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Youth with Unfurled
Banners is on the
March in Our Day!

Courtesy of
"The Rising Tide."



What's Happening

✽ On Easter Sunday evening, April 17, the choir of the German Baptist Church of Avon, So. Dak., rendered the cantata, "The Conquering King" by Ira B. Wilson, before a large appreciative audience. Following the cantata, the Rev. F. W. Bartel was privileged to baptize 6 young people who had made their decisions for Christ at a special Decision Day service in the Sunday School.

✽ The Rev. J. R. Matz, who has been pastor of the German Baptist Church in New Leipzig, No. Dak., for the past 3½ years, has resigned and accepted the call extended to him by the German Baptist Church in Randolph, Minn. Mr. Matz will begin his ministry on the new field with June 1, succeeding the Rev. H. C. Wedel, now in Holloway, Minn.

✽ On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Rev. Emil Becker of Washburn, No. Dak., baptized 7 persons, some of whom had made their decisions for Christ during the evangelistic meetings held in the church from March 23 to April 8 by the Rev. Daniel Klein of the Germantown Church. An Easter program was presented by the Sunday School with Mr. Jacob Brenneise, superintendent, in charge.

✽ The Rev. P. F. Schilling, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Gladwin, Mich., has recently resigned his charge. His resignation will be effective on July 1. He has also accepted the call extended to him by the German Baptist Church at Beulah, No. Dak., with a mission station at Zap, where he will succeed the Rev. Arthur Fischer. His services on the new field will begin on July 1.

✽ The Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, pastor of the North Avenue Church of Milwaukee, Wis., baptized 9 young people on Easter Sunday, April 17, on confession of their faith in Christ. In the evening the church choir under the direction of Mr. G. W. Ahlswede presented the cantata, "Day of Triumph" by A. T. Gilbert. A Good Friday evening service held in the church was also very well attended.

✽ The churches in the North Texas Association will hold a sectional rally on Sunday, June 12, in the Mother Neff State Park under the auspices of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Southern Conference. Mr. Pat M. Heff, president of Baylor University in Waco and a former governor of Texas, will be the principal speaker. Mr. Herbert Ekrut is the president of the Union and Mrs. Adeline Schaible is the secretary.

✽ The Rev. John E. Knechtel, pastor of the Second German Church of Chicago, Ill., baptized 3 persons on Easter Sunday, April 17, including his son, William. The Easter services were attended by large congregations. A monthly young people's paper, called "B. Y. Star," is being prepared by Louis M. Gregsamer, editor-in-chief; Wm. L. Knechtel, assistant editor and circulation manager; Irene Lange, managing editor; and Elizabeth Steinke, executive secretary.

✽ The anniversary program of the Home for the Aged in Philadelphia, Pa., will be held on Monday, May 30, at the home located at 7023 Rising Sun Avenue. A service of unusual interest with special music and speakers will be held at 2 p. m. in the chapel. Meals will be served by the women of the Home's board. Donations of all kinds will be very welcome at the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Windisch are serving as the efficient superintendent and matron of the Home.

✽ On Good Friday evening the choir of the Fleischmann Memorial Church of Philadelphia, Pa., rendered Maunder's cantata, "Olivet to Calvary," before a large audience. At the Easter sunrise service the Rev. Oliver H. Hurst of the Wyoming Baptist Church was the special speaker. In the evening service on Easter Sunday the Rev. Milton R. Schroeder, pastor of the church, baptized 2 persons. Miss Ruth C. Doescher, missionary of the church, spent some time in April in Hahnemann hospital recovering from an illness.

✽ Mrs. Albert W. Beaven, the wife of Dr. A. W. Beaven, president of the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, died in Rochester, N. Y., on Saturday, April 23, following a brief illness. Last year she and Dr. Beaven made an extended missionary tour of India. She was hostess to the young men of our German Baptist Seminary at least once each year since Dr. Beaven became president of the "seminary on the hill." Her gracious Christian personality will be greatly missed by the large circle of her friends.

✽ On Sunday evening, April 10, the Sunday School of the Greenville Baptist Church near Burton, Texas observed its Bible Day program under the leadership of the Sunday School superintendent, Mr. Albert Luedemann. At the same time the birthday of the church's pastor, the Rev. J. J. Lippert, was celebrated much to his surprise. Congratulations were

brought in brief messages and a substantial gift was presented to him by the church. Following the program refreshments were served by the women in honor of the happy occasion.

✽ "The Challenge of the Cross," an inspiring play was rendered by the B. Y. P. U. of our church in Bismarck, No. Dak., on Easter Sunday evening, April 17. Miss Florence Schlipf is the president of the society. Afterwards "the Passion Story in Song" was presented at the evening service, and the Rev. Benjamin Schlipf spoke on "Friendship With the Living Christ." On Sunday evening, May 8, the Intermediate girls with Miss Lydia Fischer as teacher and some of the B. Y. P. U. members rendered a special Mothers' Day program.

✽ Mrs. O. G. Graalman of Okeene, Okla., has recently completed 4 years of successful work as State Junior Counselor for the National Federation of Music Clubs. The state of Oklahoma has more than 130 Junior Music Clubs. This federation is laying a great deal of stress on worshipful music in the Sunday School and church services. Mrs. Graalman for many years has given freely of her talents to the Okeene German Baptist Church. She will be remembered by her friends as the former Miss Laura Scholz, daughter of the late Rev. Joseph Scholz, formerly pastor of our church in Burlington, Iowa.

✽ On Easter Sunday, April 17, the German Baptist Church of Goodrich, No. Dak., received a combined Easter offering of \$50. The B. Y. P. U. presented the dialogue, "The Light of the Cross," in the evening to a capacity congregation. Mr. and Mrs. John Mar-

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EDITORIAL

YOUTH belongs to the banner-waving crowd of life. Every great cause has the enthusiasm of young people as the secret of its dynamic power and successful completion. Even dictatorships of Youth could not be established without the zealous devotion of youth.

Wherever young people are gathered together, whether the occasion be a football game in a college stadium or a religious retreat in some worshipful church, there the banners of fervor and frenzy are unfurled.

That story is dramatically depicted on the front cover of the current issue of "The Baptist Herald." These young men with heads held high and with defiant forward step are carrying the banners of their nations and the causes in which they believe. They are bathed in a glory of sincere and intense ardor. The cries which are hurled from their open mouths are a stirring record of the convictions by which they live. Youth in this day is on the march as never before in the history of mankind.

But what a confusion of banners greets the casual onlooker! High schools and colleges have their loyal champions. Young patriots are ready to join their country in any war for the excitement that it will bring. A variety of "Isms" has attracted its many followers. Labor movements have captivated the undying frenzy of hundreds of thousands of young people. The peace movement in the United States alone is made up of more than seventy organizations, each of which is largely composed of youthful members. Communism is espoused by many of the world's young people who are ready to die for it. The latest fad from Hollywood or the most recent style from Paris has a following that is too large to compute. Political banners are flung into the winds of our day until the air is thick with them. It is a time of intense excitement when tremendous changes can occur overnight, and when the

enthusiastic support of youth is at a greater premium than ever. Every conceivable movement with its special type of banner is bidding for the flaming fervency of youth.

What of the Christian Church? Is it presenting the claims of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the young people of today in such a way as to compel their admiration and win their interest? It is the editor's firm conviction that the aggressive missionary program and this militant rallying call to the youth of our day are receiving an increasing emphasis by the church and religious leaders. Young people are being shown the banner of Christ, whose colors never fade and whose glory never dims. Challenged by the gospel message, many of them are on the march for Christ!

Let no one belittle the marvelous ministry of the Oxford Movement in awakening the young people of our colleges and universities especially to this call of the Master for the unreserved devotion of their lives. That movement is unfurling the banner of Christ in the hearts of many, who today are living witnesses of the transforming power of the grace of God. Dr. Daniel A. Poling, one of youth's greatest leaders in our day, holds out to youth a banner that is not easy to carry. "Christianity is hard, alluringly hard. Christ's program, above all other programs presents to young men and young women, the opportunity to invest life sacrificially and triumphantly."

These banners of the Christian gospel need to be unfurled this summer wherever young people are gathered for institutes and conventions. The challenge of Christ must be brought to them in compelling sacrificial terms. "Onward, then, ye people!" must be our rallying call. Such Christian young people on the march with banners flying high and with Christ in the lead can conquer this world!

Let Us Build!

By MISS EVELYN THEIS of Rochester, New York
Council Representative of the Eastern Conference

Watch any carpenter. Notice the pride he takes in his work. Measuring, eyeing things carefully, he seems to be always dreaming of the completed task. And if a man can derive so much pure joy from handling lifeless bits of wood, how much greater is the thrill of working with sparkling personalities!

Building holds a prominent place in our age. At every turn we are confronted with suggestions of the world of tomorrow, including all the finest achievements in architectural designs and instruments useful in our everyday life. But the world of tomorrow needs something more than the wizardry of the scientist. It must be a peaceful, orderly world, in which men, groups of men, and nations know each other, understand each other, work together for the good of all. It is this co-operative working toward one clear goal—to build the Kingdom of God on earth—that is the cure for all the heartaches and headaches of the modern world.

At first only a dream, but with patient, slow-moving efforts, this will blossom out into a beautiful reality. "The world of tomorrow depends on the youth of today." So many times

have we heard these words, that some of the significance is lost by frequent repetition, but with the fearlessness and lack of prejudice characteristic of youth, let us unite in building lives, and eventually a world that will endure—a world at which Jesus would rejoice to behold! The hopelessness goes out of the task when every young man and woman accepts that as a personal challenge—that of building a life, with Christ, the Master Builder, as an example and teacher.

The motto chosen for the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union. "Let Us Build," is especially attractive because it not only challenges each individual to mould his own life into a rich, wholesome, and Christ-like personality, but it implies working together with other like-minded young people with noble aspirations and high ideals throughout the United States and Canada. Building has been the urge of all mankind, for it is a monument to man that lives after him. He has erected memorials in all forms—wood, brick, stone, steel, canvas, books—but the greatest achievement is to build your memorial in the hearts of your fellowmen.

To me there is nothing more inspirational than the thought of building. To be creator is the most God-like quality a man may possess. Jesus began his life in a carpenter's shop, and the lessons and principles, which he learned there, must have stayed with him throughout his life.

Building with the Master Builder of Life

By MR. HAROLD J. PETKE of Portland, Oregon,
Vice-President of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union

For genuine, lasting pleasure and for the satisfaction that comes only from accomplishment, "Let Us Build"!

Watch the happy child at play, setting one block upon the other. That is building. Watch the boy with his toys or at his father's workbench. What is he doing? He is building. Watch the girl with her color book, paper dolls, or with mother's needle and thread. She is ever busy. She is building.

Recall your own childhood, how proudly you carried home from school the fruits of your first efforts in the manual arts. Surely, you found pleasure in building. Perhaps, even now you have a constructive hobby. Certainly, every young woman is extremely happy when complimented on a new dress, and particularly so if she can say, "Yes, I made it myself." Isn't everyone of us happy to show others some piece of handiwork that he or she has made? Truly, there is pleasure in building.

Everyone who reads this article must at some time in life have had the

desire to build and undoubtedly has experienced the satisfaction that comes from the completion of an undertaking. Because of this inherent desire to build, we, as Christians, are greatly privileged, for ours is the opportunity to build for Christ and his Kingdom, "for we are laborers together with God."

Sunday School workers, yours is the task of firmly building the foundation "which is Jesus Christ" in the hearts of your scholars in the days of their youth! Young people, yours is the task of building a sound and admirable Christian character upon this foundation! Unitedly, ours is the task of building the Church of Christ, a most high and noble assignment which is worthy of our best efforts.

As you know, the number of persons outside the Kingdom of God greatly exceeds the number within. Therefore, if we are to see his will "done on earth as it is in heaven," everyone who is within the Kingdom must truly be a builder. Of course,

every builder must have tools with which to work, and in the task of building for eternity, your tools are your own church with its various branches, our National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union with its high aims and hopes, and our entire German Baptist denomination with its far-reaching kingdom-building agencies.

You can do much toward carrying out the work which the Master Builder has assigned to us as a denomination and to you as a Christian. But you must resolve to be a builder, ever striving to live out in your own life the theme song of our National Union, "Living for Jesus." This then should be your earnest prayer:

"Lord, lay some soul upon my heart
And love that soul through me;
And help me nobly do my part
To win that soul to Thee."

In this manner, both individually and unitedly, "let us press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Yes, LET US BUILD!

Children's Page

Edited by ALICE and DOROTHY REINICKE of Dayton, Ohio

Singing Larry

"Rub them, scrub them,
Drop them in the pot,
Hurry up, scurry up,
Eat them while they're hot."

Larry was busy getting his own breakfast. He sang as he bustled about in the small hut. Larry liked to make up songs about whatever he did. That's why people called him "Singing Larry."

Every day, from sunrise till sunset, Larry pulled weeds from the royal garden of the palace. Sometimes his muscles ached painfully, but he never complained. He was always happy—and always hungry.

As he drew up a stool beside the table, a shadow crossed the threshold. It was the king, haggard and worn.

"You're just in time
With me to dine—
I'll pull up another stool.
Potatoes white
Are cooked just right—
We'll eat them 'ere they cool,"

sang Larry as the king entered the hut.

"I care not for food," sighed the King. "I'm worried about the Princess. She grows more pale every day. I can't understand it. She has nothing to do but rest on her couch from morn till night. I've searched the hills for the best entertainers. They have played and sung for her. Still she thinks life is dull and stupid. She is restless at night and tosses about during the long, dark hours. What shall I do, what shall I do?"

"'Tis bad; 'tis sad;
Nor is it right.
I pray—how is her appetite?"

inquired Larry, trying to think of a way to help the King solve his problem.

The King shook his head. "She eats less than the fish in the pool beneath her window," he answered. "I've given bags of silver to the palace cooks for the richest meats and gravies, puddings and sauces. They spent all the silver I gave them for frocks of lace and satin. Now they sit in the parlor and refuse to go near the kitchen lest they soil their gowns."

"I can sing and play and stand on my head.

I can brew a stew when the cooks have fled.

I'll see that the little girl is fed."

"Why," bellowed the King. "How



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you talk! You are only a gardener's son."

"I'll go with you and do my best.
Come, 'tis time
You had some rest,"

said Larry as he hurried the King back to the palace, laughing merrily all the way.

Sure enough, the kitchen was empty. The cook and her helpers were sitting in the parlor with their hands folded. Larry began scurrying about in the kitchen, singing and whistling to the clatter of many pots and pans.

"Meat and potatoes, beans and tomatoes

Bubble in luscious stew.

I'll fill these mugs from the cooling jugs

Of milk as sweet as dew."

While the stew bubbled and boiled, Larry turned a hand-spring right into the Princess' room, where she was resting on her couch.

"Sh, sh, sh," whispered the lad,

"I'm just the gardener's son

But I've come in here to play.

I work and work; I never shirk—
I've earned a holiday."

"Of course, you have," agreed the Princess. She liked this little lad who seemed to be so happy. Suddenly Larry frowned as he looked at her.

"I wish I were strong," sighed the Princess. "I'd like to play with you."

"Then do as I do and go where I go,
And you'll look and feel better
The first thing you know,"

sang the boy as he jumped about the untidy room. He polished a mirror until it shone like a diamond. Then the Princess polished a mirror until it looked like two diamonds. Then they both picked up the scattered story books and toys and piled them neatly on the shelves.

As the little girl frolicked about the room, she grew stronger. Often she laughed. They fluffed up the couch and spread the coverlet over it. Every speck of dust was whisked from the chairs and floor.

"Now we'll find the palace baby,
I'm sure I heard him cry.
He's longing for a little romp
Or a quiet lullaby,"

Sang Larry.

So they found the palace baby. The Princess cuddled him tightly and crooned to him softly. Larry hastened away, returning in a moment with a bowl of steaming stew.

"M-m-m, how good it smells," said the Princess. "And how good it tastes."

The truth is, the Princess was so hungry from bustling about that she ate up all the stew. And from that day forth, she grew stronger and rosier and happier. And every day she tidied up her room and cared for the fish in the pool. She ran errands for the Queen and frolicked with the baby. She was so busy from morning till night that the hours sped by as though on wings. And so tired was she by night that her sleep was quiet and refreshing.

The cook and the cook's helpers again put on their aprons and hurried back to the royal kitchen to brew pots of stew for the merry Princess who was always hungry now.

In a few days, Larry started back toward the smallest of the servants' huts.

"Stop," cried the happy King. "I owe you a gift. You have brought our happy Princess back to us."

But Larry only sang as he hastened along toward his humble home:

"I have no need of silver.

I'm happy as can be.

Potatoes hot and a restful cot
Are good enough for me.

"And so if you would happy be,
Just work and smile and play—
In doing this you're sure to have,
True happiness all the way."

Schedule of Summer Assemblies and Conferences

Institutes Ahead!

Now that the long winter months have passed, and we are looking forward to the long days of summer filled with their beauty and loveliness, we as young people throughout our entire denomination are undoubtedly planning for the good times ahead. In view of this fact all summer camps, travel bureaus and seashore resorts are sending literature and circulars to everyone, trying to induce all to spend the summer in the best way possible.

We as a National Union would like to suggest one way whereby you can enjoy a part of this time, and therefore we have decided to call this issue of our "Baptist Herald" the "Institute Number" hoping to stimulate greater



Mr. Edwin H. Marklein, President of the National Y. P. and S. S. W. Union

interest in all our assemblies conducted in our various conferences.

It is encouraging to receive reports from time to time from our general secretary, the Rev. Martin Leuschner, who is acquainted with some of the work which is being accomplished.

From the few foregoing remarks one can see the great interest that has been stimulated through these summer assemblies among our Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union. One can also readily see after having read this "Institute Number" that our institutes by no means have become a "dead issue" but are following along the lines of our motto, "Let Us Build." For we are assured that the building of this phase of our young people's work will not fail but will continue to grow from more to more!

MAY 25 TO 29

Oklahoma Young People's Institute at Okeene, Okla.
Guest speaker: Rev. W. S. Argow.
Dean: Rev. Chas. Wagner.
President: Roy Kretz.
(See program in this issue of "The Baptist Herald.")

MAY 30 TO JUNE 2

Kansas Y. P. and S. S. W. Convention at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, near Junction City, Kansas
Dean: Rev. J. H. Kornelsen.
President: Helen Witt.
This is our first convention to be held at this camp, and members are eagerly anticipating the joyous meetings.

Arrangements have been made for the Rev. W. S. Argow to serve as our guest speaker and teacher. He with two local teachers will conduct 3 classes every morning, so that it will be possible for each person in attendance to go to every class. The afternoon program includes an hour of rest and quiet in camp, a supervised recreational period and an expressional period.

RUTH WOODY, Secretary.

JUNE 1 TO 5

Northern No. Dakota Association at Turtle Lake, No. Dak.
Guest speakers: Rev. S. Blum, Prof. Albert Bretschneider.

JUNE 8 TO 12

Central Dakota Association at Ventura, No. Dak.
Guest speakers: Rev. S. Blum, Rev. W. S. Argow, Prof. Albert Bretschneider.

JUNE 14 TO 19

Dakota Conference at Hebron, So. Dak.
Guest speakers: Rev. S. Blum, Rev. W. S. Argow.
Chairman of program committee: Rev. F. W. Bartel.

JUNE 14 TO 16

Iowa Young People's Assembly at Steamboat Rock, Iowa
Guest speaker: Rev. Vincent Brushwiler, Pastor of the Evangel Church of Newark, N. J.
President: Eli Habeger.

JUNE 17 TO 19

New England Association at the Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass.
Guest speaker: Prof. Arthur A. Schade.

JUNE 20 TO 24

Northern No. Dakota Young People's Assembly at the Fessenden Fair Grounds in Fessenden, No. Dak.
Motto: "Christian Youth Still Building."
Assembly text: "Build up yourselves on your most holy faith, which is in Christ Jesus." Jude 20.
Assembly song: "Living for Jesus."

Classes to be held:

- Building a Foundation (Bible study) by Prof. A. Bretschneider.
- Building Orderly (business procedure) by Rev. J. C. Gunst.
- Building Harmony (music) by Mrs. Albert Reddig.
- Building the City of God (denominational enterprise) by Prof. A. Bretschneider.
- Building the Mansion of Character by Prof. A. Bretschneider.
- Building Reverently in Worship by Rev. J. C. Gunst.

Classes for the Intermediates by Rev. B. Schlipf: "Your Pupil" and "How the New Testament Came to Be."

Evening programs will consist of addresses, slides, plays, and music by the Rochester Seminary Quartet. There will be entertainment around the bonfire after each evening meeting.

For a week of Christian training and education plus a week of fun and fine Christian fellowship, we invite you to come to Fessenden.

FERNE MURRAY, Secretary.

JUNE 21 TO 24

South Dakota Young People's Assembly at Avon, So. Dak.
President: Charles E. Voigt.

JUNE 22 TO 26

Southern Conference Young People's Assembly at the Greenvine Church, near Burton, Texas
This assembly date will be a radical change from the usual Fall Assembly during Thanksgiving week. The change will not become permanent until tried for one year as an experiment.
President: Herbert Ekzut.
Secretary: Mrs. Adeline Schaible.

JUNE 22 TO 26

Pacific Conference at Tacoma, Wash.
Guest speaker: Prof. O. E. Krueger.

JUNE 22 TO 26

Saskatchewan Association and Tri Union at the West Ebenezer Church, Canada
Guest speaker: Rev. W. S. Argow.

JUNE 23 TO 26

Manitoba Association and Tri Union at Morris, Manitoba, Can.
Guest speaker: Rev. Samuel Blum.

JUNE 28 TO JULY 3

Central Dakota Young People's Assembly at Jamestown, No. Dak.
Assembly theme: "Youth in God's Kingdom Work." (2 Timothy 2:15.)
Guest speakers and teachers: Prof. Albert Bretschneider, Rev. H. P. Schroeder, Rev. Willie Luebeck.
Classes on "History of the Baptists," "Development of Christian Personalities," "Worship" and "Music."
Special features every day.
President: Rev. J. C. Gunst.
Secretary: Phyllis Bushy.

JUNE 28 TO JULY 4

Lake Geneva Young People's Assembly for the Young People of Chicago and Vicinity to be held at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
Picture yourself swimming in cool, refreshing waters, sailing on choppy water with a stiff breeze, rowing out on the lake, doing a bit of peaceful sun-bathing, playing tennis and golf, horseback riding, bike riding, eating to satisfy the hunger that only the out-of-doors and exercise can give you, listening to speakers with an understanding message of your spiritual needs, and associating with fellow-Christians—that is vacationing at the Lake Geneva Assembly!
Guest speakers and teachers: Rev. C. B. Nordland of the Moody Bible Institute, Dr. Charles W. Koller, president of the Northern Baptist Seminary, Prof. Frank Woyke of Rochester, N. Y., Rev. E. J. Baumgartner of Milwaukee, Wis.

Write for a descriptive folder today.
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GERHARD KOCH, Reporter.

JUNE 29 TO JULY 3

Ontario Association at Killaloe, Ont., Can.
Guest speaker: Prof. Arthur A. Schade.

JUNE 30 TO JULY 3

Alberta Association and Tri Union at Olds, Alberta, Can.
Guest speaker: Rev. W. S. Argow.

JULY 6 TO 10

Northern Conference at Minitonas, Manitoba, Can.
Guest speakers: Rev. Samuel Blum, Rev. W. S. Argow.

JULY 7 TO 10

Minnesota Young People's Assembly at Tipi-Waka Camp on Phelps Island, near Minneapolis, Minn.
Assembly theme: "Press Forward."
Song: "We Come, We Come Life Hosts of Old."
Faculty of assembly: Prof. Frank Woyke, Rev. Emanuel Wolff, Rev. John Wobig, Rev. W. H. Schobert, Dean: Rev. Henry Hirsch.
The assembly plans also include a Vesper Service on Friday, July 8, a banquet on Saturday night, July 9, a

forum on Friday afternoon, July 8, and a question box.
President: Margaret Fratzke.
Secretary: Hilda Gleww.

JULY 13 TO 17

California Young People's Conference at the First German Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif.
Theme: "To Know Him and to Make Him Known."
Inspirational Program, Recreation and Socials for All Young People.
Guest Speakers: Prof. O. E. Krueger and Rev. Charles E. Fuller, pastor of "the Radio Revival Hour."

JULY 14 TO 17

Central Sask. and Alberta Tri Union at Hilda, Alberta, Can.
Guest speaker: Rev. W. S. Argow.

JULY 18 TO 22

Wisconsin Young People's Assembly at Wausau, Wisconsin.
Guest speaker: Prof. Frank Woyke.
Dean: Rev. H. W. Wedel.

JULY 23 TO 30

Camp Unami Assembly of the Atlantic Conference Y. P. and S. S. W. Union
On Saturday afternoon, July 23, a large number of our members will wend their way to Camp Unami, located in the picturesque Perkiomen Valley, the land of the "Pennsylvania Dutch." Its natural beauty and the quaint, rustic charm of the surrounding country are unspoiled by the proximity of our modern, sophisticated city life. Here you will find an atmosphere of wholesome, Christian refinement. This has been the site of the Atlantic Conference Assembly for a number of years. Amid all this we have the privilege of spending a whole week of study, fellowship and sports.

The family of the assembly: Rev. Milton Schroeder, Dean; Prof. Frank Woyke, comparative religions; Rev. Wm. L. Schoeffel, "The Development of Christian Personality;" Mr. Vincent Nold, Recreational Director.

Topics for the discussion forums: "Shall we always tell the truth?" "Youth and the Temperance Question." "Choosing a Life-partner." "Christian Stewardship." "Relationship Between Church and State."

At the end of a busy season of church work one's spirits are naturally low, physically exhausted and mentally tired. The assembly at Camp Unami rebuilds and strengthens one, preparing young people and Sunday School workers for another year of service.

JULY 26 TO 31

Southern Conference at Kyle, Texas
Guest speaker: Mr. H. P. Donner, Business Manager of Publication Society.

AUGUST 1 TO 7

Linwood Young People's Assembly at Linwood Park, Vermilion, Ohio

Assembly faculty: Prof. Albert Bretschneider of Rochester, N. Y., Prof. H. von Berge of Dayton, Ohio, Dean, Rev. Paul Wengel.

AUGUST 10 TO 14

Southwestern Conference at Lorraine, Kansas
Guest speaker: Mr. H. P. Donner.
Special features and program for young people under the direction of Rev. Edward Kary.

AUGUST 14 TO 21

Oregon Young People's Assembly at Twin Rocks, Oregon

Since last summer two ministers have been called from outside the state to service in Oregon churches. These men, Rev. John Leybold of the First Church and Rev. Otto Roth of the Emmanuel Church in Portland, will serve as instructors at our assembly. Each morning will again be devoted to class sessions on the topics: "Tests of Character," "The Baptist Faith," "Studies on the Holy Spirit," and "The Christian Message." The third period of each morning will be devoted to open forum discussions.

The afternoon programs will offer recreational activities such as surf bathing, beach games, swimming in the lake or natatorium, boating, bicycling, or horseback riding. After supper, at sun setting time, a vesper service will serve to remind us of our Maker and our Christ, after which good fellowship and fun prepare one for slumber.

The cost for the full week is only \$8 for meals, lodging and registration, and we most heartily invite our friends from out-of-state to join us at Twin Rocks. For further information write our state secretary, Miss Mildred Voth, Route 1, Dallas, Oregon.

AUGUST 23 TO 28

Central Conference at the Burns Avenue Church of Detroit, Mich.

Guest speaker: Rev. William Kuhn (following return from European trip), Prof. O. E. Krueger, Mr. H. P. Donner.

AUGUST 24 TO 28

Eastern Conference at the Andrews Street Church of Rochester, N. Y.
Guest speakers: Rev. William Kuhn, Rev. Samuel Blum.

AUGUST 24 TO 28

Northwestern Conference at Baileyville, Ill.

Guest speaker: Rev. M. L. Leuschner (following return from European trip).

Special Young People's program under the leadership of Mr. E. J. Heinemann.

SEPTEMBER 14 TO 19

Atlantic Conference at the First Church of Brooklyn, N. Y.
Guest speaker: Rev. William Kuhn.

What's Happening News

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tin of Goodrich celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Thursday, April 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Baier. Mrs. F. Trautner of Eureka, So. Dak., a daughter of the honored couple, and her husband, the Rev. F. Trautner, were also present. The Rev. Adolf Reeh, pastor of the church, brought a brief message of congratulation in behalf of the church.

On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Rev. E. Bibelheimer, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Missoula, Mont., baptized 7 young people on confession of their faith. These and 3 others were received into the fellowship of the church at an Easter Monday communion service. A sunrise service was also held on Easter Sunday morning. The new church basement, which is being built as the first unit of a new church, will be dedicated on Sunday, June 5, with Prof. O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., as the guest speaker.

The Rev. Herman Kaaz, interim pastor of the Harlem Baptist Church of New York City since July 1, 1937, baptized 8 persons on confession of their faith in Christ on Easter Sunday, April 17. These and 4 others were received into the fellowship of the church. The Sunday School with the assistance of Miss Rehberg is growing. A large Easter offering was received for missionary purposes, according to Mr. R. Willuweit, the church clerk.

On Easter Sunday, April 17, about 30 young people of the German Baptist Church in North Freedom, Wis., motored to the Indian Baptist Church at Wisconsin Dells to share with their Indian friends an Easter program entitled, "The Easter Guest," a message in story and song. On the same evening the program was repeated in the North Freedom Church. The Rev. T. Stoeri, pastor of the church, has recently helped to reorganize the B. Y. P. U. Miss Elsie Jahnke reports that the group holds devotional meetings before the regular Sunday evening services and has charge of one regular church service each month.

The April meeting of the "Girls' Guild" of the First Baptist Church in Watertown, Wis., was held in the parsonage and was called "Guest Night." The singing of Easter songs introduced the program. The Guild decided to send pencils, paper, stuffed dolls and animals for our mission work in the Danubian countries, according to the secretary, Marion H. Norman. A miscellaneous program followed with each member of the Guild contributing a number in honor of her guest. Mrs. G. Wetter is assisting the Guild in its program and activities. On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Rev. G. Wetter

baptized 3 persons before a capacity congregation in the church.

On Sunday, May 1, the Rev. Thorwald W. Bender, pastor of the Erin avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio, received 12 new members into the fellowship of the church. Of these 10 had been baptized on Easter Sunday. Recently on a Sunday afternoon a group of 30 members visited 100 members of the church, and on another occasion a different group of workers called on 85 Sunday School pupils. The Easter offering of the church amounted to the splendid total of \$224.45. Dr. Wm. Kuhn, missionary secretary, was the guest speaker at the church service on Sunday evening, May 1.

On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Rev. Theo. W. Dons, pastor of the Oak Park German Baptist Church in Forest Park, Ill., baptized 17 persons on confession of their faith in Christ. The Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D. D., preached the Easter sermon in the morning service. At the young people's sunrise service on Easter Sunday in charge of Mr. Harold Johns, president, the message was brought by Mr. M. L. Leuschner. Beginning with Wednesday, April 20, and continuing for 6 weeks a teacher training class was conducted by Dr. Lee Spratt of the Moody Bible Institute. Dr. Spratt also addressed the Wednesday evening services during that time on "The Bible in Bible Lands."

On Easter Sunday afternoon, April 17, the Rev. Fred W. Mueller, pastor of the Laurelhurst Church of Portland, Ore., had the joy of baptizing 17 candidates on confession of their faith in Christ, 2 of whom were his own sons, Frederick and Gordon. The candidates were dressed in the new baptismal robes made by several members of the Women's Missionary Society. Mr. Mueller preached in that service on "the Great Commission of the Risen Lord." Recently the Women's Missionary Society surprised Mr. Mueller on the occasion of his birthday with an appropriate program of songs, recitations and congratulations. The Laurelhurst Church has also been the recipient of new chandeliers and lights provided by some unknown donor.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Clay Street Baptist Church in Benton Harbor, Mich., recently gave the play, "The House on the Sand." It was directed by Mrs. Clara Patzloff. Those taking part were Ervin Mabs, Martha Ginter, Edwin Achterberg, Dorothy Behlen, Norman Moore, Arthur Mabs, Irma Gassner, Betty Kissau and Mary Ann Appleget. The parts of the children in the preliminary part of the play were taken by Erma Sommerfeld and Stanley Bluschke. The play was

so well received by the audience, which packed the church auditorium, that the group was invited to repeat the play in other churches. One invitation only could be accepted and the play was repeated in the Evangelical Church in Benton Harbor.

Easter Sunday, April 17, was a day of blessing and great rejoicing for the Ebenezer Baptist Church of West New York, N. J., of which the Rev. L. N. Schoen is the pastor. At 5:45 a. m. the church trumpeters played appropriate songs for the occasion from the roof top of the church, and at 6 a. m. a fine well attended sunrise service followed. Later the children of the Bible School rendered a fine Easter program followed by a German service. After the message of the pastor on "The Lord's Table" the large attended meeting on Sunday evening gathered around the Lord's table to commemorate his death and resurrection. At this time 9 persons were extended the hand of fellowship.

An Easter sunrise service was held by the young people of the Ebenezer Church of Detroit, Mich., on Easter Sunday, April 17. Instrumental and vocal numbers were rendered by Harold Schuessler, Vaughan Koppin and Carol Muetzelberg. A reading, "Sunrise," was brought by Lois Lillie. The male chorus and church choir also sang. Afterwards a breakfast was served. About 200 persons were in attendance. Following the successful evangelistic ministry of the Rev. Ralph E. Stewart from April 3 to 17, study courses have been conducted for the more than 100 persons who made their decisions for Christ. Two booklets, entitled "The Shorter Catechism" and "Daily Bible Calendars," have been prepared by the Rev. J. G. Draewell, the interim pastor of the church, who will gladly send them to anyone.

Mr. M. L. Leuschner, editor of "The Baptist Herald," participated in the North Dakota Baptist Ministers' retreat held in Bismarck, No. Dak., from Monday, April 18, to Wednesday, April 20. He was one of three faculty members, conducting a class on "Ministers and Young People of Today." Approximately 20 German Baptist ministers and several wives were in attendance besides a similar group from the Northern Baptist churches. Mr. Leuschner also addressed a public service in the First Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, April 19. On Thursday evening, April 21, he spoke in German to the congregation of the German Church in Bismarck; on Friday evening, April 22, in Goodrich, No. Dak., and on Sunday, April 24, to the Cathay and the Germantown Churches of North Dakota. At the large Sunday evening service in Germantown members and the pastors of the neighboring Fessenden and Cathay churches were also in attendance.

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Daily Meditations

By PROFESSOR LEWIS KAISER of Rochester, N. Y.

Thursday, May 19
Real or Unreal?

"We walk by faith, not by sight."—2 Corinthians 5:7.

(Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-10)

Are the things of faith unreal because unseen? Does reality lie only within the range of our natural senses? Assuredly not! We live by faith, even in our daily affairs. Our souls depend for their very life upon the chance to exercise faith. And faith would have no place in a world whose realities were all objects of sense-perception.

Prayer: Eternal Spirit, we know only in part, but thou dost steadily clear our vision, as we take each fresh step in the path of duty.

Friday, May 20

God in the Commonplace

"The place is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."—Genesis 28:17.

(Read Genesis 28:11-22)

Jacob called Luz "Bethel" (house of God), because he found God there. The most common experiences have sacred possibilities. The office, the shop, the home, the classroom—all may be aglow with the felt presence of God. Bring God into the commonplace, and at once its character is changed. Earth is touched with the light of heaven.

Prayer: O God, let the transfusing light of thy holy presence light up all the dark places of our life.

Saturday, May 21

Growing Into His Likeness

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."—2 Peter 3:18.

(Read 2 Peter 3:10-18)

Growth is the law of the spiritual life as well as of the physical. Our soul is still in the making. If rooted in the grace and knowledge of Christ it will assimilate more and more of his life and become ever more like him. As the years go on we should leave behind us more and more of our imperfect life.

Prayer: O thou Holy One, thy years fail not. Thou hast set us the task and the joy of constant growth toward likeness to thyself.

Sunday, May 22

Life After Death

"If a man die, shall he live again?"—Job 14:14.

(Read Job 14:23-29)

Faith in God answers "Yes." God

lives, and with him and in him I, too, live. No plans for this life alone give complete satisfaction. All our worthwhile satisfactions root in eternity. Immortality is organized into the very structure of our souls. We are made for "the Beyond" as well as for "the Here." The best reward of a good life is the joy of going on.

Prayer: Eternal God, thou hast created us with the seeds of eternity in our natures. May we seek the things which are above, where alone immortal souls can be satisfied.

Monday, May 23

To Be Content

"I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content."—Phil. 4:11.

(Read Philippians 4:10-14)

Contentment is one of the rare virtues among men. We do not mean a passive acquiescence in things as they are. We mean that firm and constant trust in God's gracious purpose with us—in whatever state we are—that gives us mastery of soul, strength of character and inward peace.

Prayer: Kind Father, save us from discontent, from vain ambitions and longings after things that are not good for us.

Tuesday, May 24

The Silent Chamber

"Enter into thy closet, . . . and pray to thy Father which is in secret."—Matt. 6:6.

(Read Matthew 6:15-13)

The secret chamber of prayer has a value for life which the public street cannot possess. We may learn much in crowded thoroughfares, but there are experiences that can come to us only in the silent places, where God has a chance to speak quietly to our souls. How much we miss, if we have no silent chamber of prayer!

Prayer: Dear Father, speak to us in the quiet moments, when we are away from the noise and bustle of the busy world.

Wednesday, May 25

Complete in Christ

"And in him ye are made full, who is the head of all principality and power." (Amer. Revised Version.)—Colossians 2:10.

(Read Colossians 2:8-15)

We are called to completeness of experience. The Christ life is not primarily self-denial, but self-attainment; not subtraction, but addition. It is the abounding life, a life of amplitude.

It is to be "filled with all the fulness of God."

Prayer: Father, our lives are fragmentary and imperfect until taken into the fulness of thine own being. Help us to attain to an ampler life.

Thursday, May 26

Sleep God's Sweet Gift

"For so he giveth his beloved sleep."—Psalm 127:2.

(Read Psalm 127)

Many of the constantly recurring blessings are those which we take for granted, such as the seasons, our daily work and sleep. Coming in regular order, we easily forget that God has anything to do with them. How vital is God's gift of sleep, after the day's toil and in getting ready for another day's labor!

Prayer: As the day has its duties, so may the hours of the night, gracious Lord, reinvigorate us for the new tasks of the morrow.

Friday, May 27

God is Near

"That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us; for in him we live, and move, and have our being."—Acts 17:27-28.

(Read Acts 17:24-31)

God is not away off in misty cloud-land. He is our close companion. "He walks, and he talks with us and tells us we are his own." He fights on our side in every battle that we wage for truth and purity. He lifts us up, when we stumble and fall. He watches over us in our feverish moments.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, keep us ever deeply conscious of thy presence and protection.

Saturday, May 28

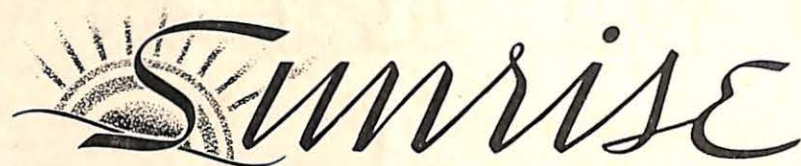
Child Nurture

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."—Proverbs 22:6. (Read Proverbs 22:1-8)

What a child is in its early days may more or less determine its later course in life. The child is father to the man. How important, then, that the early training of the child lead it into the way of pure thinking, clean living and unselfish devotion to the good of others.

Prayer: Our Father in heaven, give us wisdom and a heart of love as we seek to lead our children in the way they should go.

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Sunrise

By Mrs. Grace Livingston Hill

SYNOPSIS

Jason Whitney, a bank clerk, was implicated in a bank robbery because of circumstantial evidence. On the day before the robbery he had been "fired" by the bank. He left town hurriedly without telling anyone, not even his sister, Joyce, who was his closest friend, about his whereabouts. His notebook was found on the floor in front of the safe. Everyone in town seemed to think that Jason was guilty of the crime, all except Rose Allison, the minister's daughter, who had talked to Jason over the telephone shortly before his sudden departure. Rose called on Joyce and her home to bring her some comfort and to assure her of her belief in her brother's innocence. But they did not tell Joyce about her suspicions concerning Corey Watkins, another employee of the bank, in which Jason had worked.

CHAPTER TWELVE

That night Corey Watkins came to call on Joyce.

She had slipped out of the grape arbor to get her pansies and she heard the steps coming up the walk, and poor old Aunt Libby shuffling to the door.

It would likely be some of her stepmother's friends, and at first she thought she could stay out in the arbor. And then there came a sudden panic lest they would stay all the evening and she would be called and would have to go in. She felt she just could not go in tonight and talk with anybody, and answer any more of those awful questions her stepmother's friends asked her because they were afraid to ask Mrs. Whitney. It would be better to go straight to bed.

So she scooped up the cool velvety flowers, and flew back into the kitchen door and up the back stairs swiftly, silently, before Aunt Libby had got the chain and bolt fairly off the front door.

She locked her door, slipped her flowers into the washbowl and undressed in the dark. If anybody called for her she would be in bed with a headache. That was perfectly true. She had had a headache all the afternoon. It almost seemed as if she had had it continuously since Jason went away.

Presently she heard Mrs. Whitney's voice ring out the back door calling her, and then after a little Aunt Libby came puffing and panting up the stairs and tried her door, tapped stealthily when she found it locked, and whispered rustily:

"Miss Joyce! You got a young man downstairs! You better come down right away. Mrs. Whitney's all stirred up about it."

"Oh, I'm sorry, Aunt Libby, but I can't come down. I've got a bad headache and I've gone to bed."

There was silence for an instant and then Aunt Libby's distressed voice: "You better come anyway. She's on her high horse! Here she comes!" and Aunt Libby limped away to meet her mistress on the stairs.

Then Joyce heard her stepmother's firm tread on the landing and up the flight to her door, heard her grasp on the doorknob.

"Open this door instantly, Joyce!" she demanded in a low fierce voice. "I want to speak to you. I've often told you that it isn't safe to lock doors so your family can't get in."

There was nothing for it but to get up and open the door, for the next move would be to call for help from the visitor whoever he was, or to use force on the door. And even a heavy mahogany door could not long resist the assault of so substantial a body as Mrs. Whitney's.

Joyce unlocked the door and slid back into her bed with her face to the wall. Her stepmother instantly snapped on the light and gave a swift survey of the room, not missing the pansies.

"Now, what's all this about going to bed at this hour?"

"I've had a terrific headache all the afternoon and I just wanted to get to sleep."

"Well, you'll have to wait awhile for sleep. This is no hour to give way to your feelings. Hurry and put on your clothes! Someone has come to call on you."

"To call on me?" said Joyce swinging around and watching her stepmother. "Whoever it is, won't you please tell them I've gone to bed with a headache?"

"Certainly not!" said Mrs. Whitney. "You don't have so many young men callers that I'm going to send the first one flying. Get up and dress as fast as you can. I'll send Libby up with some hot tea. Drink it while you are dressing, and don't you dare be long about it either. You'll be all right when you get downstairs laughing and talking. And anyway you've got to come. I'm not going to have it said that we are giving way to our feelings. They'll get us into court to tes-

tify, perhaps, if we seem to be upset. Where did those pansies come from?" she eyed her stepdaughter sharply.

"Oh, just one of the girls that used to be in my Sunday School class brought them to me," evaded Joyce.

"How silly! I suppose she thought you were suffering and needed consolation! She probably caught you out in the woods mooning around," she said contemptuously.

Joyce did not answer. She was slipping into her garments as rapidly as she could.

"Who is downstairs?" she asked presently in a weary voice. Not that she cared.

"Why, that young Corey Watkins," announced Mrs. Whitney in pride. "It's nice of him to come. He's in the bank, isn't he? I didn't realize what a good looking young fellow he is, and so well-groomed!"

That was a new phrase Mrs. Whitney had picked up on her visit to her sister.

"Corey Watkins!" said Joyce. "What on earth is he coming here for? I hardly know him at all."

"Why he's probably coming to be kind, or to offer you sympathy. But he made the excuse that he wants you to play over something for him to sing. He says Miss Bright is off visiting her aunt, and he has to sing in church next Sunday. I told him you'd be glad to do it for him. He wants you to try it over with him, and then go down to the church rehearsal and play it there for him. He says he can't sing with that substitute organist they have."

Joyce paused in her dressing and looked aghast.

"Well, I certainly will not go down to that rehearsal!" she said almost fiercely. "I'll play it over for him once, but then I'm done."

"Now, look here, Joyce. You can't treat a young man that way! The first really eligible young man that has called on you since you came home from college! And especially at a time like this. It's very brave for him to come in the face of public opinion. And it will be a good thing for you to go down to that rehearsal in his company. People will see that you are not despised, even if your brother has committed forgery, or burglary or whatever it is."

Joyce whirled around upon Mrs. Whitney white to the lips, and with blue flames of anger in her eyes. For

an instant she felt as if she must rush upon her tormentor and shake her, or throw the hairbrush at her, or something. Then she suddenly realized that fury would get her nowhere and would only do harm, and she laid the hairbrush down on the bureau and tried to speak steadily.

"My brother has not done any of those things, and you shall not talk as if he had. I shall have to tell my father if you say anything like that again. And I'm certain that I do not want anybody to take up for me on any such reason. I do not feel the need of that kind of support. I will go down and play the music over for him, but I will not go with him to the rehearsal. No amount of coaxing or commanding will make me do it."

"Look here, Joyce, don't be a fool. You aren't such a beauty that you can expect to have many more young men come around you, especially now since Jason is under the frown of the town, and you'd better make the best of this perfectly respectable young man. With your plain looks he's likely all you'll get, and you want to make the most of your chances, don't you?"

"Why?" asked Joyce suddenly.

"Well, you don't want to be a drag on your father all your life, do you?"

An angry flame swept over Joyce's face and she turned and walked out of the room.

"Well, you needn't get angry," pursued Mrs. Whitney's voice, "I'm only telling you for your own good, and who but I who stand in place of a mother to you, should do it? And a thankless task I have, too!"

But Joyce was walking down the stairs. And not until then, not until it was too late to call her back, did Mrs. Whitney notice that Joyce had put on an old morning dress, and that her hair was not arranged in its usual neat order, but barely slicked over with a single stroke of the brush, and knotted hastily in her neck. Joyce hadn't taken the slightest trouble to dress up for the young man, and she was marching down and into the front room like an army with banners going to the fray. Her stepmother leaned over the banister full of rage. Such a nice young man he was. So neat! And Joyce going down like that! And horror of horrors, she was wearing bedroom slippers! Had she done that on purpose, or just forgotten them?

She could hear Joyce's clear voice down there explaining not at all graciously:

"I'm sorry to have kept you waiting, but I had gone to bed with a bad headache. You'll have to excuse my appearance. I just slipped on something to come down and play your song over for you, since my stepmother seemed to think you were in some distress about it."

Corey Watkins was a trim neat young man with an effect to drabness. He had small hard gray eyes, drabish

hair and eyelashes, a neat tight mouth, and a way of setting it that made it appear firmer than it was. He was dapper in the extreme, with close-cut hair, never ruffled from its tight satin smoothness. His face was expressionless.

"Well, I'm sorry you are suffering," he said stiffly, "but I appreciate your coming down. This really is quite important, and perhaps as Mrs. Whitney suggested, it may do you good to get out of yourself and mingle with people a little while. I thought we'd just try this over here once or twice and then I'd take you down to the rehearsal and let them see that I have my own accompanist."

"I'll play it over for you here," said Joyce firmly, "but I cannot go out anywhere tonight. You'll have to excuse me. It will be quite impossible. Is this the music?"

She took the sheet of music out of his hand and walked to the piano, sat down and began to play.

Corey Watkins had a neat tight hard voice, too, a high tenor with places in it that sounded as if he had a hot potato in his mouth. After the first playing he opened his small tight mouth and began to sing in a small tight way.

Joyce played on like an automaton, scarcely speaking except to correct a note which he had sung wrong.

At last Corey said he thought he had it, and with his hard little glint of a smile tried once more to persuade her to go down to the rehearsal with him.

"I'd like to show them what a really fine accompanist I have secured," he said with satisfaction. "They were going to force that stranger on me and she can't play accompaniments properly."

"It is quite impossible!" said Joyce lifting tired eyes a trifle haughtily.

"That was so sweet," burst in Mrs. Whitney in a gushing voice, arriving in the nick of time with a tray of lemonade and cake and planting her substantial body in the doorway as Joyce was leading her would-be caller to the door in spite of himself.

Corey Watkins was nothing loth to sit down for refreshments, although it was little past the usual supper time of the village, and he couldn't have been in need of nourishment.

Joyce paused, hesitated and was about to beg to be excused, but her stepmother's stern eye fixed her.

"Sit down, Joyce dear," she said in the tone of an elephant caressing a moth. "Mr. Watkins will want to try the song over again after we are done, before he goes to sing it in public. A little longer won't hurt you, dear, and I've told Aunt Libby to bring you a cup of tea. You'll feel better after you've had it. Perhaps you'll even feel well enough to go down to the church. You have such a lovely voice, Mr. Watkins, it's a pity not to be well accom-

panied. And we're so proud of our little girl's playing. It really does help, in singing, don't you think it does, to have a good accompanist?"

Joyce sat down but she was silent. She didn't even drink the tea when it came. She sat and listened to her stepmother, babbling on, and looked coldly at Corey Watkins, and wondered if he would ever go.

She played the song over again perfunctorily after they had finished the lemonade and cake, and then, as Mrs. Whitney had taken herself away on some pretext, she had to walk to the front door to see the young man out.

Corey Watkins stood on the piazza for a moment looking down at Joyce.

"I wish to express my sympathy, Miss Joyce, in your trouble," he said stiltedly, "and to tell you that you have all my utmost respect. I shall not let what your brother has done affect my respect for you in the least. I would like to be your friend."

Joyce drew herself to her slender height and looked at him with fire in her eyes. It was not often Joyce was roused, especially before outsiders, but she was roused now.

"I do not understand you, Corey Watkins," she said haughtily. "My brother has done nothing to be ashamed of, and I do not need to be commiserated on his account."

"Ah!" said Corey Watkins sorrowfully, "then they have not told you. I am sorry that I should have to be the first to mention it. But anyway, Miss Joyce, I want you to know that I am your friend, no matter what your brother has done. I am sorry that you cannot see your way clear to put his trouble aside and come with me where I assure you you will find welcome. Anyone whom I bring is always welcome. But I shall call again when you have had time to become more resigned. Good night!"

He lifted his hat, and went neatly down the steps and out to his car. Joyce stood watching him, too angry to make reply.

After that Joyce spent a good many hours of each day in the woods, and after supper out in the grape arbor whence she could easily flee to the edge of the woodland if she should hear someone coming to call. Joyce did not want to get involved with Corey Watkins, nor to have another altercation with him. The memory of what he said had been with her every hour in the day since he came, and she had been sure from his manner that he meant to come again. Very well, when he did she would not be there!

So she escaped every evening into the twilight, sometimes going over to see Hannah, but not often, because her stepmother seemed to be especially aroused if she knew she had been there. She said it would make it bad if there was a trial, to have had the families seeing much of one another, since the two sons were involved in the

trouble. So Joyce was careful to go only after dark, and quite unbeknownst to her family.

Three times the quiet persistence of Corey Watkins had brought him to the Whitney house, where each time he had waited for an hour and a half for Joyce's return, conversing meantime with Mrs. Whitney, getting very well acquainted indeed with the ways of the family and gleaning much knowledge on the side concerning Joyce and her various whims, according to her stepmother.

But Joyce was very wary. She was careful to take a distant survey of the front lawn and drive before returning, and to be sure whether Corey's car was parked anywhere about. She would not come in until it was gone.

But the third time Corey was wise and came on foot from the village, walking on the grass instead of the drive and coming to the house most quietly. However, Joyce heard voices when she entered cautiously that night, and managed to creep up the back stairs without getting caught.

So at last Mrs. Whitney decided to take a hand in the matter, and invited Corey to dinner one night.

She didn't tell her husband until he came home from the village late in the afternoon, and then most adroitly she told Nathan that Corey was interested in Joyce and Joyce always managed to be away when he came to the house, so she had invited him to dinner.

Nathan wasn't pleased, but as Corey was just driving in there wasn't much he could do about it except be most surly and ungracious to the young man. However, Corey was thick skinned, so it didn't matter. When he decided to do anything he went right ahead regardless of all hindrances, so he walked in and conducted himself with perfect ease in spite of the coldness of father and daughter, acting as if he had a well assured basis to go on in Mrs. Whitney's alliance, as indeed he really did. Mrs. Whitney was mistress of that house if there ever was one.

Joyce came in at the last moment, through the side entrance. She had been away taking a walk with Rose Allison all the afternoon, and hadn't seen even Aunt Libby, so the guest was an entire surprise to her. As she walked into the dining room and saw who was there a quick flash of indignation swept over her face. But she had control of herself at once, and came in quietly, bowing distantly to Corey, as if disclaiming from the start any idea that he was her guest.

During the meal she was absolutely silent except when a question was directly addressed to her, then she answered quietly and briefly. She was trying during the entire time to think of a way of escape from going into the parlor after supper, but there was no outside possibility that would not

Let Us Build

These challenging words have been chosen as the motto of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union to guide its activities during the coming triennium. Everywhere in our churches young people will be urged to emphasize this challenge in their program. Let us build for Christ and his Kingdom!

OUR PRIVILEGE

By WALTER MARKLEIN

(Editor's Note: Mr. Marklein was formerly president of the National Y. P. and S. S. W. Union, having served during the three year term from 1931 to 1934. He has been exceedingly active in young people's activities in the Second Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., of which he is a member, in the New York Jugendbund, and in the Atlantic Conference Union. He is ably serving his church as Sunday School superintendent and in other official capacities.)

One of the greatest privileges which we as citizens of this land enjoy is religious liberty.

It was because of a small group of people, feeling the oppression of their native land against the worship of God in the manner which they thought the Bible taught, that this continent was first settled.

In at least one nation of this present-day world the worship of God has been prohibited. Sanctuaries dedicated to him have been desecrated. In other nations the State controls the Church and permits worship only under certain prescribed conditions.

We, in the United States and Canada, can worship our God in complete freedom, and it is for this that we as German Baptists should be deeply grateful.

However, our gratefulness should not only be in our hearts but should express itself in the service we render. Many in a land of religious freedom have not yet learned of that greater freedom that comes through the acceptance of Jesus Christ; the freedom that is not limited by international boundaries, by color, race or creed, but that may be experienced in the individual's life. It is through the spreading of this gospel that we as German Baptist young people can best show appreciation for "OUR PRIVILEGE."

Because of this gratitude in our hearts, we must heed the challenge of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union motto: "LET US BUILD!"

involve the escort of Corey Watkins, and she shrank inexpressibly from that.

It was not that she had ever had any very strong prejudice against him. She hadn't been much in his vicinity because of her years away at college, and the grown-up Corey seemed to her almost as colorless as the small boy Corey she vaguely remembered in her girlhood. But she had been so angered by his calm taking it for granted that Jason was a criminal that she could scarcely bear to look at him.

Nathan Whitney ate his supper in utter silence except to ask for more bread, or butter, and when he was done he swung his chair around and enveloped himself in the evening paper, having a feverish manner that denoted unusual nervous excitement. Joyce, as she watched him covertly wondered if he had heard anything more about Jason. She hoped the visitor would not notice how nervous her father was and report it in the town. If it had been anybody else who was taking supper with them Joyce would have been mortified at the way her father acted, but since it was this young man with his unwonted persistence, she was almost glad of it, though she knew there would be a battle between her father and stepmother as soon as the guest was gone.

Nathan Whitney left them as soon as the meal was over and went, paper and all, to the small room opposite the dining room which he called his office shutting himself up there, while Joyce, perforce drifted into the parlor.

Mrs. Whitney had done most of the conversing during supper, and she was full of talk now as she turned on the parlor lights.

"Joyce, why don't you and Mr. Watkins sit on the couch together and look at your college photographs? Now that you have them in an album by themselves they are really well worth looking at. I think seeing pictures of one's friends is such a good way to get acquainted, don't you, Mr. Watkins?"

Yes, Corey said he thought it was. He expressed a consuming desire to see the pictures and have Joyce tell him about them.

But Joyce shook her head.

"Sorry," she said in a tone that showed she wasn't in the least sorry. "I loaned the book to Rose Allison to copy the head of a fancy picture I had in there. She's doing a poster for something at the church and the head gave her just the pose she wanted.

Joyce settled down on a distant chair, as far as possible from the one near which Corey was hovering, and as unrelated to any other chair as it could possibly be in Mrs. Whitney's parlor which was literally bursting over with little fancy chairs burning in between large overstuffed ones.

(To Be Continued)

B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

By THE REV. J. C. GUNST of Grand Forks, North Dakota

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Sunday, June 19

HYPOCRISIES OF LIFE

Scripture references, Matt. 12:1-14; 15:1-11.

1. Introduction

Tracing the word "hypocrisy" back to its origin, we find that with the Greeks the word (*hypokrinesthai*) meant to act a part on the stage; and the "hypokrite" was originally only an actor. From this idea of assuming a character for purposes of the stage came the more general conception of hypocrisy. Hypocrisy includes all shallow display or posing by which one seeks to appear to be something which one is not.

2. Jesus' View

The message of Jesus is a positive one. His disciples are called upon to practice complete sincerity. They are always to speak what they mean. In their speech they are to confine themselves to a simple "yea" and "nay." This sincerity is to pervade not merely their words and actions, but their whole inward life.

The worst hypocrisy for Jesus was that of self-deception. "If the light that is in you be darkness, how great is the darkness?" Matt. 6:23. His difference of opinion with the Pharisees was not that they were bad men posing as models of righteousness. For the most part they believed that they were good men. Their sin consisted in nothing else than this ignorance of their true condition. Sincerity is the necessary condition, not only of true worship, but of inward fellowship with God.

3. The Proud Heart

Jesus denounced pride and arrogance as hypocrisies. Humility is the necessary condition of all true service of God. But pride makes a person incapable of this service. The proud man has lost all sense of the relation in which he stands to God, and cannot draw near to God. He believes that he has reached fulfillment, and has no desire of will to rise to better things.

And since he is blind to his own condition, he is also cut off from others. Sufficient to himself he can feel no sympathy with his fellow-men, and cannot help to serve them. So, for Jesus, pride, in one form or another, is the cardinal sin. In itself it may appear harmless, but it is the great hindrance to everything that pertains to the higher life. The heart of a proud person is not right with God. His heart is unchanged, unrenewed, destitute of faith and humility, and without love and fear of God.

4. Jesus and the Pharisees

When the Pharisees accused Jesus and his disciples of violating the law by plucking ears of grain and rubbing out the kernels on the Sabbath (Matt. 12), Jesus justified his conduct by quoting the example of David who ate of the shewbread in the temple, given to him by the priest. (I. Sam. 21:1-6). For Jesus human need was the determining factor in life. Here Jesus discloses a principle of far reaching significance. The Sabbath is a gift of God to be utilized for spiritual and moral equipment, so that men may render their highest and best service to their fellows. For the creation and maintenance of the Christian ideal of life, worship and praise are absolutely indispensable to the Christian life, and provision must be made for them. "For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath." "Thus it is right to do a kindness on the Sabbath," Matt. 12:11. (Moffat.) What are the motives and purposes of Sabbath observance today? How should the day be observed?

5. Outward vs. Inward Cleanliness

The Pharisees and scribes were very careful to cleanse their hands before partaking of food to avoid ritual uncleanness. Very definite regulations were laid down as to the manner in which this should be done. Again they found that the disciples were transgressing the tradition of the elders by not washing their hands before they took food. But Jesus' answer (Matt. 15:3-9) was a plea for the inwardness of religion, the consecration of the whole personality to the moral demands of God, devotion to the law written in the inward parts. In his noble answer Jesus shows very clearly that the things that defile the soul and poison the wellsprings of life are moral and spiritual in character. Such are mean motives, arrogance (sinful temper of mind) and self-righteousness, intolerance and envy, impurity and uncleanness. These are the slow working forces which corrupt the human life, and not the failure to wash the hands in the way the Jews stated.

Some one has very wisely put it thus: "The essence of hypocrisy is egotism; and since only true Christianity excludes all selfish interests, this is the only form of religion incompatible with hypocrisy, the specific Satanic sin." Matt. 15. Jesus branded the Pharisees "hypocrites," because they allowed egoistic motives to enter into their religion, and then deceived themselves and others into the belief that theirs was the true religion.

Sunday, June 26

MAKING UP OUR MINDS INTELLIGENTLY

Scripture references, Matt. 5:17-20; Rom. 10:1-10.

1. Introduction

Living in a day and age as the present is, indeed, a challenging problem. Business life calls for the very best in us if we would hold a good position. Social life is extremely complex, and its standards in general are none too high. Home for many families has become a mere boarding house and rooming place. The individual is constantly moving about and sharing daily activities with people other than members of his family, ever meeting new people and learning new things. The young person starting out in life today faces a much more difficult situation than his parents did when they embarked upon life.

Regardless where we stand intellectually, what our ambitions for life are, what service we expect to render, and what we believe we can rightfully expect from life, there is but ONE way to make up our minds intelligently. That way is none other than to live life the Jesus way.

2. Choose Wisely

The first step in that direction is to choose wisely. Whether we human beings like it or not, there are certain laws to which we must adjust ourselves, such as the laws of nature, of God, and those made by man. Obedience to these laws means happiness and contentment. Disobedience causes suffering and disanimation. If these laws are to be properly fulfilled and a useful decision is to be reached in life, much prayer, meditation and consecration are required of the individual.

According to Matt. 5:17-20 Jesus was considered as one who did not obey the laws laid down by the rulers of his day. In answer Jesus said: "I have not come to destroy but to fulfill." Jesus fulfilled the law by showing that religion in its essence was a different thing from the law. A man, who becomes inwardly changed, becomes a law to himself, seeing that he is guided by the Spirit of the Lord."

Furthermore, Jesus summarized the moral law in the two great commands of love to God and love to man. When "love" is analyzed we find it contains the elements of admiration, reverence, the desire to possess, and the will to benefit.

If the Christ-like way of love has such a rich life in store for us, will it not be wise for us to choose that way?

3. Faith Expressed By Witnessing to Righteousness

Paul is a concrete example of a person who made up his mind intelligently. He was well educated, influential and experienced, but his life was incomplete, until he knew the Lord. "They would not surrender to the righteousness of God, because they were ignorant of his righteousness and therefore essayed to set up a righteousness of their own." Paul proceeds to explain here (Rom. 10:1-10) more fully than elsewhere the fundamental mistake of the Jews. Failing to recognize the righteousness that comes from God, and still seeking to establish a righteousness of their own, they had refused to bow their will to the divine righteousness.

Did not Christ put an end to law or to the legal system as a means for obtaining salvation by securing righteousness for everyone who believes? What then is the righteousness that rests on faith? Paul sums it all up in Rom. 10:9, "For if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you shall be saved." No one who believes on him shall be put to shame (Isa. 28:16), and that holds good for all, for there is no difference between Jew and Gentile. The same Lord is Lord of them all. Open acknowledgment of Jesus as "Lord has been the one necessary condition for baptism and admission to sacred society.

4. Rendering Useful Service

No life is intelligently lived unless the individual has rendered sacrificial service in some capacity. No individual is really content or happy in life until he has experienced or shared with others the inevitabilities of life. Those individuals who have enjoyed life most have been people who have experienced or shared suffering, tasted defeat, prayed with the poor and lonesome, wept with the sorrowing, sat at the feet of the learned, faced criticism by the merciless, shared with those in need and deprived themselves in some measure of their own necessities of life to serve and help others.

The Master teacher, who lived a purely unselfish and useful life, said: "The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many." "Love thy neighbor as thyself" calls for a much greater service than a courteous smile or a pleasant "Hello!" when you meet a person. To the Jew the word "neighbor" usually meant fellow-Jew. Jesus, in the parable of the good Samaritan, expanded the word neighbor and lifted its portals so that it came to include any child of the human race, however lowly and despised. For him "neighbor" is anyone who needs our help. And he who renders the help is "neighborly!"

Workshop for Church Leaders

YOUR BODY IS THE TEMPLE OF GOD!

By MRS. LYDIA HAUCK, M. D., of Irvington, New Jersey

(Dr. Hauck, who is a member of the Clinton Hill Church of Newark, N. J., is a practicing physician of widespread fame. She is in constant demand for speaking engagements at all kinds of civic and church functions. The following article on an exceedingly important subject deserves very special consideration by every church and youth leader. Editor.)

One of the great obligations of the Christian is to teach every boy and girl the truth of 1 Cor. 6:19 that "your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit."

Adults of the church have always been anxious to help young people. But they expend too much energy trying to cure evil rather than prevent it. Like the Syrian woman (Matthew 15) we pray: "Lord help me, my daughter is vexed with a devil," or like the certain man (Matthew 17) we kneel saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son for he is a lunatic."

Of course, we are sometimes unable to prevent the devil from entering into the temple, but the average young people in our churches and Sunday Schools are decent, godly young people. In dealing with such splendid boys and girls we must stop our constant nagging, our habitual criticism, and *teach* them, instead. When young people fully grasp the meaning of the truth, "Your body is the Temple of God," they will have self-respect and reverence which will protect them from sin.

"But," you say, "we are concerned with spiritual things, not with the physical." True, but all the spiritual developments can be expressed in no way except through the physical.

Young people should know how to care for themselves. So why not have an occasional meeting on such health subjects, "Diet," "Mental Attitudes" or "Sex." I do not intend that we who are experienced cooks need to study much about food, but we should be able to outline well-balanced meals, and be able to prepare them quickly and thriftily. It would be interesting to know that, each day, we should have 5 glasses of water, 1 pint of milk (more for children), 1 egg, 1 piece of meat or fish, 1 starchy food (potato or macaroni, noodles or rice), 1 coarse cereal, 3 helpings of fruit (at least one of which should be raw), 2 helpings of vegetables (one raw), 2 helpings of bread and butter, and jelly or hard candy or simple sweets.

Another meeting could be held on "Mental Hygiene." Here we should stress the fact that mental health is very dependent upon spiritual well-being.

The so called "New Psychology" has nothing in it except what the Bible has taught for generations. "Throw thy burden upon the Lord" is the highest development of the "Psychology of Security."

Then there should be a meeting devoted to the study of sex. Perhaps some of our old-fashioned members would object to that word, so we would probably be wise to call it "Social Hygiene." It would be wise to have the meeting for boys or girls only. If possible, have a Christian speaker—a physician or a nurse—to go over the beautiful story of reproduction.

Christian mothers and fathers also need to be educated into a candid, truthful attitude in dealing with their own children. The Sunday School teachers need to be helped to face with understanding the distressing experiences of adolescent children. If they do not feel able to handle the matter with dignity, urge them to depend on books. Tell them about Dr. de Schweinitz's book, called "Growing Up." Ask them to study Christ's attitude toward sex. Read the lovely or rather sad story of the "Woman Taken in Adultery," (John 8), a sad story with a lovely ending.

It may be possible, too, that through co-operation with the B. Y. P. U., the women of the church could stress the "Body as the Temple" idea until the young people themselves would suggest definite ways in which their elders could help them. One such group, made of young people, too old for school but unable to find employment, asked for "Self-improvement Jobs." They were formed into a "Social Service Auxiliary" and assisted at orphanages, libraries and hospitals. At their weekly "Experience Meetings" a frank discussion of cases taught them much about the value of clean living.

Personally, I do not believe we need to stress sickness and disease, nor disgrace in our program. Our whole aim should be to fortify our young people against temptation by explaining the beauty of the "temple" in its every activity. Instead of scolding about "necking" and weeping over "spooning," we could explain the real reason for avoiding such situations.

Every girl is anxious to be beautiful, within and without. To hear the marvelous story of reproduction, that wonderful gift of God, is to make her anxious to be worthy of such a gift. Every boy is eager to be chivalrous and manly. Our obligation is to teach such, "Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit."

Reports from the Field

Dakota Conference A Study Course and Easter Program of the Plum Creek B. Y. P. U.

The members of the B. Y. P. U. of the Plum Creek Church in South Dakota have begun a study of the book, "His Unchanging Word" by William Evans. We are being led in our study periods, which are held every two weeks, by our pastor, the Rev. J. C. Kraenzler. We believe that this book is going to be a great help to us in working out our aim for this year, "A More Intensive Study of the Bible."

One Sunday evening of every month is given over to the society, on which evening a program is presented by one of the two groups into which our society has been divided. At our Easter program on Sunday, April 17, several fine numbers were rendered, including the play, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus." A mission offering amounting to \$56 was received the same evening.

DOROTHY LEHR, Reporter.

The Aggressive Program of the Corona B. Y. P. U.

We, as members of the B. Y. P. U. of the German Baptist Church of Corona, So. Dak., feel that by the help of God we are steadily moving upward. At the present time we have a total membership of 38. Four new members have been accepted since the beginning of the new year.

The officers for the year are as follows: President, Elmer Schulte; vice-president, Anna Kampen; secretary, Florence Hoekman; treasurer, Dick De Boer; pianist, Emma Schulte; book distributor, Dick Braun; librarian, Carrie Kampen.

As in previous years, our work is done on the basis of groups, of which there are four. Two meetings a month are prayer meetings and two are regular meetings. Special singing is a regular feature of every meeting.

We have adopted the six-point record system, with the result that there has been an encouraging increase in the number of our members who are becoming "Baptist Herald" and daily Bible readers.

On March 20 our society presented a mission program consisting of various dialogues, songs by the senior and junior choirs, several quartets, a ladies' chorus, and the society. The Rev. H. G. Braun gave a short talk.

It is our constant prayer that each one of us might always be a living testimony for our Lord and King, and that as a group we might fulfill God's high purpose for us.

FLORENCE HOEKMAN, Reporter.

The Enlarged Program and Varied Activities of the Linton B. Y. P. U.

In spite of the fact that no news of the activities of the B. Y. P. U. in Linton, North Dakota, has appeared in the pages of "The Baptist Herald" for some time, we have been far from idle. We have begun this year with several new plans and more enthusiasm than ever. Officers elected at the annual meeting were as follows: president, Mrs. G. Kremer; vice-president, Mrs. V. Kremer; secretary, Edward Kist; treasurer, Viola Graf; pianist, Laverne Kremer; ushers, Harold Graf and Eddie Tschritter.

One of our new plans for this year is dividing the work of our B. Y. P. U. into the following 6 departments: Devotional, Music, Mission, Book, Special Program, and Recreation. All of our members are placed in one of these departments, and each department is responsible for its phase of the program. Although we have put this plan into practice for only the past two months, we already feel that it has increased the efficiency of our work and created more interest.

Another new step which we have taken was to sponsor the organization of a "Junior League." Viola Dabler was elected director of this group, and she is, indeed, proving to be a very able leader. The Juniors have their own set of officers, and they hold their meetings every Tuesday evening. They all appear to be keenly interested and we feel that they are reaping rich benefits from their work in this organization.

Since we are handicapped in not having a suitable place for social gatherings, we have tried to overcome this by gathering in our homes every other Thursday evening. On these evenings we spend at least 45 minutes discussing a very interesting study course, and the balance of the time is spent socially and doing handwork.

In general, we have a devotional meeting every Sunday evening and a business meeting once a month. We sponsor several good programs throughout the year. We have a library of about 20 good books which were purchased this year in order to create a greater interest in good reading material. We hope to add to this number from time to time. Many of our members are true followers of Christ, and we are trying to make our B. Y. P. U. an organization that will help us to grow in Christ and to lead others to him. May God bless us in the future as he has done in the past.

THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

Two Interesting Events Were Celebrated in McClusky During March

The German Baptist Church of McClusky, North Dakota, has had occasion to celebrate two interesting events during the month of March. Upon the evening of March 25, we gathered to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Schatz. The stage and church basement were decorated in gold and white, and flowers adorned the stage and tables. As the couple is counted among the charter members of the church at McClusky, several representatives of the church spoke a number of words of congratulation, and a men's quartet rendered fitting selections. After the presentation and acceptance of a beautiful framed "Golden Wedding Certificate," we were served with refreshments in the church basement by the ladies of the church. The evening program was concluded with words of congratulation.

On Sunday evening, March 27, the Leaders' Class, a group of Junior boys, dedicated a service to their fathers. Each boy presented his father with a rose, after which their teacher, the Rev. R. Kaiser, who is also pastor of the church, spoke to both fathers and sons. The object of the service was to apply, in a practical way, the Sunday School lesson on the subject, "Joseph Honors His Father." Some time ago the boys had the lesson of Joseph's climb "From Prison to Palace." In order to impress the lesson of the story indelibly upon their minds, Mr. Kaiser took the boys to Bismarck, No. Dak., where they visited the State Penitentiary and then the State Capitol. The boys will never forget these lessons.

Unceasing are the blessings which are ever bestowed upon us, and we give thanks to the Giver of all good and perfect gifts.

ESTHER KAISER, Reporter.

Eastern Conference

Revival Meetings at the Bethel Church of Buffalo, N. Y.

Sunday, April 10, marked the close of a two weeks' evangelistic campaign at the Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, New York. The Spruce Street Church united with us in this very successful campaign.

Prior to these meetings several members of our church offered their homes in which to hold cottage prayer meetings. These meetings proved very helpful and were a great success, for God graciously answered our prayers.

The Rev. Bert Williams of Colum-

bus, Ohio, conducted the services. Each evening Mr. Williams showed beautiful pictures depicting the story of the Bible. His very inspiring messages were a challenge to every one who attended the meetings. We praise the Lord for the countless blessings he bestowed upon us during that time and for the spirit of fellowship which prevailed. Fifty-nine persons accepted Jesus Christ as their own personal Savior and a number reconsecrated their lives to the Lord.

We are now looking forward to another period of two blessed weeks when Miss Dorothy Goodman will conduct revival meetings at our church beginning May 1st. We earnestly pray that the Spirit of the Lord will ever be with us and bless us as in the previous campaign.

EDITH M. BETZ, Church Reporter.

Northwestern Conference The Rev. and Mrs. G. Wetter are Honored in Watertown on Their 12th Anniversary of Service

On Wednesday evening, April 13, when the Rev. G. Wetter stepped into the church of Watertown, Wis., to conduct the usual mid-week prayer meeting, he was led into the auditorium where a large crowd had assembled to surprise and honor him and his family on their 12th anniversary of service.

Mr. David Goetsch, senior deacon, presided over the meeting. After singing by the congregation led by Walter Stalker and prayer by Albert Murdt of Concord, the Rev. and Mrs. G. Wetter were called to the platform. Mr. B. V. Krueger represented the Sunday School, Mr. A. W. Krause the choir, Miss Bernice Krause the B. Y. P. U., Miss Edythe Burdick the Girls' Guild, Mrs. David Goetsch the Ladies' Aid Society, and Frank Norman the Concord Church. All spoke words of appreciation and wished the Wetter family many more years of work and fellowship on their present field. Mrs. L. J. Lange, Miss Marion Norman and Miss Erma Goetsch rendered several vocal solos. The Rev. V. Wolff, pastor of the Lebanon Baptist Church, delivered a fine devotional message.

During the course of the meeting Mr. Goetsch asked all those to stand who had been received into the church during Mr. Wetter's ministry. About a third of the congregation responded. Mention was also made that Mr. Wetter deserves much credit in making the new \$22,000 church building possible.

In behalf of the Girls' Guild Miss Edythe Burdick presented Mrs. Wetter with a plant and, in behalf of the Ladies' Aid, Mrs. Elmer Bender presented her with a fine gift. The congregation took a love offering, which amounted to a substantial sum, and presented it to the Wetter family.

Reporter.

Easter Activities in the Elgin Church

For six weeks during Lent the members and friends of the Baptist church in Elgin, Iowa, considered the trial and death of Jesus with the aid of stereopticon views in the prayer meetings. On Thursday, April 14, the Rev. Paul F. Zoschke, pastor of the church, addressed the student body of Upper Iowa University in the chapel service on "The Principle of the Cross." In the evening the church met for a special communion service to commemorate the institution of "The Last Supper."

Good Friday, April 15, was observed by joining with the Methodists in a union service on the theme, "The Forsaken Christ," in which Mr. Zoschke spoke on "Forsaken by God." In the Baptist Church service on Easter Sunday morning the senior deacon, Mr. John F. Miller, presented to the Rev. and Mrs. Zoschke a large bouquet of Easter flowers on behalf of the church in appreciation for the three years of their friendly pastorate. The young people presented the play, "Follow Thou Me," in the evening service to a capacity audience.

Church and B. Y. P. U. Events in Burlington, Iowa

Easter Sunday was an inspirational day at the Oak Street Baptist Church of Burlington, Iowa. A crowd, estimated at more than 600 persons, attended the morning services, which featured special Easter selections by the combined vested adult and junior choirs, an Easter sermon by the pastor, the Rev. Alfred R. Bernadt, and the baptism of 20 candidates.

The adult choir of 35 voices presented the Lenten cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," on Easter Sunday evening, about 450 persons hearing the presentation. The effectiveness of the cantata was enhanced by the beauty of the setting with an altar banked with Easter lilies and ferns illuminated by several sets of candelabra, in addition to a silhouetted cross. The Rev. Alfred Bernadt read specially prepared narrative passages during the course of the presentation, directed by Mrs. H. O. Kohrs, who also played the piano accompaniments.

The Oak Street Church honored its new pastor, the Rev. Alfred R. Bernadt, and family at a church night supper and reception on the evening of April 21, with a crowd of 400 attending. Following the supper served by the Livingstone class in the social hall of the church, a welcoming program was enjoyed in the auditorium, Gus Johnson presiding as chairman.

Talks were made by Mr. J. F. Gordes, vice-moderator; Mr. Herbert Hoelzen, superintendent of the Sunday School; Miss Helen Kohrs, president of the B. Y. P. U.; Miss Augusta Jordan, speaking on behalf of the Service Guild and Mrs. H. J. Rieke, on

behalf of the Missionary Society.

The B. Y. P. U. of the church at a supper meeting held in the social hall on Sunday evening, April 24, voted not to affiliate with the Southeastern Iowa district of the B. Y. P. U. of the English conference, but to devote its time, finances and energies exclusively to the Iowa Jugendbund, to which the Burlington B. Y. P. U. already belongs.

A group from the Oak Street society presented a play at the English conference B. Y. P. U. rally at Fort Madison, Ia., on Friday night, April 29, to fulfill an agreement made considerable time ago.

WALTER E. KOHRS, Reporter.

Program of the Minnesota Association at the Riverview Church of St. Paul from May 19 to 22

General Theme—The Church and Its Ministry.

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 8 P. M.

Sermon: "The Door of the Church," by Rev. W. H. Schobert.

FRIDAY, MAY 20

9-9:30 a. m.: Devotion.

"The Church at Worship by Prayer," by Rev. H. Hirsch.

9:30-11:15 a. m.: Organization and reports of churches.

11:15-12 a. m.: Address, "The Church's New Testament Setting," by Rev. F. H. Heinemann.

2-2:30 p. m.: Devotion.

"The Church at Worship by the Word," by Rev. H. Hirsch.

2:30-3:15 p. m.: Ladies' program.

3:15-4 p. m.: Address.

"The Leadership of the Church," by Rev. E. Wolff.

4-4:45 p. m.: Address.

"The Church's Ministry of Evangelism," by Rev. W. H. Schobert.

8 p. m.: Evening service.

Play: "The Romance of Ruth," by the State Young People.

Sermonette: "The Heart of the Church," by Rev. H. C. Wedel.

SATURDAY, MAY 21

9-9:30: Devotions.

"The Church at Worship in the Light of the Cross," by Rev. C. F. Stoeckmann.

9:30-10:30 a. m.: Elections.

10:30-11:15 a. m.: Address.

"Duties of the Church," by Rev. H. C. Wedel.

11:15-12: Address.

"The Functioning Church," by Rev. J. Wobig.

SUNDAY, MAY 22

9:30-10:45 a. m.: Bible School.

10:45-12 a. m.: Morning Worship.

Mission sermon: "The Church's Far Horizons," by Rev. A. Foll.

3 p. m.: Young People's Program. "The Church and Its Youth."

7:30 p. m.: Evening service.

Sermon: "The Triumphant Church," by Rev. E. Wolff.

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

A Notable Pageant Presented in the Bethany Church of Milwaukee

A pageant of great merit, bearing the title, "The Twenty Christian Centuries," was presented by the young people of the Bethany Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., on Sunday evening, April 24. Under the capable direction of Miss Marie Baudisch the members of the cast portrayed the story of Christianity in a vivid and impressive manner. Beginning with the birth of the babe of Bethlehem, many outstanding events of Christian history and their significance for the spiritual welfare of humanity were brought to the attention of a large and appreciative audience.

As the various scenes of the thrilling pageant were shown, the fact was also emphasized that our twentieth-century Christianity has, indeed, received a rich heritage from the past, which should inspire all followers of the Master to do their best in the establishment of his Kingdom.

The singing of appropriate hymns and special musical features also added much to the interpretation of historical events, and helped to make the occasion a memorable one.

H. J. WEIHE, Reporter.

News Items From the Riverview B. Y. P. U. of St. Paul

The young people's society of the Riverview Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn., began its work last fall with the installation of the new officers by Mr. Henry Marks at a supper held in the church basement.

Our Sunday evening services from 7:15 to 8 during this past year have been planned by the cabinet and several other members of the society. Our meetings consisted of discussions on such topics as "Our German Baptist Denomination," "Christian Current Events," "Easter Finery" and "Observations of the Sunday School and Morning Service." Several guest speakers gave us some very helpful and inspirational messages. A gospel team from the Bethel Institute served us one evening in song and word.

A tri-society gathering held once a month, consisting of the three German Baptist churches in the Twin Cities, has proven very successful. We entertained in October with a thrilling Hallowe'en party and again in March with a St. Patrick's party.

One Sunday evening in October a group of 22 young people from our society went to Hutchinson, Minn. Four young people of our society presented the topic of the service.

A young people's choir was organized at the beginning of this year under the direction of Mr. Dwight Parker. Our young people plan to give the play, "The Greatest of These is Love," towards the close of May.

GERTRUDE RUST, Secretary.

Pacific Conference

Recent Inspirational Events of the Anaheim B. Y. P. U.

On Monday evening, January 31, over 30 members of the B. Y. P. U. of Anaheim, Calif., went to San Pedro Seamen's Rescue Mission. The Rev. O. R. Schroeder brought a soul-searching message. An altar call was given and a number of men found the Lord as their personal Savior. Several vocal duets were rendered.

During February and March several groups of the society were privileged to sing for the tuberculosis patients at the Orange County Hospital. We have witnessed souls being born into the Kingdom of God as a result of these messages in song.

We were also quite fortunate to have the members of "Uncle Joe's" Mission quartet of Los Angeles in our midst on Sunday, April 10. Moving pictures were shown of the mission in operation. We were blessed as we heard their testimonies and message in song.

As it began to dawn toward Easter morning, a number of our society joined with a group of the American Sunday School Union in a sunrise service on a hilltop near Orange County Park. Everyone marveled as the sun rose behind the cross, decorated with white paper and fern. Everyone present felt the Lord's nearness and will never forget this wonderful sight. The song service was led by Emil Bloedow, followed by a vocal duet, "Christ Arose." Mr. Paul Leuschner, a member of the society and at present a student of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Los Angeles, gave an inspirational message on the theme, "Jesus Liveth Again." Truly, we had a vision of Christ! May we share it with those with whom we come in contact!

RUTH H. JUNGKEIT, Secretary.

The Anniversary Program of the Salt Creek B. Y. P. U.

The young people's society of the Salt Creek German Baptist Church in Oregon celebrated its anniversary on Friday evening, March 25, before a large audience. Dr. Norman Classen, president of the society, was in charge of the meeting. John Wiebe led the song service and Albert Voth read the Scripture lesson. Mildred Lange read the secretary's annual report.

The musical selections during the evening consisted of a piano duet by Mrs. Norman Classen and Mildred Schneider, a violin solo by Evan Skersies, and numbers by a male quartet and two ladies' quartets. Several readings were given by the young people, as follows: "Hoe and Pray," by Mildred Schneider, "God's Bank Ain't Busted Yet," by Doris May, and "Let Us Walk with the Man by the Side of the Road," by Orval McFadyen.

The feature event of the evening was a play, "Pinholes," which was ef-

fective in showing the different places on the map where missionaries have been withdrawn and where more workers are needed. Those in the cast were Irvin Voth, Mildred Voth, Orval McFadyen, Velma Schroeder, Evan Skersies, and Viola Schneider.

The new officers for the coming year in the Salt Creek society are president, Dr. N. Classen; vice-president, Albert Voth; secretary, Viola Schneider; treasurer, Carl May; pianist, Mildred Schneider; "Baptist Herald" booster, Mildred Voth; ushers, Gilbert Schneider and Elmo Voth.

MILDRED VOTH, Reporter.

Atlantic Conference

An Array of Festivities in the New Haven Church

"A Golden Jubilee Service" was arranged by the German Baptist Church of New Haven, Conn., in behalf of Professor F. W. C. Meyer and Professor Otto Koenig, who were ordained to the Christian ministry 50 years ago. Prof. Meyer's ordination took place in New Haven, Conn., and Prof. Koenig's in Memel, Germany. Both men have been pastors here, Prof. Meyer from 1888 to 1900, and Prof. Koenig from 1901 to 1916.

The celebration was in conjunction with the 81st anniversary of the church on Sunday, April 10. The state convention had sent Dr. O. P. Campbell for the festivities, and Dr. Harold Jones represented the city pastors. The Rev. Emil Berger of Bridgeport spoke in behalf of the German Baptists, the Rev. Theodore Koester represented the younger men, and Dr. F. W. C. Meyer, who is on furlough from the Philippine Islands and a member of this church, extolled the ministers' wives. Dr. William L. Phelps, a very dear friend of Prof. Meyer, sent hearty congratulations, as well as the Rev. C. A. Daniel of Detroit, who was ordained here with Prof. Meyer 50 years ago. The Rev. Julius Berger led in the consecration prayer. Mrs. Koenig responded in behalf of her husband, who was unable to attend, and Prof. Meyer expressed his appreciation. He also served the church on three evenings during the Holy Week.

From March 3 to 6 we had the pleasure of having Dr. Wesley G. Huber, executive secretary of the Evangelistic Association of New England, and the Ambassador Quartet of Boston with us. The results of these services were most gratifying. Eight Sunday School scholars took a stand for Christ, of whom 5 were baptized on Sunday, April 24.

On Easter Sunday evening the Rochester seminary quartet gave us an interesting program, and Prof. Frank Woyke served us on April 22, with an illustrated lecture on his European and Western trips.

JULIUS KAAZ, Pastor.

Fine Additions to the First Church of Brooklyn, N. Y.

On Palm Sunday, April 10, the First German Baptist Church of Ridgewood, N. Y., witnessed the baptism of eight young people in a truly soul-stirring and uplifting service.

Although our minister, the Rev. A. E. Kannwischer, has been with us as active pastor only since July, 1937, his earnest and untiring efforts in God's vineyard have borne much fruit. Only recently on October 31, 1937, sixteen young people were added to our church by baptism.

One of the group, that was baptized last Sunday, gave an inspiring testimony, telling us how he was led to believe in Christ. The service was enhanced through the rendition of a solo by Mr. Bernhardt of Rochester, as well as by choral selections and the male quartet.

We feel that the Lord is greatly blessing our church in these days, and it is our earnest prayer that we may continue to receive his blessing in our efforts to further his Kingdom here on earth.

HERMAN KOCH, Church Clerk.

Something Unique and Different at the Second Church of Philadelphia

A very unique evening in the form of a "Mothers' and Daughters' Party" the first of its kind ever held in the Second Church of Philadelphia, Pa., took place on Tuesday evening, April 12. Every mother of the church was extended a written invitation by young ladies of the young people's society, and the response was even beyond our fondest expectations, for 130 mothers and older daughters were present.

Guests were directed to the main auditorium of the church upon their arrival, where the first part of the program took place consisting of a short devotional period, musical selections and a "Pageant of Brides." To the strains of Lohengrin's "Wedding March," several girls in turn marched up the aisle wearing the dress of one of the mothers in the audience while a short history of the dress and original ceremony was read. The oldest bridal gown, dating back 32 years, belonged to Mrs. Emma Draeger and was gracefully worn by her daughter, Anna. To be sure, styles change and years may discolor, but the bridal dress continues to be cherished by its owner.

In the lower hall the program was continued with a variety of games, which our mothers seemed to enjoy immensely, if we may judge by their hearty laughter. Later guests were called by name into the larger part of the Sunday School room where almost 30 small tables were beautifully and uniquely decorated by the daughter in charge, who also provided the refreshments for her table. Not only did we enjoy group singing in this cozy and

informal atmosphere, but also brief talks under the leadership of Miss Emma Huffert. Daughters gave toasts to mothers, and many were the tales which "mothers told on their daughters!"

Perhaps no one will ever realize, except those bearing the responsibilities, the hours spent in making plans and preparations for an evening of this kind, but we all felt it was worth any price. Willing co-operation on the part of the young women made the evening a complete success, but special words of appreciation were given to Mrs. Fred Hofmaier who was in charge of all arrangements, and to Miss Eva Yung who ably assisted her.

KATHERINE YUNG, Reporter.

A Glorious Easter Pilgrimage Related by the Rev. W. J. Zirbes of Paterson

Garrett Mountain lies in a reservation, 450 feet above sea level, on the first range of the Orange Mountains adjoining Paterson, New Jersey. From a cliff in this reservation, a view of New York City extending 40 miles north is visible. Our home is located within five minutes of the point on this reservation where the young people's societies of the County of Passaic have conducted Easter morning services for several years. These sunrise services are ushered in by the lighting of a large cross about one hour before daylight. This cross shows the way to the travelers as they come along the highways in automobiles. Promptly at 5:30 a. m. the service begins with more than 5,000 people assembled for worship.

After this service our daughter, Dorothy, took Mrs. Zirbes and myself by auto to Philadelphia, about 100 miles away. At every place of worship along the way autos surrounded the churches while their occupants attended the Easter services within. Our first stopping-place was the Fleischmann Memorial Church, where we found a house filled with attentive listeners. The pastor, the Rev. Milton Schroeder, delivered the Easter sermon. Our congenial friends, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Windisch, invited us to have dinner with them at our German Baptist Home for the Aged.

In mid-afternoon we journeyed on to Baltimore, arriving at the Rev. Gustav Schmidt's residence in time for the evening service. Here I had the privilege of preaching an Easter message to nearly 200 people—a capacity audience. A most inspiring baptismal service followed at which Mr. Schmidt baptized 17 converts, among them a man, wife, and two daughters. The others ranged from 9 to about 50 years of age. After baptism they received the hand of fellowship in a most informal and yet impressive way. This meeting gave sufficient evidence of the glorious work that is being accom-

plished here. Within recent weeks Mr. Schmidt has baptized 35 persons and there are a number of others awaiting baptism on some future Sunday.

On the following day we continued our trip through Washington, which was crowded with its residents and visitors attending the annual egg-rolling events at the White House. We journeyed through historic Alexandria, Fredericksburg, Richmond and on until we arrived at the home of our son at Kenly, North Carolina. After a short visit, we returned to our home in Paterson.

Central Conference Special Lenten and Easter Events in Trenton, Ill.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church in Trenton, Ill., gave the play, "The Things That Are Caesar's," on Good Friday to a large and appreciative audience, each of whom felt at the close that he had received a blessing. This play, a popular production, has won first place among peace plays in the contest sponsored by the American Council for Christian Action. Those taking part were Martha Ahrens, Bernice Ranz, Milton Heinicke, Lucian Malare, LeRoy Ranz, Henry Schroeder and William Ahrens. Mrs. H. Gieseke was the director.

The Easter sunrise service, held out-of-doors for the first time, was sponsored by the Christian Youth Council of the community. Special music consisted of a trumpet trio and a solo. The message on the topic, "Roll Away the Stone," was brought in a brief talk by Mr. Koch of the Evangelical Church.

At the Easter morning service the painting, "Christ in Gethsemane," a reproduction of the original by Hoffman, was unveiled. The painting at the back of the baptistry was made possible by the generosity of the Ranz family, who contributed the cost of the material in memory of their son, Wesley, who died two years ago. The work was contributed without charge by Mr. Van H. Burns of St. Louis, who brought a brief address at the unveiling exercises. The dedicatory prayer was offered by the Rev. Charles F. Zummach, the pastor of our church.

March 27, was a great day for Trenton Baptists, for it brought to us our young people's secretary, Mr. M. L. Leuschner, whose very presence inspires effort. At the morning service he brought greetings from the Baptists of the world in the unfolding of news and plans of our denominational enterprises, especially along missionary lines. At 6:30 p. m. the Union young people's group enjoyed his reminiscences of his ten years of Christian ministry. Later a large audience greeted him in the monthly community service of Protestant churches. We pause to speak of the blessings these services of Protestant churches.

MARTHA AHRENS, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference Oklahoma Young People's Institute

At the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene, May 26 to 29, 1938

Motto: "The All-Powerful Christ." THURSDAY, MAY 26, 7:30 P. M. Sermon: "The All-Powerful Christ," by Rev. Willibald S. Argow.

Welcome and response and roll call. FRIDAY, MAY 27

9-9:30: Devotions led by Gotebo Union.

Topic: "Our Challenge to Prove That Jesus Christ Is the Savior of Mankind."

9:40-10:35: Classes.

1) Study course — "The Baptist Faith," by Rev. W. S. Argow.

2) Study course for juniors—"The Junior and His Church."

3) Study course in German, by Rev. F. W. Socolofsky.

10:40-10:45: Special music from the Shattuck Union.

10:45-11:30: Classes.

11:30-12: Open forum led by Rev. W. S. Argow.

2-2:30: Devotions led by the Emmanuel Union.

Topic: "Our Challenge to Prove That Jesus Christ Is the Conqueror Over Sin, Satan, and Death."

2:30-3:25: Classes.

3:25-3:30: Special music by Emmanuel Union.

3:30: Business and open forum.

7:30 p. m.: Song service.

Sermon: "Thy Will Be Done," by Rev. W. S. Argow.

SATURDAY, MAY 28

9-9:30: Devotions led by the Bessie Union.

Topic: "Our Challenge to Show Forth That Christ's Ideal Life Is the Only Remedy for the World's Evil."

9:30-10:25: Classes.

10:30-10:35: Special music by Gotebo.

10:35-11:25: Classes.

11:25-12: Business.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Outing to Roman Nose Park.

SATURDAY EVENING

8 p. m.: Song service and Young People's Program.

SUNDAY, MAY 29

9:45-11:55: Sunday School.

11: Sermon in German by Rev. G. F. Ehrhorn.

2-2:30: Devotions led by the Ingersoll Union.

Topic: "Our Challenge to Prove That Christ's Example of Unselfish Service Is the Only Service That Pays."

Sacred concert by the unions.

7:30 p. m.: Song service.

Installation of officers.

Closing sermon: "Let the Lord Have His Way," by W. S. Argow.

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

DAILY MEDITATIONS

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Sunday, May 30

Rejected

"He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God."—John 1:11, 12.

(Read John 1:6-14)

Is it not strange, indeed tragic, that he who was the embodiment of all that is noble, pure and kindly met with such scant courtesy? But would it be otherwise today, if Jesus were again to come into the flesh? Would even they who call themselves "his own" acclaim him wholeheartedly?

Prayer: Divine Savior, may we prove ourselves to be true sons of God by joyfully responding to thy call to the higher life of faith and trust.

Monday, May 31

A Morning Prayer

"O Jehovah, in the morning shalt thou hear my voice; in the morning will I order my prayer to thee, and will keep watch." (Amer. Revised Version.)—Psalm 5:3.

(Read Psalm 5:1-7)

How different does it make the day when we begin it with God! Our pathway opens up with light. Our duties fall into their true places. Our strength for the day's work is increased. Even our leisure spaces are sweetly restful. And the end of the day is gratefulness and praise.

Prayer: May we find great joy in the fellowship and worship of this day. May it also, dear Master, be one more day's work for thee.

Tuesday, June 1

A Cry of Despair

"I loathe it: I would not live always."—Job 7:16.

(Read Job 7:11-20.)

A cry of despair out of the "depths of a soul in agony." In his excruciating suffering of body and spirit, with the phantom of a persecuting God pursuing him, enwrapped in the gloom of an impenetrable mystery, life loses its value and charm.

Prayer: Gracious God, in our troubles and trials keep our vision of these bright and true, that our hope may not be turned into despair.

Wednesday, June 2

When Death Is Gain

"For me to live is Christ and to die is gain."—Philippians 1:21.

(Read Philippians 1:18-24)

What a contrast to Job's despair is Paul's longing and hope to be with Christ. We are creatures of two worlds and while we find inspirations and satisfactions here, yet a fuller and richer life awaits us yonder.

Prayer: Loving Father, may our hope in life eternal ever grow stronger.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

(Continued from Page 188)

✚ On Easter Sunday, April 17, the Rev. George Hensel, pastor of the Immanuel Church of Kankakee, Ill., baptized 4 persons on confession of their faith in Christ and received these and another person into the church's fellowship on Sunday, May 1. On Easter Sunday afternoon Mr. Hensel brought a message at the State Hospital and the church choir rendered two anthems. A beautiful baptismal painting, which is the work of Miss June Barton, was donated anonymously to the church. The Beacon Light Class presented attractive baptismal curtains. On Sunday, April 24, a special program was given at the regular church service by the Rev. and Mrs. Hans Steiger and a group of 10 children of St. Joseph, Mich., dramatizing the life in our Children's Home. The 71st anniversary of the Women's Missionary Society was observed on Sunday and Monday, May 8 and 9. The history of the society through the seven decades was depicted by a group of women.

✚ On Palm Sunday, April 10, Professor Arthur A. Schade of the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., was the guest speaker in the White Avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio. He also addressed a union service of the Women's Missionary Society and the Men's Brotherhood in the afternoon. The Fathers' and Sons' banquet was held on Friday evening, April 8, with more than 100 men and boys seated at the beautifully decorated tables. Among the numbers was a cornet duet by Mr. E. Black and his son, Robert. Prof. Schade spoke on the subject of "Easing Tensions." About 60 young people were present at the Easter Sunrise service which was in charge of Miss Thelma Rowley, president of the B. Y. P. U. Mr. H. P. Donner, business manager of our Publication Society, brought a message on "Behold, I Make All Things New." At the evening service the Rev. Wm. L. Schoeffel, pastor of the church, baptized several candidates. On Sunday morning, May 1, the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, missionary secretary, was the guest speaker.

OBITUARY

RUTH JOAN OLSON

Ruth Joan, two year old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Verner L. Olson died Sunday, May 2. (Rev. Olson is the new pastor of Clinton Hill Church, Newark, N. J.) Ruth was a beautiful and sweet child, and brought much sunshine and happiness into the home of brother and sister Olson. They mourn over their great loss, but mourn in the abundant hope that the beautiful bud of life, which they cherished so much, is broken off only to be translated into the garden of God where she will continue to blossom forever, unto the land that is fairer than day, where love and tenderness prevail. The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

Minneapolis, Minn.

Rev. H. Hirsch.

LETTER-BOX

Open to all readers of "The Baptist Herald." Letters limited to 200 words.

The Pastor Has the Last Word!

Editor, "The Baptist Herald":

In the issue of April 1 there appeared a letter, commenting unfavorably upon a picture of a boys' basketball team. As their pastor I offer a defence for any misunderstanding of the Kings' Men.

I take my stand against "clubs and shows" which interfere with Christian living and service! This group should not be classed thus. They organized as a Christian class. Being interested in Scripture, they pay for the services of a competent theological student, who leads them in an intensive Bible study each Sunday. Other meetings are on week nights.

Occasional basketball games are not in the church, but in a community house, where wholesome sport is enjoyed with other Christian boys. Our church is gaining repute for the fine, upright young men in evidence at religious services. Some are loyally and efficiently holding responsible positions in church affairs.

As their pastor I am grateful for their support, and I commend them for evidence of Christian character and fine spirit. Our denomination may be proud of these young men.

REV. JOHN P. KUEHL.

Newark, N. J.

100 Per Cent for "The Baptist Herald"

Editor, "The Baptist Herald":

In the April 15th issue of "The Baptist Herald" I read a letter by Clarence Susek criticizing the paper. I cannot agree with some of the letters published in the "Letter Box." I think "The Baptist Herald" is just swell. I like every page of it, including "What's Happening" items, reports from the field, the serial story, and especially the editorials.

I could not agree with Jacob C. Fischer of Ashley, N. D., either. I think all young people are full of energy and they have to make use of it one way or another. If we Christians don't co-operate with them in having good, clean young people's parties and sports, they will go places where they are not supposed to go.

I'm for "The Baptist Herald" 100%!

MRS. SAM BANKS.

Wessington Springs, So. Dak.

Ruffled Feathers!

Editor, "The Baptist Herald":

When we read some of the letters that appear in "The Herald," as, for instance, in the April issue, it makes the feathers on the back of my head stick up on end! I'm sure that to every "one" that finds fault, there are "ten" who enjoy "The Herald" as it is. Thus far I haven't heard anyone complain about it, and, after all, you can't please everyone. Why, if it were



"Enter into God's Courts with Praise and Prayer"

A Day of Prayer and Fasting

Will Be Observed Throughout

Our Denomination on

Thursday, May 26

"We find ourselves at this time in the midst of an alarming crisis. Our desperate need and our own insufficiency constrain us to call on God for help."

Wm. Kuhn,

Missionary Secretary

TO OPEN THE WINDOWS OF HEAVEN

WE MUST DO OUR PART!

"Render Unto God the Things that Are God's."

Read the May 1st issue of "The Baptist Herald" for full particulars about the observance of this day. Send to the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Ill., for more material, if such is desired. Study the posters on your church bulletin board with colorful announcements about the purpose of this "Day of Prayer and Fasting."

Make Your Observance of This Day of Prayer and Fasting

On May 26

a Matter of Personal Concern and Prayer Fellowship with Others in Your Church

not for "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote" we wouldn't know what is going on in our denomination nor what other churches are doing. But knowing what they are doing encourages us to do or at least to try to do big things, too. I enjoy the "What's Happening" column almost as much as I do a letter from home. The reports from the various conferences are an inspiration, and if more people would read them with that in view they wouldn't have so much time to find fault. I hope you continue "The Herald" as it is.

REV. THOMAS LUTZ.

Junction City, Kansas.

Children's Day Is Coming!

Programs and the accompanying recitations have been sent to our Sunday Schools throughout the country. There is ample material for a full service but if any school wants to present an unusual program we recommend a new pageant which is complete and colorful. It will make a delightful change.

The pageant has the caption

Why Children's Day?

and is by one of our own young ladies, Miss Eva Young of Philadelphia.

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A new Christian novel in that wonderful dollar class.

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Internal Evidence of Inspiration

By HARRY RIMMER

This author who has been given the degrees of Doctor of Divinity and Doctor of Science has made it his life work to prove that true science and the Bible are in complete agreement.

This is the THIRD volume of a series that he is writing on this general theme and there are several yet to follow. The two that have preceded this one just from the press are "Modern Science and the Genesis Record" and "The Harmony of Science and Scripture."

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