



Chaplain A. E. Jaster as Baseball Umpire

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The farewell reception for the Rev. George A. Lang was held on Tuesday evening, August 29, by the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich. Representatives of the church and the Baptist work in Detroit expressed their regrets in seeing Mr. Lang and his family leave for Rochester, N. Y. On Sunday, Sept. 24, he will be installed as the new president of the Rochester Baptist Seminary. The Ebenezer Church has also lost its director of Christian education, Miss Helen D. Anderson, who closed her work in the church on July 30 in order to become director of Women's Activities at Philadelphia's Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

● The Rev. John P. Epp, pastor of the Baptist Church of Chancellor, South Dakota, resigned his charge on August 16 and left the field at the close of that month. Mr. Epp plans on entering the Central Baptist Seminary of Kansas City, Missouri, this fall. On Sunday evening, Aug. 20, Mr. Epp baptized 5 persons on confession of their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior.

● Beginning with Sept. 1st, Mr. Charles E. Cook, a member of the Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass., is serving as student pastor of a small Baptist Church in South Berwick, Maine. He is also a Junior student at Gordon College in Boston. A lovely photograph of Spring blossoms taken by Mr. Cook appeared on the front cover of the April 15, 1942 issue of "The Baptist Herald."

● Mrs. E. Berger of Bridgeport, Conn., and her family want to express their appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy received from friends in the denomination at the time of the Rev. E. Berger's homegoing. There were too many messages for them to be able to reply to each one personally, but they wanted the friends to know through the pages of "The Baptist Herald" that their expressions have been a source of comfort and cheer to them.

● The choir of the Bethany Baptist Church near Portland, Oregon, rendered an inspiring concert at the church on Sunday evening, July 30. It was repeated on August 6 at the First Baptist Church of Hillsboro, Oregon. The choir of 30 voices is directed by Mr. Theo. Rich. Early in September, the choir sang at a Sunday afternoon program for the benefit of the guests of the Home for the Aged in in Portland. The Rev. Frank Friesen is pastor of the church.

● The new maplewood pews of the Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, were dedicated on Sunday, Aug. 20. They were presented to the church by three anonymous members. The Rev. F. W. Mueller, pastor, spent two weeks at the Pastor's Summer School at the

Berkeley Baptist Divinity School of Berkeley, Calif., in August. On the second Sunday of September Mr. Mueller is observing his seventh anniversary as pastor. The church now has a membership of 330.

● The Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, recently called Miss Martha Rott of Odessa, Washington, as "church worker." She is a 1944 graduate of the four year course of Western Baptist Theological Seminary of Portland, Oregon, with the degree, Bachelor of Religious Education. She was in charge of the Vacation Bible School, recently held by the church, and is promoting the reorganized work of the young people's society.

PLAY BALL!

Our 15 Chaplains in active service are inspiring leaders among the men they serve. They are eager to play with them and to direct their recreational activities as well as to minister to their many spiritual needs.

The front cover picture of this issue shows Chaplain A. E. Jaster, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church of Annapolis, Ontario, and now a chaplain in the Canadian Armed Forces at Camp Borden, Ontario. Baseball is a popular sport among Service Men, and as the World Series games are about to be played many Service Men will want to hear the latest scores of the games!

● The Rev. Pieter Smit, D. D., formerly of Lorraine, Kansas, and now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Marshalltown, Iowa, can report that the church attendance has grown to the largest Sunday morning attendance in the city. It is nothing unusual to see 40 to 60 visitors at the services. Prayer meetings, which had been discontinued for years, and a departmental Baptist Youth Fellowship have been launched. Sunday evening services began on Sept. 10. Two baptismal services have been held. Dr. Smit's address is 8 North Second St., Marshalltown, Iowa.

● During the past year, the young people's society of the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, held 41 meetings. Fifteen of these were in charge of the group leaders: Dorothea Fritzkie, Selma Sauer and Walter Gertz. These meetings were in the nature of social gatherings directed by Irma Gassner and Ervin Bukowski. Bible studies were held once a month with messages by the Rev. L. F. Gassner, pastor. The remaining meetings were in charge of the president, Helmut Konnert. There are now 35 members in the society.

● On Sunday, Aug 13, the Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, editor of "The Baptist Herald", spoke at the services of the Baptist Church of Corona, South Dakota, and showed missionary pictures in the young people's meeting. At the Sunday evening missionary service, the church brought an offering for our mission fields amounting to \$170.71. The pastor

of the church, the Rev. R. A. Klein, is also serving the Swedish Baptist Church of Marvin, So. Dak., 15 miles away, every Tuesday evening and bringing inspirational messages on special occasions at the Danish Baptist Church of Summit, So. Dak., 20 miles away.

● The Rev. R. G. Kaiser recently resigned as pastor of the Baptist Church of McClusky, No. Dak., and announced his acceptance of the call extended to him by the Baptist Church of Hettinger, No. Dak., with its Zion mission station at Havelock. Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser and their two boys are moving to Hettinger about Sept. 15. Their daughters, Esther and Wanda, will enter Sioux Falls College this month, Ruth is a nurse at St. Paul, Minn., Lydia will stay for another month at McClusky, No. Dak., and Miriam, the youngest daughter, is in a hospital at Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Kaiser enjoyed a profitable ministry of 9½ years at the McClusky Baptist Church.

● On Sunday, July 16, a recognition service was held in the Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana, with the Rev. J. C. Gunst, Dakota Conference mission secretary, bringing the messages, and the Rev. David Littke, mission committee member, giving the charge to the church. The Rev. Otto Fiesel is the pastor at Sidney. After several days of visitation in the nearby Vida field, a Baptist Church at Vida, Montana, was organized with 20 members. According to Mr. Gunst, mission possibilities are good upon this field. Mr. Littke also visited the field of Billings, Montana, and held several services there with the small group of our Baptist people.

● Chaplain Edwin Kraemer of the U. S. Army, a member of the Cottonwood Baptist Church near Lorena, Texas, has recently sent his check for a four year renewal of his subscription to "The Baptist Herald." He also wrote: "My work at South Camp at Orlando, Florida, terminated on August 2 when I was sent to a submarine depot at Pinecastle, some five miles from here. I can truthfully say that I had an enjoyable ministry and many rich experiences serving colored troops. I am sorry to give up the work here but trust the Lord is leading me elsewhere." His home address is 724 E. Marks St., Orlando, Florida.

● Chaplain Otto Nallinger of Fort Riley, Kansas, the former pastor of Salt Creek Baptist Church of Oregon, who is on leave of absence, needs books for the Evacuation Hospital Library of which he will be in charge. Secular and religious, fiction and non-fiction, books as well as technical books are desired. Chaplain Nallinger wrote: "If anyone wishes to do a little missionary work by donating a few books to our hospital library, I would greatly appreciate it." Send books or information about books to be contributed to Chaplain Otto Nallinger, Fort Riley, Kansas. (Continued on Page 16)

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Coming!

VICTORIOUS LIVING

This sermon by the Rev. Stanley F. Geis, pastor of the Ogden Park Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., on a timely theme and with an encouraging uplift will be a blessing to all who read it. It ought to be a good tonic for the opening of the Fall season of our churches.

SHOULD WE BE FRIENDS WITH THE AMERICAN-JAPANESE?

Miss Thelea Schroeder of Lorraine, Kansas, had an American-Japanese girl as a roommate at Ottawa University, a Baptist college of Kansas, last year. The story of her experiences with her American-Japanese friends will be a lesson in Christian brotherhood for all to read with real concern and interest.

SERVICE MEN'S LETTERS

Quite a number of Service Men and Women have contributed letters, brief articles and pictures for publication in "The Herald" which will appear in the next issue. These glimpses of life in the Armed Forces across the face of the globe are keenly awaited by our readers and are a source of inspiration to the 1500 Service People receiving "The Herald."

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EDITORIAL

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Prayer Changes Things

THE promises of God's Word concerning prayer far surpass what anyone of us has ever experienced. "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." (Matt. 7:7) "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." (Matt. 21:22)

In every word of divine promise with its unrealized possibilities, this memorable fact stands out, that prayer produces results and opens the heavenly windows of blessing. Every sincere and earnest prayer is answered in some way in accordance with God's will. Prayer really changes things!

If this truth were accepted by all of us and assumed to be as real and definite as life itself, then things of spiritual wonder would begin to happen in our midst. Like the Christians of Jerusalem praying for the imprisoned Peter, we might even be amazed at the surprising consequences in our lives.

We talk a great deal in our denominational circles about the need for more effective and extensive promotion. We air our human opinions concerning phases of our denominational enterprise as if therein lay the solution for every problem. All of this may be important in the course of events. But the greatest need of the hour is that we shall pray more until prayer becomes the central power house which gives light and strength to everything we do!

Let us begin by praying for our Seminary. How quick on the trigger we have been with our criticisms and opinions about our school! The time has come when we need to turn-about-face and to storm the portals of heaven with prayers in behalf of this institution.

Difficult problems will burden the hearts of the new president and members of the faculty in the days immediately ahead. Their solution from the human point of view appears even remote. "But with God all things are possible." That is the unconquerable faith that prayer changes things.

Encouraging reports are coming from our general missionary secretary concerning the sending out of new missionaries to the Cameroons of Africa. But many hurdles are still in the way. Discouragements will arise to harass us in the attempt to staff the entire Cameroons field with a score or more missionaries. We need to pray through these perplexing problems and to pray the procession of missionaries across the seas to Africa.

Let each one of us begin with this simple test. Do I really believe that prayer changes things? If so, why do I stand idly by, while momentous events wait for my petitions? Arise, my soul, and open the portals of power through prayer, which shall unite my efforts with the never-failing Christ!

The Job, the Tools and the Man

A Rally Day Sermon by the Rev. C. C. GOSSEN of Marion, Kansas

THERE had been a crime wave in Israel. The highways were infested with criminals. Men were going about their ordinary affairs of life over the hills and along the byways. One never knew leaving the house whether he would return safely. Some of the villages were deserted. In the lurking places alongside the highways were hiding bands of raiding Philistines.

A farmer's boy became the third president of Israel. He was not only commander-in-chief of the army but Chief Justice of the nation. This eminent position as leader of the nation was secured by him by a rather striking event.

is the same. The most important question is not whether you are accurate about your bookkeeping, whether you are sincere in teaching, whether you are honest in your business dealings, whether you are eager to make the most of your farming.

All these things are good and commendable, but the supreme job for you and for me is to live. It is above everything your duty and my duty to make a good job of living just where you are. A modern writer makes this statement: "There is nothing to live for but the living of it." You know that is the philosophy of an animal.

A man finds more to life than that. Our lives are designed by the divine

There is an old proverb that is quite meaningful. It goes like this: "A poor workman quarrels with his tools." How true this is! Almost any tool becomes first class in the hands of a good workman. It all depends how eager one is to do the thing.

If David would have said, "If I have a gun or a spear like my brother has, I could fight Goliath," he never would have defeated him. If Dorcas would have said, "If I had a sewing machine, I could sew some cloth for the poor and needy," we would not read of her today. The poor widow walking by the treasury in the temple might have said, "If I had an income as Simon the merchant has, or Zaccheus the tax collector, I would be able to give a little to the Lord," but she gave all she had, one mite, a quarter of a cent.

I know many are saying: "If I had this or that or the other I could do something." Notice some of the God-given tools.

1) Our bodies. What an instrument a strong healthy body can be in the service of the Lord. But when our bodies are not so strong, they still can be used as tools. We know of people with frail bodies, and even invalids, who have rendered a wonderful service for the Lord.

2) Our talents. Oh, how many precious talents are lying selfishly buried because one is dissatisfied!

3) Time and money certainly are tools which God has given us to do a definite kind of work for the Lord.

The Man Himself

But there is another thing in this story and that is the man.

In this story of Shamgar who performed such a heroic deed, it was not the ox-goad, but it was the man who handled it. It was Shamgar, the son of Anath. In your job of living it will prove to be not so much the body, the mind, the talent, money or time as you, the Spirit that is in you, the character you possess.

J. R. Macduff says: "Character is the product of daily forgivenesses, unselfishness, kindness, sympathies, charities, sacrifices for the good of others; struggle against temptations, submissiveness under trials. Oh, it is these like the blending colors in a picture or the blending notes of music, which constitute the man."

It is the spirit and the determination that counts. Military critics in Shamgar's day might have laughed and scorned at him going to battle with a rod, but Shamgar paid no attention to them. He could point to 600 dead Philistines and a free Israel. That was answer enough!

God has put into each and every one of us the possibility to do the thing we ought to do in a great way. I am sure we have caught the lesson from this story of long ago. Is it worth while to apply it in our lives in this day and time? Let us remember, live!

architect — God himself. We are to build according to the blueprint laid before us. One of these days this architect will come and inspect the building. He will than either accept it or condemn it. A person who lives according to the blueprint, the Bible, takes life as a task and knows that it is expected of him to do his task of living well.

It is not an easy job, but why should it be? He who is out only for the easy jobs in life never will achieve great heights in life. T. Fuller says: "Life is to be measured by action, not by time. A man may die old at thirty and young at eighty; nay, the one lives after death and the other perished before he died." We live in deeds not in years, in thoughts, not in breaths.

Another thing to be considered in this story are the tools.

If God assigns a job to anyone, he also gives the tools to do the job.



—Harold L. Phillips Photo

An Iowa Corn Field Ready for Harvesting

Reading somewhat freely into the verses of Judges 3:31 and 5:6-7, it seems that Shamgar had led an attack on the raiders, and six hundred Philistines had been killed. And what was especially remarkable about this incident was the method he used in killing so many Philistines. The Bible tells us that Shamgar had accomplished this task by means of an ox-goad.

An ox-goad was a pole about eight feet long and about six inches at the butt. It was used in place of a whip. The point is that Shamgar used what he had in his hand, and with it, in the name of the Lord, he did a great deed.

Let us consider a few practical lessons from this Bible story.

The Job Assigned

God has given each one of us a job. The details of such a job differ. The situations vary, but essentially the task

Spiritual Washing

A Sermon Based on Rev. 22:14 by Rev. JOHN WOBIG, Pastor of the Riverview Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota

THERE is one washing to which all must attend if they want to have a share in the blessedness of eternity. The closing words of the last chapter of the Bible, Revelation 22, tell of the necessity of the application of all the lessons of God's Word to the present time.

The future with its rewards and punishments having been unveiled in the previous chapters, the choice is now left to every man to be righteous, or unrighteous, holy or filthy. God will not coerce.

Eternity's Destiny

There is a legend concerning Saint Anthony, telling how he went to preach to the fish because the people would not listen to his message, and the record says that the fish were much edified, except that the eels went on eeling and the stock fish on stealing. So all people are permitted to follow their own choice and are warned that whatever they choose in time will be their destiny in eternity, as verse 12 shows: "Behold I come quickly, and my reward is with me, to render to each man according as his work is."

The washing referred to in the text is that cleansing by the Holy Spirit through the regeneration of the heart by its application of the blood of Christ for justification and sanctification resulting in the robe of righteousness. This internal cleansing or perfecting in holiness is symbolized by the white robe.

Mention should be made that the King James Version reads, "Blessed are they that do his commandments", whereas the Revised Version reads, "they that have washed their robes." All the oldest and best manuscripts read as the Revised Version has it, which also harmonizes expressly with the parallel passage in chapter 7:9-14, where those arrayed in white robes are declared to be those who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Let us now note the need of this spiritual washing, where and how obtained, why it is necessary, and finally its results.

Spiritual Cleanliness

All need cleansing from sin, for all have sinned. Different degrees of sinning do not matter, for one tainted has leprosy as much as one who is rotting. All have come short of the glory of God. It is said that in order to qualify for the Chicago Police Force a person must measure six feet in height. To qualify for a white robe one must have obtained this spiritual washing.

Most people believe in cleanliness. We all clean our teeth, our faces and clothing, but how about the heart? The Word says, "Create in me a clean

heart, O God." Or again, "Out of the heart come the issues of life." We are sinful by nature and become sinners by practice.

I once went to visit a lady and she would not let me into her house because she was cleaning the stovepipe. We cannot stand before God defiled by sin. It separates us from God. Therefore we need spiritual cleansing.

Where shall we do this spiritual washing? People wash their faces in their bathrooms. The housewife does her washing in the kitchen and in the basement. A sinner must do his at the cross of Calvary. Without Calvary's stream flowing there would be no remission of sin. Whenever we look upon blood we feel its solemnity. So our Lord's was precious blood because it flowed as a substitution for ours.

There are three links that link us to God. Justification changes our nature from rebel to friend and declares us judicially whole before God. Sanctification changes us from sinner to saint and helps us to become Christ-like. Glorification changes us from mortality to immortality. Justification is something for us, sanctification something in us, and glorification something to us. They are all of grace, and the only place to obtain them is at Calvary, the place of cleansing, as we submit to the Holy Spirit to apply the blood and as we apprehend it by faith.

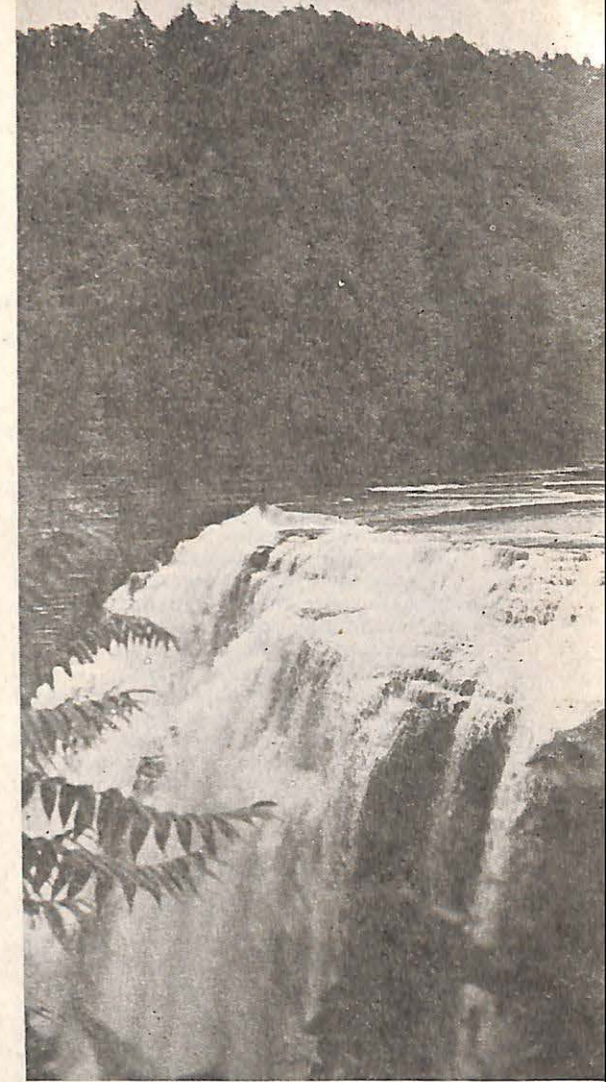
Washing by the Holy Spirit

In the natural world we do our washing either by hand or by machinery. Many people expect to do the same for spiritual cleansing, subscribing to some form or ceremony. But salvation is not obtained by character, but character by salvation. You cannot wash yourself by looking into a looking-glass. Neither can you be saved by looking to ordinances or the like. Israel had personally to place the blood at the door-posts and look there and not to what they could do in themselves.

Other people have their washing done for them. So there are those who look to some person to forgive their sins or expect the church or parents to save them. We can only be cleansed of our sins as we are convicted of them, and exercise faith in the Son of God to forgive them. The washing is done by the Holy Spirit as we personally surrender to Christ.

This spiritual washing is necessary, in the first place, in order to stand righteous before God. As men now are, they are estranged from God because of the fact that they are born in sin. As God looks at a sinner, he sees him as one condemned, for the wages of sin is death. God sees us righteous only as he sees us in Christ. All our dealing now rests with Christ.

Take, for example, a man who is accused by someone for an offense.



Middle Falls on the Genesee River in Letchwood State Park of New York State Photographed by Miss Stephanie Neumann of Forest Park, Illinois

The accuser comes and threatens him with all sorts of things. Finally, the accused hires a lawyer. When the accuser then comes again, he says, "My case now rests in the lawyer's hands. You must go and deal with him." So God says, "My case now is in the hands of Christ; you must now deal with him." That is why we must go to Calvary to be clothed with the robe of righteousness.

Then spiritual washing is necessary for defense against the Evil One. As a sinner Satan comes to us and always gets us to yield to him. But when we have been born again, Christ dwells in our hearts by faith and Satan can not touch us. In the world there are good and bad renters. Satan is a bad renter to have in the heart. Christ in the heart produces a hatred for sin. Christ in the heart saves us from the penalty, the power and the presence of sin. Having been crucified with Christ we are dead to sin. But just as we need a continual inflow of food to make life, so we need a continual cleansing each day. Running water in the river keeps the water pure and the stones clean. So "if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with him, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin."

Spiritual washing is also necessary to have the right to come to the tree of life. The purpose of the tree of life in the Garden of Eden was to eliminate the mortality of the body. So this promises the glorification of the

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What Our Seminary Has Meant to Us

Brief Tributes to the Rochester Baptist Seminary by Nine Representative Pastors of Our Churches

Rev. GEORGE HENSEL,
Bridgeport, Connecticut

Our Seminary at Rochester opened my mind to the great truths contained in God's Word, which I had known only in part till then, and to the riches of knowledge as yet unexplored by me. It gave me a new vision of the need of mankind for redemption and a better understanding of the power of the Gospel to satisfy that need. I was taught how more effectively to proclaim the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus, my Lord. The devoted Christian spirit of my professors inspired me not only to seek after the truth which makes man free, but also to know the Christ, whom to know is life eternal.

Rev. C. FRED LEHR,
Aplington, Iowa

Our Rochester Seminary has contributed much to my life and ministry, although I was never a student there. The pastors who meant so much to me in my early Christian life and the brethren with whom it has been my joy to be associated in the ministry were, largely, "Rochester" men. I have sat at the feet of our Rochester professors at conferences, assemblies and institutes and was richly blessed and inspired by them. My life has been enriched, my ministry strengthened and enlarged, and my denominational loyalty deepened by my contacts and my fellowship with our men who, next to God, owe their all to our Rochester Seminary.

Rev. J. C. GUNST,
Wishek, North Dakota

Our Rochester Baptist Seminary has been an invaluable factor in my Christian training and preparation for the ministry. It was the stabilizing agency of my Christian faith in a living Christ as Redeemer and Lord, in God the living Father, and in the Church of Christ as a means to bring lost souls into his Kingdom. Godly men have directed me into a deep and firm knowledge of Christian truth as revealed in the Bible and the laws of God. In our Seminary I learned the value of genuine Christian fellowship, the joy of Christian cooperation, but also appreciation for, and true loyalty to our denomination and its fine leaders.

Rev. JOHN WOBIG,
St. Paul, Minnesota

It is a source of intense gratification to me to write a word of appreciation in behalf of my Alma Mater. I cherish the years of study and fellowship gained there which were of such fadeless value in preparing me for the Gospel ministry. I feel greatly in-

debted to its professors who so graciously interpreted to me God's divine Word and trained me in other subjects so vital for preaching and pastoral work. Of inestimable worth is also the knowledge received there concerning the history, policy and aims of our denomination.

Rev. ROBERT SCHREIBER,
Wetaskiwin, Alberta

Having heard the call of God to the ministry, I chose the Rochester Baptist Seminary for my Christian training. Realizing the valuable years spent in the study of God's Word at the Seminary, I shall always be grateful to the denomination which made it possible for me to serve God efficiently. During the years at the Seminary I learned that the Bible contained many more truths than I would ever be able to comprehend. This knowledge has kept me humble, but it has also kept me thirsty for greater understanding. The years at the Seminary are a foundation for me in my ministry. I thank God for the Seminary.

Rev. ALFRED R. BERNADT,
Burlington, Iowa

The Seminary means a great deal to me because I am firmly convinced it is the only bilingual school of its kind anywhere in the world, and the rich, denominational, historical traditions that have been part of "Rochester" for more than 90 years could never be readily transplanted elsewhere. The intimate fellowship, that exists between professors and students in a peculiar way in the small school, will always be part of the enriching experience our Seminary graduates treasure more and more with the passing of the years. The direct relation of our Seminary to all the phases of our larger denominational work has made me deeply appreciative of the ten years I spent in the Seminary and at the University in Rochester.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, Sept. 24—Inauguration of the New Seminary President, Rev. George A. Lang.

Sunday, October 29—Seminary Sunday to Be Observed in All of Our Churches

The September 15th Issue of "The Baptist Herald" Will Be a Special Seminary Number

Remember the Rochester Baptist Seminary Endowment Fund Campaign for \$150,000

Rev. W. HELWIG
Dallas, Texas

My years at Rochester have left an indelible impression upon me. I owe our Seminary a debt of gratitude which can never be repaid. It has meant, and still means, more to me than these few words can tell. Intellectually, spiritually and in its devotional life, it has always been ranking among the highest. To those who did not have educational opportunities it afforded the possibility to meet God's call. To me it is "God's Institution" where he prepared me for service. It is an institution which stands second to none; one where the work has always been conscientiously done.

Rev. A. E. KANNWISCHER
Brooklyn, New York

Our Seminary has expanded my horizons spiritually, mentally, and socially. By precept and example, teachers consecrated to the cause of Christ and the denomination set before me the ideal of Christian service in obedience to God's call. In chapel and classroom, reverence for God as revealed by Christ and the Holy Spirit and for the human soul lost without Christ, was the guiding principle of instruction. With this all-pervading sense of reverence, knowledge for a sacred purpose, namely, that of the "stewardship of the Gospel" was skillfully blended and attractively presented. For this spirit of reverence, and for the opportunity to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" I shall always be grateful.

Rev. C. B. NORDLAND,
Forest Park, Illinois

For nearly eight years it was my privilege to travel the length and breadth of our great land. In the course of my travels I met and came to know a great many pastors of our churches. Always there was on my part a sense of gratitude to God for their fidelity to the Word of God and their quite evident desire through life and service to bring glory to the matchless Savior of our souls through the winning of others to him. One cannot gainsay the fact that the character and strength of the ministry depends in large measure on the kind of preparation they have had. Remembering its limited resources in days past and evaluating it from the standpoint of accomplishment, it is, I believe, the earnest hope of all who have come into the denomination from outside, that the Rochester Baptist Seminary will support of all our people throughout the land.

Why We Are Supporting the Endowment Fund

Statements by Nine Prominent Laymen of Our Churches Regarding the Seminary Endowment Fund Campaign

R. H. MULDER,
Parkersburg, Iowa

I firmly believe that the men who are being trained in our Seminary and are to become the pastors and leaders of our churches, should have the best teachers, equipment and material available. The \$150,000 Endowment Fund will greatly enhance the standard of our Seminary. Therefore, I will personally support this movement because it is a step in the right direction and I urgently request every church, organization and individual wholeheartedly to support this campaign so that the Seminary and our Baptist heritage may be perpetuated. May our efforts glorify the Master's name!

HAROLD J. PETKE,
Portland, Oregon

The Seminary Endowment Fund campaign is receiving my support because this school is the very foundation of our denominational structure. The influence of the school is so far reaching that its needs dare not be neglected any longer. To assure the future of our North American Baptist fellowship, this basic denominational enterprise must be given this new lease on life. As a properly recognized and accredited institution the number of high calibre students is bound to increase until in due time the ministerial needs of all our churches can be supplied, thereby protecting our God-given heritage.

E. E. STAUB,
Detroit, Michigan

I am supporting the Seminary Endowment Fund campaign because the changes within the Seminary and the supplanting of decades of criticism with enthusiasm indicate that a new era of usefulness lies ahead. The Endowment will meet requirements of the New York State Educational Board, and this will give us dignity and respect in outside circles and enable us, through the giving of degrees, to recognize effective work within — all of which will helpfully affect our Christian work.

J. A. ZURN,
Erie, Pennsylvania

I am supporting the Rochester Seminary Endowment Fund campaign because, after almost 100 years of service to our churches the school should be on an equal footing with other seminaries and enable our students to obtain a degree without being obliged to go to other institutions. It will enable our Seminary to offer the same inducements as others do. It needs to attract the best young men of

WHAT THE SEMINARY ENDOWMENT FUND WILL DO

- 1) Increase the Seminary's Spiritual Effectiveness.
- 2) Strengthen the Seminary's Financial Resources.
- 3) Meet the Requirements of the New York Board of Regents for Higher Scholastic Prestige.
- 4) Provide Scholarships for Worthy Students.
- 5) Grant Recognized Degrees to the Graduates of the School.

WALTER SCHMIDT,
Buffalo, New York

The Endowment Fund for our Seminary calls for the support of every North American Baptist. For my part I feel a special debt to the Seminary for training able ministers who have exercised great influence in the life of my family. They upheld the spiritual things which alone are worthwhile and encouraged my two sons to prepare for the ministry. It is my duty to do a part in assuring the best possible in education for our future ministers. Not only for their benefit, but that they might serve the denomination in greater measure. As we sow, so shall we reap.

EDWIN H. MARKLEIN,
Brooklyn, New York

I believe that as North American Baptists interested in the future of our Seminary, the Endowment Fund merits our wholehearted support. The ultimate goal of \$150,000 can be easily attained if we all get behind the drive. It is important that our denomination continue to grow throughout the ensuing years upon the foundation and principles that it was founded on over a century ago. This can be accomplished by training our potential ministers in our own Seminary to become competent and qualified pastors who will minister in our churches and carry on the work of our forefathers. Therefore the responsibility is ours to do our share in helping make our Rochester Seminary attain its goals and carry on its important work in our denomination.

ARTHUR SCHWERIN,
Burlington, Iowa

I truly believe that as a denomination, the Lord has a specific work for us to do that no one else can do as well. That this is true, one only has to recall the way in which he has prospered our denomination during the past hundred years. In order to continue this work efficiently, it is essential that our churches have ministers who have received their training along our denominational lines. Only by having pastors who have received this training, and who believe wholeheartedly in the goals and ambitions of our denominational program, can the same be 100 percent successful. Only by having denominationally trained pastors can we achieve that unity which no obstacle can withstand. Therefore, I am heartily in favor of not only continuing our Seminary, but putting it on a firm and solid financial basis. As goes our Seminary, so goes our denomination.

CONRAD J. NETTING,
Detroit, Michigan

My reason for supporting the drive for the Rochester Seminary Endowment Fund is one of appreciation for the consecrated men who have graduated from it. Our denomination would not have developed in the manner it has, had it not been for our Rochester Seminary. It is refreshing to learn that instead of a self-satisfied attitude, a search has been made to discover its weakness. But, as human Christians, we are striving toward higher ground. I have faith in the faculty. I believe in the Rochester Seminary; that its future triumphs will surpass those of past years and that it is worthy of our whole-hearted support. I consider it a privilege to do my part towards attaining the goal of its present project.

HENRY MARKS,
St. Paul, Minnesota

We are proud of our denomination and the missionary work done by it. The blessings, under God, which have been the result of this work, cannot be measured by us. All this would not have been accomplished were it not for our Seminary at Rochester. You can now show your appreciation to the Seminary, its founders, its faculty, past and present, its graduates and above all, to God. We have 38,000 members. If you and your church would contribute \$4.00 a member, the \$150,000 would easily be assured. Stand by your denomination and Seminary! Express your confidence in the faculty and the trustees whom you and I have elected and give a portion of that with which God has blessed you.

The Sound of the Trumpet

A New Novel

by

GRACE LIVINGSTON HILL

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SYNOPSIS

The Vandingham plant was at work on a secret government job in the making of an important gadget for war purposes. Several spies were determined to get the plans for this gadget into their possession. They tried to interest John Sargent in the proposition but in vain. Then Erda was put on the job and given instructions as to how she was to go about it. She was successful, largely because she was able to deceive the employer's son, Victor Vandingham. The theft of the gadget was soon discovered and everybody was suspected, including Victor. At home, following a drunken spree of several days, the son faced a stern father.

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Then his father came in and began to berate him. His father had usually been rather easy going on him, leaving his upbringing mostly to his mother, perhaps because that was the easy way, for Mrs. Vandingham was a very determined woman. But now Victor was a man, and in a supposedly important position in the business. More important because the government was behind it, and had power to revoke contracts and make a great deal of trouble for them. Mr. Vandingham senior, was greatly worried by what had happened, a "calamity" he called it, and he came and gave Victor a piece of his mind, straight out from the shoulder. He told Victor he couldn't be a mere playboy any longer. He had to rouse up and take responsibility or he would find himself behind prison bars pretty soon, and he wasn't joking, either.

Victor at last looked up with a sneer. This kind of talk irked him.

"Oh, now, dad, let up on that line, can't you? You make as much fuss about the loss of a little thing as if it was an irreparable loss. They made it in one day, didn't they? They've got the machine all set the way they made it, haven't they? Why can't they make another and nobody the wiser? The government needn't ever know anything about it. Just go ahead and work this out the way you planned.

Where you made your mistake was in letting the workmen all know anything had happened. They didn't need to know. But you can tell them you'll skin them alive if they mention it, can't you? And suppose the blue prints are gone? The enemy will be sometime getting machines ready to duplicate the gadgets, and by that time you can get some other new invention going. I think it's time this nonsense stopped and the men got to work again. It isn't necessary to carry on when something like this happens. It's bound to happen sooner or later with all these foreigners around the country, and of course some of them might be spies. I think it's ridiculous to make such a fuss, and act as if the heavens were falling! I wish you'd let up."

"Be still!" said his father. "Not another word like that out of your mouth! You're an ignorant little upstart! That kind of talk is dangerous. Besides it isn't true! The government already knows all about this affair, and has taken steps accordingly. What do you suppose all those extra soldiers are coming into the plant for, guarding every building?"

"What?" said Victor, starting to his feet and looking wildly around. "You don't mean you told the government? Or did the foreman get rattled and go blabbing it before you knew?"

"Certainly I told the government. Didn't you know that I am under oath to carry on this business openly with the government and report every possibility of trouble as soon as it comes? And didn't you know that you are under the same oath?"

"Oh, rats!" said the youth arrogantly. "Shut up! I don't want to hear any more about this. I've got a headache and you're a pain in the neck. What's an oath? Nobody pays any attention to that. It's just a form. You can get by any oath that was ever taken. If you're going to talk like this you can get right out of my office. I've got work to do, and I can't be bothered with you any longer."

"Victor? What do you mean by speaking that way to me?"

"I mean just what I say," said the angry young man. "This is my office, isn't it? Didn't you make me first Vice President of the plant? Well, I say get out! You can't interfere with me even if you are my father."

For answer the father arose and seized his son by the coat collar, jerked him across the room to the door, and opening it, flung him out forcibly. Then he locked the door and put the key in his own pocket. His father was a large man and strong, and it was all done so suddenly, so unexpectedly, that the boy, flabby from over indulgence and heavy drinking, had no chance to defend himself. He crumpled like a piece of pie crust and huddled in the corner where his father had flung him, blinking up at the astonishing spectacle of his father in a righteous rage.

He lay still for a minute or two, completely abashed by this sudden onslaught from a father who had always been so kind and loving. And the father walked back and forth in

the handsome room, his hands clasped behind him. After a turn or two he came out and stood before his prostrate son.

"Now," he said, with an air of finality. "You can lie there and decide what you're going to do. I'll give you five minutes to make up your mind whether you're going to get up and act like a man, and a patriotic citizen of the United States. If you do, very well. We'll try to go on from there in good form and weather this thing together. Otherwise I'll hand you over to the government to put a uniform on you and make a buck private of you, unless they first decide that you belong behind bars!"

"Dad!" said Victor aghast, his face white and frightened. "You wouldn't do that!"

"Yes, I would, if you ever talk like that again. I won't have a son who is an utter disgrace to the family and the community."

"Dad! What do you think mother would say to you if she heard you talking this way?"

"That gag doesn't work any more, son! Your mother has protected you all your life from real discipline, and the time has come for you to step out from behind that sort of camouflage and see what's in you. And I'll tell you another thing. You've seen the last of this fancy office, and that little dressed-up doll you call your secretary. I'm done with all that nonsense, and so are you, if you expect to stay here. You've got to get down to real work and show what's in you, or out you go!"

There was silence in his father's plain little office for a few seconds while Victor tried to work this out. Gradually he rose, first to his elbow, then upright to his feet, and stood uncertainly, wavering, and blinking at his father.

"Do you understand?" thundered his father, in a tone reminiscent of the day when he was a little boy caught stealing apples by the police and brought to his father for accounting, with his mother far away at a summer resort for a week.

Victor's eyes were downcast under his father's steady gaze.

"Yes sir!" he managed tremblingly. "Well, sit down then. I want to ask you a few questions. Just where is that fool girl of a secretary of yours?"

"I told you, dad, she went to the bedside of a dying friend who sent for her."

"But where?"

"She said she was going to New York."

"Where in New York?"

"I don't know. She was in a great hurry. She went right away."

"Do you mean to tell me that you let her go without getting her address?"

"Why, dad, I didn't think that was important. She promised to be back as soon as possible. Said she might even come this afternoon. She was in a hurry to catch her train."

"Yes? I guess she was. Well, you certainly proved your inability to run any kind of a business, even just an office. But that settles it. We'll put

the police and detectives after her post haste!"

"Dad! You wouldn't do that! She was away. She wouldn't know anything about what went on here."

"Wouldn't she? It's an extraordinary coincidence that the most important thing that we were making should be stolen the night she went away. I always suspected that little dolly. She has sly eyes. She was out to get something and I guess she got it. I ought not to have given in and let you take her. Even your mother questioned the wisdom of having her here."

"Now dad, she's a good secretary! Hurried as she was to catch her train she waited to finish a letter I had just dictated."

"Yes?" said the father dryly. "What was the letter about? Some night club bill you hadn't paid?"

Victor's eyes went down and his face flushed angrily. He opened his lips to speak and then closed them fearfully as he saw the glint of anger in his father's eyes, and the sneer on his lips. Perhaps, just possibly, his father knew more about his private personal affairs than he had thought. "She's a good secretary all right," said Victor. "The letter was some business about that steel that hasn't shown up yet. I think that was it."

"Oh no," said his father. "I came into your office and got that memorandum and answered it myself two days ago, and the steel has already arrived. You'll have to get a better alibi than that. Remember you haven't been here for two days, and you don't know what has been going on. Now, if that is settled, and you actually don't know where this excellent Miss Brannon is hiding herself in New York, suppose you go into the little side office over there and have an interview with the government man who is waiting for you. And be sure you speak the truth, remember, for I have a dictaphone over there and I'll go over the interview afterwards. So be careful. Your future rests largely on this interview."

Thoroughly scared, with white face and trembling hands, Victor went out, wishing there were some other exit through which he might vanish until this man from Washington was gone. What was coming now? And wouldn't his father come to the rescue if they began charging him with any connection with this robbery?

Of course he didn't know anything about it, and of course his father must know he didn't. It was likely some of his own pet workmen, old fellows too old to really work, who wanted to feather their nests. Or more likely still, foreigners who were somehow connected with the enemy. He had told his father he ought to get rid of all foreigners, just in case.

With this reflection he stepped into the little waiting room designated, and met the eagle eye of the government detective and so his grilling began.

Victor put on his most arrogant air and endeavored to awe the government detective with a good dose of the Vandingham lofty manner, but the keen eyes did not flinch, the hard line of the man's mouth did not soften. He was definitely unfriendly and unbelieving. And Victor, mindful of his

father's warning about a dictaphone, and extremely conscious of the unbelieving attitude of his tormentor, had a hard time. He emerged from that interview minus most of his dignity, and certainly not any farther from the doubts of his examiner. It was perhaps the first time that Victor had ever been against a person who utterly frightened him. At school when the professors had been ugly he always had recourse to complaining to his family, and having himself removed from the school. This had been extremely successful during his childhood days when his mother was the arbiter of his fate. Later, in college, there had been other ways to manage. His father would promise a big donation for a new building or something of that sort if they didn't anger him by complaints of his son. Of course not every college was open to such bribery, but most of them could be managed along such lines and made to forget their worst grievances at himself. But this was the government, and this would be law, and he must go cautiously. So he stumbled along from question to question, until he got himself pretty well tangled up, and if his father had been present, even he would have felt sorry for the boy who had always been so hard to manage.

He found himself, too, having to defend Erda. Not because he wanted to, but because if he did not he would have the worse blame for letting her go so inconsequentially. In fact he found they were suggesting that he had been in collusion with his secretary in pulling off this miserable robbery, and more and more its importance in the whole scheme of American life just now became apparent to him, until he was appalled.

His mother had never seen such a look of soberness in his eyes when he finally came home to get a little rest, and some food. She plied him with questions which he would not answer, and with food which he would not eat, and then she wept at him till he cursed her and locked his door.

It was about that time that word came to the plant that a dead man had been found down under the outer wall, in the dark of the railroad bridge. And when at last he was identified he turned out to be one of the workers at the plant. Then they sent for Victor again for more questions, as he was supposed to be in charge of the men who would work on that location. They wanted to know when this man was last seen, whether he had permission to leave the plant, who would be responsible for him, and Victor had nothing to say except that he was away that day and didn't know. He named the man whom he had put in charge, but it turned out that the man had been discharged by his father the week before and had not been around the place since. It was said he had joined the army and been sent to camp. That proved that Victor had been doing some pretty crooked lying. He tried to excuse himself by saying that his secretary looked after such matters for him, but that too seemed an obvious lie, as Erda had been in New York that day, if his former statements were correct, and the evidence loomed against him. He was not arrested, but he was told to keep

within certain limits and be ready to answer a call at any time.

Victor would have been still more frantic if he could have known that the dead man was one who had been rounding the corner of the wall, next the railroad, as Erda had come forth from the gate with her booty, and that it had been but the work of an instant to flash forth the small neat weapon she had carried concealed in her sleeve and do for the man whom she feared might have seen her at this last minute when she thought she was safe. It had passed with Erda as one incident of many, and she hurried on as he fell knowing only that he had not followed her, as she fled to Weaver's rendezvous. Erda had had much practice in shooting, and never did her work half way. And the dead man told no tales.

But the men who were watching everything had seen that startled look in Victor's eyes, that catching of his breath when he heard about the dead man, and put one more link in the chain of evidence against him, and so, as murder entered the picture, the chain began to tighten about Victor himself. Oh, if only Erda would come back! If only he could find her.

So he put a private detective on her track. But the days went by and there was no sign from her.

Then suddenly she called up and said the funeral was over and she would be returning the next day. Victor, breathless, tried to warn her what had happened, and then bethought him just in time that perhaps she wouldn't come back if she knew her danger. So he hesitated, and then went on, only imploring her to come quickly, that there were some important letters to write and he needed her. He added a question. "Where are you, Erda? How can I get in touch with you tonight in case I need to ask you a question?"

But Erda had hang up.

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SPIRITUAL WASHING

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body to be experienced. And again it comes by blood and not by works, by faith and not by doing. The thought of entering the city is the same. Earthly cities shall go down. John saw the Holy City, but it was restricted. It was for those who had their robes washed. That is why we need to have our hearts cleansed.

What then are the results? After a bath one feels good. So after we have been cleansed by the Holy Spirit we feel good. Countless numbers of people have testified to this after they have taken their stand for Christ. It has been voiced by poets in their songs of the joys of being redeemed.

We remember the man without the wedding garment, which is the same as this robe, who was shut out. A conductor on a train would not let a man enter the train because he had no ticket. The man said, "But I am a high official at Washington." The conductor replied, "I don't care who you are, I want to see your ticket." So God wants to know if we have been at Calvary.

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The National Women's Missionary Union

Program Material for Women's Missionary Societies and Guilds For
Use in October Prepared by Mrs. MARTHA F. REEH
of La Salle, Colorado

Theme for the Month: WORLD FRIENDSHIP

JESUS said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. This command of our Master embraces the entire world. Wherever people live, whether next door, the same city, the same country, Europe, Africa or China, there, we Christian women must witness to God's saving and keeping power.

Mission work begins in our own church, ministers to people in our locality and reaches out to the ends of the earth to make Christ and his love known to human beings everywhere. We can witness through prayer, through personal service in our society and through the money we contribute to our denomination as good stewards who follow his call.

Appreciating Other Races

There is one family of God — not many. Whether our skin be black, yellow, brown, red or white we are all children of God and beloved of him, yet different in many ways. Do we really acknowledge to ourselves that the Alaskan, the African and the Indian are just as dear to God as we? Once I heard a school teacher exclaim: "Oh, how I hate to teach the dirty Negro children in my class!" Yet at the same time she confided in me that God had called her to become a missionary among China's millions.

Here is a practical test for every Christian! Amid race prejudice and national rivalry, does the unity in Christ stand out for us? Paul could say: "There can be neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither bond nor free, — for ye are one man in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:28. We so often make the mistake of a certain man who prayed: "Bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife, us four and no more."

On the other hand, we find a beautiful example of Christian gratitude in the simple Panjabi Gulu. Once a desperate character amongst the outcasts of India, he is now known as one of God's great intercessors. One day he came to the missionary and said: "Sahib, teach me some geography." "Why, Gulu, what do you want with geography at your age?" "Sahib, I wish to study geography so that I may know more about which to pray."

Slowly, slowly through the ages, like light breaking through a heavy fog, a spirit of love and understanding and fellowship is beginning to light up the lives of men. Christian leaders of different races have begun to think together of each other's needs and

gifts instead of only their own. Because Christ so loved us, we are living for the time in which men shall live as brothers, in a spirit of love instead of hate, of faith instead of suspicion. What shall be our part in bringing about Christian understanding?

Heroes of World Friendship

The world reads the Bible very little compared with the way it reads the life of Christians. For most persons the documents of Christianity are you and I. The open page of every Christian life is read by all who pass. In China they say: "There goes the Jesus-man!" George Grenfell's boat, "Peace," on the Congo River became known as "God's boat" because it offered violence to none.

One day in China when Dr. Eleonor Chestnut stood prayerfully upon the temple steps awaiting her turn at death from the violent mob who had just murdered her fellow-missionaries, she noticed a little lad in the crowd with an ugly gash on his head. There was just time for her to call him tenderly to her side, tear off a piece of her skirt, and, making of it a bandage, to bind up his wound. It

was her last deed of self-forgetful love, before they stabbed her and threw her body into the river. Can any of us doubt that this was a page from the real gospel, seen and read by the multitude?

To live for others — to be a friend to all people — is Christlike. This devotion of friendship caused Abraham to pray for Sodom; Joseph to make preparation for the feeding of the famine — stricken Egyptians; Jeremiah to weep over the sins of the people; and the prodigal's father to weep tears of joy when his son returned. Above all, because Jesus loved sinful, disobedient men, he died on the Cross, to save the world from its selfishness and to save it to a life of friendship.

Readiness to Pay the Cost

We shall never know what world friendship implies until we begin to follow the example of our Master in all the relationships of life. When we catch his unselfish spirit, then we shall begin to see the dawning of a new day of friendship among the nations of the earth.

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Evangelism in Michigan and Alberta

Report by Rev. F. W. BARTEL, General Evangelist

It was a thrillingly significant and historic event when twelve newly appointed missionaries were presented to the General Conference at Milwaukee, Wis., last May and were committed to God's further direction by earnest prayer. Never before in the history of our denomination have such a number of new missionaries been presented to our General Conference. That God should so wonderfully enlarge our foreign mission field, and then should so speedily answer our prayer for new workers, clearly evidences the fact that God is truly moving in our midst! How the enlarging of our spheres of service at home and abroad, so clearly revealing God's special favor to, and confidence in our denomination, ought to thrill and humble us!

"The King's business requireth haste!" And thus it was with a deep sense of spiritual urgency that we resumed our evangelistic ministry immediately following the General Conference at Milwaukee in a blessed revival meeting with the Beaver Baptist Church near Midland, Michigan from May 15 to 26, Rev. G. K. Zimmermann, pastor. God's blessing was manifested from the beginning, and the entire church was deeply stirred and blessed. Five fine young people accepted Christ as their personal Savior. A mission offering of \$50 was given by the church.

After a brief rest at home, it was our happy privilege to serve our former church at Avon, South Dakota, as guest speaker on June 11 on the occasion of the re-dedication of their renovated and redecored church. It was a joy to meet old and proven friends again and to recall God's rich blessings of former days. Then, making a quick trip to Bismarck, No. Dak., we attended the sessions of the Dakota Conference from June 14 to 18, and served with a report on the provocative and challenging question, "How Does the Revitalization of Our Churches Stand?"

Immediately following the Conference we were privileged for the third time to participate as an instructor in the Northern Young People's Assembly at Fessenden, No. Dak. from June 26 to 30. A fine group of 27 young people completed an intensive study of "The Fine Art of Soul Winning," and received a full credit under the Christian Leadership Training program of our denomination.

Then it was also our privilege to attend the sessions of our Northern Conference at Edmonton, Alberta from July 5 to 9 and to serve with two messages. The joy and inspiration of this fellowship with our Canadian brethren was a pleasant preparation

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Revival Meetings and Vacation Bible School at the Gnadefeld Church of Saskatchewan

Members of the Gnadefeld Baptist Church of Saskatchewan, Canada, had hours of spiritual blessing this summer which will be long remembered. We have experienced that we cannot survive materially, unless we be redeemed spiritually.

We had evangelistic services for a period of two weeks. Our pastor, the Rev. Karl Korella, brought heart stirring messages during these evenings.

Arrangements were made for a Vacation Bible School after public school hours at the same time. This gave teachers a wonderful opportunity to do soul winning work. It rejoiced our hearts to see eleven of our scholars surrender their hearts to Christ.

The Alberta-Saskatchewan Central Tri-Union was held at the Gnadefeld Church from June 29 to July 2. It was good to share our blessings with the friends and visitors from neighboring churches.

The baptismal service, which was originally planned for July 2, was postponed to July 30. It was a joint service with candidates from the Friedensfeld, Hilda and Gnadefeld churches. How thankful we were to see sixteen persons give their testimony before a large audience. Bertha Sieman, Reporter.

Vacation Bible School is Held by the Baptist Church of Fenwood, Saskatchewan

On Monday, July 12, the doors of our Baptist Church at Fenwood, Saskatchewan, opened for one week of Vacation Bible School. The beautiful weather made it possible for 41 boys and girls to come out and attend regularly. Mrs. Waltereit, Lottie Dohms, Gladys Schmuland and Esther Schmuland composed the teaching staff.

The children were deeply interested in their school work. They were especially enthusiastic about the choruses they learned, led by the Rev. H. Waltereit. The results of the school session of one week were most heartening in every way, when on Friday afternoon 5 boys and girls accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

On Sunday, July 23, we had a closing program for parents and friends. The handwork which the children had made was exhibited in church for every one to see.

On Thursday evening, July 27, in the home of Rev. and Mrs. H. Waltereit members and friends of the Baptist Church successfully carried out a surprise in honor of Mrs. Waltereit's birthday. The evening was well spent with some special music and singing and with a dainty lunch.

Esther Schmuland, Reporter.



Service Men of the Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., at the Recent Pacific Conference Held at Lodi

Alberta Young People's Assembly and Tri-Union Sessions at Sylvan Lake

The third summer assembly of Alberta, Canada, was held at Sylvan Lake, Alberta, from July 23 to 30. On the opening night of the assembly 112 young people registered which proved that our young people enjoyed attending our assemblies.

Each morning inspiring and interesting classes were taught by a number of our ministers on young people's, choir and Sunday School work, as well as a Bible study on the letters of Peter. Rev. F. W. Mueller of Portland, Oregon, our assembly guest, also taught a class on evangelism every morning.

Every evening evangelistic services were held at which Mr. Mueller brought heart stirring messages which touched the hearts of our youth to consecrate themselves anew for Christian service. We are certainly grateful to him for the fellowship and his inspiring messages at Sylvan Lake.

On Saturday morning, the business of our Tri-Union and annual election took place. The result of the same is as follows: assembly dean, Rev. R. Schilke; president, Rev. R. Kern; vice-president, Rev. A. Huber; secretary, Evangeline Fenske; treasurer, Herbert Link; pianists, Lester Bertsch and Verda Scheeler; young people's director, Rev. R. Schreiber; Sunday School director, Rev. E. Fenske; leader of song and music, Mr. R. Neske.

The goal for the 1944 mission project was set at \$1000. The Saturday night meeting was an outstanding evening of the week, presenting the fine talent of our young people in the program that was given. During our Sunday School session on Sunday morning, a number took part in the class discussion.

The days spent at the assembly were a great inspiration and blessing to all who attended. We were especially impressed with the spiritual atmosphere.

Inez Wahl, Reporter.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE

Five Lodi Service Men at Home for the Pacific Conference Sessions

The following boys, members of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., of which church the Rev. A. Felberg is the pastor, were home on Sunday afternoon in June for the Pacific Conference.

There were a number of other Service Men present at that time, who were visitors for the conference.

Dr. Donald Davis of Wasco, now serving as chaplain in the armed forces, had charge of a very impressive service for the boys in the service at the afternoon meeting.

The boys are, left to right, (back row) LaVerne Howen, Joe Buji, Milo Mehlhaff, Howard Leicht, (front row) Wallis Meitz and Levi Goehring.

Mrs. Edwin C. Wolff, Reporter.

Recognition Service for Chaplain Otto Nallinger by the Salt Creek Baptist Church

On the evening of July 9 we of the Salt Creek Baptist Church near Dallas, Oregon, had the privilege of having the newly chosen missionaries to Africa, Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens of Tacoma, Washington, with us. This young couple gave us their testimony as to their call and desire to serve their Savior in the foreign field. Not only was their testimony given by word but also in musical numbers. Mrs. Ahrens sang a vocal solo and Mr. Ahrens played a violin solo. May God bless them and protect them in the work they have chosen to do for him!

In tribute to the Rev. Otto Nallinger, a chaplain at Camp Carson, Colorado, on leave of absence as pastor of the church, members and friends filled the church auditorium on Sunday evening, July 30, for a recognition service.

A certificate of award, issued by the Army and thanking the church for releasing its pastor, was presented by Chaplain Kenneth A. Nelson.

Dr. J. F. Olthoff, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church of Salem, Ore., presided during the program. Musical selections were presented on the organ and piano by Miss Mildred Schneider and Mrs. Norman Classen. The Rev. Walter Radke, present pastor, presented the honor roll to the church and also led in prayer for the young men in the services. Mr. Gilbert Schneider read the scripture passage for the service.

Twenty members and friends of the church are now serving their country in the armed forces. Twelve of the names on the honor roll are for those serving overseas, while eight are in camps in the United States. May all of these young men soon return safely to their families and church!

Clara Loewen, Reporter.

Recent Memorable Events at the Fifteenth St. Church of Los Angeles, California

The past months have, indeed, been busy ones for the Fifteenth Street Baptist Church of Los Angeles, California. Sunday, July 2, was a day of many blessings. In the morning service we heard the fine reports from our delegates who attended the Pacific Conference in Lodi, California. Rev. and Mrs. E. Mittelstedt, Mr. and Mrs. David Baer,



Sunday School Picnic Group of the Linden Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan

and John Wolff gave very interesting and detailed accounts of every session. In the afternoon we were privileged to have in our midst Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens, newly appointed missionaries to the Cameroons in Africa. Their inspiring testimonies and music won the heart of every one present. A missionary play, "Standing Up," was given under the direction of Ruth Eichblatt, one of our B. Y. P. U. group leaders. A missionary offering was taken amounting to \$58.08.



The Rev. Fred Mashner of Pound, Wis., and 18 of the 19 Candidates Recently Baptized

On Sunday afternoon, July 9, the choir rendered a sacred concert under the direction of our pastor, the Rev. E. Mittelstedt. Nine classical numbers were offered by such composers as Gounod, Mendelssohn, and Haydn. Dr. E. H. Giedt, missionary in China for 23 years, spoke very appropriately on "Music in China." His missionary work and interesting experiences in China were enlightening to all who heard his address. On Sunday morning, July 23, the new hymnals, "Christian Worship," were dedicated and used for the first time in a very impressive service. Mr. Mittelstedt, pastor, brought the morning message on the text: "And he hath put a new song in my mouth" based on Psalm 40:1-3. On Sunday evening, July 30, Mr. and Mrs. John Eichblatt were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary in the church parlor. Together with their children, members and friends congratulated this loyal Christian couple. We wish them God's richest blessing. Mrs. Esther Johnston, Reporter.

Ordination of Rev's. Earl H. Ahrens and Virgil R. Savage at Tacoma, Washington

Pastors and delegates from the Trinity, Immanuel, and Laurelhurst Baptist Churches of Portland, Oregon, from the Baptist Church of Startup, Wash., together with several pastors and delegates from the Tacoma Baptist Fellowship met at the request of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., on August 3 for a dual ordination service.

The local pastor, the Rev. W. C. Damrau, opened the council session. The Rev. F. W. Mueller of Portland, temporary chairman, and the Rev. E. O. Paulson of Tacoma, temporary secretary, were voted to serve the council in these capacities for the session. Following the course of business as prescribed, Mr. Damrau introduced the first candidate, Mr. Earl H. Ahrens, a member of the sponsoring church, and also missionary-elect to the Cameroons. Very clearly, and in a very brief manner,

his testimony of faith and statement of doctrine were given, a paragraph at a time, so that questions concerning each could be directed to him by the council. By motion the council expressed its satisfaction. The second candidate, Mr. Virgil R. Savage, was then introduced by Mr. Damrau. Mr. Savage is associate pastor of the Calvary Church, having as his principal responsibility the work of the Portland Avenue Baptist Chapel, formerly called the Salishan Mission. Following the same procedure as with the former candidate, Mr. Savage gave his statements one at a time, being frequently asked questions by the council. Upon motion the council expressed itself satisfied with the statements and recommended that the church proceed with the ordination of both men. The local pastor was chairman of the ordination service at which the Rev. F. W. Mueller of Portland brought the message. Taking part in the service were the Reverends Marion Flint, Elmer

O. Paulson, and Raymond Ledyard of the Tacoma fellowship, R. H. Zepik of Startup and Chaplain B. W. Krentz of Fort Lewis. The Rev. Virgil R. Savage pronounced the benediction.

Good wishes and promises of prayer were given by the many persons present to the Rev. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens and the Rev. and Mrs. Virgil R. Savage. R. Hugo Zepik, Reporter.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Revival Meetings at the Linden Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan

Recently the Linden Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., held revival meetings, having as our evangelist the Rev. Ted Temoschuck. We had the extra pleasure of enjoying the trumpeters from radio station WMBL. Then too Mr. Crane, the chalk artist, brought us a message each evening. We would like to thank our sister churches, Burns Avenue, Bethel and Ebenezer for assisting us during these meetings. We have been praying for souls and God truly answered in giving us souls and also many who reconsecrated their lives to Christ. The Sunday School recently had a contest to reach a goal of one hundred and we went over the top with a hundred and one. Violet Teichert, Reporter.

NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

Vacation Bible School and Baptism at the Pioneer Baptist Church of Pound, Wis.

The Pioneer Baptist Church of Pound, Wisconsin, recently held a record Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 140 children, the daily attendance being 110. Special effort was made to transport the children to and from the church, and on the first day the attendance was 103. Many children of the community and of the First Polish Baptist Church of Pound came and enjoyed two weeks of Bible study. The school was divided into four different classes and concluded with a program by the children on Sunday evening, with each class presenting something of their class studies. As a result of special meetings conducted by the Rev. Theo. W. Dons in June, a beautiful baptismal service was conducted on Sunday evening, July 30th. Nineteen candidates entered the waters of baptism in the presence of a filled church. It was, indeed, glorious to witness this beautiful and solemn occasion. One entire family of seven was baptized upon profession of their faith. The accompanying picture shows the pastor, the Rev. Fred W. Mashner, and eighteen of the 19 candidates. On Sunday, August 13, the right hand of fellowship was given to newly baptized believers in Christ. At this occasion the new hymnals, "Christian Worship," were in the pews and used for the first time. Wm. Konstanski, Reporter.

Session of the Northwestern Conference Women's Missionary Union at St. Paul, Minn.

The Women's Union of the Northwestern Conference held its annual business session with the Dayton's Bluff Church of St. Paul on Friday morning, August 4. Mrs. Ralph Rott of North Freedom led in opening devotions, after which Mrs. John Wobig of the River-view Church of St. Paul, the president, took charge.

The main items of business conducted were the reports of the various societies, summarized by the statistical secretary, the disbursements of monies and the election of officers.

The reports showed a total gain of 92 members among the 44 societies belonging to the Union and a total expenditure of \$6,500 by the societies. It was voted to send \$35 to the Seminary Endowment Fund, \$25 to the Fellowship Fund, and the balance on hand, after payment of bills, to the general mission fund.

Officers elected for the coming year are as follows: president, Mrs. W. L. Schoeffel, Kenosha, Wis.; vice-president, Mrs. H. Muller, Victor, Iowa; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. John Walkup, St. Paul; goal project chairman, Mrs. H. Renkema, Baileyville, Ill.

The afternoon program meeting was truly inspiring. Of interest was the awarding of certificates to societies for work accomplished. Nineteen societies received the gold seal, signifying that 10 of the 12 goals listed were reached, while 4 of that number had completed all 12 goals.

The high point of the afternoon was reached by Mrs. Carrie Tobart, missionary to Nigeria, with her impassioned appeal for prayer for all mission work. Her theme was, "With God all things are possible." Florence E. Schoeffel, Reporter.

Young People's Session of the Northwestern Conference Held in the Dayton's Bluff Church

The young people of the Northwestern Conference used the national motto, "For Jesus' Sake," as its theme for the banquet on Saturday evening, Aug. 5, and the service on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 6.

The banquet was held in the Dayton's Bluff Commercial Club, with Vernon Heckmann, president of the group, presiding. Rev. H. Renkema from Baileyville, Illinois, was the song leader. Mrs. A. F. Hedlund played several sacred numbers on her violin.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: president, Ellen Lehr, Aplington, Iowa; vice-president, Rev. Lawrence Wegner, Manitowoc, Wisconsin; secretary, Carolyn Stassen, St. Paul, Minn.; treasurer, Lillian Patet, St. Paul; and representative to the national council, Theresa Glewwe, St. Paul, Minn.

The address of the evening was given by the Rev. Wm. Spratt of the Lake Harriet Baptist Church in Minneapolis. His text was Col. 3:17. Mr. Spratt made us feel the need of living a more consecrated life, and several of the group made that decision. There were about 175 at the banquet.

Mr. Heckmann presided again on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Robert Biesanz

sang a solo. The newly elected officers also shared in this service. From the missionary offering received on Sunday afternoon \$100 will be sent for the Seminary Endowment Fund. Rev. Paul Nagano, a Japanese born American, was our speaker. He spoke about the four military commands given in 1. Cor. 16: 13. "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." Our men and women in service were remembered in prayer by Mr. Don Ganstrom. A fine spirit prevailed throughout the afternoon. Ruth Siems, Secretary.

Enrollment of 113 Children in the Vacation Bible School, La Crosse, Wis.

The Seventh Street Baptist Church of La Crosse, Wisconsin, recently held its seventh annual Vacation Bible School. The school had an enrollment of 113, with a 97 per cent average attendance.



Rev. G. W. Rutsch, Pastor of the Plum Creek Church Near Emery, South Dakota, and Nine Baptismal Candidates

The school had a staff of teachers and officers of 13. Two Bible periods were held a day. One period was spent in studying "The Miracles of Our Lord", and the other in "Pen Pictures of Jesus".

The school as a whole learned 2,195 Bible verses. All of the boys and girls did their best to make the seventh year

a perfect one. The teachers and officers showed their spirit of devotion and perfect cooperation throughout the school, features which many schools would covet.

The school closed with a picnic and a wonderful program was rendered. Mrs. Jean Lee, Secretary.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE

Baptismal Service and Vacation School Are Held by the Plum Creek Church

Sunday, July 23, will long be remembered by members and friends of the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, South Dakota, who gathered at lovely Lake Hansen, 14 miles northwest of the church, to conduct a baptismal service out in the open. Friends and relatives from neighboring towns and churches

were there to share the blessings with us.

Already at 10 A. M. the Lake shore was filled with eager listeners and observers of this holy ordinance. The nine candidates, five of whom were converted during the revival meetings conducted by the Rev. John P. Epp of Chancellor last winter, were dressed in white and lined up in front of the crowd of people while the pastor, the Rev. G. W. Rutsch, brought a message on "Baptism According to Scripture," after which they followed the pastor into the water singing, "I Will Follow Jesus."

Forty pupils from 4 to 14 years of age were enrolled in the Vacation Bible School of the Plum Creek Church recently. On July 9 the pupils and teachers had full charge of the evening service, displaying their handwork and Bible knowledge the children had acquired in the one week to the surprise of their parents and many friends.

The Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Rutsch supervised the school and appreciated the splendid cooperation of the five teachers. A mission offering on that evening, designated by the pupils for Daphne Dunger in the Cameroons, amounted to \$36.88.

Mrs. G. W. Rutsch, Reporter.

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Ministers and Their Families of the Central Dakota Churches at a Recent Picnic Retreat With Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Luebeck and Family of Ashley, No. Dak., in Foreground

Ministers' Retreat of the Central Dakota Association at the Zimmerman Grove of Napoleon

It was a perfect day on July 18 when we as ministers' families of the Central Dakota Association assembled at a perfect place, the Zimmerman Grove at Napoleon, No. Dak. with a perfect host and hostess, the Rev. and Mrs. Edward Kary. The only thing that was not perfect was that not all the ministers' families were present.

There were 5 families with 24 persons attending and, to be sure, we enjoyed the day immensely. The picnic dinner and supper under the trees with a bon fire to cook the coffee was fun, and tasted good, especially to the children who exercised all day in running and playing in the tall grass and banks of the grove.

To top off the day we had a special treat of ice cream by Mrs. Kary. After supper we sang choruses. It was a grand day of fellowship, and we thank the Lord for all the good and brotherly associations. Next year we plan to meet in Eureka, South Dakota. We hope that it will be possible for all to attend.

Mrs. A. Krombein, Reporter.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Central Church of Erie Adopts Rev. and Mrs. Paul D. Ford as Its Missionaries

We of the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pa., have been greatly privileged to have in our midst recently the Rev. and Mrs. Paul D. Ford, returned missionaries from the British West Indies.

On Friday evening, July 28, the missionary showed pictures of his work while on the islands of Jamaica and the Bahamas where he has labored for the past 20 years. A large attentive audience drank in his interesting accounts and reports and then everyone gathered in the church parlor to attend the large reception held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ford.

On Sunday morning an eager Sunday School listened raptly as both Mr. and Mrs. Ford told of the little children on these Isles of the Sea and their eagerness to learn the Word. Then the

thoughtful missionary gave to each child present a beautiful shell or trinket as a souvenir and accompanied these gifts with little stories concerning them.

After an inspiring message brought by the Rev. Paul O. Ford at the morning service, both he and Mrs. Ford were received into our fellowship and henceforth will be our own missionaries.

Mrs. R. R. Eichler, Reporter.

Payment of Last Remaining Debt of Calvary Baptist Church at Killaloe, Ontario

An unusual but a most enjoyable meeting took place in the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe, Ontario, on the afternoon of Aug. 6. The occasion marked the lifting of the burden of debt, which had been hanging over the church for some time. The Rev. Theo. W. Dons, our denominational evangelist, preached a very forceful sermon on the "Church at Zion."

The service was one that will be in the minds of the people for days to come. Tears of joy moistened the eyes of many of our members as the check for \$500 to pay the mortgage went from the hand of the treasurer, Mr. Harold Zummach, to that of the Senior deacon, Mr. J. G. Kuehl, and then on to the Rev. Theo. W. Dons.

The evening service saw the church crowded to capacity, at the close of which the Lord's Supper was observed. Mr. Dons presided and the Rev. John Kuehn, Rev. C. Weisser, our pastor, Mr. J. G. Kuehl and Mr. Wm. Ristau acted as deacons.

The Rev. Theo. W. Dons was with us again during our evangelistic campaign which commenced on Aug. 20.

Edna Verch, Reporter.

Vacation Bible Schools at the Sebastopol and Lyndock Churches of Ontario

From July 3 to 9 a Vacation Bible School was held in the Sebastopol Baptist Church, located in the beautiful hills of Ontario, Canada. The enrollment was 21 children from the ages of 5 to 16 years.

It was a group of happy, alert boys and girls who gathered daily from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. to receive instruction in choruses, Bible and missionary stories, memory work and handwork under the guidance of the following teachers: Rev.

and Mrs. J. Kuehn and Miss Gladys Drefke.

A program was held at the close on Sunday evening, July 9.

This year's Vacation Bible School in Lyndock, Ontario, Canada, was the best and largest ever held. This school was also under the direction of the Rev. J. Kuehn. Mrs. Kuehn and Miss Bertha Kuehl, a student of the London Bible School, aptly served also as teachers.

Twenty-nine pupils were enrolled. Almost perfect attendance can be reported. As the children were badly needed to assist their parents in hay-making, harvesting, etc., classes were held for one week from July 10 to 16 from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

On Sunday evening, July 16, a demonstration program by each class and an exhibition of their handwork were presented to a large audience.

Mrs. J. Kuehn, Reporter.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Sessions of the Young People and Sunday School Workers of the Southern Conference

From July 26 to 30 the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Southern Conference enjoyed the fellowship of the Christian people at the Greenville Baptist Church.

On Friday evening, July 28, various numbers from different churches were rendered, followed by a most inspiring message, "Young People on Fire for God," by Prof. A. Husmann of Rochester, N. Y.

On Saturday morning, July 29, the annual business meeting was held under the direction of Miss Viola Hansen, president for the past year. The following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Walter Gauer of Crawford; vice-president and dean, Rev. Roy Seibel of Waco; secretary, Edna Friedrich of Cottonwood; treasurer, Margaret Lengefeld of Kyle; news editor, Norma Apel of Gatesville; council member, Raymond Engelbrecht of Waco; members at large, Viola Hansen of Cottonwood, Athletia Lippert of Greenville; and Ruth Arnold of Waco.

The goal for our "Victory Trek For Christ" project for the past year was \$1500. We now have the grand sum of \$2852.45 which is practically twice as much as our goal. We praise God for this!

On Sunday afternoon we had a program consisting of special numbers from different churches and the installation of officers. The Rev. Roy Seibel of Waco spoke on "Youth Preparing for Life." Silent prayers were then offered to God for our Service Men.

For this year we have a "Seminary Project" goal of \$2000. The project started off with "a bang" when an offering of \$226.38 was given on Sunday afternoon.

We wish to express our appreciation to Prof. A. Husmann who brought such wonderful and inspiring messages at all times. We want to thank the faithful pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Lippert, and the members of the Greenville Church who served us in such a wonderful way.

Edna Friedrich, Secretary.

Crawford Women's Missionary Union Honors Newly Organized Brotherhood at Banquet

On Wednesday evening, July 12, the Canaan Baptist Church near Crawford, Texas, gave a banquet under the stars in honor of our newly organized "Brotherhood." Everyone was invited to attend. Invitations to our neighboring churches were also extended.

The tables were beautifully arranged forming a large W. Between the courses different distinguished guests were given an opportunity to give a short response. Among our guests were our "Baptist Herald" Editor, Rev. Martin Leuschner, Homer Casey, candidate for sheriff of McLennon County, and R. B. Stamford, candidate for county judge.

The price of the banquet plates was one dollar each. Ninety-six tickets were sold. This money will be put into the New Church Building Fund.

Officers of the different branches of our church were called upon for short talks. After the meal we were also spiritually fed. The Rev. Martin Leuschner brought us an inspiring message.

Our pastor, the Rev. J. K. Warkentin, served as host. We want to thank him and Mrs. Warkentin who really made this banquet possible. Also several of our young women deserve praise for preparing this good meal and seeing to it that everything was carried out splendidly.

This being the first time we enjoyed a gathering in this fashion, we hope to have more in the future with God's help.

Mrs. Marvin Matlage, Reporter.

Sessions of the Southern Conference at the Greenville Baptist Church of Texas

"Revive Us, O Lord" was the prayer in the heart of those who attended the Southern Conference from July 26 to 30 at the Greenville Baptist Church near Burton, Texas. A spirit of unity and singleness of purpose enriched the sessions throughout the conference.

Prof. A. Husmann of Rochester, N. Y., the guest speaker, brought inspiring messages that not only pointed out the need for revivals in our churches but need for this might come to pass. Prof. A. Husmann endeared himself to our churches through his Christian personality and heart warming messages.

The conference opened Wednesday evening with Rev. J. K. Warkentin bringing a message on "A Voice in the Wilderness." Each day was opened prayerfully with Rev. D. Zimmerman and Rev. L. Hoeffner leading the devotions. Rev. W. Helwig delivered the doctrinal sermon on "The Nature of God."

In his message during the quiet half hour, Prof. Husmann led the conference aside from business matters to dwell on the spiritual needs of our people. Two papers were delivered during the sessions. Rev. W. H. Buening spoke on "The Meaning of Stewardship" and Rev. C. H. Seecamp spoke on "Stewardship Expressed in Tithing." Rev. P. Hintze led the conference in a quiet moment of memorial in honor of those who passed on during the year.

Sunday was the climaxing day. Prof. Husmann brought an inspiring mission

sermon in the morning. This mission spirit seemed to carry over into the afternoon young people's meeting and into the closing service of the evening. This was expressed materially by bringing a total of \$545.63 for missions and benevolences in the offerings of the conference. Rev. R. Seibel brought the closing address on Sunday evening with the challenge, "I Want This Mountain."

The report of the churches bears an encouraging note in the fact that the churches baptized 32 more converts this year than the preceding year. Our mission offering increased \$2303 and the total contributions increased \$8000.

The host church, in spite of all handicaps, provided every need of the conference in a very commendable manner. Those attending the sessions experienced true Southern hospitality. The cordial fellowship with Christian friends added to the success of the meetings.

The new officers for the coming year are Rev. C. H. Seecamp, moderator; Rev. R. Seibel, secretary; Rev. D. Zimmerman, statistician; Rev. J. K. Warkentin, mission secretary.

Roy Seibel, Reporter.

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Viola V. Riske was born May 2, 1914 in the city of Chicago, Illinois. As a result of a deep spiritual experience, she was baptized at the Logan Square Baptist Church at the age of 13. In 1929 she united with the Forest Park Baptist Church, where she was known for her love for the Lord Jesus Christ and her faithfulness in everything that concerned the Christian life.

Stricken on July 15 with a heart attack, it was hoped that hers would be a prompt recovery. However, an unexpected change resulted in her death on August 10. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. C. B. Nordland, pastor of the Forest Park Church on Saturday, August 12, at the Matz Funeral Home in Chicago. Two hymns which she greatly loved, "In the Garden" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," were sung during the service. Interment took place on Monday, August 14, at St. Joseph, Michigan.

She leaves to mourn her father and mother, her sister Katherine, and her brother Roland, now in the service of the nation.

The realization that she was ready for and even expectant of her homegoing was a source of comfort to her loved ones.

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Women's Missionary Union

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One may refuse to pay the price of love, yet Jesus points out: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the earth and die, it abideth by itself alone; but if it die, it beareth much fruit." Spring after spring the farmer sows the choicest grain, instead of selling it in the market, because he knows that except it die it abideth alone. Vacant places on farms, in factories, in colleges, in homes and in our churches show that America made the great choice too. Sacrifice, self-surrender, death are the conditions of the highest life; selfishness means abiding alone.

Horace Tracy Pitkin did not hesitate at the choice, either for himself or for his little son. During the Boxer Rebellion, with wife and child far off in America, when murder and foul deeds had at last come to his own door, shortly before his tragic martyrdom, he called Lao-man, the faithful, to his side and gave one parting message: "Lao-man", he said, "tell the mother of little Horace to tell Horace that his father's last wish was that when he is twenty-five years of age, he should come to China as a missionary."

The question faces everyone of us as we give our time, prayers and money to the cause of Jesus Christ — what of my life? Am I sowing it deep down for the increase a hundred fold? To spend one's life for the highest cause, Christ's cause, is to fulfil God's plan for our life, be the years few or many.

Evangelism in Michigan

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for the special revival meetings held from July 10 to 23 in Carbon, Alberta, where the Rev. E. S. Fenske is the beloved pastor. The two stations, Freudental and Zion, united in erecting a large tent for these meetings in the village of Carbon. The attendance and interest increased to the last, and the Word of God proved its power to stir and to quicken. The church was greatly moved, and five young people yielded their hearts to their Savior. The sum of \$104.74 was given for missions.

We then served the church at Trochu, Alberta with God's rich blessing from July 24 to August 4. The Rev. C. Rempel is the faithful pastor. Pre-occupation by reason of pressing field work and rain hindered us, but God was working through his Word through it all, and we rejoiced in three conversions and in a number of re-consecrations. The mission offering was \$33.94.

Finally we were privileged to serve the church near Camrose, Alberta one week from August 6 to 11. The Rev. A. W. Teske has led the church effectively for two years. The interest in the messages increased from evening to evening, and the church was deeply stirred. A man of seventy years and a girl of ten years came to the Savior, and some twenty Christians re-consecrated their lives to God.

What's Happening

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● The Strassburg Baptist Church near Marion, Kansas, has called the Rev. Arthur Schulz of Unityville, South Dakota, as its pastor. Mr. Schulz has responded favorably and will begin his ministry on the new field on Oct. 15th, when he will succeed the Rev. Roy Seibel, now of Waco, Texas. Mr. Schulz was pastor of the Unityville and Spring Valley Baptist Churches in South Dakota, where he has rendered a very successful ministry.

● The Rev. R. Sigmund, formerly of Hettinger, No. Dak., began his ministry as the first pastor of our new church at Billings, Montana, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd. It was incorrectly stated in the August 15th issue of "The Baptist Herald" that Mr. Sigmund would enter the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School as a student this Fall. The Baptist Church in Billings will be organized soon and the promising new field will be given the energetic and consecrated leadership of this new pastor and his family.

● Upon the return of the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Ittermann and their family from an extended vacation trip in North Dakota and Canada during June and July, the Baptist Church of Emery, South Dakota, gave them a reception. After the recent Sunday evening service, a special lunch was served to all in the church parlors. While traveling, Mr. Ittermann assisted in pulpits at Streeter, No. Dak., Yorkton and Ebenezer, Sask., Canada. In the Emery Church the preachers and students who supplied the pulpit were the Reverends David Whipf of Freeman, So. Dak., John Wobig of St. Paul, Minn., William Jeschke of the Rochester Baptist Seminary, and Paul Glanzer of Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, Ill.

SPIRITUAL WASHING

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The ticket that opens for us the pearly gate is the robe of righteousness or the wedding garment. Are you wearing it? So the first result is that we have peace with God, we feel at ease.

The second result is that as long as we are in this life we delight in serving him. At the World's Fair every nation had its exhibit. What about God's Fair? We are to be exhibits for him here in this world. When people have new clothes to wear they love to show them off. Do we show off our new robe of righteousness?

According to the seventeenth verse of Revelation that is our work. "And the Spirit and the bride say, come." Yes, the Holy Spirit and the Church are to say to men everywhere: "Come and drink of the water of life freely."

Having been washed at Calvary, let us go forth as the custodians of the Truth, and as Jesus delighted to do the things that pleased the Father, so may we find delight in doing the things that please him who purchased our wedding garments for us.

Do You Know That...?

Column Edited by the
REV. A. R. BERNADT
of Burlington, Iowa

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There are now practically 1,000,000 Baptists in the various military services of the United States.

Bragging people remind us of the flea on the elephant who was heard to say, "Boy, didn't we shake that new bridge when we crossed it?"

Private Lew Ayres of movie fame is now an assistant Chaplain in New Guinea and plans to study for the ministry at the close of the war.

A good speech has a good beginning, and a good ending, both of which are kept very close together.

Recently Canada ruled that the contract entered into in mixed marriages did not bind either parent to bring up the children in the Roman Catholic faith. The Catholic Church has never allowed the test to be made in American courts.

It is said that some farms were so muddy this Spring that they had to jack up the cows to milk them.

The Presbyterian Church is investigating the charges of some of their ship chaplains that commanders will not allow them to preach repentance and hell-fire.

There is no justice, it seems, for if you make out your income tax correctly, you go to the poorhouse. If you don't, you go to jail.

Recently 100 employees of the Thatcher Manufacturing Co., of Long Island City stood at prayer while one of their fellow-workers, a colored man, was undergoing an operation. Two of the workers also donated blood for their stricken co-worker.

An Iowa professor says he finds five different kinds of dumbness. It is hard to believe that a prominent man like that should have met so few people.

"A Billion for Bricks, but How Much for Blueprints" is the caption of an interesting article dealing with the many plans to build and remodel churches after the war.

One toastmaster we heard was living proof that all oil cans are not in the toolbox.

Scriptures printed by the American Bible Society in 1943 if placed in a column would tower 226 times higher than the Empire State building!

We had a little dog named "August." August was fond of jumping at conclusions, especially at the wrong conclusions. One day he jumped at a mule's conclusion. The next day was the first of September.

A Negro says the most fitting punishment for Hitler would be to put him into a black skin and make him live the rest of his life in America.

A sophomore's definition of false doctrine was, "False doctrine is when a doctor gives the wrong stuff to a man."

Four thousand churches in Britain will be rebuilt with government aid after the war.