

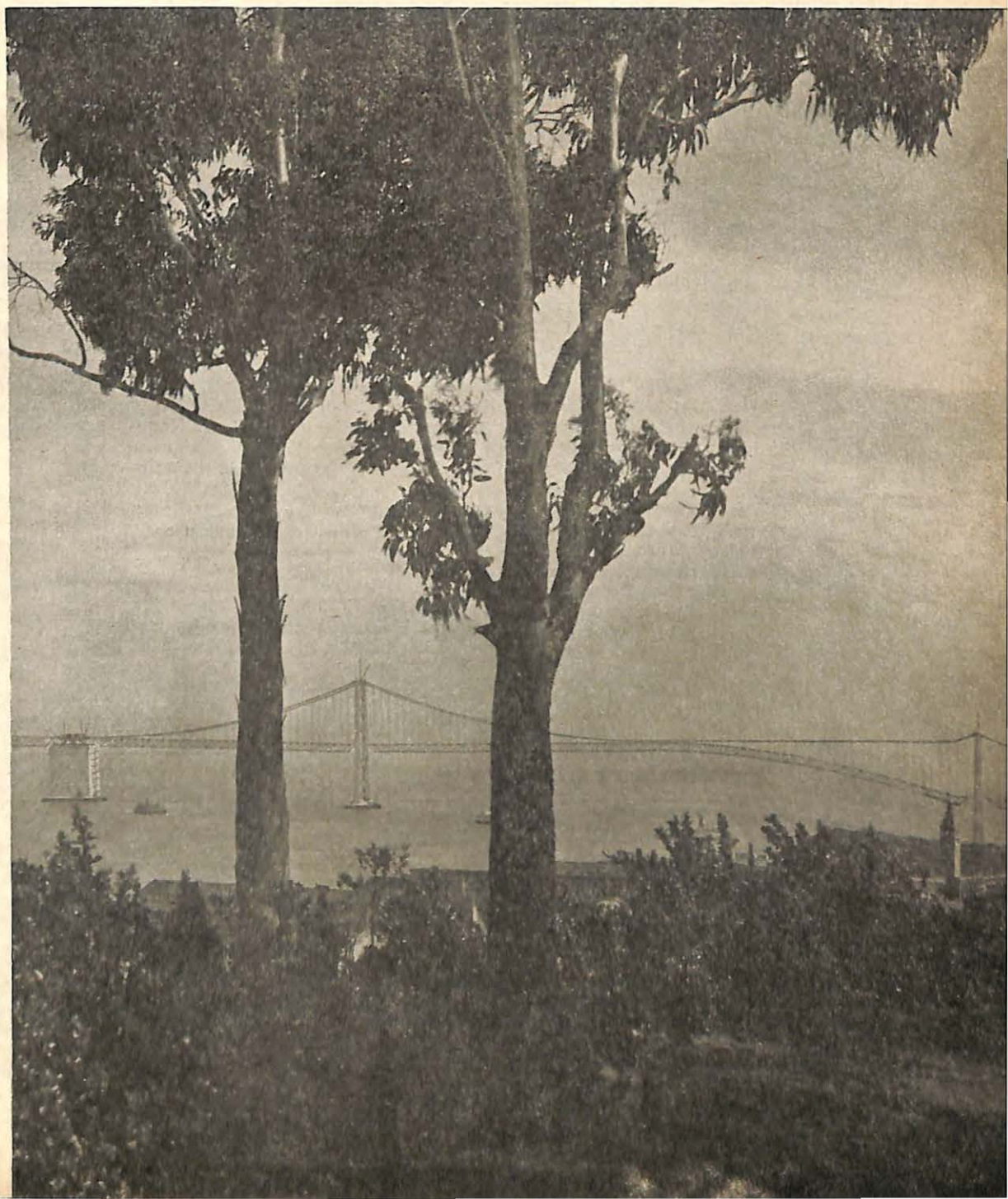
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What's Happening

● The Rev. Max Mittelstedt, pastor of the Shaker Square Church of Cleveland, Ohio, for the past several years, has accepted the call extended to him by the German Baptist Church of Kyle, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Mittelstedt have already changed their residence to the Southland and Mr. Mittelstedt is beginning his ministry in Kyle on Sunday, March 12.

● Revival meetings were held for two weeks, from January 15 to 29, in the Baptist Church of Killaloe, Ontario, Canada, with encouraging success. The Reverends John Heer of Sebastopol and A. E. Jaster of Arnprior assisted the Rev. E. W. Klatt, pastor of the church. A young woman accepted Christ as her personal Savior during the meetings, and the power of God manifested itself in every service through the prayers and testimonies.

● Mr. Jerry Thiele of Newark, N. J., a licensed minister and a member of the Evangel Baptist Church of that city, is serving the Passaic Baptist Church of New Jersey as its pastor for several months. Recently 8 Sunday School scholars made their decision for Christ. Professor G. H. Schneck, who recently passed away, was the former minister of the Passaic Church until his retirement in August, 1938.

● Dr. William Kuhn, general missionary secretary, holds a steamship agency for all steamship lines crossing the Atlantic Ocean to Europe. The proceeds from the sale of tickets are devoted to the missionary enterprise of the denomination. Members and friends of German Baptist churches, who are contemplating on making a trip to Europe this summer, are urged to secure their steamship tickets through Dr. Kuhn by writing to him at Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

● On January 15 the Rev. F. W. Socolofsky of Cordell, Okla., began his ministry in the German Baptist Church of Shattuck, Okla., to which he was called. Mr. Socolofsky has not been in the active pastorate for a number of years and is now happy to be able to render a ministry as God's ambassador to this congregation. He succeeds the Rev. J. E. Ehrhorn, who resigned some time ago because of failing health, and then moved with his wife to Dallas, Texas.

● The 3rd anniversary of the radio ministry of the Connor's Avenue Church of Detroit, Mich., was celebrated by the church on Sunday, February 5, from 4 to 4:30 P. M. over

station WEXL in Royal Oak, Mich. The pastor, the Rev. Wm. Hoover, spoke on "Why Are We on the Air?" Musical numbers for the special anniversary program were brought by the mixed and male choirs directed by Mr. R. Zech, by the Children's Choir directed by Mr. G. Schinman, by a guitar orchestra under the direction of Mrs. A. Eschner, and by a mixed quartet.

● On December 26, 1938, Mrs. Karoline Bluemke of Alpena, Mich., passed away after a long illness at the age of 94 years. She was a charter member of the Fourth Street Church of Alpena, having joined the church in 1884, more than 55 years ago. The Rev. W. B. Jarman, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Alpena, officiated at the service. The reporter for the church wrote that "through her kindness and unselfishness Mrs. Bluemke brought many to Christ. Her faith was great and so was her Christian strength. She loved people and proved her love."

● The Sunday School of the First German Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., recently elected its officers with the following results: superintendent, Mr. Malcolm Graham; asst. superintendent, Mr. William Strunk; recording secretary, Mrs. Paul Miller; personnel secretaries, Messrs. Wm. Kosik and Edwin Neithardt; treasurer, Mr. Frank Arnold; pianist, Mr. Walter Stamm; asst. pianist, Mrs. A. Kannwischer; superintendent of Beginners' Dept., Mrs. P. Miller; and superintendent of Primary Dept., Mrs. Edwin Neithardt. The Rev. A. E. Kannwischer is the pastor of the church.

● On Sunday, January 22, the Rev. R. E. Reschke, pastor of the German Baptist Church of Bethlehem, Pa., baptized 5 young people in an impressive service. The only daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Reschke was in this group. Three of the baptismal candidates were from the nearby Evangelical Church, who wanted to be immersed. The pastor of the Evangelical Church preached a baptismal service at this occasion on the theme "Dedication." Mr. Reschke wrote that "the young people in our church make us very happy. They are loyal, earnest, and willing, and so we go ahead with the assurance of success."

● The Spruce Street Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., celebrated its 90th anniversary on February 15 and 16 with a full program of festivities. The Rev. E. J. Baumgartner of Milwaukee, Wis., a former pastor, spoke on "Ancient History," reviewing the church's

history until its Diamond Jubilee. An address on the "Modern History" of the church was brought by another former pastor, the Rev. C. E. Cramer of Arnold, Pa. The pastor of the church, Rev. H. W. Habel, spoke on "Prophetic History," outlining the future possibilities of the church.

● The Immanuel Baptist Church of Kankakee, Ill., will celebrate its 75th anniversary from March 12 to 15. All of the former living pastors of the church, including the Reverends Julius Kaaz of New Haven, Conn., W. S. Argow of Erie, Pa., C. F. Zummach of Trenton, Ill., J. H. Ansberg of Toledo, Ohio, and Professor A. A. Schade of Rochester, N. Y., have been invited to the celebration. The Rev. George Hensel, pastor of the church, invites all former friends and members to send their congratulations in writing or to attend the festivities in person.

● The Founder's Week Conference of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, Ill., was held from January 29 to February 5 with a considerable number of out-of-town guests from German Baptist churches in attendance. Among others were the Reverends Wm. L. Schoeffel of Cleveland, Wm. Hoover of Detroit, John Schmidt of Union City, N. J., John F. Meyer of Baileyville, Ill., J. H. Kornelsen of Vesper, Kansas, John Borchers of Chancellor, So. Dak., and A. Engel of Racine, Wis., and Mr. Henry Schacht of Loraine, Kansas.

● The Rev. William Kuhn, D.D., spent most of February on an extended visitation tour to churches in Canada and the Pacific Northwest. On Sunday, February 12, he preached in the German Baptist Church of Vancouver, B. C. (Continued on Page 98)

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A PERSONAL inventory is an indispensable part of the Christian life. We need to look at ourselves and to take stock of ourselves at certain seasons of the year.

The Inward Look The Lenten days preceding Easter call for a searching of our hearts until we see ourselves as God sees us. The Psalmist's prayer must become the expression of our earnest desire. "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

Most people are careful observers of things that happen about them. They can be exceedingly critical of other people's actions. They can even repeat the gossip about others, which has fallen from neighbor's lips, with glee. Their personal ego grows with this practice of passing judgment on others. In general, it can be said that the tendency of our day with its lack of emphasis upon personal sin is to forego the art of earnest and profound self-analysis.

How different was Christ's approach to life! He looked beyond the outside of the cup to the motives of men's hearts. He startled those, who wanted to stone a sinful woman, by calling upon them to look at their own hearts and then, if they were without sin, to throw the first stone. He turned the tables upon those who were as quick as a trigger to condemn others. For Jesus the inward look at one's true self before God always preceded the upward look of faith, envisioning the glory of God and of his truths.

In the quiet sanctuary of a room, where you are all alone, open the Bible and turn its pages to some of the Psalms or to some favorite passage. Meditate upon it until the faces of other people disappear completely from view and only your true self is bared before God. What is God trying to say to you through his Word?

Have you lived in conformity to his will? Are there things in your life which put something between you and your Savior in loving fellowship? Can you give God the key into every chamber of your life? Gradually the Bible truths begin to mirror your soul, as you take this inward look into the deepest recesses of your life.

The publican had to beat upon his breast with heart-searching penitence, praying inwardly, "God be merciful to me, a sinner!", before God could send him on his way with the blessing of his redeeming love. The apostle Paul had to recognize his own weakness and profound needs in life before God could unfold to him the treasures of his promise, "My peace is sufficient for thee." So we have to understand these truths, that apart from God we are lost and that without God we can do nothing, before the windows of heavenly blessing can be opened for us.

Such seasons of inner spiritual searching in the light of God's Word will save us from the pitfalls of pride and envy. Man is always humbled in the presence of God. His holiness dims our poor efforts into a faint glow. We then forget about comparing ourselves with others and we desire only to become more like Jesus Christ. The inward look will lead us to confess our sins and shortcomings to God and to appear before him with penitential spirit. All of that can be the open doorway into a glorious experience with Christ, the risen Lord, as he shares the power of his resurrection with those who walk in his light and who keep his commandments.

Every Christian should have such a sanctuary of silence, when he or she can come apart from the bustle of life and take this inward look to God. A few moments spent each day in such a self-searching way will leave its spiritual imprint of blessing for years to come. Remember the inward look at this season of the year.

Christians as Saints of God!

This superb sermon, delivered at the General Conference in Portland, Oregon, in August, 1937, has a timely message for our denomination with its present emphasis on evangelism and a deeper spiritual life.

By the REV. JOHN LEYPOLDT of Portland, Oregon

THE DISCIPLES of Christ in the apostolic age were not only called "Christians" but also "saints." The most common term for a follower of Christ today is Christian. But this designation is found only three times in the New Testament, whereas the term, "saints," occurs much more frequently.

We read of the saints at Jerusalem, Lydda, Joppa, Rome, Corinth, Ephesus, Philippi and Colossae. And yet we are afraid to use this Biblical term today.

It seems a presumptuous term for disciples. One reason why we as Baptists hesitate to speak of ourselves as saints is because a certain religious body speaks of "dead saints." Another

The term, "saints," first of all, expresses our relation to a holy God. Our Owner is a holy Being. We have almost forgotten the holiness of God in our day. The love of God has crowded out this fundamental doctrine. We need to re-emphasize the holiness of the Eternal One. At the heart of the universe is a friendly God but he is a holy Being.

Isaiah was captivated by the Holy One of Israel. The holiness of God became the supreme expression for the very essence of the Divine nature. John, whom we call the "apostle of love," not only emphasized God's love but also his holiness. He said: "God is light and in him is no darkness at all." Holiness precedes love in John's



Mary at the Feet of Jesus Learned the Lessons of Sainthood from the Master of All Teachers

reason, undoubtedly, is because the term expresses an ideal that almost seems beyond our reach.

But if the New Testament writers applied it to living saints, we are justified in using it today. What our churches need most of all are living saints, not dead saints, not pillar saints, not hypocritical saints, but real saints!

Consecrated to God

The root meaning of the word, "saints," is "consecrated" or "belonging to a god." Therefore, saints are first of all God's personal property. Just as the Israelites belonged to Jehovah, so Christians belong to God. They are his possession.

first epistle.

God is a Being, who is free from all blemish, spot or stain. There is no darkness and no impurity, none whatever, in him. We need to regain Isaiah's and Paul's conception of God. The God, to whom we are related, is a holy as well as a loving God. We as his children are to be holy ones.

A Changed People

Saints are a changed people. The word "saints," or holy ones, should not only describe our position before God as consecrated but our condition since we have been changed by the Spirit of God. We are made saints by God's Holy

Spirit. His Spirit has changed our spirit, motives, desires and outlook upon life.

A saint is not a white-washed person but a person washed white. Our courts may white-wash persons, but only Christ can wash us white by his blood, which is his life poured out for us on Calvary. The human heart must be changed before a man can live a holy life.

A Separated People

Saints are also a separated people. The term, "holy," contains the idea of separation. We are set apart for God. We are separated to his service and his will. Saints are not called upon to be hermits, to live in a monastery, or to shut themselves off from the outside world.

If there ever was a real saint, it was Jesus Christ. But he did not withdraw from the world of men. He lived in their midst. He was in the world but not of the world.

The Master mingled with outcasts and members of the exclusive class. He attended a wedding feast and accepted invitations to dinner. His loving hands touched the bier of the dead, the eyes of the blind and the rough skin of the leper. We find Jesus on the mountain-side and in the city streets, in a garden and in the synagogues, under the canopy of heaven and in the temple. And yet he was the greatest of all saints.

Set Apart for God

Jesus never separated himself from the world of men, unless he went into solitude to pray. But he always separated himself from sin. He always lived a holy life in a sinful world.

When the New Testament speaks of saints it does not refer to a select group in the church, to an inner circle. It includes all Christians, the entire Christian community. Saints compose a consecrated society. We are separated from the world but set apart for God.

What a spiritual force our churches would be if all our members led a holy separated life. We must separate ourselves from questionable habits, and sins of the disposition, if we desire to be real saints.

A Happy People

Saints are also a happy people. We are not expected to have long faces, fold our hands continually or wear a certain dress. Saints are to be filled with a holy joy. Paul writing to the saints at Philippi speaks to them repeatedly of rejoicing.

The disciples on the day of Pentecost were a changed, separated and happy people. One of the main characteristics of the early Christians was their overflowing joy. They had been redeemed. They belonged to a glorious company of saved people. They were on the winning side. Why should they not be happy? They were a holy people, a happy people, a spiritually empowered people.

A Humble People

Saints are likewise a humble people. They are not "perfectionists," neither do they take a "holier than thou" attitude. They do not live without sin, but they no longer live in sin.

A careful reading of Paul's letter's proves that the saints of his day were imperfect people. The fact of the matter is that the more saintly a Christian is the more he realizes his own imperfections. Paul speaks of himself as being the least of all saints.

David Brainard, apostle to the Indians, was a real saint and yet he sorrowed over his own pride and selfishness, over his want of love and gentleness. The great preacher, Robert Murray McCheyne, at his desk wept over his own sins.



Our Missionary Deaconesses, Sisters Lydia Doellefeld and Emma Herrmann, Who Are Serving Among the Gypsies of Bulgaria as True Saints of God

I have been impressed with the confessions of great men of God who have confessed their pride and selfishness. A saint of God is a humble follower of his Lord.

What we need is a fresh consciousness of our own sinfulness, unworthiness and weakness. We need to be emptied of our pride, self-sufficiency and spiritual lethargy and be filled with the Spirit of our Master. Our churches need to get a new vision of the holiness of God, of his awful purity, of his matchless transparency.

We must realize that God is not only love but also light, not only merciful but also holy, and that as holy ones we are called upon to lead separate and victorious lives. We need the exhortation today: "Be ye holy; for I am holy."

"Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

"Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with thee I will one will,
To do, or to endure.

"Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine,
Till all this earthly part of me
Glows with thy fire divine

"Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity."

Winning Many for Christ

A Page Devoted to the Interests of Our Denominational Revival of Evangelism

BLESSINGS FROM ABOVE

By Rev. Jacob J. Reimer
of Gotebo, Oklahoma

Our church in Gotebo, Okla., was much blessed in the services of "the Prayer Week" during the first days in January. Five souls were saved and three last week. Most of these were brought to a decision through personal work, one being a drunkard and the father of four motherless children he had been neglecting. He and two of his children were gloriously saved as Mrs. Reimer and I visited their humble home. We are longing for more of such blessings from above!

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

By Rev. Herman P. Bothner
of Pound, Wisconsin

On Sunday, January 1, I had the privilege of baptizing three older people and of receiving them into our German Baptist Church of Pound, Wis. We expect that others will follow the Lord in baptism soon. A young people's society has been organized, and at the present time it is conducting cottage prayer meetings. A Ladies Aid Society is also in process of organization. The Rev. E. J. Baumgartner of Milwaukee recently visited our church at Gillett, and we are happy to announce that that work is blossoming and growing to our great encouragement. With the help of God we look forward to the future, believing that in him all things are possible!

COUNT ON US!

By Rev. George A. Lang,
Pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist
Church of Detroit, Michigan

You may count on me as a Prayer Helper for a spiritual revival, and especially for a year of evangelism and soul-winning. We observed "the Week of Prayer" in our church, the Ebenezer Church of Detroit, Mich. We followed the topics which were suggested. Various leading brethren of our church spoke, a different speaker every evening. Thereafter, we united in earnest prayer for a revival. This plan met with a gracious response from the people and was of great blessing to us. We are planning on aggressive evangelistic efforts in our Sunday School in February and an evangelistic campaign for two weeks the latter part of March with an outside pastor or evangelist. The church is wholeheartedly behind this endeavor. We implore God's blessing upon us!

CANADIAN REVIVAL CAMPAIGNS

By Rev. Phil Daum
of Winnipeg, Manitoba

The denominational call for a revival of evangelism in 1939 has awakened a great deal of interest in our Canadian churches. Besides my routine work as secretary of the German Baptist Immigration and Colonizing Society, I am participating in three evangelistic campaigns from January to March. Invitations have come to me repeatedly. The Lord has granted me joy to accept several of them. Beginning with January 25 and continuing for several weeks, I served as evangelist in the German Baptist Church at Medicine Hat, Alberta. Later in the month I shall serve our church in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, with revival meetings and during March in the church at Hilda. All three of these churches are without the services of pastors at present, so that this evangelistic ministry is greatly needed.

THANKFUL FOR MEAGER HARVESTS

By Rev. G. Palfenier
of Whitemouth, Manitoba, Can.

Our church in Whitemouth, Manitoba, can look back upon a year of considerable activity in the service of Jesus Christ. Two of our young people confessed their faith in Christ recently with much joy and several others dedicated themselves to the Lord after having been negligent in spiritual matters. Even for this meager harvest we are thankful to our God.

The typical Canadian winter has again settled down upon us with all its cold and snow. All the roads are covered with heavy snow, which sometimes reaches a height of six and seven feet in drifts. Only sleds can be used to go from place to place. Unfortunately, that means that church attendance drops off. The men of this section go into nearby forests for work and return home possibly once in two weeks for the necessary food provisions.

Since the women and girls, have to stay at home after the men of their families have left, they cannot easily come to the prayer meetings of the church because of the deep snow. I try to accommodate them as far as possible. I go to their homes and hold cottage prayer meetings with them. Neighbors are invited and sometimes we have a good sized group.

CONVERSIONS AND BURNING OF MORTGAGE PAPERS

By Rev. Emil Becker
of Herreid, South Dakota

Soon after our arrival in Herreid, So. Dak., as the new pastor of the German Baptist Church, we were asked by the members of the Gnadenfeld mission station to conduct revival meetings in the church. We gladly consented and held meetings for three weeks. The spirit of God prevailed in these services, and our members had a deep passion to lead the unconverted to the Savior. Members of the audience participated enthusiastically in prayer, testimony and devotional messages. It was a delight for me to lead the services. During the three weeks 20 persons were converted.

At the Watch Night Service we were able to burn the last mortgage papers, which were outstanding on the new church building, that was constructed after the disastrous fire of several years ago.

THIRTY CONVERTS BAPTIZED

By Rev. Rudolf A. Klein,
Pastor of the Emanuel Baptist
Church near Loyal, Oklahoma

We, as the Emanuel Baptist Church near Loyal, Okla., have reasons to be grateful and to rejoice, for the Lord has answered our prayers. Evangelistic meetings were started in our church on January 1 and continued until January 22. Great interest was shown throughout the entire meetings. The Rev. E. L. Banta brought interesting Bible studies on "The Plan of the Ages." The morning services were in the nature of a school. The evening services were of an evangelistic character. Mrs. Banta assisted her husband by accompanying him with piano and banjo. The results of the meetings were that 31 were gloriously saved and 9 rededicated their lives to the services of the Lord.

Sunday, January 22, was the crowning day for us! The morning service was for the edification of God's children, followed by a fellowship dinner in the basement of the church. A song service for the young people was held at 7 o'clock in the evening. The Rev. Chas. Wagner and some of the members of the Zion Baptist church of Okeene were also present to celebrate the activities of the evening. The evangelist brought a short message, after which the pastor, the Rev. R. A. Klein, and the candidates prepared for the act of baptism!

Hold Such in Loving Remembrance!

Memorial Articles About the Reverends C. A. DANIEL,
F. A. BLOEDOW and F. H. HEINEMANN

† In Memoriam †

Rev. C. A. Daniel

March 19, 1861—January 23, 1939

On Monday, January 23, the Rev. C. A. Daniel of Detroit, Mich., at the age of nearly 78 was called to his reward. He was born in Cincinnati on March 19, 1861. There he spent his childhood days and youth, and at the age of about 12, he accepted the Savior under the ministry of one of our pioneer German Baptist preachers, the Rev. J. C. Hasselhuhn.

Over 50 years ago, having been graduated from the German Department of Rochester Theological Seminary, he entered into his first pastorate at Waterbury, Connecticut. From there he was called into service in the teeming Harlem section of New York City. His service in that field and his personal contact with such men as Dr. Walter Rauschenbusch during that period gave direction to his life.

After a long and successful pastorate in Harlem he was called to Rochester, N. Y. Every audience in the Rochester church included professors and students, and all of the life bore the scholastic stamp given by the proximity of the seminary. By his own confession he found himself in strange waters in the Rochester Church, and yet he served that church for twelve long years.

His next pastorate was with the Highland Street Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., at that time a very live organization, and it was from Buffalo that he entered his pastorate here in Detroit in 1913. By the grace of God he was able to serve the church for 9½ years until 1922.

This period of his ministry was characterized by intensive missionary interest and activity. The work in Lansing was sponsored and built up during that period, largely under his leadership. The Russian work was begun in the Detroit area, which has since developed to promising proportions. The Swedish Baptists were housed in our church edifice and encouraged in their work.

The Chicago cooperative missionary enterprise observed him and in 1922 called him to serve as superintendent of the Chicago Missionary Society and the Old People's Home. He rendered faithful service in that capacity until during the depression it was necessary for the Chicago society to reduce its budget. The last years of his active service he gave to the Second German Baptist Church of Chicago. In 1934 he definitely entered into retirement,

and settled here in Detroit, where most of the family is resident. We were happy to include him in the fellowship of Bethel Church from that time until his death.

At the funeral service held for him on Thursday, January 26, a group of appreciative friends participated. The Rev. R. F. Fehlberg, formerly pastor of the Second German Baptist Church, and one of the three friends of the pastoral combination that in those days was called "Daniel and his three friends," offered the opening prayer in German. Scripture passages from 1. Corinthians 15 and Hebrews 4 were read by the Rev. E. G. Kliese. Dr. Frank, executive secretary of the Council of Churches, brought a splendid tribute to Mr. Daniel's Christian spirit and missionary zeal. The Rev. B. Graf, another of the famed quartet, spoke some very pertinent words of personal appreciation and commendation.

Mr. Albert Finn, one of the veterans of the Detroit Baptist Union, who observed Brother Daniel's work during his Detroit incumbency, represented that organization, and Mr. C. J. Netting, the friend of these pastors, spoke for the many friends and the members of Bethel Church. The pastor closed with commendations that he believed would find response in the very heart of God.

Mr. Glenn Kleppinger, at one time director of Bethel's choir, and a friend of the family, sang "All the Way my Savior Leads Me," and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." A large body of friends and members of Bethel Church attended the funeral services as an expression of their sympathy to the bereaved family as well as their appreciation of the deceased friend and pastor.

He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Ida Daniel, and seven children, Mrs. Harry Mills, Mrs. Roy W. Pichler, Mrs. Robert W. Busse, Mrs. Charles Seeger, and Carl A., Walter R., and Alvin L. Daniel. In addition there are 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Rev. Paul Wengel, Reporter.

† In Memoriam †

Rev. F. A. Bloedow

Oct 17, 1876—January 27, 1939

With the passing of the Rev. F. A. Bloedow of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, on January 27, another faithful soldier and ambassador of Jesus Christ has been called to the heavenly home by God from the ranks of our ministers. In 34 years he served his deno-

mination and Lord with sacrificial spirit. At the age of 2 years, 3 months and 10 days he passed away quietly after an extended illness.

Mr. Bloedow was born on October 17, 1876, in Klein-Silber, Brandenburg, Germany. A young man of 14 years he was converted and baptized by the Rev. Karl Meyer, pastor of the Reetz Baptist Church. A few years later, in 1893, he emigrated to Ontario, Canada.

He completed his studies in the German Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., and graduated in 1905. In the same year he became pastor of the Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan. In 1905 he also married Miss Karoline Runtz, and established his home, into which 4 children were born and in which joy and peace reigned supreme.

The year 1907 was a memorable one for Brother Bloedow. The Northern Conference held its sessions in the Ebenezer Church, served by him. At that time evangelistic meetings were also held in the church by the evangelist, the Rev. H. Schwendener, as a result of which 57 persons were converted. All of these were baptized on a red-letter day by Mr. Bloedow. At the same occasion of the Northern Conference he and two other young ministers were ordained in an impressive service.

After 6 years of arduous and self-effacing labors upon this mission field of the Ebenezer Church, Mr. Bloedow assumed the position as district and traveling missionary for the Northern Conference. In 1916 he had to retire from that work because of the illness of his wife, and he became the pastor of the German Baptist Church of Yorkton, Saskatchewan, which he served until 1919. He was minister of the Nokomis Church from 1919 to 1922, and in the latter year was called to serve as young people's secretary by the General Missionary Committee of the denomination.

Dark years of illness followed for him from 1923 to 1926. In March, 1926, God used the Rev. John Luebeck in a special way to restore Brother Bloedow to health. For the first time in many months he was able to leave his bed, to eat with his family, and on the following Sunday he preached in the church service. From 1926 to 1937 he served the denomination as Immigration and Colonization Secretary for the Canadian provinces. Later, he became ill again and, in spite of the best care and medical aid, his departure from the scene of this life occurred.

The high esteem and love of his family, co-workers and friends for him were expressed audibly and visibly in

the impressive memorial service held in his beloved church, the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church of Winnipeg on Tuesday, January 31. The Rev. Otto Patzia, the incumbent pastor of the church, was in charge of the service. Upon request of the family the Rev. Albert Kujath of Regina brought the memorial address on the theme, "Der Himmel unserer sicheren Heimat," based on the text, John 14:2. Other speakers at the occasion were the Reverends John Luebeck and Phil. Daum and pastors of the English Baptist churches of the city.

His departure is mourned by 4 children, Erich of Winnipeg, the Rev. Wilfred Bloedow of Evansville, Wis., Ruth and Frieda of Winnipeg; 2 daughters-in-law and 2 sons-in-law; 4 grandchildren and a large circle of relatives and friends.

May the God of peace and comfort bless the hearts of these who have been bereaved and grant them a blessed reunion in the heavenly Home! Rev. Albert Kujath, Reporter.

† In Memoriam †

Rev. F. H. Heinemann

February 3, 1864—January 24, 1939

On a winter day a son, Frederick Heinrich, was born to the Heinemann family in Germany. The day was February 3, the year 1864.

The Heinemann family were devout Christians of the "sect" called Baptists. Theirs was not an easy lot, for the state church of Germany looked with displeasure upon those who held that the teachings of Christ concerning individual and personal experience constituted the essence of true religion. In addition to the displeasure and obnoxious regulations of the government to which Baptists were subjected, they had to bear the taunts and ill-will of their former friends and fellow townsmen.

One evening when the small Baptist group had assembled in the Heinemann home for a prayer meeting, a mob of state church members gathered outside the home and threatened violence to the leader. The father of the home saved the leader by escorting him through a window in the rear of the house, and guiding him 20 miles cross country to a haven of safety.

In 1869 the Heinemanns came to America and settled in Burlington, Ia. To them America meant more than merely the land of economic opportunity. To them it meant the opportunity of worshipping God according to the dictates of their own conscience. Small wonder that the boy Frederick developed a love of country of the greatest devotion.

At twelve years of age young Heinemann was baptized. This was a focal point in his life. To him this step meant a complete surrender of his powers and his life to Christ. In his

devotion and loyalty he never wavered. From the moment that he accepted the sacrifice on the Cross as his purchase from sin, he devoted his every ounce of strength to the service of his Leader.

When he was 18 years of age he felt the call to the ministry. In 1883 he entered the seminary in Rochester, N. Y., from which institution he was graduated in 1888.

The motive force of his life was a burning desire to bring men into the knowledge of the saving grace of Christ. This point is well illustrated by the following incident. Shortly before his graduation from the seminary, he was having an interview with his friend and teacher, Professor Walter Rauschenbusch. The interview concerned his appointment to a church. Prof. Rauschenbusch stated that two positions were open to the young pastor. "Here," said the professor, indicating a letter on his desk, "is a big church in our denomination to which I can recommend you. And here," he continued, pointing to another letter, "is a field in Ontario, Canada, where there is a big need for service. Which will it be, Fritz?" And with that characteristic decisiveness the young preacher answered, "I'll go where the need is greatest."

The field he selected was that in which now are located the churches of Killaloe, Arnprior, Pembroke, Lynbrook and Sebastopol. This was real pioneer work. The churches were located quite some distance apart. The nearest railroad station to the home church was 30 miles distant. Roads were mostly trails.

In 1889 the young preacher married Miss Wilhelmine Bloedow. No man ever found a better helpmate. In loyalty and love to Christ and his kingdom they were equally devoted. The young wife was equally adept at frying a mess of brook trout or at leading a prayer meeting. The beautiful devotion of Brother and Sister Heinemann grew out of the mutual appreciation of the true worth, each in the other.

In 1893 the Mission Committee asked the young "pioneer" preacher to take over the work at LaCrosse, Wis., and Mount Prairie, Minn. Here for another year he carried on the work of building the Kingdom.

In 1894 the churches of Faribault and Randolph, Minn., extended a call to Brother Heinemann. For 7 years he served his Master in this field. Brother Heinemann was possessed of an ability for leadership. This was soon recognized by the conference in which he worked. Soon he found himself taking active part in the work of the conference. He was honored by his associates with high offices in the work in Minnesota and also in the general work of the denomination.

In 1901 Brother Heinemann accepted the call of the Minnetrista Baptist

Church at St. Bonifacius, Minn. For 36 years, the second longest pastorate in Baptist circles in Minnesota, he served his Master in this field. During these 36 years he wrought a place for himself in the hearts of the entire community. He was affectionately called "The Reverend" by everyone. Brother Heinemann made his influence felt far beyond the confines of his own church. He was active in civic and community affairs. For 20 years he served as secretary of the local Board of Education. He was the motive force in the building of the modern school.

In 1912 the beautiful little "Church on the Corner," as the Minnetrista church is called in that community, was built. Here again Brother Heinemann's managerial ability was demonstrated. On the day the church was dedicated every bill had been paid, and the church was free of debt.

St. Bonifacius is located "by the waters of Minnetonka." This is an ideal vacation spot. The Heinemann home was the mecca for many friends, many of them leaders of our denomination, during their vacation days.

His interest encompassed the entire work of the denomination. He worked in harmony with the plans of the General Conference. He was particularly interested in the work of our school in Rochester. In the spring of 1938 he was invited to participate in the Commencement exercises.

He loved young people. The Young Men's Class in the Sunday School was a special joy to him. It was they who paid him the last honor by bearing him to his last resting place!

Brother Heinemann was an ideal husband and a wise and loving father. His wife was an invalid for the last 20 years of her life. During this time he carried her on arms of love. During the last 7 months of her sojourn here on earth he sacrificed himself in caring for her. To his sons he was a real pal. For the last 8 months of his life he made his home with his son, Walter, at St. Bonifacius.

On Tuesday morning, January 24, He whom Brother Heinemann had served so faithfully, called him home. Hundreds of friends accorded him the last honors while he lay in state in the church. Services were conducted on Friday afternoon, January 27. The Rev. A. Lutz of the home church officiated. The Rev. C. F. Stoeckman preached the sermon. Pastors from the Minnesota Conference and from neighboring states assisted in the service, and acted as honorary pall-bearers.

Brother Heinemann is survived by three sons: F. E. Heinemann, Wayzata, Minn.; W. E. Heinemann, St. Bonifacius, Minn.; R. B. Heinemann, Anoka, Minn.; two sisters, Mrs. Alfred Tompkins, South St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. Herman Michel, Minneapolis, Minn.; and two grand-daughters.

R. B. Heinemann, Reporter.

Favorite Scripture Verses

A Page Devoted to Personal Experiences of the Christian Life

MANY FAVORITE TEXTS!

By Rev. Edward Niemann
of Savage, Montana

"Building a life upon a Bible text" is also my testimony of spiritual experience. As a young Christian I lived largely in 1. Peter 1:5 ff. The devil plagued me with many doubts, but the Word of God helped me to victory. Later, the second chapter of 1. Peter became blessed ground for me. During my active ministry Romans 1:16 brought me much victory. At present I am living in Romans 8:28 ff, as "conquerors through him that loved us." "Es waechst der Mensch mit seinen hoeheren Zwecken."

GOD AT MY HEART'S DOOR

By Mr. Robert G. Konitz
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"Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Matthew 7:7.

This verse in Matthew's gospel reminds me in every way of that beloved Bible passage, John 3:16, and also of the challenge of Christ that is found therein.

There are many things on hand, which we could use to make life easier and more pleasant.

I glance at this passage and know that God will give me everything for which I ask, providing it is necessary to help promote something that will show forth his light.

If we seek God with all the fervency of our hearts, we are sure to find him. But if we do not seek him, it would be better that there were no such passage as John 3:16 existing.

These are my several reasons why I like that verse in the Bible. We can reject or believe God's word. It's not compulsory.

VICTORS IN THE RACE OF LIFE

By Mr. Edwin H. Marklein
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One of my favorite verses of Scripture is found in Philippians 3:14, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

The entire epistle of Paul to the Philippians was written while he was in prison. As I read this epistle and especially this one verse, I marvel at the courage and never faltering spirit that Paul had.

Many times throughout our lives in-

cidents happen and obstacles are thrown in our pathway, which tend to make us become discouraged and to lose our faith. It is only natural for one to become affected in such a way, but I can always receive great encouragement from Paul who, when things looked darkest, found great comfort in God.

I also find in this verse of Scripture a great challenge to do greater things for the Lord and Master by working diligently in his vineyard. It reminds me of a runner who, when running a race, will be alert every minute of the time he is racing, with his eyes focused on only one thing, the goal ahead, for which he is striving and the prize which he will receive at the end of the race, if he is successful.

This simple illustration can also be applied to ourselves, for if we are true followers of Jesus Christ and are striving to do better and greater things for him we must be like the runner, keeping our eyes fixed on God, pressing on toward the mark for the prize which will be at the goal, when we shall meet him face to face.

PERSECUTED WITH CHRIST

By Mr. Gerhardt C. Koch
of Chicago, Illinois

I am not so sure that I have one Scripture verse that I like better than all other verses. I have many favorite verses, but God seems to focus my attention on certain verses as I need them in my life at different times.

Several weeks ago I heard a radio talk in which the verse found in the first epistle of Peter, chapter 2, verse 23 was emphasized: "Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, threatened not: but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously." I have forgotten the name of the speaker and also most of what he had to say, but the verse has come to my mind frequently during recent meditations.

To me this verse brings out the Christian attitude toward revenge and suffering. I do not contend that I suffer or am abused like Christ was, yet as a Christian I cannot help but feel persecuted at times. In my daily contacts I meet all types of people. It seems to me that the majority of these people seem to have no belief in God and his Son, Jesus Christ. If they do, their lives do not show it. When I meet up with so much unbelief, indifference toward God and greed for material possessions, I cannot help but feel persecuted with Christ. I do not suffer physically for my beliefs, yet I

feel pangs of anguish in my heart because there are so many who do not accept our Savior. This verse is my consolation. Christ "took it on the chin," so I can "take it on the chin" also, and leave everything to him that judgeth righteously.

AN ENRAPTURING PICTURE OF JESUS

By Miss F. Lenore Kruse
of Detroit, Michigan

Mine has been not so much a favorite text as a favorite picture of Jesus, in Luke 7:18-23. Two emissaries from John the Baptist have come to Jesus with the message: "Are you the One who was to come, or should we look for some one else?" He invites them to stand by a while, to look and listen. Then he sends them home with this message: "Go and report to John what you have seen and heard. The blind are regaining their sight, the lame can walk, the lepers are being cured, and the deaf can hear; the dead are being raised and the good news is being preached to the poor. And blessed is the man who finds nothing that repels him in me!"

Notice the form of Jesus' words. He did not say, "I am" doing these things. Consequently, in this picture of Jesus his physical form is not clearly outlined. What I see is a man once blind now rejoicing in sight; one leaping with the joy of newly-strong limbs; another listening enraptured to sounds long denied him; and others lifting their drooping shoulders, facing life with new courage and joy. In them I see Jesus. In them he justified his personal claims.

The words of a hymn read, "Let others see Jesus in you." Rather, I pray, let others see Jesus in the blind and halt in spirit who are being restored because Jesus has reached them through me.

So big a world, so many heedless of the Master's call! So few, it seems, who really want to see, to walk again, to be cleansed of their leprous sin, until the soul of a Christian worker is tempted to give in to discouragement and defeat—except for the voice of Jesus, coming to me just tonight out of the maze of a sermon my tired mind could not take in, words which from this day will never leave me—"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

So are favorite verses born—out of aspirations brought to a focus; and out of the soul's deep need met at the right time by the living words of God!

Marigold

By Grace Livingston Hill

SYNOPSIS

So that Marigold might attend a party at the wealthy Trescott home, she felt compelled to buy an elaborate and expensive dress of which her mother did not approve. In spite of the fact that handsome Laurie Trescott was devoted to her, Marigold felt the reproach of her mother's words and exchanged the expensive garment for a more reasonably priced dress of green silk. Later, she even decided to sacrifice her plans of going to Laurie's party in order to go with her mother to Washington, D. C., to visit an aunt on her birthday. As they approached the nation's capitol, Marigold's mind was on Laurie and on the party to be held on the coming Saturday night. A young man, Ethan Brooke, met them at the station, but he only annoyed Marigold. She eyed him coolly and distantly.

CHAPTER SEVEN

Marigold walked stiffly along on the other side of her mother and said nothing, annoyed to be interrupted this way in her first vision of the city. She had no need for a cousin, real or otherwise.

But the young man did not seem to be any more anxious to be friendly than she was. He was talking with her mother, animatedly, almost as if he considered her daughter too young to be interesting. Though he didn't look so old himself, she thought, when she got a good glimpse of his face as they passed under the bright lights of the station entrance.

He put them in the back seat of a lovely shiny car, and stowed their luggage in the front seat with himself, and then drove out into the brightness of the charmed city. Marigold was entranced with her first view and paid little heed to the young man, who was still talking with her mother.

"But I thought you lived in California," her mother was saying when she came out from her absorption enough to listen.

"I did," answered the young man. "I lived with another uncle, Uncle Norman, after Uncle Robert Bevan died and Aunt Marian came east. Then I went away to school when Uncle Norman married again, and college later of course, and then I had a couple of years abroad. But now I've got a job that brings me east for a time, and just now it's Washington."

"And are you living with your Aunt Marian?" asked Mrs. Brooke.

"Oh, no, no such luck as that! I'm boarding out in a forlorn dump near my job, worse luck! I'm only in town for a brief respite. Aunt Marian thought she was going to be by herself over Sunday and she called me up and asked if I wouldn't come out and relieve her loneliness. Then your telegram came and she commandeered my car to come after you. I don't know but she'll send me back where I came from now that you have arrived. But I'm glad to have seen you again, anyway. You loomed large in my small life the day you made that maple taffy for me, and actually let me help pull it myself. I've never forgotten it."

"You dear child!" said Mrs. Brooke feelingly. "To think you would remember that!"

Now why did Mother want to get sentimental? This was a man she was talking to, not a child. Mother always was that way, easily touched by vistfulness, sentiment! Why couldn't she see how unpleasant it would be to have this young man always around underfoot? How it would just spoil the whole lovely vacation!

Suddenly Marigold wished very much that she had kept the lovely white and crimson dress, and stayed at home and gone to her party! If this fellow was going to be around the whole time perhaps she would just go home in the morning anyway and leave Mother in Washington. Mother wouldn't mind so much after she got there, and especially if this young man was so fond of her perhaps he would take her around a little and she wouldn't be missed. Then she would take her pretty green silk and go to her party after all. She had been a fool to throw all that loveliness away. Of course she had declined the invitation, but she could call up Mrs. Trescott and explain that she had been called away, but had unexpectedly been able to return, and might she come anyway? That was being a little informal, but knowing Laurie as well as she did perhaps it would be excusable.

Just in the distance of one short brilliant city block the thought came to her and left her breathless, smashing all her well-built resolves, blotting out utterly her vision of Laurie looking down into those intimate languishing eyes of that other girl, and

making her heart beat wildly with the daring of it.

Well, she wouldn't say anything about it tonight of course. Let Mother enjoy her first evening to the full, and then along in the afternoon tomorrow spring it on her that she felt she must go back. Mother wouldn't stop her of course. Mother was really troubled that she had given up the party, and while she would be disappointed, still Aunt Marian would be there to make her forget about it, and she would promise to telephone her the first thing the next morning.

Then the car swept into the glitter and glow of another wonderful avenue, and she caught her breath with the beauty of the lovely lighted city.

Ethan was pointing out places of interest. Over there was the White House, here the Treasury Building, and now they were coming into the region of the embassies. He had a pleasant voice, and spoke distinctly, but it was dark and Marigold could not see his face. Anyway Marigold was not interested in his face nor in him as a person at all. She was interested in knowing about the great buildings they were passing and she sat entranced as the vistas of city widened out before her delighted eyes.

When they reached the house, the young man sprang out and opened the door for them. Then he capably possessed himself of the suitcases and escorted them into the house. Marigold didn't notice him any more than if he had been a taxi driver doing his duty.

It was a pleasant house and they had glimpses of a wide living room with a generous fireplace, a beautiful dining room beyond, and on the other side of the hall a large library whose walls were almost literally lined with books. The cousin Elinor had married a literary man. Marigold looked about with pleased eyes on everything. She loved luxury and pretty things, and had very little of either in these days. She felt that the time spent in this house was not going to be wasted by her. She hoped she would have opportunity to curl up on that great leather couch and do some reading while she was here. Another fireplace, too! How charming!

"I think Aunt Marian is expecting you to come right upstairs," said the young man, and Marigold found herself a little jealous of the possessive way in which he said "Aunt Marian,"

as if she were his aunt and not related to them. What was he? Just an in-law by marriage!

He followed them up the stairs with the baggage, setting it down in a large room across the hall from Mrs. Bevan's room.

They found the invalid in bed, eagerly awaiting their coming.

"Take off your things and let me look at you," she said when the greetings were over. "I wanted to come downstairs to meet you, but my nurse had to go away this evening, and she thought if I was going to be carried downstairs tomorrow for a while and stay up to my birthday dinner, I'd better stay in bed tonight. So here I am, flat on my back! My, but I'm happy to see you! My heart just jumped up and turned over when I got your telegram. And oh, my dear! Is that your baby-girl Marigold? Grown to be a young woman! Isn't she lovely!"

Marigold's cheeks flamed as she bent and kissed her aunt, somehow terribly conscious of the young man in the background, and wishing the aunt wouldn't be quite so enthusiastic before strangers.

But when she straightened up Ethan was gone. She heard the front door closing, and wondered if that was all they were to see of him after all. Perhaps he was only on duty until he escorted them to the house. She sincerely hoped so.

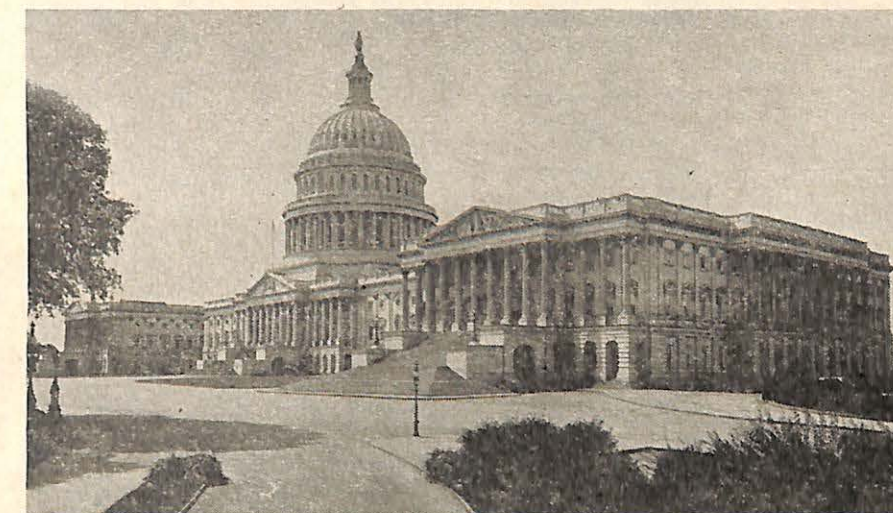
But he appeared again after they had taken off their coats and hats and came back into Aunt Marian's room. He came bearing a large silver tray containing cups and a pot of hot chocolate, a bowl of whipped cream with a little silver ladle, plates of tiny chicken and lettuce sandwiches, cinnamon toast and little frosted cakes. Such a lovely little spread-out! And though they protested that they had had dinner on the train, they ate with a real relish as Ethan proved himself efficient in the art of serving them.

Marigold watched him without seeming to do so. How easy he was, how much at home, as if Aunt Marian were his own mother. He was rather good-looking, too, in a serious sort of way, had nice eyes and a pleasant smile, talked a lot of nonsense to her mother and aunt, and made himself very useful. But he looked straight through Marigold when she happened to be in his line of vision, and mostly avoided her when she wasn't. That didn't bother Marigold in the least. She wasn't interested in him, she told herself. He wasn't in the least like Laurie, who was lithe and slender of build, tall and willowy, and handsome as a picture. This man was strongly built, and seemed to have a kind of power about him.

Then suddenly she thought of Laurie. Had Laurie called her up after she left? Her heart gave a lurch and

she almost contemplated calling up home tonight before she went to bed, if she could get a good chance when nobody was listening. Though it was late to hope to get Mrs. Waterman. She usually went to bed at nine o'clock and likely wouldn't hear the telephone. It would be better to wait till morning.

They sat up talking till midnight, Aunt Marian's eyes so happy, and Mother looking as if she had just arrived in heaven. Marigold couldn't help being glad that she had come. Just to look at Mother's face was enough to make her sure she had done the right thing. But surely by tomorrow Mother would be having such a good time she wouldn't mind having her go back in time for the party!



Marigold Was Filled With Awe at Her First Approach to the Beautiful Structure, the Capitol Building in Washington, D. C.

Ethan Bevan told some very amusing stories and had them all laughing, although he didn't once look at Marigold, and she had the impression he was doing that by intention. He didn't seem to be shy either. She couldn't quite understand it. It was more as if he weren't in the least interested in her, any more than if she had been a kitten that had come along. He just didn't take her into the picture at all. Well, that was all right. That suited her perfectly. She was free to think her own thoughts and not have to bother with him. Since he had to be there it was better that he didn't want her attention at all. He told them a little bit about the "Camp" where he worked around the job, and gave an amusing anecdote or two of the boarding house where he stayed, eating at the same table with his men. That was interesting, and she thought more of him that he could see good in the common laborers, and be friendly with them. He must be a good sort after all. But likely he would go off to camp in the morning and she would be able to go out and see the great new city on her own. Of course her mother would want to stay with her sister, but she would slip away and look around at one or two places she had

always wanted to see. The Capitol of course, and the Library of Congress, and perhaps Smithsonian. She hadn't an idea what a proposition she had mapped out for herself for one brief morning, but she only intended to take a brief casual glance, and then telephone, and perhaps spring it on her mother at noon that she was going to take a train about three o'clock. That would give her plenty of time to dress and get to the party—!

Then suddenly her thoughts were broken by her aunt's happy voice.

"I thought you and I would take it a little easy in the morning, Mary, and have a good talk. Marigold of course will want to see the city since she hasn't been here for so long, and

Ethan being here makes it nice. He will take her over to the Capitol and library and any other building she would like to see, and show her the really interesting points in them. He knows how to do that to perfection. Elinor's husband says he is past master at giving a quick comprehensive view of the right things without wearying one too much." She gave a swift loving smile toward Ethan. "And then," she went on, "in the afternoon Ethan is going to take us to ride. The doctor said I might go along if it was a pleasant day. I thought we would go out through the park, show you the new cathedral and a few other notable places, and then we would drive on to Mount Vernon and let the young folks hop out and look that over for a few minutes. Don't you think that would be pleasant? Of course I couldn't hope to enjoy all this with you if I hadn't been able to get hold of Ethan for the day, because there is no one else here to carry me downstairs and help me into the car. But since he is so good as to give us his holiday I feel like a bird let loose."

Thud! Down went Marigold's plans in one blow. She looked from her aunt to her mother and back again. Their faces were radiant with anticipation.

She simply couldn't dash their hopes by telling them she wouldn't be there in the afternoon. Not tonight anyway. Perhaps in the morning she could telephone and get some word calling her home and then it wouldn't be so much of a let-down for them. Not if it came in the nature of a call from Laurie. But the morning! How was she to escape a personally conducted sight-seeing tour of Washington in the company of an unwilling guide? She gave a quick glance at Ethan and it did not seem to her that he looked particularly elated at the prospect either. He must be a grouch about girls. She certainly didn't want to go with him. Well, it would be up to herself to get out of it. She could likely get an early interview with him and tell him she had always wanted to go around Washington alone and just see what she wanted to see herself, and she wouldn't bother him to escort her. He wasn't even looking at her now, and he hadn't said that he would be charmed to take her, nor any of the conventional phrases that the ordinary gentleman would use on such an occasion. Oh, he would be glad enough to get out of it, and perhaps it could be managed without either Mother or Aunt Marian knowing that he hadn't gone along. Well, she would see.

So they went to bed at last, and Marigold intended to lie there awhile thinking about Laurie and how to plan for the next day, so that she wouldn't have to go around with Ethan Bevan. But the next thing she knew it was morning and her mother was smiling down at her and telling her she would be late for breakfast if she didn't get right up and hurry with her dressing.

It was a pleasure to get up and put on the pretty little new morning dress with its gay silk print and go downstairs. Aunt Marian didn't get up to breakfast. She was saving her strength for the afternoon drive, she said. Ethan Bevan was very pleasant. He did the honors like a son of the house, talking gravely with her mother mostly, though he did turn his direct clear gaze to Marigold once when he first greeted her with a pleasant good morning.

Marigold had begun to hope that he would just ignore what had been said the night before about taking her around, but as they were getting up from the table he turned to her and said:

"Now, how soon can you be ready? I'm bringing the car around to the door in ten minutes. I need to get gas. Will that be too soon for you?"

Marigold had intended waiting till her mother got upstairs so that she could deal with the matter alone, but her mother hung around and she was forced to answer.

"Oh, please don't take that trouble, Mr. Bevan. I really don't need an at-

tendant. I'm quite used to going about places by myself and shall have a lovely time. There is no need in the world for you to take time off from more important things to personally conduct me. Just forget me, please. I shall be quite all right."

Ethan turned a surprised glance at her and studied her an instant. Then he said in his pleasant decided voice:

"You know I couldn't think of letting you go around alone. I promised Aunt Marian I'd take you, and you're not hindering me in the least from anything I have to do. I'm entirely free for the morning."

He didn't say it would be a pleasure to take her. She was glad he didn't. It made her feel that it was more of a business proposition. He was doing it because Aunt Marian had asked him to. That was easier to combat than a mere feeling of politeness.

"But truly," she said lifting her firm little chin with a kind of finality, "I don't need you. I am quite capable of finding my way about alone and shall enjoy it—"

"I know," he said, lifting a chin just as firm as hers, "but it just can't be. Aunt Marian would worry like the dickens, you know, and you couldn't really see half as much nor as easily alone as if I went with you. I can see I'm not the most desirable companion you might have, but I'm capable, really, and I guess you'll have to put up with me for the time being as I'm all there is. I'll promise to be just as little trouble as possible. I'll be around in ten minutes and wait out in front for you." He finished with a nice grin that almost made her like him, and turning hurried out through the hall, catching up his coat and hat from a chair as he passed out the door.

"My dear!" said Mrs. Brooke. "That wasn't very gracious of you."

"Well, Mother, I can't see why I have to be forced into a position that neither of us wants. Can't you see he doesn't want to go? If course he's very polite, and all that, but it must be a terrible bore to take a strange girl around sight-seeing. I know he hates it. And so do I. I shan't enjoy it at all if I have to go with him. I'd much rather go by myself. I feel as if the whole trip was spoiled, having him here, anyway!"

"Oh, my dear!" said Mrs. Brooke, a quick shadow coming over the brightness of her face. "I don't see why you should feel that way. He really is a very fine young man with splendid ideals and standards. I cannot see why you cannot be courteous and grateful even if you don't think he is just crazy to take you out."

Marigold stood unhappily looking down at the toes of her pretty new shoes and feeling as uncomfortable as if she were a naughty little girl being reprimanded.

"Oh, I suppose so, Mother," she said

drawing a long sigh of surrender. "Don't look that way, Mother! I'll be good. Only I thought when neither of us wanted to do it there would be some way out."

"Child!" said her mother with a faint answering smile. "Run along and have a really good time. You can if you are willing!"

So Marigold hurried upstairs and put on her lovely brown ensemble, with its sable collar and cuffs, tucking a fetching little orange flame of a scarf about her neck for a spot of bright color under her chin. Then she went down to meet Ethan Bevan with her head up, and the fire of battle in her eyes.

However, Ethan Bevan scarcely seemed to see her as he helped her into the car. His own head was up too, and if Marigold had looked she might have seen an answering fire of battle in his eyes.

So they started out on the pleasure trip with stark animosity between them, both determined to get the thing over as quickly and creditably as possible.

"Now," said Ethan as they grove away from the house into as beautiful a morning as had ever been born, "have you anything in mind you wanted to see, or shall I just take you the ordinary round of sights?"

"Oh," said Marigold setting herself brightly, but hating it all, "it isn't especially important, is it? I had thought of the Capitol, and perhaps the library, or Smithsonian, but any of the other buildings will be just as good if they are nearer. I want to give you the least trouble, of course. I'm really sorry to have been forced upon your hands for the morning, but, won't you please plan the trip in the way that will be pleasantest for you?"

He gave her an amused glance, and studied her haughty young profile for an instant.

"All right!" he said gravely, "only don't worry about me. I'm still new enough to the city not to be bored anywhere. There's always something of interest. Perhaps we'd better take a flying glimpse of the Capitol first, and then use the time that's left in the library, or get a glimpse of the museum. I promised Aunt Marian we would be back for lunch at one o'clock, and of course you can't see everything in that time."

"Of course not," said Marigold in a formal cold little tone.

"Here for instance is Corcoran Art Gallery," he went on, "that white marble affair on your right, and over there is the War Department. A lot of interesting matter in there, but you need time for it all. There's the South American Building, a fascinating place, with all sorts of queer plants and live birds and monkeys. And over there—" he pointed off to the right

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"I WOULD BE STRONG"

Scripture Reference: 2. Corinthians 11:21-31.

INTRODUCTION

It is natural for every normal human being to desire to be strong, for strength stands for health, usefulness, and happiness. Undeniably true strength, whether physical, mental, moral or spiritual, is most desirable, because it so greatly increases our capacity for enjoyment, endurance and achievement.

1. The World's Quest

A recent writer says, "The world today is looking for men who are not for sale; men who are honest, sound from center to circumference, true to the heart's core; men with consciences as steady as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right if the heavens totter and the earth reels; men who neither brag nor run; men who neither flag nor flinch; men who have courage without shouting it; men in whom the courage of everlasting life runs still, deep and strong; men who know their message and tell it; men who know their place and fill it; men who know their business and attend to it; men who will not lie, shirk or dodge; men who are not too lazy to work, nor too proud to be poor; men who are willing to eat what they have earned, and wear what they have paid for; men who are not ashamed to say 'No' with emphasis, and who are not ashamed to say, 'I can't afford it.'"

2. The Kingdom's Need

True qualities of spiritual strength are also essential for the Christian life and in the Kingdom of God. Vital faith is never negative and passive, but, on the contrary, is the most positive, active, aggressive and powerful principle in the universe. Did not Jesus say that faith as a grain of mustard seed would remove a mountain? Billy Sunday admonished his hearers not to pray for a potato vine, but to ask a flag pole for a backbone. The Christian life is not a matter of an easy chair, but rather a spiritual warfare, which not only calls forth the best powers of mind and heart and soul, but which must also draw constantly upon the spiritual resources of God. It requires a vital faith to walk with God, denying self and bearing our cross in daily obedience to Jesus Christ. It requires the power of the Holy Spirit and the strength of prayer

to overcome temptation and to keep ourselves free from worldly entanglements of the service of God.

3. The Apostolic Example

The apostle Paul was a man of rugged individuality. As Saul he could boast of being a Hebrew and a Pharisee, trained by the great Gamaliel, second to none in his zeal for the law, and relentless in his bitter persecution of the church. But when his mad career of unbelief was suddenly arrested by a vision of the glorified risen Lord, with characteristic promptness Paul cried, "Lord, what wilt thou have me do?" And near the end of his arduous and fruitful missionary labors he could say, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." And when friends sought to warn him of danger, he said, "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God." Paul could sincerely say, "The love of Christ constraineth us," and, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." See also 2. Cor. 11:21-31; 1. Cor. 9:15-16; and Hebrews 11:32-40.

4. Our Source of Strength

God has made full provision for the strength we need. We are not only admonished to "Be strong in the Lord," and "Quit you like men, be strong," but we are also promised, "My grace is sufficient for thee." While Jesus said, "Without me ye can do nothing," "Paul could cry, 'I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me.'" The prerequisite of spiritual life is spiritual life that is imparted to us only through the new birth. Then spiritual life must be carefully nourished by Bible study and prayer, and must find opportunity for suitable expression in some definite service for Christ.

"How strong are you? How much can you endure— Does Jesus' grace and power make victory sure?"

"How high are you? Where is your thinking done— Close to the earth, or upward near the sun?"

"How broad are you? Where does your goodwill end— Does race or creed determine who's your friend?"

"How deep are you? Where does your honor start— Is it imbedded in your inmost heart?"

"Tis thus God reckons, through life's little span, The veritable measure of a man." —Wallace Dunbar Vincent

Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939

THE GREATEST VICTORY OF ALL TIME

Scripture Reference: 1. Corinthians 15:1-20.

INTRODUCTION

There can be no doubt, that the resurrection of Jesus Christ was, indeed, the greatest victory of all time. Though the liberties of the world are blood-bought, it yet remains true that all the great decisions of the battle field affected only the destiny of the individual nations and the earthly weal or woe of their citizens. But when the Lord Jesus overcame the powers of Satan, sin and the grave, his victory changed the destiny of the world, affecting all generations of men, and reaching out to the shores of eternity.

1. The Importance of the Resurrection

This is clearly set forth in Paul's great resurrection chapter. For, "if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain, . . . and ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished." Paul's reasoning is logical and his conclusion is inescapable. If Christ did not rise from the dead, then there is no gospel, and there it no salvation. For if Christ is not risen, then his predictions regarding his resurrection remain unfulfilled, and likewise his claims of sonship and deity lack confirmation with the practical result that all his claims and doctrines—even the efficiency of his atoning sacrifice on the cross—all must forever remain doubtful and uncertain. And we could be sure of nothing. If Christ had failed to arise, it would have been the greatest defeat of all time and the world's saddest anticlimax. If Christ had not risen, this world would have been a vale of tears, indeed, and an eternal night without one star of hope.

2. Many Infallible Proofs

"But now is Christ risen from the dead!" Behold the empty tomb! Indeed, "he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs," appearing before various groups of reliable witnesses, whose testimony remains uncontradicted. The resurrection of Jesus Christ stands as a glorious and unquestioned historical fact. There can be no doubt that the apostles and early Christians firmly believed it as an assured fact. The re-

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Reports from the Field

Northern Conference

Annual Report of the Young Men's Sunday School Class of the East Ebenezer Church of Saskatchewan

We of the Young Men's Class of the Sunday School of the East Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan, Canada, have the exceptional privilege of gathering every Sunday afternoon. Under the loyal leadership of Mr. A. Milbrandt, a period of spiritual inspiration and blessing is experienced.

Recently we rendered a program in our church consisting of songs by the class, selections from our string orchestra, a duet and a quartet, a recitation, two dialogues and numbers by a double quartet, and a violin duet. The offering taken was devoted to our seminary in Rochester, N. Y.

Our officers for the coming year are as follows: teacher, Mr. August Milbrandt; assistant teacher, Mr. Wilfred Kunkle; president, Melvin Hoffman; secretary and treasurer, Alvin Bohn; pianist, Gertrude Hoffman.

May the Lord bless the work we are trying to do! We are looking forward with God's grace to a greater year in the service of the Lord. A picture of the class is reproduced on this page of "The Baptist Herald."

MELVIN HOFFMAN, Reporter.

Atlantic Conference

Visitation Meeting of the Young People of New York and Vicinity in Newark, New Jersey

On Tuesday, January 31, a visitation meeting of the young people of New York and vicinity was held at the Walnut Street Baptist Church in Newark, N. J. Although the weather was crisply cold and the highways more conducive to skating than to good driving, 141 members braved the wintry blasts and the glassy highways.

The evening began with a stimulating song service, during which the Rev. John Grygo (not to be outdone by the English element) led the song, "Immer Froelich," for that portion of the Jugendbund that could still remember its German. A period of devotions—prayer, Scripture, testimony—followed. Then a few words of greeting were brought by Miss Grace Kettenburg, second vice-president, who, also, was responsible for the organization of the program.

Roll call was next observed, each group responding with a number toward the program, all of which was greatly enjoyed. Delegations present were from the Passaic, Jamesburg,



Young Men's Sunday School Class of the East Ebenezer Church, Saskatchewan

Clinton Hill, Evangel and Walnut Street churches. At the conclusion of the program, refreshments were served and a period of fellowship was enjoyed.

Young People's Rally Held at the Immanuel Church of New York City for Brooklyn-New York Societies

For many years it has been the custom for each society of the Young People's Union of New York and vicinity to visit another group and to present a program, and, in turn, to be host to a visiting delegation. This year, however, under the leadership of our general secretary, the Rev. John E. Grygo, a different procedure was followed. It was decided that get-togethers would be held in three different areas, namely, Jersey City, New York City, and Newark, and that the societies in those areas render a combined program at each meeting.

On Thursday evening, January 19, at the New York City rally, the societies of Manhattan, Bronx and Brook-

lyn presented the program. The meeting was very informal and no one knew until the groups had assembled, what the various societies were prepared to contribute to the enjoyment of those present.

After a song service, led by Walter Becker, the Rev. H. Kaaz read the Scripture passage. This was followed by a selection from the Girl's Choir of the Second Brooklyn Church, and prayer by the Rev. A. E. Kannwischer. After greetings by the president of the Immanuel Society and remarks by our general Secretary, the program really got under way. Every society represented contributed in some way toward the program, which included recitations, instrumental music, German songs, a duet and various readings.

Before the benediction, an opportunity was given those present to give a testimony, and many young people arose to return thanks for the saving and keeping power of Jesus Christ and the gift of salvation. At the close of this get-together, refreshments were served. Alfred Orthner of the Second Church of Brooklyn is serving as president of the "Jugendbund."

HELEN NEITHARDT, Reporter.

Northwestern Conference

The Girl's Guild of Watertown, Wisconsin

In February of this year the Girls' Guild of the Baptist Church in Watertown, Wis., had its election of officers. The following were elected: Edythe Burdick, president; Elayne Bender, vice-president; Marion Norman, secretary; Bernice Krause, treasurer; Elizabeth Norman, White Cross chairman; Marion Norman, Reading Recording secretary; Carol Anderson, pianist; and Mrs. G. Wetter and Mrs. E. Bender, supervisors.

At our meeting during the past year we made a quilt for the Orphan's Home at St. Joseph, Mich., and we also filled stockings.

In March we gave a program on the life of Frances R. Havergal in connection with which special songs were written and sung. We had a capacity audience for our program. We gave a program in June, consisting of a play, the title of which was "Janey," and musical numbers, which was enjoyed by all who attended.

During the past year we have sent cards of cheer, and also games, dolls, story books, and clothing to such places wherever they were needed. In doing this work we have derived an enjoyment on our part, and I am sure that we were a blessing to others.

MARION NORMAN, Reporter.

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The Watertown B.Y.P.U. Elects Officers and Plans for Summer Assembly

On Tuesday evening, January 17, the B.Y.P.U. of the Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., had a sleigh ride party at the home of Clarence and Walter Goetsch. Following this, the group gathered in the house to have the monthly business meeting and annual election of officers. The new officers for 1939 are: president, Miss Bernice Krause, vice-president, Earl Anderson; secretary, Roger Norman; treasurer, Miss Edythe Burdick; and pianist, Victor Anderson.

Recently the society donated \$7.50 for a time clock for the church bulletin board and \$5.00 for current expenses of the church.

Starting Wednesday evening, July 12, and continuing through Sunday, July 16, our society and church will be host to the 1939 Wisconsin young people's assembly. It is our wish at this time that every young person connected with our Baptist churches in the state of Wisconsin will resolve to plan to attend this assembly and to help to make it the best assembly ever!

ROGER NORMAN, Reporter.

The Wausau B.Y.P.U. Has a Busy Program

Even though there has been a long period of silence on our part, the B.Y.P.U. of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Wausau, Wis., has been very active. We have had a very happy year working for our Master, and can look back on a busy one, too.

The following things, which we did during the month of December, are a sample of what we do! We took an imaginary trip to Mongolia to visit our missionary friends, the Rev. and Mrs. Stuart Gunzel who are working among the Mongols. This was in the form of a contest. The Reds, headed by Mrs. Schilling, won. The Blues treated the Reds with a supper and social evening.

We were in charge of the Sunday evening church service on Christmas, December 25. We presented the play, entitled "The Empty Room." Also at Christmas we had a party at the parsonage to welcome home our students from the University of Wisconsin and other schools.

One Sunday afternoon was spent visiting our aged and shut-ins. We conducted short devotional services for them in their homes, after which the Stewardship Commission served the group with supper at the church.

We have had some very different meetings lately which have proven interesting and inspiring. Our pastor, the Rev. Fred Schilling, takes an active part in our meetings and is guiding us ever onward.

A picture of the Christmas play cast appears on this page.

MARGARET MILLER, Secretary.



Members of Cast for Christmas Play Given in Wausau, Wisconsin

Central Conference

The Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Knauf Welcomed to Alpena, Michigan

Members of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church of Alpena, Mich., welcomed their new pastor, the Rev. W. W. Knauf and his wife and family, on Thursday evening, February 2, at a reception held in the church. Over 100 were in attendance.

Reinhold Behnke, president of the Men's Brotherhood, was in charge of the program, which included short talks by Ferdinand Timm, Sunday School superintendent; Miss Millie Paad of the Young People's Society; Mrs. Andrew Huggler of the Missionary Society. Musical numbers included a piano and organ duet by Virginia and Wallace Behnke, several hymns by the choir and a hymn by the Men's Brotherhood.

The Rev. W. B. Jarman, pastor of the First Baptist Church, also spoke, extending a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Knauf.

Concluding the program refreshments were served in the church dining room.

Revival Meetings in the Gladwin Church

The Round Lake Baptist Church of Gladwin, Mich., conducted a joint revival campaign with the Mennonite Brethren Church. The services commenced on New Year's Eve, December 31, and continued to January 15. Our guest evangelist was the able pastor, the Rev. J. A. Pankratz from Chicago, Illinois.

During the first week the services were held in our church and in the second week in the Mennonite Brethren Church. The attendance increased gradually throughout the two weeks and at the closing meeting on Sunday, January 15, which was held in our church, the main auditorium and the Sunday School were filled to capacity.

Mr. Pankratz's messages were so filled with inspiration that our hearts were stirred night after night. These

services brought us all closer to our Lord. May we have that burning desire to serve our Lord more and more!

The Rev. Frank Armbruster, our temporary pastor, has taken an active part in bringing about better Christian living among the young people. He has organized a Junior Endeavor Society for children up to the age of 16, which meets every Sunday evening before the evening service. He has also helped to reorganize our Young People's Society.

Our meetings are held every Friday night and we are trusting that the Lord will give us strength and encouragement to continue this work, which is so essential to the church of tomorrow.

LAWRENCE F. WEGNER, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Annual Report of the Anamoose B.Y.P.U.

The B.Y.P.U. of the German Baptist Church in Anamoose, No. Dak., has completed another successful year. Our membership has remained about the same throughout the year with 28 young people in our organization, of which all but three are church members. We started using the Commission Plan this year and found it to work successfully in our group. Our members have all taken an active part in the programs. Our young people have always been quite active in our Northern North Dakota Association, and during the past year 18 of our group attended the summer assembly at Fessenden and 15 went to our annual Fall Rally at Goodrich.

During the year our society gave \$15 toward missions through our association. This is a record for us, a record we shall endeavor to top during the coming year.

The B.Y.P.U. will greatly miss the Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Knauf, who have played an important part in our society during the past three years. We wish them God's blessing on their new field at Alpena, Michigan.

The officers for the coming year are: president, Walter Kessler; vice-president, Gottfried Kurzweg; secretary, Gilbert Derman; and treasurer, Ruth Kurzweg. Commission Directors include Freda Kessler, Adalene Derman, Edmund Wehr and Robert B. Bartz.

With God's blessing we shall strive to make this an even greater year in our B.Y.P.U.

GILBERT A. DERMAN, Secretary.

Farewell for the Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Knauf in Anamoose

A large group of members and friends of the German Baptist Church of Anamoose, No. Dak., gathered on Sunday evening, January 22, for a farewell service in honor of the Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Knauf and family. Mr. Knauf left the Anamoose church on January 31 to become the pastor of

our church at Alpena, Michigan. He served the local church for almost three years, having come here from Chicago, Illinois.

Deacon J. J. Schmidt presided at the farewell service. After the opening song and the Scripture reading, the Rev. J. Kepl of Martin led in prayer. This was followed by a selection by the male quartet and a recitation by Carol Mosal.

Thomas Derman then addressed the gathering in behalf of the church. He spoke of the accomplishments of the church and its branches due to the leadership of Mr. Knauf. Mr. Knauf organized a teacher training class and superintended the Daily Vacation Bible School for three years. When he came to Anamoose three years ago, only about one-half of the members of the B.Y.P.U. were church members while today almost all the members are converted and belong to the church.

Mrs. J. J. Schmidt, president of the Women's Missionary Society, spoke in

Rosenfield B.Y.P.U. Reviews Some of the Activities of 1938

The B.Y.P.U. of the Rosenfield Baptist Church near Anamoose, No. Dak., had a year of varied activity during 1938. Many of our young people have gone elsewhere where they can find useful occupations. We are sorry to lose such sorely needed talents. Our church members and friends have been severely tried during these years of drought. Nevertheless, we are attempting to interest and to win the remaining young people, some of whom have done much to help build the Kingdom in and about this church.

One of the outstanding events for the society was a special program rendered before a capacity audience on November 29. "Serve the Lord with Gladness" served as a motto which was written in flowers, strung across the main auditorium of the church. Two plays with special vocal and instrumental numbers, as well as readings and recitations, were rendered with



Baptismal Candidates and the Rev. F. W. Mueller of the Laurelhurst Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon

behalf of that organization. Edmund Wehr represented the Sunday School, and Walter Kessler spoke for the B.Y.P.U.

After a recitation by Mrs. F. A. Wehr, Miss Anna Kurzweg uttered a few words of farewell in behalf of the young people's Sunday School Class of which Mr. Knauf had been the teacher. Gilbert Derman represented the Teacher Training Class, which Mr. Knauf organized and taught.

Then followed a song by a Junior Quintet and a reading by Adalene Derman. The Rev. A. Bibelheimer of Rosenfeld, and the Rev. J. Kepl of Martin spoke briefly to the church and the retiring pastor and his family. The Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Knauf gave short talks of farewell and expressed their appreciation to the church.

GILBERT A. DERMAN, Reporter.

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was favorable, and the people came from many miles to attend this program, which consisted of recitations, musical numbers and two dialogues, "The Ladies' Aid Meeting" and "The Mother-in-law is Coming." The speaker for the evening was our own pastor, the Rev. Wm. Jaster. He spoke to us about the women of the Bible and encouraged us to go on doing good.

At present we have 13 members who raised \$264 during the past year, which represents more than \$20 per member. Much of this money was spent for mission work and local purposes. Twenty dollars were sent to our Children's Home at St. Joseph, Mich., and \$10 to our Old People's Home at Chicago.

At our last business meeting the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Wm. Jaster; vice-president, Mrs. Fred Reich; secretary, Mrs. Jacob Fey; and treasurer, Mrs. Ben Meidinger.

On Wednesday, February 1, the Ladies' Aid held a surprise party for the oldest member, Mrs. Fred Reich, on her 74th birthday. A number of old favorite songs were sung accompanied on the harp by Mrs. Jaster. A bouquet of red roses was presented to Mrs. Reich by our president.

MRS. A. DOBLER, Reporter.

Pacific Conference

Recent Baptismal Service at the Laurelhurst Church of Portland

Sunday, January 29, was a great day for rejoicing, of thanksgiving and of blessing at the Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon.

The day began with a well attended Sunday School and morning worship service. In the afternoon a large number of people witnessed the baptismal service. The Rev. Fred W. Mueller baptized 8 candidates upon their confession of faith. We are especially grateful for the oldest candidate of the group, Mrs. Mary Pool, 76 years of age. A picture of the baptismal candidates and the pastor of the church appears on this page of "The Baptist Herald."

At the close of this beautiful service, the B.Y.P.U. of the church sponsored a program in the nature of a consecration candle light service held at the First German Baptist church. The program was delivered to a well attended audience, which also took part in song and testimony. Following this service the young people were invited to a fine luncheon, served in the church parlors. A fine spirit of Christian fellowship prevailed among young and old of both churches.

At the Laurelhurst church in the evening a group of students from the Western Baptist Theological Seminary rendered the program during the B.Y.P.U. hour and later took full charge of the evening service.

ANNA WARDIN, Church Clerk.

March 1, 1939

New Robes and a Varied Program for the Choir of the Los Angeles Church

The choir of the First German Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif., rendered the beautiful cantata, "The Redemption" by Hine, as its contribution to the Christmas festivities. It was presented under the direction of our choir director, the Rev. B. W. Krentz. Assisting at the organ and the piano were Mrs. H. J. Wetzler, church organist, and Mrs. M. Transhel. The cantata was presented to a large group of friends on December 18, 1938.

As a special surprise the members of the choir rendered the cantata in their new robes. The robes came as a gift of two very dear friends, and they became the realization of one of our goals.

Early in January the choir held its annual business meeting. At this meeting the new officers were elected as follows: director, Rev. B. W. Krentz; president, William Wolff; vice-president, Arland Wessel; treasurer, Helen Heimann; secretary, Betty Wetzler; librarian, John Wolff.

MISS BETTY WETZLER, Secretary.

Large Crowds at Evangelistic Services and Sunday School in Franklin, California

Evangelistic services were held in the German Baptist Church of Franklin, Calif., from January 8 to 20, with the Kraft Twins, Messrs. Roy and Ralph Kraft of Wasco, Calif., as our evangelists. These meetings were very successful and brought great blessings to the people of the church and community. Seventeen persons accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior during this time, among whom were three married people and several young women and young men. Our church was overly crowded on many an evening, with people who came from far and near to hear the gospel in song and music brought by the Kraft Twins in such an effective and earnest way.

As a church we must say, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." All of our services are very well attended. Our average Sunday School attendance for the year 1938 was 108 which was an increase of 28 persons per Sunday over that of 1937. We started the New Year with even greater enthusiasm and for the month of January we had an average attendance in Sunday School of 129.

The pastor, the Rev. G. G. Rauser, has enjoyed the whole hearted support of the church which is responsible for the fine growth and advancement of the church. We had the joy of extending the hand of fellowship to 20 persons during the past year, and are again looking forward at the present time to a baptismal service.

G. G. RAUSER, Reporter.



Choir Members of the German Baptist Church in Los Angeles, California, Dressed in Their New Robes

The Installation of New Officers in the Lodi B.Y.P.U.

The young people's society of Lodi, Calif., held a very impressive installation of its newly elected officers for 1939 with a candlelight service. Mr. August Auch acted as the installing officer for the following officers, who were officially seated in an appropriate ceremony: the Rev. Albert Felberg, advisor; Ted Reinche, president; Irene Gentner, first vice-president; Reuben Goehring, second vice-president; Violet Zimmerman, secretary; Virginia Schmidt, treasurer; Elton Burgstahler, pianist; Irene Weigum, Bertha Meyers, Calvin Lohr, and Levi Goehring, ushers and reception committee.

The retiring ushers escorted the retiring officers to their places, while Mrs. Harry Seidel softly played appropriate music on the piano. Each outgoing officer carried a lighted candle, and as they took their places Mrs. Seidel and Mrs. Anton Burgstahler sang, "Safely Through another Year," followed by Mr. Felberg leading in prayer. The newly elected officers were escorted by ushers-elect to the front of the hall where each took the candle of the retiring officer he replaced. Mr. Auch spoke to each incoming officer about his duties of office. Mrs. Seidel and Mrs. Burgstahler sang, "My Very Best for Jesus," and Miss Bertha Meyers, the retiring president, congratulated the new officers and thanked the retiring staff for their cooperation during her term of office.

May the blessings of the Lord be with these newly installed officers and make this an outstanding year.

Southwestern Conference Welcome Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Socolofsky at Shattuck, Oklahoma

On Sunday, January 15, it was the privilege of the German Baptist Church of Shattuck, Okla., to welcome their new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Socolofsky, who had arrived during the week. Since our church had been without a pastor for nine months, this was indeed a happy occasion.

The program was in charge of Mr. Adam Fritzler, a deacon of the church. Hearty words of welcome were spoken by Mr. R. Klein, senior deacon. Mrs. Wm. Schoenhals spoke in behalf of the Women's Missionary Society; Roy Kretz in behalf of the Sunday School; and Adam Longhofer in behalf of the B.Y.P.U. Both Mr. and Mrs. Socolofsky graciously responded. After the program the women of the church served refreshments.

We are thankful that God has sent a new leader into our midst and pray that he may bless this new bond of fellowship.

MRS. WM. SCHOENHALS, Reporter.

Accomplishments and Anticipations for the Gotebo Women's Missionary Society

We as a missionary society of the Salem Baptist Church of Gotebo, Okla., are still active and very wide awake. We meet once each month, usually on the first Thursday, in the home of one of the members. At this time the hostess leads us in a period of devotion, and much interest is manifested in prayer.

Perhaps one of the greatest blessings we have received was God's sending to us of our very gifted pastor, the Rev. J. J. Reimer, as well as Mrs. Reimer, his active assistant. Many blessings have already been witnessed through their capable leadership.

On December 29 we had our annual business meeting in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Socolofsky, who since that time have departed from us and are now making their home in Shattuck, Okla. They are greatly missed by all of us.

We have an enrollment of 18 members. The following officers were elected for 1939: president, Mrs. Harry Greb; vice-president, Mrs. J. J. Reimer; secretary, Mrs. Walter Laufer; treasurer, Mrs. Ferdinand Schanz; pianist, Mrs. Lloyd Schantz. Our gifts have varied, although they have been devoted chiefly for home missions. Our greatest accomplishment in our immediate circle has been the complete renovation of the parsonage.

MRS. WALTER LAUFER, Secretary.

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man Baptist Churches of Morris and Winnipeg, Manitoba. Several days were spent by him later in the week visiting the Bible School at Leduc, Alberta, and preaching in the Edmonton Church. Dr. Kuhn also spoke on a radio program on Sunday evening, February 19. On his way to Tacoma, Wash., he visited the First German Baptist Church and the Bethany Church of Vancouver, British Columbia. From Sunday, February 26, to Wednesday, March 1, he participated in the 50th anniversary program of the German Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., and on several occasions addressed the Oregon and Washington ministers' conference held in Tacoma.

On Sunday, January 29, the Rev.

Paul Wengel observed his tenth anniversary as pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., by preaching on the topic, "What Ten Years at Bethel Church Have Taught Me." In 1929 when Mr. Wengel began his pastorate in Detroit the church's membership was 500. Now the church numbers 600. During the past 10 years there have been 230 baptisms and a total of 391 accessions to the church. In January Dr. Hilyer Straton, son of the famous Dr. John Roach Straton and who is now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Detroit, assisted Mr. Wengel during a week of evangelistic meetings. As a result of these services there will be about 25 additions to the church through baptism and by experience. In June the church will celebrate its Diamond Jubilee or 75th anniversary.

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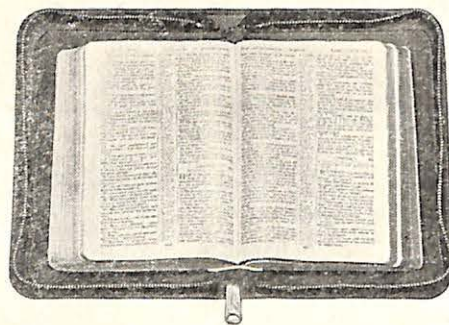


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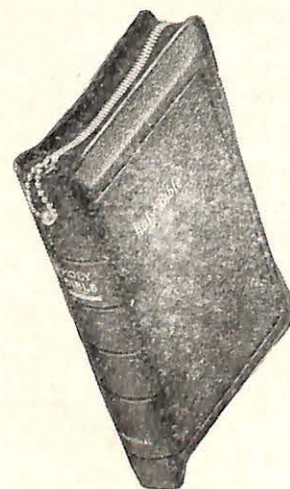


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surrection of Christ at once became the distinctive and cardinal doctrine of the apostolic message. For, Romans 4:25, "Christ was delivered for our offences, and was raised for our justification," and Acts 4:33, "With great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection." The fact that the timid, weak, defeated and discouraged disciples suddenly became men of an irresistible faith and a flaming zeal for Christ, many of whom later sealed their faith in a martyr's death, is surely strong evidence that the resurrection is true. Furthermore, the victorious march of Christianity through the world, with its power to change lives, is the best evidence of a risen and ever-living Savior.

3. A Glorious Victory

Christ's resurrection was indeed the greatest victory of all time. It was a complete and decisive victory over our greatest enemy, Satan. Through Adam and Eve yielding to Satan in the garden, they fell into sin, and with them all men came under the domination of sin and death. These awful powers of darkness have ever been too much for man, and his every effort at deliverance proved futile. Thus the state of fallen man was helpless and his outlook, indeed, hopeless. (1. John 3:8.) "For this purpose the Son of man was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."

As our representative, the Lord Jesus, met the enemy in terrific spiritual conflict, and defeated the Tempter at every point. He was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin. Then, Christ chose the cross (Hebrews 2:14-17) "that through death he might destroy him that hath the power of death, . . . and deliver them who all their lifetime were subject to bondage."

4. Assurance of Eternal Life

The resurrection of Christ is the confirmation of his divine work of redemption. The apostles declared Jesus to be the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead. Without the resurrection they could not have persuaded the world, nor themselves, that he was God's Son. But with the resurrection all doubt vanished. They knew then that they had looked upon God in the flesh.

And the resurrection of Christ from the dead was also the proof of his complete victory over the last enemy, death, and is at the same time the promise of our own resurrection at Christ's second coming. Thus the resurrection of Christ gives us a mighty living Savior, a sure and wonderful salvation, and the promise of eternal life.

MARIGOLD

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and went on describing briefly the different buildings in sight, and Marigold eager-eyed, tried to restrain her eagerness and answer calmly.

"You are a good salesman," she said coolly. "I think I shall have to take a real vacation some week and come down and go through all these places."

"It would pay you, of course," he said, and turned a corner sweeping back to Pennsylvania Avenue. "There is the Capitol again, just ahead of us. I always enjoy this view of it. It seems so impressive, and so worthy of a great country's executive building."

Thus they discoursed stiffly, and seriously, touching on politics in a general vague way, as if neither of them cared much about it, or felt the burden of their country's policies. And then they reached the Capitol and went solemnly up the great white flight of stairs.

Marigold was filled with awe at her first approach to the beautiful marble structure and she said very little, scarcely replying to her companion's remarks. As they stepped inside the main rotunda Marigold looked up and drew a soft breath of wonder.

"I am so glad!" she said softly as if she were speaking to herself, quite off her guard.

"Glad?" said Ethan studying her face as if he saw it for the first time, and found in it what he had not caught before.

"Glad that it is just as impressive and wonderful as I had dreamed!" she explained. She was still talking as if to herself. She had for the moment forgotten her animosity, and was speaking her innermost thoughts, as she might have spoken them to her mother, or anyone she knew well.

"Yes," he said gravely, "I can understand that feeling. It is good to have great things, representative things, like buildings that stand for something real, come up to one's expectations. I remember I almost dreaded to come here and see this city about which I had heard so much, lest it would disappoint me. This is the first time you have been in Washington?"

"No, I was here when I was a child," said Marigold slowly, her eyes still studying the paintings in the dome, "but I doubt if they brought me here, or if they did I didn't get an idea of what I was seeing. I was probably a tired child crying to go home."

He looked at her with new interest and began to tell her what he knew of the great frescoes above them. They stood for some minutes looking up. Marigold forgot the personality of the one who was beside her and listened to what he said, her eyes wide with interest, indelibly stamping on her memory the wonderful paintings.

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Upon the arrival of our missionary, Miss Laura E. Reddig in the Cameroons, she has sought the necessary strength for her arduous labors by looking into the face of Jesus Christ.

Miss Reddig's letter, dated December 5, 1938, follows:

Here I am at the Mbem Mission! We arrived on the first of December, instead of on the tenth, as we had expected. This was due to the fact that we were able to take a newly made road of the English, which cut the riding and the walking down to three days after we got off the truck. The territory that is covered in one hour by truck, is what is usually covered in a whole day's trek or riding.

The natives all turned out to welcome the new "doctor," as they call me here. The school boys had their new little skirts on, and have even made up a song for the welcome.

On Sunday there was the official welcome in the Mbem chapel. The whole town turned out for the occasion, and the speeches of welcome were very flowery, even though they had to be translated for me. The deacons of this church and of the nearby churches were all there and gave their little "say."

The women, under the direction of Edith Koppin, sang a song and then welcomed me also. The chapel was all decorated with flowers and palms, and looked very nice.



A Cameroon Warrior With Bizarre Head Dress,
Typical of Many African Natives

On the day we got here, we all had dinner and supper with Edith Koppin, and, after having mere lunches for such a long time on the road, this was a treat to all of us. Miss Koppin is a jolly person, and I know that she will teach me a lot in this work.

Every evening, we all get together for worship, and to discuss anything that is of interest to the work. The Dungers and Miss Koppin are looking forward to going to Mambila, and I think that they will work well together there.

The mission grounds are very pretty here. There are paths all over, and the red soil looks all the redder with the green hedges of grass. The school is a very good looking building, and there are about 30 pupils here now. In the first of the year, there will be three grades, and that will call for a new teacher. Clara loves it here, and I don't think that either she or Paul will ever be happy in any other work.

I'm sending you a pair of glasses that were broken while on trek. Please send them to Dr. Adrig, where I got them. Tell him to put them in a metal frame and in a metal case and send them out to me. I know that they would not have broken, if it had not been for the case that they came in. This will be debited to my account. As soon as I'm a little more settled I will send the list of personal expenses in my outfit. I'm really very pleased with the things, and nothing in the whole order was broken.

Until I have my own house and kitchen, I'm eating with the Gebauers. I have one "boy," who is my steward. I couldn't pronounce his native name, so I named him "Jo," and he is quite pleased with it, as he has never heard it before. He has helped me with all the unpacking, and is a trained steward who knows what has to be done. This will be a big help to me when I have to leave him alone, while I'm busy with patients or other things. When I write next time, I'll send a longer report. Give my greetings and the greetings of the others out here to all to the churches throughout the denomination.

Very sincerely,

Laura Reddig.

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