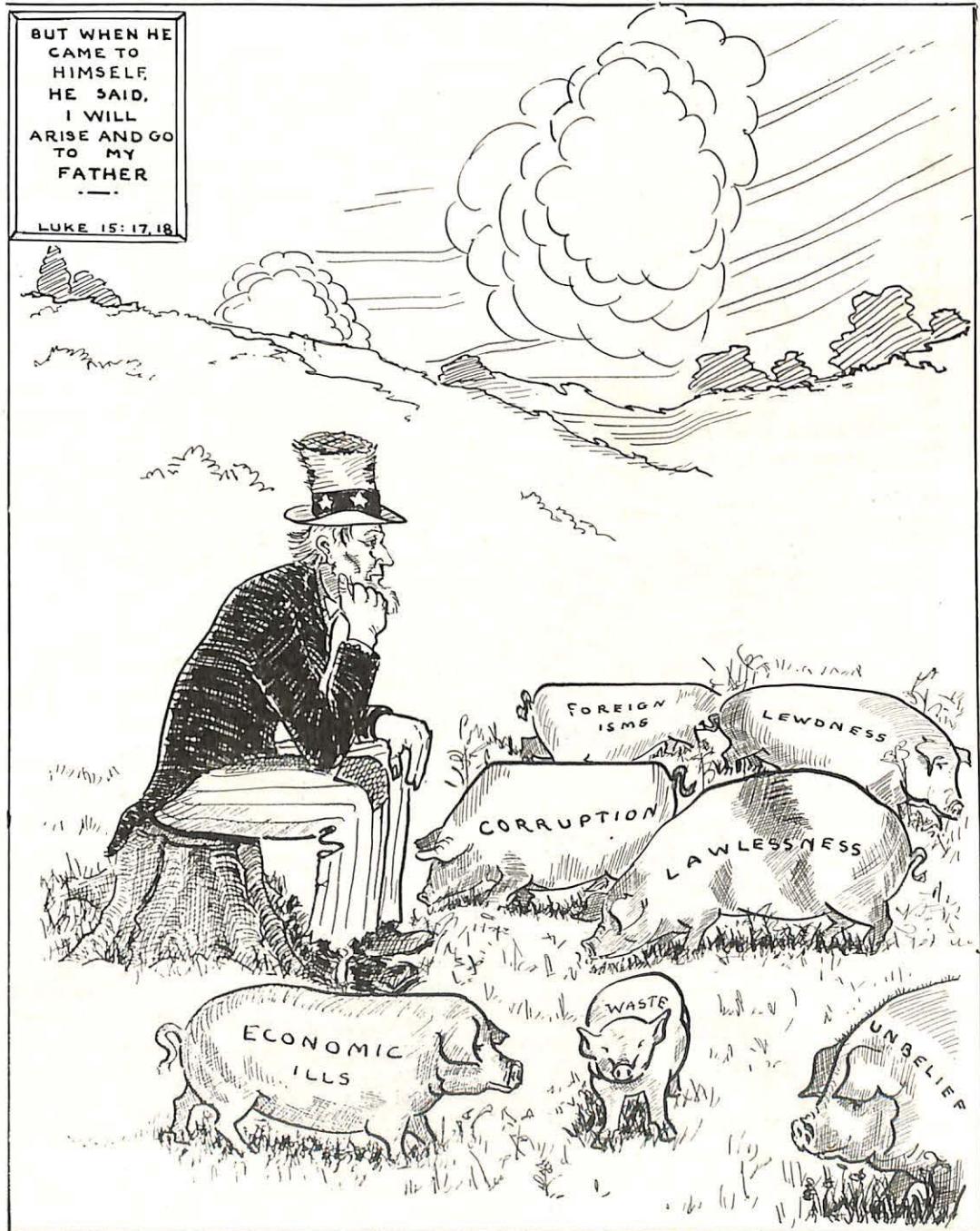


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THE PRODIGAL

(Would to God He Would
Come to Himself!)

An Original Sketch
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What's Happening

● Sunday, July 9, was a red letter day for the Baptist Church in Corona, So. Dak., and will long be remembered by the members of the church. A large audience gathered at Wildwood Beach, where the Rev. H. G. Braun, pastor of the church, had the joy of baptizing 8 converts on confession of their faith in Christ.

● Mr. Frank Armbruster of Beaver, Mich., has accepted the call of the German Baptist Church at Max, No. Dak., and of the mission station at Sawyer to serve as their pastor for a period of three months, beginning with July 1. Mr. Armbruster is graduate of the German Baptist Seminary in the class of 1938, and recently completed an interim pastorate in Gladwin, Mich., with marked success.

● The Rev. E. G. Kliese of Detroit, Mich., recently read his resignation to the congregation of the Second German Baptist Church of the city, of which he has been pastor for many years. Mr. Kliese's resignation will be effective on September 1. As yet, his plans for the future are uncertain. Mr. and Mrs. Kliese have endeared themselves to the members of the Second Church and the German Baptists of Detroit by their sacrificial service and boundless friendliness.

● Mr. William Sturmer, one of the very devoted members of the West Side Baptist Church of Beatrice, Neb., has recently returned from an extended trip to the Pacific Coast, where he visited a sister in Oregon and a brother in California and was thrilled by the San Francisco World's Fair. He wrote that "my first sight of the Rocky Mountains and of the Rose Festival in Portland impressed upon me the utterance of the Psalmist, 'O Lord, how marvelous are thy works!'"

● On Sunday evening, July 16, the young people of the Minnetrista Church at St. Bonifacius, Minn., had charge of the church service and held a debate on the subject, "Resolved, that a Christian should bear arms in warfare." On the affirmative team were Pearl Krotzer, Wilmer Luedke, and Earl Bruhn, and the negative team was composed of Melvin Rehbein, Marva and Clarence Krotzer. A Vacation Bible School was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. August Lutz, from June 12 to 25 with an enrollment of 15 children.

● On July 4th at patriotic meetings held in Wishek, No. Dak., a community chorus of 100 singers rendered unusual programs of music under the direction of the Rev. Albert Ittermann, pastor

of the German Baptist Church of Wishek. The chorus sang in the open air pavilion of the town in the morning, afternoon and evening of the holiday under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. The community choir will also continue its rehearsals and sing at the Easter service in 1940, which will be held in the German Baptist Church.

● The Rev. H. Hirsh, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., had the joy of baptizing 6 Sunday School pupils on confession of their faith in Christ on Sunday, June 25. Mr. Rudolf Woyke, the new pastor of the Washburn and Underwood Churches in North Dakota who was visiting his parents in Minneapolis, preached the baptismal sermon. On Sunday, July 2, the Rev. H. Hirsh was the guest preacher in the Baptist Church of North Freedom, Wis., where he and his family stopped en route on a vacation trip to Rochester, N. Y.

● In June revival meetings were conducted in the Cottonwood Baptist Church near Lorena, Texas, with Dr. George W. McCall, Baptist evangelist for the state of Texas, bringing the gospel messages in a clear and forceful manner. The pastor of the church, the Rev. H. Ekrut, wrote that "the Lord gave us fourfold success with 9 conversions, 5 other additions, the re-dedication of fifty per cent of our church members, and marvelous attendance." In the four prayer groups at one service there were 224 people present. The Juniors had 84 present in one of their prayer meetings.

● The silver wedding anniversary of the Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Matz was celebrated by the German Baptist Church of Randolph, Minn., on Sunday afternoon, June 4, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Miller. The day was also the 25th anniversary of his ordination into the ministry. The officers of the church spoke at the anniversary program and a gift was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Matz, who were married in 1914 by the Rev. Christian Dippel in North Freedom, Wis. On Sunday afternoon, July 16, the Rev. J. R. Matz baptized 3 persons on profession of their faith in Christ at a festive service held on the shores of a nearby lake.

● The Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, So. Dak., held a Vacation Bible School in June for a period of 2 weeks. Six able teachers assisted the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Kraenzler, who wrote that "it was a pleasure to conduct the school because of the splendid cooperation on the part of the teachers,

children and members of the church." The daily missionary offerings were designated for the work of the Rev. Bruno Luebeck in China, who is a former pastor of the church. A picnic was held on Friday, July 1, and on Sunday evening, July 2, the closing exercises were held with a splendid program by the children.

● Prof. O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., preached in the German Baptist Church of Wishek, No. Dak., on Sunday, July 2. On the following Monday evening he spoke in Bismarck, No. Dak., and on July 4 and 5 he addressed the congregations in the New Leipzig Church and its mission station. On Thursday evening, July 6, he brought a message in the Baptist Church of Hebron, No. Dak., and on Sunday, July 9, he was the guest speaker at Plevna, Montana, where the new addition to the church was dedicated. Professor Krueger was also one of the speakers on the German program during the sessions of the Baptist World Congress at Atlanta, Georgia, from July 22 to 28.

● The Rev. Erich E. Bonikowsky, temporary pastor of the German Baptist Church at Carrington and Pleasant Valley, No. Dak., for 5 months from January 1, 1939 to June 1, 1939, has accepted the call for full time service in the church. Mr. Bonikowsky is a graduate of the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., in 1934, a graduate of Sioux Falls College in South Dakota with the B. A. degree in 1937, and a graduate of the Baptist Divinity School in Berkeley, Calif.,

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EDITORIAL

THREE IS great rejoicing in most of the farming communities of our denominational territory. For an abundance of refreshing rain has drenched the parched fields of the Dakotas and most of the Canadian provinces at the most opportune time in early summer. Now many of the residents of these areas are speaking of harvests for the first time in many years. The rain has brought forth the grain and that, in turn, spells "gold" for the farmers, who have a shining radiance in their eyes. For them the rain has literally been golden manna from heaven.

It was the editor's privilege to do considerable traveling in North Dakota and Manitoba during the month of June and early in July. With eager excitement the farmers in those areas showed him their fields of wheat and rye and barley which waved their green tasseled heads in the cool breeze of afternoon hours. The ministers, driving him over the miles, shouted in exultation over the green hills, carpeted again with grass and vegetation, and abloom with many colorful specimens of wild flowers.

A year or so ago one would not have dreamed that such a transformation could occur so quickly. The Dakota plains at that time were like a desert, bleak and bare. The fields of the western prairies were black and forbidding. It seemed as if God had forsaken this land and had cursed it from above. An exodus of people was making its way to the Pacific Coast. But the miracle has happened! The rains have come! The manna has fallen! "The Lord hath comforteth Zion; . . . he hath made her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving and the voice of melody."

This does not mean that there will be record-breaking crops in the West and that great wealth

will fill the granaries of the farmers. In the days and weeks before harvest unexpected catastrophes can occur which can destroy the crops in some localities. The grain prices can be so low as to keep the best grain farmers continually poor. But this is true that the German Baptist farmers in the Dakotas and the Canadian provinces have received new encouragement by the rains from heaven to carry on as "tillers of the soil." Their despair of former years has been replaced by rejoicing, and their bitterness has been changed into the sweetness of thanksgiving and praise.

Our denomination is stronger in the rural areas of the continent. The most vital organs of the body of our denomination are to be found in the prairies of the West. The discouraging crop failures of the past years and the widespread suffering in those farming areas have affected the entire denomination. We have been compelled by the circumstances to "share each others' mutual woes." That also accounts for our overflowing joy at every sign of an encouraging turn for the better in those places where rains bring forth crops, and crops fill the farmers' barns and silos, and full barns spell happiness and prosperity.

These material blessings, like golden manna from heaven, should renew our hope for better things to come as the fulfillment of God's promises and should deepen our faith in God's wise and providential guidance. For, "thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain; thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary." We have caught another glimpse of a forward look toward better and brighter days ahead. We have seen the evidence of God's power to transform the parched earth with a fruitful garden. We believe that such a similar miracle can come from above, as spiritually we blossom like the garden of his grace. These showers of blessing we need!

Joys of Christian Fellowship

The author of this fine article with its helpful counsel and beautiful illustrations is a member of the German Baptist Church of Salem, Oregon, and a third year student in the Western Baptist Theological Seminary in Portland, Oregon.

By MISS MARGARET REISCHKE of Salem, Oregon

THREE IS NO FELLOWSHIP as real and abiding as the fellowship of the children of God. How blessed is that tie that binds our hearts in Christian love and in fellowship!

Jesus was a reality to John. He had seen him and had known him. And he has written his epistle so that others might join in the fellowship that he enjoyed with the Father and the Son. John writes, "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full." (1. John 1:3-4.) Our joy is

"Oh," she answered, "he asked, 'Does Christ live here?' and I didn't know what to say."

The man's face flushed.

"Why didn't you tell him that we were respectable people?"

"Well," she answered, "I might have said that, only that isn't what he asked me."

"Then why," continued her husband, "why didn't you tell him that we say our prayers and read our Bibles?"

The wife replied, "But he didn't ask me that." The man grew more vexed.

"Why," he again continued, "didn't you say that we are always at church?"



It is a wonderful joy to be together with God's children, as these members of the Baptist Church in Victor, Iowa, show, and to see the love of Christ shining in their faces!

made full in having fellowship with the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ.

Christ, the Unseen Guest

There are many ways from which we receive joy in Christian fellowship. First of all, the Christian home! There is joy in that home because Christ abides there. It is a place where father and mother and the children meet daily for the reading of God's word, for thanksgiving to God for his care, and for united prayer. Each one is interested in the home and is doing his or her part to make it a success and a happy place.

It is true that we find homes that are known as Christian homes but still the joy is not there.

A new pastor had come to the village, and had called at a certain cottage. When the husband came home from his work, the wife said:

"The new pastor called today."

"What did he say?" asked the man.

The woman broke down. "He didn't ask that either; he asked only, 'Does Christ live here?'"

This man and woman pondered for many days over the question that had been asked them by the new pastor. Little by little their lives were changed. They grew to accept Christ, not dead, but gloriously alive. And some way, they knew not how, through great love, and willingness to be surprised by the mystery of his radiance, they knew him. He did, indeed, live there!

Do you have the joy of Christian fellowship in your home? Does Christ live there? Do you show forth the love of Christ? For if you are filled with the love of Christ, an abundance of joy will be added to the home.

Joys of Worship

The second place in which we enjoy Christian fellowship is in the church. How essential it is to the spiritual growth of God's children "of like

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precious faith" regularly to assemble themselves together in Christ's name for worship. It is true that public worship is no substitute for private devotions. We should seek to be alone at times in order that we may again helpfully be with others. We read that Christ on many occasions went apart to be alone with God, and each time it meant larger blessings for others when he returned. It is also true that private worship is no substitute for our meeting with God and with God's people in God's house on the Lord's Day for united prayer and praise and the preaching of his Word. It is a wonderful joy to be together with God's children and to see the love of Christ shining in their faces.

I presume that everybody has known some one whose life was just radiant. Joy beamed out of their eyes; joy bubbled over their lips; joy seemed to fairly run from their fingertips. You could not come in contact with them without having a new light come into your own life. They were great electric batteries charged with joy.

A Radiant Christian

If you look into the lives of such radiantly happy persons—not those people who are sometimes on the mountain top and sometimes in the valley, but people who are always radiantly happy—you will find that every one of those is a man or woman who spends a great deal of time in prayer alone with God. God is the source of all joy, and if we come into contact with him, his infinite joy comes into our lives.

Would you not like to be a radiant Christian? You may be. Spend time in prayer. You cannot be a radiant Christian in any other way. Why is it that prayer in the name of Christ makes one radiantly happy? Is it not because prayer makes God real?

God was very real to Sonny and Jeanne. The other day they were discussing him frankly and seriously out in the sandpile.

"God is bigger than daddy," said Jeanne.

"And he can run faster," contributed Sonny.

"But daddy can build houses," replied Jeanne.

"God builds the trees that houses are made of," explained Sonny.

One day Jeanne broke her most cherished possession, a quaint little China dish. "Daddy can fix it," she sobbed, "daddy can fix anything!"

"I'm afraid daddy cannot fix it," said Sonny in troubled tones.

"Then God can!" said his sister positively.

Hearing them speak of deity thus casually troubled mother. She sometimes spoke sharply in reproof. Why?

I think perhaps she is envious, for God is not so real to her as he is to her own little children.

A Real God

The gladdest thing upon earth is to have a real God. I would rather give up anything I have in life, than to give up my faith in God.

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If you give all your time to the world and to secular affairs, to reading the newspapers and to reading literature, no matter how good it is, unless you take time for fellowship with God, you cannot have a real God. If you do take time for prayer you will have a real, living God, and if you have a living God you will have a radiant life that is filled with joy.

The greatest joy is to share joy with others. That brings us to joy in service, joy in transforming an evil world. How sad it is to look out into this world and round about us, and to see the many people walking in sin and darkness! They do not have the love of Christ in their lives. They



Faces that are wreathed in smiles following evangelistic meetings in the Medicine Hat and Irvine Churches of Alberta

know not of this wonderful joy. It is our privilege to witness for him. If we have the love of Christ in our lives we cannot help but share it with them, for it is too good to keep. And what a joy it is to see someone receive Christ as their own personal Savior and Lord!

Sharing Christ With Others

Another great joy is happy social fellowship, which is among the finest blessings of life. Young people love to gather together for a good social time and enjoy the fellowship of one another. One place, I believe, where this joy of social fellowship is very much pronounced is at our summer assemblies. During the social hours of the afternoons it seems that everyone is just overflowing with joy. Not only is this true of the social hours, but of the class periods and times of worship as well. One thing that impresses me so very deeply is the campfire services. It fills our hearts with joy to gather around the fire in the still of the night, singing praises to God and listening to the testimonies of the different young people. God is so very real and near at a time like that.

We could go on and on speaking of the joys of Christian fellowship. But above all, let us remember at all times to look up—up into the face of Jesus, for there our hearts can rest and there our fears are stilled. There is joy, and love, and light for darkness. There is perfect peace, and every hope fulfilled!

B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

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OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD WORK AND WORKERS

Scripture References: Ecclesiastes 5:18-20, James 5:1-4, Col. 4:1.

1. Introduction

A charge often brought against the Bible by unthinking people is that it is an old-fashioned book, obsolete, utterly incapable of dealing with present-day problems and difficulties. Such a criticism cannot be grounded in fact. The truth of the matter is that the Bible has a great deal to say about modern problems. Particularly does it have something to say about work and workers. With the questions of industry, labor, and unemployment so prominent in contemporary life, the Bible is an especially appropriate book to study. In addition to the Scripture references quoted above, consider such passages as Amos 5:1-15, Matt. 9:37, 38; 21:28-32, Luke 10:7, 1. Cor. 3:9, Eph. 6:5-9.

2. Work

A tramp seeking a bite to eat was offered work by the lady who came to the door. When he refused it, the woman asked, "Haven't you ever worked for a meal before?" To which the tramp replied, "Yes, lady, just once, but aside from that I have met with nothing but kindness." Thus, many people regard work. It is something they realize that labor is necessary if them. Even to think of it upsets them. Perfect ease is their conception of happiness. Others look upon work as a necessary evil. While not fond of it, they realize that labor is necessary if they are to live. They must have some method of procuring an income. For others work means an opportunity to earn money which, in turn, can be hoarded and used for selfish purposes. Again, there are those who look upon work with an eye for exploitation.

The Christian, however, will never regard work in any of those ways. To him work will be respectable, honorable, even sacred. It will not be a curse, but something tinged with divinity. He will regard it as something given by God for the blessing and development of himself and those with whom he lives. Following his Master, who did not scorn the carpenter's tools, the Christian will recognize work as a glorious privilege and opportunity.

Question for Discussion: Does God call only ministers and missionaries to their tasks? Or does he call others, too, into medicine, law, teaching, etc.?

3. Workers

In considering attitudes toward workers the question must be viewed from both the laborer's and employer's viewpoints. Individual workers must view other workers as necessary collaborators. In a world that is interdependent, one worker needs another. No one individual is able to produce things that will satisfy all his needs. Thus laborers are happiest and also Christian, not when they eye each other with jealousy, but when they recognize themselves as integral parts of the great human scheme. The attitudes of employers toward workers can be either good or bad, Christian or un-Christian.

But still in this highly-enlightened twentieth century there are employers who regard their workers as slaves, who care little about their working surroundings, and who pay wages that are miserably inadequate. Employees for them are nothing more than steps over which they can trample to their own enrichment. Such will never be the attitude of the Christian employer. He will rather regard his workers as human beings, as those deserving of courtesy and brotherhood, as those entitled to a fair share of the profits of labor.

Something to Do: Suggest cases of your own acquaintance in which employers have been either Christian or un-Christian with their employees.

4. Christian Work

No discussion of work and workers would be complete without some reference to distinctly Christian work. While all work can be made Christian in a certain sense, there is also that work which is definitely related to the church and the furtherance of the Kingdom of God. That work must be assumed by all who profess the name, "Christian."

For the gospel of Christ is not one of ease and luxury, but one of labor and toil. The command of the Master is, "Son, go work today in the vineyard . . . take up thy cross and follow me . . . go into all the world." Someone has said that in every church there are workers and shirkers. It is only the workers who truly follow the Master. Hanging on the cross and looking back over his life's ministry, Jesus could say triumphantly, "It is finished." Will you be able to say the same of your task at the end of your life?

Something to Do: List some tasks in which Christians can engage for their Master.

Sunday, September 10, 1939 WHAT JESUS SAID ABOUT RIGHT LIVING

Scripture Reference: Matt. 5:13-26.

1. Introduction

The carpenter has his square and level; the mason has his plumb-line; the artist has his model; the musician has his scale. So it is in every realm of human endeavor. There are always fixed standards to guide the labors of the workman. The Christian's standard is Jesus Christ. After him the Christian's life is patterned. To him the Christian looks for guidance in right living. He who said, "I am the way," is the only one qualified to direct the life of the one who professes his name. While the gospels abound with Jesus' teachings concerning right living, they are to be found especially in the Sermon on the Mount. In no other place are they outlined so clearly and succinctly. The following suggestions grow out of the verses in the Scripture reference.

2. Positive Living

According to Jesus, right Christian living is, first of all, positive living. It is living that does something. It is not static and stagnant, but refreshingly active and fruitful. Like salt it contributes something definitely beneficial to life. Salt makes its presence felt. It seasons and flavors; it acts as a preservative. So the Christian must have a positive influence. He must add a flavor to the atmosphere in which he lives and moves. He must do what he can to preserve that which is fine and noble and righteous.

Light also makes a positive contribution to human life. Light illuminates, dispels darkness, serves as a guide. So the Christian must radiate the light of Jesus Christ wherever he may happen to be. In whatever way he can, he must dispel the darkness of sin and ignorance. With unfailing fervor he must seek to guide others to the Savior. Of King Saul it was said that "from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people." In such a way the Christian must live, head and shoulders above the rest of men, letting his light shine in all directions.

Something to Do: Try to suggest other things that salt and light are capable of doing.

3. Plus Living

Again, right Christian living is plus living. "Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the

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Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven." Right living, according to Jesus, was not merely a matter of belonging to a certain group or of faithfully following rules and regulations. There was more involved than that. Right living included a "plus" element. It meant going beyond the average and ordinary, travelling the second mile. Modern Christians frequently try to see how little they can give to the expression of their religious faith by way of time and talent and wealth. They think in terms of the minimum. Such living, however, is not Christian living.

For truly Christian living thinks in terms of the maximum. Sincere Christians endeavor to see, not how little, but how much they can contribute to the cause of their Master. They live, not in the area of subtraction and division, but in the realm of addition and multiplication. Dr. E. Stanley Jones once asked Mahatma Gandhi what contribution American Christianity could make toward the propagation of the gospel in India. In no uncertain voice the venerable Indian leader replied, "I wish that first of all you American Christians would begin to live more like Jesus Christ." What a reproach to bear! Too many professing followers of the Master are content to live ordinary, average lives, lives that are no different from other lives.

Something to Do: Point out some Bible characters, whose lives you think were marked by plus element.

4. Spiritual Living

Once more, Jesus intimated that right Christian living is spiritual living, living that is grounded and rooted in inner experiences. It is a matter of the heart. Under the old law murder was forbidden. The specific commandment was, "Thou shalt not kill." But Jesus goes beyond the overt act. He places the heart and not merely the hand in the seat of responsibility. According to his teaching, it is wrong to be angry with one's brother, to harbor malice toward others, to bear a grudge against a fellow man. Thus, the emphasis is placed upon inward things. Jesus stresses living that is personal and spiritual. To live rightly a man has to be right in his heart. That must always be remembered by the Christian.

Light also makes a positive contribution to human life. Light illuminates, dispels darkness, serves as a guide. So the Christian must radiate the light of Jesus Christ wherever he may happen to be. In whatever way he can, he must dispel the darkness of sin and ignorance. With unfailing fervor he must seek to guide others to the Savior. Of King Saul it was said that "from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people." In such a way the Christian must live, head and shoulders above the rest of men, letting his light shine in all directions.

Something to Do: Try to suggest other things that salt and light are capable of doing.

Dakota Young People Plan the "Bender Memorial Trek" in Supporting Miss Laura Reddig, Missionary

"Bender Memorial Trek" is the new watchword enthusiastically adopted by the Young People and Sunday School Workers of the Dakota Conference. "Bender Memorial Trek" is a project adopted by the group at its annual business meeting held on Saturday, June 17, at Emery, So. Dak., in connection with the Dakota Conference. Named in honor of the late missionary,

the Rev. C. J. Bender, who worked in the Cameroons, Africa, it is an endeavor by the Dakota young people to support Miss Laura Reddig, a Dakota girl, who was recently appointed missionary to the interior of the Cameroons, and who is striving to carry out the desire of missionary Bender, that of reaching interior Africa with missions.

No special apportionment was made as to the amount to be given by local groups, only that each member should give as much as he can and more. All contributions are to be sent directly to Dr. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois, and labeled "Bender Memorial Trek," and receipts will be sent to both the local treasurer and conference treasurer.

Besides this, the young people have set up another project, that of more soul winning by individuals. Posters will be used to stimulate the project and sent out at frequent intervals during the year. More stress will be placed on soul winning in the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School.

Next year, at the next annual meeting, results of both projects will be



Miss Laura E. Reddig, Our Cameroon Missionary, Lends a Helping Hand to the Building of the Dispensary at Mbem

An official Missions Committee was appointed, composed of Charles Voigt, Mrs. A. E. Reddig, Eunice Kolashefsky, Phyllis Bushy, Gilbert Derman, and assisted by the conference council member and the executive body. This committee will start the project in the local unions of the three associations by sending out posters, written material on the life of Brother Bender and the work he has accomplished, letters and reports from Miss Reddig, and the necessary information about the project.

A "Laura Reddig Day" has been set, which this year will be October 22, the Sunday closest to Miss Reddig's birthday on October 21. At this time the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. of each church will unite in a missionary program centering around Miss Reddig, and on that day make the chief contributions for the project. Miss Reddig will at frequent intervals send letters and reports to the unions, which will be used as a further incentive for missions.

given and we are hoping that there will be a great increase in both giving for missions and personal evangelism. We, as young people and Sunday School workers of the Dakota Conference, are asking that you pray for us in this new and great undertaking. May God bless us!

EUNICE KOLASHEFSKY, Reporter

Bethel Church of Detroit Adopts the Dungers

The Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., of which the Rev. Paul Wengel is pastor, has voted to support the Cameroon missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. George Dunger, by contributing sufficient mission gifts to pay their entire salary. Such denominational loyalty and missionary enthusiasm deserve special recognition.

The Dungers are now located in the Mambila area of the Cameroons at their new station of Warwar in the Adamawa province. A baby girl was born to them on June 27, which is reported on page 288 of this issue of "The Baptist Herald."

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with the B. D., degree in 1938. He served the church in Whitemouth, Canada, from 1934 to 1936 and the Coer d' Lene mission station in Washington during the summer of 1938. A parsonage is being built by the church for the present minister.

• A baby girl was born to our Cameroon missionaries, the Rev. and Mrs. George Dunger, on June 22 at Central Hospital in Elat, Ebolowa in the French Cameroons. She has been named Daphne by the parents who wrote on June 27th that "she is a pretty little girl and weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce." Both mother and daughter were in good health at the time of the writing of the letter. The return to Mambila from the hospital in the French Cameroon area was scheduled for the early part of July. Every reader of "The Baptist Herald" and every friend of our Cameroon mission field will want to join the editor in extending heartiest congratulations to the Dungers and in wishing a life of joyous blessings for little Daphne.

• An ordination council of 7 German Baptist Churches in Saskatchewan, Canada, met in the East Ebenezer Church of Saskatchewan on Friday, June 9, to examine Mr. Rudolf Milbrandt and Mr. Richard Schilke. The council consisted of 22 delegates with Mr. C. T. Rempel as clerk. Following the enthusiastic recommendation of the council, the ordination service was held on Friday evening, June 9, in the large conference tent which had been erected for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Ebenezer East and West churches. The ordination sermon was delivered by the Rev. August Rosner with the prayer offered by the Rev. John Luebeck. The charge to the church was given by the Rev. J. J. Wiens and the charge to the pastor by the Rev. W. Hoover. The Rev. John Kuehn was in charge of the service.

• The Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, No. Dak., has begun the building of a parsonage for its minister, the Rev. J. C. Gunst. It is expected that the house will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000. Pledges have been received from the church members and gifts from organizations amounting to \$600. Civic groups in Grand Forks have contributed \$300, and other churches in the Dakota Conference have helped to the extent of \$200. The dedication of the completed parsonage, which is to consist of 6 rooms, will be held about October 1. Recent Sunday visitors to the church have been Miss Alethea Kose of Chicago, Ill., who spoke at both services on Sunday, June 18; Mr. Frank Armbruster of Beaver, Mich., who addressed the Sunday School on

June 25, and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., who spoke at the church services on Sunday, June 25.

• Three distinguished Baptists from Germany made their arrival in New York City on the steamer, the "S. S. Deutschland," on Friday, July 14. They were the Rev. Paul Schmidt, general secretary of the Baptists of Germany; the Rev. F. Rocksches, moderator of the Baptist Union; and Professor H. Luckey of the Baptist Seminary in Hamburg. They were met at the dock by Dr. William Kuhn and several of the German Baptist ministers of New York. On Sunday morning, July 16, the German guests spoke in the Second Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., in the Immanuel Church of New York City, and in the Second Church of Philadelphia, Pa., respectively. On Sunday afternoon, July 6, all three addressed a large mass meeting of German Baptists of New York and vicinity in the Second Church of New York, N. Y. On Tuesday evening, July 18, they spoke at another mass meeting for the Buffalo German Baptist churches in the Bethel Baptist Church. A large audience also greeted them in the Oak Park German Baptist Church of Forest Park, Ill., on Wednesday evening, July 19. After attending and participating in the Baptist World Alliance Congress at Atlanta, Georgia, from July 22 to 28, they returned to New York City and embarked on the SS "Europa" on August 2 bound for Germany.

An Appreciative Acknowledgement

By Mrs. Amelia Hamel
of Rochester, New York

Your kind expressions of sympathy by letter and cards following the recent death of my husband, the Rev. David Hamel, have become so numerous that I must take this means of acknowledging them. I should like to express my appreciation to each one individually, but I find the task more than my strength will allow. My appreciation is by no means less sincere and heartfelt.

The beautiful tributes to my husband, the kind words of comfort, and the assurance of remembrance in prayers are a source of daily strength and solace to me and my children. The knowledge of the Christian fellowship of kindred hearts and minds gives us the assurance that we are not like those without hope, for we are one with Him, who makes no mistakes and is ever at our side.

May God in his mercy bless you and make you a blessing. That is my wish.

Yours in Christ,
Amelia Hamel.

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† IN MEMORIAM † REV. DAVID HAMEL of Rochester, New York

The Rev. David Hamel, the beloved pastor of our Andrews Street Church in Rochester, N. Y., died on June 12 in Strong Memorial Hospital in our city. He entered the hospital some two weeks before for the removal of an intestinal ulcer, the operation for which was pronounced most successful. In fact, both the surgeon, who had performed the operation, and the family's physician, who had been in attendance on him, were so sure of his speedy recovery that he was allowed to leave the hospital and rejoin his family.

It was soon discovered, however, that there was another deep-seated trouble of an inflamed kidney which had been overlooked in the first examination. The weakened physical condition of the patient made it impossible for any further surgical or medical help, and he passed the remaining days without great pain.

Brother Hamel was well known in our German denomination. For 37 years from 1902 to 1939 he had served most exceptionally three of our larger churches in Peoria, Ill., for 6 years; the White Avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio, for 12 years; and in Rochester, N. Y., for 16 years. He was also the General Evangelist from 1920 to 1923. He was the representative of the Eastern Conference in the General Committee for some years, and in later years the chairman of our School Committee. His splendid gifts of mind and heart as a preacher and pastor and his strong evangelical convictions of Christian truth endeared him to the churches he was allowed to serve.

He made friends easily and kept them, for one readily recognized the sterling qualities that guided his life. God granted him the success, which every honest preacher of the gospel so devoutly craves, in the saving of souls and the upbuilding of the churches under his care. His passing has left us, who knew him intimately, to mourn his loss; yet we mourn as those who have the Christian hope of a glorious hereafter.

Professor Lewis Kaiser, our pastor ad interim, led the services in the privacy of the family, and the funeral took place from our church where the service of prayer, consolation and reminiscence was participated in by Rev. Frank Kaiser, former pastor of the Andrews Street Church, and Professors Meyer, Ramaker, Bretschneider and Schade.

Brother Hamel has found his last resting place in the new and beautifully located Riverside Cemetery. He leaves his devoted wife, one son, three daughters, 2 brothers and 3 sisters and a host of dear friends.

A. J. RAMAKER, Reporter.

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Favorite Verses of Scripture

A Page Devoted to Personal Experiences of the Christian Life

My Rosary of Bible Texts

By Mrs. Wm. Ritzmann
of Portland, Oregon

Four verses of Scripture at different times in my life have brought me light when I sat in darkness and joy when I needed encouragement.

The first Bible verse, that has meant so much to me, is Luke 8:50—"Fear not; believe only!" I was a girl of twelve years, returning from a revival meeting with a burdened heart. I had been listening to sermons far beyond my comprehension. That night, unable to sleep, I prayed: "Oh, Jesus, what must I do to be saved?" And this Scripture verse came to mind, "Fear not; believe only!" and it brought peace and sleep to me. With my confession of faith in Christ I was soon added to the church.

Several years later I was again burdened with a sense of sin, and doubt filled my mind, far greater than when I was a child. Weeks of despair and gloom were again with me. One night all the clouds were dispelled by finding the Scripture verse, Isaiah 44:22—"I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions." Ever since that experience, that word has been very precious to me.

Several years before entering the Home for the Aged, I lay in a hospital bed, at midnight watching the wonderful starlit sky through the open window. All was peace outside in nature and within my heart, and Amos 5:8 was beautiful to contemplate upon. "Seek him that maketh the Pleiades and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning and maketh the day dark with night—Jehovah is his name!"

Now, as one who has reached the older sunset years of life, I repeat Philippians 4:8 whenever I am waiting for sleep to overtake me. "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, . . . think on these things."

These Bible verses are a string of pearls for me. They are my rosary!

The Abundant Life in Christ

By Harold A. Wisner
of Chicago, Illinois

A portion of the verse found in John 10:10 thrills the meditative spirit. "I have come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." For centuries man has endeavored by various means and methods to obtain the more abundant

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life, seeking ever to satisfy that spiritual longing and emptiness within him.

Philosophy after philosophy was born, only to flourish for awhile, then to be abandoned as a failure. Many an old man, who has reached the sunset of life, has exclaimed with a tear in the voice, "I haven't found it!" going into eternity without the hope of a pleasant future life and also with the thought that his past life was wanting in fullness. One thing was lacking, and that was the application of the words of Jesus Christ and the appropriation of the life offered by him. No one can stand unmoved in the solitudes of Christ's simplicity, and not feel that there is more in man than the mere breath of his body.

Thank God, the problem of the abundant life is solved in Jesus Christ! The lonely, the disheartened, the perplexed, the broken and the bruised need no longer seek for peace and rest, for it is found in Christ. What all men everywhere need is to come face to face with the One offering this life, for brief life is here our portion, brief sorrow, short-lived care, but the life that knows no ending, the tearless life is there—found in Christ!

You and I know that the thing separating us from God is sin. This makes life empty and restless. Confession to God in the name of Jesus Christ will avail for you and me such an abundant, pleasurable and peaceful life that at times the soul fairly bursts with the new-found joy. My life has been made rich by this new birth from him, and he who fails to accept, by believing the Son of God, will wander throughout this short life with the inner longing and emptiness still there—only to pass into eternity, far from satisfied. Jesus Christ holds the solution of present and future life! Accept him now!

My Midnight Decision

By Miss Peggy Schade
of New York, N. Y.

My seventh birthday in Christ finds me thanking God and praising his precious name for all his continued blessings and mercies during these past years, and for answered prayer beyond all I could ask or even think.

On May 20, 1932, at midnight, alone in my room in New York City,

where I was then employed, the Holy Spirit completed his work of conviction, and Jesus Christ, by his precious blood, washed my black heart "whiter than snow." A few weeks later I gave my first testimony, as a new creature in Christ, at a mission, and then had the opportunity to confess my blessed Savior in the presence of a great congregation in a large church.

Before accepting Jesus Christ as my personal Savior on that spring midnight, the things of the world had caught me in their swirl, very much as the spider catches the fly in his alluring web, only to be held fast and eventually crushed by what seemed to be an attractive enough proposition from outward appearances.

As Christian friends prayed, and others spoke to me about Jesus, something began to happen in that resisting heart of mine. In between waves of rebellion, a soft feeling would come into it. It was truly becoming disturbed, no getting away from that! A passage of Scripture came to me that I had heard at one of the church meetings—"Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Those words had really burned their way into my heart, and they kept coming to me now.

For over six months the Holy Spirit worked in my heart, and then came that night of nights with the most thrilling experience in my life. The stubborn will was broken. The struggle to hang onto the things of the world ceased, and, weary and heavy laden, I found rest in Jesus Christ, and a new joy and peace such as the world could never give. My worldly hopes and ambitions were laid at the foot of the Cross as my life was surrendered to my Lord and Savior, and he gave to me the marvelous gift of eternal life.

With the words of the hymn ever ringing in my heart "All to Him I Owe," I have consecrated my life to Jesus Christ, and on May 16, 1937, made a public confession of my desire to be used in his service for full-time Christian work. God has honored this decision by using, in a measure, articles and poems written for various Christian magazines. What a wonderful Savior!

Praise God for that midnight hour, When He made my struggle to cease; When Jesus Christ came into my heart, And brought me new joy and peace.

As long as Jesus shall tarry, And on earth He bids me to stay; My heart will sing His praises, For He washed my sins away.

Marigold

By Grace Livingston Hill

SYNOPSIS

Marigold came to see the error of her ways in going out with Laurie Trescott, even though he had a great deal of money and was a handsome young man. In a fit of jealousy he had gone on a drunken spree and had forced her to go with him in his car to Maryland where he had hoped to marry her at one of the many marriage mills. But Marigold in a frenzied flight made her escape and in a blinding snow storm boarded a bus bound for Baltimore. After her harrowing experiences of the night, she phoned her mother in Washington, D. C., and went to her job of school teaching. But the terror of the previous night stayed with her because she still expected Laurie in a maddening rage to turn up somewhere. But God—the God of Ethan Bevan—would see her through!

CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

As the taxi drew up in front of the house she noticed an elegant limousine standing near, with a sedate chauffeur in livery. The limousine was flashy with much chromium, and there was an air of ostentation about it as if this car were well cared for, like an overfed pet dog. Marigold eyed it carefully as she prepared to get out. But this was not Laurie's car. He never came with a chauffeur. She drew a breath of relief and hurried into the house, wondering who in the neighborhood had such stylish visitors.

But once inside the door she encountered Mrs. Waterman, lying in wait, and speaking in a penetrative confidential whisper.

"You've got a caller!" she declared speaking into Marigold's shrinking face, and gesticulating energetically with a long bony finger. "She's a real lady!" she apostrophized. "She came in that big car out there with a chauffeur to ring the bell for her and help her out, and she's got a real chinchilla coat! What do you think of that? It's real, I know, for I had a muff of it once when I was young, my great-aunt gave to me. She was wealthy and had all sorts of things and was real generous, so I know good things when I see them."

"Who is she?" Marigold managed to insert the question in a very low murmur.

"I don't know," said Mrs. Waterman. "She didn't give her name, but just said she'd wait. She asked for you, and I said you'd soon be in, I

guessed. So she said she'd wait and I was real embarrassed not to have your key to let her into your apartment. I couldn't take her into mine because I'm getting ready for the paper hanger. So I just brought out my great grandmother's rosewood chair for her to sit in and she's up there in the hall. I thought I'd come down and let you know she was there, so you wouldn't have to go up unprepared. But I've been kind of worried about my chair. She's a very heavy lady, and sort of flowed all over the sides of it when she sat down. I've been wondering if she'll be able to get out of it when she gets up. Chinchilla coat and all. It's a deep fur, you know, and fills in a lot. I wonder a wide lady like her would wear that fur, especially a woman with as fine a car as that. But I've been more worried because I mistrust she's smoking cigarettes up there, and if she should burn a hole in that sweet old plush I'd never forgive myself for not getting her a chair from my kit-chennette!"

Something cold and dreadfully foreboding gripped Marigold by the throat, but she flung away from this avalanche of words and went up to interview the interloper.

The caller did indeed overflow the Waterman ancestral furniture but she seemed entirely comfortable. She had drawn the chair over by the window, and she was puffing away on a cigarette in a long ivory holder.

She opened the door and escorted the lady in.

"Will you take this seat, Mrs. Trescott?" she said quietly, pointing to a substantial armchair by the window.

Mrs. Trescott however was not quite ready to sit down. She was surveying the room in detail through her lorgnette, stooping to examine a few really lovely ornaments on the table, lifting her head to a fine old picture on the wall, and then giving minute attention to a framed photograph of Marigold's father.

It was quite evident that she was bristling with questions when Marigold came back from removing her hat and coat, but the girl faced her caller almost sternly.

"Now, Mrs. Trescott?" she said, with a really impressive manner for so young a person.

Mrs. Trescott whirled about and eased herself into the great chair, staring at Marigold, who took a straight chair opposite her.

"You have really stunning hair, you know," she remarked irrelevantly. "I heard that you had."

Marigold looked at her coldly, almost sternly.

"You wanted to see me about something?" she asked again.

"I am Miss Brooke," said Marigold lifting her chin a trifle, and eyeing her caller unfavorably, "did you want to see me?"

"Why, yes," said the lady, "could we go somewhere and talk? I'm Mrs. Trescott. You are acquainted with my son, Lawrence Trescott."

"Yes?" said Marigold lifting her chin still higher. There was an icy little edge to her voice, and her heart was full of fright. What now was this? Had Laurie sent his mother to upbraid her? Or had he been injured somehow and was his mother here to charge her with murder?

Marigold gave her caller one steady look, noticing that there was a mean stubborn twist to her chin that reminded her of Laurie, yesterday, when he was putting her into his car.

"We'll go in here," said Marigold frigidly, whirling to unlock her door, and hoping that she had not left things in too wild confusion when she hurried away so early in the morning. She felt she needed the moral support of a perfect setting. She was conscious of Mrs. Waterman listening avidly at the foot of the stairs. They could not talk in the hall.

Marigold had rushed up the stairs breathlessly, her eyes bright with worried excitement, her cheeks suddenly grown pink. The old squirrel coat she was wearing was unfastened and showed her gay knitted dress. The jaunty old gray felt was perched like a bird of passage on her bright hair. She flashed before the astonished vision of her caller with startling unexpectedness amid the drab surroundings. She drew herself up with her best school-ma'am manner, and the afternoon sun which had a concession of only about five minutes a day shinning into that hall window, suddenly crept in and blazed forth, lighting up Marigold's face and figure, throwing her into relief against the bareness of the desolate hall.

The caller put up a platinum lorgnette and surveyed Marigold as if she had been an article offered for sale in some out-of-the-way shop that the great lady had ferreted out and descended upon.

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"Yes," said Adele Trescott, shifting her fur coat a little lower on her shoulders. "I came, you know, to say that I withdraw my opposition!"

"Opposition?" said Marigold with a perplexed air. "I was not aware that you had opposition to anything. To what are you opposed? I don't understand."

"Why, to your marrying Lawrence, my son."

Marigold's eyes suddenly flashed angrily.

"But I have never had any idea of marrying Laurie, Mrs. Trescott."

"No, I suppose not," said the mother complacently. "Of course you would scarcely expect a young man out of your class to stoop to marrying you. But as I say, I have removed my opposition, and I'm not sure but in some ways it might be a good thing. You seem to be quite presentable. And of course Laurie—Lawrence I mean—has always had his own way, and I always try to humor him if I can. He has such a delicate sensitive organism, you know."

Marigold recalled the silly angry look on the face of the delicate sensitive organism yesterday as he whirled her through the storm to an undesired wedding, and her expression froze into sternness.

"Mrs. Trescott, you are evidently under a misapprehension." She spoke icily. "Your son is not a very special friend of mine, and there is no question whatever of my marrying him, and never will be!"

"Ah, but there is where you are mistaken, my dear! You see I am managing this affair for you now, and I have come to say that I will be very glad to have you marry Laurie! He seems fond of you and I feel that you may be a good influence in his life."

"Mrs. Trescott, that is quite impossible! I have been out sometimes with your son in the evening, and we were friends, but recently I have come to see the matter in an entirely different light and our friendship is definitely at an end."

"Ah! But my dear, you would not let a little lover's quarrel stand in the way of a good marriage."

Marigold was growing angry and frightened. She wished her mother would walk in. Perhaps she would. It was Friday, and she had threatened this morning in their telephone conversation to come back today. But oh, she would not like to have her walk into this awful conversation, either. This was another thing that her mother must never know. This humiliation!

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Marigold rose and came a step toward her caller.

"Mrs. Trescott, you are utterly mis-

taken. Laurie and I were never lovers, and never will be. Laurie is not the kind of man I would wish to marry!"

"Indeed!" said the mother haughtily. "What do you mean by that? Are you casting aspersions on my son?"

"I mean that your son does not believe in the God to whom I belong, and he also thinks it is quite all right to drink. He belongs to another world than mine. I would not want to marry him."

"Oh—God!" laughed the mother. "Why, that is a small matter! I'm quite sure Laurie would be entirely willing to go to church sometimes with you. What more could you ask? And as for the drinking, that's the very thing I came about. Laurie is at this very minute in the hospital being treated for alcoholism. At least I hope he stayed. I had him sent there. He came home quite under the influence of liquor, which I much regret of course. A young man should know how to carry his liquor. My father always did. But Laurie had been out in a terrible storm, had a wild ride somewhere, and a collision! He broke his arm, and injured his ankle, and is quite under the weather. He got a bad bruise on his forehead. I feel that he narrowly escaped death. He was somewhat under the influence of liquor of course when it happened. So I thought it over and decided to come to you. I had heard that you had very good ideas, and that your influence might be good, and I came right over to ask if you won't go over to the hospital with me now and see Laurie. Try to influence him to give up drink, at least for a little while, won't you, till he learns self-control? I felt that if you would promise to marry him just as soon as he got out of the hospital and would go and visit him every day while he has to be there, that it might have quite an effect upon him."

Marigold was aghast but she took thought of thanksgiving that evidently this woman did not know that she had been out with Laurie last night.

"No!" she said sharply. "I cannot do that. I do not love Laurie, and I know that even if I did, it would do no good for me to try to stop his drinking. A man does not stop drinking just for a girl! He needs some deeper urge than that. He needs God, and Laurie does not believe in God. He said so."

Marigold was holding her young head high and speaking earnestly. There was mingled pity and disgust in her eyes that gave her a look of wisdom beyond her years.

"Ah, but my dear, I haven't told you my proposition yet. You don't realize that I would make it fully worth your while. I would settle an ample allowance on you, regardless of how my son behaved, so that you would be practically independent."

"Stop!" said Marigold suddenly. "I don't want to hear you say another

word! Mrs. Trescott, I am not for sale!"

"Now, don't flare up and be a foolish child! You know you will regret it by and by when you come to think it over. You don't realize that it will mean a small fortune. I would be willing to give you—"

But Marigold marched over to her.

"I wish you would please go away!" she said, her eyes flashing fire. "I don't ever want to hear another word about this. It is disgusting! You fill me with shame and horror. If my father were alive he would demand an apology for what you have said. Now go, or I shall have to call someone to escort you out."

There was a tremble of almost rage in Marigold's young voice, and Mrs. Trescott looked up astonished.

"Why, dear me!" she said lifting up her lorgnette and watching the girl fascinated. "They didn't tell me you had a temper! But it's really quite becoming! I'm sure you would be a social success if you would make up your mind to try it. You know we are immensely wealthy and you could have almost anything you want."

For answer Marigold whirled about and marched into her bedroom, locking the door audibly, dropping down on her knees beside her bed and sobbing silently.

The older woman thus left to herself, waited a minute or two, walked over and tried the door, called good-bye, then hesitating, added: "If you change your mind, just call me up. The offer still holds. Or even if you didn't want to consider marriage, if you would just come over to the hospital and try to influence him to give up drinking for a while, I would be willing to pay you well! You see Laurie blames me for being opposed to you, and I can't endure it! My dear angel child!"

She delivered this to the door panel, with a sob in the end of her words. It was always her last appeal, that sob. But when after duly waiting she got no reply, she turned and made her heavy way out of the room and down the stairs, Marigold, holding her breath to listen, could hear Mrs. Waterman's quick steps downstairs scuttling out of the way, and then could hear the front door close, and the limousine roll away from the street.

Suddenly the ridiculous side of it all came over her and she burst into mingled laughter and sobs, her tired nerves giving way in a healthy minute or two of hysterics.

But after that was passed she continued to kneel.

"Oh, God, my Father," she cried at last, "was I so headstrong and self-willed that You had to send me a terrible lesson like this to show me how far away from Home I was getting? I see that I was. I know now that I had sinned, and I'm not worthy of all

the care You have had to bring me back. Forgive and help me, dear Lord, and teach me not to seek my own way any more. Let my life be ordered as Thou wilt."

After her telephone conversation with Marigold that morning Mrs. Brooke seemed more satisfied, though her sister noticed that she was more than usually quiet and thoughtful. Finally she spoke.

"You aren't quite at rest about Marigold, are you, dear?" she said at last. Mrs. Brooke looked up thoughtfully.

"Yes, I'm at rest about her," she said slowly, "but somehow I keep on feeling that she needs me. I don't know why I should. I reason it away, and then the idea returns. If Elinor were back I think I should go home this morning, or perhaps not till this afternoon. I just feel as if I didn't want Marigold to be there another night alone. There! Now, that's silly I know, but I'm telling you the truth."

Her sister smiled.

"Yes, I understand. Well, dear heart, you mustn't stay for me if you feel you ought to go! But make it this afternoon, anyway, Mary. You can get there before night if you go late this afternoon. Get there in time to take her out to dinner. Surprise her."

Mrs. Brooke pondered that.

"But I don't like to leave you alone. You don't think perhaps Elinor and her husband might come tonight?"

"They might. They said they would telegraph as soon as they knew. But you needn't worry about a night or two more or less for me. I've my nurse here, and the servants. And it isn't as though we lived in the wilds. There are neighbors close at hand, and lots of friends. I'll be quite all right if you think you ought to go."

"Well, perhaps I am foolish. I don't want to go, Marian, you know that, for there will be no certainty when I can get back again once my vacation is over. But yet I can't settle down to feel right about leaving Marigold alone any longer. Perhaps, though I could wait till noon and telephone her at the school. You see this is Friday and she might be planning something. I'd like to know just how things are with her."

Mrs. Brooke's brow was troubled, and her sister wore a sweetly concerned look also.

"What are you two ladies worrying about?" suddenly spoke Ethan Bevan appearing from the stairs.

"Oh, Ethan! Are you here?" they both exclaimed eagerly. "How did you get in without making any noise?"

"Stealth is my middle name," said Ethan solemnly. "It's the best thing I do. I make my living at it. I just ran away from my job for a few minutes to see how my family were getting along."

"Well, I was just wishing you would come in," said Mrs. Brooke. "In fact I had some thought of trying to call you up if I could find out your number without rousing my vigilant sister. Ethan, if I should go home this afternoon, could you come and stay with your aunt till Elinor gets home?"

Ethan studied her thoughtfully a minute.

"What's the idea, going home so soon?" he said. "I just felt it in my bones you were trying to slip away from us, and that's one of the reasons I ran over, to prevent it. I guess I could arrange to stay with Aunt Marian, if you had to go, but I'm here to try and persuade you differently. I just know Elinor and her husband will be disappointed to have you gone when they get back, and besides, there is your job. You'll be so much fresher for it if you stay a few more days and get a little rested. What's the idea, anyway?"

"She feels Marigold needs her," explained Aunt Marian.

An instant gravity came over Ethan's face, and a reserve in his voice.

"That's different," he said gravely. "But does she? What makes you think so, Aunt Mary?"

"I don't know," confessed Mrs. Brooke. "I just feel so!"

"Well, then, something ought to be done about it," said Ethan determinedly. "But see here, why do you go? I have a better plan. Why don't I go up and get her? She wouldn't resent it, would she? She doesn't have any school till Monday, does she? I'd promise on my honor to bring her back. Just let it go at that. I'll get in touch with you by phone if any situation arises in which I need backing."

Then with a grin he hurried away, and the two sisters settled back to enjoy the morning. Mary Brooke kept praying that her girl wouldn't have gone and got up some previous engagement with that Laurie that would make her refuse to come to Washington.

Then toward noon there came a telegram from Elinor. "Arrive home late Saturday night. Make Aunt Mary and Marigold stay over till next week. We want to see them."

"Oh, Ethan, that would be wonderful! But I couldn't think of making you all that trouble, and taking you away from your job," said Mrs. Brooke.

"Could you, Ethan?" beamed Aunt Marian.

"I could and I will," said Ethan. "You see, Aunt Mary, it's Friday with my job, too. That is, Saturday is only a half day, and I could make up a lost Friday easily on Saturday. Besides,

I have to go up to Philadelphia again soon anyway. I would have to go next week at the latest and personally I'd prefer to go today, provided I could have good company back. That's a great inducement, you know."

Even out in the kitchen there was a flutter of expectation. Delectable things were being manufactured for the next day's menu because Miss Marigold was coming back.

But secretly, as the evening drew on, Marigold's mother kept wondering, would Marigold elect to come? And supposing she didn't, how would Ethan feel about it? How could she ever apologize for her daughter's rudeness?

"But if he has to go anyway, Mary?" put in Mrs. Bevan.

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Reports from the Field

Atlantic Conference Bible School and Choir Activities of the Ridgewood Baptist Church

On Children's Day, June 11, each department of the Bible School in the Ridgewood Baptist Church of Ridgewood, Long Island, was represented in a pageant entitled, "That Joy May Be." The children wore costumes of almost every nationality and presented a very colorful picture. Many friends and parents attended this service and became better acquainted with the Bible School teachers. Thanks go to our missionary, Mrs. D. McAlpine, for her splendid work with the children!

Our greatest blessing came when six of the members of our Bible School accepted the Lord as their Savior, and in accordance with his will were baptized. Our new members are: Marcia Arnold, Ruth Austin, Elaine, Fred, and Lillian Nasshan, and Martha Weggeland. It is a great joy to know that the work in our Bible School is bringing results and teaching the children to love Jesus Christ.

Both the English and German choirs united on Sunday, June 25, and rendered a concert during the evening service. In addition to the choral numbers, Mr. Walter Stamm played several selections on the piano, and Mr. Edwin Grygo played the violin. Many members and friends enjoyed this musical service.

E. MILLER, Reporter.

Ministers' Institute of the Atlantic Conference Held at Bradley Beach, N. J.

Upon invitation of the trustees of the Young People's Cottage at Bradley Beach, N. J., the ministers of the Atlantic Conference came together from June 26 to 30 for their annual conference. A fine spirit of fellowship prevailed throughout the week.

The afternoons were free to be enjoyed by everyone according to his heart's desire. Rolling in the crystal sand on the beach, bathing in the warm sunshine and playing with the waves of the restless ocean made one happy, healthy and strong. A company of congenial friends, inspired by sweet fellowship, at night enjoyed the illuminated boardwalk and the privilege of being a witness for Christ.

The evening messages were brought by the Reverends A. Husmann of Philadelphia, Pa., Vincent Brushwyler of Newark, N. J., R. Reschke of Bethlehem, Pa., and V. Prendinger of Jersey City, N. J. The devotional periods were led by the Reverends John P.

Kuehl of Newark, N. J., J. F. Niebuhr of New York City, Herman Kaaz of New York City and W. Appel of Brooklyn, N. Y. A number of thought provoking papers were read by the Reverends Adolph Kannwischer of Brooklyn, N. Y., Julius Kaaz of New Haven, Conn., Rudolph Schade of New York City and Milton R. Schroeder of Philadelphia, Pa.

Many expressed their opinion that this year's institute was the most profitable of them all. We are grateful to the Atlantic Conference young people and to our God that it was made possible for us to spend our vacation in such a lovely manner.

DANIEL MEYHOEFER, Reporter.

Northwestern Conference

The Elgin Church Observes Its 60th Anniversary

The Baptist Church of Elgin, Iowa, observed its sixtieth anniversary on Sunday and Monday, July 2 and 3. The anniversary sermon was preached by the Rev. H. W. Wedel a former pastor, now of Milwaukee, Wis. Tribute was paid to the three living charter members: Mrs. Rosa Moshlethaler, Miss Katie Baumann, and Mrs. Caroline Baumann, in the presentation of a bouquet of roses to each. In the absence of Mrs. Caroline Baumann, who resides in Grand Junction, Colo., an extra bouquet was sent to her.

MRS. W. W. MOLLHAGEN, Reporter.

Northern Conference

Evangelistic Meetings at Irvine and Medicine Hat, Alberta

We of the German Baptist Church in Irvine, Alberta, Canada, had the privilege of having Mr. P. T. Hunsicker, a student in our Seminary at Rochester, N. Y., in our midst, who held evangelistic services from May 21 to June 4. The Lord richly blessed the meetings.

The Sunday School members of the First German Baptist Church of Medicine Hat were invited to Irvine on June 4 to celebrate the closing day there. Sunday School was held at 10 A. M., morning service at 11 A. M., and the social activities in the afternoon. A large crowd gathered, and the day was enjoyed by everyone present.

In the evening we all went to Medicine Hat where the young people held their monthly program, and Mr. Hunsicker gave an inspiring address. Thus, he opened the week's evangelistic meetings in the First German Baptist Church at Medicine Hat which were also enjoyed and richly blessed. The church expresses its thanks to the faculty in charge of the seminary who made it possible for Mr. Hunsicker to hold these meetings in our midst.

RUTH MANTZ, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference

Missionary Conference and Baptismal Service in the Lorraine Church

Recently the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, held an inspiring missionary conference. The Rev. Harold B. Street of Ethiopia, and the Rev.

(To be continued)

Recent Sunday Afternoon Missionary Trip of the Wiesenthal Church

The Rev. Fred Benke and a group of members from the Wiesenthal German Baptist Church near Leduc, Alberta, Canada, spent a very enjoyable Sunday on June 11. After the Sunday morning service and Sunday School at the Wiesenthal church, the group motored some 100 miles during the afternoon and evening, conducting services at 3 widely separated places.

The afternoon and evening services were given at the Funnel school house with colored people, and at the Sunnybrook Municipal Hall.



The Wiesenthal Church Band With Their Director, Rev. Fred Benke, on a Recent Mission Tour

At 5:30 P. M. a service of song and band music was conducted under some large shady trees in the village of Breton.

Besides an inspiring sermon by Mr. Benke at each place, the Wiesenthal band, mixed and double and male quartets rendered several selections.

The Calgary Church Welcomes Its New Pastor, the Rev. R. Milbrandt

Sunday, June 18, was a day of great rejoicing for the German Baptist Church of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, since on that day the members of the church welcomed their new pastor, the Rev. Rudolph Milbrandt. The little church was filled to capacity in the morning, as we listened to a very stirring message given by Mr. Milbrandt, based on John 12:21.

As our church was too small to hold the large audience that assembled for the evening service, we gathered at the Zion United Church, where Mr. Milbrandt was installed as our new pastor. After a hearty song service, the Rev. F. Alf, pastor of the Freudenthal Church, gave an address and welcomed the pastor. This was followed by a welcome song by the choir. The deacon of the church, Sunday School superintendent, young people's president, and other church officers gave short talks, and expressed their willingness to cooperate with their new pastor.

MRS. R. BROST, Reporter.

Large Crowds Attend the Manitoba Association and Tri-Union at Whitemouth

Whitemouth was the host to the visiting Baptist churches of Manitoba, Canada, when these held their annual association and Tri Union from June 8 to 11. They were days of intense interest and good fellowship.

A cordial address of welcome was brought by the Rev. G. Palfenier, the local pastor. The Rev. E. Mittelstedt of Morris responded as warmly in the name of the delegates and visitors. The keynote of the convention was given in an address by the Rev. Phil. Daum, based on Genesis 33:18.

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The reports from the different branches of the Tri Union, namely, Young People's Union, Sunday School Workers, and Music and Song Union, showed that live interest is being manifested and that progress is marked. The Rev. O. Patzia's address to the young people, "In Partnership with God," was truly provocative of thought. A lively discussion on Sunday School problems was led by the Rev. M. L. Leuschner.

The Saturday evening meeting was held in a large, bough-decked, electrically lighted hay-loft. A novel experience, indeed! Mr. Leuschner's message to the young people was "Skyscrapers in the Kingdom of God." As with these buildings with their foundations deeply planted for strength, beautiful in appearance, and great for service, so should we be as Christians in God. To enhance these services, the local mixed choir, a soloist, Miss Frohmut Streuber of Winnipeg, the mixed and the male choir from Morris sang.

The Sunday program held something blessed for everyone. A representative from each of three different churches reviewed a part of the first quarter of our Sunday School lessons. Each Sunday School, Young People's Union and Choir, as well as the Mass Choir, brought a number. The Rev. M. L. Leuschner brought two splendid addresses, "Torch Bearers of God" and "God's Co-laborers."

Following are the officers for the coming year: president, Rev. E. Mittelstedt, Morris; vice-president, Rev. O. Patzia, Winnipeg; secretary, Miss Alice Herb, Winnipeg; treasurer, Mr. Stober, Overstone; Sunday School Director, Rev. O. Patzia, Winnipeg; Young People's Director, Rev. Ph. Daum, Winnipeg; Music and Song Director, Rev. E.



Winnipeg Young People Who Came by Bus to the Manitoba Tri Union Sessions at Whitemouth

the Rev. E. Mittelstedt were fraught with messages of divine love and good cheer. Warm tribute, too, is due the leaders of the devotional services, such as Mr. Kornelewsky of Winnipeg, Mr. Stober of Overstone and Mr. Gretzinger of Beasejour.

Mittelstedt, Morris.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank again the people of Whitemouth for their kind hospitality. God willing, we shall meet again next year in Mintonas, Manitoba.

IDA J. HOFFMAN, Reporter.

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Mission Program by the Girls' Senior Class and Wedding in Leduc's First Church

On Sunday, May 28, the Girls' Senior Class of the First German Baptist Church in Leduc, Alberta, Canada, with Mrs. E. Gutsche, as teacher, rendered a successful mission program. Musical numbers included those by a mixed quartet composed of Myrtle Hein, Agnes Priebe, Rueben Kern and Rev. E. Gutsche; pianologue by Agnes Rinas, and duet by Lillian Roth and Elsie Posein. The dialogue, "Unto the Least of These," was also given. Mr. Rueben Kern, a student of our Rochester Seminary and a son of the church, was the guest speaker. The Rev. E. Gutsche also brought a message. An offering was taken for the purpose of establishing a library.

It is the objective of the class to contribute to the active work of the church as much as possible. In doing this, we have been very successful and the Lord has blessed us richly. The accompanying pictures shows a number of the happy and active group.

An extraordinarily beautiful wedding was solemnized in the church on June 7 when the Rev. E. Klatt of Killaloe, Ontario, and Miss Lillian Roth were united in marriage. The Rev. E. Gutsche, pastor of the church, officiated. Miss Lydia Braun, student of the Prophetic Bible School and a personal friend of the bride, sang an appropriate solo.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. Klatt have made their home in Killaloe, Ontario, when they are serving the two local German Baptist churches, of which Mr. Klatt has been the pastor for the past 2 years.

Our choir is capably led by our pastor, the Rev. G. G. Rauser, who unstintingly gives of his time and talents and, consequently, our choir members are harmoniously bound together in song and fellowship. Our Young People's Society allotted the choir \$25 for song books which we invested in German as well as in English books.

On May 21 we presented our first concert to a well filled auditorium. Our one desire is that our voices may be dedicated to the Lord and that all who hear may receive a blessing. Recently



Girls' Senior Class of the First Church, Leduc, Alberta, With the Teacher, Mrs. E. Gutsche

during our evangelistic meetings conducted by the Kraft Twins of Wasco, Calif., our choir was well represented.

Although we do not have any trained voices, nevertheless, we all love singing and really enjoy our practice evenings. We also have had two evenings of fellowship this year at the homes of members.

THEODORA WUTTKE.



The Choir of the Zion Baptist Church in Franklin, Calif., with the Pastor and Director, Rev. G. G. Rauser, Standing at the Left

**Pacific Conference
The Franklin Church Choir
Renders a Faithful and
Appreciated Ministry**

On November 25, 1938, the choir of the Zion Baptist Church of Franklin, Calif., was organized with 19 members. Since then we have endeavored to glorify our Lord and beautify our Sunday services.

Signs of Progress in the Immanuel Baptist Sunday School, Portland, Oregon

We are pleased to report that the attendance of the Immanuel Baptist Sunday School in Portland, Oregon, has steadily increased. We sincerely hope that this increase will continue.

On Mother's Day we were gratified to know that more mothers were present in Sunday School than at any previous

Mother's Day program. Following an interesting program, consisting of musical numbers, recitations, and a dialogue, the mothers were requested to go to the front and to sing a song. Then the girls of the Loyal Workers Class presented each mother with a beautiful pink carnation.

Our church celebrated Children's Day on June 4. During the Sunday School session, our pastor, the Rev. Otto Roth, gave a short sermon, "Ye Are the Light of the World," and illustrated it with lighted candles. Since

the mothers and fathers receive gifts on their day, it was decided to present each child with a Bible marker on Children's Day. The children had charge of the evening service and presented a good program.

It would not be fair to forget "Dad," and so the Sunday School pupils paid tribute to him on his day, June 18, by giving a program dedicated to the fathers. Each father received a red rose bud.

Preparations have been made to conduct a two weeks' Daily Vacation Bible School during the month of July. It is our sincere wish that this Bible School will be as successful as in former years.

RUTH REUTTER, Reporter.

**Silver Wedding Anniversary
in the Immanuel Church of
Portland, Oregon**

Friday, May 26, was a very happy and memorable evening in our midst in the Immanuel Church of Portland, Oregon. For some time preparations had been under way, since our beloved pastor and his equally beloved wife, the Rev. and Mrs. O. Roth, were to celebrate their silver wedding anniversary, and we wished fittingly to commemorate this day.

The church had been beautifully decorated, and, to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, the smiling couple was ushered to the front of the church. After the solo, "Because," our beloved Rev. F. Hoffmann prayed very earnestly that God might continue to bless and direct the lives of these two.

Rev. A. Bibelheimer, member of the mission committee. A paper by the Rev. E. E. Bonikowsky was presented on the subject "A Worker's Joy in the Work of the Lord." (Phil. 2:19-30.) A stirring and greatly gratifying report of the mission committee for the convention was read by Rev. R. Kaiser. The Rev. K. Gieser of Bismarck gave an address on the subject, "The Joy of the Righteous in the Lord" (Phil. 3:11.)

On Friday afternoon the Women's Missionary Union presented a program at which time Dr. Kuhn was the speaker. On Friday evening there was a large and attentive audience present. The Rev. G. Pust brought the English sermon on the topic, "Rejoice in the Lord, Ye Righteous." Dr. Kuhn followed with a German sermon. The Saturday morning devotion was led by the Rev. R. Kaiser who spoke on "The Joyful Hope of the Second Coming of

J. C. GUNST, Reporter.



The Assembly Throng of the Northern North Dakota Churches Gathered in Front of the Festival Hall on the Fessenden Fair Grounds

Northern Dakota Young People Consider "God's Co-workers" at Their Assembly in Fessenden

With a total of 160 young people in attendance, the Northern North Dakota Baptist young people held their eighth annual assembly at Fessenden, No. Dak., from June 19 to 23.

The Saturday afternoon session was opened with a song service led by Mr. S. Jans of Rosenfeld. An address on "The Necessity of Evangelism" by the Rev. D. Klein followed. Many took part in the period of discussion on the last address, which proved stimulating and helpful to all. In the evening service the Rev. A. Ittermann brought an English sermon and Mr. Frank Armbruster of Beaver, Mich., a German message.

Sunday was not only the most successful of all days, but also the most enjoyed in Christian fellowship and inspiration. The morning services opened with the Sunday School led by the local superintendent, Mr. Haar. The Reverends P. Schilling, J. C. Gunst, and Frank Armbruster spoke briefly to the Sunday School. In the

Mrs. Albert Reddig of Cathay taught

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morning worship service Dr. Kuhn brought the mission sermon, which was thought-provoking, inspirational and well received by all. The mission offering amounted to \$340.

On Sunday afternoon the young people had charge of the program which consisted of musical, vocal and recitation numbers. The male mass chorus under the leadership of the Rev. A. Reeh rendered two very appropriate numbers. Dr. Kuhn brought the young people's address to a large group of eager listeners, both young and old.

We all left Martin convinced that it was one of the best conventions we had had the privilege of attending in our association. Besides feeling much indebted and grateful to God for the many blessings, we are also grateful to the good people in Martin and the host of Christian workers who made such a successful convention possible.

J. C. GUNST, Reporter.

the intermediate group. The Juniors gave an excellent program on Friday morning. They repeated scripture passages and gave musical numbers.

At the morning devotions the Harvey, Grand Forks, Pleasant Valley, and Tabor societies led. The topics were "Man, God's Co-Worker," "Liberty, as God's Co-worker," "God's Co-worker and Faith" and "God Within, to be His Co-Worker." General Assembly periods were filled by book reports, question box, and a talk by the Rev. C. M. Foreman of Sioux Falls College.

On "Missions Night" the Fessenden Society gave the play, "True Greatness" with Margaret Krueger and Edna Burgstahler as directors. The play "Robert and Mary," was presented by the Washburn Society.

On Wednesday evening a song festival was held. The Goodrich, Germantown, Martin, and Carrington societies took part. The assembly choir, under the direction of the Rev. Adolf Reeh of Goodrich, rendered two numbers.

Miss Kose presented a vesper and consecration service with the theme, "For Such a Time as This" on Thursday night. An evangelistic service followed on Friday and Mr. Leuschner spoke on "Christ's Mastery of the Human Heart."

Recreational period was held from 2 to 6 P. M. every afternoon. There was a variety of events. Art Reddig of Cathay was the leader. Around the bonfire on Thursday night the Rev. Rudolf Kaiser of McClusky and former dean installed the new officers. The Rev. M. L. Leuschner offered an inspiring prayer. Other bonfire services consisted of roll call, stunts, and "Professor Quiz" program.

At the annual business meeting on Thursday afternoon Ella Albus of Carrington, for the third consecutive time was named president. Morris Broschat of Cathay was elected vice-president; Esther Kaiser of McClusky, secretary; Gottfred Kurzweg of Ana-moose, treasurer; Mrs. Daniel Klein of Germantown, dean of women; and the Rev. J. C. Gunst of Grand Forks, dean of men.

The assembly has voted to support "the Bender Memorial Trek" and to have the executive committee draw up a series of programs for use in the ensuing year, and to offer a Laura Reddig trophy to that society which contributes most to missions during the coming year.

A picture of the young people and some of the ministers in attendance at the assembly is reproduced on this page of "The Baptist Herald."

The young people have gone to their separate homes feeling that the greater 1939 assembly had much to offer. The fellowship and inspiration were truly great.

VIRGINIA SIEBOLD, Secretary.

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The Inspiring Young People's Assembly of the Central Dakota Association

"Servants in His Kingdom" was the inspiring theme of the Young People's Assembly of the Central Dakota Association, which convened from June 27 to July 1 at Jamestown College, Jamestown, No. Dak.

The assembly began with the opening address by Professor O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., after which a fellowship hour was enjoyed by the young people. Devotional periods held each morning before classes were under the direction of the Ashley, Wishek, and Gackle unions.

Our instructors for the assembly were Prof. O. E. Krueger, Rev. M. L. Leuschner and Rev. Albert Ittermann who taught Bible History, "Baptist Doctrines" and "Music," respectively. At part of our morning recreation an assembly choir was organized under the able direction of Mr. Ittermann. In this way enthusiasm for group singing was aroused.

Various interesting topics such as the "Commission Plan" and "Peace and the Christian Attitude Toward War" were discussed at the 11:30 A. M. debate period. The entire assembly gathered in Watson Lounge for the afternoon class on "Youth's Place in the Church" as taught by Mr. Leuschner. New ideas were gleaned which will prove beneficial in making us more useful as members in our home churches.

Thursday was set aside as "Mission Day," and at the evening service an excellent musical mission program was presented to attentive listeners by the Jamestown B. Y. P. U.

Friday afternoon the young people motored to Spiritwood Lake for a picnic and, as a climax, an inspirational vesper service was held at which time the new officers for next year's assembly were installed. They are as follows: dean, Rev. Albert Ittermann; president, Viola Stading, Wishek; vice-president, Lavern Kremer, Linton; secretary, Ruth Trautner, Linton; treasurer, Vivian Herr, Wishek. A song festival ended the perfect day.

A banquet on Saturday afternoon with Prof. Krueger serving as toastmaster and Mr. Leuschner as main speaker brought to a conclusion the assembly for this year, and each member went home with renewed zeal as "Servants in His Kingdom."

RUTH TRAUTNER, Reporter.

Annual Report of the German-town Women's Missionary Society in North Dakota

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Germantown Baptist Church, near the Germantown Baptist Church, celebrated its 42nd anniversary on Sunday evening, June 11. We were fortunate in having several distinguished guests on the program.

The Rev. E. Bibelheimer of Missoula, Montana, read the Scripture passage, after which the Rev. G. W. Pust of Fessenden led in prayer. Norman Fisher of Fessenden, who is an accomplished pianist, played a composition entitled, "Perpetual Motion," as a prelude and, while the offering was being taken, he played again. Dr. Wm. Kuhn of Forest Park, Ill., was our

goes on its way, are used for the work of finishing the kitchen in the new church basement.

On May 29th the society sponsored a shower for Miss Ruth Klein, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. D. Klein, of our church. Miss Klein and Mr. Albert Kranzler of Lehr, No. Dak., were married at the Germantown Church on June 2.



Young People and Prof. O. E. Krueger in Attendance at the Central Dakota Assembly at Jamestown, North Dakota

guest speaker, and gave a very interesting address. The Men's Chorus of the Goodrich Church, under the direction of the Rev. A. Reeh, sang several numbers.

The society has enjoyed a busy and happy year. There are 27 active members on the list, the average attendance being about 18. Activities for the year included the completion of a Friendship Quilt, with 280 names embroidered on it, which was sold at the annual sale.

The sale was held in October 1938 and the proceeds were \$89.65. At Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, baskets were sent to our two oldest members who cannot attend meetings regularly. The Friendship basket is in circulation for its second year, passing from member to member with a burden of good things to eat or to utilize about the home. Contributions made by each one before the basket

Our theme song for the year is "Thine For Service." The total income for the year was \$256; and the expenses were \$129.

F. EDINGER, Secretary.

Interesting Gleanings from the Notable Sessions of the 31st Dakota Conference at Emery, South Dakota

Another year of the Dakota Conference is now on record as history of the German Baptist Churches of the Dakotas and Montana. The conference met with our church in Emery, So. Dak., during the days of June 13 to 18 for its annual session. The opening service and all daily meetings were held in the local church, and all evening services and Sunday meetings in the city's spacious auditorium. Therefore, our meetings were not interrupted by the raging elements outside, which

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happens so frequently when the sessions are held in a large tent.

A goodly number of delegates and visitors were present for the first service. With the Rev. A. W. Lang, pastor of the church, in charge, the first service began with the usual introductory devotionals. The male choir of the local church, which sang inspiringly at all evening services, rendered a number. After a cordial welcome by the Rev. K. Gieser as the moderator, the Rev. John Borchers spoke inspiringly on the theme, "Walking With God." The remaining evening sermons were preached by the Rev. C. M. Knapp, Prof. O. E. Krueger, and Dr. Wm. Kuhn, respectively.

The following day brought forth the general order of the conference business. The Rev. E. Broeckel was elected moderator with the Rev. H. R. Schroeder as vice-moderator, the Rev. F. W. Bartel, and the Rev. Wm. Sturhahn, recording secretary and statistical secretary, respectively. Representatives elected in the General Mission Committee are Rev. W. Luebeck and Rev. K. Gieser.

Every morning began with a devotional hour led by ministers from our churches as follows: the Reverends A. Reeh, Wm. Jaster, A. Guenther and

Laura Reddig Laid Low By Malaria!

Read her account of her ordeal with African sickness in the August 15 issue.

Fifty Thousand Baptists in Atlanta, Georgia

The Baptist World Congress in Atlanta was called by the Honorable E. D. Rivers, Governor of Georgia, "the greatest gathering that has honored the state of Georgia in this generation." This epoch making Baptist conclave will be reputed with colorful accounts and a great array of pictures in the September 1st issue.

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Emil Becker. The Wednesday and Thursday afternoon sessions were opened with song services, led by the Reverends D. Littke and Arthur Ittermann.

The topic for the conference was "Evangelization." This timely topic

was discussed from various points of view, and the addresses rendered and sermons preached showed that the need for intensive evangelization is recognized by all pastors of our churches. The Rev. E. Bibelheimer spoke of the necessity of evangelization; the Rev. J. Renz showed us how evangelization is founded upon Scripture; the Rev. W. Luebeck, whose address was read by Rev. K. Gieser in the absence of the writer, indicated the methods of evangelization; the Rev. R. Kaiser stressed prayer as an important factor in evangelization; and the Rev. J. C. Kraenzler pointed out the numerous hindrances on the part of the pastor and church in evangelization. The Rev. J. C. Gunst ably treated the topic, "What Does the Church Expect of the Young People?"

Our general work was represented by our missionary secretary, the Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D.D., Prof. O. E. Krueger, and the Rev. Hans Steiger. These brethren also led us daily in a quiet half hour of spiritual devotion and contributed their share in making the sessions interesting and inspirational.

On Friday afternoon the Women's Missionary Union had an interesting program, presented by the members of the various societies. The Rev. Wm. Kuhn spoke on the subject: "Saying 'Yes' to God." Saturday was Young People's and Sunday School Workers' day, and officers were elected for the ensuing year. Charles Voigt of Avon, So. Dak., was elected president. The evening meeting consisted of various numbers given by representatives of the societies and included vocal and instrumental numbers. Outstanding selections were two songs by the mass choir, composed of singers from three states and directed by the Rev. Wm. Sturhahn. The young people also voted to undertake the support of our missionary, Miss Laura Reddig in Africa. (See the announcement about "the Bender Memorial Trek" in this issue of "The Baptist Herald.")

On Sunday morning Dr. Kuhn gave a missionary address, and the combined missionary offerings of the conference and the Plum Creek Church was \$329.71. Prof. O. E. Krueger preached an inspiring sermon at the Plum Creek Church on Sunday morning, and the Rev. Emil Becker supplied the pulpit at our church in Madison, So. Dak. The Rev. H. R. Schroeder and the Rev. Hans Steiger brought inspiring messages in the English and German languages on Sunday afternoon, to which a large attendance listened attentively. With this meeting the conference officially closed. But an evangelistic service was held on Sunday evening at which the Rev. Arthur Ittermann brought the message.

Altogether the 31st Dakota Conference was a splendid time of inspiration and fellowship.

J. C. KRAENZLER, Reporter.

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