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Snow-white Shasta
Daisies Form an
Entrancing Setting
for the Bronze Statue
of St. Francis
in the Court
of the Moon
on Treasure Island
in San Francisco Bay,
Where the Golden
Gate International
Exposition is Being
Held This Summer.

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What's Happening

● Recently the Rev. A. G. Lang announced his resignation as pastor of the Baptist Church in Emery, So. Dak., because of his health and a strong desire to retire from the active ministry. The Emery church extended a call to the Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Cathay, No. Dak., which has been accepted after prayerful consideration. Mr. Ittermann hopes to begin his pastorate in Emery about September 1.

● On Sunday afternoon, May 19, the Salt Creek Baptist Church near Dallas, Ore., began a Mission Sunday School in the nearby Gooseneck community. Thirty-two persons were present at the first service. The organization work was in charge of Mr. Bartel and Mr. Chandler. The Rev. O. Nalinger, pastor, wrote in the church bulletin: "We are taking this step in faith and we, therefore, ask for your prayers in behalf of this work."

● On Sunday, June 16, the Rev. Edgar W. Klatt, pastor of the Baptist Church in Killaloe, Ont., Canada, baptized 9 candidates. Mr. Klatt reported "the Sunday School attendance in the town church of Killaloe is constantly getting larger." Mr. Klatt has improved the grounds of the manse by planting grass, trees, and flowers. A closing remark of his about the Christian ministry was appropriate. "It's great work, at any rate!"

● On Sunday, June 30, the Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, held a service of church rededication, following an extensive program of renovations and decoration in the church. The guest speaker at the service was the Rev. William Kuhn, D. D., of Chicago, Ill., who was joined by many delegates and visitors to the Pacific Conference that was being held at Portland's Trinity Church at the time. The Rev. Otto Roth led the church in its rebuilding program.

● The sessions of the Northern Conference which were scheduled to be held in Regina, Sask., Canada, from July 10 to 14, have been cancelled for 1940. This action was taken by vote of the Regina Church following the recommendations of the conference mission committee and of Dr. Wm. Kuhn, general missionary secretary. The reasons cited for the action were unsettled world conditions and the anti-German feeling in some sections of Canada.

● Several churches have changed their names during the past few weeks. The new name for our church in Edmonton, Alta., Canada, the Central Baptist Church, was reported in the last issue of "The Herald." The former German Baptist Church of Steamboat Rock, Iowa, is now known as the

Baptist Church, according to its pastor, the Rev. H. Palfenier. The former Second German Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., is now called the Linden Baptist Church as reported by Mr. Frank Armbruster, the pastor.

● Miss F. Lenore Kruse of Detroit, Mich., recently resigned as church worker of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit in order to become the alumnae field secretary for the Baptist Institute for Christian Workers in Philadelphia, Pa. Miss Kruse will begin her new duties on September 1, after serving the Bethel Church for three years. In May she visited the Philadelphia school at commencement time and also attended the Northern Baptist Convention in Atlantic City, N. J. She is a daughter of the Rev. F. P. Kruse of Kankakee, Ill.

● Eight young people of the Jeffers Baptist Church of Minnesota were presented on Sunday, May 19, with diplomas by the pastor, the Rev. Wm. H. Schobert, on the completion of the leadership training course, "Fundamentals of Christian Doctrine." Earlier in May a group of the church members spent the larger part of a day helping to plant trees and bushes about the parsonage and church, adding greatly to the attractive appearance of the grounds. Mr. Schobert served as dean of the Minnesota young people's assembly held at Lake Minnetonka from June 13 to 16.

● On Sunday, June 30, the Rev. J. J. Lippert, pastor of the Greenvine Baptist Church near Burton, Texas, baptized 12 persons on confession of their faith in Christ. An evangelistic emphasis was stressed in several Sunday School classes and in the evening services recently. On Sunday afternoon, May 19, the church choir presented the play, "How Much Owest Thou Thy Lord?" at the Gatesville Church. Recently a study course was completed in the church by 21 enrolled students, who considered the book, "From Bethlehem to Olivet," as taught by the pastor.

● On Sunday evening, May 26, the B. Y. P. C. of the Emanuel Baptist Church of Marion, Kan., was host to a missionary program given by the B. Y. P. U. of the Emanuel Baptist Strassburg Church. The program was featured by two playlets depicting the necessity of extending our mission fields. A missionary offering was taken for which both societies will receive equal credit. After the program the church dining hall was filled by the young people and friends who enjoyed a social hour and the refreshments, according to Ralph Popp, secretary of the Marion B. Y. P. U.

● On Sunday, June 9, the First German Baptist School of Union City, N. J., observed Children's Day by presenting a fine program before a crowd that filled the church. The Primary Class, that has grown considerably, was seated on 24 new chairs purchased through our Publication House in Cleveland. Two new tables also belong to the equipment that was installed for the use of this class. The Juniors gave a small play, "The Garden of the Heart." Others took part in various ways. "We are grateful for a fine school," was the report of the pastor, the Rev. Herman G. Kuhl.

● The stork has visited several parsonages during recent days. The Rev. and Mrs. Paul F. Zoschke of Elgin, Iowa, after 13 years of married life, are now the proud parents of their first child, Paul Albert, who was born to them on May 22. The Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Reimer of Gotebo, Okla., have announced the arrival of a boy, Milton Howard, in their home on June 6. The Rev. and Mrs. Peter Peters of Buffalo Center, Iowa, were also recently gladdened by the arrival of a baby girl in their home. The home of the Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Fischer of Westington, So. Dak., has been brightened by the arrival of a baby boy on June 15.

● The Carroll Avenue Church of Dallas, Texas, is installing a pipe organ and redecorating the church with artistic insulation tile at a cost of about \$1600. All the money for this church improvement program has been raised and the work is to be completed early in the Fall. The committee in charge

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EDITORIAL

 F the making of books there is no end." Huge printing presses work at top speed to flood the market with thousands of new books every year. Our newsstands are cluttered up with a conglomerate and bizarre assortment of magazines and papers. The boys and girls of our day make a beaten track to libraries in order to satisfy this literary hunger within them. It is self-evident to any observing person that this is "a reading age," in which almost every living person opens the sluice gates for himself upon the vast stream of literature and of printed pages.

At such a time as this the important question is not whether you belong to this reading public but "WHAT are you reading?" Our Christian witness will be revealed in our selection of books, magazines and papers for reading enjoyment. Such a careful and prayerful discrimination in the face of a mountainous literary output is not at all easy to make, but is, nevertheless, required of every steward of God. "By their fruits"—by the kind of books and magazines which they choose for their study and recreation—"ye shall know them."

But this responsibility of the Christian to himself or to herself in a wise and thoughtful choice of reading material goes far beyond these personal decisions. We have an obligation to others in our communities who easily succumb to evil temptations and who are not always strong enough to make Christian choices of wise discrimination. We are our "brother's keeper" by helping him from falling and by surrounding him with a wholesome and clean environment.

Our civic duty may be stated negatively in terms of "a literary housecleaning" which some of our communities sorely need. Years ago the city of Ephesus witnessed a strange bonfire when many people who had become Christians

"brought their books together," which they had used for their pagan arts, "and burned them before all men." Such fires on the skyline of many of our cities would be a civic blessing, if thereby some of the trash, that parades under the name of "literature," could be removed from our newsracks and libraries. This can be accomplished when Christian people with a strong civic consciousness will lend their wholehearted support to those agencies and groups which are interested in this kind of community improvement and which have the right kind of influence for such action.

Even better than this, however, is the declaration of our civic responsibility as Christians in positive terms. School and town libraries are sensitive to public requests. Many places do not have good books or Christian volumes or even the Bible because the church people there have not exerted their influence and have not let their lights shine. Numerous requests by the town's people for Christian books will bring action on the part of library boards and officers.

A few weeks ago the editor had a lengthy discussion on this subject with the novelist, Paul Hutchens, in George, Iowa. Mr. Hutchens ranks with Mrs. Grace Livingston Hill as one of the outstanding Christian authors of this day. His fine books, one of which is being concluded in this issue of "The Baptist Herald," do not appear on many of our town library shelves. He can tell a remarkable story of how a small group of Christian people in some towns have helped to put some of his many books into their libraries. You can do likewise by concerted Christian action in your community.

A book is a life-long friend. How careful we should be in the choice of these companions! How happy we shall be if what we are reading merits the blessing of our Master, the greatest Friend of all!

The Land of the Bible

This is the first of a series of two unusually fine articles about the Holy Land by a young Baptist minister of Dallas, Texas, who is also well known in many of our churches. He is serving at present as one of the field workers of the Biblical Research Society, which is devoted to the evangelism of the Jews.

By the REV. RAYMOND F. KAHLE of Dallas, Texas

"Unto the land that I will show thee." Genesis 12:1.

By the grace of God it was the blessed privilege of the writer, in fellowship with two score other men and women, to visit the Holy Land in the Spring of 1939. The four months' journey was arranged under the auspices of the Biblical Research Society for the purpose of studying the Sacred Scriptures in the land of their origin. This Palestinian Biblical Institute yielded more than momentary blessing and pleasure. To the members who "are exercised thereby," it will long continue to pay spiritual dividends in scriptural understanding and inspiration and in new visions for service.

We must glorify God for his guidance and provision in every ordinary sense. But we are conscious of his leading and power for very specific reasons. We went to the most important land in the world. Ezekiel terms it the middle or navel of the earth. (Ezek. 38:12). We carried the most vital Revelation and Guide Book, the Bible. We studied about the greatest Person in the Universe, Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God. We had the abiding Teacher, whom Christ promised, the Holy Spirit. His human instrument was our leader, an eminent Hebrew scholar, Dr. David L. Cooper, president of the Biblical Research Society. The mission of this society is to give the truth of the Messiah to all Israel in this generation by the printed page. You are invited to investigate this world-wide evangelism by the literary method.

"What Hath God Wrought?"

Over a great discovery, many years ago, the inventor exclaimed, "What hath God wrought!" In surveying our experiences we are led to make the same exclamation with joy and reverence. For God literally surmounted great difficulties to open for us the doors of Palestine. Some residents asserted that we were the first major group to visit the land in the past three years. Important concessions and privileges were given us by the British government. God showed us Palestine as the Land of Israel, where her national revival is most manifest, and where this revival is the most evident thing to be seen. Perhaps most important, he brought us home through Europe before the present conflict began, which conflict may yet embroil the whole world in destruction of hum-

an civilization and power. When will the circumstances ever again be truly favorable for a study trip to the land of the Savior?

The Rock of Gibraltar

Sailing from New York with the roar of winter around us, we stopped for six days later at Funchal in the Madeiras. This place of perpetual Spring reminded us that the creations of God are usually beautiful and good, though sometimes marked by the primeval curse. An overnight ride then brought us to the Canary Islands, where again the brightness of nature was contrasted with the gloom and blindness of the people. In these islands Francisco Franco began his political career, which finally culminated in the recent subjugation of Spain. That country we glimpsed in part from the gun holes cut in the Rock of Gibraltar, the British fort. There we spent a blessed Lord's Day, in fellowship with certain Christian soldiers of His Majesty's Forces. The memory of this day was cherished more because true Christian faith seemed to be more scarce as we moved eastward.

At Cannes, France, and the nearby states of Monaco and Monte Carlo we found men and women principally interested in pleasure and gambling. For this very reason our huge Italian liner stopped overnight at this port of call.

In Italy, the realm of ancient and modern Caesars, we first visited Genoa, the home town of Christopher Columbus. Here the most memorable sight is the famous Staglian Cemetery with its thousands of artistic and fantastic tombs. Going on to Naples, other views of death were seen in the crater of Mt. Vesuvius and in the remarkable excavations of ancient Pompeii, destroyed by an eruption from this same steaming volcano.

"Ye Men of Athens"

With joy we anticipated Athens and the "glory that was Greece." There we ate our lunch on Mars Hill, and read again, with new understanding, Paul's sermon to the Areopagites, as recorded in Acts 17. The same Spirit still works in the hearts of several local missionaries whose humble homes we visited. Another "let down" was felt, however, in Istanbul in Turkey, the greatest European stronghold of Islam. No Christian evangelism is permitted there, a Y. M. C. A. being the only place resembling a testimony.

St. Sophia and the beautiful Blue Mosque were the only two of the hundreds of mosques in this former Turkish capitol which we visited.

The Isle of Rhodes in the Dodecanese off the southwest coast of Asia Minor is an important Italian base, very clean and beautiful with many attractive buildings, new and old. Among the oldest is a large and well preserved Crusader fort. Not far distant, but out of sight, is the Isle of Patmos, where "The Beloved Apostle" wrote the book of Revelation. The final port of call before reaching Palestine was Beirut, the chief port of Syria. Here are located several fine missions besides the large and rather secular American University.

Thus ended our part of a delightful Mediterranean cruise. Interspersed with all this varied round of sight-seeing were regular times of fellowship, study, and prayer on the ship. Our impromptu Men's Chorus furnished special music with real spiritual warmth, if not with popular appeal and hearing. Some personal evangelism was undertaken among fellow-passengers.

"By Faith, a Sojourner"

On the twenty-first day from New York, our good ship, "Conte di Savoia," glided into beautiful Haifa bay and there dropped anchor. The graceful slope of Mt. Carmel, jutting out into the sea, stirred memories of Elijah, the fiery prophet of Israel. We disembarked by tender and stepped on to the harbor dock under the watchful eyes of British soldiers and police.

The Arab outbursts of some months previous were still smoldering. A large German party making a one-day excursion to Jerusalem was added reason for these military precautions. Filling two Arab buses our group was speedily whisked through the city to a traffic stop around the point, where the long motor caravan was formed. Armored cars with poised machine guns drove fore and aft. Thus, we proceeded to the "Holy City."

The Fertile Plain of Sharon

The Plain of Sharon, mentioned in Scripture, is again occupied and cultivated after centuries of desolation. It has often been the thoroughfare for the armies of surrounding nations. Now it is the route of a modern motor highway. Will alien regiments march over this road also? Great loss will

result if they do, for almost the entire fertile plain is covered with scores of Zionist colonies. These are operated by thousands of Jewish pioneers and refugees from many lands. Their chief pursuit is citrus growing, largely for export purposes. Hundreds of acres in season present a most beautiful and fragrant aspect. One cannot quickly forget this first impression of the land, if he journeys over this route.

"The Hill Country of Judea"

Just opposite Jerusalem the Plain of Sharon broadens to twelve or fifteen miles, and the highway turns eastward toward the mountains of Judea. We barely touch the ancient and modern cities of Jaffa and Tel Aviv, but gradually leave the coast, to cross the plain and climb the low hills, or shephalah, which intervene and seem to invite us to the highlands beyond.

The land loses some of its verdant beauty, becoming very rugged and stony. This testifies in a fashion to the hardy and determined nature of the ancient people, now returning to the land of their fathers. The rocks still serve to hide some Arab rebels, hence the military convoys. In the vicinities of both Arab and Jewish villages the hillsides are terraced and the rocks piled up in rude retaining walls. Olives, vines, and sheep are the chief cultures of the hill country.

Approaching Jerusalem

At one point in the mountainous journey, we descend a series of seven sharp curves or switches. Though they bear the serious and attractive appellation, "The Seven Sisters," popular fancy has well named them "the seven twisters." Throughout this dizzy descent, however, one may orient himself by repeatedly observing an attractive village far across the valley. The clock tower identifies it as Ain Kerim, the birthplace of John the Baptist, forerunner of the Messiah. Here Mary, the mother of Christ, visited her cousin, Elizabeth, to herald the good news of Jesus' conception.

We leave behind us this happy thought to climb up the last ridge before reaching Jerusalem. From the crest of the highest hill, slightly over a half mile in elevation, we get our first glimpse of the modern outskirts of the city. We see nothing familiar, but we thrill with joy and anticipation actually to live in the locality where our Savior died for our redemption—"right here in Jerusalem!"

As we stop before a double barrier of concrete, the police examine special passes carried by all car drivers. We look across a vacant field at a huge tank which serves as a new reservoir for drinking water. The city and mandate government spent a large sum to harness a great spring in Sharon, and to pump up this supply some thirty miles to the city. This is declared to be sufficient for their needs for years to come. Many sad faces, however, remind us of the great need for the Living Water, which Jesus promised to a thirsty soul.

Fulfillment of Prophecy

A large granite monument near the reservoir makes the general location where Turkish officers surrendered Jerusalem to the British about twenty-two years ago. The return of Israel to rebuild Palestine since then has testified to God's overruling hand in that defeat of the Central Powers and their Allies. Psalm 102 says, "Thou wilt arise, and have mercy upon Zion; for it is time to have pity upon her, yea, the set time is come. For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and have pity upon her dust." This is one of the few prophetic verses of Scripture be-

Turks in 1917 in almost miraculous fashion, not a shot being fired nor a shell exploded in the city. While this was true of the old city within the walls, because of its congested character, it was decidedly not true outside. For the opposing armies fought for weeks on the very hills adjacent, which are now covered by modern Jerusalem. Great loss of life and resource were suffered by both forces during the year and a half before Palestine was conquered and the armistice signed. There are four other Allied cemeteries in this land, besides the very beautiful one just now in our view.



The Garden of Gethsemane As It Appears Today
—Courtesy of the "Moody Bible Institute Monthly"

ing specifically fulfilled in Palestine in our day.

Quickly, our Arab drivers whisked us down Jaffa street through the modern Jewish business district almost to the old city. We halted on a side street at an open steel gate of the hotel courtyard. Our temporary residence was the huge and ancient stone hospice, Notre Dame de France. We were given rooms in the north wing and soon learned that a large company of British soldiers were garrisoned in the wing nearest to the city wall. The Theological Library served as our class and prayer room. There we spent many blessed hours, including regular morning and evening study periods.

Calvary—Olivet

From the porch of our hotel we viewed that unforgettable vista of the old and new city with the Mount of Olives marking the eastern horizon. Clearly, it is not a single peak but a chain of low hills stretched from south to north. On each knoll is a structure of importance, these being, in order, an English nunnery, the Russian Bell Tower which marks the place of Christ's ascension, the German palace or Sanitarium, the modern Hebrew University, and, lastly, the beautiful British war cemetery.

May we pause here to correct a false impression which is sometimes given currency. It has been said that the Holy City was captured from the

The Prince of Peace

But did not One die yonder on that green hill called Calvary, that men might live? Yes, indeed, but man's unregenerate heart is full of wars and fightings. And, not choosing God's Way, man will never find peace till he, the Prince of Peace, returns to this very city in great power and glory.

At the foot of Olivet runs the Kidron Valley, which becomes a deep rift and is lost to view behind the eastern wall. Intervening objects dwindle in value as our eyes are drawn to the hill discovered by General Gordon many years ago. It is rather unimposing in size, especially as it is compassed about by scattered groves and buildings of various size and shape.

But how large it looms in our Christian faith and affection! For it is sanctified by the very blood and sacrificial death of the Son of God. It rises as a huge skull, a scant two hundred feet from the present Turkish walls, which many students believe rest on actual Roman foundations of Jesus' day. The nearby streets, likewise, may mark the ancient thoroughfares whence "they that passed by railed on him," (Mark 15:29). How we praise God for our visit to the nearby Garden Tomb and the many other local places associated with the life and passion of our Lord!

Our Seminary's Commencement Festivities

Reported by the REV. ASSAF HUSMANN, Secretary of the School Committee

This year's commencement festivities of our seminary took place on Saturday, May 18, and Sunday, May 19. They consisted, like a well-made sermon, of three parts: the banquet on Saturday night corresponding to the introduction, the commencement service on Sunday morning to the message, and the graduation exercises on Sunday night to the conclusions.

While last year we sat down to the banquet in the pretentious refectory of the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, this year we met in the more modest dining hall of the Baptist Temple. But the meal was nonetheless ample, the service gratifying, the decorations tasteful, and the fellowship around the tables pleasant. The banquet is always a regular family rally.



An Unusually Fine View of the Rochester Baptist Seminary Taken by Professor A. A. Schade

All living generations are represented, and the joys and sorrows of the seminary family are the topic of the day. It was a most successful gathering, and for this we were indebted to Prof. A. A. Schade, who was in charge of the preparations, and to the Rev. Peter Geissler, who was a good toastmaster. It was also said to have been the largest seminary banquet ever held.

To begin with, Dean Bretschneider called our attention to some of those present. There were several relatives of the graduates, and Mrs. D. Hamel, Mrs. A. Schneider, Mrs. W. Rauschenbusch, Prof. and Mrs. Frank Woyke, as well as the members of the School Committee and of the Board of Trustees (with several exceptions), and, moreover, the aged Professors Emeriti A. J. Ramaker, Lewis Kaiser, F. W. C. Meyer and their wives. A year ago

Mrs. Mayer lay in the hospital at the point of death, but today she is quite strong again. To see how active, vivacious, and mentally alert our veteran teachers and their life-partners still are, is cause for wonder and gratitude. One can only wish that they would stay like that among us for a long time to come.

It seems that the after-dinner speeches of a banquet are its main course. Of these we had a full measure. Dr. Glenn B. Ewell brought greetings, seasoned with humor, from the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School. Mr. H. P. Donner followed with greetings from the Publication House. Out of the fulness of his heart he added some interesting comments on the history of our denomination, and in con-

of sparkling wit, entirely in keeping with the best style of our beloved artist, author, nature scientist, and teacher of homiletics.

Professor Krueger presented the Seniors to the audience, and, in the manner in which he traced every name to its origin, he stood revealed as an etymologist of strongly imaginative powers. The response of Mr. George Zinz, Jr., president of the student body, was entirely acceptable, and it was climaxed with the presentation of the "Stars and Stripes" as a gift from the graduating class to the seminary.

As intimated in the beginning, not only the joys but also the sorrows of the seminary family were touched upon. From Professor Schade who served as necrologist we learned something about the life and work of the following eight alumni who entered into their eternal home during the past school year: Emil H. Otto (class of 1889), Friedrich Kuchenbaecker (1891), Karl A. Schenk (1892), Albert Linder (1902), David Hamel (1902), Christian H. Edinger (1910), Johann Burse (1911), and Carl E. Panke (1924). We honored the memory of these departed brethren with the German hymn, "Die Pilger zur Heimat der Seligen zieh'n."

Music and song were to the banquet what spices are to a meal. The numbers presented consisted of a masterly violin solo by Mr. Walter Marchand, two very well rendered tenor solos by Mr. Herbert Brunner, and two great choral numbers by the Students' Glee Club

At the very end we saw moving pictures in natural color from the life of the seminary. This preview of a film, which is being prepared for the General Conference, we owe to the courtesy of Professor Schade, who, by the way, has developed a remarkable technique in photography.

The commencement service on Sunday morning was presided over by the Rev. George Hensel in a manner which lent dignity to the occasion. The beauty of the hymns carried by the strains of the organ, the power of the Word of God read by the local pastor, Rev. Daniel Fuchs, the solemnity of the prayer offered by Mr. H. P. Donner, the glorious anthems rendered by the Students' Chorus, all of this was impressive and uplifting. And the impulse received from the festive message of Brother Kuhn carried to still greater spiritual heights. Based on Rev. 1:17-18, he spoke on "The Continued Existence of the Church of Christ."

The graduation exercises on Sunday (Continued on Page 260)

Our School of the Prophets

Report of the School Committee by the REV. ASSAF HUSMANN

For the last two years the School Committee met at the end, and, not as formerly, at the beginning of the school year. This change was made for several reasons. First, for the opportunity it gives to consult and counsel with the graduating students. Second, because Spring is a better time than Autumn to determine the future of the students who have completed their year of probation. Third, because it affords the members of the committee a possibility to have a part in the commencement exercises of our seminary.

Since there were many and very weighty deliberations to be carried on and decisions to be made, the committee met for three days of sessions instead of the usual two days from May 16 to 18 at the seminary in Rochester, N. Y. The last day in the series was a joint session with the Board of Trustees, which took care of all matters which were of common interest to both boards.

The members of the committee who were present were the Reverends Alfred Bernadt, Philip Daum, Peter Geissler, George Hensel, Assaf Husmann, Azzaph E. Jaster and Herman P. Kayser. Mr. Geissler was in the chair. Mr. Jaster had come in response to the committee's invitation to fill the unexpired term of the late Rev. David Hamel. We were glad to have found a willing and able co-worker in Mr. Jaster, even though we missed the wise and experienced counsel of the departed one.

An unusual feature of these sessions was the presence of Mr. H. P. Donner, the esteemed manager of our Publication House and Dr. William Kuhn, the honored General Mission Secretary of our denomination. The former arrived Friday morning and brought to the student body, the faculty, and the School Committee in a special meeting on Friday evening an inspired address on the developments of our publication enterprise during its 75 years of existence. The latter took part in the deliberations of the joint session. Both of them had a part in the commencement exercises, about which a separate report appears on an adjoining page.

This year's graduating class consisted of the following brethren: Richard Grenz, Gustav Lutz, Peter Pfeiffer, Walter Stein, Ewald Wegner, Otto Zinn, and George Zinz. In individual interviews with the committee, they were given an opportunity to restate their call to the ministry, discuss their plans for the immediate future, (whether pastorate or study), outline the nature of their message, review their seminary experiences, and describe their views on ministerial conduct. On

the basis of their statements we counseled them conscientiously and to the best of our ability. Four of the graduates have responded to calls from churches: Mr. Pfeiffer to Waco, Tex.; Mr. Stein to Ebenezer East, Sask.; Mr. Wegner to Nokomis, Sask.; and Mr. Zinz to Erie, Pa. The other three are waiting for an opportunity to occupy a place in the great work of salvation, according to their special gifts and convictions. Pastorless churches will please address themselves with confidence to the faculty of our seminary for information and mediation.

In a second interview, on the faculty's recommendation, the following students who had been accepted for one year's probation in the Fall were now admitted as regular students: Lorenz Michelson, Edwin Michelson, Robert Konitz, Peter Schilling, Robert F. Zimbelmann, and Henry Lang. They are a promising group of young men.

It should be mentioned here that all students' fees have undergone another increase within the last year. The entrance fee is now \$200, and the successive annual maintenance fees are \$100. Graduates pursuing further studies at the University of Rochester pay the seminary \$200 for room and board annually. The faculty is authorized to raise or lower these fees in exceptional cases. In this manner, students are now contributing considerably more toward the upkeep of our school than in former years.

Steps have been taken to re-establish a students' mission in Rochester. At one time there were two such missions in existence, in which the students of those days gathered invaluable practical experience. Unfortunately, both became defunct. In the present city missions, however, the opportunities for work have grown less and less in the course of the years. Our Andrews Street Church, too, is not in a position to offer all students an opportunity for work. In their search for something to do, they scatter into churches of different denominations, and the results are not always desirable. Still much less wholesome are the results of an imposed idleness upon the missionary aspirations of some of the students. Something must be done to improve the situation.

The average mental and spiritual quality of the student body is highly gratifying, in spite of the above mentioned lack of practical work. Through whatever activities they have carried on in the different churches of Rochester and vicinity, our students have won a good reputation for themselves and, therefore, frequently are accorded preference over students of other similar institutions. Moreover, again and

again good reports are coming from our vastly scattered mission fields where our students have been doing summer work. They were instrumental in numerous conversions and carried on a good deal of constructive church work. Special mention should be made of the extraordinary performances of the Seminary Glee Club under the capable leadership of Mr. Walter Marchand. A large number of churches of the Eastern Atlantic, and Central Conferences were visited in the Easter seasons of the past and the current year, and the efforts of the Club brought about a better understanding and loving criticism of our school of prophets.

It can be said that some of our students are outstanding not only in study but in evangelistic zeal and achievements as well. It is, therefore, entirely unjust to judge the entire student body in the light of the failings of a few students. Every fold has its proverbial "black sheep." And experience teaches us that no school of prophets in this world is entirely free from false pupils of the prophets. Quite often our churches deserve the greatest part of the blame for this situation, because they recommend candidates for the ministry too easily. Members who are newcomers and such as have not thoroughly proven their worth in the life of a church should, as a rule, not be recommended. But it happens again and again. Our seminary cannot create something out of nothing. Nor can it raise good fruit on an evil tree. But it stands ready to give a spiritually founded, practically tested, and scholastically prepared brother a broader foundation in Biblical truth, a wider horizon in the conception and presentation of the gospel message, and higher standards in the ideals of life.

It is the conviction of both boards that as soon as possible a fifth teacher on our faculty should be secured to fill the vacancy which was created by Professor Helmuth G. Dymmel's resignation several years ago. We fear that the excessive teaching load which is being carried by our present teaching staff is neither justifiable nor beneficial in results. It is also the opinion of the faculty that the German language courses should be increased to cover five years instead of the present two, for most of the brethren now entering have had little or no education in German. Such knowledge of German as they acquire during the first two years at the seminary they are apt to lose, at least in part, during the next two or three years, because of lack of practice. Still the demand for pastors able to serve in the German language as

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Light in a Pitch-black World

Northern Baptist Convention at Atlantic City, N. J., from May 21 to 26,
as Reported by the REVERENDS JULIUS KAAZ and PAUL SCHADE
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About 3,000 delegates from 7,400 Baptist Churches, representing about 1,400,000 members, attended the interesting sessions of the Northern Baptist Convention at Atlantic City, N. J., from May 21 to 26. Under the leadership of President Elmer A. Fridell the elaborate program went according to schedule.

Panel Discussions

A laymen's discussion group at 8 o'clock began the program of the day and the business sessions followed at 9 o'clock. Ten discussion groups were held simultaneously from 3:15 to 5 P. M. The following subjects were discussed by able leaders: World Missions, Evangelism, Higher Education, Great Social Issues, Education in the Local Church, Race Relations in the Modern World, The Christian Home, The Baptist Witness in a Warring World, Baptists and Christians Cooperation, The Minister and His Work.

We are living in a changing world, a needy world, a warring world, a lost world which needs Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. These panel discussions were a great success, and the interest and participation ranked high.

The Bible expositions given by the Rev. C. Gordon Brownville of Boston on the convention theme, "The Light Shined," were well rendered and had the right of way. A spiritual atmosphere was felt and was visible in all the sessions.

Inspiring Worship Services

The evening services were filled to the brim. The following features composed the program for Wednesday evening, May 22: a World Wide Guild pageant, followed by four addresses on "Baptist Youth Look Ahead," by Carl Tiller; "Do You Care?," by President A. C. Marts; "The Possible Black-Out for Baptist Schools and Colleges," by President J. H. Miller; and "Christian Education and Democracy," by President M. E. Dodd. A Negro quartet from Richmond, Va., served every day.

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance, and secretary W. O. Lewis gave first hand news from abroad. Our work in Europe has received a great setback in many ways among all the nations. The message, "Lights in a Dark World," by the Rev. Theodore Adams on Thursday evening was fitting for the occasion. The Taylor Brothers, Charles and Laurie, closed the evening service with an old-time revival sermon, and even the call for the making of decisions was not missing.

The Vatican Appointment

The convention seriously applied its collective Christian conscience to a number of outstanding problems. One of these was President Roosevelt's appointment of Myron C. Taylor to the Vatican. Four questions were asked: (1) Did the President's action constitute a preferential recognition of one sect within American Christianity, and thus constitute a violation of our constitutional and traditional separation of church and state? The widespread opinion, frequently expressed, was "yes," but one suspected a sub-vocal feeling that the appointment was more a potential than at present an actual violation of separation.

(2) Was the Federal Council guilty of unconcern, of disapproving tardily and not strongly enough, of failing to represent the "Baptist witness" accurately enough to warrant our continuing cooperation? A statement of chronology and fact by the Rev. George Buttrick, president, satisfactorily exonerated the Federal Council of all these charges. Indeed, there was vigorous defense of the Council.

(3) Has the Taylor appointment contributed toward peace, its stated object?

(4) In view of the above considerations, what action should the convention take? One of the resolutions brought by the Resolutions Committee, amended from the floor, and passed unanimously by the convention, expressed disapproval of any move which violates separation of church and state, and requested the President of the United States to "reconsider" the Taylor appointment.

Conscientious Objectors

In view of present European conditions, there were sensitive and nervous elements in the convention about the proposed ratification of the action of the General Council of the convention in setting up a registry of conscientious objectors to "any form of war" (or pacifists). Pointing out that this move was not intended as united approval of pacifism, but only support for the individual freedom of conscience in this matter, the Rev. Seasholes of Dayton, the Rev. Dahlberg of Syracuse, and others piloted this controversial issue safely. The resolution, passed overwhelmingly in the end, aimed at securing for "all conscientious objectors" the same exemptions which have been granted to members of the American Society of Friends.

Denominational Changes

Several organization changes were

approved and of these the following promise to have great significance:

(1) The unification of the Christian Social Agencies in a vigorous program of "Christian Social Progress," with, as soon as finances warrant, a full-time paid executive;

(2) the dissolution of the B. Y. P. U. of America and the organization, in its place, of the "Baptist Youth Fellowship," which is intended to include all Baptist young people, regardless of the name and other affiliation of the groups in the local churches, and without prejudice to any such group.

Baptist Education

Among the reports of committees, the most thought-provoking and in some minds the most important report was the one published separately under the title, "The Possible Black-out of Baptist Schools and Colleges." It points to the tremendous needs of Baptist education, and at the same time the very low use made by Baptists of the existing facilities which have been maintained at such high cost. The dark aspect of this problem presaged ill for the future of Baptist leadership and of the denomination itself. No decisive action could be taken at the convention, but a drive for money to bring facilities up-to-date, and a crusade for Baptist parental responsibility in the matter of their children's education was requested.

Some of the intangible but unmistakable "things in the air" which a convention visitor felt were these:

(1) A new drive for the cooperation of the men of the churches in a "Church School Advance" program. If Judge Millington's (president-elect of the convention for 1940-41) own convictions can be communicated to the men of the denomination, the Bible or Sunday Schools should show a significant rally, as indeed they must if the denomination intends to maintain its importance in American life.

(2) A new consciousness of unique Baptist principles.

Bi-lingual Baptist Groups

Of particular interest to German Baptists was the welcome given to a number of bi-lingual Baptist groups into the convention on report that they had not yet had opportunity to act up with the Northern Baptist Convention. The Council was asked by the convention to make overtures to the Disciples of Christ for similar affiliation. Announcement that the German Baptists had not yet had opportunity to act upon their invitation came with the warm tribute paid to the services of our late Rev. H. C. Gleiss of Detroit, Mich.

B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

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Sunday, August 4, 1940

GOD IS AT THE ORGAN

Scripture Reference: Psalm 19:1-6;
Romans 1:18-21.

1. Introduction

Listen! It is a Bach organ concert. In the spacious beautiful church edifice stands a powerful pipe organ above the pews, dedicated to call saints and sinners to the worship of God, the Master Organist. From the magnificent instrument pours forth a flood of notes that seem to be the very music of life itself. Weary people forget the workaday grayness of their lives, and faces light up with new hope, while eyes grow luminous and the heart of man is touched by the spell of eternal beauty.

The God who said, "Let there be light," said also, "Let there be music." And musicians who catch in their listening spirits the caroling of birds, the singing of winds in the tree tops, the melody of brooks, the lilt in the voices of little children, the singing of the spheres in space, and put them down in black marks on white paper, so that others can read and bring forth again a piano or violin or cello, are in very truth co-workers with God. Yes, a musician who brings in through the walls of a hot, crowded city building the beauty of brooks and waterfalls, of mountains and great distances, of winds and soaring birds, setting free the spirit of weary people "that they may have life more abundantly," is, consciously or unconsciously, a co-worker with God.

And then, what of blaring jazz and cheap suggestive songs in our Christian homes? What place can they honestly hold in the world in which God says, "Let there be music," and in which God dwells in the heart of beautiful things?

2. Harmony With God

Did you ever sit in a wireless receiving station and listen to voices or music coming through space from miles away? Have you watched the operator carefully bring his instrument into tune with the one sending the message, so that when the two were in tune it was as if you were listening to someone in the next room? Just a little turn of a regulator threw you out of tune, and the room was silent again. Another turn, and there was sound, which had been going on all the time, even though you could not hear it.

That is like being in harmony with God's great organ! So let us hear what he is trying to say wherever he finds a receiving instrument in tune. If it takes time and care to bring two

wireless instruments into harmony with one another, is it not reasonable to spend time getting into touch with God, into his Spirit and attitude toward things, his way of looking at people, his power for living rightly, his thoughts for us?

3. Music and God

One of the greatest gifts to a receptive heart is music which flows from the organ of God. It is like the "balm of Gilead" which healed the wounds of Israel to a new life. As in the days of old, music restores and inspires hope and confidence in young people who often find life's pathway difficult, full of problems and contradictions. Sacred music has more than the wisdom and understanding of books; more than joy of play and sport; a "something" at whose touch our spirits start up, wide-eyed.

Have you ever had the experience, when you thought your mind was a million miles away listening with your inner ear to the ancient singers of the temple, or the melodious flute of the shepherd boy, David, as he played while watching over his flock, of suddenly finding yourself face to face with some mean little grudge you had been holding, all unconsciously, or some unworthy thought that, once it was out in the open, you loathed and crushed as you would a venomous snake? That is only one of the ways that music, catching our minds unaware, brings the new life.

4. The Mirror at the Organ

You turn at last to the mirror at God's organ—the revealer of your inner self. Is your reflection a glowing spirit, or a starved and shrivelled one? Jesus saith, "He that abideth in me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit." And Paul named the "fruits" of such a life: "Love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance." Is there, then any place in a radiant, glowing, Christ-filled life for lost faith, tarnished honor, fear to attempt big tasks, failure to accomplish accepted responsibilities, sordid thoughts, broken friendships, a distorted sense of proportions?

Some people in the mirror at the organ look small and far away and vague; others are clear and distinct and life-size. Is your faith in the music of God clear and unchangeable? Jesus said that not even a sparrow falls to the ground without your Father's knowing it, and that you are of more value than many sparrows. He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. He is capable of caring for the universe—sun and sun-

flower, moon and firefly, stars and planets, robins and sparrows—is he not just as capable of caring for your life, your plans, your joys, your troubles?

"Let me go where'er I will
I hear a sky-born music still:
It sounds from all things old,
It sounds from all things young,
From all that's fair, from all that's foul,
Peals out a cheerful song."

Sunday, August 11, 1940

MANAGING MY TIME

Scripture Reference: Eph. 5:15-17;
Col. 4:2-5.

1. Time and God

Here upon a little earth, whirling in space, we live. Revolving ceaselessly around the sun, the earth turns now into the light, now into the shadow, and then again into the light. Now we move nearer the sun; now farther away. But always we go on. And always time is, and always has been and always will be undivided, eternal. We measure it with words, and for convenience' sake we speak of "day" when the light of the sun reaches our side of the earth, "night" when we roll on into shadow. Hours and minutes and seconds are but tiny measuring cups by which our minds try to dip up bids of the eternal river of time as it sweeps by.

But God's mind is not bound by small measures. The sun that determines our light or darkness is but a tiny star in the universe, and for him there is neither day nor night, neither winter nor summer. The whole sweep of eternity is his. So with God there can be no sense of haste, because he is not limited by the end of an hour or a day or a season or a lifetime. Because he can see the whole, of which we can see but a little part, he can be infinitely patient, working steadily through the ages, that all people together may have life more and more abundantly.

2. Time and Ourselves

"Earth rolls onward into day," and when the shadows fold us in again at evening time this day will have slipped away forever into the past. Each hour is given us but once. We can buy with what we choose. Minutes can trickle through our fingers carelessly, unused, and be lost. Or we can trade them for cheap shoddy things. Or we can pay them out carefully, one by one, for clean living, right thinking, beautiful joys, unselfish sharing of our best with those along the everyday way, and work that counts. This day is entrusted to us but once. Shall we spend our portion of time carefully or waste it or lose it through careless fingers?

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Blaze Star

By Paul Hutchens

SYNOPSIS

A sweet, old lady, Mrs. Maria Louverne, who was a helpless cripple, was instrumental in introducing Dale Mars, the popular radio announcer to Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. In that Louverne home Dale also made the acquaintance of the attractive daughter, Nova, who in grateful fervor and spiritual vitality was like her name that meant "Blaze Star." At the Crystal Bible Conference held on the shores of a lake, God unravelled the complicated threads in the lives of these young people so that Dale and Nova found each other as sweethearts, and Adalene Waring and Lyle Petersen were led to see that they were meant for each other. In this last installment of Paul Hutchens' wonderful story, Mrs. Louverne has had Dale take her on a mysterious auto ride out into the country. Dale followed her instructions and stopped the car beside a neglected cottage which had once been very beautiful.

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His thoughts came back to the little white lady beside him, whose blue-gray eyes were looking sadly about her: up at the weathered, broken-windowed cottage; down the twisting stairway to the dock; to the left at what once had been a lovely garden, now overgrown with weeds, with only an occasional flower lifting its discouraged head. A rambler rose clung awkwardly to a tumbling picket fence; a neglected bridal wreath spirea, its June flowers long since fallen, sprawled dispiritedly along what once might have been a lovely walk leading from the front porch of the cottage to the stairway.

"Once it was beautiful," Maria Louverne said, and sighed. He waited for her to say more, but her eyes were far away and she seemed occupied with memories. At length she roused herself. "It's too long a story to tell, too sad a story either to tell or to hear, and the telling of it would do nobody any good."

"The man who built this once lovely cottage and planted the garden was very wealthy and very good. He had hoped and dreamed for a great happiness here, but when his dream did not come true his heart was broken and he became a recluse, living here alone for many years. When he died he willed all this, which was still beautiful, to the woman who was responsible for the dream being shattered. But she did not want it and she accepted it only legally, and, because it was neglected, it has become what it now is."

Dale thought he had never seen a face so sad. Then as suddenly as the sadness had come it was gone, and she was smiling again.

"And now, my reason for having you drive me here. Tell me," she said, "how do you like it? With remodeling and landscaping it could again be as beautiful as it once was; and with its thirty acres of wooded lake front, it would make an ideal place for your boys' work. You could have a camp here every summer and with the right kind of leadership you could do the very thing we were discussing an hour ago."

Dale's pulse quickened with the prospect. He visualized the whole thing, patterned after the boys' camps he had seen in his own Boy Scout days. Only, the leadership would be truly spiritual, training boys to be expert not only in woodcraft and in life-craft but in eternal life-craft. There would be swimming, hiking, first aid, handicraft, courtesy, obedience, thrift, honor, courage,—all these, but also the love of God in Christ. The Scout motto, "Be Prepared," should be interpreted to mean not only preparedness to "rescue a companion, gather firewood, ford a stream, help strangers, distinguish right from wrong, to serve his fellow men, his country and his God," but it must mean also, "Be prepared to meet God in Judgment by the only way in which a boy or anyone else can be prepared—by having Jesus Christ within the heart."

His voice was thick in his throat when he answered, "It would be too good to be true to hope for such a thing."

"But you would accept it as a gift, if it could be arranged?"

"I would not dare to refuse," he said. "I would accept it as a gift from God."

Maria Louverne sighed happily, "Then it shall be yours. It is yours," she announced quietly, and that announcement was the final chapter of the romance of Maria Louverne, and of a secret long buried in her heart alone.

"And now," she said, "if I may be alone a little while, please, I—I want to think and think and—pray . . ."

He kissed the top of her silk white head and went down the stairs to the dock where he too could think—and pray. His heart was happy yet strangely sad, and he wondered what thoughts were coursing through the mind of the dear old saint of God.

Alone Maria Louverne's eyes followed the twisted and weathered old stairway down to the dock. She

watched the tossing wavelets beating against the shore, listened to the chirp and song of the sparrows and wrens, the gay vocalizing of the red-winged blackbird. "I didn't want it to happen for a long time yet, Father, but I'm so tired anyway and so terribly handicapped . . ."

A redwing rose from the marshy shore, hung fluttering for a moment above the old stairway, its orange-scarlet shoulders flashing in the sunlight. "I've enjoyed your birds, God, and your lovely flowers. I think maybe I'll miss them a little bit, but Thou hast said, 'At the right hand of God are pleasures forever more,' so I know it's going to be grand up there; and I do want to see Jesus most of all . . ."

She wished Dr. Remsen had not given her that medicine just before she came. It was making her so sleepy, and of all times she didn't want to sleep, it was now.

Dear old Carth. He had loved her so. Planned this lovely cottage for them, begged her so passionately to give up her music career and marry him. And now, like herself, it was old, old, old. But it would lie useless no more. It would hear the shouts and laughter of thousands of boys as the years came and went, and there would be many more good men in the world because there would be more good boys.

She was becoming more and more sleepy. Perhaps just a wee nap would take away the tired feeling and the strange shortness of breath.

Her eyes closed wearily and she listened to the redwing and the robin and the house wren, and the waves washing against the shore and the dock, as to music from far away, and receding ever farther. She seemed to see the redwing once again over the old stairway, its crimson epaulets flashing, flashing. Its song was like the rippling of laughing spring water: "Oucher-la-ree-ee-ee-ee-ee." Crimson patches on its wings. Crimson. CRIMSON. CRIMSON! Like the precious blood of her Savior Who had given Himself freely for her.

And so she slept. And in her sleep she thought she saw a young man with dark hair and brown eyes climbing the stairs. He was so like the one she had known so long ago. The stairway was like her fingers now, old and worn out. Ah, but those fingers had been the stairway on which she had climbed to success and fame.

She liked his voice, so deep and resonant. It was going to be hard to say "No" to him after he had offered all this to her—this lovely cabin, all furn-

ished, the gorgeous garden. Ah, but her music! It was calling to her. Great cities were but waiting for her to come and the large auditoriums would be crowded with people eager to hear her play.

His eyes were laughing and alight with hope. She must not refuse him this time. She had done it once before and it had broken his heart and his life. This time she would say, "Yes."

There was a boat waiting down at the dock. Was she ready to go over to the other side? he was asking.

Yes, she was ready. He lifted her in his strong young arms and carried her so carefully that it was like riding on the wind, down, down, down—only it didn't seem like down, but up, higher and higher and over the clouds.

No, they were on the lake and he was rowing her across to the other side. The rocking of the boat, the dip and splash of the oars was making her sleepy again, so that she could not tell if she were asleep or awake. She was sure she could trust him to row her safely all the way across. The lake water was so very clear, as pure as crystal, almost. But why shouldn't it be, for was not that the name of the lake! Only there was a throne . . . "And from it proceeded a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal . . . and on either side of the river was there the tree of life . . ." Soon, very soon now, she would see the face of the One Who sat upon the throne. Trees! A crystal lake! A pure crystal stream! And His face! Perhaps there would be birds, too! But it didn't matter. It didn't really matter at all if her Savior was there.

The young man with the dark hair and the brown eyes and the deep, resonant voice continued on his way up the stairs. It was nearing the time for the morning services at the tabernacle and they would have to go back soon. Maria Louverne would be getting tired.

And there he found her, her eyes closed and sunk far back into deep brown sockets, her forehead as smooth as polished marble, her lips forming a smile of contentment and of hopes fulfilled.

He took one look and knew, for there was also a strange shadow across her face, her fine white hair framing it like a corona, like the radical light around the sun during a total eclipse.

It was nearing five o'clock in the afternoon on a Saturday in late September. In his room in the Craille, Dale sat at his desk watching through an open window the lengthening shadows of the dying afternoon as they crept slowly across the lawn. The Colorado spruce stood green and straight and silent in the sunlight.

A crestless black-throated chickadee, the white sides of his black-topped head shining in the sun, was perched high up on one of the topmost branches of the tree, crying gaily his own cheery little name, "Chickadee-dee-dee-

de," his lead-black feet clasped tightly around the swaying branch. Many of the summer singers had already left for a warmer climate, and the lovable little fellow, who would stay all winter, was tuning his voice and pluming his white, brown and black feathers in preparation for the long winter's vigil. Last year a pair of them had nested in an old tree stump in the garden; and all winter long they had made the days happy with their cheery, conversational, varied melodies—"Chickadee-dee-dee-dee"; "Day-day-day"; "Pe we, pe we, pe we."

Dale smiled at his little friend and turned his attention once more to studying. Tonight he was scheduled to speak at the City Rescue Mission. His Boy's Club of forty, gathered from here, there and everywhere, and which met once each week in the Craille, would be in the front rows to help in the meeting. Also they would usher, receive the offering and help with the special music. Already a number of them were true believers in Christ and their lives were bearing testimony of their faith. An anonymous check for one thousand dollars had come from the bank for building and beautifying the new camp at Crystal Lake. Dale suspected Mrs. Brownstone Waring of being the donor.

Like Nova, Dale was taking a correspondence course from Merriam Bible College, that seeming to be the best plan for the present. The will of Maria Louverne had bequeathed the thirty acre lake-front property to Nova, who, upon learning what had happened that Sunday morning when her mother and Dale were there alone, promptly transferred the property to his name for the purpose designated. "It will still be yours," he told her, "for what is mine is yours."

"Yes," she had replied, her violet eyes glowing with happiness and broadcasting to him their silent messages, "and what is yours and mine, is ours."

That was thirty days ago, when they were in the garden at the Craille, cutting a bouquet for a friend who was ill. His reply had been, "And when you are mine, everything will be ours—the whole world."

"Sh! Don't say it!" She eluded his arms and darted across the garden for a drink at the fountain where he caught her and kissed her again and again.

"Stop! D-don't, Dale . . . let's . . . wait . . . until . . . we . . . are sure . . . we . . . are . . . in . . . in . . . love . . .!" A kiss between every smothered word.

Her breath came quickly, her face and neck flamed a lovely crimson, her eyes were soft with love for him.

Releasing her, he said ironically, "Of course, we're not in love. I forgot. Please forgive me."

After that they were in love, desperately. They both knew it yet they both denied it, to each other. One day a week later he said, "I don't love you so terribly that I can't stand it any longer not to."

To which she had replied, "And I don't love you so much. I think I'm the happiest girl in the world."

"Lyle and Adalene aren't falling in love either, are they? I notice he's there twice each week."

The companionable little chickadee finished his gay chattering and darted away to other business. Dale saw that flash of gray shoot across the lawn and was reminded curiously of a moonlit night at Lake Crystal when a white-robed bather had moved swiftly down a wooden stairway and out along the dock and had plunged into the silver-waved lake.

He pressed the button on the radio, dialed to KEL. He cringed as he heard Jerry Flagler's voice saying at that moment, ". . . the beer this is beer. Drink at Brink's. Open all night, every night . . ."

It was like a voice from another world, where he had lived as in some previous existence. It had nothing to do with the world in which he was now a new creature entirely.

Following the announcement, a swing orchestra played from the turntable records—Dale knew because of the scratchy needle—a weird, wailing syncopated number, and it sounded in his ears like the wailing cry of lost youth, in torment because of the sins into which the modern dance had lured them.

The young man's jaw went shut grimly, his lips set in a firm, straight line. Hatred and anger flared up within him against the thing that was robbing America's youths of their morals and dimming for them their finer sensibilities—the dance that condoned, inspired promiscuity between the sexes, and in the end cast aside its victims without mercy, leaving a trail of broken homes, broken lives and broken hearts.

His head went down upon his arm on the desk and he sobbed, "Oh, my God! Give me a chance to strike this thing and strike it hard! . . . Bless dear old Jerry and save him from all this." Twelve minutes later Jerry would be off for the day.

The twelve minutes passed and Dale called the studio and asked for Jerry. "I'm preaching at the mission," he told him. "I'd be mighty glad to have you . . ."

"Sorry," Jerry said crisply, "but Miss Tyler and I are all set for the roof garden at Lake Crystal tonight. Perhaps some other time . . ." The voice of his old friend seemed cold, Dale thought. Being a true Christian, he was learning, sometimes meant receiving the cold shoulder from those who had once been good friends.

"But I will pay the price, O Christ," he vowed, and went on with his studying.

Night came and he was in the mission, with Nova at the piano, Lyle conducting the song service and Adalene sitting far back in the audience, note in readiness to take in shorthand Dale's first sermon—her own idea.

There was a twenty dollar bill in the offering plate tonight, and afterward Dale recalled that Mrs. Brownstone Waring was in the audience. He remembered especially because she had carried with her a new Bible and had looked up the various Scriptures which he had read or quoted. Also in the audience was a little Swedish lady who sat near the entrance, and who wiped furtive tears and hurried out quickly the moment the service was over. She had undergone a serious major operation during the summer and God had spared her life; and she was making a noble gesture of appreciation. In the morning mail there was a check for one hundred dollars from Mrs. Grayson for his boys' work—more fruit in answer to the prayers of Maria Louverne, who had prayed so earnestly for her the night preceding that operation.

And now it was ten o'clock. Dale, with Nova beside him, headed his car for the open country. The night was cool; he pressed the electric switch and warm air came in from the hot water heater.

"See that bright star hanging just above the haze of the horizon?" he asked. "I wonder if that is a Nova." He had used the simile of the Blaze Star in his sermon tonight, using Nova Hercules as an illustration: "Ordinarily a star of the 14th magnitude, it flared up suddenly five years ago. On December 14th, 1934, it reached the 3rd magnitude and on December 23rd, the first magnitude, the height of its brilliancy..."

"I couldn't help but think tonight while you were preaching that you yourself were a Blaze Star. You spoke with such earnestness and power, you lit up the whole meeting," Nova said soberly.

"It was His light within me."

"I know. I feel it sometimes when I am playing, not always with the same intensity, but always He is there when I am witnessing for Him."

"I was reading about dear old Peter today," he said. "Always flaring up so impulsively, yet so often dimmed until not a ray of light shone from him. See him after reaching the first magnitude in the great confession, 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God,' and then at the trial of Jesus, warming himself by the light of the world's fire, his own light gone out, apparently."

"And at Pentecost! What a Blaze Star he was that day! Filled with the Holy Spirit, he was never brighter. No wonder three thousand souls saw the Light within him and believed and were baptized."

"Wonderful!" was all Dale could say just then. A little later he said, "Speaking of stars, I saw Miss Barry at the cafeteria today and she was wearing a dazzling sparkler, and her baby doll eyes were like two blue stars looking across the table at the dimpled cheeks and dainty mustache of the handsomest man I ever saw."

"I wouldn't be interested in that," Nova said, and her hand pressed its way through and rested in the crook of his arm. "We had a wonderful time that afternoon, didn't we?"

"That—what afternoon?"

"Fishing—at Lake Crystal!"

"Oh!" what had that to do with diamonds? he wondered. It led him to say one thing, however, "I think it's time you are not wearing one."

"I think so, too," she said.

At the Orriston she invited him in for lunch.

In the living room of the apartment with the flaming oleander, the prolific fern with the numberless feathered fronds, the potted narcissus, the gorgeous nasturtium, they had tea and cookies, the latter baked that very day by Nova herself.

That too was fun, while within the two of them the love fire leaped higher and higher until he felt he could stand it no longer. When she came back after a trip to the kitchen for more cookies he was standing. He himself poured their second cups and set them steaming on the table. And then without warning and without resistance on her part, he was repeating his impulsive actions of a month ago in his mother's garden; and this time she was kissing him in return.

Then he held her at arm's length and looked long and searchingly into her eyes that were like violet pools of liquid fire. "You are not in love with me, Nova?" he asked, the perfect voice like the rasping of ripened wheat in the harvest season.

"Most emphatically, I am—"

He caught her to him before the negative could be spoken, and her sentence was finished—and sealed—with the words, "I am."

Their tea was only lukewarm when they were ready to drink it, but neither of them seemed to notice it. It was such an insignificant thing.

The End.

B. Y. P. U. TOPICS

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What can we buy with it that will be most lasting and worth the price of life?

In this our earthly time many valuable opportunities present themselves for our careful consideration. A Jewish boy at the age of twelve years took on, with certain ceremonies, the responsibility of manhood. Between the time when Jesus, at twelve, slipped through the door of growing up and the day when, at thirty years of age, he moved through the greatest drama of all history, there were years of growing, growing. From the study of scripture we know that there was coming to him his increase of years and physical stature; that he was knocking at the door of understanding; that he was learning how to make a place for himself in the world of people; that his fellowship with the Father was growing deeper every day.

As time goes on relentlessly, are we getting ready for our role in the world in which we live? Or do we hope to stumble on the right one, as Aladdin strolled into his palace?

3. Making Wise Use of Time

A century may be crowded into a number of decades by doubling the efficiency with which we may spend time. Measured in terms of the apostle, "Redeeming the time," most people fall far below the halfway mark of the twenty-four hour day. Moments, hours and days are carelessly tossed aside as if they are worthless, or are spent in ways that make only a negligible contribution to the good life. Indeed, by foolish use of time, many people are plunging deeper and deeper into the morass of futility and unhappiness.

In no previous generation were young people subjected to such intense pressure and never before were so many demands made upon time. In earlier decades it was necessary to devote a greater share of the day to toil for a livelihood. But in our time innumerable new interests and desires have been created and opportunities have been afforded us for their gratification. Thrills and excitements are so enjoyable that mental and spiritual aspiration are often side-tracked. Social functions are too often so appealing that numberless individuals spent evening after evening responding to the respective calls which society has created. Rarely do we devote an evening to the exploration of friendship, Bible study, missionary enterprises, prayer meetings and all the various church activities.

4. Hidden Treasures

What we are to be in the future depends largely on what we make of ourselves in the present, and how much we allow the Spirit of Christ to mold and form our earthly life. Within us are vast resources that wait to be explored and to be utilized, not only for ourselves, but to be put into active service for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. Life is rich in hidden, undeveloped possibilities. The story is told that three decades ago a traveller in South Africa found a child of a farmer, named Jacobs, in the back yard playing with a rough stone which proved to be a diamond of great value, the discovery of which led to the opening of the famous Kimberly mines. Are we not like that, playing with diamonds of priceless worth, golden hours which speed away never to return, unredeemed opportunities which are lost forever, and visions which Peter, James and John experienced on the Mount of Transfiguration? It was the same apostle, John, who witnessed that, who wrote later: "What we are to be in the future has not yet been fully revealed."

"Great Master, touch us with thy skillful hands;
Let not the music that is in us die;
Great Sculptor, hew and polish us,
Nor let, hidden and lost,
Thy form within us die."

Reports from the Field

Pacific Conference

Days of Blessing for the Odessa Baptist Church of Washington

Palm Sunday, March 17, was a great day of blessing for the Baptist Church of Odessa, Wash. Our morning worship, as usual, was well attended. In the afternoon the Lincoln and Adams County Fellowship Meeting was held with the Rev. R. S. Haskell, radio pastor of K. F. I. O. in Spokane, Wash., as our guest speaker. The church was filled to its capacity and a wonderful spirit prevailed. After the sermon an altar call was given, and one young lady came forward for Christ.

In the evening service the church was again filled and, after a short message on salvation and baptism, the Rev. J. G. Rott baptized seven persons upon confession of their faith. These seven converts were the fruits of the meetings held in January when the Rev. F. W. Mueller of Portland, Ore., served us. This was our second baptism in less than seven months, something that has not happened here for many years. Six of the seven baptismal candidates can be seen on the accompanying picture.

From April 28 to May 10 we had the Kraft party with us. The evangelistic meetings were a great blessing to the church as well as outsiders who attended. Too quickly the time went by. Their messages were clear and simple. Eight persons took a definite stand for Christ. We are planning another baptismal service in the near future and pray that a number will go all the way with Christ.

REV. J. G. ROTT, Pastor.

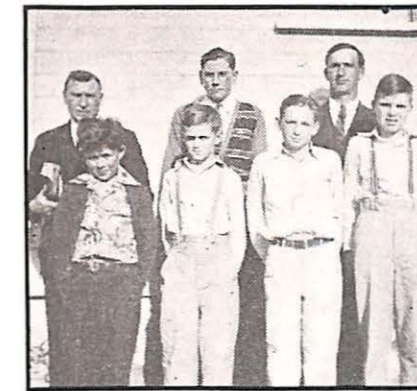
Dakota Conference

Signs of Life and Growth in the German Baptist Church of Sawyer, North Dakota

This is probably the first report in the BAPTIST HERALD from the German Baptist Church of Sawyer, No. Dak., and we are happy to say the Lord is still with us and we often feel his presence in our midst.

We hold our young people's programs on the first Sunday evening of each month, when the church is usually well filled. Our choir has also gone to K L P M broadcasting station in Minot to help the Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Max, No. Dak., in the conducting of services.

The Rev. J. Kepl of Martin, No. Dak., was with us for one week in March, conducting services in which one person found Christ. During that time we were glad to meditate upon the Word of God and to understand the value of one saved soul.



Rev. J. G. Rott of Odessa, Wash., (Holding Bible) and Six Baptismal Candidates

In the latter part of March we again began evangelistic services conducted by the Rev. Blair Bishop of Minot, No. Dak. For two weeks the church was filled almost every evening to the last chair, and 16 persons found Jesus as their Savior. The German Baptist Church of Max and the Calvary Church of Minot cooperated with us in these services.

Although we have been without a steady pastor, we now have the opportunity of having the Rev. Blair Bishop with us every Sunday morning. The services are well attended, including friends of the other churches who have held services in our church on their way home from Minot, where they assisted on the radio programs.

MRS. GLENN MOORE, Reporter.

Recent Sunday School Activities in the Emery Baptist Church

This year the members of the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church in Emery, So. Dak., determined to use their talents in the rendering of an Easter cantata. A choir of 50 voices set to work with a will, and rehearsed at every opportunity under the leadership of our pastor, the Rev. A. G. Lang.

On Easter Sunday evening, March 24, the cantata, "Christ Victorious" by Roy E. Nolte, through the melodious voices of the singers, spoke with spiritual power to a deeply appreciative and attentive audience.

Our Sunday School has an enrollment of 310. The average attendance since October 1, 1939, the beginning of our Sunday School year, has been 280. The church services and prayer meetings are also well attended.

On Sunday evening, May 5, the Senior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U. gave a "Laura Reddig" program to a well filled house. A missionary offering was taken for the "Bender Memorial Trek."

On Wednesday afternoon, May 15, the King's Daughters, our younger ladies' society, invited all the women of the church to the beautifully decorated church basement for a very touching and inspirational Mother's Day program. A well prepared and tasty two course lunch was served by the members of the Young Ladies Sunday School class.

Our pastor, Brother Lang, has resigned on account of his age. Needless to say, we all regret to see him go. We are happy, however, that God will soon send us another leader for our flock in the person of the Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Cathay, No. Dak.

TILLY FOLKERTS, Secretary.

Wedding of the Rev. and Mrs. Erich E. Bonikowsky at Carrington, North Dakota

Ella Albus of Carrington, No. Dak., the president of the Northern North Dakota Young People's Union, became the bride of Rev. Erich E. Bonikowsky, pastor of the Carrington and Pleasant Valley Churches, in a beautiful candlelight ceremony held at dusk Monday evening, May 27, at the Baptist church. Rev. A. Reeh of Goodrich, a college friend of the groom, read the service in the presence of 200 guests.

The altar was banked with baskets of cherry blossoms and the young couple exchanged their marriage vows before an arch of cherry blossoms flanked by tall candelabra. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Frank Albus.

The service opened with a short program of nuptial music. Frederick Pepple sang "Oh Promise Me" and "Because" with Lillian Edinger his accompanist. The wedding party entered to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march played by Miss Edinger.

Mrs. Albert Reddig of Cathay was matron of honor. Marie Albus of Jamestown, a sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The flower girl was Alta Albus, a cousin of the bride, who carried a basket of apple blossoms.

Rev. Oscar Bonikowsky of Sioux Falls, So. Dak., a brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Leslie Albus of Rochester, N. Y., a brother of the bride, and Frederick Bauer of Carrington, a cousin of the bride.

A reception followed at the church dining room with 150 guests attending. A beautiful wedding cake, decorated with white roses and green leaves and a miniature bride and groom, was the centerpiece at the bride's table.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonikowsky left for Goodrich for a short visit with friends, and returned to Carrington to their home at the Baptist parsonage.

MRS. FRED A. REDDIG, Reporter.

Anniversary of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Herreid Baptist Church in South Dakota

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church of Herreid, So. Dak., consisting of 39 members, celebrated its anniversary on Sunday, May 5. Mrs. E. Becker presided over the program. We enjoyed two fine addresses, one by the Rev. G. W. Rutsch of Gackle, No. Dak., and the other by Mrs. Rutsch.



Members of the Ladies' Aid of the German Baptist Church, Herreid, South Dakota

Among the musical numbers, under the direction of Mrs. R. Ackerman, were those by a ladies' quartet, a trio, and a double trio. We also had two good recitations, "Gehet hin in alle Welt," and "Verloren und wiedergefunden." The society members furnished some excellent singing, and the scripture lesson and prayers served to add to the courage and enthusiasm of our society.

Very interesting and encouraging reports were given by Mrs. H. O. Bens, secretary; Mrs. Jacob Schitzle, treasurer; Mrs. Jacob Quenzer, chairman of the committee for visiting the sick and the sewing society; besides Mrs. F. Heisler and Mrs. L. Kramlich.

We meet once a month, read the "Missions-Perlen," and listen to reports from the different fields of missionary endeavor. At one occasion our pastor, the Rev. E. Becker, spoke to us, and at another time the Rev. H. G. Bens of Bismarck, No. Dak., gave us an interesting talk. The following are our officers: Mrs. E. Becker, president; Mrs. John Beck, vice-president; Mrs. Jacob Schuetzle, treasurer; Mrs. R. Ackerman, pianist; and Mrs. H. O. Bens, secretary.

MRS. H. O. BENS, Reporter.

Northern Conference Warm Reception by the Sheffield Church for the Rev. and Mrs. John Walkup

The German Baptist Church of Sheffield, Iowa, is glad to announce that the Rev. John Walkup and family have moved to Sheffield, Iowa, and are serving the German Baptist Church there regularly since June 1. Mr.

Walkup was formerly at Victor, Iowa, and is filling the vacancy left by the Rev. Carl J. Sentman.

On Thursday evening, June 6, a surprise welcome was held for the Walkups in the church. In the service the ministers of Sheffield were invited together with the Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Sentman and the general assembly to extend a welcome to the Rev. and Mrs. John Walkup. Addresses of welcome were brought by Mr. Martin Fedelick,

church deacon; Mr. Henry Boehlje, superintendent of the Sunday School; and Mr. Vernon Koester, representing the B. Y. P. U. The visiting ministers from the Evangelical, Methodist and English Baptist churches also took part in the program. Mr. Walkup responded graciously to the many kind words. The program was carried out by the chairman, Mr. Fred Stover.

A Vacation Bible School for children was conducted from June 18 to 25 in our church. Besides our pastor, Mr. Walkup, as director, the following teachers took part in the school; the Misses Alma Koester, Irma Boehlje, and Laura Stover.

VERNON KOESTER, Reporter.

Annual Sessions of the Minnesota Association Are Held in the First Church of St. Paul

Under the theme, "The Christian and His Varied Christian Life," about thirty delegates and friends of the state of Minnesota assembled from May 23 to 26 at the First German Baptist Church of St. Paul to observe the 71st Vereinigung. The meetings were held in the newly decorated interior of the First Church of St. Paul. In such wholesome surroundings the delegates were privileged to discuss the progress of their various churches in the different church reports and to listen to many well prepared addresses by the various pastors. The Rev. John Wobig of the Riverview Church was the capable and inspiring moderator.

The program committee and the local pastor, the Rev. E. Wolff, presented a well balanced arrangement of ser-

mons and music. The ladies of the entertaining church outdid themselves in the fine selection of meals and the floral decorations of the church's rostrum. Besides the pastors of the Minnesota association, the Revs. E. Wolff, J. Wobig, H. Hirsch, Wm. Schobert, H. C. Wedel, J. R. Matz, A. Lutz, A. Foll, the Rev. E. Erickson, pastor of a St. Paul Swedish Baptist Church, and Miss Margaret Lang, returned missionary of the Sudan Interior, gave inspiring and helpful messages.

It was particularly gratifying to learn that our Minnesota churches are making definite progress spiritually and numerically. Various building programs have been completed and some are in the process of completion. The fact of 66 baptisms this past year was, to say the least, encouraging. But even then it took more than 11 members to win one for Christ.

The splendid program by the ladies' missionary union and the well rendered numbers of the local church were imposing contributions to the Vereinigung, which will long be remembered as a spiritual feast. The new officers for next year are: moderator, Rev. E. Wolff; vice-moderator, Rev. A. Lutz; secretary, Rev. A. Foll; and treasurer, Rev. H. Hirsch. The meeting next year will be held at St. Bonifacius.

WM. H. SCHOBERT, Reporter.

Central Conference Annual "Lehrerbund Rally" of the Chicago Sunday Schools

Six hundred people attended the annual Chicago Lehrerbund Rally on Sunday afternoon, May 19, at the First German Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill. The gathering is the climax of the Sunday School activities for the year, and is always looked upon with enthusiasm by the scholars.

Mr. Herman Siemund, the president, presided, while Mr. F. A. Grosser, vice-president, conducted the song service after a welcome by the pastor of the First Church, the Rev. John Schmidt. Miss Alethea Kose of the Baptist Missionary Training School brought a very interesting talk on the subject, "The Bible as a Textbook." We were favored with a medley of gospel songs on the accordion by "Happy" Michealowski, a series of quartet numbers by the colored Army Jubilee Quartet, and an arrangement of two gospel hymns played by Mr. W. Schuller of the Moody Bible Institute.

The auditorium was arranged in convention style, with placards designating the schools. A prize was awarded to the group having the best original rally song. This was won by the First Church, which also won the American flag for the highest percentage of attendance. The Humboldt Park Church won the award for the greatest number of new scholars received during a contest closing at the time of the rally. The rally ended with the singing of the "Hallelujah Chorus" by a representative choir led by Mr. Louis Grechsheimer.

ROY ANDERSON, Reporter.

A Memorial Tribute to Mr. Edward H. Steinhaus of Chicago, the Father of Mrs. Charles W. Koller

Edward H. Steinhaus, the father of Mrs. Charles W. Koller, passed to his heavenly rest on May 27. He was nearing his ninety-second birthday, having been born on November 24, 1848, in Dorotheenthal, Pommern, Germany. Upon completion of 9 years of army service, he was married to Caroline Burgdorf. This young couple emigrated immediately to the United States, settling first in Iowa. Both were converted and baptized in the Baptist Church at Muscatine, Iowa, in 1879.

From Iowa the family moved to a ranch in Nebraska, and finally to a plantation in Louisiana. In 1918 Mr. Steinhaus retired and moved to Dallas, Texas, where his son-in-law, the Rev. Julius Ehrhorn, was pastor of the Carroll Avenue Baptist Church. The years in the Carroll Avenue Church were years of extraordinary Kingdom service, to which Mr. Steinhaus devoted strength and time without measure.

In 1927, when the youngest daughter, Mrs. Charles W. Koller, moved to Newark, N. J., the parents made their home with the daughter and the son-in-law, who was pastor of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church. Here Mr. Steinhaus became the teacher of the German Bible class. He continued in vigorous service until he was nearly ninety years of age. He retained the erect bearing of a soldier; he thought clearly and spoke clearly and vigorously; and he displayed an amazing command of the Scriptures.

It was in Newark that Mrs. Steinhaus passed away in 1934. Four years later, when Pastor Koller became president of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mr. Steinhaus moved with the family to Chicago, Ill.

The end came rather suddenly and unexpectedly. After several days of weakness spent in bed, he simply fell asleep, without suffering or struggling. It was the way that Mrs. Steinhaus had gone, and the way that he himself desired to go. His life was a powerful testimony for God and a gracious benediction to the household of which he was a part.

The memorial service in Chicago was conducted by the Rev. Paul C. Allen of the Judson Baptist Church. In Newark, N. J., where the interment took place, a further service was conducted by the Rev. Verner I. Olson of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church. There are nine surviving sons and daughters, three others having previously passed away.

CHARLES W. KOLLER, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference Successful Vacation Bible School Held by the Calvary Church, Stafford, Kansas

On Sunday evening, May 26, a large crowd gathered in the Calvary Baptist Church of Stafford, Kan., to wit-

ness the closing exercises of a three week Vacation Bible School.

Although only the Kindergarten, Primary and Junior courses were offered, 58 children of the community and church attended the school, manifesting great interest and enthusiasm throughout the entire time with many desiring its indefinite continuation.



Children and Teachers of the Happy Vacation Bible School Recently Held in Stafford, Kansas

The offerings brought by the children so that other children might also have Vacation Bible Schools amounted to \$8.55.

The teachers, Mrs. S. R. Stalcup, Mrs. W. S. Fritzeimer, Mrs. Harve Fritzeimer, Miss Marie Mueller, Mrs. N. J. Howe, Mrs. Edward Lichte, and Mrs. Clifford Hildebrand, gave much time and fine talent to assure the success of the school. The pastor acted as director and assisted in instructing the Junior boys in handwork. On the closing day of the school a picnic dinner was enjoyed by all in a neighboring grove.

The fine closing program of songs, Scripture memory, Bible stories and exercises was greatly enjoyed by all. At the close of the program the crowd went to the basement to view the fine display of handwork made by the children. Of the more notable items were the tea towels and crib covers made by the Junior girls and donated to the local hospital.

The accompanying picture of the school group was taken by Mr. Ernest Hildebrand of the local church, who is doing a fine and deeply appreciated work by taking pictures of our Children's and Young People's Camps and churches and showing them in the various churches, thus creating much interest in the work of our denomination out here in the Southwest.

We, as a church, are looking forward with great anticipation to the Southwestern Conference and Children's Camp to be held in our midst in the coming months.

ALFRED WEISSER, Pastor.

Anniversary Program of the Women's Missionary Union of the Emanuel Church near Loyal, Oklahoma

The Women's Missionary Union of the Emanuel Baptist Church, near Loyal, Okla., rendered its anniversary program at the church on Friday evening, May 10. The program was in

charge of our very efficient president, Mrs. R. A. Klein, and consisted principally of a dramatic presentation entitled, "The Women of the Bible." Each individual was attired in costume to represent a woman character of the Bible. A solo was also sung by Elewgen Gene Hill, and a piano solo was rendered by Mrs. Emil Weber.

Our guest speaker of the evening was the Rev. H. Pfeifer of the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene, Okla. He gave a very interesting talk on "Characteristics of the Women of the Bible." He stressed the point that the world of today would be different if we had more "Bible Women" instead of the worldly characteristics, which so many women possess in our day.

The Men's Chorus of the Emanuel Church rendered a selection, which was greatly appreciated by all in attendance. A free will offering was taken at the close of the program, which will be used for mission work.

MRS. HARRY STEBENS, Secretary.

Almost One Hundred Pupils in Ellinwood's Vacation Bible School

The Vacation Bible School of Ellinwood, Kan., from May 20 to 31, has certainly been blessed this year. The rural school grew rapidly in the two weeks till the largest attendance in one day was reached with 90 pupils. We had 95 pupils enrolled and 10 visitors. The teachers were the Rev. and Mrs. W. Helwig, Mrs. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Ringering, Mrs. Marion Koch, and Mrs. Glen Argyle. Mrs. Paul Scheufler and Mrs. Rudolph Marchand assisted with the music.

Mr. Ernest Hildebrand and his two daughters took moving and still pictures of the school. The school closed with a wiener roast on the last day, but the culminating activity on Sunday evening, June 1, was featured by Mr. Hildebrand's moving pictures of various phases of church work, including our school.

The Lord has been with the Rev. W. Helwig since he started the school three years ago. The enrollment has taken greater strides each year, so that the seed is sown in an ever widening field. We find a greater knowledge of the Bible, more interest in the church, and more Bibles in the homes.

OLIVER K. RINGERING, Reporter.



Mothers' and Daughters' Banquet in the Lorraine Baptist Church of Kansas Sponsored by the King's Daughters Society

Mothers Are Honored by the King's Daughters Society of Lorraine, Kansas

The King's Daughters Society of the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kan., honored its mothers with a Mother-Daughter dinner in the church banquet hall on Tuesday evening, May 7. The assembly room in the basement was furnished for reception purposes. A display of the White Cross work, which is done at the regular meetings of the society, was in an adjoining class room, and was viewed by the guests before dinner was served.

In the dining hall tables were laid for sixty. Five large crystal bowls filled with pink sweet peas, baby's breath and adiantum fern served as center decoration. Pink was carried out in detail in nut cups and napkins. A two course dinner was served. Music was played by Mrs. Rolland Wilkens between courses.

After dinner, Mrs. Harold Wilkens, the president, gave a welcome to the mothers. Mrs. Alfred Schacht gave the origin of Mother's Day and something of the life of its founder. Mrs. Wilbert Janzen and Mrs. Clarence Wilkens sang a duet, "My Mom," with all the daughters singing the chorus for the mothers. "Mrs. Chircup Cheers Her Pastor" was the reading given by Mrs. Glenn Bates, who was in costume. The entire group joined in playing the "man on the street" with Mrs. Clark West as radio interviewer.

MRS. W. W. MOLLHAGEN, Reporter.

Northern Conference

Activities of the Regina B. Y. P. U. in Behalf of God's Kingdom and the Church

The B. Y. P. U. of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, although not often heard from in "The Baptist Herald," is, nevertheless, active in the service of their Lord and Master under the leadership of their president, Alfred Pudlas.

Our programs are of a varied type and bring a great response. The society meets every second and fourth Thursday evening of the month with a Sunday evening program every quarter year.

extended to 12 persons at the evening service.

The Calgary Church has been making splendid progress since last June under the capable leadership of its pastor, the Rev. R. Milbrandt.

We as a church, although still a small group, have undertaken to build a new house of worship, which is now very badly needed. The members are doing their utmost to help in this task. The young people are also showing great interest in doing their part.

Most of the work is volunteer labor by different members and also by Mr. Milbrandt, who are rendering their services with a smile. From our neighbor churches, Freudenthal and Bethel, volunteer workers come from time to time, for which we are very thankful. With some help in addition from the General Mission Society we are pushing forward.

Although the future does not look too bright at the present time because of world conditions, we are putting our trust and faith in our heavenly Father. Our pastor has also organized a "Schwestern-Verein." These women are busy trying to do their part in which to brighten some small corner.

MRS. R. EROST, Reporter.

The Southey Church Welcomes Its New Minister, Mr. Karl Korella

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Surely, we of the German Baptist Church of Southey, Sask., Canada, want to praise God for having so wondrously answered our prayers, and for having sent us a new shepherd to lead his flock.

At the morning service on Sunday, May 19, Mr. L. Galenzoski, a deacon, introduced our new minister, Mr. Korella, to the church. Mr. Korella then delivered his opening sermon, the theme being, "Setting Sails."

In the evening the members of our church, together with a host of friends from the neighboring churches of Regina, Edenwold, Serath and Nokomis, held a reception for our new pastor. The message was brought by the Rev. A. Kujath of Regina.

Following this message words of welcome were extended by Mr. L. Galenzoski; by the president of the Ladies' Aid Society, Mrs. M. Wagner; by the president of the B. Y. P. U., Mr. John Lang; by the superintendent of the Sunday School, Mr. Eric Sauer; and by a representative of the choir, Mrs. John Butz. We were also delighted to hear words of welcome from representatives from the neighboring churches, namely: Mr. Ed. Fenske, Nokomis; Mr. C. Rumpel, Edenwold; and Mr. Bernhard Zimmer, Serath. Then in a few words Mr. Korella expressed his appreciation to the church.

A social hour in the church followed, at which time everyone was given an opportunity of greeting the new minister. May God bless this new bond of fellowship, and may he add his blessing to the work of his church!

ARDIS K. MATHIS, Reporter.

Southern Conference

Mother-Daughter Banquet at the Kyle German Baptist Church of Texas

A most enjoyable Mother-Daughter banquet was held at the German Baptist Church of Kyle, Texas, on Friday evening, May 10. The banquet was given by the Young Ladies' Sunday School Class for all of the mothers in the church, the number present being about 60.

The banquet was given in the annex of the church, which was decorated in very beautiful flowers of all colors and kinds. A delicious three-course dinner was served with singing enjoyed between courses. Miss Ruby Wiegand, president of the Sunday School Class, acted as toastmistress and gave an address of welcome to the mothers and guests present. The Sunday School teacher, Mrs. Dora Lengefeld, gave the table blessing.

After the dinner was served a very inspirational Mother's Day program was given by the young ladies. Various poems expressing a mother's love for us were given by Virginia Merle, Dorine, Florine Schmeltekopf, Margaret, Mary Ane, Esther Lengefeld, and Lydia Ahlhardt. Ruby Wiegand gave a short talk on "Grandma" telling us of all the love our grandmothers show us. We were especially favored by having Mrs. W. H. Barsch from Lockhart play several violin selections for us. She was accompanied by Mrs. Max Mittelstedt.

A play entitled, "Dream Castles," was given by several of the children and their mothers. This play was acted out in the different scenes of a person's life beginning with a mother singing a lullaby to her baby, then "School Days," and so on through the child's life until she became a grand-mother. Jewell Hill was the "Weaver of Dreams" who read the play as the different scenes were being acted out. The Sunday School class is greatly indebted to the Rev. and Mrs. Max Mittelstedt for the printing of all the beautiful programs and also for all the other many things which they did to make the Mother-Daughter banquet a successful one.

JEWELL HILL, Reporter.

First Summer Encampment of the Southern Conference Young People at Camp Ben McCulloch

In the foothills of the Davis Mountains along a tiny stream, 25 miles southwest of Austin, Texas, lies a south-west garden spot of scenic beauties, Camp Ben McCulloch, the grounds chosen for the first Summer Encampment of the Southern Conference from June 3 to 9.

The 112 registrations proved that distances meant nothing to these young people, the total mileage covered being 15,659 miles. Donna received the mileage banner with a total of 1360 miles. Kyle won the attendance banner by a total attendance of 238 persons.

The program was carried out with

splendid cooperation. Especially delightful was the appearance on the program of young people, who thus received necessary training for leadership. The pastors, too, through their part on the program and through fellowship endeared themselves to our hearts. The morning devotionals were taken care of by young people of Kyle, Waco, Cottonwood, Donna, and Crawford.

Forty students received study course awards, including 23 seniors who studied "From Pentecost to Patmos" under the Rev. W. E. Schweitzer of Dal-

ning Rev. M. L. Leuschner spoke on "Christians Who Hold the World Together," and on Sunday morning and afternoon Mr. Leuschner brought messages on "The Unfurled Banners of Christian Adventure" and "The Future Belongs to You, Adventurer!" Added to these wonderful sermons was an encouraging talk by the Rev. Alfred Cierpke.

On Saturday evening the Kyle Union presented beautifully the play, "The Challenge of the Cross." Miss Margaret Lengefeld, chairman of the music committee, in the absence of our



Enthusiastic Young People of the Southern Conference Encampment Gathered for a Vesper Service on Top of One of "the Twin Sisters," a Texas Mountain Peak

las, and 17 Intermediates who studied "Not Your Own" under the Rev. Rayburn Floyd, supply pastor of the Waco Church. There was another helpful course offered to the entire group, "Adventuring with Christ." The topics were adventuring with Christ in "Marriage," "Business," "Parliamentary Law," "Social Life," "Civic Life" and "Soul Winning," respectively discussed by the Revs. Hugo Ekert, J. J. Lippert, W. H. Buecking, M. L. Leuschner, and C. C. Gossen.

We were thrilled to our finger-tips when our vesper services led us to some spot where we felt nearer to God, for we, as Christian adventurers, can see him in the beauty and mysteries of nature. Reverends Hugo Ekert, L. Hoeffner, M. L. Leuschner and Mr. Walter Schaible were speakers. One evening we were privileged to witness a vesper drama presented by Kyle.

Five sermons were on the programs as follows: Monday evening, "Adventuring with Christ" by Rev. W. H. Barsch, son of our Gatesville church; Wednesday evening, "Enthusiasm" by Rev. Rayburn Floyd; Thursday eve-

beloved Mrs. M. G. Mittelstedt, very graciously got together special numbers.

The ladies of the Kyle Church cooked the meals making it possible for everyone to live the entire week on \$4.25.

"All work and no play . . ." Yes, we had some play in addition to the spiritual feasts of the week. The afternoon was free for activities, such as croquet, baseball, volley ball, swimming, mountain climbing and hiking, in the hands of the able recreation chairman, Miss Jewell Hill. On Tuesday evening everyone enjoyed the marshmallow toast and campfire fellowship hour. Friday evening was full of laughs for the stunts presented by various unions. Much fun was derived from the "Camp-o-log" ably edited by Miss Emma Ruth Kramer.

Many should be praised but none so deservedly as the dean, the Rev. M. G. Mittelstedt of Kyle. Still in the first year of his ministry in Texas, we found him to be a superb friend and worker with young people. His never tiring efforts to keep everything in order and patient, and his sensible dealing with every situation was evidence of his youthfulness and close walk with God. Our council member, Walter Schaible, with his careful planning and unending amount of work made possible the success of the program. The work of the president, Harold Ekert, and the treasurer, Julius Hill, deserve commendation.

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The annual gathering of the Atlantic Conference was combined with that of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union when it met at Philadelphia, from May 8 to 12. The pastors and delegates from 28 churches, together with numerous visitors, went to Philadelphia expecting something big, and they were not disappointed. The weather was ideal all through the conference days. The Rev. A. Husmann welcomed everyone in his own genial way to "the City of Brotherly Love." The Rev. V. Prenderger, the moderator "with the million dollar smile," responded. The Rev. C. E. Cramer brought us a German message on "Loyalty to Christ in the Fulfillment of the Great Commission."

On Thursday morning, May 9, the Rev. W. J. Zirbes led us in devotions in his own wonderful way. After the reading of the constitution and roll call of delegates, the usual committees were appointed. The church letters were then read, which showed that each church had put forth a commend-

able effort to advance the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Rev. Herman Kaaz then brought us an address on "Loyalty to Christ in International Relations."

In the afternoon the Rev. M. Schroeder brought us the missionary report of the conference. The report of Dr. Wm. Kuhn followed, stressing the Chapel Building Fund, the Home Mission Department's need of \$35,000 and that of the Pension Fund for \$15,000. Dr. Kuhn emphasized that ours is a faith venture, and that the denomination must look to God for the supply of its needs.

The Rev. G. E. Friedenberg brought a message on "Loyalty to Christ in Community Life" in which he asked us to be realists, and face conditions as they are in our communities and react to them according to the teachings of Christ. A second address followed by the Rev. John F. Niebuhr on "Loyalty to Christ in Forty Years of Gospel Ministry." The 40th anniversary of his ordination was to be observed the following Sunday in the Third Church of New York.

In the evening the Rev. Wm. G. Stroh, the pastor of the Passaic Church, gave a fine Scriptural message on "Loyalty to Christ in His Church" in which he expounded the

revelation of the Church as the body and bride of Christ, and the living building of God's Spirit.

On Friday morning, May 10, the Rev. R. G. Schade led us in our devotions. Election of officers followed. Reports of our various organizations were heard. Mr. H. P. Donner, speaking for the Publication Society, showed how the Club Plan was advancing.

Prof. A. Bretschneider told us of the seminary difficulties and how they were overcome. He told how most of our graduates were being placed and showed how a radio service was carried on with good success. He also thanked the young people of the conference for the fine gifts received during the past year and how much they had meant to the seminary. The Women's Meeting was held in the afternoon.

The Young People's Conference was formally opened on Friday evening when the Rev. A. E. Kannwischer brought us a fine message on "Loyalty to Christ in Your Youth." After showing the state of youth, he showed us that calls to youth are coming from many sources, but that the call of God is supreme. Loyalty to Christ means loyalty to his Church.

On Saturday morning Mr. A. Kalk-
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OBITUARY

MRS. ESTHER JONES of Beatrice, Nebraska

Mrs. Esther Jones was born in Beatrice, Neb., on April 5, 1896, and passed to her eternal home from the same city on May 31, 1940. On March 5, 1920, she was united in marriage to Luther W. Jones. One daughter, Donna Delle, was born to this union. In 1905 she professed faith in the Lord Jesus and was baptized into the fellowship of what is now the West Side Baptist Church. Here she spent many years of service as Sunday School teacher, secretary-treasurer and in many other labors of trust and love. And as she approached the inevitable, her fearlessness paid worthy tribute to her faith in God.

Besides her husband and daughter she is survived by one sister and four brothers. The undersigned was privileged to speak words of comfort from Psalm 23:4 to a large gathering of friends and relatives which filled and overflowed the chapel. May the Lord bless the bereaved ones!

West Side Baptist Church,
Beatrice, Nebraska.

A. G. Rietdorf, Pastor.

MISS ANNA VONDERAHE of St. Louis, Missouri

Anna VonderAhe was born on March 5, 1883, and died on May 13, 1940, after a short illness at the age of 57 years, 2 months, and 8 days. She was preceded in death by her father and mother, two brothers, and three sisters. She was united with the First German Baptist Church in February, 1879, being one of fifteen baptized by the Rev. Carl Ohl-gart, and five of the fifteen being of her own family. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Emma Blatner.

During her earlier life she was active in Church and Sunday School work and for many years sang in the choir. She remained a faithful member, attending church services as long as her health permitted.

The funeral services were conducted by our pastor, Rev. L. L. Leininger. Scripture used was Revelations 14:13. St. Louis Park Baptist Church,
St. Louis, Missouri.

L. Giedinghagen.

their hand work, chorus singing, work books filled, expressional activities, and directed recreation. A public meeting was held on Friday evening, May 31, showing the work done by the boys and girls.

● On Thursday evening, May 23, a special evangelistic meeting was held in the Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass., with the Rev. Percy Crawford, the young radio preacher of Philadelphia, bringing an inspiring gospel message. The male quartet, that assists Mr. Crawford on his radio programs, sang many beautiful hymns. Several persons confessed Christ as their Savior at the close of the meeting. Mr. Joseph Atwater, reporter, wrote that during his 23 years in the church he had never seen the church filled with such an overflow crowd as on this occasion. Recently, the pastor of the church, Mr. E. S. Kalland, was ordained into the gospel ministry, a report of which will later appear in "The Herald."

● The Men's Baraca Class of the Baptist Church in Forest Park, Ill., held its annual election of officers on Tuesday evening, May 21, following a supper served for more than 40 men. Mr. Roland Ross, the president of the class for the past 2 years was in charge of the program. The Suburban

Male Quartet of the class rendered an entertaining number, "Listen to the German Band," before the address by Dr. Ernest E. Smith, pastor of the Mont Clair Baptist Church and teacher at the Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, Ill. The new class officers for the class are Dr. C. B. Nordland; teacher; Dan Granzow, president; William Heine, vice-president; George Krogman, second vice-president; Matt Bortman, secretary; and Clarence Preiss, treasurer.

● The Seventh Street Baptist Church of La Crosse, Wis., is being served by the Rev. M. Vanderbeck as pastor. During the past year 22 members were added to the church by baptism and by confession of faith. Since Mr. Vanderbeck found only 5 or 6 members in the church at the beginning of his ministry a few years ago, it can be said that the membership has grown fourfold. Services are held on Thursday and Friday nights besides the Sunday meetings. During the four summer months, special services are also held on Saturday evenings. Every Sunday evening at 6:30 P. M. the pastor and church broadcast "The Prophetic Hour" over WKBH in La Crosse. Recently the parsonage was redecorated, followed by a service of dedication that was attended by 50 persons.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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has been Mrs. Norma Marstaller, Miss Esther Behr, Mr. Ed Parth, Mr. Wm. Benton and Mr. Emil Boettcher. The women of the church have also sponsored fellowship dinners every sixth Sunday, followed by a discussion concerning the church's program and ministry. The Rev. Wm. E. Schweitzer is pastor of the church.

● Wedding bells rang out for the Rev. Herbert Luke Koch, pastor of the East Side Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Klara Kittie Bickel of the Second German Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., on June 6. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Sam P. White of the Deadrick Avenue Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tenn. The couple spent several days thereafter on a honeymoon trip into the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. The parsonage has been renovated by the church for Mr. and Mrs. Koch. The former Miss Bickel is a daughter of the late Mr. Carl Bickel, who served as manager of our Cleveland Publication Society from 1904 to 1911.

● On May 28 a successful Father-Son banquet was sponsored by the Men's Bible Class of the Avon Baptist Church, Avon, So. Dak. Covers were laid for 134, and the members of the Women's Missionary Society served a sumptuous banquet. Spirited group-singing enlivened and heightened the spirit of fellowship. Mr. John A. Van Gerpen, president of the class, acted as toastmaster. An interesting program consisted of readings, instrumental numbers and a selection by the male quartet. The Rev. A. G. Lang, pastor of the Emery Church, served as the guest-speaker, and spoke inspiringly on "The Privileges and Responsibilities between Father and Son."

● On Sunday evening, June 9, the Rev. A. R. Bernadt, pastor of the Oak Street Baptist Church of Burlington, Iowa, baptized 6 converts. Mr. Bernadt was recently elected to the board of managers of the Burlington Y. M. C. A. On Tuesday evening, June 4, the B. Y. P. U. elected its new officers with the following results: Mildred Rieke, president; Richard Johnson, vice-president; Mrs. A. Wemmie, secretary; Robert Inghram, treasurer; Carl Orthner and Jack Mueller, ushers. Extensive plans are being made by 23 committees in the church in preparation for the General Conference to be held in Burlington from August 19 to 25.

● The First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, held a Vacation Bible School from May 17 to 28. It started with an enrollment of 56, but on the opening day there were 63 present, and by the closing day the number was 83. The average attendance was 75. The faculty included eight teachers, with Dr. Pieter Smit serving as superintendent. The boys and girls memorized 1269 verses of scripture beside

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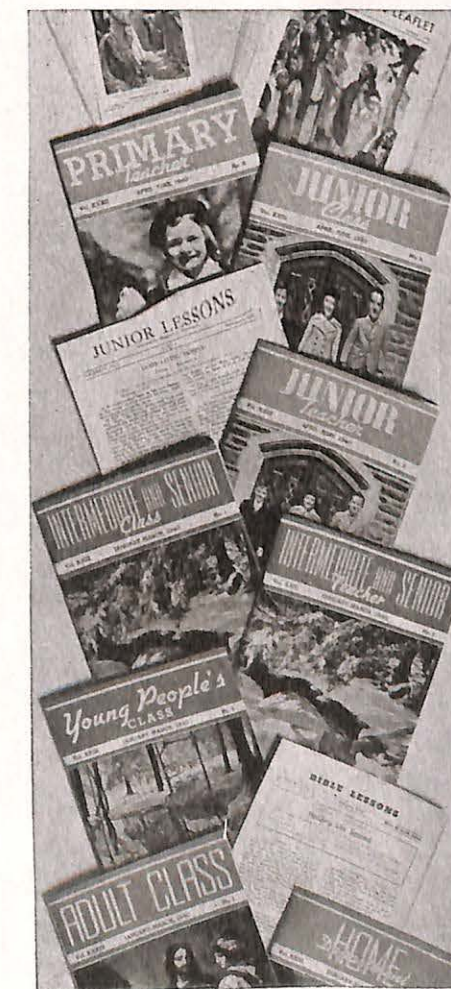
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brenner, one of the local boys studying at Eastern Baptist Seminary, led the devotions. Conference business of various reports was brought along in fine style by the committees under the direction of the moderator, Mr. Milton Frahme. The young people's panel discussion by two young ladies and two pastors was on the theme: "What Do the Young People Expect of the Church?" and "What Does the Church Expect of the Young People?" Saturday afternoon was devoted to recreation.

Everybody got ready to go to the big banquet at 6 P. M. The eats were more than sufficient. "Big Bill" Stroh covered himself with glory with his song leading and his solo, "Ship Ahoy," brought down the house. Mrs. "Jo" Rauscher gave one of her monologues that our "Willie" will never forget.

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On Sunday morning visiting superintendents brought greetings from their various schools. Dr. Kuhn spoke in German in the morning service on the theme, "Sealed with the Holy Spirit." In the afternoon, the mass meeting of the young people was held, with its inspiring song service that no one can forget. Roll call revealed that 475 were present from the various societies. The winners in the Sunday School contest received their prizes and certificates. The newly elected officers were presented. The Rev. Howard K. Williams, pastor of the Alpha Baptist Church, spoke on "The Lord is My Shepherd." In the evening Prof. Bretschneider preached on "Christ Building His Church." We all went home knowing that we had had a mountain-top experience.

HERMAN G. KUHL, Reporter.

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well as in the English is large. It seems obvious that we need more German courses, but they cannot be taught unless we get a fifth teacher.

Of the devoted work of our faculty we can only speak appreciatively. They seek the welfare of our school. For that we are grateful, and we want to encourage them to continue their efforts. Should they fail in something or other, according to our convictions, we shall endeavor to counsel them in the spirit of Christ. Being charged with the education of the ministers of our denomination, they are doing a great and responsible work. They need the continual intercession of us all.

Prof. Frank Woyke, who was given one year's leave of absence in order to complete his residence work toward a doctor of philosophy degree at Yale

University, expects to resume his work at the seminary next Fall. We also appreciate the assistance which the Rev. William Schmitt gave the faculty in the absence of Professor Woyke.

Prof. Emeritus F. W. C. Meyer rendered the seminary a unique service in the compilation of a catalogue for the library. His greatly esteemed labors were acknowledged with the gift of a new Remington portable typewriter and a vote of gratitude expressed by Prof. A. A. Schade at the seminary banquet.

Mrs. Rose Storz, who has for eight years served the Students' Home as matron in an exemplary manner, was honored with a resolution of gratitude which was read in public and a copy of which was given to her afterwards.

Upon the suggestion of the General Council, the two Boards have agreed on a new name for our school. It is called the Rochester Baptist Seminary.

The following matters are in course of preparation: A new constitution for the Educational Union, a new contract with the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, and a draft for the organization of an Alumni Fellowship of our ministers. The next triennial conference at Burlington, Iowa, will decide on these projects.

Assaf Husmann, Clerk.

COMMENCEMENT FESTIVITIES

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day evening were led by the esteemed dean, Prof. A. Bretschneider. The academic procession, introduced last year, with all—or nearly all—participants clad in academic robes, seems to have been favorably received. While it adds a little more splendor and dignity to the festive occasion, it does hardly subtract from the inner values which we Baptists emphasize. Once more our inner man was impregnated with the various spiritual ingredients of the program. The church choir spoke to us through the boisterous hallelujah of the 150th Psalm, and Walter Marchand appealed to the tenderest strings of our hearts with a violin solo. Brother Geissler took us in prayer into the presence of God. After that, Dr. William Kuhn, in a clear manner and well illustrated, set forth "What Every Minister Should Have," namely, faith in God. Professor Bretschneider gave the graduating students this final advice: Remember Jesus Christ."

There followed the presentation of diplomas, the singing of the "Alma Mater" song, the benediction spoken by Professor Woyke and the congratulations of the audience to the graduates. After that we had a few precious minutes of fellowship, while partaking of some refreshments, and then another round of the commencement festivities of our seminary had come to a close. They were an enjoyment to body, soul, and spirit!