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# WHAT'S HAPPENING . . .

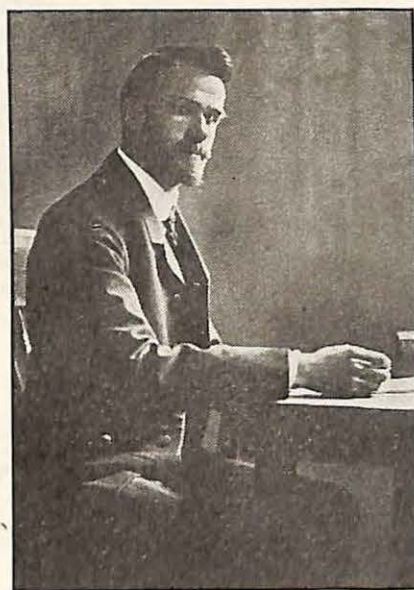
● Miss Helen Heitzmann of Emery, So. Dak., was the valedictorian at the commencement exercises of Bethel Junior College, St. Paul, Minn., on June 4. Her valedictory address dealt with "The Role of Christian Laymen in the World of Today." Miss Heitzmann has been the chairman of the Bender Memorial Trek Mission project of the Dakota Conference. She hopes to enroll in the Bethel Institute of St. Paul in the Fall of this year.

● Dr. William C. Lang, a son of the Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Lang and a brother of the Rev. George A. Lang of Detroit, Mich., has been appointed acting president of Yankton College at Yankton, So. Dak. This Congregational school has a student body of about 300, including a number of air corps cadets. Dr. Lang has been serving for several years as professor of history, sociology and public teaching, and more recently, of the theory of flight.

● Mr. Lorenz Michelson of Martin, No. Dak., a student of our Rochester Baptist Seminary, has been spending the summer months since June 1st in Billings, Mont., conducting services in the homes of a number of our Baptist families there. He is engaged in many missionary activities with the hope of establishing a permanent North American Baptist Church field in this city. An encouraging success has already accompanied his consecrated efforts.

● The Mt. Zion Baptist Church near Junction City, Kans., had the joy of having the Rev. and Mrs. Walter Gomez, Mexican missionaries, as guests on Sunday, June 6. On Monday evening, June 7, the Dorcas Society gave a chicken dinner honoring the Gomez family. A Vacation Bible School was held later in the month of which Mr. Gomez was the principal teacher. The Rev. J. J. Reimer is the pastor of the church.

● A Vacation Bible School was held from May 24 to 28 at the Baptist Church of Lincoln Valley, No. Dak., with an enrollment of 21 children. The teachers who assisted the Rev. A. Bibelheimer were the Misses Alma Fiesel of Martin and Helen Seibel. From June 21 to 25 a similar Vacation School was held at the Baptist Church of Anamoose, No. Dak., with about 50 pupils in attendance. The Rev. A. Bibelheimer, pastor, was assisted by a good sized staff of teachers.



PROF. WALTER RAUSCHENBUSCH  
October 4, 1861 — July 25, 1918

For the occasion of the 25th anniversary since the homegoing of Prof. Rauschenbusch on July 25th, "The Baptist Herald" is quoting the following prayer of his for the Church of Christ. Its message is especially appropriate for the denomination's present emphasis on "Revitalization."

"O God, we pray for thy Church, which is set today amid the perplexities of a changing order, and face to face with a great new task. We remember with love the nurture she gave to our spiritual life in its infancy, the tasks she set for our growing strength, the influence of the devoted hearts she gathers, the steadfast power for good she has exerted. Oh, baptize her afresh in the life-giving spirit of Jesus! Grant her a new birth, though it be with the travail of repentance and humiliation. Make her more valiant to give up her life to humanity, that like her crucified Lord she may mount by the path of the cross to a higher glory."

● On July 4 the Baptist Church of Eureka, So. Dak., held its reception for its new pastor, the Rev. A. Krombein, and family. Services were held in the afternoon and evening with the women of the church serving the meals. The Rev. Willy Luebeck of Ashley, No. Dak., brought the messages, and representatives of the church expressed their joy in welcoming the new pastor. The Rev. A. Krombein, formerly of Bismarck, No. Dak., has succeeded the Rev. John Weinbender, Sr., on the extended Eureka field.

● Mr. Walter H. Klempel of Lambert, Mont., who has been licensed to preach by the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., is assisting the Rev. Otto Fiesel at the Baptist Churches of Sidney and Vida, Mont., during the summer months. Mr. Klempel is a graduate of Northwestern Bible School and the Seminary at Minneapolis,

Minn. He was engaged in secular and religious work in Portland, where he became a member of the Trinity Church, of which Dr. John Leypoldt is the pastor.

● Since June 1st Mr. Henry Lang of Plevna, Mont., a Senior student of our Rochester Baptist Seminary, has been assisting the Rev. Daniel Klein by serving the Baptist Church of Harvey, No. Dak., for three Sundays each month and by preaching in the Germantown Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday, when Mr. Klein is in Harvey. He reports a great deal of joy in this work as he is carrying on an intensive missionary and evangelistic ministry and making plans for a Vacation Bible School for the community.

● The Rev. Arthur Schulz, pastor of the Unityville and Spring Valley Baptist Churches of South Dakota, recently baptized 7 boys and young men and received them into the Spring Valley Church. Vacation Bible Schools were held from May 24 to 28 in Unityville and from June 1 to 4 in Spring Valley with Mrs. Lyla Anderson, the Misses Arlene Buseman and Lorraine Johnson and the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Schulz serving as teachers. The Rev. A. Husmann, promotional secretary, brought inspirational messages at both of the churches on Sunday, June 6.

● On the Sundays, July 4 and 11, Dr. Charles W. Koller, president of the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Ill., preached at all of the services of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church of Newark, N. J., of which he was formerly the pastor for more than 12 years. The fifth anniversary of the Rev. Verner I. Olson as pastor of the church was observed on Sunday, June 6. During these 5 years 200 persons have been received into the church by baptism alone, in addition to others, who have come by church letter or upon their Christian experience.

● The Ridgewood Baptist Church of Ridgewood, Long Island, N. Y., called Mr. Robert Zimbelman, a Senior student at our Rochester Baptist Seminary, for the summer months to assist in the Vacation Bible School, to preach at one of the church's three Sunday services and to carry on visitation work. The church also voted to enter the Northern Baptist Ministers' and Missionaries' Pension fund plan for its pastor, the Rev. A. E. Kannwischer. The church is continuing the Family Worship Hour with the main English service beginning at 11:15 A. M. into which the Sunday School comes in an impressive procession.

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### Coming!

#### PUT OUT THE LIGHT!

This article with a number of inspiring testimonies by young people of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta, about their joys and adventures in tract distribution, which was promised for the current issue of "The Herald," will definitely appear with pictures and important announcements in the next number.

#### THE GOSPEL FOR AFRICAN LEPERS

Mrs. Alma McElheran of the Glory Hills Baptist Church of Alberta, Canada, has contributed a very interesting and informative article to "The Baptist Herald" about the work which she and her husband are carrying on among the lepers of Nigeria under the auspices of the Sudan Interior Mission.

#### REPORTS OF MEMORABLE EVENTS

Several unusually interesting reports about the Ministers' Convocation of the Central Conference at St. Joseph, about the Centerline Mission of the Burns Ave. Church of Detroit, Mich., and about the dedication of a number of Service Men's Honor Rolls and Plaques will be among the many reports to appear in the next issue.

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## EDITORIAL



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### Reaching Out for a Real Revival

THE YOUNG PEOPLE of our denomination will not be stragglers in the program that calls for the revitalization of our churches. Many of them are already in the vanguard of those radiant souls who have caught a vision of the joys and blessings of such a revitalized life.

This truth was amply demonstrated at the recent South Dakota Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union Convention held at Tyndall. At the outset these hosts of young people set their faces to the task of "Reaching Out for a Real Revival," and before the close of the convention the Holy Spirit had touched these lives with living fire from above.

The facts of the convention will speak for themselves. In spite of gasoline and tire restrictions these young people came from almost all of the South Dakota churches registering the amazing total mileage of almost 19,000 miles. They attended classes and services continuously throughout the day from 8 A. M. to almost 5 P. M. Very little time was reserved for recreation or out-of-door picnics.

At eight o'clock every morning a fine enthusiastic group of 60 to 100 young people was on hand for the "Revival Hour" in which an entire hour was devoted to singing, testimonies, prayer, brief messages and inspiration. Not even General Conference sessions can match that!

These young people seriously took notes, studied textbooks and prepared for exams in three study courses which were completed in a few days. Exactly one hundred credit cards were issued to the students who had passed the test with flying colors. That, too, is a record in our young people's assemblies and institutes!

Crowds of five to seven hundred thronged the Tyndall auditorium for the evening services. The young people, fervently led by their president, Mr. Harold Lippert, were prominent at these services. They offered many numbers in song and recitation. Several of them responded to the call for consecration to full time Christian service. Their many testimonies revealed an eager desire for the deepening of their faith.

This issue of "The Baptist Herald" is filled with many similar glowing reports. Read them in the light of this denominational program of revitalization. This is far more than a word; it is a spirit that is beginning to burn brightly in our circles. Let this fire of God warm the hearthstones of your life!





—Photo by Ellis O. Hinsey

## How to Win the Prize!

A Message for the Revitalization of Our Churches and Individual Lives

by DR. WILLIAM KUHN, General Missionary Secretary

TO be permitted to enter into the innermost sanctuary of the life of some great Christian is a privilege, indeed. The Apostle Paul grants us such admission to this holy place in the third chapter of his letter to the Philippians.

Here we can understand the price that he paid in order to "win Christ". In this intimate hour we feel the heart throb of his spiritual life and can understand the stern discipline, to which he submitted, in order to win the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

### The Apostle's Determination

In the stillness of this sanctuary, we hear him make these solemn declarations concerning himself:

"Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those 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."

For the Apostle Paul to win "the prize of the high calling of God in

Christ Jesus" would mean that he would experience himself the exceeding abundant measure of the grace and glory in time and eternity prepared by God for all his saints. Today the Apostle Paul is crowned with the honor of being one, if not the first one, of the world's greatest Christians.

### A Personal Resolution

Simply by changing the personal pronoun, "I", to the plural, "We", without violence we can apply this wonderful resolution: "We press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," to every one of our churches. For any church to win this prize would mean that such a church would be changed into the same image of Christ's pattern for his church from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Every church that wins this high prize would be characterized as 1. A Witnessing Church, 2. An Evangelistic Church, 3. An Influential Church, 4. A Praying Church, 5. A Believing Church, 6. A Separated Church, 7. A Conquering Church. For any church to win this high prize, it will be necessary to experience daily the revitalization by God's Holy Spirit. Besides this daily Spirit's ministry, there will be exceptional outpourings of God's Spirit in times of need.

The spiritual laws operating in the lives of the first-century Christians and churches are still governing all spiritual experiences even in this twentieth century. We can therefore, with safety, adopt the Apostle Paul's formula and experience his spiritual processes in winning this high prize.

### 1. Confessing our Shortcomings

As long as we are living in our mortal bodies, we can never expect to attain to spiritual perfection. The Apostle Paul was striving to win that distinction of sharing in the first resurrection. Neither he nor anyone else can have that distinction until the Day of Jesus Christ.

For many of our shortcomings, we ourselves are responsible. We have not apprehended all for which Christ has apprehended us. As individuals and churches we fall short of Christ's ideal for us in regard to our degree of godliness, in our faithfulness as stewards, in our understanding of God's truth, in our sacrificial ministry for his name's sake, in our singleness of devotion to him, and in the purity and fervency of our love.

We must make our confessions with a broken and a contrite spirit. We must repent and bring forth fruits that will prove the sincerity of our

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## Annual Session of the Children's Home Board

The Report of These Memorable Meetings at the Children's Home, St. Joseph, Michigan, by MR. WALTER W. GROSSER

THIRTEEN members of the Children's Home Board of Directors assembled for the annual meeting in St. Joseph, Mich., on June 8th.

As always, the premises were a delight to see. Everything was beautiful. The children were well and happy. The oldest son of the family was graduated from High School on the evening of June 8th, and was expecting to leave within a few days thereafter for military service.

In addition to the members of the local committee, Mrs. J. B. Klausmann from New Jersey represented the Atlantic Conference. She is a member of the Clinton Hill Church of Newark, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marks of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. N. B. Neelen of Milwaukee, Wis., all from the Northwestern Conference, added to the outsiders present. The Central Conference was represented by the members of the St. Joseph and Benton Harbor churches together with Mrs. Albert Johns and Mr. W. W. Grosser from the Forest Park Church and Mr. H. Siemund of Chicago, Illinois.

The Board was pleased to hear the customary fine reports from the Superintendent, the Rev. H. Steiger, and when the secretary of the local committee told us of the year's activities in behalf of the children, we were delighted with the efficient administration

### LETTER OF RESIGNATION

June 8, 1943:

Dear Members of the Board:—

After having served to the best of our ability for over twenty years as Superintendent and Matron of the German Baptist Children's Home, we feel obliged, on account of failing health, to tender you our resignation from office, this resignation to take place on the last day of September, 1943. This, we hope, gives ample time for the Board to secure suitable successors.

May we take this opportunity to extend to the Board our sincere thanks and appreciation for the kind help and cooperation in the common work to which we have been called by our beloved denomination. Writing this, we can truly say that the welfare of our Home, the Home-family, and the good standing of the Home in, and outside of, the denomination has always been closer to us than our own personal interests.

May the Great Friend of the children and of widowed mothers and lonely fathers guide you in the selection of our successors in accordance to his holy will!

Very sincerely yours,  
Hans Steiger.

tion of the business of the Home.

Due to the heavy demands made upon the Rev. and Mrs. H. Steiger in directing our Children's Home, greater now than their physical endurance can allow for any further length of time, we were obliged to receive, with sincere regret, their resignation, effective

in September, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Steiger have just completed twenty years of service for the denomination in the interest of this Home. It was most appropriate, therefore, that the directors had planned an evening celebration in their honor. A fine banquet, served at the Whitcomb Hotel, was followed by a public meeting at the St. Joseph Church.

The local pastors, the Rev's. Louis H. Broeker and E. Gutsche, both expressed their love and appreciation for the cordial relationship prevailing between their churches and Mr. and Mrs. Steiger.

Mr. Henry Marks, president of the Board, very fittingly told Mr. and Mrs. Steiger, how much confidence the Board had always placed in them. Miss Nell Benning, representing the local committee, expressed herself particularly with regard to Mrs. Steiger. A beautiful bouquet of flowers was presented by Miss Benning. A cash gift was presented to the retiring superintendent and matron by the Board treasurer, Mr. Henry F. Bartz. Mr. Steiger brought a very touching and timely response to the many kind things spoken to them.

The Steigers hope to spend their retirement in St. Joseph, Mich. May God richly bless them both for their untiring devotion to the noble work of caring for needy children!



Members of the Board of Directors of the Children's Home At Its Recent Annual Session at St. Joseph, Michigan  
Left to Right: Mr. M. W. Stock, Rev. L. H. Broeker, Mr. Walter Grosser, Mr. C. L. Sommerfeld, Mrs. J. B. Klausmann, Mrs. H. Siemund, Mrs. Otto Ernst, Miss Nellie Benning, Mrs. A. F. Johns, Mrs. H. Marks, Mrs. N. B. Neelen, Mr. H. Marks, (Chairman), Rev. H. Steiger, Mr. H. Siemund, Rev. E. Gutsche, Mr. W. F. Benning, and Mr. H. F. Bartz.



## Northwestern Conference Pastors' Retreat

Report by the REV. FRANK VENINGA of Milwaukee, Wisconsin

THE Northwestern Conference Pastors' Retreat, held at St. Bonifacius, Minn., on June 9 and 10, was truly an experience which will long linger in the hearts and minds of all privileged to attend. It was there that we as pastors were brought into the presence of the eternal God. Coming from near and far, city and country, yes, from the hustle and bustle of an extremely busy life, we accepted the beckoning call of God: "Be still, and know that I am God."

Much time was spent in both audible and silent prayer. We prayed, first of all, for God's presence and blessing upon those present. We also prayed for the revitalization of our entire denomination—our churches, our members, our pastors and leaders, our missionaries and evangelists, and for our entire enterprise. To be sure, the men in military service were upheld upon hands of prayer.

Even though our work and efforts are always directed towards revival and revitalizing, nevertheless, we felt keenly the deep need of a genuine spiritual revival. This need is apparent. We continue to pray for a God-sent revival in the churches throughout our denomination, remembering that the church is only revitalized as the individual member is revitalized.

The retreat was opened with a most appropriate devotional message by the Rev. H. W. Wedel. The devotional period on the second day was led by the Rev. R. Rott. At the conclusion of these devotionals we were led into God's presence by a season of prayer. On several occasions Dr. Wm. Kuhn, one of our guests, supplied our spiritual thirst as he led us to the "Well of Living Water." Not only was our thirst quenched but our souls were fed with the Bread of Life.

The Rev. Paul Zoschke, the acting chairman of the retreat, ably answered the question—"Who Am I?" or, "The Minister Looks at Himself." He stated positively, that "I am the man of God; the voice of God; I am to bring people and God together." We are the people who are to add color to life. We must be our human best filled with the Holy Spirit. The Rev. John Walkup presented the missionary outlook, challenging us to have a continuous missionary passion.

Our other guest, the Rev. H. R. Schroeder, addressed the group on the following two topics:—"Shooting our Brother—Candid Camera Views of Our Fellow-pastors," and "Where Does It Hurt?—a Clinic for Bumps and Bruises." Moments of lively participation and discussion followed. Candidly and yet in a spirit of brotherly love we viewed each other as fellow-pastors,—all working in the same

### REVITALIZATION

The program for the "Revitalization of Our Churches" is being given prayerful consideration everywhere. Convocations for the ministers are being held in all areas. Most of the conferences are making this the theme of their programs. The spirit of this word has become aflame in many hearts.

Pastors and church leaders are urged to present this challenge to their groups. Attractive leaflets on "The Secret of a Revitalized Life" are available in any quantities from Dr. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. Send for yours at once!

Kingdom, believing in the same God, proclaiming the same redemptive message from the same Bible, and desirous of the same goals. In spite of theological differences, geographical differences, or other differences, there is a oneness made possible only through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Destructive criticism chokes a desired revival but constructive criticism helps in calling forth the best in us and in our denomination. Differences of one kind or another do not decide the pastor's usefulness in God's service. As God used Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Paul, and many others, so he uses us as yielded instruments in his hand. Let us not fail him!

### HOW TO WIN THE PRIZE

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change of heart. Because of our shortcomings, we need this revitalization.

#### 2. Do Not Glory in the Past

Our danger is that we linger in our striving for that prize by reviewing and unduly admiring our achievements. Sometimes we are inclined to rest in them and consider them our final goals.

During the one hundred years of history as a denomination we have achieved much for which we will never cease to glorify God. Neither as individuals nor as local churches, nor even as a denomination, have we reached the end of our grace. Paul expressed his gratitude regarding his achievements when he said: "Forgetting those things which are behind." That must be our attitude, too!

#### 3. Strive for Higher Heights

It was in the year 1897, when the writer with his bride spent a brief "honeymoon" with their friends, the

### Service Men

While in New York City

A cordial invitation is extended to you every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, by the men of our church to attend the

CRUSADERS BIBLE CLASS

Evergreen Baptist Church,  
Evergreen Ave. & Woodbine Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Rev. W. J. Appel, Pastor.  
"The Friendly Church."

The Rev. E. J. Baumgartner delivered an interesting and constructive message on "Shadows of Coming Events," stating that shadows come from both a rising and setting sun. The present shadows of coming events come from a rising sun. Today we have larger opportunities. We are a growing denomination. No longer are we limited to a German field. The whole of the United States and Canada is our field. Are we adequately prepared to accept the challenge? Or will we hear—"Too late and too little?"

Two inspirational public worship services were held. The Rev. R. L. Schlader spoke on evangelism—"Ye shall witness unto me." He said that the present appalling situation of some churches is directly traceable to Christians who have lost the art of witnessing for Christ. We need to see men as Jesus saw them. "We must evangelize or fossilize." The concluding message dealing with the topic of "Stewardship" was brought by the Rev. Howard Johnson, stating that a life dedicated to God will naturally be a life of stewardship.

One of the important items of business was that of organizing a permanent ministerial fellowship of the Northwestern Conference. The following officers were elected: president, Rev. C. F. Lehr; vice-president, Rev. E. J. Baumgartner; secretary, Rev. Emanuel Wolff.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman von Berge, in New Britain, Conn. On the homeward journey we enjoyed the hospitality of Professor and Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer in New Haven, Conn. Being such an ardent lover of nature, Prof. Meyer insisted that we accompany him on a "hike" to East Rock. Due to the insistent urging of our guide, a rest house, half-way up East Rock was reached, and here we found complete satisfaction.

In that half-way house we found all that we were looking for—rest for our tired feet, an enchanting view of the surrounding country, that clear and crisp atmosphere of the highlands, those fair and wide horizons to satisfy and rest the eye. But Professor Meyer insisted that we follow the Apostle Paul's formula: "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before," that we climb higher heights and experience those enchantments awaiting us in the higher altitude.

Whatever our immediate attainments as churches or individuals may be, there is always something better for us higher up—a higher degree of godliness, more complete maturity, a deeper spiritual illumination, more faithfulness as God's stewards, more

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## 20th Anniversary of the Eastern Youth Union

A Report of the Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Eastern Conference

by MISS ELIZABETH KAPTEINA of Pittsburgh, Pa.

TWENTY years ago—April 28 and 29, 1923—our Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Eastern Conference held its first sessions in the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pa. The opening session was presided over by Dr. H. C. Schuler. Delegates came from Cleveland, Ohio; Rochester, Buffalo, and Folsomdale, N. Y.; Pittsburgh and Erie, Pa. And the records show 263 people representing 11 churches of our denomination attended this conference.

The first officers were: president, Dr. Arthur Bodenbender, Buffalo, N. Y.; vice-president, Mr. Melvin Zurn, Erie, Pa.; secretary, Miss Frieda Sayenga, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and treasurer, Miss Olga Fischer, Buffalo, N. Y. This organization was first known as "The Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Institute of Lake Erie and Ontario District."

At the time of the second conference, which was held in the Temple Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., the attendance reached 515. Among the earliest endeavors of the conference was the holding of a summer assembly at Dunkirk Evangelical Training Camp along the shores of Lake Erie.

In reviewing the records in the secretary's book of minutes, one is amazed at the multitude of subjects discussed and the numerous problems faced and solved by both our leaders of the various Spring Conferences and also representatives from the Sunday Schools and young people's societies. The following are just a few of the many vital subjects presented by some of our most prominent leaders:

"Developing the Spirit of Worship in the Sunday School," Rev. A. Bretschneider; "Increasing Life's Values," Prof. L. Kaiser; "Cultivating the Devotional Life of Young People," Rev. E. Baumgartner; "Constructing Christian Character," Rev. A. A. Schade; "What the Jesus Way of Living Consists Of," Rev. Alfred Bernadt; "The Secret of the Fine Art of Living," Rev. David Hamel; "Christian Youth Crusading in the Building of a New World," Rev. M. L. Leuschner; and "Workers for Christ—Are We Equipped?" Rev. G. W. Zinz, Jr.

Throughout the years our Spring Conferences have had a decided effect upon the lives of those who attended them personally and on the development of our Sunday Schools and young people societies. Some discussions dealt with matters of vital importance at the time. In 1935, in connection with the theme of the conference, "Christian Youth Building a New

World," the conference expressed its convictions thus: "Whereas, we as Christian Young People are convinced of the efficacy of the Way of Love, expressed in the words and teachings of Jesus... Be it therefore resolved that: We give our wholehearted support to all movements designed to effect a better relationship between man and man, to provide for the general welfare and security of all, and to establish a society which is dominated by love and founded on the principles of Jesus."

Rochester, N. Y.; Rev. L. B. Holzer, Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Rev. Arthur Kannwischer, Union, Arnold, Pa.; and Rev. Martin L. Leuschner for the inspiring messages which they so splendidly gave. The delegates report a delightful visit to the Buhl Planetarium of Pittsburgh on Saturday.

Our missionary giving has greatly increased in the past few years. In our former project we went over our goal of \$250.00 for the building of a school in Warwar, Cameroons.



Officers of the Eastern Conference Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union

Left to Right: Miss Elizabeth M. Kapteina, National Council Representative; Mr. Walter Schmidt, Jr., President; Miss Margaret Smeltzer, Vice-president; Rev. Arthur Kannwischer, Counsellor; Miss June Benke, Newly-elected Secretary

Among the many good results of our annual spring conferences are the getting acquainted with friends from other churches of our Eastern Conference, acquaintance also with our denominational leaders and our missionaries who bring the message of the Kingdom to far-away places of the world. We learn to know the greater Church of which we are a part; we become missionary minded; we learn to understand people of other races; and, most of all—we become spiritually strengthened to carry on the work in our local churches with greater enthusiasm and loyalty to the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We have recently come to the end of our twentieth annual Spring Conference held this year on May 28, 29, and 30 in the Union Baptist Church of Arnold, Pa. Our theme was "The Way To Peace" based on Isaiah 26:3—"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee." We are grateful to our leaders and speakers of the conference: Prof. O. E. Krueger,

Our present missionary project in the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Eastern Conference is the establishing of a One Hundred Club in each of our home churches. To date, our treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Kaiser, reports receipts totalling \$101.69 toward this project. Other contributions for this purpose have been forwarded since that time and we hope to go far over our goal of \$250.00 by July 31, 1943, the closing date of this project. Kindly mail all receipts for the One Hundred Club to Dr. Wm. Kuhn, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

With Christ we are "Going Forward" and under the able leadership of the following officers we look forward to another great year: president, Walter Schmidt, Jr., Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.; vice-president, Margaret Smeltzer, Central, Erie, Pa.; secretary, June Benke, Union, Arnold, Pa.; treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Kaiser, Andrew St., Rochester, Pa.; and counsellor, Rev. Arthur Kannwischer, Union, Arnold, Pa.



# Christian Brigade Round Up

By MR. FRED A. GROSSER of Forest Park, Illinois

VER one hundred boys, ages eight to fourteen, met on June 4 at the Forest Park Baptist Church of Forest Park, Ill., with their leaders for the annual Round-Up of the Christian Service Brigade.

Beginning at 4:30 in the afternoon with games, refreshments, etc., the boys had one grand time. Proud parents and friends witnessed the parade and Battalion Review beginning at 7 o'clock, and continuing with a program, lasting an hour and a half in which the Brigadiers competed for the highest honors in drilling maneuvers, gymnastics, and with an exhibition of handcraft, the result of weeks of work and effort.

Then for an hour following these demonstrations, the boys sat with rapt attention through a service which had for its climax the Ceremony of Knighthood, which consisted of the "knighting" of seven of their number, who, because of outstanding achievements, and surrender of their lives to Christ, had earned the honor of knighthood under the requirements laid down in the Brigade Manual.

That the program of this organization is capturing the imagination and enthusiasm of the boys who come under its influence is evident from the growth in numbers of the members of the individual battalions, and by the increase in the number of battalions that are being organized round about as the knowledge of its benefits spreads.

The Forest Park unit which was organized a few years ago with about fifteen boys now numbers about fifty. A program that started with one evening a week has developed into one that takes in nearly every evening. Handwork, radio, and other activities provide occupation for hands and minds, and bring the boys together, thus providing the opportunity for Bible study, and Christian instruction, the real purpose for which the entire program was conceived.

Five to six battalions from the Chicago area were assembled for this Round-Up. The street had been officially closed to traffic for the out-of-door demonstration, and rivalry for honors was keen. Nevertheless, the sportsmanship of the boys was such that none of the decisions of the judges were questioned.

The thoughts of the Brigadiers are now focused on Camp Kaskitowa, Cedarville, Mich., deep in the heart of the Michigan North Woods. Here under the leadership and supervision of the founder of the movement, "General" Joseph W. Coughlin ("Uncle Joe" to the boys) director, and his

"Knights for Christ" will take the place of "the Children's Page" in this issue of "The Baptist Herald". It will appear from time to time in these pages in addition to forthcoming "Children's Page" stories.

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corps of Christian assistants and counsellors, the boys will indulge in water sports, hiking, athletics, and crafts. These activities will be climaxed at the close of day with what Uncle Joe describes as, "those heart searching campfires, with singing and testimonies. Camp will make them all more 'bright and keen for Christ.'"

## Knights for Christ In the Bible

Prepared by the  
Christian Service Brigade



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Caleb

"He wholly followed the Lord."

ALL OF US like to hear stories about heroes—men who dare to risk their lives for what they believe. That's why we enjoy King Arthur. That's why our newspapers are full of the deeds of heroism our soldiers, sailors, and marines are doing. These men are heroes.

You may not believe this now, but the Bible is a book of heroes—heroes for God and heroes of faith. And no other organization has ever produced more or greater heroes than the Christian Church. Think of all the early

## HOW TO WIN THE PRIZE

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singleness of devotion, more fervency and constancy of love. In order to win that high prize, we must always be ready to strive for the higher heights.

That must become the all-consuming passion of our lives, so that we can say: "But this one thing I do." "This one thing" must dominate every moment of our time and influence every activity of our lives. For the sake of this one thing, we will make all necessary sacrifices and adjustments.

In pressing toward the mark for this prize, our life will be not of the leisurely kind but of the strenuous type. The glories of the prize were always before the Apostle Paul, beckoning him ever onward despite all weariness and distractions. Even today he is calling to all fellow-Christians on that same race course: "So run, that ye may obtain."

Christians who faced the lions, the cross, or the stake for their faith. Think of our missionaries today who continue their work despite the dangers of savages and disease.

Our purpose in this little section of the *Baptist Herald* is to tell the stories of the Bible heroes—KNIGHTS FOR CHRIST. The biographies of these men were placed in the Bible by God as examples for us, because God wants every Christian to be a hero for him.

Caleb is a good Bible hero to give our first story. Many of us remember the incident which made him famous, but let's review his life again.

As a young man Caleb was a scout. He was a man like Daniel Boone. Today he would be a Ranger or Com-mando. He was one of the twelve spies sent by Moses to spy out the land of Canaan. When the spies returned with stories of walled cities and giants, Caleb and Joshua were the only ones who urged Moses to enter the land. They were sure that God would be faithful to his promise, and would give them the land.

For their faith in his promise, God made Caleb and Joshua the only two Israelites over twenty years of age to enter the promised land.

We hear little of Caleb again until he is a very old man. Now in the promised land, he comes to Joshua to claim the inheritance God had promised him for his faith. He chooses for his portion the wildest country in which the fiercest men lived. And from that hill country he wrested a prosperous and peaceful home.

The faith of Caleb in the faithfulness and power of God is one lesson which we can learn from these two stories recorded in the Bible. But there's another greater lesson. Wherever Caleb is mentioned in the Bible, the testimony concerning him is "He wholly followed the Lord." May we so live that like Caleb it may be said of us: "He wholly followed the Lord."

# God's Call to the Mission Field

The Testimony of MISS VIOLA MEHLHAFF of Parkston, So. Dakota,  
a Student of Sunnyside Bible School, Freeman, South Dakota

DURING the month of February, 1931, a revival of two weeks was held at the Dry Creek Baptist Church, several miles southeast of Parkston, So. Dak. The Rev. R. G. Kaiser was in charge of the services. It was during these services that the Lord spoke to my heart.

One afternoon as I was home alone I accepted Christ as my personal Savior. That evening I went to the services, and came home again without a testimony, but the next evening it was bubbling. I could keep it no longer and made my confession known. The following summer I was baptized upon my confession of faith.

Several years later I was able to attend the Dakota Conference which was held at Avon, So. Dak., Dr. Wm. Kuhn brought the missionary message, and I felt definitely that the Lord called me into missionary work. The call became more real day by day. At home and out of school I had a desire and prayed that some way might be opened for me to take my training.

Shortly before Christmas we purchased a radio. On Sunday morning we heard a gospel program. It was by the Sunnyside Bible School singers of South Avon. At the close of the program the superintendent asked friends to write for snapshots. I wrote and received my picture. Several weeks later I took courage and started to ask questions about the school. This I kept a secret. I could not go that year, but during the summer my plans were no longer a secret and it all worked out so that I could begin my Bible School training that fall.

A few weeks before the school opening the Lord gave me this verse. "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his suffering, being made conformable unto his death." Philippians 3:10. With this verse in mind I left for my place of training, arriving at Sunnyside Bible School, Freeman, So. Dak.

I shall never forget that first evening. Each student marched into the chapel and took their places in the front of the building. Every student was requested to give his or her testimony. In my testimony I quoted Philippians 3:10, but it seemed such a dead testimony! I felt a different spirit among those people, and how I wished that I could have the same! I felt a need and lack in my own soul, but did not know what it was. I went through the first semester with that continual hunger.

Several days before our mid-winter revival, five minutes from every hour



Miss Viola Mehlhaff  
of Parkston, South Dakota

was spent in prayer. On Sunday evening one of the students (who is now teaching at Sunnyside and also an ordained minister) preached on "Balaam's Backsliding," Numbers 22nd chapter. Next morning a message on Joel 12:5. "Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision." In the evening we had another stirring message. I was determined to stay on my knees until I definitely knew that I had received what my heart was longing for. The Lord met me and satisfied my heart.

The work was done so thoroughly that I knew without a shadow of a doubt. It took a complete dying out to the world, friends, parents, money, time, and even self. The known and the unknown bundle was placed upon the Lord's altar. Everything being consecrated into the Lord's hands, I could do no more, assuring me of a clean and pure heart. The blessed Holy Ghost came in and made his abode, flooding my soul with joy and peace that cannot be expressed in words.

That settled peace is down in my heart to this day. I want to launch out into the field of new opportunities, to be at the place where I can be at my best for my Master. I want to be found faithful to my missionary call, which is being made clearer and plainer to me day by day. My heart is being drawn to that "Dark Continent," where the gospel is needed so badly.

I am pressing on in my studies, feeling greatly encouraged that each year I am coming closer to the day of my departure for my field that is waiting for me in far away Africa.

## A CALL FOR MISSIONARIES

By DR. WILLIAM KUHN,  
General Missionary Secretary

From our far-away Cameroons mission field comes God's clear call to some young men and women. He is asking: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"

God needs consecrated and spirit-endowed men and women to serve as missionaries, missionary-nurses, doctors and directors of educational work. To all who will respond and in all sincerity say to God: "Here am I; send me," we can offer much brighter prospects than were given to Isaiah, when he received his commission. Any one going as a missionary worker to the Cameroons will be welcomed by our present depleted staff, Rev. George A. Dunger and Louise Dunger as well as little Daphne and Miss Laura E. Reddig, as an angel sent by God himself.

The foundations of our Cameroons Mission have been laid by men and women whom God acknowledged as his choicest servants; all new workers will enter upon their work. The native Christians will receive every new worker hilariously with the accompanying African bodily rhythm. Through many open doors the heathen cry incessantly: "Come in, come in and help us." To be sure, there will be much that is unpleasant and will prove to be a trial of faith and patience to endure. Those constrained by the love of Christ will find themselves more than conquerors while rendering their sacrificial ministry.

It is common knowledge that the present war situation makes it exceedingly difficult to secure passport and passage for missionaries going to Africa. However, knowing that the Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the church, can open doors that no man can shut, he can also send these much-needed missionaries to our Cameroons field in his own time.

The General Missionary Secretary invites correspondence regarding this call of God to our Cameroons field. Send your letters to me at 7346 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois.

The General Missionary Committee appointed 80 workers as pastors, district missionaries, evangelists and women missionaries. For the present fiscal year the sum of \$42,870 has been appropriated for these 80 workers. On our list of superannuated ministers, ministers widows and persons needing assistance, 44 are receiving during this fiscal year the sum of approximately \$6,000. Remember these home missionary pastors and workers in your prayers!





# ECLIPSE

By PAUL HUTCHENS

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"Not a shadow  
can rise,  
Not a cloud in  
the skies,  
But his smile  
quickly  
drives it  
away;  
Not a doubt or  
a fear,  
Not a sigh nor  
a tear,  
Can abide  
while we  
trust and  
obey."

## SYNOPSIS

On the Solitude Trail behind the mountain cabins Terry Nealle told Mildred Handel the whole tragic story of the fight he had had with Clem Lindeman in the December cottage, of the letter, the overturned chairs and table, the glass eye that had rolled across the floor. He was to blame for the tragic thing that had happened to his friend. In the meantime, Clem was awakened in the hospital by his own cry of terror after a strange dream. A visitor had entered the room who called himself "old Oss of the canyon" who left this word of advice for him: "Don't give up Mildred just because you think you are going to die. Maybe you'll live."

## CHAPTER ELEVEN

Clem found his light-cord, pressed the button and the nurse came. She snapped on a low voltage lamp on the table beside him. "And what," she asked, "may I do for you?" It was Nurse Marvel again. It was the same pleasant voice he had learned to appreciate so.

"Will you get my coat from the wardrobe, please? There's something I want."

She brought the coat, held it for him while he fumbled in an inside pocket. "May I help you?" she asked.

He relaxed with a sigh. "Please," he said. "Is there a long envelope?" He watched her as she searched carefully.

"There seems to be nothing here," she said.

He sighed again, leaned back wearily, thinking, staring out the window to the sky, where, here and there loomed the irregular shadows of the mountains which cupped about the little village

and the mountain plain in which it lay. A spirit of dejection came upon him. It was true, then, and not a dream. The whole thing was true. This morning Mildred and Terry had stood beside his bed, and he had surrendered to her the marriage license. That was no dream. That was fact. The apparition of an old man who had told him the uncanny story about the battle of San Juan Hill—that too was fact. That frightened-eyed individual had learned the truth somehow and had come to warn him, but already it was too late.

"You're better tonight," the nurse told him.

"Yes," he said, "I am better. I am also worse."

He lay thinking, watching her as she returned the coat to the wardrobe, came back, adjusted his pillow. Her presence in the room was comforting. It was also a bit disturbing, for it reminded him again of the strange voice which, from somewhere, has asked the question "WHERE?"

"Tell me," he said, and he heard his own voice thick in his throat, while his dry tongue seemed to cleave to his jaws. — "Can a man be changed — born again — in one day? How long should it take?"

She smiled, and he saw and liked the smile, the deep seriousness of her eyes as she said, "How long should it take a thirsty man to drink if the fountain is within reach?"

"I mean —" He stopped, planned the question while she held for him a

glass of water. Satisfied, he said, "I mean, has it ever happened? Can a skeptic be converted from unbelief to Bible faith within a day?" Even as he asked the question he seemed to know the answer. Some strange thing either was happening, or else had already happened to him.

"You've heard of doubting Thomas," she said. "One moment he was a skeptic, his mind ruled by the thought that unless he could put his finger into the actual nail-prints in the hands of the Lord Jesus, and thrust his own hand into the spear-wound of His side, he would not believe Christ was risen. The next moment, when the Lord actually appeared to him and showed him his hands and side, Thomas cried, 'My Lord and My God!' After that we never again hear of Thomas doubting. Tradition tells us he died as a martyr in the Indies—and beautifully, yet tragically, of a spear-wound in his side."

Clem knew the Bible story. It came to him now as fact, not as a myth. He believed it—as far as Thomas was concerned.

"And of course," Nurse Marvel said, "You know that one of the two thieves who were crucified with Our Lord, repented. Some time during his few hours upon the cross he was changed from a railer to a repent."

Nurse Marvel went on, "And of course you know of the persecutor Saul, enroute to Damascus to arrest and bring back to Jerusalem all the Christians he could find, that they might be put to death; and how as sudden as an earthquake, he became a subdued and a broken man. His bitter hatred clashed headon that day with the Love of Christ, and he fell, crushed under its power. Crushed, yet completely whole for the first time in his life." She was busy here and there about his cot, rearranging the flowers in the vase, lowering a blind at the window, pausing a moment to look down upon the little village, so alive tonight with tourist-diversion-seekers, —dancing, hurrying in and out of saloons, leaving one amusement place only to enter another—men as well as women—young people as well as older.

Yonder in the mountains were open-air auditoriums where educational lectures of value were being given.

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Behind her, now, lay a man who she thought last night was at the point of death, but who now, beyond a doubt was going to live. Already she was being rewarded for having given up a higher-paying position in the east to come here. This was to be her first soul won to Christ. She was sure of it—yet not so sure but that she must pray for his deliverance. God alone could open his heart.

She turned to him from the window, "You've read, too, of Lydia, Europe's first convert. Her conversion was instantaneous. She simply listened to the converted Soul, — now the consecrated Paul, a missionary at Philippi in Macedonia—and listening, the Lord opened her heart, and she believed."

Nurse Marvel prayed now silently, while she watched the handsome face upon the pillow. The white bandage on his forehead had slipped a bit and must be readjusted.

"And there was the Philippian jailer, converted at midnight, changed instantly. And of course there is the Ethiopian Eunuch who, riding from Jerusalem to Gaza, reading the Prophecy of Isaiah, had the gospel explained to him by Phillip, the evangelist, and immediately he understood by the power of the Holy Spirit, and believing, was baptized at the roadside and went on his way rejoicing. His story can be told in four words: First, he secured somewhere a copy of the gospel, second he read it, third, he listened to it preached, fourth, he believed it, and later went on his way rejoicing. I think the order is always like that: First, the gospel is received, then it is believed, but only as the Spirit of God works within the heart and mind, using the only instrument He has ever used—namely, born-again messengers, and the Word itself . . ."

Nurse Marvel had to go then to care for other patients in another part of the hospital. At the door she paused, listened, though she heard a sob coming from the patient behind her, turned, went back, leaned over to look into his face . . .

He saw her coming, felt a heavy lump in his throat as he whispered, "Who knows how—soon—it may happen to—me." He turned his face away then that she might not see his tears, and as she went out the door and he heard her footsteps receding down the hall, he spoke audibly to the One whose presence he knew to be in the room, saying, "Oh, Christ, let it happen. I—I—maybe you would make me another, Paul. You've given me the talent for public speaking, for swaying an audience, for understanding. If you ARE the Son of God, if you can convince me that YOU are—then—" His voice broke, and he sobbed, while there began to burn within him a new fire, that seemed to sweep over his whole mind and spirit. He wanted suddenly to pray, to cry, to praise, to get well quickly, and go and go and GO some-

where to tell others that the day of miracles had come again—had never actually disappeared except to those who did not believe.

He who was dead, was alive again. A light from heaven brighter than the light of reason—the Light of Revelation—had suddenly shone round about him—and within him. As it happened to Saul of old, so now it had happened to him—It had "pleased the Lord to reveal His Son in me."

Light had come for the first time to Clement Lindeman, but Terry Nealle still lived within the shadow.

The days moved past, bewildered days filled with odds and ends of duties about the camp, with an occasional hike or horseback ride with Mildred on the winding bridletrail up to and through Solitude and back again.

Today, one week after Clem had entered the hospital, he was to be released. He would spend a few days, or perhaps a week, at Year Round Camp before deciding his next move, and until his health was fully restored.

It was now three o'clock in the afternoon and Terry was busy at the December cottage making it ready for Clem's occupancy. He stood now for a moment on the screened-in porch watching the rushing river below, rethinking the strange swift-moving events of the past week. Strangest of all, most startling of all, was the fact of Clem's regeneration, his sudden passing from spiritual death to Life in Christ—and by the power of Christ. It was scarcely believable, a phenomenon which could not be interpreted by any known law of psychology. Only the admission of a supernatural force made the thing intelligible at all.

Aside from that half hour a week ago on the Canyon river bridge—that night when Silent Oss had driven away into the gathering dusk—and when Terry had inadvertently declared his love for Mildred, they had not discussed the subject. In fact she had not seemed to be interested at all. She had been up early every morning and away with her mountain flower guide book, and perhaps a Bible or some other book. Sometimes she would be gone for hours, and once when she had ridden away on his favorite saddle horse, Ranger, and at twilight had not come back, he rode up the Solitude trail in search of her. He found her, of all places, in the attic of the old ranch house, sitting in a rustic chair, which Terry recognized as the one Father had made fifteen years ago of deer antlers. A bear-skin rug was folded to make the seat of the chair comfortable.

She had heard him coming, and had called down to him, "Come on up, Romeo, and see what I've found!"

It had been twilight in the canyon, but here, high up in Solitude, the sun was still shining, its light, coming through twin peaks in the west, poured

in through the circular window—the only window of the attic.

What she had found was a little library of books,—scientific, fictional, biographical, theological — a writing desk, newly made, a new desk-type fountain pen, a bottle of ink, writing paper, — withal as delightful a den as could be wished for by the most meticulous student . . .

"Silent Oss gave me the key," she explained to Terry when they were outside and on their way down to camp. "It's a surprise for Clem when he comes. He is going to start right in studying the Bible, to make up for lost time, and all the years he's wasted out in the world. He's so talented, you know, but he says talent won't work miracles in conversions. Only the power of God can do that, and that power has to come through the preaching of the Cross. Silent Oss has hunted up all the good books he could find from your father's library, and made this little hideaway for him. It's splendid of him, don't you think?"

All week it had been like that—always it seemed, no matter what may have been the subject of conversation a moment before, it would be deflected to Clem; not so much to Clem, perhaps, Terry was thinking now as he looked for a moment across the river and the oiled highway, and let his eyes move up the jagged slope of the canyon wall to the helmeted football player at the top—not so much Clem, as the wonder of the thing that had changed him—the fact that the Gospel today was still the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, to the Jew first and also to the Greek, — to everyone!

"If it is genuine," Terry kept saying to himself. He had known Clem in the old days—a Jacob, if ever there was one. It could be a cleverly-planned ruse to deceive Mildred and to make her fall in love with him again—if such were necessary. Right now, it looked to Terry as if he had lost her forever.

The gospel, he had been taught to believe, was a subtle, slow-working process. It made its changes in the human character gradually, slowly, but surely. He had told that to Nurse Marvel one day—yesterday in fact, and she had smiled, and said, as she stood in the waiting room near the wall plaque whose message began,

"There is a place within my temple,  
For long ages kept for thee . . ."

"True, Mr. Nealle, in all of us, but in a case like that of Mr. Lindeman, it worked first like an explosive. The word for power in Romans 1, verse 16, is dunamis, from which we get the word dynamite. It may take the Holy Spirit a long time to bring a man to the place where he sees himself a sinner in need of Christ, but once that man sees his need, the impartation of the new nature is instantaneous with his faith. With some, the experience is like the tearing down of an old build-



ing, with others like the mysterious unfolding of a lovely rose. See —" She lifted a vase of roses from the table—"last night, this one was still in the bud. Today it is open."

Nurse Marvel, Terry had thought in that moment, was like a rose herself, as she said, "In my own case, I cannot look back to any one moment when I first trusted in Christ. It is as if I have always known Him. The Apostle Paul referred again and again to his Damascus-road experience, yet in the writings of the beloved apostle John, there was no such testimony. John writes of faith, and a passing from death to life through believing in Jesus Christ the Lord as the VERY Son of God. Faith in itself is invisible. It is like electricity—invisible, yet demonstrable . . . more spectacularly so in some than in others . . ."

Yet Terry still lived within the shadow—his own shadow, perhaps, and all the more dark because of that. Had not the Master said, "If the light that is within thee, be darkness, how great is that darkness!" He was thinking about that now as he turned from the porch—looked away from the one-eyed football player, and entered the room where, a week ago, two men had grovelled on the floor in what might have been a death struggle. He walked now to the stove, deliberately stepped upon and stood on the very spot where Clem had fallen. "Here," he said grimly, and ridiculously, "I take my stand. I cannot believe the man is sincere . . ."

So standing, and so thinking, he was interrupted by a step in the gravelled trail outside, heard a woman's voice calling, "Yoo-hoo! Terry! It's time to drive in for Clem!"

Her voice was always musical to him, even if his thoughts were in the minor. He saw her now, standing near the river, a colorful figure in laurel jacket dress—a plaid-and-plain combination, which, together with a jaunty green hat,—off the face and as dainty as an ornament,—made her seem like a part of the Canyon itself. She stooped now to study more closely a cluster of bright reddish-purple Shooting Stars at the edge of the river bank.

His eyes swept back into the room—to the sink where on that night a week ago, he had rinsed away the blood stains, to the polished oak floor now spotless and but recently varnished, to the bouquet of mountain flowers on the table—picked and put there by Mildred herself less than an hour ago—pink, beard-tongue snapdragons; scarlet bugler; blue-pink chiming bells; two long spikes of brilliant red so-called strawberry blite; blue and red columbine. This, Terry, thought dejectedly, is the Honeymoon cottage—that is, it might have been, had Clem and Mildred been married when they first came to the Canyon—and it might yet become if they still should decide to make it so. As far as he knew the license was still intact—and there was plenty

of evidence to indicate that the two were still in love.

He came down the steps, to be greeted with a cheerful, "Just had a phone call from Miss Marvel. I'm to sing at the morning worship hour Sunday in the Auditorium. She's been invited to give one of her flannelgraph talks to the children just before the sermon—and believe it or not, Dr. Mansfield has arranged for Clem to give the story of his conversion from Atheism to Christ. You're to be so-called master of ceremonies, and introduce us all . . ."

Her enthusiasm was contagious, but somehow he was immune. By auditorium, he knew she meant the high school auditorium at Rangeville which during the tourist season was used to accommodate the crowds which otherwise on Sunday mornings would overflow three-fold the little community church. On Sunday nights, Terry had used to reflect derisively, that same morning audience would be at the dances, at the rodeos, at the open-air theaters in the National Park—moving feverishly from one saloon to another, from one thrill to another, while a scant handful attended the evening church service. Dr. Mansfield, a member of the board of the Community Church, together with a Bible-preaching pastor, had thus far, in spite of opposition, been able to keep the pulpit from any taint of Christ-betraying doctrine.

Immune! One of two things, Terry knew, was the cause of his indifference—either he was still jealous of Clem, or he did not believe in his sincerity. And of course, he himself was emphatically not the man to introduce the speaker of the morning. Oh, Clem would sway the great audience with his oratory! Never was there a more dynamic personality on the platform than Clem—in the debating class, in oratory, in a class play. His strikingly handsome face, his seemingly unlimited vocabulary, his power of imagination . . . Oh, yes, Clem would sweep the crowd along with him—the crowd and Nurse Marvel and Mildred. His own mild-voiced introduction would be like the tiny rivulet which tumbled down from Solitude; Clem's address, like the sweep and rush and grandeur of the mighty canyon river . . .

And Mildred's solo would move the hearts of even the blasé easterners who would be in attendance—before the evening hour of pleasure began.

Well, he would do the introducing, of course. There was no way to avoid it. Terry discovered that when he talked with Dr. Mansfield a little later . . . They were in the hospital office at the moment. "There's a modern miracle, if ever there was one," the doctor said, his hand on the telephone on the desk beside him. The doctor smiled then across the room to where Mildred, in green hat and varicolored plaid-and-plain dress suit, sat perched on a white stiff-backed chair, her dark eyes alight with something which Terry interpreted

ed to be a very special type of gladness because of Clem's recovery.

"Yes sir, a miracle!" Dr. Mansfield went on. "Nicodemus, you know, came to Christ to discuss miracles, and Christ talked to him about the greatest miracle of all—that of the New Birth, which He declared is a vital necessity for every human being on earth, without which no man can see the Kingdom of God—a birth, a coming into life. That young fellow, Lindeman, has been arrested by the Lord of heaven. That's what happened to Saul at Tarsus, you know. I was telling Clem about that this morning. Great story, that,—the vindictive Saul enroute to Damascus to hail Christians into prison, and then suddenly, the Lord from Heaven breaking through with Omnipotence, and arresting the sheriff himself, and later sending him out, not to arrest Christians and put them to death, but to arrest unbelievers and bring them to LIFE that is Life. 'He that hath the Son hath Life . . .'"

Mildred's eyes were alight, Terry noticed. She had truly come out into the Light—and her very personality was reflecting it. But he was still in eclipse. He knew it, hated himself for it, yet didn't care.

He didn't care! And he didn't care! He who back at Shandon had used to stand in the "Y" meetings and tell the roomful of fellows how real Christ was to him; he who had challenged them all—those who did not know his Lord—"I tell you, fellows, when we get out onto the old gridiron in a red-hot game, we drive through mud and slush and snow and sometimes blood to win for old Shandon, and yet when it comes to getting out into the greatest and most serious game of life—the game of Life itself, with the greatest Mentor the world or the universe has ever known—the Mighty Christ—we're a bunch of sissies. We pussyfoot around and act like we have potato-vine spines . . . I for one am going to let the world know whose side I'm on—and I'm not giving the Devil's team one little tiny inch . . ."

There had been many a speech like that—and many a private talk with some fellow who, inspired by his life and testimony, had come to him with his heart problems. And there had been many an individual who had knelt with him in his room for the first time to pray—and to go away with a set face and a satisfied heart . . .

There had been prodigals at Shandon, also. Fellows who spurned the gospel, who rebelled at campus rules, who knew only the rule of their own desires. These Terry had despised for their weakness. Strength such as had been his father's, was the only kind he admired. Courage that plowed through the line—that rode with daredevil recklessness to win in a rodeo race . . .

(To be continued)

## "What's Happening" News

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● The members of the Baptist Church of Washburn, No. Dak., were very glad to have had Professor O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., in their midst on Sunday evening, June 13. On Monday evening he spoke in the Underwood Baptist Church. This was his first visit to these two churches, as reported by the Rev. John Giesbrecht, pastor. Mr. Giesbrecht also taught a class of 16 students in a course on the New Testament in the Washburn High School this past winter. He also had the privilege of delivering a Mother's Day address in the Underwood Community Hall.

● For the first time in a number of years a Vacation Bible School was held in the Baptist Church of Lehr, No. Dak., from June 28 to July 9. The Rev. Martin De Boer, pastor, brought the baccalaureate address for the local public school at a service in the Lehr Baptist Church on May 30. A Junior Young People's Society has been organized which meets every Sunday evening with Mrs. John Kranzler and Mrs. Martin De Boer as counsellors. The officers are Lorraine De Boer, president; Woodrow Schweigert, vice-president; Marvel Miller, secretary; and Gerald Kranzler, treasurer.

● From May 30 to June 2 the Ebenezer Church of Wessington Springs, So. Dak., held a Leadership Training Course with the Rev. Roy A. Wiegand, South Dakota Baptist evangelist and director of Christian Education, teaching the course on "Introduction to the New Testament." Thirteen young people received credit for the class work. The Vacation School held in the church from June 1 to 4 throughout the day had an enrollment of 20 pupils. The teachers were the Misses Viola Wahl and Esther Weber and the pastor, the Rev. Arthur Fischer. The offering at the Children's Day program on June 6 amounted to about \$37.

● From May 31 to June 4 a Vacation Bible School was held in the Baptist Church of Plevna, Mont., with an average attendance of 40 children. The Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Renz and Miss Bertha Karch served as teachers. The closing exercises were held on Sunday, June 6, with an impressive presentation before a large congregation of interested parents and children. On June 13 the young people's society presented the dialogue, "The Prodigal Son", with musical accompaniment. About 30 young people took part in the program with Mr. Art Hepperle, president, in charge. A missionary offering of \$20 was received.

● The West Side Baptist Church of Beatrice, Neb., in cooperation with the nearby LaSalle Street Methodist and First Church of God closed a successful Vacation Bible School of 2 weeks

on June 18. Although rain fell on all but three days of the two weeks the attendance averaged over 92. There was a good response at the evangelistic service before the close of school when a number of the older pupils declared their acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior. "Parent's Night" saw a full house at the closing exercises and the "Happy Time Picnic" on the afternoon of the last day vindicated its name. The Rev. A. G. Rietdorf is the pastor of the Baptist Church.

● From May 24 to 28 a Vacation Bible School was held by the Baptist Church of Corona, So. Dak., with 23 children in attendance at the sessions throughout the days. The Misses Grace Westermann and Dorothy De Boer assisted the Rev. and Mrs. Rudolf Klein on the teaching staff. On Sunday evening, May 16, the baccalaureate service for the Corona public school was held in the Baptist Church with the Rev. R. Klein bringing the address on "The Highway of Life." At the Women's Missionary Union's anniversary program on Sunday evening, May 30, a mission offering of \$102 was received. Mrs. Herman Hoeckman, president, was in charge.

● From June 7 to 11 a Vacation Bible School was held at the Baptist Church of Martin, No. Dak., with 41 children in attendance. The pastor, the Rev. John Kepl, was assisted by the Misses Alma Fiesel and Frieda Knutas as teachers. On Tuesday afternoon, June 15, Mr. Edwin Michelson, a Senior student at our Rochester Baptist Seminary, and Miss Verna Rust were married at a service held in the church with the Rev. J. Kepl officiating. The Rev. Paul Hunsicker of Cathay, No. Dak., sang "The Lord's Prayer". Miss Esther Schulz of Michigan served as maid of honor. A reception was held afterwards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rust, parents of the bride.

● On Sunday morning, June 13, the Evangel Baptist Church of Newark, N. J., held a memorial service for the late Rev. Norman C. Drechsel, a missionary of the church in Oaxaco, Mexico, where he died of ptomaine poisoning on May 30th. Mr. Drechsel and his wife went to Mexico after his ordination in Newark on Jan. 11, 1942. He received his B. D. degree from Eastern Baptist Seminary of Philadelphia in 1942. He and his wife were working among the Chatino Indians under the Wycliffe Bible Translators Mission. Mrs. Drechsel and the couple's eight week old daughter, Elizabeth Claire, returned to Newark by plane after the funeral.

● The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., has called Miss Helen D. Anderson, a recent recipient of the Master of Theology degree from

Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, as the church's director of Christian Education. Miss Anderson is also a graduate of the University of Michigan and Northwestern Bible School. She began her work in the Ebenezer Church on July 1st. The Rev. George A. Lang, pastor, served as a guest speaker and instructor at the South Dakota young people's convention at Tyndall, So. Dak., from June 8 to 11. He also preached in the Tyndall and Danzig churches on Sunday, June 13, and in the nearby Baptist Church of Tripp, So. Dak., on Monday evening, June 14.

● On Sunday, May 31, the Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Linton, No. Dak., brought the Memorial Day address at a patriotic service for the town held in the Memorial Hall with more than a thousand persons present. Mr. Schroeder spoke on "Loyalty to God and Country." A Vacation Bible School was held for the first time in Temvik, No. Dak., a mission station of the Linton Church, from June 7 to 1 with 31 children recording perfect attendance for the week. From June 28 to July 2 a similar school was held in the Freudenthal Station, and from July 5 to 9 in the church at Linton, No. Dak. The pastor's salary was raised by \$300.

● Evangelistic meetings were held in the First Baptist Church of Chancellor, So. Dak., from May 2 to 16 with evangelist Charles Boren of Detroit, Mich., bringing the messages. Saints were blessed and sinners saved. Everyone seemed to marvel at Mr. Boren's ability to quote Scripture, since he has committed to memory more than 4000 Bible verses which he can quote freely. On the closing night of the campaign the church building was too small to hold the crowd. The Rev. John P. Epp, pastor of the Chancellor Baptist Church, conducted an evangelistic campaign from May 24 to 30 in the Friedensburg Mennonite Church eight miles south of Avon, So. Dak. While away from home, the church gave him a raise of \$400 in his salary.

● An inspiring baptismal and communion service was held at the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta, on June 6. Instead of a baptismal sermon Miss Myrtle Hein, missionary of the church, told the large audience why she had followed the Lord in baptism and Sergeant Fred Holzimmer of the Burns Ave. Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., testified as to what baptism had meant to him. Miss Eileen Wenzel gave a testimony how she had come to see that immersion was the baptism of the New Testament church and why she was glad on this evening to take this step for the Lord. Six candidates were baptized by the Rev. E. P. Wahl, and at the communion service which followed they and two members, who were being received by letter, were given the hand of fellowship.



# REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

## EASTERN CONFERENCE

### Baptismal Service and Spring Concert at the Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y.

The Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., is pleased to report on the evangelistic meetings held early in March by the Rev. Theo W. Dons, the denominational evangelist. Through the efforts of these meetings, twelve boys and girls accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, and on Easter Sunday, these twelve and two others, who had previously found the Lord, were baptized by the pastor, Herbert H. Hiller.

Our various winter activities were climaxed on Sunday evening, May 23, with the rendition of the annual Spring concert, at which time solos, duets, trios, quartets, octet and selected choir anthems were offered by local church talent. The program was highlighted by Mrs. Doris Cudworth, national marimba champion, of Delevan, N. Y., who played appropriate classical selections and brought the concert to a close with a medley of familiar hymns.

SHIRLEY J. BEUERMAN, Reporter.

### Stirring Missionary Conference is Held by the Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y.

The Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., feels quite grateful to God for the inspiration and new missionary zeal received during the great missionary conference held at our church during the week of May 16 to 23.

Among the missionaries and mission fields represented were Miss Jessica Minns from the Association of Baptists for World Wide Evangelism; the Rev. Leslie Goodman for the Unevangelized Fields Mission; Mr. Seward Wells, president of the Gideons; and the Rev. Robert Langdon, missionary under appointment to Africa by the Nigerian Faith Mission.

On the closing day of the conference it was our great privilege to have with us the Rev. Reuben Larson, director of Radio Station H C J B, "The Voice of the Andes", who stirred our hearts with messages pertaining to this marvelous radio ministry high up in the Andes Mountains of South America.

As a result of the conference two young men signified their desire to follow the Lord wherever he leads.

MRS. CARLTON E. SMITH, Reporter.

### Candlelight Tea and Reception for Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Keller at Erie, Pa.

For many years the women of the Philathea Class of the Central Baptist Church in Erie, Pa., have been giving a Mother-Daughter Banquet each spring. This year, due to the war and the changes it has brought, the ban-

quet was cancelled in favor of a Candlelight Spring Tea which was held in the church parlors.

After the tea the guests gathered in the Sunday School room where the president of the class, Mrs. H. Meuser, delivered the welcome address and presented our new pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Keller.

The chairman then took over the program and a Mother's Day spirit prevailed as Mrs. J. A. Zurn and Mrs. F. Siegrist gave readings complimentary to "Mother". A ladies' quartet composed of Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Gibbens, Mrs. Meuser and Miss Schillinger gave several hymn renditions.

Lastly, through the courtesy of Matthew Hetzel, who loaned both his time and his picture projector, we were shown motion pictures of a missionary nature entitled, "Unto the Hills".

Our young people took an entire Sunday evening service to deliver various reports from the 20th annual conference of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Eastern Conference which they attended from May 28 to 30, at the Union Baptist Church in Arnold, Pa. The delegates of the Erie church, who were the largest group present with the exception of the host church, were greatly blessed by the wonderful speakers they heard and the Christian fellowship which they received there. Our own young people's president, Miss Margaret Smeltzer, was elected vice-president of the conference.

MRS. R. R. EICHLER, Reporter.

## NORTHERN CONFERENCE

### The Esk and North Jansen Churches Surprise the Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bonikowsky

In spite of rain and muddy roads, members of Esk and North Jansen Churches of Saskatchewan, Canada, visited the Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bonikowsky at their home at Jansen on the evening of May 23. The purpose of the visit was first realized when a three-tiered cake, beautifully decorated with candles, was placed before our minister while guests sang the birthday song. He was presented with a Chesterfield chair. But Mrs. Bonikowsky was pleasantly surprised to find that she had been remembered, too. The ladies presented her with a nine-piece dinner set.

There was a short program of two choir selections, a recitation, a mixed quartet, and several solos by L. A. C. Arnold Neuman of Sydney, N. B., who was at home on furlough. Two numbers were sung in memory of one of their sons, Sgt. Pilot Arthur Bonikowsky who is somewhere overseas serving with the R.C.A.F.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bonikowsky have served these churches faithfully for the past twelve years. Their splendid services were greatly appreciated.

FREEDA L. LUDWIG, Reporter.

## NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

### Wisconsin Baptist Youth Hold Rally at Sheboygan and Prayerfully Consider Today's World

During the Memorial Day week-end young people from seven churches of Wisconsin attended rally services at the Bethel Baptist Church of Sheboygan. Splendid meals were served by the ladies despite present rationing restrictions. The Rev. R. Woyke of Watertown brought us interesting facts on "Baptist Principles," and a short discussion period followed at the Saturday afternoon service which made a fine start on our consideration of the theme, "Baptist Youth and Today's World."

After supper the annual business meeting was held. Review of the past year's business and progress of the project were mentioned and discussed. It was decided to omit our customary assembly or camp this summer due to present conditions. New officers elected are as follows: president, Elsie Jahnke of North Freedom; vice-president, Lynda Klein of Kenosha; secretary, Ruth Bathauer of Sheboygan; treasurer, Louise Borenitsch of Milwaukee, Bethany. On Saturday evening the Rev. Ralph Rott of North Freedom gave us thoughts of encouragement and inspiration with his message on "Baptist Achievements." Mr. Rott is new in our midst, having come recently to the North Freedom Church from Chicago. After this service a lively social time was enjoyed by all under the direction of the Sheboygan B. Y. P. U.

Good attendance was evident at the Sunday School session on Sunday morning. Francis Guenther, superintendent, extended a hearty welcome to the young people and an exchange of greetings and remarks by representatives of the various Sunday Schools was voiced. Mr. Woyke of Watertown, also the newly elected dean, was the guest speaker at the worship service.

The Bethany B. Y. P. U. presented a "Pepspiration Hour" on Sunday afternoon. This consisted of a talk by our past dean, the Rev. Frank Veninga of Bethany, and also prayer, praise, and testimony by the group. Some interesting places were seen in Sheboygan during a short tour after this service. The Rev. Thomas Lutz of Sheboygan brought the closing message of the rally in which he challenged us with the future for our Baptist youth.

The attendance plaque was awarded to the Kenosha B. Y. P. U. with Milwaukee, Bethany, ranking second. Altogether Mr. Lutz, Ruth Bathauer, B. Y. P. U. president; and the Sheboygan people gave generously of their hospitality and cooperation, and God's presence and blessing were evident. May he continue to hold us steadfast to the faith and unwavering in his service!

MR. & MRS. ROGER NORMAN, Report's.

### Minnesota Association at Jeffers Considers the Vital Essentials of the Christian Religion

The Minnesota Association met this year with the Baptist Church near Jeffers. The sessions began on Thursday evening, May 27, and closed on Sunday afternoon, May 30. Although we had few delegates and visitors present, the spirit of the association was fine. We felt the presence of God directing us and giving us his blessings.

The association theme was: "Vital Essentials Worth Preserving and Perpetuating." The messages under this theme gave us our unique place, as Baptists, anew in the teachings of Christ. The speakers on various topics were the Revs. John Broeder of Hollo-way, John Wobig and Emanuel Wolff of St. Paul, L. Berndt of Minneapolis, J. Matz of Randolph, and August Lutz of St. Bonifacius.

The devotionals were led by the Revs. J. Matz, E. Wolff, and A. Foll. On Friday evening we had a symposium on "Leadership in the Church", conducted by several of the brethren. This was followed by ordination ceremonies for two of the local deacons.

In the business sessions it was decided to change the name to the Minnesota Association of the North American Baptists, and also to send all but \$15 in the treasury to our general missionary fund. The following officers were elected for the coming year: moderator, Rev. L. Berndt; vice-moderator, Rev. A. Lutz; treasurer, Rev. J. Wobig; clerk, Rev. J. Johnston. The reports from the churches showed an increase in the interest of the church work.

JOHN BROEDER, Reporter.

## CENTRAL CONFERENCE

### Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. Gideon Zimmermann by the Beaver Church of Michigan

On Sunday evening, June 6, the Beaver Baptist Church held a reception for the Rev. and Mrs. Gideon Zimmermann. The church was filled and we were happy to have friends from Gladwin, Detroit, and Lansing present. The Rev. Thomas Stoeri of Gladwin and the Rev. F. Armbruster of the Linden Street Baptist Church of Detroit participated in the service. Mr. Stoeri spoke on entering the ministry, and Mr. Armbruster brought a very fine message on what the church is to expect of its minister and what the minister is to expect of the church.

Short speeches and gifts were presented by the church, Sunday School, and various groups, including the Junior church, the B. Y. P. U., and the Ladies' Missionary Society. Angeline Armbruster, a representative of the Sunday School, recited a very fitting recitation and the young people sang a welcome song written especially for the occasion. Several special numbers in music were rendered among which was a violin solo played by Donald Witt.

We are very happy to have Mr. and Mrs. Zimmermann to work among us and feel that they are truly seeking

### Unique Program for the Annual Rally of Chicago's Sunday School Teachers' Union

The Sunday School Teachers' Union of Chicago and Vicinity, (Lehrerbund), held its annual rally on Sunday, May 16, at the First Church. This is an outstanding event for our Sunday Schools of Chicago. The program, like all previous ones, was very unique and interesting. Miss JoAnn Welscher, a pupil of the Austin High School, gave some very fine selections on the marimba which thrilled the audience. Mrs. Carl Orth, of the First Church Sunday School, rendered a very fine vocal solo.

The Roll Call, to which the nine Sunday Schools present answered, was enthusiastic and interesting. Some responded with a song, and others with a Bible verse, and the school with the largest attendance at this meeting based on enrollment minus the Primary Department, was awarded a very beautiful American flag. This time it was the First Church Sunday School.

The attendance this year was considerably smaller than the previous years due to difficulties encountered in transportation facilities. Prior to the annual rally the attendance contest was held extending over a period of nine weeks. Some very gratifying results were attained, and a good sized number of new scholars added to the Sunday Schools. The winning Sunday School in this contest was awarded a bronze plaque, with their name engraved as the winner of this contest, that being the East Side Sunday School located in South Chicago.

The main feature of the program, instead of a speaker, was an expert cartoonist, Mr. Arthur Pankratz, the oldest son of the Rev. J. A. Pankratz. Mr. Walter Pankratz, the brother of Arthur, explained the pictures as they were being drawn in a clever and interesting manner. The children watched the drawing of the cartoons with such an intense interest as if fascinated by the magic art of transforming one sketch into another with the most amazing results. Mr. Arthur Pankratz drew a perfectly normal elephant which turned out to be an ostrich upside-down, his brother telling the audience that this tale was our Republican party in reverse.

We then saw a jungle scene which was transformed into a Hottentot. The final scene was the little brown church. This picture was drawn while the Christian Men's Fellowship Club of the First Church sang appropriate songs, thereby adding to the beauty and interest of bringing us the message of Christ in redemption. The accompanying photograph shows the Pankratz brothers in action.

Mr. Fred Grosser, the vice-president of the Lehrerbund, as in previous years led the singing. This is always an inspiration to all.

The closing number, forming the climax of this most unique and interesting program, was "the Hallelujah Chorus" sung by the members of the 50th Anniversary Jubilee Chorus who also gave the same number last October. Mr. Louis Gregsamer was the director and Mr. W. J. Krogman served at the organ.

MARION KLEINDIENST, Reporter.



Mr. Walter Pankratz Explaining His Brother's Cartoons as Mr. Arthur Pankratz Draws to the Delight of the Audience at the Chicago Teachers' Association Rally

the will of God in their work. Under the guidance of the Almighty God, who is just as concerned about the smaller churches as he is about the larger ones, we move forward in service for Christ and his Kingdom.

RUTH MAJESKE, Reporter.

### Annual Conference of the Young People's Union of Chicago and Vicinity

THEME: "All Out For Christ."

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Ephesians 6:11.

A wonderful time of blessing and fellowship was had by those who attended the annual conference of the North American Baptist Young People's Union of Chicago and Vicinity. It was held at the Methodist Camp Grounds, Des Plaines, Ill., on May 29 and 30. Sixty-four people were registered to spend the entire week-end there.

The conference began with a banquet on Saturday evening with one hundred and one people present. The Rev. Douglas G. Eadie of the Oak Park Avenue Baptist Church, Berwyn, Ill., spoke on "Clouds After Rain".

The Sunday services were well attended. The discussion leader for Sunday School was Mr. Walter W. Grosser of the Forest Park Church. The Rev. Stanley F. Geis, pastor of the Ogden Park Church, spoke at the morning worship service on "Alone With God."

Sunday afternoon was free for recreation. The Rev. C. B. Nordland, pastor of the Forest Park Church, closed the conference with this message of the evening "Youth in a Day of Crisis."

VOLLIE KUPPER, Secretary.





The Children and Teachers of the Inspiring Vacation Bible School Held by the First Baptist Church of Wasco, California

## PACIFIC CONFERENCE

### Enrollment of 148 at the Vacation Bible School of the Baptist Church of Wasco, Calif.

The 1943 Vacation Bible School, conducted by the First Baptist Church of Wasco, Calif., was concluded with commencement exercises on Friday evening, June 4, when a public presentation of the work of the school was made.

The Junior and Intermediate departments memorized a substantial part of the 11th chapter of Hebrews. The Primary department memorized Psalms which were graded to the age of the individual classes. In the Junior Bible Class a study was made of "The Basic Training of the Christian Soldier." The Intermediate Bible Class studied the history of the Bible, "How the Bible Came to Us".

Penny missionary offerings taken three days a week following the mission period amounted to \$15.10.

The enrollment of the school was 148. A staff of 21 teachers volunteered its services. The average daily attendance was 131.5.

The new Junior-Intermediate Building, completed Jan. 1, 1943, and providing 2 assembly rooms with 8 individual classrooms opening off each, was used to great advantage by the Vacation Bible School.

Diplomas and recognition certificates were awarded to pupils who met the attendance and Bible memory requirements. The offering for the expenses of the school totalled over \$180.00.

DONALD G. DAVIS, Pastor.

### Events of the Past Few Months at the Bethel Church of Salem, Oregon

We are happy to report that during the month of March "The Kraft Party" was with us in the Bethel Church of Salem, Oregon. Their messages in word and song were heard by many, and we all want to live closer to Christ. On Easter Sunday morning, the Rev. J. F. Olthoff baptized the seven new converts and on May 2 they were extended the hand of fellowship, together with two others who came to us by letter.

This year we had a union sunrise service for the city of Salem at the

State Capitol Building which truly was an inspiring service. The Cavalry Band, stationed nearby, furnished the music and a message on "Love" was given by one of the local pastors. Immediately following we went to our own church for a delicious breakfast of grapefruit, bacon and eggs, hot rolls, jam and coffee.

One of the many important events of the month of May was the annual young people's program held on May 21st. We had special musical numbers and the main feature of the evening was a play, "A Certain Just Man." We were pleased to have the Salt Creek and the Salem Baptist Churches as our guests for the evening.

Our young people's group is also sending "The Baptist Herald" to our boys in the service and we try to keep in touch with them by mailing them cards, remembering their birthdays and writing letters.

BERNICE M. EBERT, Reporter.

## DAKOTA CONFERENCE

### Central Dakota Association at Wishek Considers "The Revitalization of Our Churches"

The Central Dakota Association of the Dakota Conference met this year in Wishek, No. Dak., in conjunction with the annual conference. Due to the many restrictions brought about by the war, we deemed it advisable to

### Atlantic Conference in Philadelphia, Pa., from September 9 to 12

The Atlantic Conference will be held in the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., from September 9 to 12, 1943. The sessions of the Atlantic Conference and of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union will be combined along with the Centenary Jubilee of the local church. Among the guest speakers for the conference will be Dr. William Kuhn and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill.

Herman G. Kuhl, Chairman.

curtail many of our association's former activities, and, instead of the usual five days, we met only for two days. It was therefore necessary that our program be very concentrated. Our Christian friends of Wishek put forth every effort to make our stay a pleasant one.

The theme of our association was "Revitalization of Our Churches". This was in harmony with the plan of our General Mission Committee, and all of the messages that were brought were in keeping with this theme. In the opening message the Rev. F. W. Bartel, our conference evangelist, spoke about the need of a more concerted effort in evangelism.

The Revs. A. Krombein and A. Guenther in the early morning devotions led us in our thinking and prayer. The Revs. R. Sigmund, David Littke, G. Ittermann and E. Kary spoke on the following subjects: "The Witnessing Church", "The Separated Church", "The Praying Church" and "The Influential Church". We were fortunate also in having with us Prof. O. E. Krueger and Rev. M. L. Leuschner who served us in several ways.

The program committee also found it advisable to give the work of the Sunday School a part on the program. An entire afternoon was given over this department. Mr. Leuschner first addressed the group, speaking on the subject: "Extraordinary Results With Ordinary Material". The group was then divided into classes where many of the Sunday School problems were discussed. Mrs. M. DeBoer had those interested in Beginners and Primary work, the Rev. F. W. Bartel the Intermediate Workers, Mr. Leuschner the Young People, and Prof. O. E. Krueger the Adults. After we reassembled again the Rev. E. Becker gave an address on "Revitalization of the Sunday School."

The evening messages were brought by the Rev. M. DeBoer and O. E. Krueger. Our mission offering was over \$550.00.

Due to lack of time the clerk gave a digest report of all the church letters. This was an encouraging report, since in most all of our churches the financial conditions have improved, our mission contributions have increased and a fine number of baptisms were reported.

EDWARD KARY, Reporter.

### The Plum Creek Church of South Dakota Holds a Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. Rutsch

On Monday evening, May 17, the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, So. Dak., was filled to capacity to witness the reception of its new pastor, the Rev. G. W. Rutsch, and family. It was a very special day for Mr. and Mrs. Rutsch because it was also their 20th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Edward Jucht, one of the deacons, was in charge of the service. The deacons, Sunday School superintendent, B. Y. P. U. president, Ladies' Missionary Society president, and various church officers gave short talks. They all expressed their willingness and desire to cooperate with the new pastor in every respect in order that the various departments might function as efficiently as possible.

The pastors of nearby churches who were present to welcome Mr. Rutsch were the Revs. Arthur Ittermann of Emery and Jake I. Walters of the Mennonite Church, who extended a welcome and encouraged the pastor in his new field of missionary endeavor. Mr. and Mrs. Rutsch then expressed their happiness to be with us and affirmed their desire to be of service to all.

The Plum Creek Baptist Church is planning a great program for the future.

MILDRED JUCHT, Reporter.

### Large Crowds in Attendance at the 35th Dakota Conference at Wishek, North Dakota

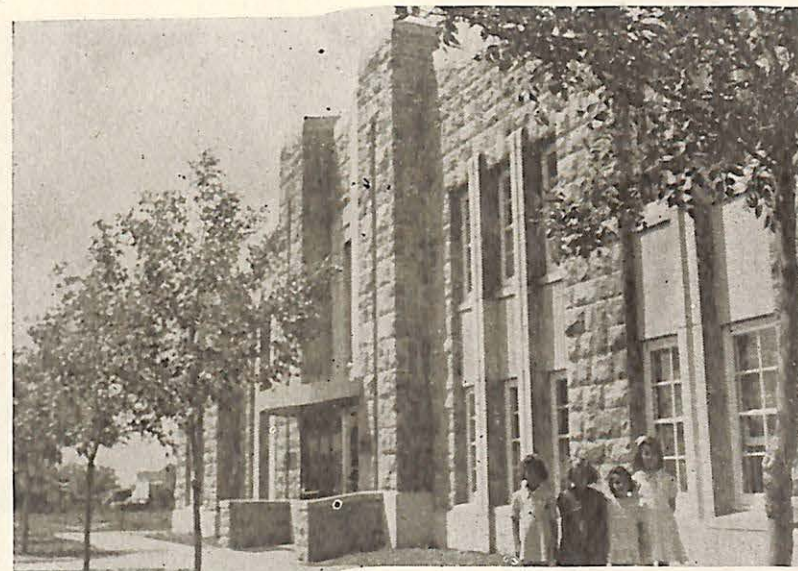
The 35th annual Dakota Conference met with our church at Wishek, No. Dak., in spite of all difficulties and restrictions. The conviction to "give up religious meetings last" seemed very evident in that one of the largest crowds in recent years was assembled for this conference.

That all were deeply concerned about the revitalization of our churches was evident on every hand in the program as in the sermons and addresses of the various speakers.

We were especially fortunate in having with us Dr. Wm. Kuhn, who stressed the unity and interest of the denomination in supporting local and world-wide enterprises through the deepening of the spiritual life of each individual. We also had Prof. O. E. Krueger of our Seminary at Rochester, who, in his able manner, led us to dedicate our lives unto the cause of our Master, calling upon us to be "Well-diggers in this vale of tribulation." The Rev. M. L. Leuschner challenged us in various addresses to live sacrificial Christian lives in these troublous days, and to bring light and life to those who still sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

The reports from the churches of the Conference showed continued strenuous efforts in soul-winning with 181 baptisms reported. Missions were by no means forgotten for the sum of \$33,688.81 was contributed during the year. The mission offerings during the Conference amounted to \$1355.90. Contributions on the whole increased from about \$80,000.00 last year to \$114,717.46.

We deeply appreciated the hospitality of the Wishek church and its pas-



A Front View of the Spacious and Attractive Auditorium of Wishek, No. Dak., Where the Central Dakota Association and Dakota Conference Were Recently Held

tor, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, and pray God's continued blessing on them. May our Lord and Master continue to build his church in our midst while we look forward to meeting again at Herreid, So. Dak., next year!

ALFRED WEISSER, Reporter.

### Enthusiastic Young People's Sessions With Encouraging Reports at Dakota Conference

Enthusiasm for the cause of Christ was quite apparent as the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Dakota Conference met in connection with the conference sessions at Wishek.

Encouraging reports were heard from the chairman of evangelism, the Rev. Arthur Ittermann, showing that many efforts were made in winning others for Christ by the distribution of tracts, visitation, Sunday School work, etc. The chairman of Christian education, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, reported that seventeen Leadership Training courses had been conducted in the conference churches, and much inter-

est was aroused in the continuation of this worthwhile work. Miss Eleanor Weisenburger reported for the Bender Memorial Trek showing that \$1331.59 had been contributed by the Dakota young people for this project. The goal for the Trek was set at \$1500.00 for the next year.

At the business session presided over by the president, Prof. B. Heitzman, the following officers were elected: president and council member, Miss Magdalene Luebeck; vice-president, Miss Eleanor Weisenburger; 2nd vice-president, Miss La Verne Mehlhaff; secretary, Miss Melita Sukut; treasurer, Mr. Rueben Bauer; chairman of projects, evangelism, Rev. Arthur Ittermann; Christian education, Rev. J. C. Gunst; Bender Memorial Trek, Miss Esther Kaiser. The installation service was ably conducted by Prof. O. E. Krueger at the evening service.

Dr. Wm. Kuhn spoke inspiringly on the theme, "The Ideal Church Member." The offering of the evening amounted to \$88.31. May we as young people really live for Jesus pointing many to the Savior.

ALFRED WEISSER, Reporter.



Some of the Forty-two Ministers in Attendance at the Dakota Conference at Wishek, North Dakota



### Emanuel's Creek Baptist Church of South Dakota Surprises Its Pastor and Clerk Recently

The Emanuel's Creek Baptist Church near Tyndall, So. Dak., arranged a unique surprise celebration on Sunday evening, May 20, in honor of its beloved pastor, the Rev. Albert Ittermann, on his 25 years in the Christian ministry and also in honor of the faithful church secretary, Mr. Gottlieb Rueb, who has served 24 years.

The pastor, Mr. Ittermann, had planned an elaborate Centenary Missionary program for that same Sunday evening, little realizing that the church had arranged a surprise program, to which the Revs. H. G. Braun of Parkston and Arthur Ittermann of Emery had been invited as guest speakers.

At the appointed time the B. Y. P. U. president, Ruth Pritzkau, opened what appeared to be a regular service. During the singing of the first song the guest pastors appeared unexpectedly through a rear entrance onto the platform where the surprised Rev. Albert Ittermann greeted them. The senior deacon, Jacob Pritzkau, then explained the purpose of the evening.

Various appropriate numbers by soloists, duets, quartets, and choirs from the members of the Tyndall and Danzig churches followed, interspersed with fitting words of appreciation and commendation from officers of church organizations as follows: Fritz Pritzkau, Marvin Rueb, Adam Schuh, Mrs. John Berndt, and Sidney Hebner.



Rev. Albert Ittermann, Pastor of the Emanuel's Creek Baptist Church of South Dakota With Its Stations of Danzig and Tyndall

### The South Dakota Young People's Union Reaches Out for a Real Revival at Its Convention

The 22nd annual convention of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union was held at Tyndall from June 8 to 11. The theme was "Reaching Out for a Real Revival". (See editorial in this issue.)



A Portion of the Large South Dakota Young People's Convention at Tyndall in a Picture Taken by Dr. H. E. Kiehlbough of Tyndall Baptist Church

Mr. Braun gave a fine address on the minister as "the Sower of the Word of God". Mr. Arthur Ittermann showed that Christ as well as Christians will always commend a faithful minister in his service for the Kingdom of God.

Opportunity was then given for a response. Mr. Rueb expressed his hearty appreciation and was surprised with a lovely Bible as a gift. The Rev. Albert Ittermann responded in a hearty manner relating some of the joys of his ministry. Before the pastor left the platform an envelope containing a generous gift of \$65.00 was extended to him. The Rev. Albert Ittermann was ordained in Pleasant Valley, No. Dak., in May, 1918.

ARTHUR ITTERMANN, Reporter.

The convention was opened on Sunday evening by the president, Harold Lippert of Parkston. As the roll was called the various societies responded with oral or musical numbers. After this, one of our guest speakers, the Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, spoke on "Streams of Blessing."

The day sessions were opened on Wednesday morning with a song service and testimony meeting led by a Revival Team. This "Revival Hour" was a new feature that consisted of two different pastors every morning who took charge of the first hour.

Three courses were offered, "The Road to Revival", "Sunday School Administration", and "The Art of Teaching". The instructors were Rev. Geo. Lang of Detroit, Mich., Rev. Assaf

Husmann and Rev. Martin L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., respectively.

Wednesday evening was the annual young people's program when every society rendered a musical number. Talks on "the Joy of Leading a Christian Life", "Duties of Christian Young People Today", and "Tangible Awards for Leading a Christian Life" were given by Miss Ruth Pritzkau, Miss Ethel Heitzman and the Rev. Assaf Husmann, respectively.

On Thursday evening the mass chorus sang under the direction of the Rev. Albert Ittermann of Tyndall. The Rev. George Lang spoke on "Following Jesus". At the close of the service the call was given for those who could be out and out for Christ. It was answered by several young people and a dedicatory prayer was offered.

The following officers were elected at the business meeting on Friday morning: Harold Lippert, Parkston, president; Mabel Peters, Chancellor, vice-president; Doris Braun, Parkston, secretary; Esther Smit, Corona, treasurer; Rev. Arthur Schultz, Unityville, dean; and Charles Voigt of Avon to be editor of "The Voice of Our Union".

In the afternoon a testimony meeting was held, led by Ed. Ruskin of Emery, followed by a Town Hall meeting. At this time questions were asked that were related to the courses taught. The questions were answered by the instructors. This was followed by a picnic lunch. The convention was closed on Friday evening with the address "Life At Its Best" by Rev. Geo. A. Lang.

ETHEL HEITZMAN, Reporter.

### Vacation Bible Schools in Sidney and Vida, Mont., by the Revs. O. Fiesel and F. W. Bartel

A successful Vacation Bible School was conducted in the newly organized Baptist Church at Sidney, Mont., from May 31 to June 5. The Rev. F. W. Bartel, Dakota Conference evangelist, served as principal and taught the Intermediate group, while Mrs. Otto Fiesel had charge of the Primary department and served as pianist. Miss Esther Klempel was the teacher of the Junior group.

Two sessions were held daily with evangelistic services every evening. The thirty-five pupils enrolled showed a great enthusiasm to hear more of God's Word in spite of the rain and snow. On Thursday a part of the daily program was broadcast over Station KG CX on the Children's Hour. During the week nine children were won to the Lord.

Then during the following week of June 7 to 12 the same successful program was duplicated in the church at Vida, Mont. The pastor, the Rev. Otto Fiesel, served as principal, and was assisted by Miss Esther Klempel and the Rev. F. W. Bartel. Here the enrollment was thirty.

The Primary department made an Art Gallery picturing Bible truths, which was an attraction to all. Young and old alike enjoyed the continued story, "Be Sure Your Sins Will Find You Out", told by Mr. Bartel. Eight came out for Christ, and when school closed everyone in the Vacation School was a Christian.

ESTHER KLEMPER, Reporter.

### The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Lehr, No. Dak., Celebrates Its 24th Anniversary

On Sunday and Monday, June 13 and 14, the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Lehr, No. Dak., celebrated its 25th anniversary. These were days of special rejoicing and services. The church had invited its former pastors, the Revs. A. Guenther, J. J. Abel, and E. Broeckel, for this occasion. The Revs. A. Guenther, E. Broeckel, Martin L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., and Willy Luebeck of Ashley, No. Dak., were present and shared these festivities with the church. Due to sickness the Rev. J. J. Abel could not be present.

On Sunday morning, afternoon and evening and on Monday forenoon and afternoon services were conducted under the leadership of the present pastor of the church, the Rev. M. De Boer. Appropriate sermons and messages were brought by the Messrs. Broeckel, De Boer, Guenther, Luebeck, and Leuschner. Letters of greeting and congratulations from the Rev. J. J. Abel and others who had formerly been members of the church were read. A fine display of flowers from former members now living in Lansing, Mich., added to the joy of the days. As an expression of joy and gratitude, the church gave an offering of \$125.00 for missions.

"Big oaks from little acorns grow" is applicable to the Ebenezer Church of Lehr, No. Dak. This church has its beginnings in 1887 in the pioneer days of the first settlers in this part of the state of North Dakota, when a devout minister with missionary zeal, the Rev. J. Matzke, ministered to these new settlers, establishing preaching places in the sod homes of the new settlers. God blessed this ministry in a most marvelous way, so that in 1888, twelve families, immigrants from south Russia, baptized by Mr. Matzke, organized the First Baptist Church in this part of the state known as "Berlin".

The church continued to grow in membership and also in the extension of its field, so that more and more preaching places were established and later churches were built. When they had grown to 8 preaching places and their field extended to forty miles in diameter, it was thought to be for the best to divide the field into two separate churches. The division took place in May, 1918, when 144 members were given letters of membership to organize a separate church. On June 22, 1918, the Ebenezer Church of Lehr was organized and on Oct. 15, 1918, recognized by a council of delegates.

In these past 25 years the church was served by the following ministers: Rev. S. J. Fuxa, at the time of the division; Rev. S. Groza, Rev. A. Guenther, Rev. J. J. Abel, Rev. E. Broeckel, and Rev. M. De Boer. The church of 144 members has increased the chronological number to 484; its present membership is 267. They have raised for local church purposes the sum of \$56,980.36 and for missions and benevolence \$11,694.46.

These festivities were mountain-top experiences with inspiration for the days which lie ahead.

REV. E. BROECKEL, Reporter.



The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Lehr, North Dakota, Which With Its Mission Stations Recently Celebrated Its 25th Anniversary

### Northern Dakota Convention Program Centers Around "The All-Sufficient Christ"

On Thursday evening, June 10, the friends and delegates of the Northern Dakota Convention assembled in the high school auditorium at McClusky, No. Dak. We were all extended a hearty welcome by the local pastor, the Rev. R. G. Kaiser, and also by the mayor of the city.

The people of McClusky graciously opened their homes, many depriving themselves of their own comfortable beds. Although it was feared that not enough food could be made available due to war conditions, we soon discovered that there was an overabundance of deliciously prepared food, and that not only delegates, but also non-delegated friends freely shared in this gracious hospitality. No, there was no rationing at this convention, both in the material and the spiritual realm!

Our theme was "The All-Sufficient Christ". The reason for such a successful convention was the fact that every message or discussion was Christ-centered. We were very glad

to have had our general workers, Prof. O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., and Evangelist Theo W. Dons of Forest Park, Ill., with us. We also deeply appreciated the fact that Dr. Roy Hodges of the Northern Baptist Convention could serve us.

The sub-topics, leading up to our convention theme, consisted of the "I Am's" of Jesus. Rev. J. Kepl spoke on "I Am the Way"; Rev. C. Knapp on "I Am the Truth"; Rev. John Giesbrecht on "I Am the Light"; Rev. Theo W. Dons on "I Am the Life"; Rev. A. Weisser on "I Am the Good Shepherd"; and Rev. D. Klein on "I Am the Resurrection". Other deeply inspiring sermons were given by the Revs. A. Bibelheimer, J. C. Kraenzler, and E. Klatt.

Those leading in devotions were Student Henry Lang and the Rev. F. Trautner. Those speaking to the Sunday School were Student Lang, Rev. A. Trautner and Rev. P. T. Hunsicker. The Ladies' Missionary Society and the Young People's Union gave interesting and inspiring programs. Prof. Krueger and Mrs. Trautner were the principal speakers at the ladies' program and Mr. Dons spoke to the young people. The climax was reached on Sunday when about a thousand people gathered and approximately \$1200 were raised for missionary and benevolent purposes.

JOHN GIESBRECHT, Reporter.

### SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

#### Blessings and Joys at the Southern Conference Summer Assembly at Kyle, Texas

Another of those mountain-top experiences has been made with God by the Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union of the Southern Conference as the young people were privileged to meet at Kyle, Texas, from June 3 to 6 and to enjoy three days of good southern hospitality. The presence of God was manifested in various ways.

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ture based on Matt. 5:16. The Rev. Carsten Seecamp delivered the keynote address on Thursday evening. On Friday evening the Rev. C. C. Gossen of Crawford spoke on "The Good Man, Barnabas". Afternoon lectures were given by the Rev. J. K. Warkentin of Hurnville.

The "Dessert" was found in Prof. Albert Bretschneider, president of the Rochester Baptist Seminary, who gave several addresses on "Building" and who also conducted open forums on "Marriage", all of which were immensely interesting and enjoyable. The entire assembly was in charge of our capable dean, the Rev. P. Pfeiffer of Waco.

A program was given on Sunday afternoon by the various groups present, at which time an offering was taken of \$78.57, which goes for our pledge towards the Centenary Fund. The mileage banner was won by the Gatesville Union, with the Rev. W. H. Buening, pastor, and the attendance banner was presented to the Waco Union.

We regret the fact that we are losing two of our most beloved pastors, the Rev. C. C. Gossen and the Rev. P. Pfeiffer. Mr. Gossen has accepted a call to the church in Marion, Kansas, and Mr. Pfeiffer has joined Uncle Sam and will go forward with Christ as a Chaplain in the Armed Forces.

TILLIE MAE SPROSS, Secretary.

## SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

### Oklahoma Institute and Association Are Held at Ebenezer Baptist Church of Shattuck

In spite of the many adverse conditions present in our lives today, we can say that the Oklahoma Young People's Institute helped us rise far above them and and to become filled with new zeal, loyalty and faith in God. The institute was held at the Ebenezer Church of Shattuck from May 27 to 30.

The theme for this institute was "Building For Eternity" with the song, "Work for the Night is Coming". We were happy to have had as our guest speaker Professor Albert Bretschneider of Rochester, N. Y. His messages were enlightening and very inspiring.

In the class work the following persons presented the various topics: Rev. Wm. Sturhahn of Loyal, German Class for Adults, "Our Faith"; Rev. Menno Harms, Gotebo, Class for Adults, "Study in Hebrews"; Rev. Henry Pfeifer, Okeene, Young People, "Worship"; Miss Ruth Socolofsky, Shattuck, "Training in Bible Study".

Although no service had been planned for Saturday night, we enjoyed Professor Bretschneider so much that a special meeting was arranged and we had a wonderful twilight service with Professor Bretschneider as the main speaker in that service. He spoke on the subject, "The Christian's Secret of Fruitful Living".

We rejoice with the Ebenezer Church and welcomed the Rev. and Mrs. John Heer into the Oklahoma work. We felt their being present was a very helpful influence.

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We remembered the boys in service from the various churches with letters carrying greetings to them.

ESTHER SCHILBERG, Reporter.

## :: OBITUARY ::

### MRS. ELIZABETH MARTIN of Anamoose, North Dakota

Mrs. Gottlieb Martin, nee Elizabeth Schaefer, was called to her heavenly home after a lingering illness of over a year on June 7, 1943, at the age of 52 years, 5 months and 22 days. She was born on December 15, 1890, in Admajca, Rumania, and married Gottlieb Martin on December 1, 1910, with whom she lived a happy wedded life for almost 33 years.

She accepted Christ as her personal Savior in December, 1905, and was baptized on the 3rd of June, 1906, by the Rev. Benj. Schlipf and taken into the fellowship of the Rosenfeld Baptist Church of North Dakota. She was a faithful and fruitful member for 37 years. She fell asleep in Jesus while requesting her deeply sorrowing husband and surrounding children to meet her in the Father's house.

She leaves to mourn her untimely departure, her faithful husband, 6 daughters and one son, her aged stepmother, many relatives and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Charles M. Knapp, assisted by the Rev. Alfred Bibelheimer. Music was rendered by friends and the Mennonite choir of Kief, No. Dak.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth." Rev. 14:13.

Rosenfeld Church, No. Dak.

Charles M. Knapp, Pastor.

### MRS. CHRIS RICH of the Bethany Baptist Church of Oregon

Rich, Rose Annamaria, nee Roth. Our departed sister was born June 5, 1869, at Oberland, Switzerland. In 1885 she emigrated to Kansas, where at the age of 16 she was converted and baptized by the Rev. C. Rich, her future father-in-law. In 1888 she came to Salem, Ore., and became a member of the Salem Baptist Church.

In 1891 she was married to our sorrowing brother, Mr. Chris Rich. God blessed this union with a Christian home and 8 children. One son preceded his mother in death at the age of six years. The sons are Theophilus, Samuel, Amos, David and Dr. Mark Rich, one of our Northern Baptist Convention secretaries. The daughters are Mrs. Alda Eggiman and Miss Helen Rich. Besides her immediate family, Mrs. Rich's passing is mourned by 3 brothers, 3 sisters and 15 grandchildren.

The Bethany Church, where she was a faithful member for 35 years, will keenly miss her. Her open heart and home, as well as her sterling Christian character had won her hosts of friends, both far and near. The great profusion of flowers and the large attendance at the funeral services have attested to this fact. On the day of her burial she would have reached her 74th birthday. God had something better in store for her. Her memory will remain blessed.

The undersigned spoke words of comfort, while the Rev. O. Roth and the Rev. T. A. Leger also participated in the service. Mrs. Ann Johnstone of K W J J "Fellowship Haven" served with two solos. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Psalm 116:15.

Bethany Church, Portland, Ore.

John C. Schweitzer, Reporter.