

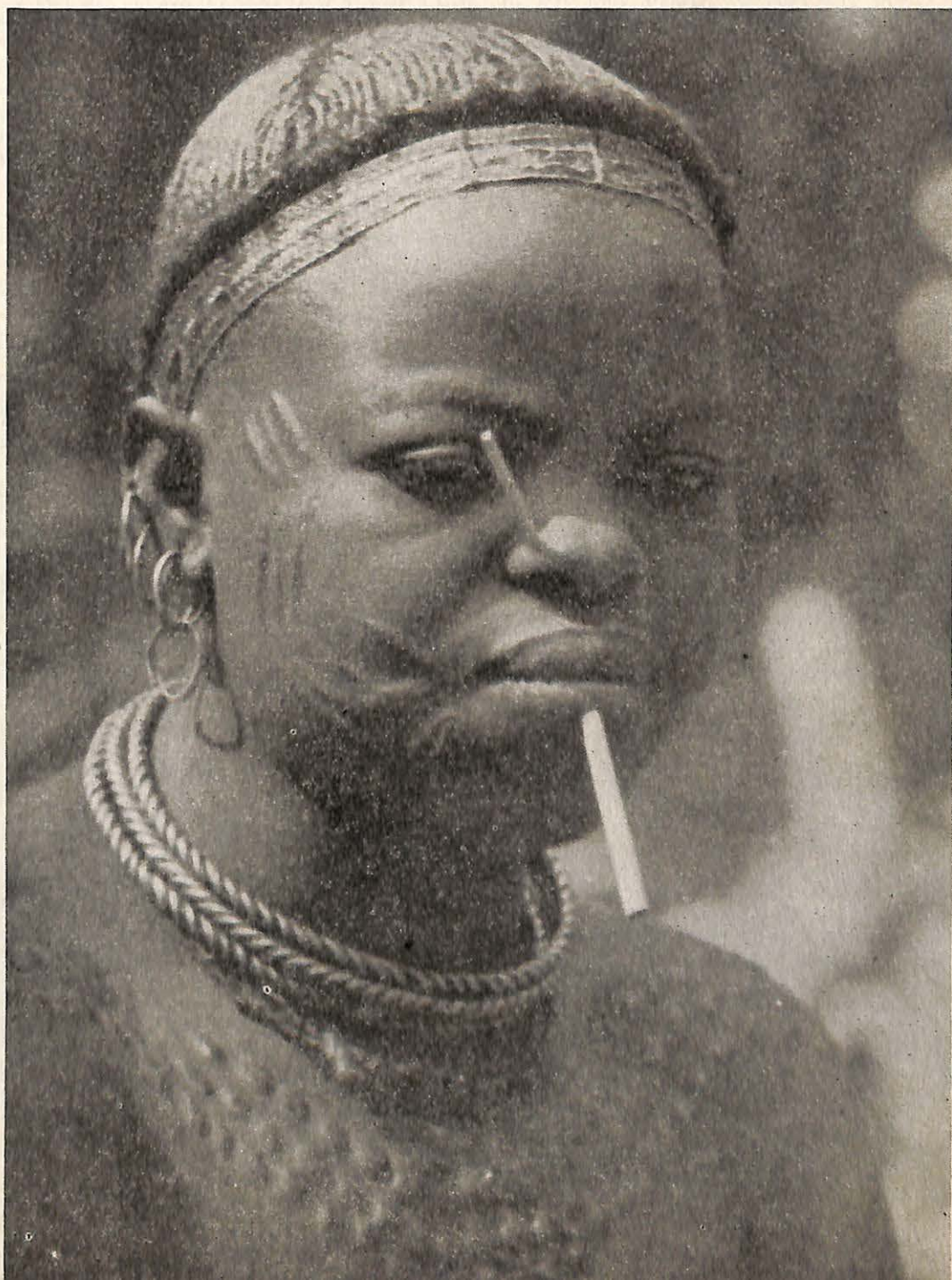
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**Special
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An African Belle
from Northern
Kakaland With
Typical Oiled Hair,
Ear Rings, Iron
Ornaments Made by
the Local Blacksmith,
and Skin Decorations
Marking Her Face
and Body for
Beauty Effects



What's Happening

The Rev. H. C. Wedel, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Randolph, has recently resigned and has accepted the call of the state missionary committee to serve as missionary of Minnesota. He will serve the churches at Mound Prairie and La Crosse on Sunday a month during the year. The rest of the time will be devoted to the church at Holloway, Minn., where he and his family will reside in the parsonage. Mr. Wedel will begin his ministry on this extended field with Nov. 1st.

The Rev. H. Rumpel, formerly pastor of the German Baptist Churches at Kelowna and Osoyoos, British Columbia, Canada, is now a student at the Western Theological Seminary in Portland, Oregon. He resigned his charge in order to continue his theological studies. The Kelowna field has been without a pastor since Mr. Rumpel's departure in August.

Dr. F. W. Meyer, a missionary in the Philippine Islands, was granted the degree as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons at the annual convention in Chicago, Ill., on Monday, Oct. 25. This followed an earlier honor conferred upon him in the granting of membership in the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association at the annual meeting in June held at Atlantic City. He has just completed his deputation work for the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society by addressing churches and associations in Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and Minnesota. He is a son of Professor and Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer of Rochester, N. Y. After participating in the program of the Detroit Five Church Union's institute from Oct. 31 to Nov. 5, he will go to New Haven, Conn., for further study at Yale University.

The Rev. Edgar Klatt of Killaloe, Ontario, Canada, has been rendering a very successful ministry in the German Baptist Church of Hagarty Township and the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe, where he preaches several times each Sunday. Recently the members of the Ladies' Aid of Hagarty bought a new piano for their church. Ten new subscribers for "The Baptist Herald" have been won on this field since the beginning of Mr. Klatt's ministry in June. His sister, Miss Adelaide Klatt of Forestburg, Alberta, Canada, has been helping him "keep house" since the first of October.

The German Baptist Ministers' Conference of Chicago and vicinity met on Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the home of the

Rev. and Mrs. F. P. Kruse at Kankakee, Ill. About 30 ministers and their wives were present to partake of the delicious dinner served at noon and to listen to the illuminating message by Mr. Kruse on "Characteristics of Martin Luther."

Since March 1 the Rev. and Mrs. Peter Peters have been serving the Baptist Church of Buffalo Center, Iowa, with great success. Mr. Peters was formerly pastor of the church in South St. Paul, Minn., that originally was a German Baptist Church. On the last Sunday in July Mr. Peters had the great joy of baptizing 16 persons on confession of their faith in Christ and again on the last Sunday in October a number of candidates were baptized. These and five others have been received into the fellowship of the church. A Vacation Bible School was held in June with an enrollment of 66 children. The services are well attended with Sunday evening attendances ranging between 200 and 300 persons. May God continue to bless this ministry at Buffalo Center!

The Rev. A. Felberg, pastor of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, for the past few years, has resigned and responded favorably to a call extended to him by the German Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., where he will become the successor to the late Rev. G. E. Lohr who died suddenly on July 26. Mr. and Mrs. Felberg with their daughters, Helga and Ingeborg, will soon change their residence to "the Golden West" where Mr. Felberg's ministry in Lodi will begin on Dec. 1st. While in Winnipeg he has carried on an aggressive evangelistic program at several important residential centers of the city, and the Winnipeg church is a thriving center of activity and worship.

On Wednesday evening, Sept. 14, the B. Y. P. U. of Cathay, No. Dak., went to Carrington to present a fine program in the German Baptist Church there. The program included numbers by the mixed choir; a mixed quartet composed of Lillian Berndt, Rosa Mielke, Albert and Arthur Reddig; a vocal solo with guitar accompaniment by Alvin Edinger; a vocal solo by Selma Strogies; a male quartet made up of Floyd Edinger, Morris and George Broschat and Arthur Reddig; and a message by the Rev. A. Ittermann on "Youth Meeting Its Problems." Fred Helm led the meeting. Ella Albus, president of the Young People's Assembly of the Northern North Dakota area, also brought a brief message.

The Rev. O. R. Schroeder, minister of the Bethel Church of Anaheim, Calif., had the joy of baptizing two Sunday School scholars on Sunday, Sept. 26. Mr. Schroeder wrote that "the young people of our church were very much inspired at the General Conference to 'Build.'"

The fall rally of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of Chicago and vicinity was held on Tuesday evening, Oct. 5, at the First Church of Chicago with a fine representation of young people in attendance. Mr. Roy Anderson, president, was in charge of the service. Music was furnished by the Christian Fellowship Chorus with Mr. Arthur Pankratz directing. The Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, pastor of the North Avenue Church of Milwaukee, Wis., brought the address on the subject, "On Duty." On Tuesday evening, Oct. 12, the young people of the Union held a wiener roast in the nearby forest preserve. The officers of the Union have begun another "Goodwill tour," in which they will visit every church of the Union.

An impressive candlelight installation service for the B. Y. P. U. was held in the Fleischmann Memorial Church in Philadelphia, Pa., on Sunday evening, Sept. 26, conducted by the Rev. Milton R. Schroeder. The new B. Y. P. U. officers are George Steinbronn, president; Mrs. Mildred Pfisterer, vice-president; Anita Zimmerman, secretary; Edward Goebel, treasurer; and Dorotha Blaser, pianist. Fifty copies of the excellent booklet, "The Upper Room," were distributed among the church members in an effort to stimulate the devotional life.

Beginning with Thursday, Oct. 7, and continuing for 6 successive Thursday evenings a Teacher Training Class is (Continued on Page 332)

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Editorial

NO stone is being left unturned in an aggressive endeavor to place our publications, "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote," into every home represented in our churches. In spite of more than nine thousand subscriptions to these denominational papers, there are still many people on the rolls of our churches for whom these publications are complete strangers.

A Golden Opportunity for Our Churches

If we as a denomination are to face the tasks ahead of us in an aggressive program of evangelism, youth activities and missions, we must have an inspired and informed constituency. Every church member must be an enthusiast for this cause. There can be no sag anywhere along the line. If we stand and work together in God's Kingdom, then even the few members, which constitute our denomination, can be a mighty and impelling spiritual force in the world of today.

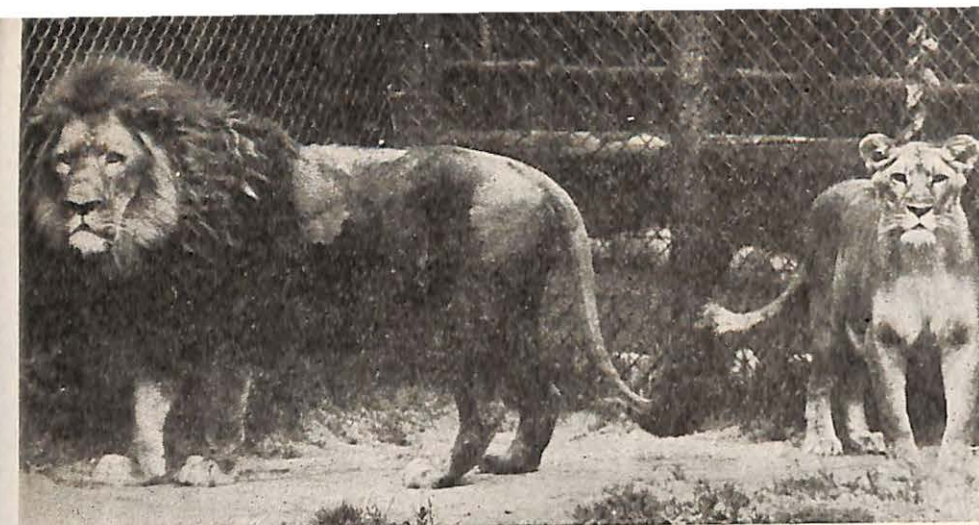
During the course of a year a great variety of reading material appears in these two publications of ours. The far flung mission fields of the world are depicted by fascinating stories, graphic reports and striking illustrations. The best sermons and addresses of our ministers are reproduced for the thoughtful attention of the reader. Scores of local church reports and news items help to bind our widely scattered churches more intimately into a denominational family. All kinds of suggestive practical helps are given for young people's groups, Sunday Schools, missionary societies and church leaders. Serials in the form of Christian stories, travelogues and autobiographical sketches are popular features of both publications. Every effort is being made by the Rev. Samuel Blum, the editor of "Der Sendbote," and by the editor of "The Baptist

Herald" to prepare appetizing and satisfying feasts for the readers of their papers.

An alluring inducement is now being made to gain the interest of every church family in these informative publications of ours. The General Council of the denomination is willing in part to subsidize them in order to achieve an informed membership that is intelligent concerning the affairs of "the King's business." This is the offer which is being made for the first time in our history. If any church succeeds so in presenting the advantages and blessings of these papers so that every church family becomes a subscriber either to "The Baptist Herald" or "Der Sendbote" or to both, then a special rate for both publications will be made automatically to such churches only. In such cases, "The Baptist Herald" will be sold at \$1.00 instead of \$1.50 and "Der Sendbote" at \$1.75 instead of \$2.50.

Most of the churches have only a few homes, to which these papers of ours have not gained admittance. These are the members who need to be won as interested friends of our publications and cooperating workers in our enterprise. If the minister or clerk of a church will certify to Mr. H. P. Donner that the subscriptions to our publications represent every family of the church, advantage can be taken before the beginning of 1938 of this special offer.

It is as truly our missionary task to make every church member in the local church an aggressive, alert and active Christian who is using all of his talents intelligently in the service of Christ as it is to bring the gospel message of salvation to the benighted peoples of distant lands. "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote" are, indeed, heralds of God, scattering the sunshine of inspiration and the light of information along their way. Let every home open its doors to their brightening ministry!



African Lions Behind the Bars of an American Zoo

ON Wednesday, February 3, at high noon Clara and I returned to our grass hut after having been in the saddle every day for three weeks. Only on Sunday we allowed ourselves and our horses to rest. Today we were on horseback for six hours, and arrived at our home quite tired. God is very good to us. During these weeks of drought and grassfires one never knows when one's own hut might catch on fire.

Upon our arrival we found on my desk two tinboxes from Bolkenhain. You wonder what we did? Well, we stripped off our boots, prepared some hot tea, opened the boxes, and then began eating the "Pfefferkuchen." Neither my wife nor I stopped eating until we had our fill. Then we took a bath and ... believe it or not ... continued eating! Our appetite for "Pfefferkuchen" is now satisfied, and we are enjoying again what Africa offers us. From the United States we received a side of bacon and Polish sausage.

Recently I went on a hunting trip, and on the first evening I killed a horned antelope. On the following morning I shot two water buffaloes about the size of well-grown bulls. Of these I sent by special messenger to my wife the pieces from the backs of the animals for steaks. With these two buffaloes we supplied our entire Mbem church of thirty-two members together with the baptismal candidates for days with an overabundance of meat. In appreciation of this they all worked very hard and to our greatest joy we found today that the church was completed up to the woodwork on the roof.

In the meantime, I killed two more wild boars, a snake and four small antelopes. With these we had an ample supply of meat for our carriers and ourselves.

A few of my hairs turned gray on one of these hunting trips, for I had the best opportunity for an untimely death. Together with the cook I was sitting one evening on a lookout-stand watching for antelope. One of the antelopes slipped away and we followed the trail of another which led us to a little hollow and to a spring of water. The grass round about was burned, and we looked like chimney-sweeps. But close to the spring the grass was still standing high, and there we noticed a trail.

Death Stalks in the African High Grass

By MISSIONARY PAUL GEBAUER
in a Letter to His Parents
at Bolkenhain, Germany

A little distance away, before we got to the high grass, the cook discovered footprints which he thought were those of a leopard. I said that they must be a lion's. The cook had no idea of lions thereabouts and held to the leopard notion. Cautiously we pushed our way into the grass. What do you suppose we found? A freshly killed antelope, partly eaten. It was still warm. In our ignorance we pulled the animal out of the grass to get a better view of it.

In the meantime, we noticed another antelope grazing near the spring. I took up my gun ready to shoot when we were startled by a terrible noise close behind. Dropping the gun and turning around was the work of a moment. In front of us, about thirty-five feet away, two lions were leaping, just ending their jump over the ridge of the slope. On their leap they perceived us, and the male lion roared furiously. In the very moment that we had turned around the two lions landed on the ground. In a few more seconds, the male lion, roaring wildly, leaped into the long grass at my left while the female, in one leap, bounded back over the ridge and was instantly out of sight.

The cook stood speechless as if he were rooted to the ground. Arousing him from his stupor I dragged him with me about thirty-five feet. There we found shelter behind a small tree and made ready to shoot the lion. The beast growled and howled in the long grass by the water. While standing guard we held council of war. The cook begged to have the antelope, which the lion had killed, for his supper. What should I do? In the grass crouched the lion, and it was a mighty beast!

First, we withdrew behind the slope to find out where the female had gone. We found her footprints, and now we knew that she was not in back of us. Then, step by step, we moved back to the waterhole holding the gun charged with the heaviest ammunition. In this way we worked back to the place where the antelope was. The cook then loaded the animal on his back while I, walking backwards, followed him for protection. In this way we retreated, and during the night the two robbers—the kingly beast of the jungle—prowled around our camp, trying to get our horses.

On a Bicycle to a Gipsy Baptismal Service

By SISTER EMMA HERRMANN
of Lom, Bulgaria

Bright and early one morning in June, with the sparkling dew still on the grass, I started out on my bicycle on a long trip to Ferdinand. The distance from Lom, our starting place, to Ferdinand is about sixty-five miles, and that is quite a trip for a young woman to undertake!

It was my second trip to Ferdinand, since I began my missionary work here in Bulgaria some five months ago. A baptismal service was to be held in the little village of Ferdinand, where we have a Gipsy mission station. I was very eager to go. The pastor, Brother Michailoff, had decided to make the trip by train. At the last moment Sister Lydia Doellefeld found it impossible to go. So my only companion was Brother Angeloff, who was a patient and pleasant fellow-traveler.

We took our time bicycling along the road because of the terrible heat here in this country. In spite of several welcome rest-periods, I soon learned how hot the sun could be on a Bulgarian road. But the heat did not prevent us from doing some missionary work along the way wherever we found opportunity for it. The glad tidings of Jesus Christ were proclaimed to many people whom we met on the trip. Brother Angeloff spent at least a half hour talking to two young communists and telling them how they could find the way to their salvation. During this time my responsibility was to pray to God that these words of the gospel might fall on fruitful soil.

At three o'clock in the afternoon we reached our destination. We had covered the sixty-five miles without any mishaps. We were received at one of the church homes with warm friendliness, where we rested from the long bicycle trip. Later Brother Michailoff arrived, and together we went to the Gipsy Baptist Church.

With what joyous jubilation and friendly excitement we were greeted in the village! It seemed as if the entire village had joined the thronging procession with us to the little church. The building was too small for the people who wanted to attend the service. Many Gipsies were sitting in the windows, and every available inch of space was occupied. Missionary Michailoff preached in his inimitable manner in presenting



Sisters Lydia Doellefeld and Emma Herrmann,

the gospel message to the Gipsies. The audience listened so attentively as if it could have stayed for the entire evening.

The baptismal service was scheduled for the afternoon of the next day. Punctually at the appointed hour the Gipsies came in large crowds to the spot in the river where the baptismal service was to be held. That was quite unusual since the Gipsies, who have no watches, are usually late for both meetings.

This was my first attendance at an out-of-door baptismal service. Four Gipsies were the baptismal candidates at this service. After a message and prayer, Missionary Michailoff solemnly baptized the candidates. At such an open-air service the story of the baptism of Jesus becomes more vivid and interesting. A throng of people on both sides of the river witnessed the service.

Afterwards we went to the beautiful garden of one of the members of the church, who had been baptized only recently, for the observance of the communion service. Following the impressive service we enjoyed the hospitality of our friends at a delightful dinner. All of us drank deeply of this joy, that has its source in heaven, when anyone comes by faith to Jesus Christ.

At three o'clock we wanted to hold a brief testimonial meeting. But this service continued for more than two hours! The hearts of these Gipsy Christians were so full and their lips so eager to talk that they had to proclaim what God had done for them. It was a joyous climax to this inspiring service when three young people declared that they, too, believed in Christ and wanted to follow him as his disciples.

The Word of God is still the power unto salvation in our day. It is a joy for me to witness how men and women are transformed by its power. Especially is it a joy to see how the Gipsies, who were considered by all the world as a worthless and hopeless people, are opening their hearts wide to the gospel message. Here in Ferdinand one can easily see the transformation of mind and life in these followers of the Christ as the spirit of inner purity makes its imprint upon the home life, their families and surrounding community.

Students are Fine Missionaries

Records from the Letters of Student Pastors

Some of the finest and most successful missionary services rendered on the home field during the past summer was done by the students from our seminary in Rochester, N. Y. About thirty of these young men were engaged in missionary churches, on a quartet trip and in Christian youth activities.

Their reports have been the interesting record of adventures undertaken for God and of hardships endured for Christ. The day of real missionary service by far does not belong to the past. It is still the story of enterprising pastors and enthusiastic students who today are willing to follow the call of the Master into any field of service, however unrewarding and difficult it may be.

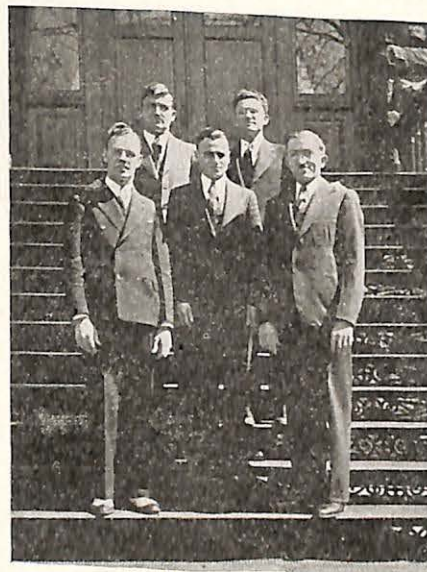
A few paragraphs from the missionary letters of these students in summer pastorates can be quoted in order to give the reader a better picture of the work that has been done accompanied by God's blessings.

SUCCESSFUL TENT MEETINGS

Mr. Richard Schilke shared the summer months with German Baptists on the fields of Innesfree, Alberta, and Lashburn, Saskatchewan, more than 110 miles from each other. Concerning the work at Lashburn he has written that "this is a mission field that cannot be neglected. For two and one-half weeks we held evangelistic meetings there. The large tent of the Alberta Association was borrowed and put up in town. Mr. Milbrandt from Forestburg assisted me for one week of these evangelistic meetings. The attendance varied from 50 to 150 persons. On the last Sunday at the observance of the Children's Day program about 400 people, coming from an extended circle around Lashburn, crowded into the tent.

"The congregations were composed mostly of Baptists, Mennonites, Evangelicals, Lutherans, Adventists and people of the Church of God. My main purpose in working among these varied church groups, some of whom opposed my efforts, was to win the youth for Jesus Christ. These young people are the hope of the future on that mission field. Quite a number came forward to make their decision for Christ as Savior. Later, when it came to the matter of baptism, most of these converts were held back by parents and conflicting circumstances.

"I believe that we succeeded with God's help in showing the young people of that field that we as Baptists have something wonderful to offer them in the gospel message and that our banner, which we hold high, is the cross of Christ. The field is in great need of laborers!"



The 1937 Graduation Class of Our Seminary

A GREAT REVIVAL

Mr. Rudolf Milbrandt spent the past summer at Forestburg, Alberta, Canada, which has been without a pastor for several years. His interesting report is as follows: "Another summer has passed. In reviewing one's experiences, one is deeply conscious of God's guidance and grace, which largely account for any success attained.

"One of the discouraging factors here on this field during the past summer was the continued drought. The crops were a complete failure. The meager harvest which some of the farmers received is not even enough for seed for next year.

"But the Lord granted us a glorious revival. There were 17 persons converted, of whom 10 were baptized on confession of their faith in Christ. The interest of strangers in their attendance at the church services was encouraging. Several entire families came regularly to the services, including Catholic people. It seems to me that a promising future awaits us on this field. Many young people are there, who have never taken their stand for Christ, of whom much can be expected if they are won for the Savior."

A SPIRITUAL OASIS

For three months Mr. Walter Stein served as student missionary in our small rural churches at Burstall and Gnadensfeld, Saskatchewan, Canada. A graphic picture of his ministry is given in his report.

"The mission field here is very large. But the total crop failures of five successive years have placed all kinds of difficulties into the way of a minister or missionary. These farmers are so discouraged by the adverse conditions

that they are almost desperate. It was, therefore, a special joy for me to see that the churches were well filled with people. The Word of God was a spiritual oasis for them amidst the desert of encouragement.

"Since the farmers had little work to do, they requested me to serve them with the preaching of the Word as often as possible. For seven weeks we held evangelistic meetings in Burstall and Gnadensfeld, and to our great joy seven persons received the crucified Christ as their Savior. Gladly could we have had a baptismal service, but the church could not pay for the travelling expenses of an ordained minister. The converts will have to wait until next year for the baptismal service.

"Even here the Lord can send showers of blessing for the land and people. May his blessing abide upon the work!"

A PROFITABLE SUMMER

Mr. Rudolph Woyke, a brother of Professor Frank Woyke of the seminary, rendered a good account of his stewardship in the small German Baptist Church at Munson, Pa. The church valued his missionary services, writing that "we learned to love and respect him as a fine Christian young man. The services were well attended."

Mr. Woyke's report described some of the attendant difficulties on this field. "The church here seems to be limited in its strength and expansion, because the mines nearby are largely emptied and practically all the young people are leaving the mountains to find work in the larger cities.

"I am sure that the summer has been profitable to me. I feel that the Word of God that I have tried to preach has not gone out in vain. I have not been privileged to see the visible results. But I have witnessed to the saving grace of God. I believe that we must be faithful to the Word of God regardless of results.

"Thank you for helping me to have the chance to serve here during the summer months."

One of the most inspiring services held in the seminary chapel at the beginning of the new school year was the testimonial meeting in which the students related their summer's experiences. They told of victories of God's grace. They rejoiced to narrate what they had seen and learned. They described their adventures for Christ. They thanked God for the privileges which had been theirs. Their work, so nobly done during the summer months, deserves to be continued throughout the year, as German Baptists everywhere by their prayers and gifts strengthen the home missionary enterprise in which we are engaged.

Church Problems in Black

By MISSIONARY PAUL GEBAUER of the Cameroons, Africa

The Mbem Baptist Church in West Africa gathers for another "business meeting." It is to be held in the chapel. All members have shown up and are gathered around an open fire, that cheers the shivering Baptists on this rainy day. Songs and prayers take some more of the shivering out. Deacon Peter sails straight into the problems of the day and into plenty of trouble by putting the case of happy Widow Yelis before the church.

Happy Widow Yelis joined the church about a year ago. Shortly after that, she was married to one of the members of the Mbem Church. Just eight weeks ago she lost her promising husband by a stroke of lightning. The relatives of the deceased man have now shown up at the deacon's hut to claim Widow Yelis. In line with the customs of the tribe she was to be handed over to a relative in order that he—like the Hebrews of the Old Testament—might raise up children for the dead husband. Shall Yelis be handed over, or is there a man within the church who cares to take her for his wife? That is the question and the problem in the case which was before the assembly.

Silence and renewed shivering descend upon the saints. The bright eyes of Widow Yelis travel from man to man and back again to Deacon Peter, who for a second time makes known his request. More silence follows to be disturbed by auctioneer Peter for the third time: "Is there no brother in this church to take care of Yelis?" And then a shy, small voice ventures to speak for a manly heart. Brother X says he will gladly accept Yelis, but what had she to say to that? Will she like him? The man of African reality, Deacon Peter, makes Brother X turn right around and face the music plus Yelis. Will she? She is pleased, to put it mildly. The church rejoices. It is agreed that the church will aid Brother X in the question of dowry. It is agreed that Deacon Peter will be the spokesman of Brother X before the hungry mob of relatives. He will carry Brother X thought the ocean of conferences and palavers into that haven of rest that Yelis promises to provide. Widow Yelis has her second husband!

From widowhood the church slips into collection problems. Member S has been slow in his financial contributions. What shall be done with him? It is decreed, that he shall pay up before the next Lord's Supper and that he shall add a few bundles of grass for the chapel roof to his cash, lest he forget his duties toward God and brothers.

Member T has shown decided signs of greed and tightness. Deacon Johnny



A Church Service in Africa in Session

accepts the charge to train the black skinflint. How? Johnny just tells member T a great deal about God's lovingkindness, and he tells him story after story to illustrate that message and man's stinginess. Johnny winds up by inviting Brother T to add four pennies each month to the church treasury and thank God for that privilege. Member T accepts the lesson.

We shall leave the meeting. Many more hours will pass before all problems will have been discussed. We shall air our own opinions away from black ears and in fellowship with you in the western hemisphere.

Has Yelis, widow of two months, gotten a fair deal? What about Mosaic law, dowry and our ideas of personal liberty? Is she not handled like so much ware? And do not her own companions in faith sell her outright? I believe that Yelis got a splendid deal. She has gotten a brother for a husband and he is a good one. He is free from crawl-crawl and has built a dry hut of his own with a good fireplace. He is clever and industrious. The scapegoat of a relative which the other would have handed her would even have turned the stomachs of her ancestors. And—the deal with Brother J will bring her people the customary dowry or bride price of about 20 to 30 shovels.

That is neither trading nor hell-raising. It's nothing else but social insurance in black. It insures both parties for lifetime. It takes the place of our written agreements. It eliminates parson and justice of the peace. It

helps Yelis to shun Reno like the pest and it reminds Brother X again and again that Yelis is his lawful wife. He married her before tribe and church "in good standing." Of course, Deacon Peter and his sudden action cheated Yelis out of moonlight walks. But what good is a moon without a car, kisses and sweet words? Of such American luxuries none are found among our Kaka people. With them it is a hard reality—this finding of a mate for a widow!

And how about those cheerful givers? I have met missionaries who would never let church finances slip into native hands. They consider the African brother too limited for managing his own finances. But the African beats the Jew in bargaining and investing cash. And the same African beats us in sharing and sacrificing if trained aright. Why not let this African try his hand at church financing, small though it may be at present? Why shall I spend my precious years as a glorified bookkeeper of native churches? Let them handle their own affairs. They will blunder. They will be hard at times. They will not at once take hold of that cheerfulness which God likes but they will go farther their way than being forced along a foreign trail by foreign overseers.

There is one thing left for us to do: to lead these young believers into the Word of God that there they may read and find what God says and loves. The deeper we lead them into the Word the stronger their faith and corresponding actions will be.

Missionary Projects for Youth Groups

An Announcement for All Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies

Before the close of 1938 every B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School ought to have made a special contribution toward some definite missionary project of the denomination. Such was the resolution passed unanimously and enthusiastically at the General Conference in Portland, Oregon. Such is the task to which the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union has set itself in the promotion of this worthy and commendable objective.

In order to deepen the interest of our young people in the missionary enterprise of the denomination and to win their whole-hearted support in substantial missionary gifts, a number of missionary projects are being announced, for which young people's organizations in our churches can designate their gifts. Any B. Y. P. U., Sunday School, or Young People's Union can select one of the following projects, for which it would like to have its missionary gift designated. If special promotional literature is desired to arouse the personal interest and support of all concerned, requests for the same can be addressed to the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

MAMBILA FIELD

During 1938 we as German Baptists expect to send two missionaries into a new mission field in the Cameroons. This is known as Mambila or Gashaka, a long slice of Africa like a thin piece of pie that extends from Kakaland, where Paul and Clara Gebauer are working, into the heart of the continent. It will be a difficult mission field because of the dangerous, warring tribes which inhabit that part of Africa and because of the pioneer work that will be necessary to build that station. Carriers from Kakaland will have to be used for the traveling caravans.

It is a challenging task which will require monumental service and sacrifice for us to undertake, for which we shall need an abundance of God's grace and power and the devotion of interested and consecrated young people.

BUILDING FUND FOR KAKA

Recently the Baptist Church at Mbem in Kaka, which was built by Paul Gebauer and the natives, was partly destroyed by lightning and fire. That building has already been repaired. But new churches and mission stations are now under construction, other churches have to be constantly repaired and schools are being started for which small buildings are necessary. Our missionary, Paul Gebauer, has written that \$500 are immediately necessary for such churches and schools, and that more money can be used to carry on this program in future months.



CAMEROON DISPENSARY

Miss Edith Koppin is serving as our missionary on the Kaka field with Paul and Clara Gebauer. She has started a dispensary at Mbem, to which hundreds of natives have already come to receive treatment and relief from their many physical aches and pains. Diseases take a dreadful toll among the African natives. Naturally, the beginnings of such a dispensary have been small and elementary. Missionary gifts designated for this dispensary will be used to enable "the Great Physician" to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of our black brethren of Africa.

GIPSY MISSIONARY CENTER

A memorial has been established by a German Baptist family of the United States in memory of their departed daughter for the purpose of building a missionary home near Golinzi, Bulgaria, for our devoted workers, the sisters Lydia Doellefeld and Emma Herrmann. Such a home will be a great deal more than a residence for these missionaries. It will provide a medical dispensary for the sick, a meeting place for the Gipsy children with their eagerness to learn more about Jesus Christ, a home for travelling missionary guests and a true missionary center for this memorable work among the Bulgarian Gipsies. It will cost considerable more than the original gift of \$2000. Young People's organizations can designate their gifts for the completion of this missionary center.

THE GIPSY CHURCH

The Gipsy missionary field in Bulgaria with the large hosts of Gipsies in attendance at the Baptist Church in

Golinzi, the only Gipsy Baptist Church in the world, with the sacrificial work of our missionary, Georgi Stefanoff, and the two sisters and with the transformed lives of those who now are a living witness to the saving power of Christ has been abundantly blessed of God. To have a definite share in this work is a joyous privilege for every young people's society or Sunday School in our denomination!

THE DIRECTOR'S WORK

The Rev. Carl Fuellbrandt is the director or superintendent of our Danubian missionary enterprise that is being carried on in six different countries along the Danubian River. Brother Fuellbrandt endeared himself to the hearts of young and old alike on his trip through the United States and Canada during the summer of 1936. Any missionary gifts, designated for his continued financial support, will render an invaluable ministry for God and his Kingdom through our beloved brother's services.

BIBLE SCHOOLS

The young people's societies or Sunday Schools of the Northern Conference may designate some of their missionary gifts, if they so desire, for the support of the Rev. E. P. Wahl, who is serving as the director of the Bible Schools for the Canadian churches in a united effort to build a comprehensive and challenging religious program for our Canadian youth.

DAKOTA WORKER

Any of the B. Y. P. U.'s or Sunday Schools of the Dakota Conference may send special missionary gifts for the appointment and support of a young people's worker and evangelist in the Dakota Conference, whose ministry will be indispensable for an aggressive program in those churches.

GENERAL EVANGELISTS

The Rev. John Leypoldt is now ably serving as the general evangelist of the denomination. The appointment of a second evangelist is highly desirable and may be carried out if the necessary funds are forthcoming.

NEW PIONEER FIELDS

New mission fields are constantly being opened by us, especially in the pioneer areas of Western Canada and northern and western United States. The Okanagan Valley in Canada with its new settlements and promising prospects has been our most recent mission field. In a few years the church and its stations have grown remarkably in Kelowna, Vernon, Oliver and Osoyoos and church edifices in several of these fields have been built. Here is a missionary undertaking worthy of everyone's interest and support!

Facing Our Task

During the Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week, November 21 to 28

There are many among our membership who habitually live in the higher altitudes of Christian life. These are privileged to face with enlightened vision our denominational task. They appreciate the great honor God has bestowed on us in appointing us as his coworkers in building his glorious spiritual temple and in extending the borders of his Kingdom. We ardently desire the increase of this select company of those who with intelligence and consecration are "Facing our Task." This desired increase will materialize through the voluntary and enthusiastic enlistment of the rank and file of our church members everywhere. We are offering some simple suggestions for the guidance of such who would face our denominational task with personal participation and in the spirit of practical helpfulness.

1. Be satisfied to employ your own peculiar gifts.

You will render your very best service by always being yourself. You can do nothing greater than to be faithful at the post, where God has placed you. In the fulfilling of our tasks we find ample opportunity for the employment of the most widely varying types of "God's servants."

2. Render unquestioning obedience to God's promptings in your heart.

Death entered a Christian home and called the lovely daughter. The sorrowing parents felt God's urge to create a Christian memorial for their beloved daughter. In obedience to that prompting they have paid \$2000 toward the building of a Christian Mission Center for the Gipsies of Golinzi in Bulgaria.



African Children Puzzled by an American Calendar

"Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong,
They are weak, but we are strong."

5. Work, pray and give only to merit and receive the favor and approval of God.

With this high purpose in mind, we will be receiving and enjoying a most satisfying compensation. We will be delivered from the bondage of working for vain glory. The ministry of our lives will then, even if only in a very slight degree, resemble the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ.

A friend of missions attended a B. Y. P. U. meeting, where our own motion-pictures from Africa were shown. During that same night the Lord told her to give some of the money to missions which she had decided to deposit in the bank the next day. Without procrastination she obeyed.

3. "Build 'over against your own home.'"

Therein lay the secret of the successful and rapid rebuilding of the fallen wall in Jerusalem in Nehemiah's time. This field "over against your own house" may lack the faintest resemblance of adventure, but it is closest to you. It is your own heart, your own home, your own church and your own denomination. This field has the very first claim upon you.

4. Undertake only in dependence upon God.

In our own wisdom and strength we are utterly insufficient. First of all we must seek his approval, direction and cooperation. Jesus counsels each one of us: "Have faith in God!"

Our 36,000 Members are urged to Face this Task with their Generous Thanksgiving Offerings

A Song Forever

By Paul Hutchins

SYNOPSIS

Lela Harrison, preparing for the final exams at college only a few days away, and with the date set for her wedding with Gardner Wilkens only two months ahead, found two letters awaiting her at the college post office. One was from her mother who was bitterly opposed to her marriage with Gardner. The other was a letter from her sweetheart, whom she dearly loved especially since she, too, had become a Christian. She read her mother's letter first in order to keep the best for the last.

CONCLUDING CHAPTER

The first line of the letter made Lela's blood ran cold:

My Dear Daughter:

"In reply to your letter this morning I wish to say that my first word to you was final. There can be but one answer. I can never give my consent to my daughter marrying beneath her socially. I cannot believe you can do such a thing to your poor mother. If it were not for his religious views, I might consider, but now, never.

"Just to show you how narrow he really is: In yesterday's editorial he denounced social drinking, the taking of a glass of beer at our social functions.

"Now, Lela, such things are ridiculous. This is only a sample of the editor's antiquated ideas. But why write all this to you? Your mind is no doubt made up. So is mine. My home is open to you, anyhow. For I get so desperate at times and I long to find in life something better than it seems to afford at present. Even though you are breaking my heart as well as your promise. I will not try to hold a grudge. I still love you as my precious little girl.

"Your Broken Hearted Mother."

"Breaking my heart as well as your promise!" How these words hurt. To Lela their pain was harder because she knew her mother would think she was hypocritical in not keeping her word. True Christians were loyal and truthful in every way.

Half gladly, half sorrowfully, Lela opened Gardner's letter, her heart pounding with anticipation. Bits of paragraphs she would read over and over again in the days to come. "Dearest Lela Dream come true God's gift to me little Pal I like you as well as love you You

are as companionable as adorable.... Only two months! God knows how I grieve for your dear mother. She is a remarkable woman and it seems to me that the Spirit of God is working to bring her to himself. Last Sunday night she was at the Stone Church and she listened to Dr. Phillips' address with manifest interest. Dr. Phillips himself told me in a private interview that he was convinced that your mother is a believer on Christ, as far as his deity is concerned, but that she is probably fighting against the Holy Spirit who seeks her unto himself. Her conversion is bound to come sooner or later, if we keep on praying. Let us hope it will be climactic and thorough. She adores you with a true Mother's love, Lela, and it is possible she is fighting her own heart in refusing to let you marry me.... She will be all the more dear when she sees how truly united to each other we are. You have been a brave girl to yield to Christ in the face of such opposition. But that is the only way. It never pays to put off salvation just because a dear friend or relative objects."

Lela cried softly to herself. Oh, if he could only know how awful it was to think of saying "good-by" to Mother! Was Gardner right, she wondered, in his diagnosis of Mother's true attitude toward Christ?

She read the editorial he enclosed. How well he wrote and how convincingly. The concluding paragraph of the clipping was:

"So, we need not fear so much the badly intoxicated driver. He will quickly come to a serious end and be off the highway. But it is the man or woman who has taken the 'social' glass who is the real menace, whose mind is hampered just enough to make him unfit to drive. Every *drinking* driver as well as *drunken* driver is a potential murderer."

Gardner was right, of course, and Mother was wrong.

During the next few weeks Lela sought to solve her problem, praying, reading the Word, consulting with her most intimate girl chum. At length, two days before graduation, she reached a definite conclusion: It was not right to go against her Mother's wishes and her own word. "Honor thy Father and thy Mother" "Children obey your parents, for this is right in the Lord" She would marry Gardner when her mother consented but before then, it wouldn't be right to do so. In her room she penned the telegram which was to be sent at once.

On her way to the telephone booth where she intended to phone the message to Western Union, she was stopped by a messenger boy from the Information Bureau.

"Lela Harrison," he announced. "Telegram for you!" He smiled and hurried on his way, while Lela, mystified and wondering hastened to the Information desk for the wire.

God was still God and he was not limited to acts of judgment in his dealings with Mrs. Harrison. It was with a heart pang that she dropped the letter into the post office box. And when, an hour later, she heard the train whistle and knew that the letter was on its way to Lela, she went alone into her room and sobbed. Ten years ago Mr. Harrison had gone into the great beyond. Where? She asked herself. Where had he gone? If the Bible were a true revelation from God, and its teaching reliable, as Dr. Phillips had preached last Sunday night, then he was safe in heaven. If not, then he could just as well be nowhere and non-existent; life itself was at best only a fascinating game and death a sure road to oblivion. Despair and loneliness! Was this, then, to be her portion in life? When she thought of the possibility of the Bible being true and its warnings and teachings to be heeded, she could hardly blame Gardner for taking life so seriously. She sighed and sought to alleviate the pain in her breast by reading. That night she attended a movie, but when she arrived at home there was the same dull ache within and a hopelessness which gripped her and held her tenaciously, mercilessly in its grip. Only a blank wall of discouragement stared her in the face no matter which way she tried to look and there seemed to be no way of looking over the wall. If only she could look up! But this, Mrs. Harrison had never learned to do.

Next day, when the grocery boy came she had arrived at the farthest edge of the precipice of despair. She seemed torn between bitter hatred of Gardner and an overwhelming disappointment of life itself. Tommy Wilkins was delivering for Mr. Howard after school. Mr. Howard, Mrs. Harrison admitted, was the outstanding member of the Stone Church. She never could understand why he had never entered more into the social activities of Mayville.

The melody of a popular air formed itself on her lips, unexpectedly and quite involuntarily: "Many's the time I'm lonely." She closed her lips tightly

and with mechanical movements arranged the groceries in their proper places.

What was that! A neatly printed heading at the top of a four-page leaflet, said: "Those Precious Troubles!"

This was the second time she had found a message after the grocery boy had gone. It was Tommy's new way of "spreading the Light" and he was happy in doing it. With Mr. Howard's permission, an attractively printed Christian message was distributed with each order of groceries. Already Tommy had had "good results" as he termed it.

"Tommy is such a likeable little fellow, Mrs. Harrison had often admitted to herself. It was his talk, the night of the Gospel Team service, she had appreciated most. Her own little Davie would have been about Tommy's age now yes just about Tommy's size. But he wouldn't have been as religious as Tommy; she wouldn't have wanted him to be.

"I'm not 'religious!'" Tommy would declare emphatically, when he was accused of it. "Jesus is just a Friend of mine who saved me and who stays right along side of me all the time and helps me to live right. I worship him too, 'cause he's God. But that isn't being religious, is it? That's just havin' a close friend!" Tommy never stopped laughing. In fact he seemed to be more happy than before he became a Christian, although, of course, he was indeed sober when it was the proper time for seriousness.

For several minutes Mrs. Harrison stood in meditation, in her hand the leaflet, "Those Precious Troubles." It was after she had read the tract over and over again and spent a sleepless night, that she decided to have a talk with Tommy. She wanted to know more about Mrs. Beckwith and if possible find out Gardner's plans. It was really too bad about Clyde getting hurt, but "Those Precious Troubles!"

At the telephone, Mrs. Harrison gave a special grocery order to be delivered tomorrow after four o'clock. She waited for Tommy in the kitchen. Tommy, whistling a popular gospel hymn tune, pushed open the back door to the Harrison house and began to empty his basket. Carefully he tucked underneath a can of tomato soup, a leaflet entitled, "Religion Without Christ," and was on his way toward the door.

"Good afternoon, Tommy!" Mrs. Harrison called cheerily.

He stopped, slightly embarrassed. He had had to summon more courage than he ordinarily possessed to leave a tract today. He wondered if she were offended. He turned around, basket on his arms. "How do you do, Mrs. Harrison?" He removed his cap.

"You certainly are a busy young man, aren't you?"

"Pretty busy, but I'm saving up for Clyde. He's going to Minneapolis next Summer to take a course in bookkeep-

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ing. Uncle Howard wants him to come as soon as school's out and maybe he'll stay all summer and go to college next fall. So I'm saving all the money I can Clyde don't know it though."

Tommy hadn't meant to tell this to Mrs. Harrison but he had seized upon the first thought that came to him. He was afraid she would upbraid him for leaving the tract. He knew also how she felt about Gardner's marrying Lela. "You'll be lonely without Clyde, won't you?" she asked.

"Oh, I don't know. Gardner'll be there and and Lela...." He stopped confused. "Uh you'll be lonesome too, won't you? I never thought of that. I I've just been so happy about having Lela at our

house, I plum forgot you. You'll be almost as lonely as Mr. Howard at the store. He's had to live alone for a long time. Say he's awful nice, isn't he? Uh" He let out a whistle of exclamation.

"What is it, Tommy?" she asked.

"Oh, nothing. I just thought of something" He stopped. "Mr. Howard sure thinks you're awful nice us well, excuse me, I must get going."

Before she could say more, he was gone. But Tommy had watered a seed which had long been planted in her mind. Mr. Howard was the nicest man in town in the Stone Church, anyway.

Tommy, with a well formulated plan in his mind, was radiant with enthusiasm to Mr. Howard about how kind and good Mrs. Harrison was and how nice it'd be if she didn't have to live alone.

"If she were only a saved woman, Tommy," Mr. Howard remarked, "she would be one of the most remarkable women in town."

"Why, of course, I like her!" he admitted after persistent questioning on Tommy's part.

Thus Tommy went into the love-brokerage business. That he was successful was made fully manifest the week before Gardner and Lela were to be married.

A beautiful triple wedding took place on a warm, sun-kissed afternoon in early June.

"When I get to be bookkeeper for one of the biggest department stores in the city, I'm going to pay your way through college," Clyde said to Tommy the next day after the wedding. "I owe you more than you'll ever know you and Gardner. I guess it was you being kind to me and helping me to forget about my crippled hand that made me see that, after all, God did love me"

Tommy was quiet. He liked Clyde an awful lot. "Don't you suppose you'll ever be able to play the piano like you used to?"

"Not like I used to, Tommy, but well enough to play some of the old hymns of the church. I wouldn't care to play for dances any more, even if I could."

Clyde had an important errand to perform before leaving for Minneapolis. That afternoon he stopped to see Erwin.

They shook hands solemnly, neither of them speaking at first. Then Clyde said, "You'll never know what your life has meant to me, Erwin." He could feel the calouses on Erwin's hands. Tears came into his eyes when he thought of Erwin's having had to drop out of High School in order to make a living for his Mother and himself. "You've made a man's sacrifice, Erwin, and I think it was the price you paid in order to live true to Christ that helped me to see how wrong it was for me to live for the world."

"Oh, that's all right, Clyde. I thor-

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What's Happening News

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oughly enjoyed it. I can honestly say that what I gave up was nothing in comparison with the sweet fellowship I had with the Lord Jesus Christ. I needed the fresh air of the country, too. Besides, I'm going to school next fall anyhow. I'm going to college too, only I'm not going to Rynelle. I've got a job at the newspaper office at Stromberg beginning next week. As soon as I finish high school, the new editor, Mr. Bancroft, is going to pay my way through some Christian college, the first year. I want to have my voice trained. I'm not sure but I'll go into some kind of Christian work."

In the Wilkins home in an upstairs front room, Gardner and Lela, their arms around each other stood looking down into the street below. "I'm going to love it here, Gardner," she said happily. "I've always adored this dear old house, ever since I was a little girl. And now with Mother saved and happily married it seems as if Our Heavenly Father had planned it so from the beginning."

Her hands sought his and he drew her to him in a sacred, tender embrace. When he had kissed her, he said, "Even Old Dan has had an awakening. When Abner came back last week and told his story in the church Old Dan was sitting on the front seat. I guess Dan's old pool hall is going to be made into a sort of wholesome amusement and recreation center, something like a Y. M. C. A., only of course he'll sell lunches as before, without beer."

In another room Mrs. Beckwith was packing her things. Tomorrow she and Abner would move to Stromberg, where he was to be employed as mechanic in the Chevrolet Motor Company.

To Gardner and Lela, while the western sun slid slowly toward its hiding place, there came in clear, tuneful melody, Mrs. Beckwith's favorite song:

"There is never a day so dreary,
There is never a night so long
But the soul that is trusting in Jesus
May somewhere find a song.

"Wonderful, Wonderful Jesus,
In the heart he implanteth a song;
A song of deliverance, of courage and strength,
In my heart he implanteth a song."

A moment later Gardner said softly. "And he has planted a song in my heart, too. A song forever. Why is it that the sweetest songs seem to come to us after a time of disappointment and sorrow?"

"I don't know, but they do. Wasn't it Shakespeare who said, 'Why rush the discords in, but that harmony might be prized?'"

He nodded, a far-away expression in his eyes. "And it was Paul in his epistle to the Hebrews, who said, 'Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness in them that are exercised thereby.'"

THE END

being held in the Oak Park Church of Forest Park, Ill., by Miss Alethea Kose, teacher in the Baptist Missionary Training School of Chicago, Ill. The course is dealing with the understanding of the Sunday School pupil and the most effective methods of teaching. About 20 young people are enrolled in the course.

On Saturday, Sept. 15, the Rev. W. J. Zirbes officiated at the wedding ceremony in which his granddaughter, Miss Roberta Zirbes of Orchard Park, N. J., and Mr. George Wallace of Angola, N. J., were married. The ceremony was performed under the trees on the lawn of the Zirbes' home near Paterson, N. J. About 40 relatives and friends were in attendance at the happy occasion.

The German Baptist Church of Linton, No. Dak., with its associated churches at Temvik, Hazelton and Freudental observed "Missionary Sunday" on Oct. 3rd with large meetings in the Memorial auditorium of Linton in the morning and afternoon. The Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Chicago, Ill., was the guest speaker. A missionary offering of \$150 was received at the service. In the evening a union meeting was held at the Evangelical Church in Linton which was also addressed by Mr. Leuschner. From Oct. 11 to 24 evangelistic services were held at the Temvik Church with the Rev. F. W. Bartel serving as evangelist. Further evangelistic services will be conducted by the Rev. A. Krombein of Fredonia, N. Dak., in the Linton Church.

During the year ending with Oct. 1, 1937, the Sunday School of the Ruff station of Lehr, No. Dak., had held 54 services with an average attendance of 37 persons and an average offering of \$1.01. The total enrollment of the school is 82. The superintendent for the past year was Mr. Edward Zukut. For the coming year Mr. Gottlieb Will is serving as superintendent and Mr. Albert Schabel as assistant superintendent. The Mission Festival was held at the Lehr Church on Sunday, Oct. 24.

On Sunday evening, Oct. 3, an unusually interesting program was rendered by 4 Sunday School classes in the German Baptist Church of Wishek, No. Dak. The Beginners' department under the direction of Miss G. Stading sang a number of selections. The Primary department with Miss Ruth Koth in charge recited Bible verses. An original dramatization by Mrs. Ernst Heer was given by the Juniors. The Intermediates rendered the effective dramatization, "The Challenge of the Cross." The members of the young people's class served as ushers for the program. The pastor of the church,

the Rev. A. Ittermann, spoke briefly at the close of the service.

On Sunday, Sept. 28, the German Baptist Church of Hebron, No. Dak., held its annual Missionary Festival with the Rev. H. G. Bens serving as guest speaker at the morning and afternoon services. The minister of the church, the Rev. C. M. Knapp, spoke in the afternoon meeting. The missionary offering amounted to \$250. From Oct. 18 to 25 revival meetings were held at the church's station at Antelope with Mr. Knapp conducting, and from Oct. 25 to Dec. 7 similar services will be held at Hebron with the Rev. W. Luebeck of Ashley, No. Dak., serving as evangelist.

The Missionary Festival of the German Baptist Church of Herreid, So. Dak., with its stations at Artas, Gnadenfeld, Spring Creek and Pollack was held on Sunday, Oct. 3. The Rev. H. G. Bens of Bismarck, No. Dak., served as guest preacher. More than \$350 was received at the missionary offerings. Recently two weeks of revival meetings were held at Java, a nearby mission field, with the Rev. E. S. Fenske of Herreid and the Rev. F. Trautner of Eureka bringing the messages. Three people were converted in the services. From Oct. 11 to 29 Mr. Fenske served the Berlin church as evangelist. At Spring Creek, No. Dak., revival meetings will be conducted by the Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Cathay from Nov. 1 to 19 and later in the month Mr. Fenske will hold similar meetings at Cathay.

The Rev. William Kuhn, D. D., general secretary, has spent a busy month in October visiting churches and associations. On Oct. 5 and 6 he participated in the program of the Iowa Association at Victor. He was the guest speaker at the missionary festival of the German Baptist Church of Turtle Lake, No. Dak., on Sunday morning, Oct. 10, although unable to preach at Washburn, No. Dak., in the evening. From Oct. 15 to 17 he was one of the guest preachers at the 75th anniversary of the Temple Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., of which the Rev. Louis B. Holzer is the minister. From Oct. 21 to 25 he visited our churches in Vancouver, British Columbia, preaching in the First and Second Churches on Sunday, Oct. 24. Towards the close of the month he visited the German Baptist Churches and stations at Kelowna, Vernon, Oliver and Osoyoos in the Okanagan Valley of British Columbia, Canada.

The greater part of the month of October was spent by the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, young people's secretary, in the Dakota Conference, enjoying an extended itinerary. On Sunday, Oct.

3, he was the guest speaker at the missionary festival in Linton, No. Dak., where the Rev. F. Alf is the minister. From Oct. 5 to 7 he participated in the program of the Dakota Sunday School Association at Eureka, So. Dak., and from Oct. 8 to 10 in the program of the Western Dakota and Montana Sunday School Association at Plevna, Mont. On Tuesday evening, Oct. 12, he addressed the congregation at Beulah, No. Dak., before attending the Northern North Dakota Association from Oct. 13 to 14 at Underwood, No. Dak. On Friday, Oct. 15, he spoke at the afternoon and evening services in McClusky, No. Dak., where the Rev. R. G. Kaiser is minister. On Sunday morning, Oct. 17, he preached in the German Baptist Church of Anamoose, No. Dak., participating in the afternoon in the dedication program of the remodeled church at Lincoln Valley. On Sunday, Oct. 24, he served as the guest speaker at the 50th anniversary of the B. Y. P. U. in the German Baptist Church of Madison, So. Dak.

Three new churches have recently been added to the list of German Baptist Churches of North America. At the recent Southwestern Conference the Baptist Church of Mt. Sterling, Missouri, which used to be a member of the denomination, rejoined the conference. The Rev. John Kemnitz is the pastor of the church. The Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, was recognized at a council held on Friday, Oct. 8. It is holding its services in a renovated church building. They have called the Rev. Fred Mueller, formerly pastor of the First Church of Portland, as its minister. A report of the recognition service with a picture of the church building will appear shortly in "The Baptist Herald." On Friday, Oct. 22, the Second German Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, was formally recognized by a recognition council of duly appointed delegates from Vancouver, Washington and Oregon. As yet the church is without the services of a pastor.

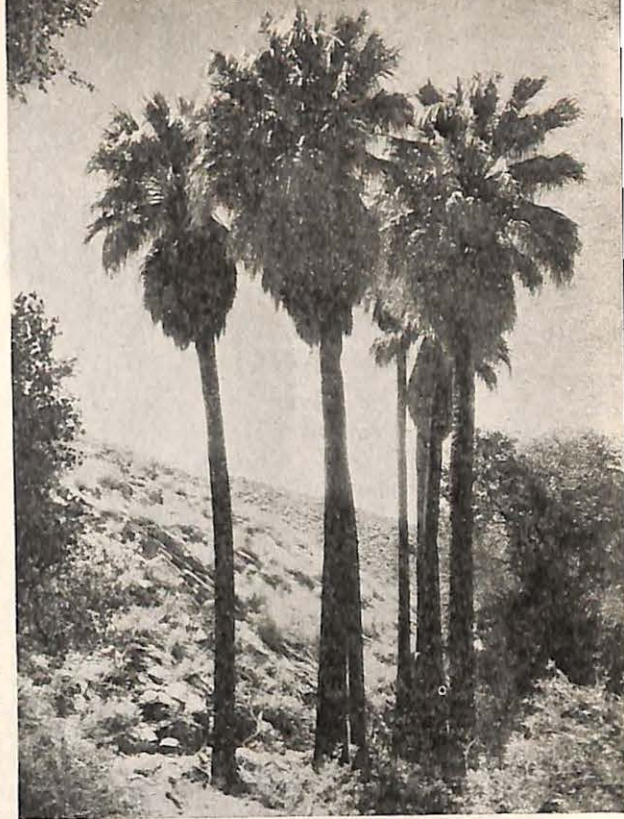
During the late summer months the young people's society of the West Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan, Canada, has visited the societies at East Ebenezer, Orkney, Fenwood and Springside presenting the play, "From Darkness to Dawn," under the leadership of Miss Julie Gabert. During the past year the West Ebenezer Society has suffered the loss of 6 of its most active members. Miss C. Badke has accepted a position with a business firm in Toronto. Miss E. Fritzki is teaching school elsewhere. Mr. Allan Katzberg has entered the medical department of the University of Manitoba. Mrs. M. Panzgrau and Messrs. Dan Kirsch and August Gabert have left for the West Coast. A report of the silver jubilee of the church appears on the "Report" page of this issue of "The Baptist Herald."

On Sunday, Sept. 5, the German Baptist Church of McClusky, No. Dak., held a farewell service for its young people who were leaving for school. Among these were Mr. Ralph Rott, a student at our seminary in Rochester, N. Y., Miss Violet Froehlich, entering a business school at Fargo, No. Dak., and the Misses Freda Klundt and Irene Froehlich, students at the nearby Jamestown College. The pastor of the church, the Rev. R. Kaiser, brought an appropriate message and Miss Esther Kaiser delivered a consecration address. On Sunday, Sept. 12, a baptismal service was held at a nearby dam, at which Mr. Kaiser baptized a convert. Evangelistic meetings were held in McClusky from Sept. 27 to Oct. 12 with messages brought by the Reverends W. W. Knauf of Anamoose, No. Dak., and D. Koester of Canton, Ohio. Three converts were the blessing of these services.

Miss Freda P. Klein, a daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Klein of North Dakota and the secretary of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, and Mr. Albert Reddig of Cathay, No. Dak., will be married at a colorful church service on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 6, in the Germantown Baptist Church. The Rev. Daniel Klein, the bride's father, will officiate at the service. Afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Reddig will spend 6 weeks on a honeymoon trip to the Atlantic Coast, visiting friends and relatives in Chicago, Brooklyn, New York and other places en route.

The Rev. Arthur Fischer, pastor of the German Baptist Church at Beulah, No. Dak., and its station at Zapp, has recently resigned in order to accept the call extended to him by the Ebenezer Baptist Church near Wessington Springs, So. Dak. He will begin his ministry on the new field about Jan. 1, 1938. Mr. Fischer graduated from the German Baptist Seminary in 1934, spent a year of study at Sioux Falls College and has just completed a ministry of 2½ years at the Beulah Church.

After more than 10 years spent in a memorable ministry as pastor of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church of Newark, N. J., the Rev. Charles W. Koller, D. D., has accepted the call extended to him by the trustees of the Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago, Ill., to become its new president. This is a notable honor which Dr. Koller well deserves. He has rendered a remarkable service in our denomination and other evangelical circles as evangelist, preacher, administrator and friend of young people. He and his wife recently returned from a trip to Palestine, which was made possible by generous gifts from church members on the occasion of the celebration of the 10th anniversary of his pastorate in the church. On Jan. 1, 1938, he will be



May God's Glory Shine Upon Our Continent and Churches!

gin his new work as the president of one of the largest Baptist seminaries in this country, where his influence for Christ and the Kingdom of God training young men and women as ministers and missionaries of the gospel will extend to all corners of the globe.

On Sunday, Oct. 17, the mission festival of the Rosenfeld Church in North Dakota was held with the pastor, the Rev. A. Bibelheimer, bringing the morning message. In the afternoon a union service was held with the Russian Baptist Church at Kiev, at which the Rev. G. Schroeder and the Rev. A. Bibelheimer spoke in Russian and German, respectively. On Monday, Oct. 25, a Bible School was begun by Mr. Bibelheimer in the Rosenfeld Church, in which a large number of young people are participating. In October Mr. and Mrs. Bibelheimer finished their first year of service on this field with the Rosenfeld and Tabor churches.

The enlarged and redecorated German Baptist Church at Lincoln Valley, No. Dak., was dedicated at a service on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 17, with the church crowded beyond its capacity. The Rev. W. W. Knauf, pastor of the church, was in charge of the program and brought an address of welcome. Musical numbers were rendered by the Anamoose quartet and a duet of Ruth Wagner and Evangeline Borchardt. The deacon of the church made appropriate remarks concerning the history and ministry of the church. The Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Chicago, Ill., brought the dedication address in the German language on the theme, "The True Worship of God." The Rev. W. W. Knauf can be heard in a brief German talk by Dakota friends over the radio every Friday morning at 9 A. M. over station KLPM of Minot, No. Dak.

Reports from the Field

Northern Conference

The Silver Jubilee of the West Ebenezer German Baptist Church

Sunday, Sept. 26, was a day of special blessing for the West Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan, Canada. Approximately 1200 members and friends gathered to celebrate the silver jubilee of the church.

The auditorium was beautifully decorated with ferns and flowers and a banner, reading "Ebenezer—Bis hierher hat uns der Herr geholfen!", the letters of which were colored in silver and black.

The Rev. John Kuehn, the pastor of



The West Ebenezer Church of Saskatchewan, Canada

th church, had charge of the program. Early in the morning the Rev. J. Luebeck of Minitonas, a former pastor, spoke to the Sunday School. The Rev. A. Rosner, another former pastor, brought a message from Psalm 122:6 at the morning service.

In the afternoon letters of greeting from former pastors and friends were read besides the historic reports of the church's ministry during these 25 years. The Rev. J. Luebeck brought the jubilee message at the afternoon meeting. In the evening the Rev. A. Reeh of Yorkton spoke.

Every department of the church played an important part in the day's program. The Women's Auxiliary, the church choir, the ladies' and male choruses, the children's choir, the orchestra, the B. Y. P. U., the Sunday School, and even the youngest branch of the Sunday School, the Cradle Roll, made their presence known in many different ways.

Twelve Baptist churches were represented at the festivities. These were the daughter churches of Fenwood and Springside, the twin sister churches of East Ebenezer, and the churches of Yorkton, Homestead, Phonehill, Edenwald, Southey, Lemberg, Minitonas,

Winnipeg and St. Paul, Minnesota. A picture of the present church edifice is reproduced on this page of "The Baptist Herald."

In the past "His grace was sufficient," and for the future the prayer of our hearts is: "Oh, Master, let us walk with thee!"

ELLA L. KATZBERG, Reporter.

Summer Events in Edenwald, Saskatchewan

Things well worth remembering have happened in the Baptist Church at Edenwald, Saskatchewan, Canada, this summer. During Mr. Ewald Wegner's term of service at our church as student pastor we had many enjoyable times. It was our privilege to hold

regular Sunday services in both languages in our three churches. We were able to increase our church roll by eight new members. These had confessed Christ as Savior during revival meetings conducted by Mr. Wegner, assisted by his wife.

The Rev. John Weinbender of Southey visiting us on Sunday, August 22, baptized these converts and extended the hand of fellowship to them at the communion service.

Mr. Wegner held a social gathering with the young people every two weeks, and these were well attended. The evenings varied as to form of program, such as socials, wiener roast and the like. Friday, Sept. 3, a program was given which put a fine finishing touch to Mr. Wegner's term of services along with his final church service on Sept. 5.

In the month of June the Saskatchewan and Tri Union Convention was also held at our church.

Although times are trying, and we are again without a minister we shall still keep on in the service of the Master. May the Lord bless the work and encourage those, who sometimes lose heart, to keep on!

FRANK BRUCKER, Reporter.

The Ordination of the Rev. Otto Patzia at Winnipeg

On Sunday, Sept. 19, an Ordination Council was called together in the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, for the purpose of examining Mr. Otto Patzia. At three o'clock there were a goodly number of members from the local church and neighboring churches, besides the council members, assembled for the occasion. The Rev. A. Felberg was elected chairman and the Rev. E. Mittelstedt clerk of the council.

The ordination was held on that Sunday evening, when a large congregation from far and near came together. The Rev. A. Felberg brought the ordination sermon, the Rev. Phil. Daum, a former pastor of the candidate offered the ordination prayer; the Rev. E. Mittelstedt welcomed the candidate into the rank and file of the ministers; the Rev. J. P. Rempel gave the charge to the candidate; and the Rev. G. Palenier the charge to the church. The choir of the Winnipeg church under the direction of Mr. H. Schirmacher added much to the program with the fine selections which they rendered.

The Rev. O. Patzia is assistant pastor in the Winnipeg Church. May God grant him much joy in his services, bless him and make him a blessing to many!

EDMUND MITTELSTEDT, Reporter.

Farewell to the Student Pastor and Reception to the New Minister at Trochu

We, as members of the German Baptist Church of Trochu, Alberta, Canada, praise the Lord for the many blessings that he has bestowed upon us, even though we were without a leader for some time to lead us on.

Mr. Rubin Kern, a student of our seminary in Rochester, N. Y., was with us for the summer months, and the Lord certainly blessed the happy occasions which we spent together. Reluctantly we saw him leave.

With happy and eager hearts we looked forward to the time when we would welcome our new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Otto Fiesel, formerly of Hilda, Alberta. On Sunday, Sept. 5, friends of the church from far and near gathered to welcome our new pastor and his wife, whom we have already learned to love and to respect. In the morning service Mr. Fiesel brought a message based on 1 Cor. 2:2. In the evening a program consisting of welcome addresses by the various representatives of the church organizations and guest preachers, of recitations and of musical and vocal selections was rendered.

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Eastern Conference

Festivities in Connection With the Spring Opening of the Rochester Seminary

The school bells have rung, and the boys have returned from their wanderings to the halls of learning. It is always a happy home-coming at the German Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y. To be sure, some of the children have tried their wings and have flown afar. Their faces are missing. But the gap is filled, and well filled, by the new faces that are beaming in upon us. Ten such students, representing the Atlantic, Central, Southwestern, Dakota, Pacific and Northern Conferences, have put in their appearance.

A number of festivities are customary in connection with the opening of the school year. There is the testimonial meeting at which the students tell of their summer experiences. Since nearly all students had opportunity of ministering to churches or missions, or of engaging in some sort of Christian service, they had something of interest to say. While I did not hear anyone claim with the apostles that "even the demons were subject unto us," still some were most agreeably surprised how the German language and the hearts of the people yielded to their powers. About 50 conversions sealed by baptisms were reported as having resulted from their summer ministry.

An innovation along the line of opening festivities was a tour of the city conducted by faculty members, offering a fine opportunity for closer acquaintance and for showing the beautiful natural environment in which the boys shall make their home for the next five years.

But more important is the formal opening which always takes place on the Friday evening of the opening week. The professors take turns in delivering an address on this occasion. This year on Friday, Sept. 17, the honor came to the newest and the youngest member of the faculty, the Reverend Frank Woyke, who spoke wisely and effectively on "Training for Christian Service." The chapel was filled with students and friends of the seminary, and his message was highly appreciated.

The acting pastor of our local German Baptist Church, Mr. Harvey Koeser, who did so well during the summer that the church is asking him to continue his service for the immediate future, extended a hearty welcome to the students to the fellowship, inspiration, and service of this church. Mr. Walter Marschand, a member of one of our Cleveland churches, residing in the seminary while pursuing his studies at Eastman School of Music, rendered violin selections. The social hour which followed in the dining room gave opportunity of renewing old and forming new friendships.

ARTHUR A. SCHADE, Reporter.

Chocolate Candies for Christmas

Is it the custom of your Sunday School to treat your children, and perhaps the adults too, to Candy at the Christmas festival?

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Dakota Conference

An Impressive Baptismal Service Conducted by the Pleasant Valley Church

Sunday, Sept. 12, was a joyous day for the Pleasant Valley Church near Carrington, No. Dak. Members and friends of the church gathered at the recently completed Longview Dam to witness a baptismal service.

The Rev. A. Ittermann of Cathay delivered a very impressive sermon before the Rev. N. E. McCoy, pastor of the Pleasant Valley Church, baptized 9 young people upon the confession of their faith in Christ.

Following this occasion, the communion service was held at the Pleasant Valley Church and the hand of fellowship was extended to these baptized converts by the Rev. N. E. McCoy.

After witnessing such an occasion, we can truly say, "What wonders God hath wrought!"

MARIE ALBUS, Reporter.

Announcement Extraordinary

An Innovation in the Subscription Field

CLUB RATES for our Periodicals

The General Council with the concurrence of the Publication Board has resorted to a drastic method to improve the circulation of our "SENBOTE" and "BAPTIST HERALD," believing it to be vital to our denominational interests to have our paper in every home.

OUR CHURCHES CHALLENGED

With this planned inducement our churches are challenged to render fullest cooperation by accepting the plan and making it effective on their own field for the year 1938.

Churches who will make themselves responsible for placing either the "SENBOTE" or "THE BAPTIST HERALD," or both, in every home of their membership will be entitled to club rates. In the case of the "SENBOTE" the rate will be \$1.75 and for the "HERALD" it will be \$1.00.

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In such case the Publication Society will reimburse the church as recognition of the services of the persons compiling the lists and caring for all the details of the subscription matters to the extent of 5% of the total remittance. No other commissions are applicable to such club arrangements.

Where this arrangement cannot be introduced the established subscription rates continue as heretofore.

It will likely prove practicable that the duly appointed representative of the Publication House, and the "HERALD" booster will handle the subscription details.

This information is published thus early that the churches will have time to act and declare themselves. It is to be hoped that there will be an enthusiastic reaction to the proposal with the result that the number of readers of our periodicals will be greatly increased. It is to be expected that where this plan becomes operative much benefit will be the result.

H. P. DONNER, Business Manager.