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When Franklin D.
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Inaugurated as
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What's Happening

☐ The Rev. Herbert Hiller of Milwaukee, Wis., has responded favorably to the call extended to him by the Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y. He has resigned as pastor of the Bethany Church of Milwaukee and will begin his service in the Buffalo Church on February 1st, succeeding the Rev. Arthur Kannwischer. The wedding of Mr. Hiller and Miss Frohmut Streuber of Winnipeg, Canada, was reported in the last issue of "The Baptist Herald."

☐ On Sunday morning, December 8, the Rev. Wilfred Helwig of Ellinwood, Kans., baptized 8 persons on confession of their faith in Christ. These converts included 3 young mothers, a man of 64 years and 4 Sunday School scholars. At the communion service that followed these new converts and another person were received into the church, making the present membership 117. On Sunday, December 15, the pastor began his fifth year of service in the church.

☐ The Rev. J. A. Pankratz of Chicago, Ill., served the Baptist Church of Shattuck, Okla., in a series of evangelistic meetings during two weeks in November. The church received many spiritual blessings, and several persons professed to have found Jesus as their Savior. Miss Ruth Socolofsky, daughter of the Rev. F. W. Socolofsky, who served as reporter wrote: "We are grateful to Brother Pankratz for his inspiring sermons and the fine work which he did."

☐ Evangelistic meetings were held in the Baptist Church of Plevna, Mont., from November 18 to 27, with the pastor, Rev. J. J. Renz, bringing the messages. The attendance at these services was gratifying, and many blessings were received through the spirit of testimony and prayer. Mr. Renz expressed the hope that "the results, that were visible, might let themselves be used more definitely for Christ's Kingdom and that the planted seed that still lies dormant in the souls of many might grow before the precious time of repentance is past."

☐ The young people of the Oak Street Church of Burlington, Iowa, presented the mission play, "The Heroine of Ave," on Thursday evening, November 28, before a large audience that taxed the seating capacity of the social hall. The B. Y. P. U. mission offering was \$28. On Sunday evening, December 1, the Iowa University Gospel Team had charge of the evening service. The team included Helen Kohrs and Bill Kuechmann of the Burlington Church. On Sunday evening, December 29, the Rev. Alfred Bernadt baptized 5 converts on confession of their faith.

☐ Miss Ruth C. Doescher of St. Joseph, Mich., has been called by the Humboldt Park Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., as its church missionary. Miss Doescher, who wrote the very inspiring article, "On the Shelf for Christ's Sake," in the December 1, 1940, issue of "The Baptist Herald," will begin her active service in the Humboldt Park Church on Sunday, January 5. She was formerly missionary for the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa. In Chicago she will undoubtedly live at the Girls' Home across the street from the church. The Rev. Carl F. H. Henry is the pastor of the church.

Paul and Clare Gebauer Are Homeward Bound!

The Barber Steamship Line of New York City has just informed Dr. Wm. Kuhn, general missionary secretary, that it had received word by cablegram on December 13 that our missionaries, Paul and Clare Gebauer, had sailed from the Cameroon Coast on the "S. S. West Kebar" several days before that.

The trip across the Atlantic Ocean will be made directly to the American coast. The ship is scheduled to dock in Boston, Mass., about the middle of January. We want to pray for a safe and joyous homeward journey for the Gebauers!

☐ On Sunday evening, December 1, the Ladies' Missionary Society of the German Baptist Church of Missoula, Montana, celebrated its 15th anniversary with a special program of dialogues, reports and musical numbers. The society now numbers 30 women with Mrs. E. Bibelheimer serving as president. Receipts for the past 15 years amounted to more than \$1600. The offering at the anniversary program was \$25. In the morning service the Rev. E. Bibelheimer brought a mission message with the offering afterwards totaling \$36. "Mission Sunday" was observed by the Baptist Church of Pablo, Mont., on November 24 with the Rev. G. Eichler of Missoula bringing the message.

☐ The marriage of Miss Edna Ihde to Mr. Donald Fisher of Kansas took place on the afternoon of November 27 at the First Baptist Church of Elmo, Kans. The Rev. John Broeder read the single ring ceremony. A reception in the church's dining hall followed the service. Mr. Fischer is a grandson of the late Rev. C. F. Tiemann, a pioneer pastor of the denomination. Both young people are well known among our Baptist churches in Kansas and

the Southwest. Mr. Fisher has served as treasurer of the Kansas Y. P. and S. S. W. Union for several years. He met his bride at one of the Kansas assemblies. They will make their home on a farm south of Ellinwood, Kansas.

☐ Mrs. John Borchers, wife of the Rev. John Borchers of Chancellor, So. Dak., has spent the past year and a half in a sanitarium in Sanator, So. Dak. In a recent letter she writes: "I should like to thank all of our friends through 'The Baptist Herald' who have so kindly remembered me with letters and cards during the past year. Only those who have gone through like experiences know what it is like and also know how much a card or letter mean to one. I have received much comfort and courage from letters received. May God bless and reward all! I am still at the sanitarium and in bed all the time, but I seem to be doing all right. To God be all the thanks!"

☐ On Sunday evening, November 24, the Homestead Mission of the East Ebenezer Church of Saskatchewan held a special Thanksgiving service of which the pastor, Rev. Walter Stein, was in charge. The program consisted of songs, recitations and a mission offering of \$7. Mr. Stein visits the mission twice a month. During the past summer a basement was built in the East Ebenezer Church with a seating capacity of 100. The cost of the basement and other improvements, not including the free labor, was about \$400. A Bible School for the young people will be held by the East Ebenezer Church for about two weeks in February or March of this year.

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EDITORIAL

FOR the Christian there can be no thought of retreat. If he is true to the Spirit within him, that motivates every action and deed, he must always go forward. That must be the set of his sails and the direction of his activity if he wants to keep in step with Christ.

Forward With Christ!

It is therefore not at all surprising that the motto, "FORWARD WITH CHRIST," adopted by the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union for this triennium of service, has evoked an enthusiastic response everywhere. It is a timely message that speaks to the needs of the hour. It embodies emphatic truths that challenge the thinking of every thoughtful Christian. It reiterates the resolve of the apostle Paul when he wrote, "Forgetting the things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Just as the runner in a race strains every muscle with determined effort in order to win the coveted prize, so every young person in all our churches and conference unions should follow after Christ. There are denominational goals that apply to the Sunday Schools and young people's societies of our churches. There is mission work that needs to be done through various projects to be adopted by young people's groups. Before us looms another year that will bring us closer to the denomination's Centenary Jubilee, when the mantle of our pioneers will fall upon younger shoulders to be carried over into the second century. This motto should project itself into the program of every Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Together we shall resolve to go FORWARD WITH CHRIST!

This motto expresses the spirit that is animating the entire denomination in these last few

years before the celebration of the Jubilee in 1943. During the summer months of this year the nine conferences are to be united in their consideration of this or a similar theme, "Advancing Victoriously Toward 1943." The Centenary Jubilee Offering of \$100,000 has made a happy beginning. These funds will be used for denominational advancement, in which the appeal, FORWARD WITH CHRIST, will again be central.

The same challenge has caught up with Baptists everywhere. Thousands of Baptist Sunday Schools are rallying to the program of the "Baptist Church School Advance," the plans of which are announced in this issue of the BAPTIST HERALD. The enlargement of our Sunday School tents and the training of our young people are worthy goals that deserve increasing attention by our groups everywhere.

One of the church reports in this issue should not be missed by any reader of this editorial. In the report of the 50th anniversary of the Lorraine Ladies' Missionary Society a fleeting glimpse into the early pioneer days is given. The difficulties of those days were legion. "There was very little money to give for missions without depriving the family of necessities. Eggs sold for four cents a dozen, butter at five cents per pound, wheat at 27 to 30 cents a bushel and then it had to be hauled 15 to 30 miles. These cheap prices could have discouraged the bravest, but the spirit of these people was to look on the bright side of the picture."

To recapture that spirit of the pioneers means to advance the work of God's Kingdom. To look on the bright side of every difficulty spells victory for the future. To follow in their train calls for us to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Consider well this motto for 1941! Let it be your guiding star for the new year! FORWARD WITH CHRIST!



This Year, 1941, Also!

A New Year's Sermon by the REV. CARSTEN H. SEECAMP
of La Salle, Colorado

"Lord, let it alone this year."

AND he spake also this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well; and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down." Luke 13:6-9.

We stand again on the threshold of a new year with new opportunities to follow the Lord, with new invitations to serve him, with new, perhaps, even harder temptations and more severe trials. The pages of the past year are closed to us. We cannot add nor change anything, remember that. And now a new chance has come our way, a new opportunity, a new year. How shall it be spent? Like the year that has just passed?

The Challenge of the New Year

Oh, that we could be satisfied with the past days of 1940! But, alas, the days must be filled with a more loyal devotion, with greater consecration, with more earnestness to serve him who loved us, and with a more intense activity in his Kingdom. Much has been done in the past, but much more needs to be done in the future for his day is coming soon when all labor has to cease.

Three hundred and sixty-five days will make up the new year for some, and less for others. But each one of us will have to give an account for every day. What will the Lord say to us? Will

he say, as in verse 3: "Except ye repent, ye shall all in like manner perish"? Must we change our mode of living, our attitude towards him that we might live and not perish?

In this parable of Jesus we have the vine-dresser interceding for the unfruitful tree: "Lord, let it alone this year." Only one more year, its last chance! "Let me dig about it, and dung it; let me take care of it one more year, if not . . ."

And so we receive a new year to show what we are and whom we serve. Have we prayed for it and have we received it now out of God's grace? Begin it with the Lord, continue it with Christ, and end it with him! It will then be a year full of fruit and labor for the Lord.

Looking Back Over the Years

Pause and look back over your years that have passed. They have been years of grace and mercy out of God's hand. How were they spent? Has he looked for fruit and found none? Have you and I tried his patience, so that it would be said to us: "It is enough"?

How have you spent the days of your youth? The fruit that is brought in the early years is precious and sweet to the heavenly Father. The gardener is happy over the first fruit of a young tree. It proves to him that the tree is normal and healthy, and by trying the fruit the gardener knows the flavor as the evidence what kind of a tree it will be. Has our life been a wasted life, all grown into wood, or was there fruit in due season? Has it been a time full of sin? God's mercy gives another year to us that we may do better this time.

Many a man and woman has grown into maturity, has built a home, and has grounded the roots firmly and securely, so that he or she will surely bring precious fruit in abundance. Offer to God a basketful of summer fruit of the choicest kind, of the best that you have! Praise God for his grace that has made out of you what you are through Jesus Christ.

And, if your life has been spent in sin, away from God, then stop now; it is enough! You would not pick a bouquet of flowers in the morning, beautiful and fresh, and keep it until it was wilted and dry, and then give it to some friend or loved one. No, indeed, you want to give them the best you have.

Why then give to God the last days of a life spent in sin? Rather, give him of your best days, your youth and mature life!

New Pages in the Book of Life

"This year also" is a year pure and clean from God, a reminder of his grace and love, full of happiness and peace for his children. A year in which God will dig and dung and prune the branches, a year when his knife will cut deeply but all to our good. Has he accomplished his purpose in us? Much time and special care was spent on us. Are we, because of it, more like him? Is his likeness seen clearer in us? Does the world know there is a difference between us and them? The wheat needs to be cleansed from the chaff. God has the fan in his hand and will take care of it personally.

"This year also" will remind us of many opportunities that were given to us so that we might be active for him. It will remind us of our pledges which we made at the beginning of the year but have failed to keep.

This year should be different, a better year, a year of harder work, a year of appreciation for the grace bestowed upon us to receive another year and another chance. How shall "this year also" be?

God's Grace For Another Year

"Let it alone this year also." It was because of mercy that the tree stood another year. "I come to seek fruit, but find none . . ., what cumbered it the ground." It is a year of grace, a year for which we should be thankful. To some people life is a burden, a punishment, a dread. But to the believer it is a chance to work for Christ, to live with Christ, an opportunity of leading others to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Do we realize how many people live in our neighborhood who have the name, "Christian," but who "have the name that they live and are dead"?

It will be a year of grace and mercy to the unsaved, another chance to turn from their wicked ways and to follow after God, a year for lost souls to repent of their evil ways. God reaches down in his love to learn whether there will not be some one who will take hold of his hand and be saved.

The Holy Spirit is shed abroad over all mankind. He convicts the people of their sin, but God's "Spirit shall not always strive with man." Many are stubborn and will not obey the wooing of the Spirit of God. Then the Spirit of God will not rebuke them anymore for their sins.

The Choice Belongs to You!

Mercy kept the axe from cutting; it stayed the hand that was ready to strike. "How long will ye limp on both sides?" God wants your answer. You have to come to a decision, and this decision will determine your eternity. Shall it be the freedom of the Father's house, with the fulness of his grace and joy everlasting? Or, will you choose the bondage of Satan, cast out of God's mercy with eternal weeping and gnashing of teeth? Why not come to him, just now, for it is simple and easy. Only believe, trust, and obey!

"Trust and obey;
For there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey."

To the believer it will be a year of mercy in which the all sustaining hand of God will be kept over him, as it has been in the past. Does fear fill the heart of any believer? Look up to him who has kept you in the past. He is "the same yesterday, today, and forever." His hand is not shortened; he is still on the throne! Although the future may look dark and dreary to us, and we may ask, "Why, Lord?", we shall know that "his ways are higher than our ways, and his thoughts than our thoughts."

"This year also"—three years were spent in vain, expecting fruit from the tree. Three times a year passed by and nothing came of it, although the tree stood in a choice place and was well cared for. But it was all in vain. And you, and I? Was all his mercy in vain?

A Time Limit For Every Life

"This Year yet!" Only this year; it is the last chance! If it will not bear fruit this year, then . . ." How solemn a warning; how dreadful to ignore it! Christ will not always intercede, if we persist in sinning. "What cumbered it the ground, cut it off." If the spade will fail to do its work, then the axe will fall.

There will be a last year for all of us. Will it be this year? How do we want this last year to be spent? We trust that it may be a year in the service of the Lord in sincerity. Are you ready to step into the presence of God, if he should call you right now? Or do you feel like saying: "Oh Lord, give me this year yet to do better?" And if he gives you this year, do not squander it but use it profitably.

"This year also" is for you and me an opportunity that is given to set up the Cross, where it is not found, and to spread the gospel into the remotest corners. Shall we do it, or will we fail? For Christ will come soon—are you ready for him?

Wanted—Churches With Leadership Training!

A Timely Discussion by MRS. MARTHA P. REEH of Goodrich, No. Dak.

Those of us who are interested in the education of young people in "the Christian Way of Life" face the important task of providing a program within the church which will not only train them but which will also help them to live in "the Jesus Way" in every relationship of life. The church is the one institution in society which is commissioned to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth.

We must never forget that the race moves forward on the feet of children and youth. Therefore, the church will succeed in bringing in the Kingdom to that extent that it succeeds in winning childhood and youth to and training them in the Christian life. It is not an easy task, but it is one that is freighted with tremendous consequences, and, thus, challenges the best thought and endeavor of intelligent and consecrated leaders.

Our Objectives

We may have smiled at the quaintness of representations of biblical scenes by the old Dutch masters. Landscapes, buildings, people, clothing are such as the artists saw about them every day, not such as could have ever been found in the Holy Land. The artists of long ago often lacked knowledge of Palestinian life and customs, but this was not the only reason why they illustrated the Bible in this way. The main reason was that they sought to make the Bible real to the people.

Is our task in leadership training not similar? We must endeavor to translate the Scriptures into terms of the life of today so that it may lead into an enthusiastic and intelligent participation in the building of a Christian community and world.

What is it that makes religious education Christian? To teach the Bible is not enough. To lead children and young people to Christ as their Savior it not enough. To make them Christ-like in service for others is an essential part of living the Christian life. The great end of Christian living is to transmute the light of truth into the fruits of Christian virtues which we find in Galatians 5:22. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance."

The Teacher

It is not unusual to hear the untrained teachers say that they are not educated enough to teach the young people of today. But where is the Sunday School that has a sufficient number of expertly trained teachers? And what would become of some of our Sunday Schools if no others but trained teachers would teach?

We in America are always experimenting, not only in the industrial

Leadership Training Courses

"Baptist Herald" will announce a revised and up-to-date list of Leadership Training Courses, which are accredited by the National Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of our denomination. Many of the textbooks for these courses can be borrowed from the Braese Library for consultation. Do not miss this important announcement.

world, but even in church and Sunday School work. Right methods help wonderfully; but methods should remain our servant, not master. A great preacher expressed his opinion that it is "better far to entrust a growing child to a teacher who is fervent in spirit but wrong in method, than to one who is correct in method but cold in heart; better the teacher who is ignorant of pedagogical methods but whose sense of reality is vivid and wholesome, whose faith in Christ is a living passion, who will surround the child's soul with the holy influence of prayer and belief, than the teacher smoothly correct in every detail of instruction, and faultlessly equipped with the most modern view of things, but caring more for the mind's hold on facts than for the soul's hold on God."

Equipped and Qualified

This of course is not to minimize the importance of knowledge of right methods of teaching and a willingness on the part of the teacher, no matter what the age, to pay the price for wise preparation. If a teacher thinks himself poorly equipped for his task, let that be a challenge to him to make himself qualified. There are summer assemblies, Sunday School conventions and teacher training classes within the local churches which can be helpful to the teacher who has an open mind. Furthermore, there are helpful books on the art of teaching. "The best way to train the young is to train yourself at the same time," was a saying of Plato. The great secret of success in teaching is constancy of purpose.

There are characteristics which should debar some from teaching. No one should teach youth who has lost touch with youth, who considers the attitude of youth hopeless, who "wonders what the youth of today is coming to." It is not a question of age but of spirit. There are teachers too old at thirty-five, while others are still young enough at seventy-five.

Teaching With a Purpose

Have you given any thought to the aims of religious education? Or have you perhaps given it so much thought that you are oppressed by the multitude and magnitude of what you wish to accomplish? A little boy once asked, "Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to walk from here?" "That de-

pends a good deal on where you want to get to," was the answer. This truth is applicable to our leadership training. Unless we are teaching with a purpose we are not likely to get anywhere.

Engineers and architects do not plan structures just strong enough to bear the weight they are expected to sustain. They know that they must provide a margin of safety. It is this consciousness of this margin of safety which enables teachers to teach with assurance and happiness. We need a fuller knowledge of facts that serve as background for our lessons, a larger supply of illustrations to prove our point or drive the truth home, a great number of well thought out questions to arouse the thoughts of our listeners, than we can possibly use in our brief lesson period.

Christ's Teaching

There is a great danger, when we come unprepared to our classes, that we shall ride off in all directions and that it will become an actual boredom to our pupils. If this is one of our troubles, then let the prayer of Dr. Frank Crane create a new zeal in us: "As thou dost bring all life to its possible perfection by growth, so let me duly value the element of time in my pupils. Imbue me with patience, that I may learn the supreme art of teaching, which is to wait." May we never lose sight of the great truth that all that we would accomplish is not to be wrought in one week or one year.

Let us observe Christ's method of teaching. He was pupil-centered, not material-centered; he refused to do his pupils' thinking for them; he brought his pupils to a decision regarding himself; he knew the Scriptures; he believed what he taught; he had a definite aim in all his teaching; he dealt with life experiences; he used apt illustrations to enforce his lessons; his message was dynamic; he taught by his example.

Creative Teaching

Gipsy Smith paused one day in an address to a group of ministers and suddenly asked, "Brothers, does anything happen when you preach?" Teachers, does anything happen when you teach? The important thing is what actually happens to the pupil and his life as a result of your teaching. A feeling of adequacy in meeting your class is essential to your happiness and success. Believe in yourself. Study—know your subject and know your pupil's need. So long as we enter into the adventure of leadership training with the consciousness that God is with us, we cannot and dare not fail.

Religious education, to use an adjective now somewhat overworked,

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The Baptist Church School Advance

Program and Aims of a Great Spiritual Crusade for All Baptist Sunday Schools

Enlisting Your School

Any Sunday School of our churches can enlist in "The Baptist Church School Advance" by filling out the blank below and sending it to Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. These enlistments, to be forwarded to Baptist headquarters, will in no wise affiliate any Sunday School or church with the Northern Baptist Convention. In a few days thereafter the school will receive "the Work Kit" and "Participation Certificate." Announcement of these Sunday Schools of ours, that have enlisted, will appear in "The Baptist Herald" from time to time.

If you are interested in "the Advance" and desire more information, you can secure a free copy of "Somber Shadows," a pamphlet of 16 pages, describing the plans more in detail, by requesting it of Mr. Leuschner.

Educational Week), at an appropriate time for launching officially the Baptist Church School Advance.

3. Secure the active co-operation of all groups in the church in promoting the Baptist Church School Advance.

Teach All You Reach

1. Make the Bible basic in all teaching.
2. Use Baptist teaching helps.
3. Commit every teacher to:
 - a) Regularity and punctuality in attendance;
 - b) Giving at least two hours' preparation to each lesson;
 - c) Regular attendance at monthly workers' conferences;

In these days no one needs to be told that there are shadows over our world. We see Twentieth Century civilization literally falling apart, and men reverting to savagery, the strong destroying the weak. What we sometimes forget is that it is the sum total of all the little shadows that make the one gigantic shadow now looming so fearfully over us all. These little shadows are the personal sins of individual people; shadows of greed, selfishness, dishonesty, race prejudice, nationalism, hate, fear, envy. All the shadows are not in Europe, or Asia. They are here.

27,000,000 boys and girls under 21 getting no religious training in America. What kind of citizens do you think they will be?

Crime is now a youth problem; 14,000,000 petty crimes annually, mostly by youth under 21. A major crime every 22 seconds, a murder every hour. Our judges say very few of these criminals ever had any religious training.

One divorce for every six marriages with resulting broken lives, wandering boys and girls, crime and paganism. Surveys show that married couples who attend church have a five times better chance of happy marriage.

It is stated that church attendance has dropped more than 20% in the last 16 years in our Protestant churches. To what extent do we fail to challenge the interest and support of your youth? Recent figures show that the five largest denominations in America have suffered a 15% loss in church school attendance in the last 10 years.

While our national population has increased 35% in the last 25 years, our church membership and church school attendance has stood still. The figures list hundreds of thousands who came to our church, but did not stay! Forty-eight thousand lost every year, equivalent to a Baptist church with 769 members dropped into a bottomless pit every week, for the last 25 years.

In a time of world crisis Baptists have undertaken a program of advance, one part of which is a plan for strengthening our churches in membership and power through church schools or Sunday Schools. That plan is called the Baptist Church School Advance.

The program and aims of the Baptist Church School Advance is as follows:

Reach All You Can—For Christ

1. Adopt specific goals for your school, departments and classes:
 - a) 10% increase in enrollment each year;
 - b) 10% increase in average attendance each year.
2. Observe "Rally Week" (Christian

d) Participation in an annual installation service for all church school leaders.

4. Place all pupils in classes that are properly graded.

5. Provide suitable surroundings and equipment for classes and worship.

Win All You Teach

1. Teach for a definite commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
2. List for prayer all who should accept Christ as Lord and Savior.
3. Interview each pupil concerning the claims of Christ.
4. Provide opportunities for public declaration of belief in Christ and commitment to him.
5. Provide special training for discipleship and church membership.

Enlist All You Win

1. Pledge them to attend at least one regular service of worship each week.
2. Pledge them to give at least two hours of volunteer service to the work of the church each week.
3. Pledge them to become givers of record to the local church and to world missions.
4. Pledge them to participate in some type of community service each year.

Train All You Enlist

1. Hold regular monthly workers' conferences (at least 7 each year).
2. Study the following basic Baptist Church School Advance materials in connection with the workers' conferences: "Somber Shadows," Manual of Methods; "Increasing Church School Attendance," by A. H. Gage.
3. Cultivate a thorough acquaintance with the leadership education program of your denomination.

Date

Yes The Church
of State

has officially adopted the program of the
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and will do everything possible to achieve a 10 per cent increase in enrollment and attendance each year for the next two years.

Our enrollment..... Average attendance.....
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B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

Sunday, February 2, 1941

THE SPADE SUPPORTS THE BIBLE

Scripture Reading: Psalm 19.

(The following material is taken from Dr. Wm. H. Main's book, "Our Bible.")

1. The New Old Testament

Because of great archeological discoveries, the Old Testament has become a new book to us. Explorations have been undertaken in nearly every Bible land, and the work is still going on. We have, as yet, only entered the borders of this great field of investigation. We can now look upon the very bodies or pictures of people from most of the lands mentioned in Scripture, while tons of new materials are each year being gathered which will throw added light upon the statements of the Bible. Every mound uncovered is a step toward new and important discoveries. New light has been thrown upon nearly every name mentioned in the Old Testament. We now know much of the religious life of many old nations.

2. Archeological Discoveries

Much of the credit of these discoveries must be given to an Englishman, Austin Henry Layard, who died in 1894. Another man, however, Claudius James Rich, first discovered the ruins of Nineveh. In 1820 Rich determined thoroughly to examine the mounds on the bank of the Tigris, the result being published in 1836, shortly after his death. The remains of sculptures and inscriptions brought by him to Europe, formed the basis of the splendid collection in the British Museum.

Layard soon unearthed five other great palaces and a great number of clay tablets upon which was written the history of Assyria. These tablets are not unlike an ordinary brick, while some of them are cylindrical in shape. Upon such tablets have been found accounts of the Creation, the Fall of Man, and the Deluge. The cylinder telling of the Fall of Man is without words.

3. The Account of the Flood

Next to the Bible account of the flood, the Babylonian account is best. The Deluge tablet was translated in 1872. The lines which describe the building of the ship, however, are badly broken. The whole tablet contained 185 lines. Now how can we account for the similarity of these traditions to the account in Genesis? The cylinder referred to belongs to a very early day of the Chaldean empire. Nor is this the only tradition. An old Greek legend practically covers the same ground. In India a like tradition is found, and the Egyptians speak of a time when the whole earth was covered with blood, and the greater part of mankind was destroyed. In Mexico have been found rude paintings representing the deluge, and among the Cree Indians,

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in the Arctic circle, a similar legend is found. Even in the islands of the southern ocean you will find the same story. Surely, there must have been such a disaster.

4. The Bible Unchallenged

Prof. Ira M. Price, of Chicago University, says, "The veracity and authenticity of the old book, suspected and challenged, stand unimpeached before the testimony of nations hostile to Israel. These ancient words chiseled in everlasting rocks, echoing down through 40 centuries of time, set their seal of approval on the truth of the Holy Scriptures. With Egypt on the southwest, Assyria and Babylon on the east, Phoenicia and the Hittites on the north, we have a solid square of uninterested, unimpeachable, and ever-increasing testimony to the verity and authenticity of the books of the Old Testament."

Sunday, February 9, 1941

MISSIONS AMONG THE MIGRANTS

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46.

(Introduction—Apply the truths of the Scripture message to the Christian's life as he or she comes in contact with all kinds of people in your neighborhood who need your help. Among such "neighbors" are the following, pictured in John R. Scotford's, "Spanning a Continent.")

1. Modern City Dwellers

The bewildered human beings who inhabit the hive of steel, masonry and wood which is the modern city, find themselves at the mercy of a vast incomprehensible mechanism. At work they are surrounded by machines which they profess to operate but which end by dominating their lives. Their homes are little cubbyholes which suggest the boxes in a country post office and where the individual is but one of an endless succession of occupants. Yet even the distractions of the metropolitan scene cannot silence the age old question—What does life mean?

If the church is to survive in the city it must give men a sense of destiny which will lift them above the appar-

ent futility of their daily struggle. Too often religion is an architectural incident in the urban scene. Millions of city people face the problems of one year after another without darkening the door of a church.

2. Wandering Workers

While the mechanizing of the processes of plowing, planting and cultivating has reduced the number of year round laborers needed on our farms, the growing consumption of fruits and vegetables has increased the demand for seasonal workers. In the picking of berries and the gathering of vegetables there seems to be no substitute for human fingers. Such crops must be harvested as soon as they mature—with the result that many hands are needed for a very limited period of time.

A multitude of families who have been crowded off the soil by the introduction of machinery, the consolidation of farms or the discouragement of drouth now eke out a precarious existence flitting about the country in quest of casual employment in the harvest fields. Old, rickety cars, often salvaged from the junk pile for ten or twenty dollars, provide both transportation and a home. With a rusty cook stove and ragged bedding tied to the running board, bedsprings atop, battered wash-tub and lantern roped on behind, these families rumble along the road looking for a chance to pick the food which we eat. While at work they live in shacks, tents, here and there a fairly decent "dormitory." Such camps always abound in babies and dogs. As soon as their work is done they are encouraged to move on to the next place.

Such an existence is particularly hard on the children. Lacking a legal residence and rarely lingering long in one community, their attendance at school is fitful at best. Most of them are utterly unacquainted with the inside of any church. As soon as they are old enough to help, poverty forces them into the fields. Children four years old have been known to assist in harvesting a crop.

3. Home Missions

Brotherliness is the first duty of a Christian. Through missions the church has expressed its concern for the disadvantaged people of our own land and throughout the earth. The world Christian community will never achieve its dream until the spirit of the missionary finds expression in your life and mine. We must carry to completion the work which they began many years ago and oftentimes many miles from where we live, not only by our support of these enterprises, but by dedicating ourselves as true followers of Christ, whose love encompassed all of mankind.

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Original Poems and Brief Inspirational Articles by Readers of THE BAPTIST HERALD

Forward With Christ!

(The Motto of the National Y. P. and S. S. W. Union for 1940-1943)
Mrs. William Schindler
of Detroit, Michigan

Forward with Christ!!!
Let this be our cry!
We know he is with us,
He never goes by!
Why do we falter
When we know HE doth lead?
He gave us his promise,
So to HIM we will cleave;
His grace is sufficient,
For all who will take.
His own he has promised
Ne'er to leave nor forsake!

Forward with Christ!!!
Our slogan from high.
'Tis a cause worth living for
And one for which we can die.
Why do we hesitate,
Why do we wait?
The harvest is ripened
Soon 'twill be too late!
He spreads his sunshine,
He spreads his cheer;
He speaks words of comfort
To those who will hear.

What joy there's in serving
A Master like ours,
So let's take new courage
And follow our Guide!
I will list to his voice!
Are you on his side?

My Favorite Bible Verse

Mr. Duane Gels
of Okene, Oklahoma

My favorite Bible verse is "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Its importance may be proven by the fact that it appears in the Old as well as in the New Testament, and also in various places. It is found in Leviticus 19:18, Matthew 19:19, Matthew 22:39, Mark 12:31, Galatians 5:14, and James 2:8.

I like this Bible verse because it is so symbolic of the kind of Christian our Lord wants us to be. Too many of us think of our own desires, wants and pleasures before we think of those of anyone else. We cannot see our own faults, but we can detect the slightest fault in some one else as readily as we notice a bandaged thumb.

That is not the way God wants us to be, because in Luke 6:41 and in Matthew 7:3 we find: "And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye." So, if we love our neighbor as we do ourselves, we will not try to find their faults. To love other people for the good that is in them and to forget the bad that is in

them, is one of the finest traits a Christian can have.

Love is one of the greatest words in Christianity. Without love we cannot have God's gifts. It was God's great love for us that caused him to send his own Son upon this earth to minister unto us and then later to die on the cross for us. No human being would die for any one like that, except he be motivated by love that is divine. It is this love that has meant salvation for us. Surely, Jesus loved his neighbor even more than himself, proving it by his willingness to die for him on the cruel cross. It is this great act that proves the reality of love and the fact that you can love your neighbor as yourself.

The Road of Life

Mrs. Katherine Zinz Schindler
of Detroit, Michigan

The Road of Life
Takes us along a varied way:—
One Day:—

Sunny skies, white clouds, drifting,
—green fields rich with growing things
—sun and shade comfortably alternated.

A quiet stream to quench our thirst,
a sheltered shady nook for rest; abundant food on very hand to choose from, things going right; progress made—satisfaction—contentment!

Another Day:—

A hill to climb—a stony path, full of obstacles to overcome—lungs and endurance tested to the breaking point—feet dragging, heavily,—shoulders weary. Not an easy day, but there is a certain satisfaction in it.

When we have attained our goal, we can look behind and see how far we have come, and are rewarded by a glorious view of achievement and success.

Another Day:—

A stormy one—gray clouds hanging low—the sun nowhere in sight. Great winds blowing us almost off our feet.

Water drenching us—thunder crashing—darkness everywhere except for brilliant flashes of lightning. All we can do is hang on to the rock of our faith.

After a while comes the calm—clouds broken—the sun peeping through—everything freshly washed and brightly clean. Soft breezes blowing and calm after the tempest!

Such is the varied way of life—and at the sunset! Crimson and gold and purple deepening into gray and black.

A weary body laid to rest—a soul liberated into the Land of Dreams Come True—ETERNITY!

step into her room, but she knew by his buoyant step that the crisis was past—that Jean lived!

"Oh, Howard, she—she is better?" she cried.

"Yes, darling!" he said joyfully, turning on the light. "I was afraid you were asleep, but I just couldn't wait to tell you! She will live! The crisis is past!"

"I knew she would get well. I prayed."

"Yes, dear. Now you must go to sleep," he answered, and after kissing her went to his room.

Again he went to the window, and looking out over the city, mused. Another shadow had passed over his life, but it had not lingered long. However his fear had been only for Julia—not for himself. There had been so many shadows in his life that one more did not seem to matter much. He expected nothing more from life now. Alas! He was looking only at the shadows! Yet there was a Light—such a beautiful Light—back of them!

James was graduating. He marched in, clad in cap and gown, and took his place with the others. He arose when his name was called, and received his diploma with a bow. He clasped it firmly with trembling hands. Oh, how much it represented!

He looked down over the sea of faces and located three—Howard and Jean Ormsby, and Mom. They were watching him, and smiled. He smiled in return. How happy he was!

When it was all over he got into the car and they drove home, where they went straight to Julia's room.

"Oh, oh, how fine you look!" she exclaimed. "Do you know, I never thought a cap and gown looked good on anyone before, but, James, you look handsome in it! I declare you do! Come here, my boy, and receive your graduation gift from me."

James, his face flushed with embarrassment, moved over to the bed. He was unaccustomed to so much praise, and it made him feel uncomfortable. Julia extended her hand in which she held a small box.

"Whenever you look at it, just remember that into the donor's life you brought a great hope—a great Light," she said softly.

James opened the package. In a velvet lined box lay a beautiful gold watch. A great lump arose in his throat.

"Oh, Mrs. Ormsby," he stammered, "how can I appropriately thank you?"

"Don't. Just remember what I said."

"I'll—I'll remember it—only I don't deserve such a beautiful gift."

"We won't discuss that now," she answered. "Howard," she added, turning to her husband, "he must be taken to the photographers tomorrow and have a picture taken. Get some large sizes. I want one for my table."

"And I want one to put on my dresser," said Jean, dancing joyously about the room. "Just wait until I graduate! I'll give you a picture, too, James."

James turned and looked at the lithe young figure. My, how Jean was growing! And how pretty she looked tonight! He had had very little time to notice girls. Usually they bored him, but, come to think of it, Jean was nicer than most girls. Some of them had snubbed him because he had no family. Jean never did, but treated him just like he was her own brother.

Julia dismissed them from the room, and as they left Howard turned to James. "Come down to the library after you have laid off your cap and gown," he said, and went on down the stairs. James followed a few minutes later with just a little anxiety in his heart. What did Howard Ormsby want? Was this to be the end of things for him as far as Howard was concerned? He was through school now, and as near as he could guess he was about twenty years of age—old enough to make his own way in the world. Was he to be sent out to find a place for himself now? Not that he was afraid to go, but he had grown to love this home and its inmates. Must he leave them now and make a home for himself? Howard motioned him to a chair as he entered the library.

"Well, you have done remarkably well, and I am proud of you, my boy," began Howard.

"Oh, thank you," stammered James.

"When I took you in I confess I was a little doubtful about you," went on Howard with a smile. "You see, you had no background—at least, none that I knew of—and I wasn't sure just what the finished product might be. You know as well as I that many times in a child's life there are traits that develop later in childhood, or perhaps in manhood or womanhood that make it hard for those who are caring for them. So I did not know just what I was letting myself in for. But I'm glad—glad I did not send you on!"

"Do you think you will ever be—or can be—as glad and thankful as I that you did not?" interrupted James. "Mr. Ormsby, I have never expressed my gratitude to you for all you have done for me, but now—"

Howard waved his hand in interruption. "The way you have conducted yourself has proved your gratitude," he said. "Now, James, have you decided what you want to do?"

"Why, I'll—I'll—have to confess I haven't," stammered James in confusion. "I—I suppose I should have been thinking about it, and making some plans, but I've been so busy studying that I didn't think of anything else. I—I guess I'm not very far sighted, so to speak."

"Why, there's nothing wrong in not having visioned the future," Howard hastened to assure him. "You've plenty of time yet. I was just thinking—if you haven't anything in mind, why not enter college in the fall, and go on with your studies? With a good college right here in our own city there is no reason why you cannot go on."

"You can continue on in the office with me through vacation and spare hours as you have been, learn more and more of the business, and perhaps you may want to keep right on with the firm when you are through college. If you do I will give you a chance to work up, and in time you may be a member of the firm. Who knows?"

"That's certainly fine of you, Mr. Ormsby. I hardly deserve such encouragement, I fear. I've always had a feeling there was something I should do, but it has never been quite clear to me just what it was."

"You couldn't define that feeling to me, could you?" asked Howard.

"I can't define it even to myself," replied James. "It isn't just something I want to do for myself. It seems to be something I should do for others."

"Well, it will come to you in time. Meanwhile, you had better go on with your education and let your decision come later."

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"Mamma, I want to be a missionary." Jean stood before Julia, the soft folds of her graduating dress clinging to her graceful body. It was almost an hour before time to go to the graduating exercises, and after debating for many weeks whether she should tell her mother she had finally managed to get up enough courage.

"A missionary! Jean Ormsby! Of all the things you might be in life, you choose that!" Julia's pale face seemed to grow paler.

"I knew you would be shocked, and perhaps frantic, and I put off telling you as long as I could. But I can't get away from it. It's almost as if somebody were calling, calling to me. I feel it night and day. I don't know that I should go abroad to do it. There's need for it both at home and abroad. But ever since Miss Wade, the social worker, lectured at our club last year I have felt the urge to do something."

"There's need for missionary work right here in our own city. James can tell you what a need there is for it. Why, when he came to us he didn't even know there was a God! Think of it! A real heathen! That Kathleen who worked for us when I was small called him a heathen several times, and it's really funny to hear him tell how he wondered about it. Finally Mrs. Bartholomew found out that he didn't know anything about God, and told him all about the Bible. Just think of children living right here in our own land who do not know about a God!"

Julia reached to her bedside table, and picking up her much-worn testament opened it. "Jean," she said huskily, "a long time ago I read and marked a passage of scripture in Mark, the 10th chapter, and 29th and 30th verses. Let me read them to you. 'And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospels,

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Reports from the Field

Dakota Conference Memorable Events in the Baptist Church of McClusky, North Dakota

The German Baptist Church of McClusky, No. Dak., held two baptismal services this summer. The first one took place on June 30, when twelve persons were baptized, and the second took place on September 8, when six persons were baptized.

On Sunday, October 6, we celebrated the 25th anniversary of our city station. Large audiences, including visitors from neighboring churches, filled the church. The morning and afternoon meetings were especially designed for this purpose. The Rev. R. G. Kaiser preached the anniversary sermon on "The Church and the Church House." In the afternoon the Rev. Ralph Kraft spoke, using the prayer of Paul for the Church at Colosse as a prayer for the church at McClusky. Then we had a review of the history of the church followed by a testimony meeting. The Kraft Party furnished the music. It was a day well spent in fellowship with the saints.

From September 29 until October 11 we had the Kraft Party from Mt. Hermon, Calif., with us. We enjoyed their messages and music very much. Their real Christian life left a deep impression upon young and old. Thirteen souls confessed Christ, and many were drawn closer to Christ. Only eternity will tell of the good that was done. We are thankful to God for all the blessings received!

R. G. KAISER, Pastor.

Northern North Dakota B. Y. P. U. Rally at Martin, North Dakota

A crowd of 350 young people filled the city hall at Martin, No. Dak., on the occasion of the seventh annual Thanksgiving Rally on Friday, November 22. This is an annual event of the German Baptist young people of Northern North Dakota and always draws a crowd of several hundred people. A large number had gathered for the morning service and the audience grew throughout the day.

The rally opened at 10:30 A. M. with a song service directed by John Kranzler of Grand Forks. Robert Rust, president of the Martin B. Y. P. U., welcomed the visitors and Miss Esther Schultz, president of the Young People's Association, responded. The Martin Young Ladies' Choir rendered several selections, and the Rev. Aug. Rosner of Turtle Lake led in prayer.

Miss Seibold of Cathay played a prelude to open the morning worship service. After the doxology and a song by the congregation, a mixed quartet

from Turtle Lake rendered a selection. Thereupon the president introduced the guest speaker, Rev. E. Wolff of St. Paul. He spoke on the topic, "Faith in the Christian Life," in keeping with the general theme of the rally, "Faith of Our Fathers."

A group of McClusky young women had charge of the devotional period which opened the afternoon meeting. The Martin male quartet furnished a vocal number. The Rev. R. Woyke of Washburn spoke on the subject, "Why Be a Christian." Then Gilbert Derman of Anamoose discussed the "Bender Memorial Trek," our conference missionary project. A mission offering was received for the benefit of this

Southwestern Conference Pat Malone Conducts Successful Revival in Stafford, Kansas

The Calvary Baptist Church of Stafford, Kans., was signally blessed of God in the days from November 19 to December 1, as was evidenced by the testimonies of those who attended the prayer service following the meetings.

We had labored diligently in preparing the soil, in planting and in watering, praying to God to give the increase. Thereupon, we called the well-known and able Irish evangelist, Pat Malone, to help us garner the harvest of souls.



Members and Friends of the Baptist Church in McClusky, North Dakota, Gathered for the Church's 25th Anniversary

mission project. Mr. Wolff then addressed the gathering on "The Rise of the Baptist Church."

At 5:00 P. M. the young people gathered in the church for a "Priscilla Banquet." About 250 young people attended the banquet. A roll call of the societies was taken and the Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer of Anamoose addressed the gathering briefly on the subject, "The First Thanksgiving." Mrs. Harold Michelson of Martin directed the group in singing choruses. The Martin orchestra furnished music during the banquet.

The evening service was again held in the city hall. Miss Esther Keck of Washburn conducted the song service. The Cathay girls' octet rendered a musical number. The Rev. E. Wolff gave the closing address, "Faith of Our Fathers." This was followed by a period of testimonies. A male chorus which included singers from Martin and Harvey rendered several selections. The Rev. J. Kepl of Martin pronounced the benediction.

Thus ended a day of Christian fellowship, during which we were repeatedly reminded of the "Faith of Our Fathers."

GILBERT A. DERMAN, Reporter.

Happy Experiences of God's Richest Blessings at the Okeene Church

It is with considerable joy and sincere gratitude toward God that we report of our happy experiences of recent weeks in the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene, Okla. While observing the

Lord's Supper on the first Sunday in September, we united our hearts and agreed to work and live in every way, especially during the remaining weeks and days of the year, as "Acceptable Unto God."

From October 3 to 13 we had the Rev. and Mrs. Paul D. Ford with us for special services every night. As missionaries from Jamaica West Indies they thrilled our hearts and made us soon realize how fortunate and privileged we were. Their love and devotion to God and their passion for the winning of the lost were soon felt in our midst.

Mr. Ford spoke twice to the Public School of Okeene and once he spoke to the members of Kiwanis, a service club of our city of which David E. Weigand is president. God blessed their work with us, and we were very glad when on November 6 a happy group presented cheerfully their testimonies and expressed the desire to follow the Lord in baptism.

Before a large audience on Sunday evening, November 10, this happy group of four followed the Lord into the baptismal waters. Their testimonies were splendid. While again observing the Lord's Supper, we extended to them and several others the hand of fellowship.

The King's Daughters, as part of their anniversary celebration, provided for a splendid turkey feast. Although the heavy rains had made roads almost impassible, a splendid group enjoyed the excellent fellowship.

A little late our Sunday School celebrated with the church in a well prepared program the Harvest and Mission Festival on November 17. We presented a fine offering unto God.

The entire month of November had been dedicated to our denominational enterprise. In one of the largest services we distributed to vitally interested persons our pamphlet, "For Christ and Our Churches." The message of that morning, taken from Eph. 3:10, on "The Manifold Wisdom of God" led us to consider seriously our part as revealed in the great wisdom of God.

From November 11 to 19 thirty-five Sunday School teachers and workers together with young people gathered nightly to study the book, "How to Win to Christ." This enthusiastic and eager group is dedicated to serve the Lord as soul winners.

On November 21 we united for an evening Thanksgiving service in our church with the Emanuel Church of Loyal and their pastor, Rev. R. A. Klein, as our guests. On November 28 a great community Thanksgiving service was held in our church and the offering taken presented to the Public Library for the purchase of religious books.

Our former colporter, Mr. H. G. Geis, presented a beautiful electrically lighted bulletin board to the church. As the only one in the city, it invites people to our church and speaks as a silent messenger of our great work

for God. Mr. Erwin Laubach presented an inside "Three-In-One bulletin board" to the church. Mr. Harry H. Geis presented a communion tray with 44 glasses. His brother, Mr. Jake Geis, not to be outdone, presented a lovely electric clock to the church. God bless every cheerful giver.

With the cooperation of a number of brethren our church was able to erect on every main road leading into our city a sign of welcome to our church. No matter from what direction you approach Okeene, you will find, "You Are Welcome to Worship at the Zion Baptist Church, Okeene, Okla.," greeting and calling you.

HENRY PFEIFER, Pastor.

Fiftieth Anniversary of the Ladies' Missionary Society of Lorraine, Kansas

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kans., observed its golden anniversary with a special service on Sunday evening, December 2.

The rostrum of the sanctuary had as a background the window arch from the old stone church, banked with evergreen boughs from trees planted over 50 years ago by the early pioneers, which too, have survived through the years. Two baskets of yellow and one basket of white mammoth chrysanthemums completed the setting.

Mrs. Reka Splitter, president of the society, presided over the service. The program included an organ prelude by Miss Maxine Schmidt; Scripture and prayer by Mrs. Reka Splitter, president; "Down the Years," a history of the society by Mrs. Louis Splitter, secretary; a German song by the Ladies' Missionary Society; letters from former pastors' wives read by Mrs. Alfred Melchert and Mrs. Oscar Wilkens; vocal duet by Mrs. E. D. Meacham and Mrs. Pieter Smit; response from the King's Daughters Society by Miss Alma Schroeder; "In Memoriam" and candle lighting service with Mrs. Walter Kohrs as reader; and an address by Dr. Pieter Smit, our pastor.

A group of ten women met in the old stone church parsonage on December 1, 1890, and decided to organize a "Schwestern-Verein." Mrs. J. H. Pastoret, the wife of the minister of the church, was elected president; Mrs. Gottlieb Dees was the first secretary, and Mrs. August Groth, Sr., was the first treasurer of the new society.

This organization came into existence at a time when women had no voice in the church, when it was considered improper for women to pray or

speak in prayer meetings, when men decided woman's place was in the home and considered a Women's Missionary Society out of place and unnecessary. So it was with great difficulties and much opposition that the Women's society was organized.

Another difficulty was the hard times. There was very little money to give for missions without depriving the family necessities. Eggs sold for 4 cts. a dozen, butter at 5 cts. per pound; wheat 27 to 30 cts. per bushel and then it had to be hauled 15 to 30 miles. These cheap prices could have discouraged the bravest, but the spirit of Mrs. Pastoret, the leader, was to look on the bright side of the picture. She overcame every difficulty, even when husbands refused to let their wives join, because they thought it would be a "Klatsch-Klub."

Mrs. Pastoret had the faith of all pioneers and the vision of the Master. Her arguments were so appealing that 51 women joined the society during the first year. Many had no way to attend the meetings since their work and growing families kept them at home, but with praying hearts and open hands they were able to give over \$46 for missions the very first year and they also bought communion table linens.

These women supported a Bible woman in China, later one in India for 22 years. They bought the church bell in 1909, which was an outstanding and eventful gift for the church. They bought the silver and individual communion sets at different times; also linens, the communion table of the old church, pulpit chairs, pulpit carpet and curtains in each church. They placed rugs, shades, cook stoves and hard coal stove in the parsonage at various times, and also purchased offering plates for the church several times. They either supervised or helped with cleaning the church for 47 years. They sent money for the building of churches at various places. Every year they gathered old and new clothing for the needy, particularly after the World War. Big lots of new and used clothing were sent to Russia, but since then clothing is being sent to Miss Elizabeth Mohlman's work in South Carolina.

The society bought linens, silver and dishes for the church kitchen, supported regularly benevolent work of our denomination, as the Old People's Home, Children's Home, not forgetting the dozens of cases of eggs sent for years. During the 50 years a total of \$13,362 has been contributed, averaging over \$267 per year.

Great oaks from little acorns grow! So this Missionary Society has branched out. It has been the nucleus of missionary work in the church, branching into four organizations, numbering 112. We have the same zeal and enthusiasm that our founders had. We praise the Lord for all that has been accomplished in the 50 years and "give thanks unto him, and bless his name."

MRS. LOUIS B. SPLITTER, Secretary.

Honors Awarded to the STANDARD Sunday Schools and Young People's Unions of the Southwestern Conference

Two years ago the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Southwestern Conference took a vital step in the path of progress. The session recognized the need of a well organized program of promotion in the Sunday Schools and young people's unions. The pictures on this page tell something of the enthusiasm with which the promotional plans were received.

In order to build greater and more efficient Sunday Schools and to weld the young people's unions into an integral force "for Christ and His Churches" the conference had to deal with basic needs and principles, for geographical situations and individual differences almost prohibited our working together for one goal.

A Committee on Promotions and Awards was given the task to place before the conference a STANDARD with attainable goals for all small schools and unions, yet also one which would challenge the strongest as well. The first year the committee presented a six point "Standard" for the Sunday School which covered basic achievements, that is, things which are necessary for a Sunday School to accomplish in order to fulfill its purpose. It may be an achievement for a school to procure good housing and equipment, but it is not basic to teaching the Bible or winning souls.

The six points outlined for any Sunday School of any size or any place are the following:

1. Reaching the Constituency
2. Trained Teachers
3. Graded Lessons
4. Recognition of Accomplishments
5. Winning Pupils to Christ
6. Worker's Council

The chairman of the Committee on Promotions and Awards, Rev. A. G. Rietdorf, prepared large posters with the outline of the STANDARD and mailed one to each Sunday School for prominent display in the churches. At a given time before the end of the fiscal year he sends out questionnaires to be filled out by the schools indicating their achievements. The Committee then reduces these to percentages upon which the awards are granted. Each Sunday School, which is recognized as STANDARD, received a burgee with the lettering, "STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOL" with the year in which it was accomplished. The following Sunday Schools of the Southwestern Conference received such a banner for 1940:

- Bethany, Vesper, Kans.
- Creston, Nebr.
- Gotebo, Okla.
- Lorraine, Kans.
- Mt. Zion, Junction City, Kans.
- West Side, Beatrice, Nebr.

The problem of standardizing B. Y. P. U. work is an altogether different one, and has as yet been only partially

Editor's Note

This page tells the remarkable story of a promotional undertaking being conducted in the Southwestern Conference by the aggressive committee composed of the Revs. A. G. Rietdorf, J. H. Kornelsen, and Wilfred Helwig.

The nine illustrations on the composite picture do not include all the Sunday Schools and young people's societies that deserve recognition. We are very happy to give publicly to these achievements of the churches in this conference. We recommend the careful perusal of this fine report by every "Baptist Herald" reader.

solved. The beginning was made, however, and the following unions were recognized STANDARD last year:

- Bethany, Vesper, Kans.
- Calvary, Stafford, Kans.
- Emanuel, Loyal, Okla.
- Gotebo, Okla.
- Lorraine, Kans.
- Okeene, Okla.
- La Salle, Colo.

We regret that we do not have the pictures of each one of these outstanding Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s. The basis upon which the relative

merits of young people's work were judged was more or less the things accomplished within the unions. Each B. Y. P. U. was considered a training union, training our youth in the functions of the Christian life, such as regular attendance, punctuality, taking part in programs, attending the evening preaching services, daily Bible reading and systematic giving.

This year the conference is emphasizing B. Y. P. U. study courses in addition. The committee has chosen five brief courses which have proven fascinating study for young people and are of great help in living the Christian life. Each union should take up one or more of these during the winter. Mr. Rietdorf will welcome inquiries as to how and when to conduct these studies.

Special recognition is given to Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s which rank highest among the "Standard" ones. Gotebo carried away the honors this last year and Okeene drove off with the mileage banner. Congratulations, Oklahoma, but try and get them next year!!

J. H. KORNELSEN, Reporter.



Picture No. 1—Bethany Sunday School Near Vesper, Kansas
 No. 2—Baptist Sunday School of Lorraine, Kansas
 No. 3—Sunday School of Creston, Nebraska
 No. 4—B. Y. P. U. Officers of Emanuel Church of Oklahoma
 No. 5—B. Y. P. U. of Okeene, Oklahoma
 No. 6—Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U. of Emanuel Church Near Loyal, Okla.
 No. 7—Sunday School of Gotebo, Oklahoma
 No. 8—Sunday School of West Side Church, Beatrice, Nebraska
 No. 9—B. Y. P. U. of Calvary Church, Stafford, Kansas

Second Printing of "Bender in the Cameroons"

A second edition of 1000 copies of the book, "Bender in the Cameroons" by Carl F. H. Henry will be ready about January 1, 1941. It will be a revised edition, bound in a heavy paper binding with an attractive two color front cover design. It will sell at the same reasonable price of 40 cents.

Pacific Conference Anaheim Mission Guild Presents a "Chinese Program" for Many Invited Guests

The Bethel Mission Guild of Anaheim, Calif., entertained young women from the Fifteenth Street and Ebenezer Baptist Churches of Los Angeles and representatives from all the Anaheim churches on Thursday, November 12. An impressive Chinese program was presented which included a play, "Chee Moo's Choice," directed by Mrs. Herbert Stabbert. In the cast were Lorraine Fleischman, Elsie Eymann, Ruth and Betty Rose Urbigkeit, and Ruth Strandt. Mrs. Walter Gooden played a Chinese number as a piano solo. Miss Grace Mahin sang a vocal solo.

Mrs. Walter Paulus and her committee transformed the church parlors into a beautiful Chinese setting, using lanterns, cherry blossoms and bamboo. Curious from China completed the setting. Miss Lois Schroeder, president of the guild, presided and Miss Esther Leuschner, hospitality chairman, welcomed the guests. Mrs. Dayton Smith and her committee served refreshments in keeping with the Chinese theme.

MRS. RUTH JUSTUS, Reporter.

The Young Women's Guild of the Lodi Church Installs New Officers and Honors Pledges

"The Baptist Guild" of the Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., consisting of young ladies beyond high school age, installed new officers and honored new pledges on Friday evening, Nov. 1, at formal candlelight ceremonies in the church rooms, which were decorated with white chrysanthemums. Tall candelabras formed an archway for the installation of new officers, who included Irene Gentner, president; Thelma Forsch, Esther Waehl, Adeline Zimmerman, and Elizabeth Melcher.

Miss Bertha Meyers, chairman of the evening, introduced Miss Emma Rowe, first president of the guild, when it was organized in 1936. Then Miss Rowe installed the officers, Miss Laura Seibel served as marshal and Miss Beck, chaplain, led in prayer.

A corsage of white gardenias for the new president on a cushion of cream lace was brought into the room by little twins, Joy and Jeanette Rott. Frieda Burgstahler then gave the solo, "My Task." Corsage bouquets also went to the officers and pledges.

Miss Gentner accepted the gavel with a short speech and pledged the new members. The guild members sang a song for the new pledges, and Mrs. A. Felberg was introduced as the advisor of the guild, and then was presented with a corsage bouquet of red rose buds. Mrs. August Auch, their former teacher, was also introduced and received a corsage. Both Mrs. Felberg and Mrs. Auch gave impressive talks.

A song was dedicated to Edith Burgstahler, past president, who was un-

OUR PUBLICATION SOCIETY

By Rev. A. E. Jaster
of Arnprior, Ontario

(From the Bulletin of the First Baptist Church of Arnprior, Ontario, Canada, for Publication Sunday, December 8, 1940.)

Our publication house, with all the machinery and property in Cleveland, Ohio, really is OUR publication house. It does not belong to any company or private individual. It belongs to our churches, and each individual member in our churches is a shareholder, a part owner. That means, then, that our publication enterprise is the enterprise of every individual member of our whole denomination. Our forefathers built very wisely when 75 years ago they established this great democratic institution. Talk about democracy; our own denomination with all its branches is one of the most genuine democratic institutions in the world!

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able to attend. It was "Wonderful One," given by a trio composed of Virginia Schmiedt, Ruth Grieser, and Irene Weigum. Members all signed a book that was sent to her.

At the close of the meeting Miss Bertha Meyers was surprised with a lovely gift from the guild in appreciation for her services. In the reception room, refreshments were served at a "T" shaped table denoting "thanksgiving." Refreshment chairmen were the Misses Emma Keller, Adeline Zimmerman and Esther Waehl. Mothers of the members were special guests for the evening.

The guild held a three-day rummage sale in one of the downtown store buildings, and cleared \$98.50.

BERTHA MEYERS, Reporter.

The California Association is Royally Entertained by the Lodi Church

This year the California Association was entertained by the Baptist Church at Lodi from November 7 to 10. That the people of the Lodi church were good hosts was manifest throughout the days of our gathering.

The Rev. A. Felberg greeted and welcomed the delegates and visitors in a most hearty manner at the opening service. The Rev. B. W. Krentz of the Fifteenth Street Church of Los Angeles delivered the sermon based on the words: "Man does not live by bread alone."

The full hour morning devotions entitled, "In Green Pastures," were led by Rev. J. A. H. Wuttke and Rev. H. Penner. Both messages were inspiring and edifying and were followed by earnest prayers and testimonies by the people.

The following officers were elected: Rev. B. W. Krentz, moderator; F. E. Klein, vice-moderator; Rev. G. G. Rauser, secretary; Mr. Otto Stabbert, treasurer.

During the day sessions stimulating and uplifting messages were given. Rev. G. G. Rauser spoke on "The Work of Evangelisation in the Program of the Church." Rev. B. W. Krentz spoke one day in place of one of the absent brethren, and on the next day led a most interesting discussion on "Our Denominational Interests in Our Churches." Rev. F. E. Klein gave an address on "Denominational Tasks in the Program of the Church" and also gave a message which had for its purpose the deepening of the spiritual life.

On Sunday the large church was filled with eager listeners. Rev. J. A. H. Wuttke preached a heart-warming message in German and Rev. F. E. Klein spoke in the English language. The afternoon found a host of young people gathered in the service in which Dr. Theron Chastain, director of Religious Education and Evangelism in the Northern California Baptist State Convention, delivered a challenging message.

On Sunday evening there were 10 minute addresses given as follows: Mr. Krentz, "The Lily, a Picture of Beauty"; Mr. Klein, "The Cedar, a Picture of Strength"; Mr. Rauser, "The Palm, a Picture of Accuracy"; and Mr. Chastain, "The Grain of Corn, a Picture of Progress."

We wish to thank our heavenly Father for the fine weather we enjoyed during our meetings as well as the abundance of spiritual blessings. We would not forget to thank the entertaining church, with its capable pastor, for the delightful way in which they helped to make the association a grand success. Special mention should be made of the very beautiful musical features given by the choir under the leadership of Mr. Calvin Lohr, and the Men's Chorus, under the leadership of Dr. Seibel.

F. E. KLEIN, Reporter.

Central Conference Birthday Celebrations in the Holmes Street Baptist Church of Lansing, Michigan

We, as a Ladies' Missionary Society of Lansing, Mich., can praise God for all blessings which he has bestowed upon us. On October 13 our society observed the birthdays of its various members at a united celebration. In the afternoon we met for our regular monthly session. After devotions, the "Missions Perle" was read and then our regular business session followed.

A picture of the group was taken in front of our church, which accompanies this report. Seated in the front row is our beloved Sister Dier, who has passed her 86th milestone. A beautiful plant was presented to her during the evening program as a token of our love and esteem for her.

Supper was served to the entire congregation by the women in the church basement. After the customary exchange of birthday gifts among the society members, an hour of cordial fellowship and spiritual refreshment followed.



King's Daughters Society of
Lansing, Michigan

Our president, Mrs. J. J. Abel, opened the evening service in the usual manner, and then heartily welcomed all in attendance. Mrs. Sellhorn read a portion of Psalm 90 and the Rev. H. Sellhorn led in prayer. Various musical numbers, interspersed with two recitations, followed. Our pastor, the Rev. J. J. Abel, as guest speaker, rendered an appropriate address on "The Fleetsness of Time." Our individual birthday money was given and the evening offering received.

On October 22 our esteemed president, Mrs. Abel, celebrated her birthday. The Ladies' Missionary Society and a large number of other members surprised her in her home, thus bringing joy to her. The surprise was successful, and in lovely harmony we spent several blessed hours together.

A program, consisting of a vocal duet, an accordion solo and a piano duet, interspersed with many addresses by the various members, was rendered. Then the Rev. J. J. Abel, in a humorous way, spoke on "The Ups and Downs of Life in a Minister's Home."

OLGA POWELL, Secretary.



Rev. A. Husman of Philadelphia,
Pa., and Rev. V. Prendinger of
Jersey City, N. J., Standing Before
the Front Doors of the Pilgrim
Church

Atlantic Conference The Pilgrim Church of Jersey City, N. J., Has Rev. A. Husman for Special Meetings

Recently the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, N. J., had a wonderful time with the Rev. Assaf Husman of Philadelphia, as guest speaker. We had him with us for evangelistic meetings. He has a solid message, a good delivery, and a life of prayer behind his messages. Mr. Husman was with us from the 1st to the 6th of December. The meetings were well attended, and two men were converted. Our neighbor churches cooperated beautifully by attending the services and helping in every way.

Our Sunday School has grown nicely from 45 to 65 scholars, which is quite something in our neighborhood. Two of the scholars were converted during the summer, and we expect to have baptism on New Year's eve. I suppose that we in the small churches will always have to be happy with small gains. But you never can tell; at least, we hope for a great revival and ingathering.

VICTOR PRENDINGER, Pastor.

Interesting News About the King's Daughters of Baltimore, Maryland

The King's Daughters Missionary Group of the West Baltimore Baptist Church of Baltimore, Md., has a membership of 12 members. We are just a small group but we hope with the help of God's blessings and with our beloved and talented president, Mrs. Charlotte Sullivan, that we will grow and do great things.

We have helped with missions abroad and at home. We also endowed a bed at the Rochester Baptist Seminary. On Thursday, October 10, we had a fine missionary meeting. Our state secre-

tary, Mrs. Barnes, gave us a lovely and inspiring talk.

Our meetings are held each month on the second Thursday at one of our member's homes. We have mission readings and scripture studies. At the close of the meetings refreshments are served. The meetings are a blessing to every one. Our motto is, "Laborers Together for God." A picture of our King's Daughters Group accompanies this report.

MRS. ANNA CALLIGAN, Secretary.



King's Daughters Society of
West Baltimore Church in
Baltimore, Md.

Northwestern Conference

The Kossuth Church of Wisconsin Enjoys the Ministry of the Rev. Hugo Lueck

The Kossuth Baptist Church near Manitowoc, Wis., recently welcomed its new pastor, the Rev. Hugo Lueck, from Poland, who has accepted an indefinite call to supply our pulpit as long as he is in this country.

On Friday, November 22, the members of the church secretly planned a surprise house party at the parsonage for Mr. Lueck, who has been serving us as pastor for two months. The evening was enjoyed by all as Mr. Lueck told of many interesting experiences of his in Poland, after which games were played and refreshments were served.

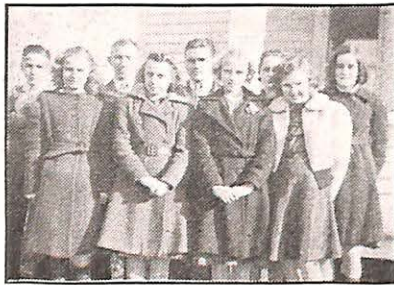
Our young people are again active, having regular meetings on the commission plan. On Sunday evening, November 10, the Fellowship Commission presented the "Relay Race for Christ," after which Mr. Lueck gave an inspiring talk on how we all should help in passing the light of the world from generation to generation. On November 24, the Service Commission presented a Thanksgiving program in the evening entitled, "Count Our Blessings," and after the program pumpkin pie was served with coffee by the commission.

The Manitowoc County Inter-Church Layman's banquet was held at the Melnik Presbyterian Church, at which the Rev. Hugo Lueck was the guest speaker for the evening. He is a very interest-

ing speaker and has many engagements following this Mr. A. Buyer spoke on "Preparation of a Sunday School Teacher." Then Rev. C. B. Thole spoke on "The Use of an Object Lesson in the Sunday School." The guest speaker, Rev. A. Krombein of Kelowna, B. C., brought an appropriate message on the text: "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." The Trochu choir favored us with two selections.

We are grateful that God has sent us such a devoted Christian leader, as Mr. Lueck, who is doing splendid work for us in every respect. We look forward to another year of activity and blessing in our fellowship with one another.

MR. EDWIN NIEPHAUS, Secretary.



Baptismal Candidates of Pioneer Baptist Church, Pound, Wis.

Eleven Converts Baptized and Received Into the Pound Baptist Church of Wisconsin

The accompanying picture shows a group of nine of the eleven candidates, who were recently baptized in a beautiful service into the membership of the Pioneer Baptist Church of Pound, Wis. We feel that it is an unusual group inasmuch as there were two brothers, a sister and a brother, and two sisters among the candidates. In addition, there are also several members of the group whose parents were not members of the church. Several others were received by letter and one person was accepted on experience, so that we can report an increase of 15 in the church's membership during the past few months.

In order to make possible more baptismal services during the year the trustees installed a kerosene water heater to heat our baptistry, which has proven to be very economical.

We look forward to another service soon, since others have expressed a willingness to unite with us through baptism. May God continue to bless his work in this community!

HERMAN BOTHNER, Pastor.

Southern Alberta Young People's Rally and Music Festival Held in Trochu

Sunday, November 24, was a day of real blessing when the Sunday Schools, young people's societies, and choirs from the Southern Alberta churches gathered at Trochu for their annual song festival.

The morning session was devoted to the Sunday School rally. The Rev. O. Fiesel, pastor of Trochu, spoke on "A Teachers Attitude Toward the Pupil."

Following this Mr. A. Buyer spoke on "Preparation of a Sunday School Teacher." Then Rev. C. B. Thole spoke on "The Use of an Object Lesson in the Sunday School." The guest speaker, Rev. A. Krombein of Kelowna, B. C., brought an appropriate message on the text: "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." The Trochu choir favored us with two selections.

The "Saengerfest" was held in the afternoon with the voices of the congregation ringing out emphatically and clearly in singing as Mr. R. Kannwischer of Calgary led the song service, after which the different young people's societies responded to the roll call answering with a Bible verse or chorus. Each choir rendered two beautiful songs and the Hein sisters of Craigmyle sang a duet. The Rev. F. Alf of Freudental directed the large mass choir in three uplifting messages in song, entitled "King All Glorious," "Lift Up Your Heads," and "Selig sind die."

The following addresses were also given: "What Attitude May be Expected Between Choir and Director" by Mr. A. Unger of Olds; "What May the Choir Expect from the Church" by Mr. T. E. Neher of Bethel, and "What May the Church Expect from the Choir" by Rev. F. Alf of Freudental. An offering was held for missions which amounted to \$58.

The Rev. R. Milbrandt thanked the Trochu church for its kind hospitality shown toward the guests. The song festival came to a close with the Rev. A. Krombein leading in prayer, and then all joined in singing the national anthem, "God Save the King."

IRENE NEHER, Reporter.

Dedication of the Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary, Alberta

Sunday, October 13, was a very pleasant day for the members of the Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary, Alta., Canada. Many visitors from near and far came to witness and to participate in the dedication of the newly built church.

At the appointed hour the Rev. R. Milbrandt and the officiating ministers appeared before the church doors. Rev. W. Stein read the Scripture passage and Rev. G. Beutler led in prayer. Then the doors were opened wide, and, as the choir sang, the people were shown their seats.

Rev. R. Milbrandt, pastor, welcomed all the guests, and opened the service with prayer. Rev. F. Alf read the Scripture passage and Rev. A. Kujath led in prayer. Since Dr. Wm. Kuhn found it impossible to be present, Rev. Philip Daum of Winnipeg preached the dedication sermon. He spoke of the spiritual house according to 1. Cor. 3: 16-17. Rev. O. Fiesel of Trochu then gave a message in English, and Rev. G. Beutler of Olds followed with a brief message in German. The church choir rendered several selections between sessions.

A detailed building report, as to the plans of the building, how the money was raised and the amount of work that was done by members was given by Mr. Milbrandt. Mr. Jacob Oldhauer gave the financial report. The cost of the building was \$5000. The Mission Society extended a grant of \$700 and a loan of \$1000, for which we are greatly indebted.

The afternoon service brought more blessings. After a song service led by Rev. Karl Korella of Southey, Sask., the Rev. Mr. Nordlund of the Hill Hurst Baptist Church and president of the ministerial association gave a brief inspiring message. The following ministers presented in ten minute brief addresses greetings from their respective churches: Dr. A. C. Archibald, D. D., of the Baptist Church; Rev. J. Jeske of the neighboring Evangelical Church; and Dr. C. C. McLaurin, retired minister. The choir again favored the audience with songs and anthems.

Both morning and afternoon services were very well attended. A microphone was installed with loud speakers in the basement for the benefit of those who did not find room in the main auditorium.

In the evening service the following ministers brought brief and inspiring messages: Rev. W. Stein of East Eben-ezer, Sask.; Rev. A. Kujath of Regina, Sask.; Rev. K. Korella, Southey, Sask.; and Rev. F. Alf of Carbon, Alta. The Rev. L. Milbrandt presided at the exercises.

The offering of the day totalled \$500, for which we are very thankful. Mr. Milbrandt, who so ably planned and worked for this elaborate house of worship, and his brave band of helpers are certainly to be congratulated on the success of their efforts.

MRS. R. BROST, Reporter.

OBITUARY

GUSTAV E. SCHATTSCHNEIDER of Dayton, Ohio

Gustav E. Schattschneider was born on March 9, 1878, in Bromberg, Germany. As a boy of 12 he came with his parents to Dayton, Ohio, where he lived until the time of his death on November 16, 1940, at the age of 62. He was led to Christ by Rev. R. T. Wegner in 1892. The baptism, following on Christmas Day, has come to be of added significance in that no similar subsequent group in this church has been as large.

In October, 1901, Mr. Schattschneider was married by Rev. G. J. Klipfel to Miss Lula Haller. Their home was blessed by three daughters. A breakdown in health about a year ago caused him to retire from business. He seemed to be making encouraging progress until taken seriously ill a number of weeks ago. In addition to his widow and children, he is mourned by 2 sisters, one brother, 7 grandchildren and a wide circle of friends. To the latter the large number of floral tributes bore eloquent testimony.

The church was central in his loyalties. For years before his death he served as deacon and trustee. And at the time of his death he was also a member of the Central Conference Mission Committee. Prof. H. von Berge and the undersigned officiated at the burial. May God comfort the bereaved. Fourth St. Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio.

Reuben P. Jeschke, Pastor.

THE BOY FROM HOGAN'S ALLEY

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but he shall receive an hundred fold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life."

"Daughter, you will note there are persecutions with all this, but in the end, eternal life. What greater thing could you ask?"

"Oh, mamma, you make it so easy for me!" cried Jean, dropping to her knees beside the bed and burying her face on the invalid's breast. "I was afraid you would oppose me."

"I'm not saying it will be easy to give you up. My stubborn heart rebels against it. Little did I realize when I marked those passages what they would mean to me some time. Get up, dear, You will wrinkle your dress. I think I hear Daddy coming for you."

It was James, however, who entered the room. When he saw Jean his heart gave a quick throb, but immediately he gained control of himself. Oh, he must not allow himself to feel this way at sight of Jean. During the past few months he had been having a battle. Jean was developing into a young woman now, and every day he realized he was growing fonder and fonder of her. Her very presence thrilled him. The sight of her set his pulses to racing, and it was with difficulty that he kept his eyes from her.

Yet he realized he had no right to feel this way about her. Never, by word or sign, had she given him any reason to do so. She was a wonderful pal to him—that was all. Quite often Howard requested James to take her somewhere, and a number of times Jean herself had asked him to take her some place, but it was just as though they were real brother and sister.

James realized, also, that a great barrier lay between them. She was the daughter of a rich man, while he was only a nameless lad with neither family nor history back of him. Even if it were possible that Jean should ever learn to care for him he realized that the barrier would always be between them.

He had tried in vain to become interested in some other girl. Quite often he took one of the co-eds out to something that was going on, and enjoyed himself for the time being, but there was always the thought that upon returning home he would see Jean.

He waited outside Jean's door for her to get her wrap, and together they went out to where Howard was waiting for them in the car. Then back home again when it was all over, to Julia's room, where Jean received her graduation present—a string of pearls—from the invalid. And when James went to bed that night his heart was sorer than ever over his burden. Never before had the pain of it been so acute, but never before had he been so determined to forget it.

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The Wayside Pulpit

By REV. THEO W. DONS of Forest Park, Illinois

"Dwelling Together in Unity"

Psalm 133.

"Dwelling together" is living together, planning and working together, and also sharing together. In dwelling together we come to know each other's faults and weaknesses, and it requires grace to live and carry on. In unity we have a common denominator, Christ, who neutralizes and utilizes our lives.

What a sight to behold! Brethren dwelling together in unity! This is the picture of the Church, where the reality of the presence of Christ is known. We are banded together in unity of our relationship to Christ. We are his disciples, and he is our Master. We are one in the unity of faith in him and his word.

Also, in the unity of purpose we are one; we are to reach out to the people living in our community. "How good and how pleasant it is when brethren dwell together in unity."



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Parents of Sunday School children are asking,

"What Will My Child Be When He Grows Up?"

- LOST, not knowing what the Bible teaches of creation, sin and salvation, heaven and hell, prophecy, prayer, faith, the Holy Spirit and all eternal truths.
- OR
- SAVED, because taught the Bible and the Bible plan of salvation, and having accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and Lord of his life.
- Still owning a Bible but its promises and covers gathering dust for years.
- OR
- His Bible studied, the promises and blessings appropriated daily.
- A nominal Christian, on the church roll, perhaps, but wrapped up in the world, its interests and pleasures.
- OR
- A consecrated Christian, living to please the Saviour and active in church and Sunday School.
- His home, merely a place to eat and sleep, where pleasure and selfish interests are in the ascendancy.
- OR
- His home, radiating joy and Christian influence in ever-widening circles, and counting for God and eternity.



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THE EDITOR.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

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¶ From December 1 to 11 evangelistic services were held in the Baptist Church of Bison, Kans., with the Rev. Phil. Potzner of Marion, Kans., serving as evangelist. Six Sunday School scholars gave their hearts to the Lord, and the church was very thankful for the spiritual blessings which it received. On Friday, November 22, the Rev. and Mrs. R. Vasel of Bison celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. The church surprised them with a special dinner in their honor held in the basement of the church. The Vasels were also the recipients of a lovely gift by the church. Mr. Vasel hopes to continue to serve the Bison Church as supply pastor throughout the winter months.

¶ The Clay Street Church of Benton Harbor, Mich., held its annual Harvest Festival on Sunday, November 17, with the Sunday School taking an active part in the program. The Rev. E. Gutsche, pastor, gave an object lesson, and the Rev. E. R. Lengefeld, superintendent of the Chicago Home for the Aged, was the guest speaker. The harvest gifts, presented to the Home, consisted of several hundred quarts of canned fruit and many bushels of apples, pears and potatoes. This presentation is an annual feature of the church's harvest program. A mission offering for our denominational enterprise was also received. For Thanksgiving Day the Ladies' Aid arranged a "Jelly Shower" for the Children's Home in St. Joseph, Michigan.

¶ The Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, opened its winter term of 4 months on Monday, December 2, with a student body of 38 young people and with 7 or 8 more students who joined the others after a few days. This represents a capacity group for the school. Besides the dean, Rev. E. P. Wahl, the faculty is composed of the German Baptist ministers, the Revs. H. Waltereit of Camrose and F. W. Benke, district missionary. The following Canadian Baptist ministers are also serving on the faculty for extended periods: Dr. T. B. McDonald, director of young people's work for the Baptist Union of Western Canada; Rev. Dan Young, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Edmonton; Rev. C. Hirtle, pastor of the Strathcona Baptist Church of Edmonton; Rev. S. Wedman of the Moravian Church; and Mr. Robert Neske of Camrose. From January 13 to February 7 the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, editor of "The Baptist Herald," will also serve on the faculty, teaching a four weeks' course on "Christian Leadership."

¶ Mr. M. L. Leuschner, young people's secretary, spent several days at the beginning of December on a promotional trip to the First Baptist Church of Minitonas, Manitoba, Canada, and the nearby mission church at Swan River. On Sunday, December 1, he

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LEADERSHIP TRAINING

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should be creative. It should lead the pupils, not only to know, but to do. It should seek to develop Christian character that will carry out Christ's admonition when he said, "If ye know these things, blessed are ye if ye do them."

A teacher who is concerned only with the impartation of knowledge, whose interest is wholly in the subject and not in the pupils, who does all the talking while pupils passively listen is not teaching creatively. In creative teaching the pupil is being led to think, to express his thoughts, to form his own judgments from the facts presented. Through the activity of his mind and heart, right ideals and attitudes are being formed, his religious experience is growing, and right Christian living results.

The Teacher's Reward

Leaders in Christian work are teaching the Bible but sometimes they forget that they are teaching persons. We must remember as good teachers that we are not teaching persons in general, but persons in particular. The questions we sometimes discuss are not human questions; the problems with which we deal are not human problems; the language we speak is no human language.

As we instruct others, a great uplift comes to us as we see that there is a difference in the lives of our listeners. As someone has expressed herself to a friend: "Whenever I have tried to teach, I have been the chief learner; and whenever I have tried to serve, the chief pleasure has been mine." Happy and blessed are we if we can start for our task with the words of Marcus Aurelius: "Lo, I am going with gladness to that work for which I was born into the world!"

preached in the services of both churches, and from Monday, December 2, to Wednesday, December 4, the pastor, Rev. R. Schilke, and Mr. Leuschner continued the sessions of a Bible School for 35 young people which had been begun earlier in November. Each evening a church service was held, at which Mr. Leuschner spoke and showed mission pictures. On Thursday evening, December 5, he addressed the congregation of the East Ebenezer Church in Saskatchewan, of which Rev. Walter Stein is pastor. On Friday afternoon and evening, December 6, he spoke in the West Ebenezer and Springside Churches, which are being served by the Rev. A. J. Milner as pastor. On Sunday morning, December 8, Mr. Leuschner was the guest speaker in the McDermot Ave. Church of Winnipeg and in the afternoon in the German Baptist Church of Morris, Manitoba, of which the Revs. Otto Patzia and H. Schatz are the pastors respectively.