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Peace and Love  
Will Bless the Earth  
When Men Will  
Glory in the Cross of  
Christ and Will Turn  
Their Planes of  
Death Into Winged  
Instruments of Ser-  
vice.

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## What's Happening

● On Sunday morning, June 4, Mr. Alex Elsesser, a student at the Rochester Seminary, brought the message at the morning service of the North Avenue Church of Milwaukee, Wis. The pastor, the Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, had charge of a service of dedication for little children on Sunday morning, June 11, and baptized several converts on confession of their faith in Christ on Sunday morning, June 18.

● On Sunday, May 28, the Rev. Benjamin Schlipf, pastor of the Gibbs Avenue Church of Canton, Ohio, baptized 5 Sunday School scholars on confession of their faith. These converts were the results of recent revival meetings in which the Rev. E. Umbach of Cleveland assisted the pastor. Dr. J. Heinrichs of Canton preached the baptismal sermon on "The Symbolism of Baptism." The B. Y. P. U. is very active, and a fine spirit of optimism prevails in the church.

● A missionary retreat was held in the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, from May 21 to May 28, with the Rev. Harold B. Street of Ethiopia and the Rev. Thomas Titcombe of Nigeria from the Sudan Interior Mission serving as the guest speakers. Meetings were held every afternoon and evening throughout the week. On Sunday evening, May 14, the Rev. Pieter Smit, D. D., pastor of the church, delivered the baccalaureate address for the high school students on the sermon subject, "Prospects."

● The Sunday School workers of the West Side Baptist Church of Beatrice, Nebraska, recently completed a profitable Leadership Training Class using the textbook, "Winning Others to Christ," by Leavell. Thirty-three names were recorded for class attendance and the average was over 18 students for the ten class periods. Although only six took the examination for credit, the workers feel that a vital impulse has been given to evangelism in the hearts of those who attended. The Rev. A. G. Rietdorf, pastor of the church, led the discussions.

● The Sunday School contest held during the past few months by the churches of the Atlantic Conference was won by the King's Highway Baptist Church of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Noel Keefer is the superintendent of the Sunday School and the Rev. A. Hahn pastor of the church. The grand prize which was the picture entitled, "Suffer the Children to Come Unto Me," was presented to the Sunday School's representative at the conference on Sunday, May 21, in the Second

Church of Brooklyn, N. Y. A report of that conference appears in the current issue of "The Baptist Herald."

● The German Baptist Church of Gladwin, Mich., is now being served by the Rev. Leo F. Gassner, formerly of Benton Harbor, Mich., as the pastor of the church. He began his ministry on the field on Sunday, June 18. The Rev. Frank Armbruster served the Gladwin church for a number of months as interim pastor, closing his work with the church on June 1st. At present he is making an extensive tour of the continent, visiting places of scenic interest and churches of our denomination in the United States and Canada.

● About 250 women and girls attended the annual Mothers' and Daughters' banquet in the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., on Friday evening, May 19. Mrs. Wesley Driver served as toastmistress. Following the songfest led by Miss Frieda Enss, Mrs. Ella Charnet brought a toast to the mothers. Mrs. Arnold Bandemer and Mrs. Bruno Platz sang a duet, and a chorus of Primary and Junior girls directed by Mrs. Herman Skabick rendered several numbers. A reading was brought by Ursula Gerhard. Mr. George Alexander was the chief cook, and the men of the church served as efficient waiters.

● Miss Erna Hoelzen of Newark, N. J., the missionary of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church of the same city, received the degree Bachelor of Science in Education, from Rutgers University at the commencement exercises held at the university in New Brunswick, N. J., on Saturday, June 3. Mr. Theodore H. Sorg, a prominent member of the same church and the treasurer of the denomination, was the recent recipient of the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws, from Hillsdale College in Michigan. Congratulations to both of these honored friends of the "Baptist Herald" readers in the Clinton Hill Church!

● On Sunday, April 30, the B. Y. P. U. of the German Baptist Church in Martin, No. Dak., presented a program at the invitation of the B. Y. P. U. of Harvey, No. Dak. The program, which was varied and interesting, consisted of several vocal duets, a talk on "Building," a reading, a guitar solo, a vocal solo, and a novel instrumental solo, by Mr. C. Rust on his musical saw. The offering was designated for missions. After the program refreshments were served. The Harvey B. Y. P. U. is grateful for such fine neighboring so-

cieties and hopes some day to return their programs, according to Mr. La Verne Ruff, president.

● The Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., observed its second annual Father's and Son's banquet on Friday evening, May 19. The banquet was unique in that the entire proceedings were furnished by the men. Mr. R. H. Krombein, Mr. E. Pohl and Mr. J. Zink officiated in the kitchen, and a group of the young men acted as waiters. The program, which consisted of short talks, musical numbers and recitations, was given by the men present. The main address of the evening was delivered by Mr. Godfring of Buffalo, N. Y., who gave a stirring talk about the responsibility of fathers and sons to each other. A most enjoyable evening was enjoyed by the eighty-four guests.

● The stork had a busy time during the months of March and April in German Baptist parsonages. On March 25 a baby girl was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Weisser of Stafford, Kansas, who has been given the name of Laura Helen. A baby boy arrived on April 10 in the Baptist parsonage at Sheffield, Iowa, to grace the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Carl J. Sentman. On April 13 a son was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Alfred R. Bernadt of Burlington, Iowa, who is now the proud possessor of the name, James Logan. The Rev. and Mrs. Vincent C. Brushwyler of Newark, N. J., have also announced that a baby boy was born to them on April 25, who has been named Gordon Ross.

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## EDITORIAL

IT IS MUCH MORE than a striking coincidence that the tune for the national anthem of Great Britain, "God Save the King," and for the

well known song, "America," which is almost regarded as a national anthem for the United States, should be the same. Strong ties of mutual affection bind these English-speaking peoples together. Similar ideals motivate their national life for the peace of the world and the democratic principles of government. That identical tune, which stirs the hearts of British, Canadians and Yankees alike, is a symbol of the international friendship which each strives to cultivate toward the other.

This fact has had a remarkable demonstration in the visit of the King and Queen of Great Britain to America only a few weeks ago. The citizens and notables of the United States vied with each other to express their esteem and good will for the reigning monarchs of the British Empire. These colorful festivities, never before witnessed in Washington and New York, honored the sovereigns of the country, against which the United States of America rebelled and won its freedom in 1776. But the celebration of that event on July 4 will pale into insignificance beside the ecstatic and roaring acclaim accorded the British King and Queen.

This royal visit has also demonstrated anew the unique relationship of friendship that exists between Canada and the United States, the world's largest and best neighbors. Friendly hands have been extended across the boundary for many years. Each has a high esteem for the other and endeavors in its own way to make its contributions to the secure peace on the American continent. Like two cousins, whose lives have been intertwined in understanding and joys, they walk arm in arm down the American road!

This relationship of good neighbors between Canada and the United States has made possible the unique ministry of our denomination with churches in both countries. The German Baptists of North America are probably the only evangelical denomination that covers this entire territory. Our ministers serve in both nations. Our missionary support flows into churches and fields in both lands. There is mutual respect for each other's political systems and admiration for the scenic beauty of each other's territory. Freedom of worship is as unbridled as the ocean breezes that touch their coast line and the winds that sweep across their prairies. Here are international neighbors at their best, whose friendship for each other has made possible the unique enterprise of our denomination.

In this spirit the editor heartily concurs with our Canadian pastor, the Rev. A. E. Jaster of Arnprior, Ontario, who recently included the following paragraph in his church bulletin: "Throughout the length and breadth of the Canadian dominion the people are showing their loyalty and personal love for their sovereign, King George VI and his beloved wife, Queen Elizabeth. Perhaps nowhere in history was ever a reigning monarch received with such warm love and affection as our present King and Queen by the people of Canada. God bless them!"

These lofty sentiments have been shared and will continue to be uttered by German Baptists throughout the United States and Canada. We are good neighbors who, under God, enjoy the tranquility of peace and the privileges of free religious worship as in no other continent of the world. With one united voice we shall sing:

"Long may our lands be bright  
With freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by thy might,  
Great God, our King!"



# The Story of the Christian Flag

By MAUDE K. SITES

It was during a "Rally Day" service at Brighton Chapel, on Coney Island, September 26, 1897, that the Christian flag was first conceived. The speaker engaged for the occasion having failed to appear at the appointed hour, the



The Christian Flag

superintendent of the church school, Mr. Charles Carlton Overton, began an informal talk on the American flag, which was draped over the pulpit where all eyes could see it.

In the course of his remarks the thought suddenly occurred to Mr. Overton: Why not have a flag for the Christian church—a flag unrestricted by geographical boundaries, which would remind all people of their allegiance to God. The idea so possessed and inspired his mind that before he ceased speaking he described to his audience the flag as he saw it that moment; a field of white, signifying purity, innocence and peace; in the corner was a union of deep blue, the symbol of faith, trust, and sincerity, and on this, emblazoned in red, was a Latin cross.

The following Sunday the Christian flag was draped beside the Stars and Stripes on the pulpit of Brighton Chapel. It was made by Mr. Annin, a well-known flag manufacturer of New York City, who did much to secure its adoption by the churches. Its use spread rapidly in churches throughout the United States, and today the Christian flag is known and used throughout the world. From the beginning Christian leaders everywhere accepted it with high approval, including Dwight L. Moody, Jacob R. Riis, and Marion Lawrence. Fanny Crosby, the blind song writer, wrote the hymn en-

titled "The Christian Flag," which was set to music by R. Huntington Woodman.

Eleven years after its adoption a pledge of allegiance to the Christian flag came into use. The story of the pledge is told by Mr. Ralph E. Diefendorfer:

"I was conducting a conference of Sunday School workers in Brooklyn when I was interrupted by the Rev. Lynn Harold Hough with the suggestion that a pledge of allegiance be prepared for use in saluting the Christian flag, just as the well-known pledge of allegiance was so effectively used in the case of the American flag. I saw the force of the idea and asked Mr. Hough to prepare such a pledge. He agreed, and while the meeting was still in session wrote:

the time of commencing, and kept hoisted during the continuance of divine service on board all vessels of the Navy.

The pennant has a triangular white field charged with a navy-blue Latin cross (not Roman). Ordinarily the pennant is six feet long and is two feet at its widest point. According to naval code books it has been in definite use by the United States Navy since about the year 1862, but it is generally believed that it has been in use since the organization of the Navy itself.

Like many other customs of our Navy, it is supposed that this one came down to us from the navy of our mother country, England. As early as 1870, in the days of Rodney, British regulations provided: "In order that the performance of divine service may meet



Church pennant flying on board the U. S. S. Arizona during President Hoover's trip to the West Indies. The small flag on the main truck proclaims the fact that the President is on board.

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands; one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and love."

"This pledge was used for the first time on Christmas Eve, 1908, in the Third Methodist Episcopal Church, Long Island City, New York, of which Mr. Hough was the pastor."

The Christian flag carries no symbol of war or conquest. It stands for no particular creed or denomination, but for Christianity. It is equally significant throughout the world, and in saluting it the Christian patriot pledges allegiance to the Kingdom of God.

The church pennant is the only flag that flies above the Stars and Stripes. It is hoisted above the national ensign, which is lowered for that purpose, at

with as little interruption as possible, the ships are to hoist a common pennant at the mizzen peak before they begin the same, and to keep it flying until they have finished." The custom was adopted by Admiral Arbuthnot when Commander-in-Chief of the North American Station in 1781, by Kempenfelt in 1782, and by Howe in his signal book of 1790.

The hoisting of this pennant is not a tribute to any ecclesiastical body, nor has it any denominational significance. It is a silent tribute of respect to God. The chaplain on board may be Protestant, Catholic, or of any other faith. The pennant simply announces to the world that the worship of God is being observed.

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# The Unknown Soldier Walks Again

A Flag Day Oration by MISS BONNIE GROSSER  
of Oak Park, Illinois

Since we last met in celebration of Flag Day, to honor "the Stars and Stripes" under which we live, our world has known wars and rumors of wars, and all humanity has stood on the brink of disaster. Perhaps because of this, the flag has a deeper meaning for us this year than it has had before. The freedom, which our flag symbolizes, must be very real to us today, when we see millions of human beings living under flags and under governments which openly deny all freedom.

## The Heritage of Our Democracy

One hundred and fifty years ago, our American democracy took her proud place among the governments of mankind. Do we realize that we live in a country with one of the oldest and best tested forms of government in the world? What a history, what a tradition, what a heritage we have!

We are citizens of the greatest, the most powerful nation on earth. We do not boast, for, if we would be truly sincere in appreciation of our America, we must realize that because we have so much, our responsibility is great. What is our responsibility in a threatening world? How shall we use our greatness and our power?

Let the Unknown Soldier, who walks again, answer these questions.

## The Unknown Soldier's Message

A flash of lightning through the midnight sky;  
A crash of thunder echoes among the hills;  
Sentinels stand dazed and trembling before an empty tomb;  
The Unknown Soldier walks again!

A bowed and restless figure against the sky;  
A voice that's heard around the whole wide world;

I am the Unknown Soldier;  
I died ten million deaths, for I am the spirit of all those who died.

I am the Unknown Soldier;  
I am a poet who left his finest songs unsung;  
I am an artist who left his masterpiece unpainted;  
I am a scientist who would have discovered a cure for cancer;  
I am a minister who would have inspired a new reformation;  
I am a statesman who would have led my people out of the wilderness;  
I am an inventor who would have created a new era of miracles;  
I am an educator who would have developed a new philosophy of education;

I am all the dead who would have climbed the heights;  
I am all the dead who would have served mankind;  
I was crucified upon the Cross of War.

Teach them that the drums and bands and cheers are but the bait that war has set for youth;  
Destroy toy soldiers, wooden guns and uniforms;



Flowers With Their Beauty and Fragrance Have Always Been Symbols of Peace and Amity Among Individuals and Nations

I am the Unknown Soldier;  
I speak for all the millions of the dead;  
I point out the folly and futility of war;  
War sends cathedrals toppling into ruins;  
War leaves homes in ruins and widows and orphans starving;  
War fills hospitals with armless, legless, sightless men;  
War piles up a mountain of debt on the backs of the people;  
War breaks human hearts and leaves them empty and forlorn;  
War makes the Prince of Peace look down and weep!

I am the Unknown Soldier;  
I speak for all the sons of those who died;  
We gave our lives, we ask that they be spared.  
Teach them that war is mud and blood, stark horror, living hell;

Destroy the great illusion that war is Glory, Heroism, Fame;  
Teach them to build, not to destroy;  
Teach them to save and serve, and not to kill;  
Erase from off the earth the scourge of war!

## America's Task

America, great and strong, here lies your responsibility! Lift up your glorious banner, hold it high, lead the way toward a new and beautiful, warless world!

## Editor's Note

Bonnie Grosser is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grosser of Oak Park, Illinois. She is a student in the William Beye School of Oak Park, where the above oration was entered in a contest for a "Flag Day" program. It has a very appropriate message for the critical times in which we live!



# Summer Activities of Our Seminary Students

By PROFESSOR ALBERT BRETSCHNEIDER, Dean of the  
German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, New York

Education is not an end in itself but rather a means to an end. The young men of our seminary, therefore, delight in having an opportunity to make use of their learning and experience in serving the Master during the summer months. That, of course, does not mean that "they stand idle all the day," during the seminary year, as the parable states, because no one has hired them. During the year, too, our young men are active in the churches of our city of Rochester, N. Y., and vicinity and render a very appreciable and much desired service.

Two of our students have student pastorships. Mr. Peter Pfeiffer has been serving a small church in the romantic mountainous region about Hartsville, N. Y. His wife and little girl live there the year round, while Mr. Pfeiffer studies in Rochester. Over the week-end he serves the church, as well as during the summer. Other students also serve this church from time to time.

Mr. Harvey Koester, graduate student in the University of Rochester, has been serving the church at Mt. Morris. He has been trying to develop a constructive program for the youth of this community. The town itself has provided almost no recreational facilities for its young people but has left that rather to the forces of evil, while the church has been more or less indifferent. Mr. Koester hopes that some of the business men will see the need and try to provide means to counteract the social forces that corrupt our youth.

From time to time our students also serve the Buffalo churches. The pastors have been very kind in providing opportunity for the young men. Folsomdale, too, has called upon our students again and again. There is an especial attraction in Rochester for the little mining town of Munson, nestling in the mountains of Pennsylvania. This is due partly to the fact that our Robert Schmidt hails from there and partly to the fact that it has also sent us his charming sister, who is a Junior in the University of Rochester. But, chiefly, this is true because of the warm response which always comes forth from the church when our boys serve there.

Recently Mr. Robert Schreiber and Mr. Ralph Rott were called to serve on Mother's Day. It is a drive of 250 miles, making necessary their driving all night to be back for examinations on the following Monday. But they went just the same. The church was so well pleased with their services that the secretary wrote to the Dean as follows: "Mother's Day was, indeed,

## Rev. David Hamel Dies!

Word has been received of the recent passing of the Rev. David Hamel of Rochester, N. Y., the chairman of the School Committee and one of the most loyal and enthusiastic supporters of the German Baptist Seminary. For many years he served as pastor of the Andrew Street Church of Rochester, N. Y., where he also ministered to the seminary students. He had gone to Boston, Mass., to undergo a rather critical operation, but the reports of his condition had been favorable until the sad news of his death arrived. The seminary and the denomination have lost a true friend and a devoted minister!

an inspiring and memorable one, thanks to the students you sent us. Their sermons were excellent and were enjoyed by all, old and young. Everyone was impressed by their sincerity and love for the Master." Moreover, they decided to call one of our young men recommended by the missionary committee. In consequence, Mr. George Zinz, son of their former pastor, graduate of Huntington College and a senior next year, will serve them during the summer. We are sure he will have a fruitful ministry there.

Two of our Juniors will serve churches in the Dakotas. Mr. Arthur Schulz of Washburn will serve the church at Mc. Intosh, So. Dak. Mr. Schulz has an excellent voice and is also a good preacher. Mr. Richard Grenz of McLaughlin will again serve the church at New Leipzig, So. Dak., this summer. Mr. Grenz served the church so well last year, that he has been called to serve it this summer also. We appreciate the fine tribute which the church sent in praise of his services. That encourages, not only the student, but also the seminary faculty.

Mr. Frank Veninga, also a Junior, will serve the Benton Harbor Church in Michigan. He is well qualified and preaches well both in German and English and has an excellent character and personality to support his message. We are especially pleased that he has this opportunity before he takes up a year of study in Marburg University in Germany.

Five students will serve our churches in the Northwest. Mr. Paul Hunsicker and Mr. C. Rempel will conduct two weeks of evangelistic services before taking up their work in Glidden and in Endeavor, Saskatchewan, Can-

ada, respectively. Both are evangelistically minded and are enthusiastic preachers of the gospel of Christ. Mr. Walter Stein will spend the next three months with our church in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. We are praying that this field may be stirred by the spirit of God, that many will be won to Christ, and that many others will rededicate their lives to holy living for the Master.

Mr. Adam Huber will serve the churches at Lashburn and Innisfree, fields requiring fortitude and missionary zeal. Mr. Rubin Kern, who also will spend next year in Marburg, is to serve the church at Lemberg, Saskatchewan. The church at Nokomis has called Mr. Ewald Wegner, a Midder, who with his wife will serve the church until January 1 and then return to finish his course in the seminary. Both are gifted and should prove a real blessing to the church in this community.

Mr. Joseph Kornalewski has not yet been placed. But he is such a capable and conscientious and experienced brother that we are confident a door will open for him. We have encouraged him to go to the fields "that are ripe unto harvest" in the Northwest and to trust in God to find a place for him. We hope the missionary committee and the churches will put forth every effort to use him during the summer. May we here express our deep appreciation for the excellent cooperation on the part of the missionary committees and our general missionary secretary, Doctor Kuhn, in finding fields of service for the men.

Two other capable and zealous men would like to serve our churches. Mr. Ralph Rott of North Dakota and Mr. Hans Wilcke of Cleveland would welcome an opportunity to serve. If any of the churches would like one of these young men, kindly communicate with the Dean.

If some church could employ one of them, I am sure they would be able to give a testimony like that of Benton Harbor after our students had served there. They wrote as follows: "We cannot help remembering with deep gratitude the services of the students who served us last summer. We are thankful to the school for training such excellent young men and sending them into our churches." The Alpena church writes of the same brethren: "Their ministry was a blessed one. The church and I wish to express to you our appreciation . . . for having made this visit possible."

God bless our Boys! May God also bless the churches where they minister this summer.

# B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

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## BEAUTY AS AN AID TO WORSHIP

Scripture Reference: Revelation 21:10-27.

### 1. The Heavenly Jerusalem

One has only to take a small journey to realize that we are living in a world of beauty. There are the mountains with their majestic peaks and towering strength; the forest with its quietness and shade; the fertile valley carpeted with grass and fields of promising golden grain; also refreshing rivers and streams to delight both man and beast. All these earthly spots of beauty man may visit and the human eye can behold. However, we are "marching to Zion," yes, even to "beautiful Zion," where greater beauty lies in store for them that love God. Our places of worship should, in a small measure, be a foretaste of the heavenly Jerusalem. The sacred writer views it "in the spirit" . . . "descending out of heaven from God." What God gives cannot be improved upon. So we have every reason to believe, that even our fondest dreams will be exceeded, in the preparation that God has made for his own.

### 2. Spiritual Beauty

In Rev. 21:2 John speaks of the Holy City as a "bride adorned for her husband." That is her great occasion to reveal her charm and loveliness. The true believers are known as "the bride of the Lord." They are to walk "in the spirit." That is her beauty. "Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me." Spiritual beauty is nothing more than those who are "pure in heart," not through any merits of their own, but as those who have appropriated the finished work of Christ. "By grace are ye saved," (Eph. 2:8). The inhabitants of the New Jerusalem are "the saved nations of them which shall walk in the light of it." Those who prefer sin, worldliness, and unbelief, thereby rejecting Christ's provision for their safety and blessed fellowship, will find no entrance into God's presence. (Rev. 21:27) The bride must be "without spot or wrinkle."

### 3. Proper Illumination

The lighting in our churches is of primary importance. Fortunately, it can be altered from time to time, as improvements become necessary. Our church in Portland some few months ago was presented with splendid new fixtures. With expressions of surprise

and amazement, worshippers entered into the church auditorium! It does add something to the service of the church when the church is properly illuminated. Glaring lights, striking one in the face, distract attention and cause fatigue. Then, too, it must be distributed equally in all parts of the room, to permit reading and singing without causing undue eye strain. There is beauty in a properly lighted church.

### 4. "Cleanliness Next to Godliness"

Did you ever go to a church and find the floor not swept; the pews not dusted; the Bibles and books not arranged; the windows in need of washing? The average person never returns to worship in such a church. We would not think of keeping our homes so disorderly. Blessed is the church, that has an able janitor! A church does not have to be wealthy to be clean. Painted floors, varnished pews, cleaned walls, and washed windows cost but little. The Protestants say that the church is our place of worship; the Catholics say it is "God's House" and care for it as a sanctuary. Perhaps, we may well learn from them, so far as the upkeep of the church is concerned. A carpeted floor adds much to the beauty, warmth and quietness of an impressive worship service.

### 5. Decorations

The eye is the mind's most impressive channel. One goes to church, not merely to hear, but also to see. The Bible speaks oftentimes about "seeing the glory of the Lord." Flowers neatly arranged by one who has a sense of color schemes and symmetrical beauty will add considerably to the enhancement of the attractiveness of the platform. Care should be taken not to overdo. Colored windows with Bible scenes; a brief scripture verse on the wall; a fine baptismal view; a lighted cross may all add to bring the worshipper into the conscious presence of the Divine One. We dress our best as each Sunday we go with our family to worship. So all things within us and about us ought to be in perfect harmony so that we can come before God in the "beauty of holiness."

Sunday, August 13, 1939

## WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT INTEMPERANCE?

Scripture Reference: Proverbs 23:29-35.

### 1. Many Were Deceived

A number of years ago, when the American people went to the polls to repeal the 18th amendment, there was much rejoicing in the realm of the worldly-minded public. Perhaps, indifferent Christian, who also cast his ballot for repeal, had no conception of what he was aiding. Possibly, he felt that in our land of liberty, man should be entitled to what he wants. Do you recall the many promises of those smooth-tongued politicians, who evidently had interests in the then idle breweries of our land? We were told that unemployment would be greatly reduced by the operation of breweries and hop yards. The actual fact of the matter is, that only a relatively few are needed for the degrading enterprise, while the great army of our idle still tramps the streets and roams the parks. Then, too, we were told how through taxation the state would benefit so that our school teachers could be paid an adequate wage. Let the teachers testify as to their increase. Furthermore, it was to have given our nation a balanced budget. We have since learned, that all these utterances were vain promises. All who voted for repeal must indirectly assume their share of the shame and guilt of the deplorable present day conditions.

### 2. The Highway and Liquor

It is a proven fact that America has lost more lives through injury and death on our streets and highways, than she lost soldiers during the World War. Each week-end the death tolls mount in numbers. Most of the drinking occurs on Saturday and Sunday. One Saturday night last winter a certain county made this remarkable test between the hours of 11 o'clock in the evening and ending at 4 o'clock on Sunday morning. The traffic officers halted 100 automobiles, and the persons at the wheel were asked to blow into a newly-invented machine. This machine is called "The Drunk-O-Meter." Its function was to determine whether the drivers had been drinking. The air from their lungs, having been blown into the machine, passed through several chemicals which by changes in color revealed the alcoholic content. Of the 100 drivers so tested 58 showed evidence of having drunk alcohol, while 35 of the 58 had taken enough to interfere with their driving ability. From this test it must be concluded, that 35 out of every 100 drivers had drunk too much alcohol to be safe persons behind the steering wheel.



The drunken drivers in Germany are sent to the concentration camps, the first offender being sent there in January of this year. There he has ample time to ponder over his failure to obey traffic signals, and almost striking another car. America abhors the thought of concentration camps. Occasionally, totalitarianism does something that even democracy might imitate. Let all Christian automobile drivers heed each traffic law to curb further highway disasters.

### 3. Begin With Child and Youth

America's hope to beat this awful liquor traffic lies in carrying on an extensive program of education. It is encouraging to know that our children, even in their ninth year of life, come home from school and can relate the origin of alcohol and its damaging effect upon the brain, how it retards action and impairs sight. Someone has said that an intoxicated person sees double and thinks half. Let us continue to make known to our younger generation the untold heartaches, loss of lives and property which befalls our nation annually. Homes are constantly broken and the divorce mills are kept busy because of drunkenness. The drunken driver is a menace to society. Often the innocent are injured or even killed, thereby bringing bereavement and poverty in many cases. Deceptive advertisements should be checked, and proper anti-liquor literature given to our youth to read. Encourage temperance unions and workers by attendance and gifts. Rid yourselves of the feeling of defeatism. The day is surely coming when the Protestant forces of America will unite to smite this common foe, who is gnawing at the very fibre of our nation's existence. Public and private prayers shall ever ascend—until the victory is won!

### 4. The Christian's Influence

"The Christian is responsible for his own influence over others, and therefore for the example he sets. The Christian is charged that he shall not put a stumblingblock in the way, but also that he shall take up the stumblingblock which others may put in the way, for if he can remove it and fails to do so, upon him falls the warning that if his failure caused a little one to stumble, it were better that he be drowned in the depths of the sea. Our responsibility for others is, therefore, heavy, for us to, first, do our part in aiding the program of information, and, second, to remove the cause of stumbling. Reason, judgment, common sense, and experience point to but one means to this end, namely, the removal of the stumblingblock by the combination of educating the individual and abolishing the traffic with the strength of informed public opinion behind legislation. When the truth is known, mankind will be free. Each person who knows is a power to inform others."

—From Pamphlet by Bertha R Palmer.

## Workshop for Church Leaders

### The Essentials of a Good B. Y. P. U. Meeting

By IRENE G. LYONS, Life-Work Secretary of the B. Y. P. U. of A.

"How can we make our young people's meetings more interesting?" is one of the questions heard frequently from the lips of church youth today. For an adequate answer, you must have an understanding of what constitutes a good meeting. Each meeting should be a part of total youth program of activities, but, more than that, it must be vital in and of itself. The essentials given here will provide a standard for measuring a vital youth meeting.

1. The meeting should have an objective, or aim. This will give direction and purpose to the program, and will influence the outcome of the meeting. It should be a specific objective, in keeping with the general purpose of the organization.

2. The topic must be of interest and vital concern to young people. Make an effort to discover the interests and the needs of the young people of the group; then base the meeting programs upon such findings. Thus, you can help youth to come to grips with life and meet it on as high a plane of Christian living as possible.

3. To be effective the program itself must be well-planned and carefully prepared and presented. Often this alone holds the secret of the vitality and the interest of any meeting. Planning alone is not sufficient—the whole must be prepared and presented in an interesting and helpful manner.

4. Seek the solution of the problem under consideration in the life and the teachings of Jesus. Unless you make constant references to the light Jesus has to throw upon the problems of life, you hardly can expect Christian outcomes.

5. Relate the worship portion of the meeting to the topic or subject material. It keeps continuity of thought throughout the limited time available for the meeting. Moreover, it gives the emotional warmth and the motivation necessary to make meaningful the execution of the conclusions of the meeting.

6. The worship service should produce a feeling of God's presence. To accomplish this, careful planning is essential. Music, Scripture, prayer, offering, and other worship material must be selected carefully, and an effort made to keep a high spirit of reverence, quiet and inspiration.

7. The meeting should provide for wide participation on the part of those present. Youth's highest interest usually comes in sharing in an enterprise. Likewise, a youth organization offers

a place of training for young Christians and should provide the utmost opportunity for their participation in the work. "We learn to do by doing." Urge members to vary their participation in the meetings and give all an opportunity to share in many ways.

8. The meeting should attempt to reach satisfactory conclusions. Too often a youth meeting ends with desultory talking, with "rearranging of prejudices," or the offering of opinions unjustified by facts, but with no conclusions reached. Helpfulness for daily living can result only where youth leaves such a meeting with new convictions and a determination to see things differently and live accordingly.

9. The meeting should provide for some kind of plan of action for putting into effect the conclusion reached. Try to make provisions for individual or group action, or both. Too often young people do not know what to do with conclusions unless a specific course of action is pointed out.

10. Meetings should have a variety of theme and method of presentation. The members should have a feeling of expectancy. If the same order of service and the same type of theme are presented week after week, they become boring and meaningless, whereas frequent change keeps alive interest and vitality.

11. Make the meeting-room as attractive and well-arranged as possible. Often the room, though somewhat large, bare and unattractive, can be rearranged so as to make possible a new setting. Flowers, change of pictures, shifting of furniture, or the use of only one section of the room may prove helpful. At least, keep the room clean and orderly. "Cleanliness is next to godliness."

12. A good meeting must have adequate leadership. It will become "adequate" with sincere preparation. Each person who assumes any leadership responsibility in a meeting should prepare himself to the best of his ability and capacity at the time. This provides one of the ways of training the potentials that every young person possesses. Time and effort must be expended by one who seeks to lead.

Using the above as a measuring-rod, any youth organization can try to estimate the strength and the weakness of its own meetings. The items that rate low as a result of this measuring may provide a good place to start in an effort to bring about improvement.

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## A Twelve Year Old Newspaper Publisher

It is an amazing record for an individual to combine the several important positions as newspaper editor, publisher, business manager, reporter, and printer in one person. It is even more amazing when that person is a twelve year old boy. But that is the fascinating story of Theodore K. Pitt of Hamden, Conn., who is also a very active member of the German Baptist Church of New Haven, Conn., whose pastor is the Rev. Julius Kaaz. The story of this enthusiastic, freckled, hard working lad appeared several months ago in the "New Haven Register," a portion of which is reprinted for the benefit of "Baptist Herald" readers.

As far as can be determined, Theodore Pitt is the youngest editor in the United States, and probably the only one who fills the role of general factotum so completely. He worked his way up from the bottom, and now has \$40 in the bank, the paper's earnings for the past eight months.

Several of Theodore's pals started the paper more than a year ago, bringing out their first issue on January 8, 1938. The sheet was called the "Weekly News" at first, and was published every Wednesday. Later it was changed to the "Whitneyville News" and it was in this state of flux and change when Theodore was taken on the staff as sports editor.

The boys mimeographed their paper in the cellar of their editor's home, and sold it at school and on Whitney Avenue in Hamden. They solicited advertisements from local merchants, and Theodore was promoted to the job of advertising manager when his colleagues realized how enterprising he is. He set about establishing the paper on a profitable basis.

As summer came on, however, the other boys began losing interest. Baseball and the great outdoors beckoned, and the day came when Theodore found himself with the entire business on his hands. Not wishing to have all his work go to waste, he decided to operate it by himself.

On May 21, 1938, the first issue of the "Hamden Bi-Weekly Star" hit the streets, and it has been hitting them regularly every other Saturday since that date. Pitt, the newsboy, delivers them to his 40-odd advertisers and his 260 subscribers. Then he takes a week off before beginning work on his next issue.

On weeks when he publishes "The Star," Editor Pitt follows a rigid schedule. On Mondays and Tuesdays, after school, he is Reporter Pitt and covers the Town Hall, the County Jail,

the Police Station, and any other big events that may happen to break.

Tuesday night, he goes to press. He types out his news, decides on his make-up, and his mother types out the stencils for the ten pages that comprise the paper. Typing the stencils is the only job he doesn't do himself, because he is liable to make mistakes and stencils are too expensive to take chances with. Then he inks his mimeograph machine, which he bought and paid for with money earned from the newspaper, and turns the crank approximately 3,000 times, until all the pages have been printed.

When the old "Weekly News" and "Whitneyville News" were in operation, subscribers totalled a maximum of 60. Theodore has expanded this to 300, although 40 copies are complimentary. He can print up to 1,000 copies of each issue on the stencils, but will require a circulation manager if his list of subscribers continues to grow.

Publisher Pitt figures he works about 12 and a half hours on each issue on all the different jobs it involves. After discounting the cost of paper, ink, stencils, staples, etc., he clears about \$2.50 profit, all of which goes into the bank.



Theodore K. Pitt, a Member of the New Haven German Baptist Church, who is Also Editor, Publisher, Advertising Man and Circulation Manager of the "Hamden Bi-Weekly Star," is Preparing Editorial Copy in the Picture Above

Pitt prints his paper on 8"x12" newspaper stock, using only one side of each sheet. He fastens the pages together with staples, and takes some advance copies, fresh with printer's ink, to school with him on Wednesday. Some of these he gives away as complimentary copies to his teachers and to people who gave him news items. Others he sells to his schoolmates.

Wednesday, after school, is the time he takes to make the rounds of his advertisers, delivering papers to them and taking ads for the next issue. All ads must be paid in advance, and the merchants have their choice of three-line notices for five cents, one column two-inch ads for 15 cents, or two column two-inch ads for 35 cents. Larger ads are proportionately expensive.

Thursday, Friday and all day Saturday are required for delivering his papers to his subscribers. He covers the various routes by bicycle, penetrating into all parts of Hamden. As he delivers the papers, he tries to build up his circulation and enlist new subscribers.

"The Bi-Weekly Star" is a well-rounded family newspaper. Its front cover generally contains some meaty quotation such as Carlyle's "Obedience is our universal duty and destiny; wherein who will not bend, must break." Or, "The test of good manners is being able to put up pleasantly with those who have bad manners."

Then follows news items, feature material on such national subjects as "Wages and Hours Laws," several pages of advertisements, more news items, sports news, and jokes. The Christmas issue had a decorative tree on the front cover, drawn by Artist Pitt.

Editor Pitt keeps in touch with the great and near-great through the medium of his newspaper. He wrote to President Roosevelt, asking for an article for the Star, and received a very nice letter back from Stephen Early explaining that the President never writes exclusively for any one publication. He wrote to Douglas Corrigan, and received his autograph in return.

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# Marigold

By Grace Livingston Hill

## SYNOPSIS

Two young men had entered the life of Marigold to capture her attention. One of them was Laurie Trescott, a handsome well-to-do young man, whose ways were worldly and impulsive. The other was Ethan Bevan, an attractive young engineer, whom she had met in Washington, D. C., while visiting an aunt. He brought her home in his car after the Washington visit, and by his Christian testimony aroused an eagerness in her to know more about the secret of his radiant and victorious life. Soon thereafter Laurie prevailed on her to go to the ice palace with him, where in a drunken stupor he made a shameful scene. Marigold was determined to put him out of her life, but on the next day after school Laurie was waiting for her. Before she realized what she was doing, she was forced into his car. As he drove off with her with reckless speed she caught his breath and learned to her horror that he had been drinking again.

## CHAPTER FIFTEEN

A new kind of fear possessed Marigold now. She had had very little experience with drinkers and so the situation was all the more startling. What was he going to do? Where was he taking her?

She tried to steady herself, casting furtive glances at his stern face as he threaded his way recklessly through traffic, dashing through lights, disregarding a possible whistle of the traffic cop, whirling around a corner and back into the highway again, without reducing his speed.

Oh, what was going to happen? He could not keep this up! They would both be killed! There would be sure to be an accident before many minutes. She must do something to stop him. Wasn't there any way to calm him? He sat there without looking at her and driving like a mad man. If she only knew how to drive! She had had a few lessons back in the days before her father died, but there had been no car after he was gone, and she did not dare trust herself even to try to stop this one, not with Laurie's hand upon the wheel, and Laurie looking like a crazy man, his face white with anger, his eyes wild and bloodshot. What could she do? Oh, Father in Heaven, help!

Like an answer to her cry there came the words to her memory, words

from that last morning in Washington when Ethan had read the psalm: "Surely He shall deliver thee—" and "Thou shalt not be afraid—" Those were all the words she could remember, but they calmed her frightened heart.

They were out of the city now, and on the broad highway, but it was little better here. The traffic was thick, and Laurie, not satisfied with traveling along at a reasonable speed, was dashing in between cars, and thundering past at a mad pace, rocking from side to side, and barely escaping collisions on every hand.

"Laurie, please," Marigold managed to whisper with white lips, "please go a little slower. You frighten me!"

Laurie looked down at her with bright strange eyes in which triumph sat like a demon.

"Frighten you? Ha, ha! Nothing to be afraid of!" His speech was thick and unnatural, and suddenly he reached out an arm and thrust it about her, drawing her close to him and forcing her head down on his shoulder.

"Needn't be afraid. I'll take care of you! Nothing ever happens to me! Just lie down and go to sleep."

Trembling with fear she slid out from that embracing arm with loathing. She had never been so near a drunken man in her life.

"No!" she said as quietly as she could manage her voice, "I'd rather sit up! It makes me a little sick, this going so fast! Couldn't you go just a little slower, please, Laurie?"

But he only gave an evil grin. "Sorry, can't accommodate you, Marigold," he said thickly, "got a date, and have to get there! But you'll feel better pretty soon, Baby! Do you good, riding fast. Good for the lungs. Blows the cobwebs away!"

"But you said you were taking me home, Laurie," she pleaded, "and this isn't the way home. I'm feeling quite sick, Laurie, and I'd like to go home."

"Yes, after while," he said indifferently. "Gotta go shumwheres else first. Didn't I tell you where we're going? My mishtake! You shее we're on our way to get married! Some wedding trip, Baby! Like it now?"

Horror froze her throat. She could not speak. She could not think. Was God going to let this awful ride go on? Was He going to let them come to some terrible end? A crash, terrible injuries, or death? Was a tragedy like

the coming to her dear mother to bear, all because she had been so silly and thoughtless, and self-willed, and determined to have a good time with Laurie?

"Because He hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him—" the words came to her like a voice from far away, out of that quiet happy Sunday night when Ethan had been reading God's word. She had been longing then for something deep and sweet in her own life that would calm fears and doubts and questionings and help her to anchor her soul, as the soul of the young man who was reading seemed anchored.

"Like that, Baby?" demanded Laurie suddenly. "Like to get married?"

Her soul was one great cry for help and strength and guidance. What should she say? She loathed his calling her Baby, but what was that in the midst of such danger? Not worth mentioning. The ravings of a maniac who must be calmed, not excited. She roused her frightened soul to self-control and tried to speak quietly.

"Have you told your mother what you are planning to do, Laurie?" she asked as steadily as she could.

"Told the mater? I should say not, Baby! She'd fall into a rage and stop my allowance, and that would never do at this shtage of the game, shее? I've got eight bucks left in my pocket and my lowance is due day after tomorrow. Never do to tell the old lady I'm getting married. No, we'll keep it quiet awhile, Baby. Bimeby when I get my money, come of age, you know, then we'll shpring it on 'em. That ish, if we make it a go. If we don't, nobody's the wisher, and what nobody knowsh won't hurt anybody. Shее, baby?"

He cast a develish grin at her, and she wondered with a sharp thrust of condemnation, how she had ever thought him handsome. Oh, could just a few drinks make a man into a devil like this? Or had he been at it a long time, and she had been such an ignoramus that she hadn't suspected it?

She shrank farther away from him into her corner.

"I'm—feeling pretty—sick—" she gasped out. "Do—you—mind—if I—don't talk—much?"

"Shick! Tough luck, Baby! Thatsh a nish way to act on your wedding trip!"

She barely suppressed a shudder at

that, and putting her head down on her hand closed her eyes.

"Oh, God!" she prayed, "I'm trusting you to see me through this somehow. Keep me quiet, and control this situation. You are stronger than the devil. You are stronger than a drunk man. Help!"

It seemed a miracle that they were still on the road. The car tore on amidst traffic, and barely escaped again and again. She began to hope and pray for a traffic cop, but none seemed to be in evidence. Once there were two on motor cycles, but there was an accident ahead, and when Laurie dashed by they were engaged in trying to control the cars involved, and did not seem to notice them until they were well past. Once Marigold heard a shrill whistle ring out far behind them, and hoped they had been sighted and followed, but Laurie pressed on, almost overturning the car once as he rounded a corner at high speed. Often he sent them up in the air and bumping down again with terrific force. But Laurie only rushed on.

It was growing dark now, and beginning to snow, and Marigold's heart grew heavier. She sat silent in her corner and almost she hoped that Laurie had forgotten she was there. If she only could contrive some way to make him stop at a service station she would try to make her escape! Just run around behind some building and disappear. Would that be possible? But she dared not ask Laurie to stop. Perhaps the car would run out of gas or something pretty soon. Perhaps there would be help somewhere.

But suddenly Laurie burst forth again.

"We musht be almosht there! Down in Mar'land shomewhere—! You've heard of the plashe! Get married shlick and quick! Everybody doesh it. Don't cosht much either. Guess we c'n get by on eight bucks. If we get shtuck I'll call up the old lady and tell her I'm bushted!"

Marigold tried to control the shudder that passed over her involuntarily, visioning such a life as he was planning for her. "God! Oh, God! I'm Yours! I can't do anything for myself! You sent a strong one to help me down from the high place. Please come Yourself now and help me!"

It was snowing hard now, a blinding snow. The windshield-wiper was tripping back and forth on the glass, but the snow in great flakes clogged its movements, and placed large soft curtains of snow quickly and neatly over the spot they had cleared. The visibility was poor. Marigold closed her eyes. She had no longer strength left to watch the near escapes, the oncoming lights of cars that seemed about to crash into them.

And now they were coming into a town. Marigold knew it even without opening her eyes, because the light

through her eyelids was more continuous. Laurie was still going at a break-neck speed. It was a wonder that he did not get arrested.

Suddenly she felt the speed slowing, and then the brakes were jammed on with a shudder and the car screamed to a slower pace.

"Thish musht be the plashe," she heard Laurie say. "Nish little town. Marriage lishenshes on every shtreet. Shее there!"

Marigold opened her eyes enough to see a great sign lighted with a row of electric bulbs above it, under a small sheltering roof. She could read the lettering through the fringes of her lashes.

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it read, and a great fear took possession of her, more dreadful than anything she had experienced before. Was there going to be no way of escape? Would it be possible for an unprincipled man to go through with a ceremony and make it legal? Oh, God! What should she do?

"Nish place," said Laurie thickly. "Like to live here myshelf. Look, Baby! Minishter! How 'bout that? You're so religioush, I shupposhe you'll be tickled pink about that!"

Marigold continued to keep her eyes closed as if she were asleep. It seemed her only defense. If he thought she was asleep perhaps he would let her alone a minute. Perhaps he would get out and go into the house without her. If she could only drive a car she could get away from him. The car was standing by the curb now, and Laurie was still for the instant. Would it be possible that he might fall asleep and give her a chance to slip out the door and away?

There was not any possibility that she had not conceived of during that awful ride.

But no, he was not asleep. He was reaching down into the pocket on the door of the car and getting that awful flask. Twice before he had taken a swallow, the car lurching crazily as he did it. She dared not turn her head and look, but a second later she smelled the strong odor of the liquor again. And now that the car was standing still he was drinking deeply.

Then suddenly he reached the bottle toward her.

"Take a drink," he said foolishly. "Got plenty left for you. Shusst a drop, Baby! Do you good! Take away your shickness! Better take a brasher. Then we'll go in and get tied."

But she steadily kept her head turned toward the corner of the car, and presently he desisted.

"Shtubborn! Thash what you are! Have a heckuva time breaking your will, but ish gotta be done! Awright, Baby, you shtay here a minute an I'll go tip off the parshun!"

Slowly and laboriously, Laurie opened the car door and got himself onto the sidewalk, slipping and sliding drunkenly about in the snow as he made his way across the pavement and in at a little white gate.

"Oh God! Oh, Jesus Christ! Send me help. Send a strong One."

Marigold's heart seemed to be praying of itself, while her mind suddenly came alert.

She sat without stirring while Laurie half skated up the little path to the white house, stumbled up the two steps to the veranda, and reached out an uncertain hand to a doorbell, adding a knock on the door itself, just to make sure.

Now! Now was the time!

She cast a quick glance about to get her bearings, and reached a cold trembling hand to the door handle. Was there a place to hide? There were lights ahead, cars coming—trucks perhaps—she must get across before they came. It was her only chance. The headlights would show her up as she ran, but she must keep well behind Laurie's car so he could not see her. Once out she would scream for help before she would ever let him put her back there. But—would he tell some tale, make them believe he had the right? Oh, she must not think of such things now. She must go at once. God, my God, Jesus my Savior, are You there? "Surely he shall deliver thee—"

The cold steel handle in her hand yielded and the door swung silently away letting in a rush of cold air. She could feel great snowflakes in her face.

She cast one quick glance at Laurie. The door was opening and a man in a black coat was standing inside. He would see her go if she waited an instant longer. She swung herself out into the road in the snow, struggling to keep her footing, and immediately the sharp light from an approaching car picked her out, and startled her to action. She sprang across into the darkness beyond that path of light.

She was dazed from the long hard ride, her senses were almost stupefied, but the snow stung her sharply in the face as she hurtled across to the shadows on the opposite side of the street and huddled there for an instant. Should she just crouch there somewhere and wait till the cars were past? No, for Laurie would raise an outcry as soon as he discovered her escape. She must be out of sight entirely before he found out. She darted a look toward the road and suddenly she saw that the colored lights coming were on a bus! A bus! Oh, if she could get into a bus! It didn't matter where it was going, if she could only get away somewhere. It was coming on swiftly, but she dared not try to signal it here in front of this house where Laurie stood. She cast a glance ahead and saw that the road curved around a slanting corner. Perhaps she could get past that



and manage to signal the bus, somehow.

She started ahead, slipping and stumbling as she went, but hurrying on. The snow blinded her, the sidewalk was slippery, the paving beneath the snow in places rough and uneven. Once just as she had almost made the corner, daring not to look back, she stumbled and almost went down, but a passing man reached out a hand and steadied her. She thanked him breathlessly and flew on, around the corner, past several stores whose bright lights made her shrink, and on to another corner. Now, was she safe?

The bus was rounding the corner now, and coming slowly on. It was halting, it was going to stop in front of the drug store. Would she dare run out and get in while it stood there in that bright light, or should she wait until just before it started on again, and make a dash for it?

She was standing in a little alleyway between two stores in the shadow, just for the moment hidden in the darkness. But there was snow on the ground behind her, and the whole world seemed too bright because of the snow. Her dark coat would show up clearly against that white background.

There were not many people in the bus, and they seemed to be asleep, their heads thrown back comfortably against the seats. The bus stopped just a little past the drugstore, the shadow of a great willow tree trunk half hiding the entrance from the sidewalk. The driver sprang out and dashed into the drug store. He was carrying a long envelope in his hand. One passenger roused and followed him, digging in his pocket for a coin, Marigold peered out cautiously from her hiding place into the store window. The driver handed the envelope to a clerk, threw a coin down on the counter, and now he was tossing down a glass of something. The passenger had just received a pack of cigarettes and was in the act of lighting one.

Marigold gave a quick glance back to the corner from which she had come. Laurie was not in sight yet. Could she make it? Oh, if he should appear just as she came out into the light she felt that her trembling limbs would let her down in an unconscious heap on the snowy pavement. But she took a long breath and dashed across into the open door of the bus, sinking into a seat far back in the shadow, scarcely able to get her breath again, though she had run not more than five steps. Was she really out of danger yet?

Then she heard a car come thundering up the street behind the bus. Had Laurie discovered she was gone and come after her?

She shrank lower and lower into the seat and closed her eyes, turing her face into the shadow.

It seemed ages before that driver came out, and the passenger who was

smoking his cigarette. She dared not open her eyes and look at them. Not until she was far away from this town. Would the driver notice that he had another passenger? She prayed fervently that he would not, at least until she was too far from the town to be put off.

At last the engine started, the bus lurched forward, made a wide circle, and turned back on its tracks down the street out of which she had just fled! Her heart stopped still. To her horror she saw the big sign "MARRIAGE LICENSES" loom into view. Was she caught? She couldn't jump out of that bus and run back. It was well under way now.

Marigold shrank into the cushions, putting her arm on the window seat for a pillow, and turning her face so that it was entirely hidden from view, thankful that in her hasty choosing she had lighted on a seat on the opposite side of the white house where Laurie had gone to arrange for their marriage.

Her heart almost stood still as the bus rumbled on down the street, expecting every minute that it would be held up and Laurie would come staggering in in search of her. What a fool she had been to get into a bus without knowing which way it was going!

She shut her eyes and did not dare look out until she was sure they had passed the place where Laurie's car had stood.

Then suddenly she was seized with anxiety to look back.

The snow was coming down so thickly that she could not be sure of anything but the two blurred points of Laurie's car lights. But there seemed to be a group of dark figures standing on the sidewalk near the car. She could not tell whether one was Laurie or not, but as she looked she was sure she saw one of them jump in the car, and a moment later those two bright lights came wallowing on toward her. Was Laurie's brain clear enough to have figured out her way of escape? Certain it was that a car was following the bus in wavering uncertain lines! Was it Laurie?

And while all this had been going on, down in Washington Marigold's mother was having a time of her own.

Some seventh sense vouchsafed to mothers only, had told her that there was need for worry.

Three times during the evening, quite casually, she had tried to call her daughter on the telephone, and had got no answer. She could not understand it. She was unable to think out a situation that would explain Marigold's not being in at any of her calls. And surely all three could not be blunders of a sleepy operator, because she had started calling quite early in the evening, to ask Marigold the address of a secondhand book firm that was

famous for being able to ferret out old books, even out-of-print books, and produce them in short order.

But when the third call failed she could not control her nervousness and said she guessed she would go to bed. Her sister watched her speculatively. She was older than Mrs. Brooke, had practically brought her up, and had learned through the years to read her face easily. She knew that her sister was worried about something.

Marigold's mother had been very surreptitious with her telephone calls. She had gone quite openly the first time, and coming back said she guessed Marigold was out to supper with some of the other teachers, but when at nine o'clock she thought to try again, she waited until Sarah, the house servant, was talking to Mrs. Bevan about the next day's ordering. The third time she had professed to go and get a clean handkerchief, but it took longer than was necessary and Marian Bevan studied her face when she returned. She was pretty sure what the trouble was, but couldn't quite think how to speak about it and so held her peace.

However, she did not drop the matter from her own mind, but took it to her usual refuge and began to pray about it.

About two o'clock Marigold's mother could not stand it any longer, and sure that her sister was long asleep, she stole from her room, velvet shod, and went stealthily downstairs to the telephone booth. Having closed all the doors possible to the upper floor, and shut herself into the telephone booth she made a prolonged effort once more to reach her child, becoming insistent, declaring that she knew someone was there, perhaps asleep, and please to keep on ringing till she got her. But all to no purpose. The operator finally grew irate and said very crossly, "Madam, they do not answer! Your number does not answer!" and at last she desisted, and stole silently back upstairs, with slow worried tears trickling down her cheeks. She was almost sick with worry.

She had reached the upper hall, and was cautiously moving past her sister's open door, confident that she could not possibly be heard when her sister's voice spoke out clearly:

"Mary, what is the matter? Why are you worried?"

She paused for an instant and caught her breath. Then she stepped to the dark doorway.

"Oh, my dear!" she said penitently. "Did I waken you? I'm so sorry! I just thought I would try again for Marigold. I was awake, and thought I might be asleep in the morning and miss her before she goes out early to school. But I wouldn't for the world have wakened you."

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# Reports from the Field

## Dakota Conference First Choir Cantata Rendered in Fredonia, North Dakota

Our people of the German Baptist Church of Fredonia, No. Dak., love music and singing. We have a fine choir in the church, and under the capable leadership of our director, Mr. Fred Gieser, it is a joy to sing to the glory of God. We intended to sing the cantata, "Zion," for Easter Sunday, but many of our singers were sick at that time, so we had to postpone it.

On Sunday evening, April 30, we gave our cantata before a full church. Our church building is much too small whenever we give a program. The cantata was the first one given in this community, and its rendition received much praise.

We felt that all our work and time put into it had not been in vain, and we resolved to keep on using our voices to the honor and glory of God's name.

MRS. WM. JASTER, Reporter.

## Presentation of a Play and Installation of Officers by the Grand Forks B. Y. P. U.

On Friday evening, May 12, the Open Door Class of the Grace Baptist Sunday School, Grand Forks, No. Dak., presented the play, "The House on the Sand," after 3 weeks of intensive rehearsals. It was first given on May 11 to the children, and a fine group attended this opening performance. May 12th was adult night and the play was given to a full house. The proceeds from this enterprise were donated to the building fund, which the church is creating, in order to build a parsonage.

The Rev. J. C. Gunst, our pastor, was the very capable director of the play and as a pleasant climax, he invited the entire cast to his apartment after the second performance for a lunch and several hours of fine fellowship. This was the first time our young people had attempted anything of this nature, and from the favorable comments, we know that our next undertaking will have even a larger audience.

On Tuesday, May 16, our Young People's Society had its annual business meeting and election, resulting in the following officers: Hannah Wolff, president; Alice Kromminga, vice-president; Evelyn Pallasch, secretary; Myron Kromminga, treasurer. At an installation service on Sunday, May 21, the above named officers took over the reins of the society. We are now looking forward to a very active and happy year together with our new officers as our leaders.



The Choir of the Fredonia Church

Under the guidance of our pastor, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, and with the divine help of God, we hope to carry on the work of God's Kingdom in Grand Forks.

MARIE KRANZLER, Reporter.

## Pacific Conference Evangelistic Services in the Colfax Church of Washington

We, of the Wilcox German Baptist Church near Colfax, Washington, were very fortunate in having the Rev. E. Bibelheimer of Missoula, Montana, with us for evangelistic services from April 24 to May 4. Three Sunday School students accepted Christ as their personal Savior. Baptismal services were held on Pentecost Sunday, May 28. We have been truly blessed of God.

Mr. Bibelheimer dedicated two evenings especially to the young people. His topics were "Don't Give the Devil a Chance," and "Give God a Chance." All the young people, especially the college students, were very much benefited by the two talks.

We sincerely feel that we have been greatly blessed throughout the meetings.

RUTH KRUEGER, Reporter.

## The Spokane Church Welcomes the Rev. N. A. Christensen as Its New Pastor

On Sunday evening, April 16, the German Baptist Church of Spokane, Wash., held a reception in honor of its new pastor, the Rev. N. A. Christensen and his family. The Odessa, Colfax and Haydon Lake churches united with Spokane in extending to the Christensens a hearty welcome.

Mr. John Kiess was in charge of the service. Welcome talks were given by representatives of the various departments. Mr. Philip Buchholz, supervisor of the Sunday School, spoke in behalf of the Sunday School; Mrs. John Kiess for the Ladies' Aid; Mr. Norman Roth for the B. Y. P. U.; and

Miss Rosemarie Rich for the Junior Society. The Haydon Lake Church was represented by Mr. Zabel.

Mr. Christensen expressed his gratitude in a most friendly manner. Mrs. Christensen also spoke a few words of appreciation, concluding with a solo, "Living for Jesus."

We were happy to have had the Rev. G. Eichler of Missoula, Mont., with us to take part in the program. We are also grateful to him for having his services by coming to Spokane every two weeks during the past months, in which we were without a pastor.

S. KLUNDT, Reporter.

## Dedication of the Remodeled German Baptist Church of American Falls, Idaho

We, as members of the German Baptist Church of American Falls, Idaho, have been very busy since January 1 remodeling our church. The platform was raised and two small rooms were built, one on each side of it. The arch, built across the front, gives the platform a very pleasing appearance. Our choir now occupies the seats behind the pulpit.

The Ladies' Aid had its church kitchen enlarged and our pastor, the Rev. A. Stelter, built many fine cupboards and work tables for us. To complete the improvements much painting, kalsomining and cleaning were done.

On Sunday, May 14, the members of our neighboring church at Paul, Idaho, came to be our guests and also to take part in our dedication services. The Sunday School hour was given over to two speakers, Mr. J. D. Isaak and Mr. Mossier from Pocatello, Ida. Our guest speaker for the morning worship was Mr. Mossier.

The union choir of the Paul Church and American Falls Church rendered two German selections. At noon a bounteous dinner was served in the church dining room. The cooks were very happy to initiate their new convenient kitchen.

The B. Y. P. U. rendered the afternoon program. The union choir gave an English song. Mrs. John Neuman spoke on the topic, "Our Mothers." The Rev. Floyd House, pastor of the English Baptist Church at American Falls, was our guest speaker.

We were greatly honored by the presence of our visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Winkler from Twin Falls, Ida., who played many fine gospel hymns on the marimba.

We thank God that he has helped us grow in material ways, and we pray that he may help us grow spiritually.

MRS. JOHN NEUMAN, Reporter.



**Recent Blessings of God Received by the Salt Creek Baptist Church of Oregon**

An evening of spiritual blessing was spent by those who were recently privileged to attend the annual anniversary program of the B. Y. P. U. in the Salt Creek Baptist Church of Oregon.

The greater portion of the evening was taken up by a missionary play entitled, "Two Masters." The story, brought out in the play, shows how a missionary's daughter (ably portrayed by Miss Mildred Voth) had been sent by her parents to America from her home in China, to attend college. She was sent to the home of a childhood friend of her mother, who attempted to serve two masters. Mrs. O. Nalportrayed by Mrs. Otto Skersies. College alienates the girl from the mission portrayed by drifting away from her purpose of preparing for the mission field in China. An incident occurs which causes her to consecrate her whole life to serving Christ in China. This also results in the friend of her mother yielding to Christ and ceasing to try serving two masters. Some of the rest of the cast included Miss Esther Aebi, Mrs. J. H. Voth, Miss Arlene Voth, Miss Viola and Mildred Schneider, and others.

Other numbers on the program were

with our Lord and Savior. During this time we had the privilege of having the Kraft Twins in our midst, who held special evangelistic services each evening. Because of the wonderful way in which Christ spoke through these consecrated young men, from the first evening we had a large attendance, and even a capacity crowd several times. Through the simple message, based wholly on the Word of God, the Kraft Twins are preaching the gospel with only one goal in mind, and that is to win many souls for Christ. Helping to make the evenings uplifting were the various musical presentations. Mrs. Roy Kraft played the piano every evening for the song service and for the special numbers. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kraft and Ralph Kraft favored us each evening with hymns on the vibra-harp, accordians, trumpet, flute, or with vocal selections. We praise the Lord for the souls who accepted Christ's call during this evangelistic campaign. Nineteen fine young people found Christ and have pledged themselves to a richer, fuller life in serving Christ. May the Lord richly bless the Kraft Twins as they travel throughout the land, and may they be able to continue winning souls, wherever they go.

EVAN SKERSIES, Reporter.



Young People in Attendance at the Nebraska Association Held at Beatrice

an oration, "Pagan Gods in America" by Gilbert Schneider; a young ladies' quartet song; a male chorus selection; a male quartet number; and violin solo by Evan Skersies. Our president, Dr. Norman Classen, was in charge of the evening, and the secretary, Miss Viola Schneider, gave a report of our blessings which we, as young people, experienced during the past year.

Another splendid service was held in our church on Easter Sunday. That evening it was our joy to have a baptismal service in which our pastor, the Rev. Otto Nallinger, baptized two souls on confession of their faith in Christ Jesus as their personal Savior.

From May 7 to 19 we, as a church, and many friends from far and near, were truly inspired to a closer walk

**Southwestern Conference**

**Recent Sessions of the Nebraska Association Held at the Beatrice Church**

Because of the expected visit of the Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., whose visits to the Nebraska association have been infrequent, we all looked forward with great anticipation to the opening days of our Nebraska spring association, which convened at the West Side Baptist Church of Beatrice, Neb., from May 18 to 21. We were, indeed, not disappointed in our hopes and expectations, for the Lord gave us ideal weather so that it was possible for a good number from Shell Creek and Creston to attend.

Mr. Leuschner and the pastors of the association worked hard to spread the Lord's table with spiritual food, and we could all eat and drink plentifully. As our guest speaker, Mr. Leuschner spoke on Friday evening, May 19, on the subject, "Prayers that Shake the Earth," which opened our eyes to greater visions of the possibilities of prayer, and which proved of inspirational value to all present. The Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Institute classes on Saturday were also in charge of Mr. Leuschner.

On Saturday evening Mr. Leuschner showed motion pictures of our mission work in Europe and Africa. A large crowd came out for the pictures and lecture, and through them we were led to see in a greater measure our obligations to our missionaries in supporting them with our prayers and material gifts. The address, "Missionary Adventures Among the Gypsies of Bulgaria," on Sunday morning by Mr. Leuschner made it possible for us to become intimately acquainted with the lives and ways of these most despised people, and to rejoice with our missionaries among them. After the young people's program on Sunday afternoon, Mr. Leuschner spoke to the young people on "Building for the Glory of God." The opening sermon of the association on Thursday evening, May 17, was brought by the Rev. M. De Boer of Shell Creek.

The devotional period on Friday morning was in charge of Mr. Wm. Brunken of Creston, which was followed by the organization business and reports from the churches. Then the Rev. Theo. Frey of Creston gave an address, and a quiet half hour followed in charge of Rev. M. De Boer. On Friday afternoon, Mr. Wm. Niemann of Beatrice led the devotional period, after which the Rev. M. De Boer gave an address on "Christian Growth." The Rev. Theo. Frey delivered an address on "The Family Altar." This was followed by a quiet half hour in charge of the Rev. A. G. Rietdorf of the entertaining church.

A very fine program was given by the young people of the different churches on Sunday afternoon, May 21, consisting of quartet numbers, a solo, a musical number, and a reading. The morning and evening missionary offerings amounted to \$35.

Rev. Theo. Frey of Creston delivered a fine sermon on Sunday evening, which brought the association to a close. Then we departed to our respective homes, feeling that it had been good to have been there, having been strengthened and uplifted by the spiritual food, and by the warm and kind hospitality extended by the members of the Beatrice Church.

The next association will meet at Shell Creek in the Fall.

ELIZABETH JONESCHEIT, Reporter.

**Inspirational Oklahoma Young People's Institute Held at Gotebo**

The Oklahoma German Baptist Institute of the state's Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union assembled at the Gotebo Church, beginning with Thursday evening, May 25, and continuing through Sunday, May 28. The general theme of the institute was "Witnessing for Christ."

The guest speaker of the institute was the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, editor of "The Baptist Herald." Mr. Leuschner gave many very inspiring messages in sermons, as a teacher, and in illustrated lectures on "Consider Africa" and "Fellowshipping With God's People in Europe." We were very fortunate to have Mr. Leuschner with us for these days.

Banners were given to the Okeene Church for the Standard of Excellence award, and to the Emmanuel Church near Loyal for mileage traveled to the institute.

Officers were elected as follows: president, Kenneth Reiseweg, Emmanuel Church; vice-president, Ruth Socolofsky, Shattuck; secretary, Edna Weber, Gotebo Union; treasurer, Clyde Geis, Emmanuel Church; advisor, Rev. J. Reimer of Gotebo. We congratulate these officers, and wish them great success in the next year.

All those in the large group of young people attending the institute received a great blessing. We are already looking forward to next year when we shall meet with the Bessie Union.

CALVIN GEIS, Reporter.

**Central Conference Successful B. Y. P. U. Contest in the Gladwin Church**

We, as members of the young people's society of the German Baptist Church in Gladwin, Mich., have completed a contest between two groups of young people sponsored by our temporary pastor, the Rev. Frank Armbruster.

We met every Friday evening. On the first Friday of the month we had the first Friday of the month we had our business meeting; on the second Friday a Bible discussion; on the third and fourth Fridays we exchanged programs; and on any fifth Friday we had a party. The pastor acted as our judge, and both sides put forth many efforts to be the winner in the contest. The work has created a desire to do more and greater things for the Lord.

On Palm Sunday, April 2, the choir of our church went to Beaver and rendered an Easter program. On Easter Sunday they gave the same program in our church and on the following Sunday, April 16, in the Mennonite Brethren Church.

The work of the Rev. Frank Armbruster in our church came to a close on June 1, and we, as a young people's society, wish to thank him for his

splendid service for his Master and his help to us. On June 18th our new pastor, the Rev. Leo F. Gassner, began his work in our church.

Our prayer is that God may bless his work and that he may lead us to still greater joy in the Lord.

MILDRED WOLFE, Secretary.



A Part of the Large and Enthusiastic Crowd Attending the Oklahoma Young People's Institute at Gotebo, Oklahoma

**New Missionary Enterprise Started by the Ebenezer Sunday School of Detroit**

The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., rejoiced with its pastor, the Rev. George A. Lang, on Sunday, May 21, when twelve persons followed their Savior in baptism. Several were led to accept the Lord in the Sunday evening evangelistic meetings conducted by the pastor. Others responded in the short pre-Easter campaign conducted by Dr. Whitesell of the Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, Ill.

We are also happy to report that a new missionary enterprise has been started by the Sunday School. This action was prompted by the pastor setting this project as one of the objectives for Ebenezer during 1939. Permission was granted by the City Board of Education for the use of one of the city's schools for this purpose. Located in a new residential district, which is rapidly being built up, it presents a promising field.

Before venturing forth in this new work of faith, a community canvass was conducted by a small group of workers who extended the invitation from house to house. Cards were also distributed to the school children, advertising this new mission Sunday School.

It was very gratifying that on the opening Sunday, May 14, the attendance reached 87 persons which was greater than we anticipated. On the following Sunday 98 were present. This group comprised all ages, including 37 in the Primary department and 18 in the Adult Class. The present staff consists of 7 teachers and officers under the capable leadership of the superintendent, Mr. Irvin Draewell.

EDWIN F. STRAUSS, Reporter.

**Mothers' and Daughters' Banquet at the Oak Park Church**

The Amoma Class and the Helping Hand Society of the Oak Park German Baptist Church of Forest Park, Ill., held a joint Mothers' and Daughters' banquet Thursday evening, May 25.

After a delicious dinner a fine program was given by the members of both organizations, consisting of piano and vocal selections and readings. A unique feature of the program was a collection of old time pictures of mothers and daughters, which were thrown on a silver screen, much to the enjoyment of the audience which was asked to guess the names of those whom the picture represented. This was conducted by Mrs. Marie Ross.

Our guest of honor and speaker of the evening was Mrs. Anna K. Speicher of Albion, Mich., a returned missionary from China, who, together with her husband, who died and is buried in that country, labored faithfully for the Lord to bring Christianity to the Chinese people for almost 41 years. Mrs. Speicher told us of many interesting experiences during her labors in China, and was able to see the wish of her husband fulfilled in the dedication of a mission and community building for the furtherance of the gospel in the very poorest slum district of Swatow. This building was dedicated just the day before Mrs. Speicher left for America.

The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Theo. W. Dons, president of the Helping Hand Society. The toast to the mothers was brought by Mrs. Margaret Jenkins and the toast to the daughters by Mrs. Kent. A piano solo by Dora Granzow, recitations by Olga Witzke and Martha Braener, and several vocal duets were also included in the program. Mrs. Marie Ross spoke on the subject, "A Peek into the Past." Miss Lydia Mihm, president of the Amoma Class, was toastmistress. The teacher of the Amoma Class, Mrs. Fred Grosser, offered the closing prayer.

Reporter.



### Recent Anniversary and Rally Programs of the Chicago Sunday School Workers' Union

The Spring of the year is a busy time for the Sunday Schools of Chicago and vicinity. On Thursday evening, April 27, the Sunday School Workers' Union of Chicago and vicinity held its annual business meeting at the Humboldt Park Church. The delegates met for supper, after which business was transacted and officers elected for the ensuing year.

Our revered president, Mr. Herman Siemund, was re-elected, as were also Mr. Fred Grosser, vice-president; Mrs. Olga Engbrecht, treasurer; Miss Martha Kenny, corresponding secretary; and Miss Olga M. Justin, recording secretary. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$57, of which \$50 were given to various missions.

Mr. Fred Stier, Jr., superintendent of the Humboldt Park Sunday School, opened the evening meeting with a devotional message. Roll was called and 9 Sunday Schools responded, each bringing a brief report of their school. The musical selections were given by the Grace Church Choir, Humboldt Park vocal duet and Ogden Park church choir.

We were honored to have Dr. Charles W. Koller, president of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago bring the address for the evening on "Looking Ahead." Dr. Koller brought inspiring and practical counsel to the pastors, superintendents and teachers.

On Sunday, May 21, the Sunday Schools of the Union held their annual rally at the First Church of Chicago. The church was decorated with spring flowers. A large American flag draped the pipe organ, and the Christian flag stood on the platform. The weather was not favorable and the crowd was not so large, but the enthusiasm ran high.

An orchestra, composed of instrumentalists from the First and Grace Churches, helped with the music. We had lively singing, especially when each Sunday School sang its own original song. The Oak Park Sunday School won the award with the best song and received the prize, a beautiful picture of "Christ at the Well." The First Church Sunday School had the highest percentage attendance. The Christian flag was given to the Immanuel Sunday School, since it was the only school not having any flag.

We were favored in having Mr. Ralph Stewart, radio announcer for the station W M B I, of the Moody Bible Institute, as our guest speaker. Mr. Stewart spoke directly to the children and gave them three things to remember, that Jesus is our Savior, our life giver and our keeper.

Other numbers on the program were an organ solo by Mr. Herbert Pankrat, numbers by the Oak Park chil-

dren's chorus, accordion solo and a vocal solo by Mrs. Brown, accompanied by her husband on the musical saw. We closed singing our customary songs, "The Star Spangled Banner," "Onward, Christian Soldiers," and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

After the benediction by Dr. John Knechtel, each Sunday School went on its way, some by bus, others by automobile and street-car, and still others on foot, happy to have had another Rally Day.

OLGA M. JUSTIN, Reporter.

### Northern Conference Mothers' and Daughters' Banquet in the Immanuel Church of Milwaukee

The Mary and Martha Class of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., held a Mothers' and Daughters' banquet on Wednesday evening, May 10. The banquet was very well attended.

The president, Mrs. H. J. Mueller, was mistress of ceremonies. Her daughter, Mrs. E. Quade, was chairman of the entertainment committee.

The program included community singing of old favorite songs. Miss Conrad sang a beautiful solo entitled, "That Wonderful Mother of Mine." Gifts were given to the oldest mother present, Mrs. Schaefer; the youngest mother, Mrs. Pieper; and the youngest baby, Beverly Ann Matushek.

The guest speaker for the evening was Miss Pearl Villauer of Detroit, Mich. She is our own church member, who has gone out as a missionary to work at Friendship House in Detroit. She has been richly blessed by God, for her efforts there are not in vain. Her message on, "What Have You in Your Hands to Give?" was beautifully presented. Everone present felt a real inspiration after her message.

MARY DENOMME, Reporter.

### Sessions of the Minnesota Association Held at Hutchinson

A goodly number of delegates and visitors attended the 70th Minnesota Association, which met at Hutchinson, Minn., from May 18 to 21. The weather was ideal and the hospitality of the church and pastor, Rev. A. Foll,

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was generous. Hutchinson is a city of fine homes and a cosmopolitan population. In this city the visitors were royally entertained, materially as well as spiritually.

The theme, "Revive Us Again," was well developed with the pastors treating the subjects in its various aspects. Truly, the visitors were spiritually uplifted and carried home thoughts and convictions that will improve the tone of every church represented.

One could become pessimistic about the future when reports mentioned small Sunday evening services and poorly attended prayer meetings. But other encouraging reports about our various ladies' organizations, additions to the churches, Sunday School increases, greater interest in our B. Y. P. U., and good Sunday morning audiences makes one believe that there is a bright future ahead,—in fact, signs of a spiritual revival are discernible. One of the better signs was indicated by the fact that a state missionary was no longer deemed necessary, the churches having made other arrangements. But pioneering work is not at an end. German Baptists have a missionary work to do in Minnesota and will continue to make forward strides by the grace of God.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Hutchinson gave a splendid program with Mrs. Jordan presiding. Among those taking part were Mrs. Barnard, who gave a fine missionary talk, ably illustrated, and Mrs. Hendricks who read a poem. A ladies' trio and solo by the Rev. John Wobig completed the afternoon program.

The following are excerpts from the various speakers: "Jesus will not share a divided heart with the devil," (Stoekmann); "Christians do not seem to be concerned about the unsaved going to perdition," (Wolff); "The church is in need of a spiritual and moral housecleaning," (Wedel); "In not helping to win souls we are aiding the powers of darkness," (Lutz); "Not all people are spiritual who are religious," (Hirsch); "The world does not come to us but we must go to the world," (Wobig); "The most lonely and shriveled-up souls are those who have no concern about others and who live in a world of their own making," (Schebert); "What are we doing to build up the body of Christ?," (Matz); "The Christian's way of life is a road of unassailable Christian character and of unselfish consecration," (Lennox as guest speaker from Minneapolis); "Prayer is the movement of the re-created heart towards God and is the language of the children of God," (Foll).

The new officers for the year are as follows: moderator, John Wobig; vice-moderator, E. Wolff; clerk, Wm. Schober; treasurer, H. Hirsch; mission committee, H. Wedel.

WM. H. SCHOBERT, Reporter.

### Eastern Conference

#### "Better Baptist Sunday School Crusade" at the Central Church of Erie, Pennsylvania

Upon the challenge by the Immanuel Baptist Sunday School of Erie, Pa., the Sunday School of the Central Baptist Church in Erie entered into a "Better Baptist Sunday School Crusade" with that school. The crusade was a contest lasting ten weeks with the following points of credit: 1 point for every scholar attending Sunday School; 2 points for every Bible brought to Sunday School; 3 points for every scholar attending Sunday morning worship; 4 points for every teacher or officers attending the midweek service; and 5 points for every new scholar.

Two large thermometers had been set up in each Sunday School to show the standing of each school. It was a great joy to see the girls and boys do their utmost to win. The winner was to receive a set of seven maps for class or school use, and, in addition, was to be treated by the losing church to a grand social with games and refreshments. From Sunday to Sunday the thermometer rose and the points scored at the end of ten Sundays at the Sunday School of the Central Church rose to 10,649 while that of the opponent remained at 8047.

The losing Sunday School provided a splendid social, and the generous portion of refreshments heightened the joy of every one attending. It was also at this social that the set of seven wall maps were presented to our Sunday School. Many blessings, too numerous to mention, have come to the Sunday School and to the church as a result of this contest.

REV. HENRY PFEIFER, Reporter.

#### The Annual Spring Institute of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of Western New York and Pennsylvania Held at the Central Church of Erie, Pa.

The blessings and inspirations of the 16th annual spring institute of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of Western New York and Pennsylvania which were poured out during the days of the conference from May 26 to 28 will long be cherished by the many delegates and visitors who had come to the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pa.

An unusually large number of delegates and visitors came to attend the opening inspirational service on Friday, May 26. With Mr. Lincoln S. Love as president, presiding, the conference was successfully begun. The inspirational message delivered by Mr. George Zinz, student at our seminary in Rochester, was entitled, "Workers for Christ—Are We Equipped?" He reminded us of the tremendous change

that has taken place and the great challenge presented to us at this time. At the close of this service a very pleasant reception and social gathering took place in our spacious dining room. Miss Shirley Brown, chairman, succeeded in making it an enjoyable time of fellowship.

The conference continued on Saturday morning with devotions led by the Rev. Mrs. I. E. Domes of Attica, N. Y. A young people's forum led by Prof. A. A. Schade proved to be very profitable, and the discussion that followed was enjoyed. Miss Florence Schillinger's solo, "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings," was refreshing and created new interest for the Sunday School

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forum which followed. The speakers, Mr. J. A. Zurn, superintendent of Erie, Pa., and Mr. Walter Schmidt of the High Street Church, Buffalo, N. Y., presented in an interesting and informing way the facts concerning "Organization, Administration, and Relation of the Sunday School to the Church."

After the delightful dinner fellowship, the group walked to the nearby Erie Cemetery to view the beautiful sunken garden and the gorgeous tulips in full bloom. At two o'clock a question period, led by Prof. A. A. Schade, brought solutions and answers to inquiring young people.

The business session led by the presi-

dent revealed several very interesting facts. We regretfully accepted the resignation of Prof. Frank Woyke as advisor, but rejoiced when the Rev. W. H. Habel of the Spruce Street Church in Buffalo, N. Y., accepted the election to that office. Miss Clara Schade, treasurer, and Miss Alice Kaiser, secretary, desired to be released from their obligations as officers, and the following young and promising officers were elected: Miss Elizabeth M. Kapteina of the Temple Church in Pittsburgh, Pa., treasurer; Miss Dorothy Meyer of the Andrews Street Church, Rochester, N. Y., secretary. The raising of \$250 for missions was not fully realized. The reasons for the failure led us to keep channels open for another month, and it is believed that with that additional time the goal will be reached.

The climax of the day, of course, was reached at the banquet. After the delicious dinner, planned and prepared by the chairman, Mrs. L. S. Love, and Mrs. Wm. Meuser, songs and favorite choruses rang forth to the glory of God. Mrs. Ralph Brock, toastmistress, introduced the speaker of the evening, the Rev. W. H. Habel of Buffalo, who spoke to us on the theme: "A Workman of God Approved" basing it on 2. Tim. 2:15.

Sunday morning at 6 A. M. several young people could be seen at the early morning service sponsored by the Erie Ministerial Association with Dr. W. P. Tolley, president of Allegheny College, bringing the message. Almost every one attended Sunday School, and the greetings and words of encouragement spoken by the following were greatly appreciated: Mr. W. Schmidt; Prof. A. A. Schade; George W. Zinz; and Mrs. I. E. Domes. The church was filled to capacity for the morning worship service. The anthem by the choir and the solo by Miss Lois Meuser, "The Holy City," created a splendid atmosphere for the message delivered by the Rev. Arthur Kannwischer of the High Street Church, Buffalo, N. Y., on "A Soul On Fire," based upon the report of the first great experience at Pentecost.

All delegates and visitors were graciously and royally entertained in the homes of members and friends of Central Church. Although heavy showers fell, the church was again filled to capacity for the mission mass rally in the afternoon. Surrounded by music from the choir and the King's Trio, the Rev. S. Franklin Logsdon of the Bethel Baptist Temple of Erie delivered the message entitled, "Elijah in Grace High School." The conference came to a fitting close with the observance of the Lord's Supper by the pastor of the Central Baptist Church, the Rev. Henry Pfeifer. We are grateful to God for all his blessings.

REV. HENRY PFEIFER, Reporter.



## Atlantic Conference Annual Business Meeting of the Walnut Street Church, Newark, New Jersey

The annual business meeting of the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Newark, N. J., was held on Wednesday evening, May 17. Encouraging reports were rendered by representatives of the various societies in the church, with the respective work of each progressing nicely. Financial reports showed that the church had come through another year free from debt, with a number of necessary improvements made and the discharging of all obligations.

The pastor, the Rev. John P. Kuehl, gave a report of the spiritual progress of the church. A marked growth was felt spiritually in well attended services throughout the year. Special services for a week in March were very successfully led by Rev. Edward Kehler of Jersey City, N. J.

The following officers were elected to serve the church during the coming year: treasurer, Mr. Henry La Frenze; financial secretary, Mrs. Josephine Rauscher; church clerk, Mr. John Schmidt; trustees, Mr. William Beltle, Jr., and Mr. Harry Bosworth; women representatives on official board, Mrs. Edward Fiedler and Mrs. Harry Jerome; chief usher, Mr. William Beltle, Jr.

We are deeply conscious of God's blessings and guidance during the past year and pray that we may ever strive to bring souls into his Kingdom.

JOHN SCHMIDT, Church Clerk.

## Nineteenth Annual Conference of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Atlantic Conference

The 19th conference of the Atlantic Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union was held with the Second German Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., from May 19 to 21. The spirit of Christian hospitality was felt upon our arrival, and the unique decorations of the trylon and perisphere used in various ways made us realize that we were in the vicinity of the World's Fair. The conference theme was "Able With Christ," and each speaker stressed the importance of that topic in the modern world of today.

Our president, Miss Margaret Masoskey, was in charge of all of the meetings. It was a joy to hear the rousing song services which were led by Mr. Hilmar Ross, Mr. Alfred Toelle, and Mr. Herman Zachay. The speaker of the opening session was the Rev. Verner Olson of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church of Newark, N. J. His fine message included this thought, that we, as Moses, may accept the meaning of the burning bush and enter into the Lord's work, not with hot heads, but with burning hearts to do his will.

The Rev. William Appel, the new

pastor of the entertaining church, led the morning devotions and had as his topic the "Able Family," namely as Comfortable, Reasonable, Teachable, Changeable, Dependable, and Profitable Christians. Which are you? The discussion hour was in charge of the Rev. Julius Kaaz of New Haven, who had for his subject, "The Future of the German Baptist Denomination." It was felt that our German work still has a significant place in the world of today, in spite of the fact that many of our churches use the English language to a great extent. "Our future will depend upon the praying, paying, proclaiming, and persevering members," just as the past depended upon the same type of members.

A short business session followed, at which reports were read and accepted. Immediately after the luncheon, Mr. William Appeldorn led the group to the World's Fair grounds where the rest of the afternoon was spent in viewing the sights of yesterday, today and tomorrow. We then hurried back to attend the banquet at the Central Y. M. C. A. Mr. Edwin Maarklein was the able toastmaster. Songs, cheers and fellowship were enjoyed by the 250 persons present. Election of officers took place with these results: president, Milton Frahme, of Clinton Hill, Newark; vice-president, Clara Berger, of King's Highway, Bridgeport; secretary, Carol Sheffick, of Evangel, Newark; treasurer, Otto Draeger, of Second Church, Philadelphia; mission secretary, Josephine Rauscher, of Walnut Street, Newark.

The challenging message was brought to us by the Rev. Clarence Roddy of the Baptist Temple of Brooklyn. As the early church outthought, outlived, and outdied the pagan world in which it found itself, so we, with Christ, must follow the same course in the pagan world in which we find ourselves.

Our final gathering was the mass meeting on Sunday afternoon, with 441 responding to the roll call. It was very inspiring to attend such an assembly of Christians and to hear such a forceful message, "Youth Mobilizing for Christ," brought by the Rev. J. Melvin Prior of Bridgeport, Conn. We must mobilize the army of Christ so that his message will be sufficient to solve the problems of the world. Each one of us must reconsecrate his life and follow the Commander and be drafted for all of life.

Prizes for the Sunday School Contests of the past winter were awarded to the eleven winners. They were neatly framed certificates, plus a large Bible picture, which was presented to the Sunday School which had the highest average percent of attendance, namely, the King's Highway Baptist Church of Bridgeport, Conn. Their average for 12 Sundays was 87 5/6%, with the

Ebenezer Church of West New York as a close second with 87 1/4%.

Much credit is due the various committees of the entertaining church who so ably arranged everything for the visitors; the ladies, who served such tasty meals; and the officers of the Union for their untiring efforts during the past year. With the same spirit of cooperation we know that the future of our denomination will continue to be successful because we are "Able" to overcome the world "With Christ" as our Leader.

ALICE KAAZ, Reporter.

## OBITUARY

### MR. BOOKER JAMES

Mr. Booker James was born in Marion, Virginia, on September 30, 1886, and passed away on Sunday, May 14, 1939, reaching the age of 52 years, 7 months and 14 days. When 19 years of age he came to Washington, where he made his permanent residence until his early death. On December 29, 1912, he was united in the holy bond of matrimony with his deeply bereaved wife, Elsie Zickler. Four children were born to this happy union, one girl and three boys.

As a boy of 13 he was converted to Christ and baptized and affiliated with the Baptist church. He took an active part in the services of a little Baptist congregation, south of Marlin, Wash., until the church suspended some years ago. He leaves to mourn his loss his deeply bereaved wife; his daughter, Mrs. Bonny; his three sons, Roger, Spencer and John; besides four brothers and a host of other relatives and friends.

Isaiah 3:10 brought us words of comfort at the sacred service. May the Lord of comfort be the mourners' comforter!

Odessa, Washington. Jacob G. Rott.

### JOHANNA M. GIEDINGHAGEN

Miss Johanna M. Giedinghagen of the St. Louis Park Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo., fell asleep May 22, 1939, after 6 days illness. Baptized when 14 years old she has since been a member of our church. She taught a Sunday School class for nearly 55 years, visited the sick and aged, also like Dorcas she altered and distributed worn clothes among the poor, especially children, giving them great joy. She performed many good deeds unseen, was faithful in little things and has done what she could. She is missed by the poor and afflicted as well as by her church friends—she reached an age of 74 years. A deacon.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

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● The Spring Musicale of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of Detroit, Mich., was held in the Second Church on Tuesday evening, May 23. The orchestra of the Ebenezer Church and a Girls' Trio of the Bethel Church opened the program. Mrs. Ewald Rumminger brought a reading. Vocal and piano solos were given by Ruth Sauer and Natalie Zannoth, respectively. The Rev. Paul Wengel, pastor of the Bethel Church, spoke on "Music Appreciation" and was in charge of the installation of the new officers for the Union. The officers for the ensuing year are Herbert Knack, president; Ewald Rumminger, 1st vice-president; Herbert Siepke, 2nd vice-president, Ruth Sauer, secretary; and Donald Zannoth, treasurer.

# A Chat About Books

The city commands attention today as the great home mission field of the church. Several years ago Dr. R. Sharpe, secretary of the Baptist City Mission Society of Cleveland, Ohio, wrote an article, the repercussions of which are still being heard today, in which he said: "The cities are the storm centers of Christianity in America. As go the American cities in matters moral and spiritual, so goes America, and as goes America in these vital matters, so goes the world. The city is the giant that will make or break us. The church of Jesus Christ must meet this challenge, for nothing but the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, can dispel the storm clouds and bring peace to these dark and troublesome times."

The city as the new frontier of home missions is receiving its due attention in an array of notable books. Pastors, missionary leaders, young people and all church workers should give them their earnest attention.

### The American City

One of the best books on this subject with an informative, general treatment is "The American City and Its Church" by Dr. Samuel C. Kincheloe (Friendship Press—Cloth, \$1.00; Paper, 60 cents—1938—177 pages). The author, who is the associate professor of the sociology of religion at the Chicago Theological Seminary, is passionately concerned that the great mission of the Christian Church may be more fully realized in our urban civilization. That mission is interpreted in terms of "bringing salvation to human beings by giving them Christian attitudes toward the world and their fellows—in terms of friendship, service and love, as taught and lived by Jesus Christ, and allegiance to the highest social values and thus to God." The author quotes "the Prayer for our city" of Walter Rauschenbusch as the spiritual need for our day: "Bind our citizens, not by the bond of money and of profit alone, but by the glow of neighborly goodwill, by the thrill of common joys, and the pride of common possessions."

With concrete facts and illustrative material the author surveys the present state of our cities and the problems of urban life. The picture is discouraging and depressing, because of the serious moral and spiritual as well as economic and political problems of modern cities. Even in a study of the material influence of cities on churches and vice versa, the sad conclusion has to be stated that "many Protestant churches have not learned how to deal with city people and with urban problems." But Dr. Kincheloe shows the way out for visionary Christian leaders to make the church of today a leav-

ening influence for Christ and his Kingdom in the midst of urban problems. That is the task of the Christian Church in our cities today, by means of an aggressive and enlightened leadership, to give meaning and purpose to human lives in terms of values which we find in Christ and Christianity.

### City Shadows

Few Christian people realize what sinister shadows cast their blight upon American cities, what desperate physical and spiritual needs cry to heaven for solution, what cesspools of crime and sin are to be found at the center of urban life. If more Christian people did, they would recognize the great mission field at their doorstep! They would have that Christlike vision of the modern city which animated Robert W. Searle, the general secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches since 1934, to write the book, "City Shadows" (Friendship Press—1938—Cloth, \$1.00—Paper, 60 cents—165 pages.)

Dr. Searle takes the reader with him through court rooms, prisons, consultation chambers of social agencies, hospitals, church offices, city streets and crowded tenements and shows him the shadows of the American city. In a series of short stories about real characters, the author sketches the lives of those who dwell in the darkness of these city shadows but who also feel the sympathetic warmth and transforming power of the light that shines from Jesus Christ to dispel those shadows. Those individuals and missionary groups which study this book intelligently and sympathetically will agree with the author's conclusion, "What is needed today is a Christian crusade in love to conquer the world for Christ, which is only another way of saying to bring in the reign of brotherhood. For you and for me that must begin in our own community."

### The Word at My Door

The memorable service of home missions and Christian Americanization work as rendered by the Baptist Women's Home Mission Society is thrillingly dramatized and depicted by its general secretary, Mary Martin Kinney, in the book, "The World at My Door" (Judson Press—1938—\$1.50—185 pages.)

The first part of the book is "a description of how Christian men and women through their personal friendships are carrying the gospel of Jesus Christ to people from other countries." The second section of the book, as outlined by the author, tells how "groups of Baptist churches are experimenting in the development of new expressions of Christian friendliness—expressions

that enrich the church life and increase the effectiveness of its ministry."

Italian mothers, Chinese coolies, Mexican peasants, American refugees; Polish young people, Japanese laborers, and Hungarian Gypsies are only a few of the many groups of "strangers with friendly touch of America and the Christian ministry of this Baptist mission work. The glory of Christian brotherhood through faith in Christ will unfold its message and beauty to the reader of this timely book. It is especially recommended to women's groups for missionary study.

### Urban Scene

For the Christian who is interested in this subject of the church and the city but who must "read as he runs" because of limited time, no finer recommendation could be made than the paper-bound handbook, "Urban Scene" by Marguerite Harmon Bro (Friendship Press—25 cents—61 pages). Here in striking photographs, numbering more than 70, in pictorial statistics and in other graphic presentations is the city of today. The reading of this brochure will make the Christian's heart more sensitive to the human heart of mass problems. It will make him want to weep over the city with his Master. It will make him eager to serve his city more effectively in and through the church. This is an indispensable handbook for all groups studying the problems presented by modern city life.

### Children's Books

Stories of city life for Primary and Junior boys and girls are to be found in two interesting books, entitled, "All Around the City" by Esther Freivogel (Friendship Press—1939—Cloth, \$1.00; Paper, 50 cents.) and "Street Corner" by Harold and Eunice Hunting (Friendship Press—1938—Cloth, \$1.00; Paper, 50 cents.) Each book is adapted to the children, and is profusely illustrated with drawings. The story of "Christians in the City" in the first book, and the account of Woo Chee with his Chinese laundry, who brought his family to a Christian Sunday School, in the second book are especially fine.

Any of the books mentioned in the "Book Chat" can be ordered through the German Baptist Publication Society, 3734 Payne Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. Every effort will be made to fill the order promptly and efficiently. This is your Publication Society, established to render every possible service to our readers.



† IN MEMORIAM †  
**Rev. Christian H. Edinger**  
 of Henrietta Texas

Although it was generally known that the Rev. C. H. Edinger of Henrietta, Texas, was seriously sick, there was the hope combined with our prayers that he would recover. But God saw fit to do otherwise in calling him home on Friday, May 26, 1939. The memorial service was held on Sunday, May 28, at Henrietta and Hurnville, Texas.

A representation of members of the church at Kyle, Texas, of which Mr. Edinger had been pastor for more than seven years, had come to pay him their respects. A male quartet of Lengefeld men, accompanied by Margaret Lengefeld, rendered several selections in song. In addition to these numbers, there were also numbers rendered by a male octet composed of the English and German Baptist churches. Rev. C. C. Gossen sang a solo and also a



Rev. C. H. Edinger

duet with Miss M. Lengefeld. Rev. W. E. Schweitzer sang a German song for the benefit of the bereaved family and friends.

The service was in charge of the undersigned at the request of brother Edinger. Due to the shortness of time between the news of his departure and the funeral date, it was impossible to reach and to invite all who mourn his passing. However, eight ministers were present and participated in the memorial services. The brethren Becker, K u c h e n b a e c k e r, Laborn, and Schweitzer led in searching prayers and besought God's blessing upon the mourners.

Rev. H. C. Ekrut spoke on Rev. 14: 13 as also did Rev. A. Becker. Rev. W. H. Bunning spoke on Phil. 1:21; and Rev. Moody and Rev. W. E. Schweitzer spoke more generally on the theme of this sad and heart-rendering occasion. Every one could only speak praise and words of high esteem for the life of the deceased. He was not only a friend of a select group but of all of the rich and the poor, of the ministry as well as the laity. He shirked no duty but always did his work conscientiously. He was eager to win the lost and spent much effort in their behalf.

His zeal for the lost, no doubt, was the chief reason why the general mission committee in April elected him as evangelist for the Dakota Conference. Brother Edinger was to begin his work there in August. As a committee we were certain that we had done God's will, and yet Brother Edinger has joined the celestial ranks.

His passing came after a serious battle between life and death due to a serious operation. This operation was performed to save his life which was imperiled. Death would have come soon even without the operation. In his own words he said that "it saved my life for at least a while." This period was only for about two weeks of severe suffering, interspersed with improvement and relapse, hope and despair.

The family, the relatives and friends will feel the loss painfully. God grant that everyone of us may be strengthened by his exemplary life and the testimony of his faith!

"Beloved it is well!  
 God's ways are always right;  
 And perfect love is over them all  
 Though far above our sight.

Beloved it is well!  
 Though deep and sore the smart,  
 The hand that wounds knows how to  
 bind  
 And heal the broken heart."

Christian H. Edinger was born on November 12, 1882 in Calalue, Roumania. On May 9, 1888 he came to the United States with his parents, Joseph Edinger and Helen Adam. Under the ministry of the Rev. W. L. Wahl he came to the saving knowledge of Christ and joined the church of Germantown, No. Dak., by baptism in 1903. In 1904 he felt the call to the ministry and entered our seminary, from which he graduated in 1910. His first church was Max, No. Dak., where he served from 1910 to 1913, after he was ordained at Cathay, No. Dak., in 1910. The other fields which he served with consecration and loyalty are: Winnipeg, Canada, 1913 to 1917; Spokane, Wash., 1917 to 1924; Wasco, Calif., 1924 to 1931; Kyle, Texas, 1931 to 1938; Hurnville, Texas, 1938 until his death.

Soon after graduation in 1910 he was married to Helen Noehring, who preceded him in death in May, 1921. From these marriage bonds four children were born, Orville, Ruth, Roland, and Alfred. In June 1922 he married a second time and this time to Katherine Klund, who now mourns his passing. From these second marriage bonds there are also four children: Naomie, Edwin, Raymond, and Clarence. Roland preceded his death in 1932. Besides his wife and seven children, he leaves Mr. Hodel, a son-in-law, and a granddaughter. He also leaves seven brothers and two sisters in North Dakota, and one brother in Los Angeles.

REV. W. E. SCHWEITZER, Reporter.

## A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHER

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The officials at the Town Hall know Scoop Pitt and save little items for him. The police chief calls him by his first name.

Collecting autographs and stamps are hobbies of Theodore's which he fosters through his newspaper contacts. He is also fond of baseball, football, basketball, and aviation.

Theodore K. Pitt was born July 7, 1926 in Detroit, Mich. His parents moved from Detroit when he was five years of age, and moved to Newark, N. J. When he was seven years of age, the family came to live in Hartford, and from there moved to Hamden in September, 1935. He is in seventh grade in Putnam Avenue School, is five feet two inches tall, weighs 92 pounds and uses the hunt-and-peck system of typing.

Theodore isn't sure he wants to be an editor when he grows up. "Though that's probably what I will be," he admitted. "But I might be an accountant or an engineer. I haven't made up my mind."

## KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

(Title of Front Cover Picture)

Man is closer to heaven than he has ever been before. He has grown wings, conquered the skies, carved out a new kingdom above the earth.

And despite all his pretensions of advanced civilization and increased intelligence, the best use he can put his new kingdom to is to use it as a vantage point for quicker, more complete, and more inhuman destruction of his fellow men!

It's a bitter commentary on the world we live in. But it's also a frightening one. For today's bombings give clear evidence that there are no more barriers, no more refuges, no more isolated areas.

If general war comes, we have a slim chance of staying out of it—and just as slim a chance of avoiding slaughter from the heavens.

The one hope is to work for peace now. There is no time to lose, no effort to be spared, no decent human to be excused from the job.

World Peaceways doesn't claim to have the answer all neatly worked out, all ideally solved. We do claim to have a plan, a determination to take sensible steps toward preventing war, and an enviable record as a constructive force for peace.

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