

A Seaman "Stands Watch" in the Pulpit

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The Baptist Church of McClusky, North Dakota has extended a call to the Rev. Arthur Fischer of Westington Springs, South Dak., to which he has given his favorable response. Mr. Fischer will begin his pastorate in McClusky on April 1st, where he will succeed the Rev. Rudolf Kaiser, now of Hettinger, North Dakota.

● The Rev. and Mrs. Fred Schmidt of Whitmouth, Manitoba, Can. have announced the birth of baby girl on Sunday, February 18, who has been named Marilyn. The Rev. and Mrs. Reuben Jeschke of Dayton, Ohio have announced that they have adopted their second boy, whose name is Thomas Alan. He is about two and one-half years old now and has been with Mr. and Mrs. Jeschke for about eight months.

● The Rev. Alfred R. Bernadt, pastor of the Oak Street Church of Burlington, Iowa, is serving as dean of the School of Religion for all Protestant churches of Burlington for the sixth consecutive year. The meetings were held on Tuesday evenings for six weeks from Feb. 20 to March 27 with an attendance of about 125 church workers, teachers and interested friends.

● The Rev. Wolfgang G. Gerthe, a recent graduate of the Rochester Baptist Seminary in the class of 1945, has accepted the call extended to him by the Germantown Baptist Church near Cathay, North Dakota. He will succeed the Rev. Daniel Klein, now of Henrietta, Texas. Although Mr. Gerthe finished his seminary course in January 1945, he will continue his studies until May of this year when he will assume the pastorate in the Germantown Church.

● The Baptist Church of Lehr, North Dakota has extended a call to the Rev. H. J. Waltereit of Fenwood, Saskatchewan, Canada to become its pastor, to which he has responded favorably. Mr. Waltereit will begin his pastorate in Lehr about May 1st, succeeding the Rev. Martin De Boer, now of Buffalo Center, Iowa. This is the most recent of several changes whereby pastors in our Canadian churches have crossed the border to assume charges in Baptist churches of the United States.

● The Women's Missionary Society of the Bethany Baptist Church near Camrose, Alberta celebrated its 30th anniversary on Feb. 25. Mrs. Robert Patterson of Edmonton, returned missionary from China, was the special speaker for the day. She related many incidents of her experiences and of

her work there. The mission offering amounted to \$62.00. "The Lord has richly blessed us as a society through all these years and to him be all the praise and glory", as reported by Mrs. P. A. Link, secretary.

● On Monday evening, Feb. 5, a pantry shower was given by the Hurnville Baptist Church near Henrietta, Texas for the Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Klein. The entire congregation met with the Kleins in the Henrietta schoolhouse for this occasion. After a brief program, the rest of the evening was spent in singing choruses and playing games. For the present, the church is meeting in the schoolhouse since the church building burned down to the ground. Plans are under way to secure a new church.

● Eighteen young people of the Baptist Church of Linton, North Dakota have received credit for the course, "Personal Factors in Character Building", in a leadership training class for 2 months taught by the pastor, Rev. H. J. Wilcke. Mr. Wilcke also brought the message at the Union Prayer Service of the World Day of Prayer in which the Evangelical and Methodist groups joined the Baptists for the occasion. The B. Y. P. U. is being given efficient and aggressive leadership by its president, Mrs. Gottlieb Kremer.

● Mr. John F. Miller of Clermont, Iowa, a member of the Baptist Church of Elgin, Iowa, celebrated his 73rd birthday on February 23 and with his wife observed their 49th wedding anniversary on the same day. Mr. Miller has recently made a remarkable recovery from a very serious illness and operation. He is the senior deacon of the church and for many years has served as the agent for the Publication Society in his church. We want to remember him in our prayers that God might continue to bless his testimony and use him in Kingdom service.

● The Rev. W. S. Argow of Erie, Pa., one of our retired ministers, served as interim pastor for several months in the First Baptist Church of Erie. The closing Sunday of his appreciated ministry was March 11. Mr. Argow also brought an address, "Youth and Democracy", at an Interfaith program on Feb. 20 in observance of Brotherhood Week held at the Erie Hebrew Institute. The other message brought at this program was delivered by Rabbi Bernard Lander of New York City. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Erie Youth Council, Erie Council of Churches and Jewish Youth Council.

● On Sunday evening, Feb. 25, the Calvary Baptist Church of Carrington, No. Dak., held a baptismal service with the Rev. Alfred Weisser bapt-

tizing three persons on confession of their faith, including his oldest daughter, Barbara. These were received into the church on Sunday, March 4, along with two other persons who joined by letter. The pastor taught a Christian leadership course from Feb. 26 to March 2 with 13 persons completing the course. The Junior department of the Sunday School contributed most of the money for a fine set of new flags for the church.

● From Feb. 11 to 16 the Baptist Church of Parkston, So. Dak., held evangelistic meetings with the Rev. M. Pekrul of Sioux Falls, So. Dak., assisting the pastor, Rev. H. G. Braun. The meetings were well attended and a fine, prayerful spirit manifested itself in the services. From March 4 to 9 Mr. Pekrul brought evangelistic messages every evening at the mission station at Tripp, So. Dak. The congregation there has bought the Reformed Church building and expects to remodel it for its use as soon as material and laborers are available. On Sunday, Feb. 4, Rev. H. G. Braun welcomed 4 new members into the fellowship of the Parkston Church.

● On Sunday, Feb. 25, Dr. William Kuhn, general missionary secretary, supplied the pulpit of the Baptist Church of Aplington, Iowa, during the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. Fred Lehr, who with Mrs. Lehr was visiting his son in an Army Hospital in California. On Sunday, March 11, he was the guest speaker in the Grace Church of Racine, Wis. On March 21 and 22 he spoke at union meetings of the Immanuel and Second Churches of New York, N. Y., and brought the address at the 50th anniversary program of the Girl's Home of New York City. He spoke at the midweek service of the Evergreen Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., on March 23, and was the guest speaker at the Pilgrim and Fleischmann Memorial Churches of Philadelphia, Pa., on Palm Sunday, March 25.

● On Sunday evening, Feb. 25, a Sacred Concert was held at the Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass. Much work and prayer were put into making it a success. Well over 200 people attended the concert, and it was greatly appreciated by all. The offering was designated to pay for the new choir robes, which the choir used for the first time that evening. Featured artists included the Rock Hill Senior Choir directed by Mr. Keith Hatfield; Mrs. C. M. Keir, concert organist; Lena Samsel, soprano soloist; William Davis, tenor soloist; Keith Hatfield, baritone soloist; Kathleen Longstaff, violinist; and Karl Zeise, cellist. The church's annual missionary conference was held from April 3 to 5 and April 8.

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Coming!

THE SPRINGTIME OF THE SOUL

The glory of spring and the rapturous joys of the Christian life are given poetic expression and Biblical exposition in this fine sermon by the Rev. Herbert Hiller, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, New York.

BIBLES—NOT BOMBS!

The American Bible Society, of which Mr. Walter W. Grosser of Oak Park, Ill., is a vice-president, is doing a remarkable job in distributing Bibles in these chaotic war times. Mr. Grosser relates this story in an article which will be informing and thrilling for every reader.

HOME MISSION FIELDS

The Mexican Mission of Saguache, Colorado, and the newly organized Baptist Church of Billings, Montana, are two important home mission fields of our denomination in the colorful part of U. S. A. "Out Where the West Begins." God's blessings upon those fields will be vividly portrayed in these two important articles.

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Faith of Our Fighters

DURING one of the darkest hours in early American history, someone wrote Benjamin Franklin a letter, saying pessimistically: "The sun of liberty has set." The great old patriot wrote back, "Then light up the candles!"

In times of world confusion and darkness the Christian's individual witness stands out with unusual brightness. On battlefields of war, soldiers light their candles of faith in the lonely foxholes in which they have sought refuge. The faithful testimony of a sailor or soldier by showing what it means to live for Christ among his buddies is a light that no one can put out.

It is impossible for anyone to predict what kind of peace treaties will be written after the close of this war. Our most ardent hope is that the four freedoms will be written into the life of the post-war world. But we must steel ourselves against the hard facts of the world of today and be prepared for disillusionments that are bound to come like an avalanche upon us. Much of the light of great social idealisms is bound to suffer a terrible, horrifying eclipse.

In such days, my soul, take courage! Forget not to light up the candles of your faith. "Let your light so shine among men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Christianity is substantially the sum total of millions of candles afire for God. Together they burn as a bright light which "shineth in darkness."

A lad at the front tells how he had to hit the foxholes in a hurry one night. He had taken a devotional booklet with him, which he later read with the aid of a match. This prayer seemed to speak to his particular need at that hour: "Master, we thank thee that no blackout can blot out the light of thy face. Help us to keep singing of thy love, while we watch and pray for the lights to come on again."

This is the faith of our fighters, which this issue of "The Baptist Herald" so aptly describes. In lonely foxholes and outposts of duty as well as on dangerous missions of war these boys from our churches are true to the faith of their hearts in Jesus Christ. They are lighting up their candles all over the world!

To the two thousand young men and women in Service receiving "The Baptist Herald" we want to say this brief word: "Keep the flag of your faith flying high! Speak a good word for Jesus Christ! Live at your best for him! Even when it is dark around you, light up the candles of your life for Christ, the greatest Conqueror of all times!"



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This is a common sight in times of war as streams of suffering humanity leave their bomb destroyed cities and seek a place of refuge

When the Boys Come Marching Home

A Timely Message by REV. HAROLD L. RETZKE, a Student at Northern Baptist Seminary and a Member of the Gross Park Immanuel Church of Chicago, Ill.

JOHNNY will come marching home again. This hope is ringing in many hearts today. The Christian Church should now be asking herself whether, after all, we have truly prepared ourselves for this momentous homecoming. Are we true to our mission in this world?

The church has seen all mankind in its various trials and has offered help, but found to its bitter dismay the insufficiency of its resources. Churches have made statements against war, promoted schemes for peace, but still the march of wars goes on. Christendom has set up plans for moral and religious education, seeking to instill good-will and brotherly love, but individual and social disintegration continues. Looking back at its inadequacy and the continual futility of its works, how can it help but see what a revitalization it needs?

The church of today needs to take inventory, to see exactly where she stands and what she is doing to further the joy of salvation in men's hearts of today. In a recent article by Chaplain Roderick Hurley, attached to the Marine Corps in the South Pacific, he says that Sunday sermons won't be enough to satisfy the men and women in the post-war era. We must offer them an opportunity for social activity, for them to be a part of the community and to work for Christ and his Kingdom. It is his earnest belief that the church must exercise its powers in all directions, to a much larger extent, than it has ever realized.

Well organized churches that will offer these returning men and women every possible aid in the readjustment

of their lives to normal times is sadly needed. We need to be not only spiritual advisors, but to assist in placing these war-torn individuals in their rightful place in society. We as the church need to set the standard of morality on such a high level that these returning people will seek our counsel and guidance for their future goal.

We need to realize and emphasize to them the words of Paul in the third chapter of his letter to the Philippians where he says, "forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before," to press toward the mark. We, the Bride of the Lamb, should endeavor to instill in these minds the necessity of not reliving those dreadful, wearisome days, but to set before these returning campaigners a goal for which

they can strive. We should guide them and be a constant companion for them until reasonably sure that they will not stray from the fold.

But in this assistance that the church is offering, it must not forget its prime purpose, to seek and to save those who are lost in sin. That was the reason which sent Judson to Burma, Carey to India, and Livingstone to Africa. Spiritual transformation is still the world's greatest need, and it is one thing that the world will never try to mock nor deem unnecessary.

The influence and position of the church in the minds and hearts of these individuals in the post-war world will entirely depend upon this fact, how unceasingly it will attend to its primary function. By remaining true to its initial purpose, it will strengthen

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To You in Our Country's Service

By ETHEL L. RENNISON of Davenport, Iowa

Wherever you are in service
On land, on sea or in air,
Dear Friends, we think of you often
And remember you in prayer.

How little we know of the dangers,
The hardships and trials you face;
Only the Lord can comfort
And give you sustaining grace.

May God forgive our indifference,
And make us more zealous to pray
That you may be kept from all evil,
And brought safely home some day.

May you trust in the blood of Jesus
That cleanses our souls from sin;
May you yield to the Holy Spirit
And have peace and joy within.

And so to the Lord we commend you,
To his wise and loving care;
For he who is here with the home folks
Is with you, each one, everywhere!

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the Word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." (Acts. 20:32)

My Church in Washington, D. C.

By ELVIRA M. ENGEL, YIC, USNR-W,
Formerly a Member of the Baptist Church, Avon, South Dakota

I WOULD like to share with you a bit of my church life as a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Washington, D. C.

A Sunday at Calvary is a busy but a pleasant day for us. We begin our morning worship with Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. Several groups meet for "Opening Exercises" to take care of the many departments of the Sunday School. Following Sunday School is our morning service with Dr. Clarence Cranford as pastor. The attendance averages more than two thousand each Sunday morning, which is certainly inspiring in itself to see this mass of people congregating to hear the Word of God.



Elvira M. Engel, a "Wave" in the United States Naval Reserve

After the morning service we all proceed to what is called the "hand-shaking room". Here is where the young people take an active part. On weekends thousands of service people visit the city, and it is our primary motive as young people at Calvary to see that all newcomers are made to feel welcome. So, if there is someone there who looks strange to us, we go and shake hands with him and during the course of introduction, etc., we invite him to go to the dinner club which is another name for the gathering of all young people for dinner at a cafeteria on Sunday. Aside from the dining room at the cafeteria, we have a recreation room where we gather around the piano and sing choruses and become better acquainted with all who are new.

Following dinner, we all join hands and form what is called a "Friendship Circle." This circle is a symbol of "Unbroken Fellowship" of Christians throughout the world, for the people who comprise this circle come from all parts of the world. Having joined hands, we are ready for the announcements of the church activities of the week. Over on one side of the circle you may hear someone say, "A group

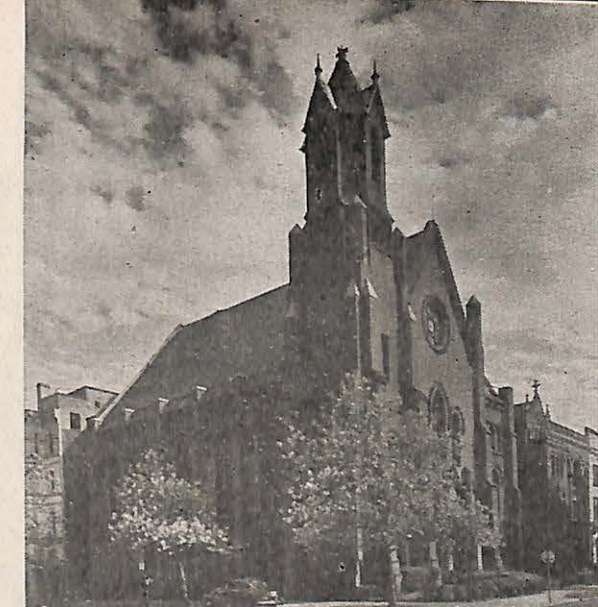
of us are going to visit the Home of the Incurables this afternoon, and all who would like to go meet us over here at the close", or someone else might say, "Another group is going through the Capitol," and yet another might suggest going to Walter Reed Hospital to visit the soldiers.

The sightseeing tours for the afternoon being completed, we again direct our attention to the leader for the weekday activities, but he alone doesn't announce them. Before he has a chance to say something, someone announces a roller skating party for Monday night or if it happens to be the second or fourth Monday in the month BSU is announced for that night. BSU is our Baptist Student Union where young people from all the Baptist Churches of the city meet for one solid hour and really study and delve into the Scriptures. This meeting is closed with family altar in which we share Christian experiences with one another.

On Tuesday night all who are members of the Youth Choir attend choir practice from 6:30 to 8:00 P. M. Wednesday night is Senior Choir practice at 6:30 and at 8:00 P. M. we go to prayer meeting. Young people are quite prominent at prayer meeting in the Calvary Church, for we feel the need of bringing ourselves closer to God and to help us the rest of the week.

On Thursday night there may be a Commission Meeting to plan our young people's meetings for the coming month, for we know that organization and development to further the work of our Lord through us as young people are very essential.

For Friday night someone may announce a party that Carey or Seagrave B. Y. is having. It may be a hayride, ice-skating, or perhaps a party down to the church, but whatever type of



The Calvary Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., which ministers to hundreds of Service People in Our National Capital

party it turns out to be we always have a lot of fun. Another activity on Friday night is "Happy Hour". Any young people who are interested in working with underprivileged children are requested to come to "Happy Hour." At "Happy Hour", underprivileged children of the area are taught to do things with their hands, something to do in a pleasant environment in the way of a bit of recreation and relaxation.

The announcement for Saturday night is a standing announcement because that is the night for our Church Door Canteen from 6:30 to 11:00 P. M. for all Service people and civilians. This Canteen offers a bit of recreation, music, refreshments, something different than what the Service person will find at the usual USO's. It is a place where we can go and feel the presence of God.

Of course, one cannot attend and participate in all these activities, but young people who want to develop spiritually through service in music, or working with underprivileged children, or to be recreational leaders or workers in B. Y. P. U., certainly have the opportunity to do so at Calvary. Speaking of B. Y. P. U., we have four Unions to take care of the different age groups and recently a Junior Hi

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While Pastor Cranford Plays the Piano, Some of the Church Young People, Including Wave Elvira Engel (Left), Gather Around and Sing Familiar Songs and Hymns



—Acme Photo

An American Soldier Makes Friends Easily With These Three French Girls, Four Year Old Triplets Named Chantal, Jacqueline and Georgette

A Packet of Service Men's Letters

Some of the Many Letters Received from Service Men of Our Churches

This Chaplain Really Enjoys Himself!

By CHAPLAIN OTTO NALLINGER,
Pastor of the Salt Creek Baptist Church near Dallas, Oregon. Now on Leave of Absence as U. S. Army Chaplain.

I am enjoying England. I have had opportunity to see most of it. You might be interested to know that I came over on the same boat with Chaplain Donald Davis of Wasco, Calif. We were in the same cabin and had a good time together.

This week I spent two days with Chaplain Frank Woyke in London. We had a good time talking and seeing London together. Next week I shall see Lester Voth, one of my boys from the Salt Creek Church of Oregon, who has been over here for two years. That will be quite a treat for me.

I am keeping busy with my unit and another unit close by, where I hold services on Sunday afternoons. In addition, I am doing Special Service work and take care of Orientation lectures. I am getting good experiences and am having a good time.

A New Year's Watch Night Service in England

By Lt. EDWARD G. FIEDLER
Somewhere in England

(Lt. Fiedler is a Member of the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Newark, New Jersey)

I have just received my first copy of "The Baptist Herald" since I left the states. I was very glad to get it because it gives the news of the home churches. I also want to thank you for the Christmas booklet sent by the

conference. It was a very interesting book. I gave it to my Chaplain to read and he enjoyed it also.

In our chapel here in England we have a Bible class on Thursday evenings in which we study the book of Acts. It is very interesting and our service ends with special prayers. Sometimes on Sunday evenings we go to the local churches here in England. Their services are interesting but different. Last night, New Year's Eve, we had a Watch Night service which was very good.

I have been over here five months and can say that God has blessed me all that time even as he has done during my entire life.

The Influence of a Christian Training Upon a U. S. Sailor

By Seaman WALTER KLAPSTEIN
of the United States Navy
(A Member of the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington)

Greetings in the precious name of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ! What a joy it is to have the privilege of upholding his name in the service, where men so frequently and thoughtlessly crucify him afresh every day. If they only really realized the truth, I'm sure that there would be a lot less profanity and blasphemy and sacrilege in the Navy.

SENTENCE SERMON

"When God closes one door, he invariably opens others."

I've talked with any number of men, and I'm amazed at how many of them have had good Christian training, coming from Christian homes. Still, when they get away from their home environment, they find the going a little bit tough, so they just throw in the sponge and take the easy way of the world. What a challenge it is for us, who truly know him as our Lord and Savior to be courageous and faithful in his service and to prove through our lives that he is abundantly able to keep and protect through any and every circumstance of life.

I can personally testify to the incomparable joy and fulness of life which come through the daily walk with him. "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may be able to abound to every good work." (2 Cor. 9:8.)

I want to thank my friends and loved ones at my home church for making it possible for me to get "The Baptist Herald". I have received many blessings from it. It's always good to be able to keep up with the news from home, but my greatest blessings have been from the devotional and missionary articles. My, what great doors of opportunity there are these days to send forth the glad gospel tidings. May He find us ever ready to go with willing and humble hearts! "Who will raise up for me against the evil doers? Who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?" (Ps. 94:16).

Blessing and Inspiration from "the Baptist Herald"

By ROBERT MOSER
(Somewhere in Australia)

I have been owing you a letter ever since I have been in the Army. Do forgive me. Time flies by so fast that one hardly has time to think.

I have been reading "The Baptist Herald" every month and receive an inspiration and blessing from it. You can be assured that I will be a lifetime subscriber to it. It does one good to read of the Baptist work at home.

You see, I have a special interest in the Baptist work. Besides being married to a Baptist girl, my father is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Decatur, Indiana. Also my grandfather, Rev. August Pistor, now deceased, was pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church of Forest Park, Ill.

So I guess the Baptist denomination is born in me. My grandmother, who passed on recently, was Mrs. Pistor. I often remember how she used to speak of the Rev. Theo. W. Dons.

In an issue of some time ago, I especially enjoyed the article on "A Soldier's Prayer Life."

The article entitled, "On the Trail of the Red Man", also proved to be very interesting, especially so to me since one of my buddies is a full-blooded Sioux Indian.

Do continue the good work. You are in my prayers daily. To whom ever is responsible for my subscription to the magazine, I say, "Many, many thanks!"

Celebrating Christmas With the U. S. Ninth Army Somewhere In Germany

By Sgt. R. R. SCHILBERG
(A Member of the Baptist Church of Bessie, Oklahoma and a Former Enthusiastic Participant in the Oklahoma Young People's and S. S. Workers' Union Institutes)

I receive my issues of "The Baptist Herald" quite regularly even here "somewhere in Germany."

I agree that the whole world should be linked together in Christian fellowship. I have learned from contact with the enemy that it is only through Christ, our Lord, that that fellowship can come. It is humanly impossible to fight an enemy without bitterly hating him. I must admit I cannot feel merciful toward an enemy whom I must fight, and yet I shudder when I think of the destruction of humanity which this war is causing.

We are burning gasoline in a black-out building and it does not make any too good a light, and if you notice a lot of soot on the paper, do not be surprised. I am almost as black as a Negro from working in the room.

We were moved from our front line positions before Christmas so we (my organization) were truly out of the fox holes before Christmas, but we expect to return to them shortly. We had turkey for dinner but not quite all the trimmings. It was swell, just the same.

On Christmas Eve we were in some cellars. The Chaplain passed out some leaflets which had a sermonette and some carols on them. So we elected one fellow to read the sermonette and then we sang Christmas carols. I was quite popular in the carol singing because I knew the melodies best of all, thanks to my exposure to a Christian atmosphere when I was very young.

On Christmas morning everything was frosty and we did not have to work, so it really seemed like Christmas even here. To help our spirits along, some fellow set up a pine tree which we found, so we did celebrate!

Yes! I've had some breath taking experiences but thus far I have been very fortunate. I have not even gotten a bad scratch. I am thankful for the protecting hand which God has kept over me. I am aware of the prayers that are offered in my behalf by the young people of different churches and am thankful for the thoughtfulness of my brothers and sisters in Christ.

God Was My Co-Pilot in Flights Over Europe

By Capt. VICTOR H. PRENDINGER, JR.,
Twenty-first Bomber Command,
Now Somewhere in the South Pacific
(Capt. Victor H. Prendinger is the Son of the Rev. and Mrs. Victor H. Prendinger of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, New Jersey)

I want to express my appreciation for the spiritual guidance and inspiration I receive in reading "The Baptist Herald." The one thing I missed most of all while in England was Christian fellowship. The chapel services were very encouraging, but they lacked the fellowship for which I longed. The only link I had was the "Herald".

It seems that combat offers a good excuse for loose morals. That idea of



Captain Victor H. Prendinger, Jr., of the 21st Bomber Command of the U. S. Air Corps, the Son of Rev. and Mrs. Victor H. Prendinger of Jersey City, New Jersey

"here today and gone tomorrow." Naturally, no one wishes to be killed but I was glad to have the assurance that death was nothing to be feared as long as my Savior was with me.

My favorite Psalm is Psalm 91. Whenever I was alerted this Psalm was like God speaking to me and quieting all my fears.

God was more than good to me. In all the plans in which I flew, there was never an injured person. We would be shot full of holes with many narrow escapes, but no person was ever touched. Sometimes our crew would be split up to fly another ship. Each time someone was either injured or shot down.

When I explained that a lot of people were praying, my crew always asked me to ask that the prayers continue. They often admitted that they would pray when in danger. But too many forgot to give thanks when the danger was past and slipped back to worldly affairs.

One incident which will always stay with me happened to my best friend. His grandfather was a Methodist minister and from our many talks he revealed a very religious family. He could recite and sing many verses and old hymns. But after a few missions he started to drink very heavily. In the club he would denounce God, ridicule the virgin Mary and make parodies of hymns. Many officers who were not religious would warn him not to act like a fool and slowly he became disliked by most of the men.

When he was the only one killed of his crew, many felt as though God had turned his wrath on him. It

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sobered many of his fellow pals who had gone through these nightly orgies with him. Whenever I think of him I can only ask God for guidance to stay closer in the footsteps of Jesus Christ who has done so much for me.

I will never cease giving thanks to God for bringing me through all the dangers safely. As I look back I can only be grateful for a Christian mother and father who have shown me that it pays to serve Christ. All my life is a series of wonderful experiences of God's guiding hand.

Interesting Services In Florida's Southern Baptist Churches

By Pfc. MILTON B. BROECKEL
of Ft. Myers, Florida
(Pfc. Broeckel is a son of Rev. and Mrs. E. Broeckel, now of American Falls, Idaho)

Yesterday morning we had a very interesting topic for the morning service at the Baptist Church in Ft. Meyers. Dr. Hudson McMillan, formerly an instructor and missionary in China, brought us a message which I shall never forget. His theme was, "Unto the Progress of the Gospel". In this he told us of his experiences as a prisoner of the Japanese.

Last night Virgil E. Havens spoke on "The Church of Christ in the Congo". I am sorry that I had to work and didn't have time to go and listen to him. The topic by itself brings a message of its own.

These two men gave the first of a group of sermons given for the "Chain of Missions". I believe that most of the Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist Convention observe this as we in the Middle West observe our Mission Festivals.

The following four stanzas of a poem were written by my father, Rev. E. Broeckel. I'll have to let the poem give its own message to you. It's too hard for me to try to explain what it means to me, but I can assure you that it has been a great blessing to me.

HEART THROBS

My heart goes out to meet you,
Wherever you may be,
At home, or on the battle front,
Or on the raging sea.

My thoughts are with you ever,
Remembering you in prayer,
That Jesus Christ who never fails,
May protect you in His care.

So 'tis in our pilgrimage
Through life while here on earth,
It gains in love, in fellowship,
And adds to its real worth.

So heart with heart united,
We, our lives together share,
And so united with our Lord,
Commit us to his care.

I really enjoy reading "The Baptist Herald". It brings back many pleasant memories that couldn't be brought back by anything except a good church paper.

I used to save all my papers so that I could read them many times. Now since I am back in the United States again, I pass them on to the boys who I know would like to read them.

This camp is only a few miles from the little town of Ft. Myers, so I attend the Baptist Church in town whenever it is possible. I really enjoy going to services when I can be sure that they are led by a Baptist.



The Planting of a Cedar Tree in a Reforestation Area by One of America's C. O.'s

They Also Serve!

The Story of Conscientious Objectors in This War by
**BURNELL E. FRANKE, a Member of the Baptist
 Church of North Freedom, Wisconsin**

WOULD you like to know how conscientious objectors are serving their country? My aim, as a North American Baptist conscientious objector in Civilian Public Service, is to present some facts about the group as a whole and especially about C. P. S.

A conscientious objector is any person, whether called to military service or not, who refuses to support the conduct of a war or to profit directly or indirectly from the war. The main difference between the two types of conscientious objectors is a matter of degree. There are those who cannot support military conscription, and they usually refuse to register for induction, for which offense they are given a prison sentence. Probably a large majority of us, although we too may be somewhat opposed to conscription, feel that our testimony must be an active expression of the method of reconciliation, even if the expression of such involves us indirectly in the war system.

Provision for C. O.'s

When conscription began in 1940, Selective Service made provision for conscientious objectors in the following ways. Either we could go to the Army as non-combatant servicemen doing medical work, (IA-O); or we might go to a Civilian Public Service camp to do work of national importance under civilian direction, but not directly help the war effort. If we refused either of these, we would be sentenced to prison, as over 3,000 fellows have been because of their convictions.

The number of conscientious objectors in IA-O service is unknown. In

October, 1944 there were over 7,500 in Civilian Public Service. There are about 105 C. P. S. camps and units throughout the United States. Work in the base camps, which is quite similar to that done by the Civilian Conservation Corps, is mostly protection and conservation of natural resources such as forests, farmland, and wild life, while work in the special service units has to do chiefly with human conservation such as work in hospital training schools, medical research, hookworm control and other human conservation projects.



Big Trees in the Siskiyou National Forest

Except for three camps administered by the government, most of the C. P. S. camps and units are administered by the three historic Peace Churches—the Friends or Quakers, the Brethren, and the Mennonites, although various other religious groups are beginning to administer some projects in connection with Civilian Public Service. It costs these church groups about \$35.00 a month per man for maintenance and, since we do not get any compensation from the government for our 8½ hours work a day, the peace churches give us an allowance of \$2.50 a month.

The object of giving the administration of C. P. S. camps to the churches was to give the religious groups of America an opportunity to demonstrate their faith in a type of life that does away with the necessity of war.

Life at Camp No. 59

Some of the things which have impressed me about conscientious objectors since I came to C. P. S. Camp Number 59 at Elkton, Oregon in May,

THREE THOUSAND EASTER LETTERS

Between March 5 and 20 a total of 3000 packets with an Easter card greeting, a specially printed Easter letter and the leaflet, "Psalms of Modern Life in Pictures," were sent to 3000 of our churches' Service Men and Women all over the face of the globe. This is a ministry which is rendered every quarter by our denomination under the auspices of the General Council. However, only those Service People received the letters whose addresses were forwarded to headquarters in response to our urgent requests.

1943, are the cooperative and democratic way in which they do things and the fact that no military discipline is necessary to keep the camp running smoothly. Living with fellows who have many different religious philosophies, one tends to improve and enlarge his own philosophy. The camp at Elkton is one of about 20 camps and units administered by the American Friends Service Committee, and there are about 130 of us assigned there now. The government agency for which we are working is the Oregon and California Revested Lands Administration, which is a self-supporting forestry agency under the General Land Office.

Civilian Public Service Camp No. 59 with the main camp near Elkton has various side camps some distance from the main camp. The two most permanent of these are a tree nursery and a road building camp. During the rainy season, which is the winter, there is usually a tree planting side camp, such as the one where about thirty of us are now.

We are planting trees in the area known as the Tilamook Burn. It was burned over in 1933 and again in 1939, which left hundreds of thousands of acres desolate. This was probably the most destructive forest fire which America has ever known as far as timber loss is concerned because it burned over 320,000 acres of virgin

Douglas Fir trees. An astounding fact in regard to this fire is that over 270,000 acres of it burned within 20 hours.

A Million Trees Planted

Last year we planted about a million trees in this area and probably more than that will be planted this year. We are helping to execute about the most efficient method of keeping forests in this country which is planting a square mile of trees for each square mile that is logged. During the summer we are available for fighting forest fires at any time and are usually called on several times every year.

Our work schedule and length of service are about the same as that of most of our friends in the Armed Forces, but we do not get any salary, clothes, or dependency allotments from the government such as do the servicemen so that we are practically wholly dependent upon the religious organizations for our support.

Although most conscientious objectors have some religious reason for objecting to war, there are some who object to war on political and economic grounds. Undoubtedly, most of us take the Christian stand but even there, we have different reasons for opposing war.

For instance, some of us may just be obeying the commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Kill", while some of us cannot reconcile the slaughter in connection with war with the New Testament doctrine of brotherly love. A lot of us feel that a Christian should overcome evil with good. These varying opinions may be what helps to make our worship services so inspiring.

The Sincerity of These Men

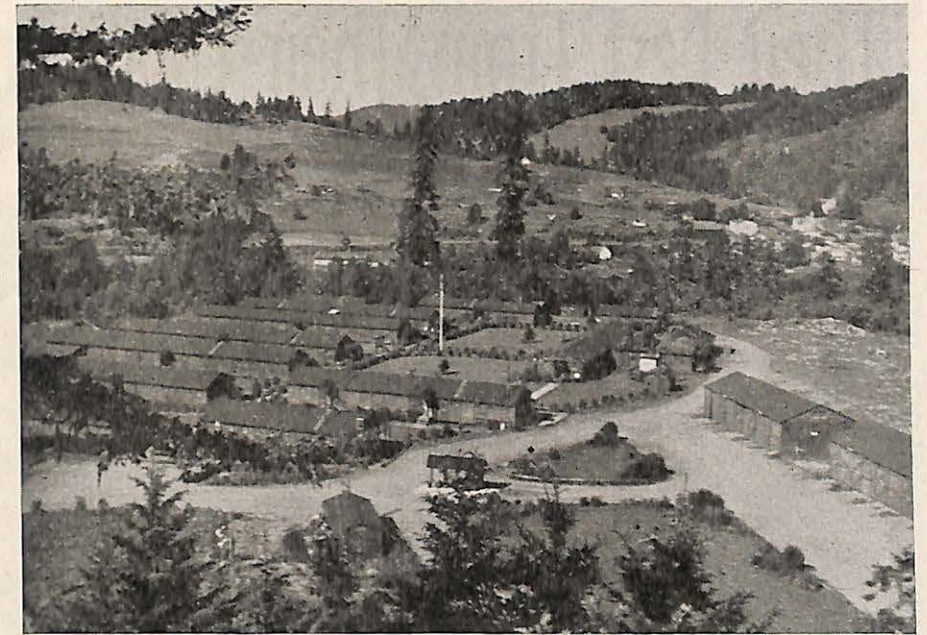
We as pacifists and conscientious objectors (all C. O.'s are not pacifists or peacemakers nor are all pacifists necessarily C. O.'s) realize that we are a minority group but feel that we must follow our conscience as we think most other people do except that their conscience may allow them to go a bit farther than ours, in supporting war, for instance.

One might ask and quite fairly so if "conchies", as we are often called, are mostly "draft dodgers" or if we are really sincere.

This sincerity is quite well tested by our local draft boards before we are given our IV-E classification for Civilian Public Service. Quite likely most conscientious objectors are sincere enough to die for their country and humanity, as is shown by some of the dangerous jobs taken by fellows such as parachute jumping to fight forest fires, "guinea pig" experiments in diet, nutrition and disease control on diseases such as typhus, cancer, pneumonia, malaria, yellow jaundice, and others.

Many of us would like to serve in the war torn countries doing reconstruction and rehabilitation work and some have gone to China, for instance, to do such work but Congress made a ruling which put a stop to conscientious objectors serving abroad.

We have a very high regard for those in the Armed Forces and respect



Camp No. 59 at Elkton, Oregon, for Conscientious Objectors

My Church in Washington

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group was started. The programs presented by the young people in the different groups are very interesting.

It is also very interesting to see all these young people go to the auditorium for our Sunday night church service. I am sure that God is working through us at Calvary Church to reach out to other young people who are in dire need of spiritual blessing. I can sincerely say that I, as a Wave in Washington, D. C. have received much enjoyment and blessing working in this grand church.

Thus winds up another week in the city, not an ordinary week where we have enjoyed Christian Fellowship, but a week where we have walked with God and felt his guidance.

HELP FOR THE C. O.'s
 In addition to our 6000 and more Service Men and Women in the Armed Forces of the United States and Canada, we have a group of about 30 young men in United States and Canadian camps for conscientious objectors.
 Cognizant of this fact, the General Missionary Committee has already made a grant of money to the Emergency Fund of the Northern Baptist Convention for helping Conscientious Objectors and a study is being made "with a view to making arrangements for their systematic support."

them for what they are doing, and much as we would like to do work as important as theirs, we feel that if our conscience or "that part of God within each of us", prevents us we must follow it and hope we are justified in doing so.



The Library is a Center of Spare-time Activity at the Conscientious Objectors' Camp

"They Rest From Their Labors"

In Sacred Memory of 2nd Lieutenant Herbert G. Heinz of Philadelphia, Pa.

By Rev. HERMAN PALFENIER, Pastor of the Pilgrim Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

On Sunday, Feb. 14, the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., gathered for a memorial service in honor of Herbert G. Heinz, one of her sons who answered the call of his country and sealed his devotion and loyalty with the last full measure of sacrifice, the giving of his own life.

At the age of 12 years he was converted and baptized into the fellowship of the Pilgrim Church whose faithful and loyal member he remained to the day of his death. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps on May 24, 1943, received his training in the different training centers and was sent overseas in August 1944. On August 27, 1944 he was killed on his first mission over Germany.

His family and his church feel his loss very keenly, for he was a splendid young man, modest and unassuming, but with a fine Christian character, loved and respected by all who knew him. May the Lord comfort and strengthen his loved ones to bear this loss with Christian fortitude in the sure hope of a glad reunion with him in the Glory Land.

May the Lord speed the day, of which the prophet wrote when he said: "And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people: And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." (Isa. 2:4).



2nd Lt. Herbert G. Heinz of Philadelphia, Pa.

THE SACRIFICE SUPREME

Written in memory of Herbert G. Heinz who gave his life for his country. By his pastor Rev. H. Palfenier.

Thou, brother, friend, wast called in to the fray

To give thy best, thy life, the enemy to stay;

The record of the years, thy pilgrimage on earth,

Was broken like the wings of a swift soaring bird,

That, bravely breasting storms and clouds, flies on

But to be stricken by the hunter's gun.

Thus did the sudden breaking of thy mortal clay

Release thine ever-living spirit for the Way.

We mourn thee not, as those who have no God,

Afar by faith we see that day, the rending of the clod;

When broken pinions shall in wondrous luster shine

And soar with power unsurpassed through realms divine;

When peace shall fill this earth from pole to pole

And God shall fill the universe, in righteousness, the whole!

Then God's own will shall reign throughout his vast domain

And he upon the throne shall be, the Sacrifice Supreme!

When the Boys Come Home

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itself and prove helpful to this world as the channel of re-creation of an outcast humanity through the power and force of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This means to bring them under conviction and to lead them to our God. We who will endeavor to do this must exhibit sturdy faith and hope. Then and only then can we as the Christian Church bring about achievements such as were experienced in the New Testament times, and take our rightful place in the post-war era.

NEW BIBLES

Owing to the difficulty in securing Bibles in well-known bindings and styles it is gratifying to be able to advertise a few new numbers.

The following four Bibles we have not carried heretofore:

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Flexible leather, Size 4½x6¾ inches and 1¼ inches thick. Overlapping cover, red under gold edges, center column references, pronouncing, 256 pages concordance and other helps including maps. Bold face type. Very compact.

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Leatheroid, hard cover, square corners, extra large bold type. Size 5½x8¼ inches. Center column references, self-pronouncing, family record and maps.

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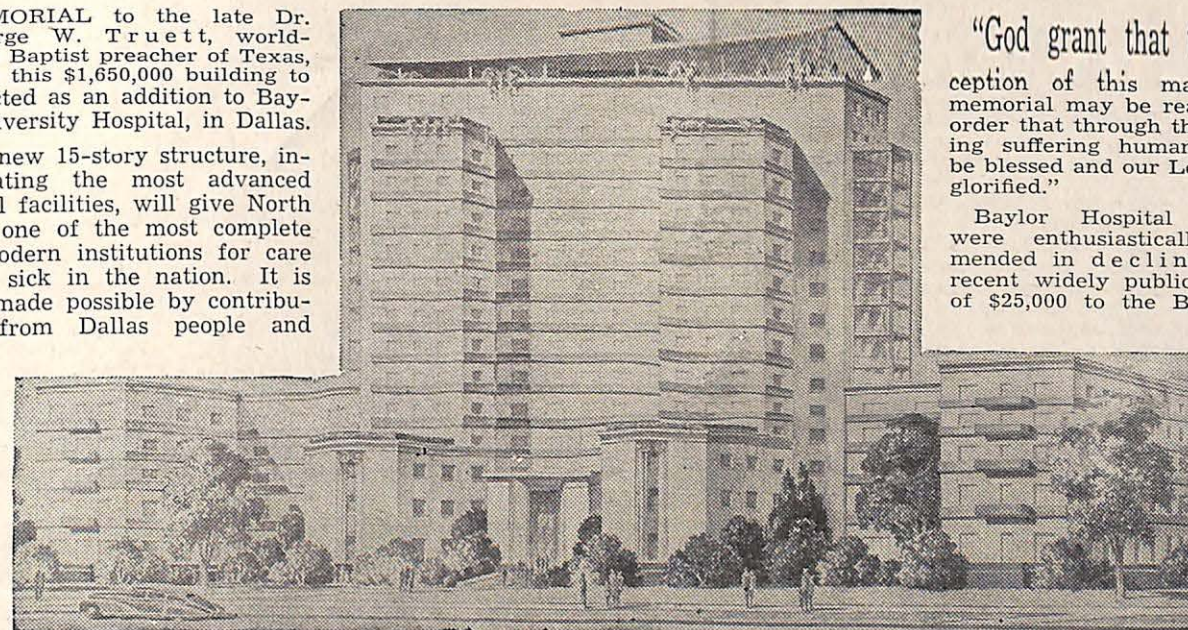
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Memorial to Dr. George W. Truett

Article Prepared by Rev. WILFRED HELWIG of Dallas, Texas

A MEMORIAL to the late Dr. George W. Truett, world-famous Baptist preacher of Texas, will be this \$1,650,000 building to be erected as an addition to Baylor University Hospital, in Dallas.

The new 15-story structure, incorporating the most advanced medical facilities, will give North Texas one of the most complete and modern institutions for care of the sick in the nation. It is being made possible by contributions from Dallas people and



"God grant that the conception of this magnificent memorial may be realized, in order that through this building suffering humanity may be blessed and our Lord Jesus glorified."

Baylor Hospital trustees were enthusiastically commended in declining the recent widely publicized gift of \$25,000 to the Baylor-in-

Texas Baptists. The fund will also provide new buildings for the Baylor College of Dentistry and School of Nursing.

The Truett Memorial Building, with 400 beds, will double the capacity of the hospital. Each floor will have two solariums, facing morning and afternoon sun. A roof garden atop the fifteenth floor will be used for convalescent patients. The building will have thirteen operating suites, 400 private patients' rooms and will house the William Buchanan Blood Bank, the X-ray department, research and general laboratories, library, chapel and other technical and service departments.

"Lives of great men all reminds us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

The beautiful memorial buildings which are to be added to Baylor Hospital here in Dallas are those footprints that will follow the life of this world-famous preacher of the Gospel, the late Dr. George W. Truett. Throughout his life he was marked everywhere as one living only for the benefit of others. His earthly career was brought to an end when the Lord saw that his work was done, and he took him to his eternal reward. However, Dr. Truett was one of those men whose works will continue even after death. Today, Baptists of Dallas and throughout Texas are busy erecting this fitting memorial which is to carry on that unselfish ambition in whose honor it is to be erected.

The following quotation from a letter by Mrs. George W. Truett to Mr. Charles R. Moore reveals the keen interest which her husband showed in Baylor University Hospital and her

estimate as to how fitting this memorial is to the memory of Dr. Truett.

"The Baylor University hospital and the schools forming the Baylor Unit in Dallas grew into my husband's very being. Next to his church this very institution held first place in his heart and life.

"He would not care for a great monument of stone or marble, no matter how beautiful its workmanship, but if he could know that the great institution into which he had put so much of his young lifeblood in its early days, and to which he devoted his best years, was now to benefit through his homegoing, his heaven would be two heavens in 'Immanuel's land.'"



George W. Truett, D. D., LL. D.
1867-1944

Dallas campaign by organized liquor interests in the city.

It was brought out that the fund was from the proceeds of an assessment made upon sales of liquor over a three-day period many weeks after the civic campaign in Dallas for the Truett Memorial building had closed. The attempted donation was announced in the papers before the check had been received.

Dr. Wallace Bassett, a board member, declared, "The trustees of Baylor University do not have to have pressure brought upon them to do right."

"I had rather have a two-story building with a good conscience," declared Dr. W. Marshall Craig, another board member, "than 40 stories without it."

DR. TRUETT'S GREATNESS

An Editorial in the Dallas "Times Herald" on July 8, 1944, a Few Days After His Homegoing

Dr. George W. Truett has passed on, but his influence reached around the world while he was alive and it will extend far into the future through the men and women whose lives were enriched by him.

This great preacher seldom spoke in public without revealing his profound study of the Bible, yet he was widely read in general literature and his range of knowledge extended through all history and was international in scope.

Dr. Truett believed in immortality so implicitly and so completely that he had only pity for the doubter. He has passed from this life, but it is impossible for any one who knew him to think for a moment that there is not another sphere in which he is continuing to live and to serve.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Miss ESTHER SCHULTZ, 5555 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago 37, Illinois

Esther Schultz, the Editor

We want to introduce the new editor of this page. Her name is Esther Schultz. You will see her picture nearby. I am sure that all of you will think she's just grand after you read "The Children's page" this year.

Esther Schultz is a student at the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago. In several years she wants to go as one of our missionaries to the Cameroons of Africa. Her home was formerly in North Dakota where she was the president of the Northern North Dakota Young People's Union from 1941 to 1942. Her home is now in Michigan where she is a member of the Beaver Baptist Church.

She loves to work, and her hobbies is collecting "hankies." Possibly some of you can help her with her collection. M. L. Leuschner.



Miss Esther Schultz, Editor of "The Children's Page"

book called, **Tell Me About God**, by Mary Alice Jones."

"Why, Mother, you and I have our evening prayers!"

Just then Daddy came in and had to be told all about the new books Ronnie wanted.

"Well, son", said Daddy, "I would like to see you have the books, but they might cost more than we can allow for books."

"We can get them from the Braese Library," said mother, "without any cost."

HARRY'S POEM

Harry came bursting into the house one evening after school, "Mother, Mother, we fourth graders wrote poems today. Do you want to hear mine?"

Mother smiled and said, "Of course, Harry!"

So Harry began:

I love the spring!
It makes me want to skip and sing.
It makes me happy every day.
It makes me want to shout and play.

I love the spring!
The whole outdoors is new.
I even hear the church bells ring.
Thank you, Lord, you love us, too.

"My, dear, that is nearly good enough to go in "The Baptist Herald," said Mother.

"The editor of the Children's Page in the Herald said there would be space for our stories, poems and even questions," said Harry. "I wonder what the surprise for the best one will be?"

"Suppose you write and find out," suggested Mother.

"What should I write about?" questioned Harry.

"The letter says about Spring," explained mother.

"I'll write just now!" said Harry.

THE STORY OF EASTER

Mary Lee looked up from playing with her dolly and asked, "Why do we keep Easter, Daddy?"

"Easter is the day on which we are very happy."

"Why?"

"That is a long story."

"What is it?"

"A long time ago, when Jesus lived on earth, many people loved him, but there were some who did not understand him. They had Jesus put to death. They put his body in a cave and put a big stone in front of it.

"On the beautiful, bright, sunshiny Sunday morning two women went to the cave with spices for his body. On the way the birds were singing, the lovely flowers were blooming, and the grass was a pretty green carpet."

"It is so beautiful outdoors today!" said one of the women.

"I'm so unhappy, that I can't enjoy it," said the other.

"When they got to the cave the stone was rolled away! Jesus wasn't there! An angel was sitting on the stone! The women were afraid!"

"Don't be afraid," said the angel, "Jesus is not here, he is risen."

"The women were so happy that they ran and told others this good news!"

"For us, Easter is a happy day. We know that Jesus lives. By putting flowers in our churches, by helping those in need, and by singing songs of joy, we show our great love for him.

"Daddy, that is a lovely story! Is it true?"

"Yes, dear, it is. It is in the Bible. I'll show you where it is found."

(Note: Would you like to look up the story in Matthew 28, and read the story for yourself? Maybe you can read it for your family prayers.)

GOODBYE, DEAR BROTHER

By MARVIN RUST
(Ten Years Old)

Note: Marvin's brother, Robert C., is now serving our country with the United States Navy.

Goodbye, dear brother in navy blue,
I know you'd like to stay for Easter too;
But you must serve your country hold,
That our great liberty we will hold.

You're in the training station now,
To meet the test you know not how;
But somehow you will see it through,
My dear brother in Navy blue.

Pretty soon you'll make for sea,
On many ships you there will see;
Many sailors just like you,
Someones brother, in Navy blue . . .

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

Day of Prayer and Birthday Surprise for Rev. George Hensel at Bridgeport, Conn.

On Wednesday evening, February 21, the King's Highway Baptist Church of Bridgeport, Conn., observed our denominational Day of Prayer. The Ladies' Missionary Society also attended in a body. At the close of the service the pastor, Rev. George Hensel, was pleasantly surprised. Since his birthday is on February 22, the church arranged this little party on Wednesday evening.

Our senior deacon, Mr. A. J. Komment, congratulated the pastor on behalf of the church and presented him with an envelope containing a generous gift. The young people also extended their best wishes in the form of a monetary gift being presented by their treasurer, Wilbur Foster. The pastor expressed his appreciation in warm words for the gifts and the loyal cooperation of the members in his ministry to the church.

The ladies had prepared delicious refreshments and a large birthday cake which were enjoyed by all amidst happy fellowship. We can report that the work of the church is progressing steadily for which we are grateful. George Hensel, Pastor.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

God's Blessings and Promises of Greater Things at Central Church, Erie, Pa.

As we of the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pa., look back upon the past months, we see that the Lord has abundantly blessed us. One of our greatest blessings was the acceptance of the Rev. Paul D. Ford to be our shepherd during the absence of Chaplain George Zinz, who is serving God and country in Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Ford sometime ago returned from the British West Indies where they were missionaries for over twenty years. Many are the interesting and stimulating stories of their experiences during their sojourn, winning souls, on these isles of the sea. We believe that the church was led by the Lord in extending the call to the Fords and our prayer is that he will continue to bless their ministry in our midst.

The Church School collected and sent 547 pieces of second hand clothing for the native workers on the Island from which Mr. and Mrs. Ford have so recently returned and our holidays were much happier in the thought that we have made happy the Christmas of some less fortunate than ourselves. It has been voted to send such "love offerings" down to these workers ever so often.



The Soul Seekers Group of the Central Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta

Mr. and Mrs. George Neth recently celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary and held "open house" to one and all. May God continue to bless these two faithful workers of many years of service to him.

The church is now launching forth on a Post War Project to improve the church property and surroundings, and has set a goal of approximately \$5,890 to be reached in the years 1945 and 1946. Upon the ending of the war, we will then begin our actual beautification work.

The Fidelis Class, composed of the young adults, has been meeting regularly and Mr. Ford has been conducting a most interesting study on the Bible. A revival was held in our church from March 18 to 25 with Mr. Ford as the speaker.

Mrs. Robert R. Eichler, Reporter.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

The Soul Seekers Group of Edmonton, Alberta Distributes Many Christian Tracts

The Soul Seekers Group of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta supplies and distributes tracts throughout the city.

Recently the Sunday School sent out the group, which appears in the accompanying picture. From left to right they are Evelyn Belter, Mildred



Students and Faculty of the Bible School Recently Held at Ebenezer, Saskatchewan

Ertman, Evelyn Ertman, Madeline Buckles, Vera Munta, Agnes Buckles, Emma Sonnenberg, and Minnie Schmidt. They visited and gave tracts to most of the patients in the Royal Alexandria Hospital which is seen in the background.

If the Lord is willing, we hope to organize other groups to do similar work in all of our city hospitals, including the Army Hospital.

Our Junior and Intermediate Societies have been distributing tracts to the homes in the vicinity of our church under the leadership of Jeanette Wilchinski. We pray that God will bless this work to the furtherance of his Kingdom.

Madeline Buckles, Reporter.

Bible School and Evangelistic Services at the Ebenezer Church of Saskatchewan, Canada

A very successful Bible School of two weeks was brought to a close on Feb. 9th in the Ebenezer East Baptist Church of Ebenezer, Saskatchewan. We had an enrollment of 32 students, besides a few adults who came in the afternoons in the classrooms.

The subjects that were taught were: "Music and Singing" by Mr. C. Neufeld from Winkler, Man.; "Baptist Fundamentals" by the pastor of the church, Rev. G. Beutler; "Sunday School Teachers and Their Work" and "The Letter to the Ephesians" by our newly elected young people's secretary, Rev. J. C. Gunst.

We have a very aggressive and co-operative young people's society. The pastor finds it a joy to work with them. We also regarded it as a special privilege to have had Mr. Gunst with us and to be the first church to initiate him in his work. Mr. Gunst taught very diligently and the pupils enjoyed his teaching.

He also brought the evening messages during our revival campaign which was combined with the Bible School. The large audiences at the services were certainly a proof that the people enjoyed his messages. At these evening meetings three young people let Jesus come into their hearts, and others rededicated their lives anew.

The closing of the Bible School and the revival meetings were brought to a climax on Friday through a fine program. The choir in connection with the students brought lovely messages in song under the direction of the music teacher, Mr. C. Neufeld. Then the Misses Bertha Schroeder, Myrtle Fenske and Alice Patzer spoke as students in behalf of the Bible School expressing their heartfelt thanks, whereupon all three teachers responded with brief messages. Rev. J. C. Gunst brought the main message of the evening in the English language on the theme, "Witnessing for Jesus' Sake." The offering of the evening amounted to \$100.

G. Beutler, Pastor.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE

Women's Missionary Society of Turtle Lake, North Dakota Holds Its Anniversary Program

The Baptist Women's Missionary Society of Turtle Lake, North Dakota held its anniversary program on Jan. 21st. The program consisted of a dialogue, readings, recitations and songs, besides a short talk by the Rev. August Rosner, our pastor. The offering for that evening amounted to \$33, but this sum was raised by the Society to \$50, and was sent for missions.

Our Society consists of 22 members. We used the mission boxes as a means to raise money. We served several lunches and had a food sale during the past year. The money which we received was used for missions, Red Cross, Fellowship Fund, Rochester Seminary and Baptist Hospital in St. Paul. We also sent a box of eggs, cookies, etc. to the Old People's Home in Bismarck, No. Dak.

Mrs. Edwin Wacker, Reporter.

Large Missionary Offerings Are Given by the Baptist Church of Goodrich, North Dakota

In reviewing the past few months, we of the Baptist Church of Goodrich, No. Dak., must say with the Psalmist, "Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

On Nov. 5th the church held its Harvest and Mission Festival. The Rev. A. Bibelheimer served as guest speaker. The offering for missions was \$552.

It was our great joy to recommend Mr. Ervin Gerlitz to our Seminary in Rochester, N. Y. Ervin began his theological training in the month of January. The church presented him with a set of useful books; consisting of a Bible Dictionary, Concordance and Commentary, as a token of remembrance and appreciation of his faithfulness. Our pastor, Rev. J. C.

Editor's Announcement!

Due to tightening government restrictions regarding paper, "The Baptist Herald" is compelled to limit its size for the rest of 1945 to 16 pages.

However, improvements are now being made to make "The Herald" more worthwhile, even though it cannot be enlarged. This is the first of our issues with brand new type. We shall try to give you better pictures. "The Children's Page" will appear monthly thereafter.

Preparations are now being made to publish a large Denominational Annual, to be profusely illustrated, in December of this year. You can anticipate something GRAND and very FINE! Watch for further announcements!

Kraenzler was encouraged for his faithful work when the church voted to contribute its share towards his pension dues in the M. and M. fund.

Our Ladies' Missionary Society under the leadership of Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler is doing splendid work. The combined offerings received at our special meetings totaled over \$450. In this we have a share in supporting our foreign missions, Children's Home, Seminary, Old People's Home in Bismarck and Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies. Our 31 boys in the U. S. Army have also been remembered with gifts and greetings at various times of the year. Our Sunday School, supervised by Mr. A. Felchle, held its Harvest Festival recently and an offering of \$200 designated for the Fellowship Fund was received.

Our Young People's Society, with Ervin Gerlitz as president, had two special missionary programs recently. On January 7th the play, "Revive us Again", directed by Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler, was well received. The combined offering of \$40 went to the Bender Trek. J. C. Kraenzler, Pastor.

Do You Know That...?

Column Edited by the
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Our Burlington Church has had seven boys missing in action at some time or other. Six of these have been heard from again, and it is hoped the seventh case will also have good news to report soon.

Social tact is making your company feel at home, even though you wish they were.

45 Nisei who have next of kin living in relocation centers here in America have been killed in Italy.

It is hard to understand why goods sent by ship are called cargo, and goods sent in a car are called shipment.

10 per cent of the YMCA membership is feminine.

When you argue with a fool, be sure he isn't similarly engaged.

Forty Baptist families had to flee one Mexican city to escape mob violence.

Clothes don't make a man, but they surely can break a husband.

The manufacturers of cigarettes spend \$30,000,000.00 annually for advertising alone.

It is more dignified to say we are moving in cycles rather than running around in circles, although they both amount to about the same thing.

The first President of the Northern Baptist Convention was Charles Evans Hughes, former Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, and now one of the most distinguished American Baptists.

Man is the only animal that laughs. He is the only animal who has politicians.

Dallas liquor dealers recently sent three gifts: \$25,000 to Baylor University (Baptist), \$30,000 to Southern Methodist University, \$10,000 to St. Paul's Hospital (Catholic). The first two gifts were returned as being unacceptable in view of the teachings of those institutions. The Catholic Samaritans said, "Thanks!"

The man who saves money nowadays is not a miser; he is a wizard.

An advertisement said the speaker spoke direct from the shoulder. Too bad that some speeches can't originate a little higher up.

The great difficulty in amplifiers is that they amplify the speaker's voice but not his ideas.

A past President in writing a short history of America said in one sentence, "America was discovered in 1492, and now look at the crazy thing."

They say the subways are getting so crowded that even the men can't get all the seats.

Isn't it a good thing that politicians get paid by the year, because we are sure they would starve to death on piece-work!

There are nearly 20,000,000 telephones in the United States; so when a girl does make it in two guesses, she isn't doing so bad.

FEBRUARY CONTRIBUTIONS — NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

Total Contributions

Conference	February	
	1945	1944
Atlantic	\$ 1,620.22	\$ 778.62
Eastern	1,689.07	620.67
Central	3,358.10	1,023.82
Northwestern	1,743.98	1,528.99
Southwestern	1,894.55	1,144.93
Southern	557.94	185.71
Pacific	1,302.78	2,243.74
Northern	502.65	351.12
Dakota	740.86	3,000.33
Totals	\$13,410.15	\$10,877.93

Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies

February 1945	\$ 1,034.93
February 1944	1,106.62
Total to February 28, 1945	\$116,232.74

Seminary Endowment Fund

February 1945	\$ 3,117.54
Total to February 28, 1945	\$ 69,873.65