begun a good work in a Christian will "perform it until the day of Jesus Christ." Will God fail of his objective to present every man "faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy"? Is the power of God able to keep those entrusted to his care by the Holy Spirit? Is he not the same, yesterday, today and

forever? How few there would be who would reach the heavenly portals if salvation depended on human faithfulness! The more talk there is about what man can do the less will be the confidence in the Word of God. Humanitarians never saved a soul for heaven.

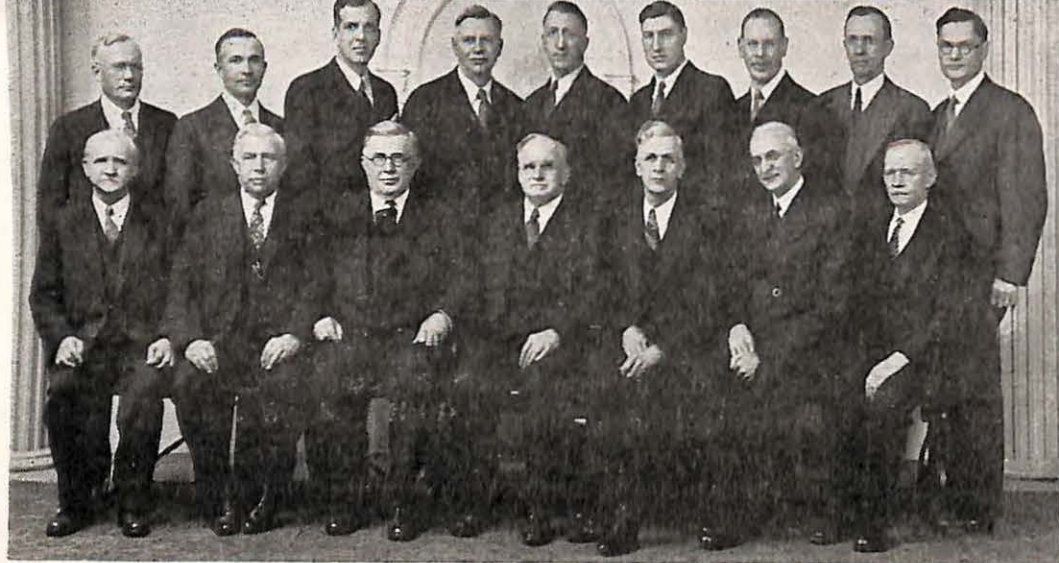
Man's inability to save himself is clearly taught in the Scriptures. Every promise of God to his child is a written guarantee between himself and a precious soul. God never has nor will he break his covenants with man. The divine panorama from Genesis to Revelation exhibits in no uncertain terms the glorious provisions that God has made in the rescue of man from the sphere of spiritual death so that "in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace."

Finality versus Uniformity

"He who knoweth the end from the beginning" are words that are more assuring to the soul than the dictum of the "modern intellectuals" who, with Peter's adversaries of old, say, "where is the promise of his coming since the father's fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." (2 Peter 3:4 and context.) If one thing in the Scriptures is emphasized on future events it is "Der Tag." "Against that Day" is evidence of a stopping-place in time. Such a view annihilates every possibility of life going on endlessly without purpose or objective. To whatever Paul refers may be a question of interpretation but that it refers to some definite time is unquestioned. The fact of it, nevertheless, militates against any idea that the world, with its cargo of living and dying men, will continue on its ceaseless journey through space without the intervention of God.

Is it to be supposed that evil, unrighteousness, war and poverty will continue forever? God forbid! For there is a day coming when goodness shall prevail on the earth, wars shall cease, and peace will ensue for a long period of time. As in the day of Noah men today may live carelessly and with a premium on "licensed lust," but God is still sovereign and in authority. A "day" is coming, and blessed is the one whose life is anchored in his with whom there is "no variableness nor shadow of turning"! Should that crisis come tomorrow then the child of God has nothing to fear for he can say, "I know that my redeemer liveth and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." He it is, who out of the conglomerate pieces which compose our jig-saw lives, is able to re-create the Master-piece of this day of grace, a new creation in Christ Jesus.

He cannot reverse his promises for they are embedded in the very nature and person of God. This then brings disorder into form and life into color. This changes wishful thinking and living to dynamic purposes in life, that which "turns the world upside-down."



The General Missionary Society at Forest Park, Illinois
Front Row from Left to Right: H. Koch (Visitor), A. Becker, J. Kratt, Wm. Kuhn, H. W. Wedel, W. S. Argow, J. G. Draewell.
Second Row from Left to Right: H. P. Kayser, P. Daum, P. Wengel, G. Eichler, H. Palfenier, G. A. Lang, C. Wagner, S. Blum (Editor of "Der Sendbote"), A. Kraemer.

The annual sessions of the General Missionary Committee were held this year on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 13 and 14, in the offices of the General Missionary Society at Forest Park, Illinois. This occasion affords a very favorable opportunity to all the members of the committee to become better acquainted with the nature and extent of our missionary enterprise. We would also like to wish this same opportunity for all the members of our churches and friends of our missionary work.

Gratitude to God

Our hearts are filled with gratitude to God, that he has considered us worthy enough to be his co-laborers to such a large extent. If God had not entrusted so much to us, then our significance in the cause of his kingdom would be proportionately smaller. It will always be our most solemn purpose to be found faithful in the administration of those tasks which God has entrusted to us.

We may not be able literally to fulfill Jesus' words, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields!" But in a study of the following descriptive statement the readers will see a composite picture of our missionary enterprise. The figures represent the apportionments which have just been made by the General Missionary Committee and which were effective with the beginning of the new missionary year on April 1. During the ensuing year a number of other apportionments will have to be made, which will add considerably to the totals of money here cited.

Our Missionary Enterprise

Home Missions \$30,767.00

In our missionary work at home we have 84 ministers serving local churches, district missionaries, Women missionaries, evangelist and students in summer ministries who are receiving missionary aid.

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| Aged ministers and Ministers' widows | \$2,538.00 |
| There are 21 ministers and ministers' widows who are receiving this apportionment of missionary aid. | |
| Relief for 31 Persons | 4,022.00 |
| Minister's Pension for 63 Ministers and Ministers' Widows | 15,269.64 |
| Total | \$52,596.64 |
| Foreign Missions | |
| Cameroons, Africa—3 Missionaries | \$ 2,180.00 |
| D. L. M. and Austria—6 Missionaries | 3,316.00 |
| Bulgaria—21 Missionaries | 4,104.00 |
| Jugoslavia—10 Missionaries | 1,921.00 |
| Czechoslovakia—4 Missionaries | 1,120.00 |
| Rumania—10 Missionaries | 2,023.00 |
| Hungary—9 Missionaries | 1,284.00 |
| Germany—1 Missionary | 200.00 |
| Poland—9 Missionaries | 756.00 |
| Total | \$16,904.00 |

The grand total of our apportionments for missionary enterprises on April 1, 1937, was \$69,500.64. We may also safely assume that during the coming year our missionary disbursements will be even \$15,000 higher than the above sum. Only by faith in God's faithfulness and with confidence in the willing cooperation of our church members are we enabled to make such apportionments.

A careful study of the above figures will be rewarding to the reader. They are an evidence of the solemn responsibility that God has entrusted to us and of the widespread ministry of our missionary enterprise.

The Harvest is Ready

Jesus said to the Samaritans as they came to him from the nearby village, Sychar: "The fields are white already to harvest." Many of these Samaritans, even after a few days had elapsed, confessed: "We have heard him ourselves and know that this is indeed the

"Lift up Your Eyes and Look!"

By the REV. WM. KUHN,

General Missionary Secretary

Christ, the Savior of the world." Our mission fields are also white and ready for the harvest. We shall hear the clear call to the work of the harvest, only if we look upon the fields with eyes that are illumined by the spirit of Christ. In such a field "white already to harvest" the work of harvesting has to be continued without delay, or otherwise much will be lost. In the observation of our mission fields ready for the harvest we do not want to become absorbed in idle dreaming, but we want to be ready for immediate sacrificial service. If very church member faithfully meets the responsibilities which are his in his own immediate vicinity, then the many sheaves upon the widely scattered mission fields can be gathered into the harvest.

The Reward of the Laborer

Jesus said that "he that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal, that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." Our Lord does not withhold the wages due every faithful laborer, even though these are not always paid in money and goods. Even the consciousness of being a co-worker in the glorious kingdom enterprise is a recompense for all sacrifices made. The laborers of God's harvest field are gathering fruit unto life eternal. That certainly means that the productiveness of our service continues into the life beyond and does not wither away like the temporal things of this world when they are touched by death's cold hand. As God's co-workers we have, even now, the opportunity of enriching our own eternity. Only these laborers for God, even with the great variety of tasks apportioned to them, will be able to rejoice with him in the success of his work upon the widespread mission fields of the world. This joy is ours today as a foretaste of things to come. On the day of Jesus Christ our joy will be boundless, even beyond that which we have experienced or imagined this joy to be!

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Kingdom Victories in Kakaland

By MISSIONARY PAUL GEBAUER of the Cameroons, Africa

In 1934 two missionaries climbed over the mountains of Africa that keep the rest of the world out of Kakaland. The late Sango Bender was one of them and I was the other one. We looked at the land and its people, and we saw the chief to apply to him for a permanent settlement in Kaka. That was in 1934.

Last February (1936) two missionaries again came down the hills and into Kakaland. This time they came to stay. They prayed and they preached. They built huts and planted trees. They assembled the handful of Kaka Baptists whom they met in the land and with them they began to discover the remnants of the work attempted before by others. Five sturdy Baptists from one of our former mission fields came to help us in surveying and making use of the possibilities. We found 2½ Baptists in the whole land, three chapels here and there, and we met groups of people interested in the "God-palaver." Such was our start, Clara's and mine.

Those who like figures may be interested to read the following report at the end of the first year in Kakaland.

- 20 Kaka Negroes were baptized during last October;
- 1 Bapt'st Church has been organized in October;
- 37 Baptists are now found within the borders of Kaka;
- 675 natives have put their names on record as candidates for baptism;
- 8 chapels are now in existence;
- 4 more chapels will be completed during January, 1938;
- 1 extremely primitive training school for helpers;
- 1 regular Public School will open April 1, 1937, under our care.

Miss Edith Koppin, the nurse who hails from Detroit, arrived here in July, 1936. So did her medicine cases, her knowledge of the sick and the healthy, her wisdom about women in general and the Hausa language in particular. Miss Koppin has to her credit at the end of this year a long list of patients treated, of cases taken care of, and of those who never felt her gentle touch. Most of her charges have become well, none have died from the treatments and all are cheerful about the "Mission Doctor." Miss Koppin has fallen in love with these "ebony beauties" for which Kaka is famous. We hope that in due time she will gain that influence necessary for the improvement of the world in which womanhood lives and finds its contentment.

It is the trying task of my wife, Clara, to teach old and young Baptists

the secrets of the white man's ABC. Day after day she is at it with hopeful and hopeless results in order that in time there may arise within the Kaka Bapt'st fellowship a number of leaders, who will be able to read and to write. They will then displace the strangers whom we now have with us as fellow-workers. Clara Gebauer has also completed all preparations for the opening of an English School on the 1st of April. If wisdom and guidance from above remain ours we shall see in this school a most helpful factor in the evangelization of the tribe, and even more, through that school African youth will be better equipped for the struggle of awakening Africa by having character and knowledge added to the grace they have found in Christ Jesus.



A Common Experience Even for a Woman Missionary Having to Wade a River in Africa During the Rainy Season With the Aid of a Native Worker

Twenty Kaka Negroes were baptized last October. It would have been easy to do the baptizing myself, but we are foolish enough to believe that these churches right at the outset should be put on their own feet. We invited an evangelist from another field, and he did the baptizing. The first Kaka church was organized before the month was over. Three deacons were elected by the membership. One of them serves the Kaka members. The other one cares for the strangers that are members of the church. A deaconess, a young woman recently married, is responsible for the five women in the fellowship. Your missionaries have an advisory voice in the matters of their young church, and that is all.

We believe with that great mission-

ary of old that the Spirit of God will guide these young Christians into all truth. We believe that these beginners can be trained to listen to the voice of God more than to the voice of their missionaries. We leave to them all financial worries and we plan with them the extension of the work.

While this is written the church is busy building its permanent chapel. The mission is giving a bricklayer, and under his guidance the 32 natives carried stones, made bricks, and now are building wall after wall. You will see a picture of that first brick church at the Portland Conference. You will, perhaps, appreciate the efforts of these Baptists more if you hear that theirs is a race against an army of white ants. Kaka with its red soil, climate and timber is a paradise for termites.

The African native Christians, whom we are training, are the real workers. We only go to see them, to check up on their schools, to have a few hours of fellowship with them before we pass on to other stations and other tasks. They toil along faithfully and for their living only. For their real work they cannot be paid. They are the soul-winners and we report about their harvesting. We do help them through guidance, fellowship, instruction, and we try to give them a deeper understanding of God's call to them and to us. And while they stay in one place, it remains the task of your missionaries to sail on for new contacts with new places in order that the last corner of your mission field may hear the news that the Savior has come.

Contributor's Page

Mother's Day

By JEROLD DALE SCHULZ
of Washburn, No. Dak.

(Jerold, the author of this fine poem, is eleven years of age. Editor.)

Mother's Day comes once a year,
Then we should help our mother dear;
We can help her in her daily deeds,
Our little help she really needs.

My mother, oh, so sweet,
On Mother's Day what a treat,
Young or old we can love
Our Mother and our Father above.

Little deeds we can do
And help her the whole year through;
Then what a happy day it will be
On this day for you and me.

The Center of God's Will

By MRS. WILLIAM SCHINDLER
of Detroit, Michigan

Dear Lord, please keep me
In the center of thy will;
Let me kneel in prayer
And wait upon thee still;
I place my all upon thy altar,
I try so hard to do thy will.
Oh, Lord, please do not let me falter;
Whatever the cost or price would be,
Just keep me ever close to thee.
I want thee to use me wholly,
My life, my earthly goods, my all;
So often I am tempted,
I cry to thee, Lord, lest I fall.
So keep, me, Father, ever near
Always in the center of thy will,
And with thy love, so compassionate,
My life, my being fill.

Life's Burden

By MISS CLARA JARS
of Leduc, Alberta, Canada

When you find life's burden
Much too heavy to bear,
And you haven't a friend
Who your troubles can share,
Remember, there's One in heaven above,
Who is willing to help with endearing love.

Though the world torments you,
There is no need to fear,
God will stay by your side,
Till that morning draws near,
When quickly he'll come in his glory,
To fulfill that glorious story.

What a blessed reunion that will be
When we'll all be together on high,
And our Savior, the Christ, we shall see,
And never again to say, "Good-bye."

Friends of Jesus

Contributed by MISS MARTHA R. WIESE
of Corona, South Dakota

(The following verse was often heard by the contributor over the radio, and since it left its impression of truth on her heart, she is sending it on to others. Editor.)

"There is a destiny that makes us brothers,
None goes his way alone;
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own."

—Selected.

We Speed Away

By the REV. E. BIBELHEIMER
of Missoula, Montana

How swiftly we do speed away!
We speed away each passing day,
As swiftly as the moments fly,
So speed we onward, you and I.

And knowing this, why should we try
The rules of heaven to defy,
The laws of him who by his Word
Created all? It is absurd!

The sun, the moon, the planets all,
The universe obey his call;
In perfect harmony they move
In time, in tune with him above.

They all proclaim their maker's praise
As on they speed, till end of days,
The eternal God to glorify.
They do his will—then why not I?

Forgive, dear Lord, my waywardness
And help me as I onward press
That I may be more swift to see
What thou wouldst have me do and be.

A Tribute to the Late Rev. H. C. Baum, Evangelist

By MISS HILDA BITZ
of Grainger, Alberta, Canada

My heart bent low, my step grew slow,
As time rolled back five years
To a spot most dear, not far from here,
Where peace was made with God.
Words I recalled: "Christ paid it all.
He shed his blood for you."
My soul rejoiced, its praises voiced
To God for his salvation.

Blest instrument, whom God had sent
To point me to the Cross.
Who was that one? Why it was none
But Brother H. C. Baum,
With silvery hair, head bowed in prayer
Before he preached the Word!
That word of praise and his kind face
Will always live for me!

A page I turn—these letters burn—
"Our brother fell asleep!"
It cannot be! It must not be!
My father in the Spirit
Who speaks no more, as he did before,
But in another tongue,
From him the call, "Come, leaving all,
As I have followed Christ!"

The Lord of love, who lives above,
Has called his servant home
With, "Faithful one, thy work is done,
Come rest in thy reward."
With all the others, sisters, brothers,
Who came to Light through him,
I'll stand some day in bright array,
And thank that man of God!

The Life of Jesus

By MYRTLE E. JANZEN
of Morris, Manitoba, Canada

(The author of this lovely poem is a talented Canadian girl who was 12 years of age on Good Friday of this year. She is a member of the German Baptist Church of Morris. Editor.)

Jesus was born in Bethlehem;
He was a carpenter, Son of Him;
As a boy he awaited the Passover Day,
And eagerly went with parents away.

Twelve years old was Jesus then,
When he was left in Jerusalem;
The doctors were quietly listening to him,
While he was answering questions for them.

His parents sought him for four long days,
While Jesus was going his Father's ways;
Then they found him in the temple
Giving others an example.

Thirty years was Jesus old,
When John the Baptist of him told;
Some people talked of him as King,
While others of his praise did sing.

Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
Was baptized by the Baptist, John;
Then out from the heavens that opened above
Came the Holy Spirit as a dove.

Great wonders attended Christ in his last years,
And with many a sad one he shed his tears.
Then on Friday he was crucified,
'Twas for us that he so died.

And he was laid in a grave of rock,
Where at the door a stone was the lock;
In spite of rock, and guards and stone,
Christ arose, yes, he alone.
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Children's Page

Edited by MISS ALICE KAAZ of New Haven, Connecticut

The Beautiful Suit of Chulavette

Edited by CHRISTINE JACOBIAN

When a little Indian boy or girl of Mexico says, "Oh, Mother, tell me a story!" Mother smiles for she knows immediately what story it is going to be. But just the same she asks the question, "And what story shall I tell you, my little tomat?" And ever the same, the answer comes, "The story of Chulavette, Mother."

Would you American boys and girls like to listen in? Ssh! Then hide behind the door, there, and don't make a noise.

Once upon a time there was an Indian boy, named "Chulavette." He was tall and straight and very, very handsome. Ah, he was a boy to be proud of, this Chulavette! But he was not rich. No, he was very poor.

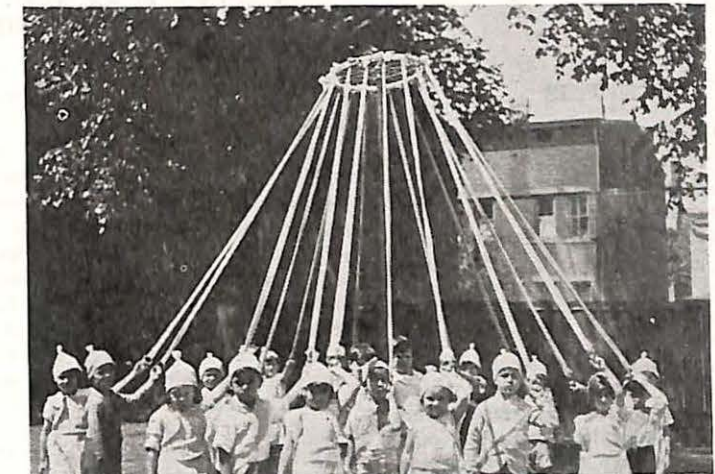
But one day, on his eighteenth birthday, he received a suit of clothes from a rich relative. The suit was not brand new, but what of that? It was the first suit that Chulavette had ever had. He put it on. Ah, how beautiful he looked! How handsome! He would go and parade up and down before the house of the rich people on the hill. They would see him and perhaps invite him in.

And that is just what happened! The rich people liked this young man who wore such a beautiful suit. They thought he must be rich, too. They invited him again and again. So it happened that Chulavette went often to the home of these rich people always wearing his beautiful suit.

But one evening Chulavette did not wear his beautiful suit. "They know me now," he thought. "We are good friends. I shall go in my own skin, the way I used to dress. It will be more comfortable." He knocked on the door, but when the people opened it and saw the naked Indian standing there, they did not know him. "Go away, you naked Indian," they cried, "how dare you be begging at our door!" Chulavette walked sadly home.

The next night he dressed carefully in his beautiful suit and went again to the door of these rich people. "Ah, Chulavette," they cried, "we are so happy to see you, dear friend! We expected you last night, but you did not come. Come, sit at our table. You shall be our honored guest."

What a great feast there was! There were all kinds of stuffed fowl, rich



May Time is a Gay Time Around the May Pole

gravy, soups, and many different vegetables. Everything was passed first to Chulavette,—for was not he the guest of honor? And everyone waited until he had been served. Very slowly and carefully Chulavette took a huge piece of chicken and wiped it over his beautiful suit. "Chulavette," they gasped, "what are you doing?" But he made no answer. Instead he poured a great bowl of soup over himself, and did the same thing with the gravy and the vegetables—one by one. Then Chulavette rose, and oh, his suit, his beautiful suit was, indeed, a sorry sight! "Rich people," he said, "it is the beautiful suit you have invited to dinner, not Chulavette. And so I have fed the suit. It is with the beautiful suit you have made friends, not Chulavette. The beautiful suit you know, but not the heart of Chulavette." So saying, he left, and never again did he go to these rich people.

Books

B is for books big and small,
With words of wisdom in them all.
O is for old books shabby and worn,
Through careless handling the pages got torn.
O is for other books shiny and new,
Their good condition depends on you.
K is for kind treatment which we should serve
To all books we handle without reserve.
S is for service which all books give,
The better we care for them the longer they'll live.
(Composed by Henrietta Behler and some of her fifth grade classmates.)

Something to Make

"It is blossom time and all the world is gay," and so a corsage would be a very appropriate favor for your next party. All you need is some small gum drops, fairly thin wire, small sized paper doilies, and green crepe paper. Cut the wire about four inches long and stick the gum drops on one end of each wire. Take nine to twelve for one bouquet, or as many as you wish. Place the bunch through a small hole in the center of the doily; then hold the wires together and wrap a strip of the crepe paper around them. You'll find this will brighten up your tables at a church banquet or social.

Answer to Magic Square Puzzle

Number 5 is in the middle square with 2, 4, 6, 8 in the corners and the other numbers filling in the remaining squares so the totals will equal 15.

Can You Read

the following as one complete sentence?

Stand Take To Takings
I U Throw My

Mirror Tricks

No doubt, many of you have done mirror writings and here is something else you can do with a mirror, pencil and paper.

Place mirror so you can look into it and see what you are writing. Then have someone hold a paper over your head so you cannot look at your paper except through the mirror. Next draw or trace over a star. You can also try the same thing with a square with two diagonal lines inside from corner to corner.

A Song Forever

By Paul Hutchins

SYNOPSIS

Gardner and Clyde Wilkens found a strange chasm separating their lives, even though they were brothers, following the sudden death of their father. Clyde, a worldly fellow who was interested most in playing the saxophone for a dance orchestra, suspected his brother of hypocrisy and accused him of having been responsible for the father's heart attack. Gardner, following the terrible auto accident in which he and his friend, Lela Harrison, had been injured, had taken over the editorial management of his father's newspaper, and was conducting the business on uncompromising Christian principles. A revival was in progress in the local church and Clyde attended one evening because everyone else was going to the meetings and because Erwin, his friend, had persuaded him to go along.

CHAPTER NINE

Now, as Clyde sat in the rear of the church and looked on he was terribly bored. In spite of the fact that he tried to hate the whole thing, he was drawn irresistibly. Sometimes he almost wished he were a Christian. He half envied the lady pianist who played with such grace and skill. There was a fascination about her playing. He had not known that a simple church hymn could be so attractive. Some of the melodies were positively beautiful. Playing the octaves, the right hand taking all four parts and the left hand doubling the bass—that was new to him. He'd been trying it some recently without much success. If he knew her well enough he'd ask her how she did it.

Clyde shifted his position and reached into the rack in front of him for a song book. The opening number was one he used to like when he was too young to know that church and Sunday School were for children and old people!

Away across the church, Gardner sat with Mr. Howard, the grocer. Mr. Howard was a Christian too; he and Father'd been good friends. Mr. Howard taught Father's Bible class now on Sundays. They were in the same pew that Father used to sit in—yes the whole family used to sit there when Tommy was a baby and when they all went to church together. Mother used to sit where Gardner was right

now; then Gardner and Clyde; and Father held Tommy on his lap.

The music started. Erwin's clarinet could be heard along with the other instruments. Erwin didn't seem to be ashamed either. Some of the instruments were out of tune, but then what could you expect from a church orchestra! Someday he would have an orchestra all his own—one that would be talked about all over the country. They'd play over the radio, too, like Paul Whiteman and some of the others. Then when he came back to town after a road trip to Washington or somewhere, he'd play, just for old memories' sake, out at the Wee Woods Dance Hall. Gardner'd have to advertise it in the paper then. But Gardner wouldn't, though! Gardner was so set in his ways!

At the close of the address, Clyde waited in the rear for Erwin. There was still time enough to drive to Wee Woods.... Clyde had hurried out at the close of the service, when the invitation was about to begin. It made him nervous to sit there, feeling all the time as if he should surrender to Christ and go forward to confess him publicly. Sometimes he almost loved Jesus, when he listened to the sermon, almost decided to trust him and begin to live for him. Tonight especially—while the preacher was telling about the cross.

"It is not necessary to come forward in order to be saved," the evangelist explained. "Paul was converted on the Damascus road, the Philippian jailor either in jail or in his own home, Lydia at the river side, and Cornelius and his family and friends in his home. All the public prayers, confessions, church joining, coming forward—none of these can save you. Salvation is a personal relationship with Christ! You believe on him as the Son of God and yield to him and that will can do this anywhere: at home, on the farm, as your work or elsewhere. Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that hath believed my word and believeth on him shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." The essential part is, that you personally, heart, renounce your sins and believe on him. The moment you do, you are saved. 'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.' At

that moment you become a Christian; you have eternal life. For 'He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life....' It is not your work, but his work at Calvary, that counts for your salvation. Of course after you are saved, you are expected to live for him; and this you most surely will do, if you know him aright."

That made things a lot plainer to Clyde, and tonight when he left the church he was more interested than ever before. Still he was not ready to yield. And until he was ready....

"I'm not ready!" he declared to Erwin emphatically as the car sped out of town toward the open country.

"Well," Erwin returned slowly and with conviction, "I've made up my mind. I'm going forward tomorrow night."

Clyde was dismayed. He could see the plans for his orchestra going to pieces. He had counted on Erwin's clarinet. "Oh, good night! What do you want to do that for?"

The light from the dash showed Erwin's face and Clyde had a fleeting glimpse of it when for a moment he took his eyes off the road. Erwin spoke again. "I've been thinking about it a long time. Down in Alabama I used to go home from church with my decision almost made, but it seemed like something was holding me back. I didn't know what it was until one night last week when the minister explained that the only thing that was holding anybody back was his own will. So I knew then that I was to blame and that it was my old southern stubborn heart that was keeping me from being saved."

Clyde listened against his will. It was as if Erwin were laying bare the secrets of his own unbelieving heart. "Well, what.... how did you happen to decide so quickly?"

"Quickly! I didn't. I fought the thing for years, saying 'no' and trying to harden my heart all the time. Then after I came up here I got started with the Rhythm Makers and I hated to turn down all that money. Sometimes I played as many as five nights a week; and three dollars a night came in mighty handy, I can tell you. I just made up my mind to forget about being a Christian. But that didn't seem to make any difference with the Lord. He kept right after me. I guess he must've used a thousand things to keep me thinking of it."

Clyde knew what Erwin meant; he only wished he didn't have to listen to all this. It'd make it harder for him to forget now.

They were nearing the dance. The colored lights all around the building created an atmosphere of worldliness. The cars, lined up, row upon row, on all sides, told of the popularity of this form of amusement. The things Clyde had heard in the church and Erwin's words on the way out began to lose their hold upon him. He was seized with a spirit of daring and with a desire for pleasure and freedom from restraint. Life was full of pleasure, light, frivolous things that appealed and sent the blood racing in his veins. Eagerness, expectancy, forgetfulness of higher things, immediate gratification of the desire of the flesh, popularity, laughter, tantalizing music.... all this was just ahead of him! And behind him was.... the church. Drab, colorless conversation, prayer meetings, hymn singing, orchestra out of tune.... restraint! Here was freedom. His soul cried for freedom. Clyde laughed and shrugged his shoulders. Here was pleasure. Here was his crowd; here his choice! Here he could be released from the accusations of conscience; the hand on the bridle would be removed. Tomorrow and tomorrow night he might be awakened once more, but for the present, the voice of the Spirit could not reach him. Tonight he would dream, undisturbed.

Erwin protested when they were parking the car and begged to be released from going in. "It seems so empty, Clyde. Can't you hear that beautiful harmony? It's being ruined! They're rushing against its will. It wants to go slowly. Oh, they're crushing the life out of it! They're making a thing of beauty into a clattering jumble! Oh how could I have done it myself! I must have been crazy!"

"Come on, lets get in for the fun," Clyde urged. "That's hot music. Oh boy! Hear their heels hit the floor!"

"I.... I can't!" Erwin gulped. "It... it doesn't seem to fit in... I..."

"Fit in with what?"

"You know what I mean, Clyde. The two don't mix. I told you I'd made up my mind. If you'd seen what I saw tonight, you'd understand."

"What'd you see?" Clyde asked beligerently.

"It may sound funny to you, Clyde, but...." Erwin wished he could explain what he had visualized during the minister's address. He was overwhelmed with a desire to have Clyde see for himself.

When the evangelist was telling about the nails being driven into Jesus' hands and feet, when they were fastening him to the cross, Erwin had seen himself, along with thousands of other players, playing his clarinet. The beating of the drums were the blows which were driving in the spikes. His own playing seemed to be a part

of some terrible orchestra whose music was wild, mad, uncontrolled. With every thud of the hammer he could see himself, driving in the nails, the notes coming from his instrument were the spikes which were sinking mercilessly into the quivering flesh of the Lord Jesus.

Erwin tried to explain it, but he was not able to adequately express himself. He succeeded only in convincing Clyde that some peculiar thing had happened to him and to cause Clyde to rebel still more.

Clyde's dreams for an orchestra of his own were shattered. Erwin was to blame; the evangelist was to blame; the pastor, Rev. Phillips, was to blame. And in the jumble of his thoughts, Clyde arrived at the conclusion that God himself was responsible. God didn't want him to have a good time. Oh, God hadn't even let Jesus have a good time, but had made him come down here to die on a cross. No, God didn't love people like the ministers claimed he did. He was only interested in taking away all their fun and making them act different from everybody else.

It was past the midnight hour before Clyde's steps were heard coming up the stairs. Tommy lay awake listening. His heart was heavy. He had insisted on sharing Gardner's bed. He had tried to sleep alone for a few nights but he had been so accustomed to having Gardner beside him. During his waking hours, Tommy was independent and quite able to take care of himself, but when the darkness came on and he would lie there on the big pillow all alone, a sense of loneliness would creep over him. He missed Gardner. No, he didn't ever want to live anywhere without Gardner. He couldn't even sleep without him. It had been terrible while Gardner was in the hospital.

Now Tommy could hear Clyde in the bathroom. A whiff of cigarette smoke came in from the hall. Tommy was glad Gardner didn't smoke. Father never had and he never would either. Oh, smoking wouldn't keep a man out of heaven, but as Father used to say, he couldn't afford to use tobacco because of the expense; he could support a native missionary for what some men threw away every year on a "dirty habit."

A little later Tommy turned over again and tried to sleep. Why couldn't he sleep? Nearly always he just dropped off as soon as he lay down. Gardner, beside him, was breathing regularly.... Clyde went from the bathroom down the hall to his own room. Tommy could hear the door go shut. Clyde always slept with the door shut.

Again Tommy turned and sighed. He wished Gardner would wake up—just for a little while—so he wouldn't feel so lonesome. Maybe it was the moonlight on the bed that kept him awake.

It shone right straight in tonight. Jack Frost had come suddenly and taken all the leaves off the old maple and Tommy hadn't even got to see the beautiful colors like he had last year.

For a moment Tommy looked at the ceiling, half expecting to see the little squares from the register in the floor. He didn't have a father to take care of him now.... and.... Mother had gone so long he couldn't even remember her. They must be happy up there in.... in heaven. Jesus would probably be especially good to them, 'cause they had to go up all alone.... they didn't have any of their children there or anything.

(To Be Continued)

Beside the City of Roses

SAILING DOWN LIFE'S RIVER

By Mr. Samuel Rich

Coming home from the Oregon young people's assembly at Twin Rocks last summer, we chose the longer route which brought us northward along the Oregon Coast line to Astoria and the mouth of the Columbia River. As we swung around the bay we saw, in the distance a large vessel crossing the bar into the river. We drove around the point to Astoria and down onto the docks, lined with a gay assortment of fishing boats, just in time to see the vessel go steaming by. Later, driving eastward on the lower Columbia highway, we kept abreast of the ship for a number of miles. Along the river as well as at the mouth are many buoys which direct or warn the ship to stay clear. In the captain's room are many charts and instruments which enable him to guide his ship safely down the river. While we watched, the ship seemed to glide smoothly through the water, very rapidly, indicating that the man at the helm was confident of his course.

God has given to each of us a ship to sail down life's river. He has given us a compass, a set of charts, and he has set warning lights and signals along the way. Each one is responsible for guiding his ship safely to port. We must obey the Compass which is Christ. We must read the Charts as given us in the Bible. We must heed the warnings which he gives us through his servants along our way.

Are you a good captain?

Why Children's Day

By Eva Yung

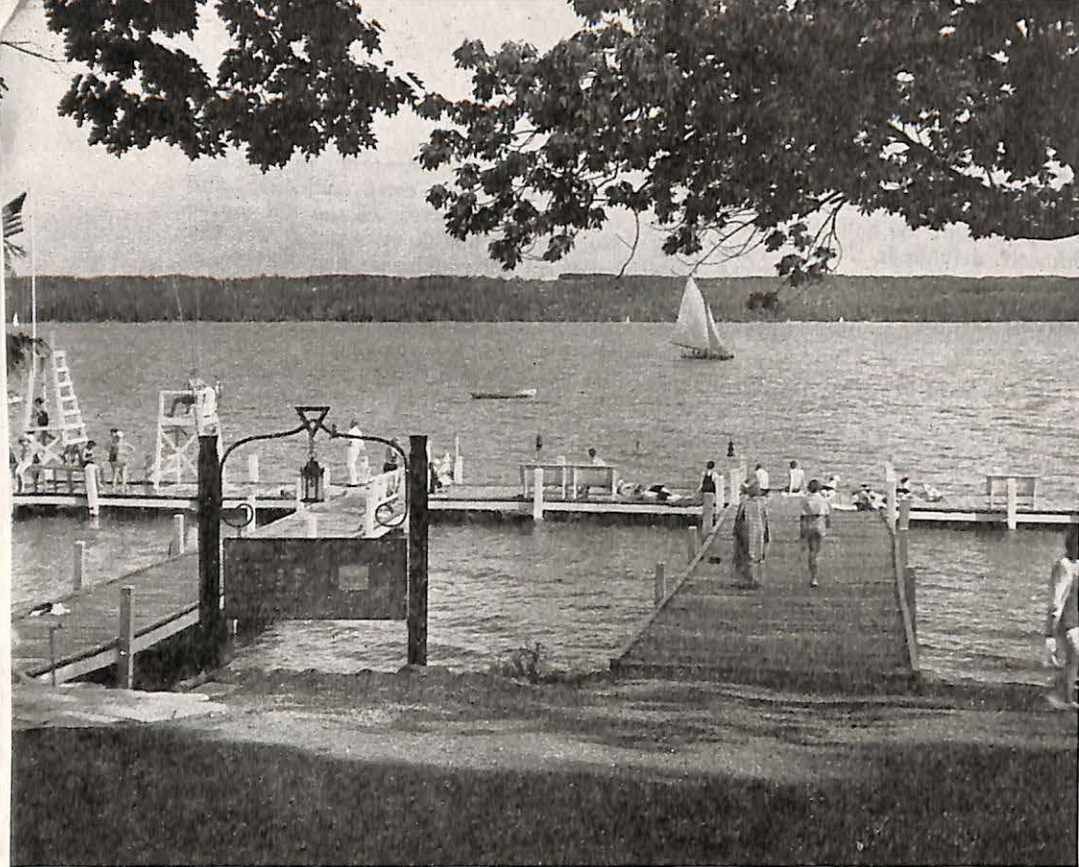
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The officers of the "Jugendbund," in planning this assembly, feel that they are meeting a need of the people of our churches in the Central Conference. It will afford the individuals, as well as whole families, an opportunity of spending an entire week's vacation at reasonable rates with friends of our own faith.

A special weekend program has been planned for those who find it impossible to attend the conference for the full week. A crowd of 500 is expected for the days from July 3 to 5.

Elsewhere on this page is a program of the conference. You will note that a varied program has been arranged. Spiritual, recreational, inspirational and educational features are available to all.

If you plan to attend either the whole week or the weekend, it will be necessary to register. The registration fee is \$1.00 per person. This may be sent to Miss Betty Kleindienst, P. O. Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

For any other information address Victor Loewen, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill.
THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Assembly Program

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

6 P. M.: Dinner

8-9 P. M.: Happy Hollow Get Together

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

7:00 A. M.: Morning Dip and Daily Devotions.

8:00 A. M.: Breakfast.

9:00-9:15 A. M.: Devotions—Rev. J. A. Mueller, Immanuel.

9:20-10:05: Class: Professor A. Bretschneider, "1st Corinthians."

10:10-10:55 A. M.: Class: Rev. M. L.

Leuschner. "Young People's Problems."

11:00-12:00 A. M.: Morning Swim.

12:30-1:30 P. M.: Lunch.

2:00-2:45 P. M.: Class: Dr. Emerson, "Psychology."

3:00-6:00 P. M.: Recreation.

8:00-8:45 P. M.: Evening Service—Rev. Theo. W. Dons.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

Same program during the day. Speaker at the evening service, Rev. L. Gittings.

FRIDAY, JULY 2

Same program during the day. The evening service will be a missionary program conducted by the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D. D.

Special Weekend Program

SATURDAY, JULY 3

Same program during the morning.

2:00-6:00 P. M.: Recreation. Also Lecture at Yerkes Observatory at 3:00 P. M.

6:30 P. M.: Banquet. Toastmaster, Walter Grosser.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

7:00-7:30 A. M.: Communion Service on Vision Hill.

9:30-10:45 A. M.: Sunday School—Walter Pankratz.

11:00-12:00 A. M.: Church Service—Prof. A. Bretschneider.

3:30-4:30 P. M.: Afternoon Musical—Arthur Pankratz.

8:00-9:30 P. M.: Evening Consecration Service.

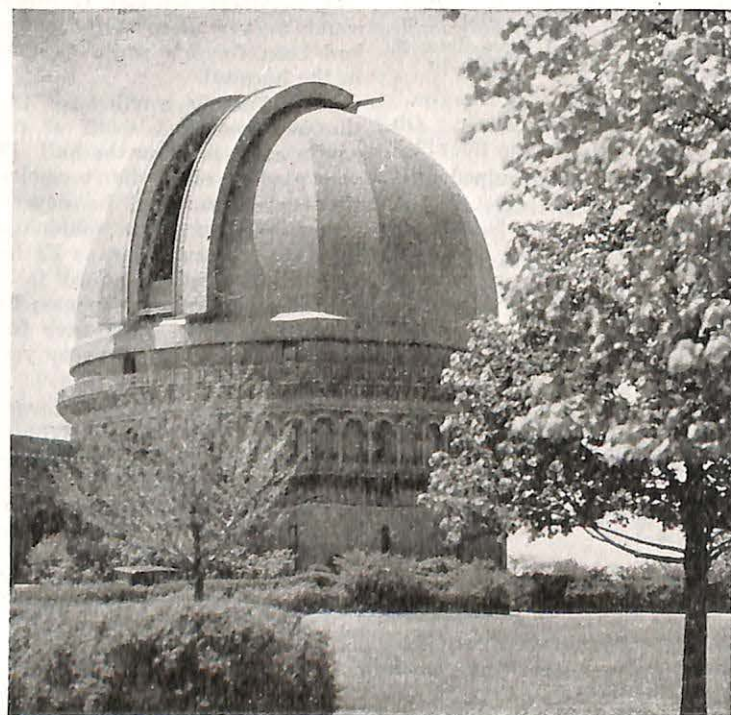
10:00 P. M.: Fireside Sing.

MONDAY, JULY 5

Recreational Program During Day.

3:00-4:00 P. M.: Water Carnival.

5:30 P. M.: Farewell.



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Reports from the Field

Northwestern Conference

Young People's Session of the Northwestern Conference at Parkersburg, June 26 and 27

All members of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Northwestern Conference are invited to the annual meeting of the Union on June 26 and 27 at Parkersburg, Iowa.

On Saturday evening at 6:30 P. M. the annual banquet will be held in the Methodist Church. The Honorable Judge Edwards of the Circuit Court will be the speaker. The annual business meeting will be held in connection with this meeting.

On Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P. M. the young people's mass meeting will be held, at which Prof. O. E. Krueger of the German Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y., will be the speaker.

Plan now to enjoy the fellowship and inspiration of the meetings.

R. B. HEINEMANN,

President of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Northwestern Conference.

Southwestern Conference

The Fifth Anniversary of the Dorcas Society of the Mt. Zion Church

The Dorcas Society of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Junction City, Kansas, met on Wednesday evening, April 14, to celebrate the fifth birthday of the society. Many beautiful and fitting numbers were given by the members in answer to the roll call.

Included in the program were a piano solo by Mildred Brenner and a violin solo by Marvin Zoschke, accompanied by his sister, Betty. Mrs. William Penner, a charter member of the organization, read a history of the Dorcas Society. We were reminded of the various things our group has done in the past in giving missionary plays and holding socials and bazaars through which we were able to carry on God's work. Mrs. Norton Martinitz, also a charter member and our treasurer, gave a financial report showing that the Dorcas Society had helped much in home and foreign mission offerings as well as helping to repair the church and parsonage. Miss Alvina Zernickow, a charter member and president of our society, lighted a birthday cake bearing five candles, expressing the thought, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

MRS. THOMAS LUTZ, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Evangelistic Services in the Spring Valley Church

From March 15 to 28 a series of revival services was held in the Spring Valley Baptist Church near Canistota, So. Dak. The pastor, the Rev. William Sturhahn, was the evangelist. His main theme was, "The Supreme Values of Life."

Lively singing and choruses added inspiration to the services. Special musical selections were rendered each evening. We also had the pleasure of having a male quartet from Bridgewater, So. Dak., in our midst on one of the Sunday evenings.

Everyone who attended received blessings, and as a result three Sunday School scholars accepted Christ as their personal Savior. There are others who have not yet made a definite decision for Christ.

C. BUSEMAN, Reporter.

Central Conference

Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Leininger at St. Louis, Mo.

On Friday evening, April 2, the St. Louis Park Baptist Church of St. Louis, Mo., extended a welcome to its new pastor, the Rev. L. L. Leininger, and his wife who came to us from Forest City, Mo., at a church reception. Mr. F. Wittneben, our wide awake Sunday School superintendent, presided. Mr. H. Rosch sang an inspiring solo.

Three visiting preachers of St. Louis churches made short addresses of welcome followed by two of our deacons and officers of our various organizations. The Rev. L. L. Leininger responded and said that he came to us not to know anything among us, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. Mrs. Leininger also responded briefly.

Under their leadership with God's blessing we are expecting great things. Prayer meetings and church services are well attended.

W. L. HAGEN, Reporter.

Northern Conference

Evangelistic and Baptismal Services in Morris, Manitoba

"And I give unto them eternal life: and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand" (John 10:28). What a blessed assurance if we trust our souls in Christ's keeping! We thank God for the singularly beautiful days which

he granted us in Morris, Manitoba, Canada, during the Passion Week of this year. A goodly number have found peace in Him.

Our pastor, the Rev. E. Mittelstedt, gave a series of sermons on the suffering and death of Christ. Every evening of the last two weeks before Easter was devoted to our evangelistic meetings. On every side new spiritual life sprang into being. Children from 10 to 12 years of age, young men and women, and fathers of families sought forgiveness and peace at the foot of the cross. We felt with the disciples of Luke 19:37 and 38 the presence and the glory of the Lord, our God.

Easter Sunday was the culmination of all the good things from above. After the festive service led by the Rev. E. Mittelstedt, he baptized 17 persons on confession of their faith. The hand of fellowship was extended to 18 persons at the communion service that followed. We pray that all may be strong in the Lord and that many may soon see their way clear to follow in his steps.

IDA J. HOFFMAN, Reporter.

Annual Report of the B. Y. P. U. at West Ebenezzer, Saskatchewan

The young people of the West Ebenezzer Baptist Church in Saskatchewan, Canada, spent a blessed year in the service of the Master. In March we celebrated our 29th anniversary. On this occasion a very interesting program under the leadership of Allan Katzberg was presented before a large audience.

During the last year we have worked under difficulties due to the fact that quite a number of our active members left our ranks, among other reasons, to attend schools and colleges elsewhere. Miss Delia Smuland will graduate this spring from the "Winnipeg Bible Institute" and Mr. Joe Kornelewsky is completing his first year of study at the same institution.

During the year we were enabled to gather 23 times for various purposes, such as prayer and business meetings, musical and missionary meetings, Mothers and Father's Day programs, Christmas and Watchnight services and Bible studies and lantern lectures on "The Life of Christ" and "The Apostle Paul." One afternoon and evening were spent in sweet fellowship in God's beautiful out-of-doors at "Kitchemantou Park."

Among the special speakers who brought us interesting messages were the Rev. A. Rosner, the Rev. William Hoover, Mr. J. Iverson of the British

and Foreign Bible Society and the Rev. George M. Blackette, principal of the Winnipeg Bible Institute.

It was our privilege to render programs at neighboring churches at Orkney and Homestead. We were also honored in having with us the young people from Orkney and East Eben-ezer.

At Orkney, a mission station of our church, the meetings on Tuesday evenings for young people and children are well attended. The young people's society has a membership of 22, and in June will celebrate its first anniversary.

As we enter a new year of service with a membership of 35 young people under the leadership of Mr. Irving Badke we claim Psalm 32:8 as our watchword: "I will instruct thee and keep thee in the way in which thou shalt go. I will guide thee with mine eye."

ELLA M. KATZBERG, Secretary.

Eastern Conference

Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. Louis B. Holzer in Pittsburgh

A reception for the Rev. Louis B. Holzer, the newly called pastor of the Temple Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., was held at the church on Friday evening, April 9, with a large number of members and friends present.

The program was in charge of Dr. A. V. Riggs, chairman of the deacons. The Rev. Wm. R. Pankey, pastor of the Union Baptist Church and a representative of the Pittsburgh Baptist Association, extended a hearty welcome to the new pastor as a fellow-worker and partaker of all community activities. The Rev. J. A. Davidson, pastor of the Knoxville Baptist Church, the Rev. H. G. Pierson, pastor of the East End Baptist Church, both of Pittsburgh; the Rev. C. E. Cramer, pastor of the Union Church of Arnold, Pa., a former mission of the Temple Church, as well as the Rev. Walter Biberich, who supplied our pulpit the past six months, extended words of welcome. Mr. George Wilson, superintendent of the Sunday School, also warmly welcomed the Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Holzer.

The following telegram from Mr. Holzer's former pastorate was read by the chairman: "The North Avenue Church wishing Rev. Holzer greater delight in the law of the Lord as a tree planted by the river bringing forth much fruit in his kingdom with divine sanction on new fellowship at Pittsburgh." Then in a few words Mr. Holzer expressed his appreciation to the church.

It is our prayer that under his leadership we may be strengthened through God's words and the leading of God's spirit and that we together may be instruments in leading many souls to Christ.

WALTER BRUBACH, Reporter.

Atlantic Conference

Preaching Mission and Anniversary Observance in New Haven

The week of March 14 to 21 was observed as "Preaching Mission Week" in New Haven, Conn., with 40 churches taking part in these special services. Dr. E. E. Gates, general secretary of the Connecticut Baptist Convention, the Rev. O. P. Campbell, director of Christian education for the state, and the Rev. V. Brushwyler of Newark, N. J., served our German Baptist Church during these days. The Rev. V. Brushwyler was with us for four evenings. His fine inspirational and helpful messages will linger long in our memory. We hope soon to baptize 2 Sunday School scholars.

April 10 and 11 were observed as the days for our church's 80th anniversary. Prof. F. W. C. Meyer of Rochester, N. Y., who was pastor of the church from 1888 to 1900, was the guest speaker. The anniversary dinner on Saturday evening, April 10, was attended by 130 people. A fine program with music was rendered. Prof. and Mrs. Otto Koenig, the honorable Judge Wm. Rungee, the Rev. Herman Kaaz, the Rev. Julius Berger and Mrs. Charles Hoffmann took part in the fine evening program. The Rev. John McLean pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Haven and the Reverends Theo. Koester, D. Meyhoefer, R. Jeschke and Emil Berger of our New England churches brought the greetings from neighboring churches.

During the 80 years the following pastors have served this church: Rev. J. Blenner, 1861-65; Rev. H. L. Dietz, 1866-74; Rev. C. J. Deckmann, 1874-79; Rev. F. C. Martin, 1879-82; Rev. Wm. Appel, 1882-84; Rev. Wm. Schuff, 1885-88; Rev. F. W. C. Meyer, 1888-1900; Rev. Otto Koenig, 1901-16; Rev. Julius Kaaz, 1917-. During these years 526 persons followed Christ in baptism, and in the last 55 years \$167,797.13 were contributed for local and benevolent purposes.

Nine young men have gone into the Christian ministry from this church and Dr. F. W. Meyer is serving the Northern Baptist Convention as a medical missionary in the Philippines. When we look upon God's wonderful leadership in the years gone by, we take courage for the years which lie ahead, knowing that the labor is not in vain in the Lord.

JULIUS KAAZ, Reporter.

Southern Conference

The Central Texas Association at Crawford

The Central Texas Association met at the Canaan German Baptist Church of Crawford from April 1 to 4. On Thursday evening, April 1, a cordial welcome was extended by the church and its pastor, the Rev. C. C. Gossen.

A congenial atmosphere for a spiritual feast was soon evident. The Rev. C. C. Laborn of Denton delivered the opening address in the absence of the Rev. Paul Hintze.

The program on Friday morning was held in the following manner: The Rev. Edwin Kraemer conducted the devotional service, the Rev. H. Ekrut acted as chairman of the business meeting in which the Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Schweitzer of Dallas were welcomed and reports from the churches were heard. The Rev. A. Becker of Waco delivered the morning message of love and devotion. On Friday afternoon special messages on the outlook of our religious cause were brought by the Reverends H. G. Ekrut and Wm. Schweitzer. On Friday evening the Rev. W. H. Buening of Gatesville brought a message on the gifts of God which are greater than silver and gold.

On Saturday, April 3, Mr. H. Geis, our colporteur, led the morning devotion which led us to reflect and to meditate on the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." Then the Rev. A. Becker brought a message, encouraging a more exact imitation of the Master's life. After this the Rev. W. H. Buening read a dissertation on "The Person of Christ," which was followed by an interesting discussion. A new acquaintance was made in the Rev. Ray F. Kahle, a missionary to Israel, working with the Biblical Research Society of Los Angeles, Calif. On Saturday evening he brought a splendid message in picture and comments, dealing with the return of the Jews and pointing to a new Israel by the Scriptures.

On Sunday, April 4, representatives from the churches brought heart-touching messages in connection with the Sunday School lesson. Mrs. W. B. Marstaller was in charge of the Juniors. The Rev. Wm. Schweitzer rendered a sermon on missions encouraging all to serve God more truly and to carry out the great commission.

In the afternoon the Rev. Edwin Kramer and the Rev. C. C. Laborn brought short messages on the Sunday School and the young people's work, respectively. Special numbers, consisting of readings and songs, were delivered by the various churches.

On Sunday evening the Rev. H. G. Ekrut of the Cottonwood Church brought a forceful message with the main idea of "pressing onward," and a short but inspiring testimonial service followed. Truly, everyone attending these services received a blessing and was spurred on to march forward in the service of the divine Master.

EDWIN KRAEMER, Reporter.

Vacation Bible Schools

Any pastors or church leaders desiring information concerning the program and material for Vacation Bible Schools can write to M. L. Leuschner, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill., for free literature.

What's Happening News

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The anniversary of the B. Y. P. U. of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, N. J., was observed on Tuesday evening, April 13. The Rev. J. Kuehl, pastor of the Walnut Street Church of Newark, N. J., was the guest speaker, bringing an address on "Reminiscences of a Seafarer" concerning his associations with Count von Luckner, the German war hero. The newly elected officers of the society are Miss Hartwig, president; Mrs. Charles Kling, vice-president; Miss Loretta Moore, secretary; Miss E'sie Hartwig, treasurer; and Miss C. Prenderger, pianist.

On Palm Sunday, March 21, the Rev. G. E. Lohr, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., baptized 4 persons and on Easter Sunday he baptized 4 other persons on confession of their faith in Christ. These candidates and 4 others were received into the fellowship of the church on Sunday, April 4. The Sunday School attendance on Easter Sunday was 370, which is quite a record in view of the number on the roll of the Sunday School of 355 persons. The various organizations of the church have been exceedingly active during the winter and spring months.

The Rev. B. W. Krentz, pastor of the First German Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif., baptized 11 persons on Easter Sunday, among whom was also his daughter, Evangeline. These and several others were given the hand of fellowship into the church on Sunday, April 4. Professor J. Heinrichs of Canton, Ohio, was the guest speaker at the church services on a recent Sunday. A new concrete floor has been laid in the basement at a cost of \$400. On Wednesday, April 7, the church celebrated the birthday of its pastor after the prayer meeting with a short program and the presentation of flowers and gift to Mr. Krentz by Mr. Ohlendorf.

The Rev. Frank Orthner recently resigned as pastor of the Harlem Baptist Church of New York City and closed his service there on March 31 after a ministry of almost 15 years in the church. He accepted the position as field secretary in the German division of the Baptist Life Association with headquarters in Buffalo, N. Y. After several days, however, he resigned that position because of physical inability to carry out the heavy responsibilities of the task. He is now awaiting God's guidance and a call from one of the denomination's churches to carry on the gospel ministry in which he has served so faithfully and joyously for 32 years.

On Sunday, April 18, the Baptist Church of Elgin, Iowa, observed the

second anniversary of its pastor, the Rev. Paul Zoschke, as its minister by presenting him with a gorgeous bouquet of flowers. The Rev. M. L. Leuschner served as guest preacher of the day, speaking in the morning and evening services. The evening service also included a program by the young people, telling the story of Fanny Crosby and of her hymns. The young people in charge of this program were Reuben Hackman, Edna Miller and Mrs. Alfred Baechler. The Elgin Church boasts of a fine record of 50 "Baptist Herald" subscriptions. Mr. J. F. Miller is the enterprising agent of the publication society.

The Rev. Berthold Jacksteit has accepted the call extended to him by the German Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, where he will begin his ministry on July 1. He graduated from the German Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y., in 1934 and served as pastor of the Second Church of Leduc and Rabbit Hill in Alberta for 2 years. Since last October he has been studying and teaching in Westminster College of New Wilmington, Pa., from which he will receive his A. B. degree in June. Since Jan. 1, 1937, he has been serving as supply pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Brighton, Pa. May God bless Mr. Jacksteit's promising ministry on this large and significant mission field.

Evangelistic services were held during two weeks preceding and following Easter in the King's Highway Baptist Church of Bridgeport, Conn. On the opening evening, March 23, the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D. D., of Chicago brought the message. The following evenings of the first week were given over to the Fishermen's Gospel Team of New England, the Men's Club and young people's society of the local church. During the second week the services were conducted by the Reverends J. Kaaz of New Haven, R. P. Jeschke of New Britain, L. Jacobs and J. McIvin Prior of Bridgeport. The pastor of the church, the Rev. D. Meyhoefer, recently returned from a motor trip to Dallas, Texas, for the improvement of his health.

On Friday evening, April 9, the Bethany Church near Portland, Ore., welcomed its new minister, the Rev. John C. Schweitzer, and family, recently of Vancouver, British Columbia, with a reception at the church. The various departments of the church were represented on the program by recitations, musical numbers or brief addresses of welcome. Dr. Starring of the Oregon Baptist Convention delivered the charge to the new minister and the church. Mr. Samuel J. Rich, the church clerk, wrote that "we are

looking forward to a time of increased spiritual growth and evangelism through the united efforts of church and minister, trusting in God for direction and strength."

The General Council of the denomination held its annual session at Forest Park, Ill., on Monday, April 12. The following members were present: Prof. O. E. Krueger, Rev. Wm. Kuhn, Mr. H. P. Donner, Mr. Theodore Sorg, Messrs. Walter and Elmer Staub, Prof. A. Bretschneider, Prof. Herman von Berge, Rev. Hans Steiger, Mr. Arthur Schwerin, Mr. C. J. Netting, and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner. Mrs. G. H. Schneck, and the Messrs. Reuben Windisch, Henry Marks and J. E. Rocho were unable to be present. Important denominational policies were discussed with definite recommendations formulated for further action, the proposed budget for 1937-40 to be presented to the General Conference was accepted, and some of the arrangements for the Portland conference were made.

Recently the Rev. David Hamel presented his resignation to the Andrews Street Baptist Church of Rochester, N. Y., of which he has been the minister for more than 14 years. After some hesitation the church regretfully accepted his resignation, and Mr. Hamel's ministry in the church will be brought to a close on June 1st when he will also celebrate his 70th birthday. The Rev. and Mrs. D. Hamel plan to stay in Rochester for a while to enjoy a well deserved rest after which Mr. Hamel hopes to render pulpit service as the Lord may direct. The pulpit of the Andrews Street Church will be filled during the summer months by Mr. Harvey Koester, a member of this year's graduating class of the German Baptist Seminary, who will continue his studies next Fall.

The Rev. Paul Gebauer, our missionary to the Kaka field of the Cameroons, dictated a letter to his wife on Feb. 27 with the news of his illness. For eight days he had been suffering acute pain from an inflamed appendix. Every thing possible had been done to relieve the pain and to prepare him for an arduous and dangerous journey a day's length or two days' length away from Mbem to the nearest hospital for an appendix operation. Since no further word has been dispatched from the Gebauers, it is assumed by Dr. Kuhn, the general missionary secretary, that the operation at Bamenda was successful and that Mr. Gebauer is now convalescing from the recent ordeal. Such emergencies as these dramatize for us the story of the sacrifices which our Cameroon missionaries have to make in their ministry for Christ.

The Rev. William Kuhn, general missionary secretary, visited the German Baptist Church of Steamboat Rock,

Iowa, on Sunday, April 18, preaching at both services and speaking to the newly organized Men's Club in the afternoon. The Rev. H. Palfenier is minister of the church. On Sunday, April 25, he was the guest preacher in the Grace Baptist Church of Racine, Wis., of which the Rev. A. Engel is pastor, bringing moving pictures of the Cameroon Mission field in the evening. On June 2 Dr. Kuhn will sail for Germany on the steamship "Europa" for an important discussion with Dr. Simoleit of the mission board of the Baptist churches of Germany regarding the possibility of a wider extension of our missionary enterprise into the province of Mambila, even beyond Kakaland of the Cameroons. He expects to return to the United States on June 17, sailing again on the "Europa."

The commencement exercises of the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., will be held on Sunday, May 23, in the Andrews Street Church. The Rev. Louis B. Holzer, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., will be the guest speaker bringing the missionary message in the morning service and the commencement address in the evening. Professor Albert Bretschneider, dean of the seminary, will present the diplomas to the members of the graduating class. Every member of this year's class is placed in some church. Jacob Gunst will become the pastor of the church in Grand Forks, No. Dak., John Kuehn has accepted the call from the West Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan, Canada, Otto Patzia will be the assistant pastor of the McDermot Avenue Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Edgar Klatt will go to Killaloe, Ontario, Canada, to serve as pastor there, and Harvey Koester will return for further studies in Rochester after a summer pastoral service.

The General Missionary Committee at the annual session in Forest Park, Ill., on April 13 and 14 appointed the Rev. John Leyboldt, pastor of the Erin Avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio, as the general evangelist of the denomination. He will begin his service among our churches on Oct. 1, following his change of residence with his family to Forest Park, Ill., on Sept. 1. There was a great deal of enthusiasm evidenced by the General Missionary Committee in its unanimous selection of Mr. Leyboldt for this ministry, in which he will succeed the late Rev. H. C. Baum. The Rev. Wm. Kuhn, executive secretary, has suggested that churches, which are interested in securing the services of the general evangelist during the fall and winter months, should write immediately to him so that a tentative itinerary can be arranged beforehand. May God richly bless our brother in his varied and arduous tasks as he prepares himself for this most essential ministry as evangelist in our denomination!

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Friday, May 21

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Read Proverbs 16:27-32

Saturday, May 22

Slaves of Appetite
Read Isaiah 56:9-12

Sunday, May 23

Victory Through Christ
Read Romans 8:31-39

Monday, May 24

Jacob's Dream of God
Read Genesis 28:16-22

Tuesday, May 25

Jacob's Experience of God
Read Genesis 32:24-30

Wednesday, May 26

How to Know God
Read 1 Corinthians 2:9-14

Thursday, May 27

Seeing God
Read 1 John 3:1-5

Friday, May 28

Facing Godward
Read Luke 15:11-20

Saturday, May 29

The New Man
Read Ephesians 4:17-24

Sunday, May 30

Joy in Being Forgiveness
Read Psalm 32:1-5

Monday, May 31

Joseph Sees a Need
Read Genesis 41:33-36

Tuesday, June 1

Joseph Supplies a Need
Read Genesis 41:37-44

Wednesday, June 2

Principles of Promotion
Read Matthew 25:19-23

Thursday, June 3

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Read 1 Peter 3:12-17



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