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WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The Riverview Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn., has extended a call to the Rev. E. W. Klatt, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, North Dakota to which a favorable reply has been given. Mr. Klatt will begin his pastorate in the St. Paul Church on Feb. 1, 1947 when he will succeed the Rev. John Wobig, now pastor of the Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon.

● On a recent Sunday afternoon the Rev. R. Sigmund, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Billings, Montana, had the joy of baptizing five young people and two adults on confession of their faith in Christ. At the evening communion service these seven converts and another man were received into the fellowship of the church. The church rejoices over the encouraging increase of its membership.

● On Sunday evening, Oct. 13, the Rev. R. H. Zepik, at that time pastor of the Baptist Church of Golden Prairie, Sask., Canada, baptized three young people in the baptistry of the Grace Church of Medicine Hat, Alberta. These were received into the fellowship of the church before the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Zepik to assume their ministry in the Baptist Church of Trochu, Alberta on Nov. 1st.

● A series of evangelistic meetings was recently held in the Calvary Baptist Church of Stafford, Kansas with the Rev. P. G. Neumann of Anaheim, Calif., as evangelist. Several Sunday School scholars took their stand for Christ. The Christian people were lifted to new planes of spiritual knowledge and assurance. The pastor, Rev. F. E. Klein, wrote that he is looking forward to a baptismal service before he and his family leave for Colfax, Wash., about Dec. 22nd.

● Since Oct. 1st the Rev. J. R. Wyatt has been serving as the new pastor of the Cottonwood Baptist Church near Lorena, Texas. Mr. Wyatt, who has succeeded the Rev. C. H. Seecamp, now of Leduc, Alberta, comes from the Southern Baptist Convention. He received his discharge from the U. S. Air Corps in May, 1946, having been stationed in Greenland as a chaplain. Following his discharge, he served as a missionary in the Waco area.

● The Forest (Munson) Baptist Church of Winburne, Pa., was richly blessed during a week of revitalization

HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR GENERAL CONFERENCE PICTURE?

Unfortunately a list of about 20 paid "General Conference pictures" which were ordered on Friday, August 23, from the ticket committee at the First Baptist Church of Tacoma, Washington has been lost, according to Mrs. J. W. Yost, chairman. She has the pictures in her possession and is eager to send them to those who ordered them.

Will all those who ordered and paid for such a conference picture and have not received their prints as yet, please write to Mrs. J. W. Yost, 3620 A Street, Tacoma 8, Washington, giving instructions for the mailing of the picture?

meetings held in October with the Rev. Henry Hirsch of Cleveland, Ohio as guest speaker. The church has recently enlarged its building to provide Sunday School rooms for the younger children. Under the capable leadership of the pastor, the Rev. George Zinz, Sr., the church is going forward in its work for Christ.

● After serving faithfully and energetically on the Lashburn field of Saskatchewan, Canada for more than a year, Mr. Fred Ohlmann brought his work there to a close and is now attending the Mennonite Brethren Bible College of Winnipeg, Manitoba. He had hoped to go to our Rochester Seminary, but found it impossible to obtain the necessary documents to enter the United States as a student. He and his wife are graduates of Edmonton's Christian Training Institute.

● Because of the accident to Mrs. Kaaz on her return trip from the Tacoma General Conference, the Rev. Julius Kaaz has not been able to serve the Ridgewood Church as associate pastor, as reported in the Nov. 1st issue of "The Herald." Mrs. Kaaz is still at the St. Joseph's Hospital, Denver, Colorado. She wants to acknowledge gratefully the receipt of the many fine cards and good wishes from friends and readers of "The Herald." Mr. Kaaz' address is P. O. Box 821, Denver, Colorado.

● The Rev. Frank Orthner has been serving as interim pastor of the Second German Baptist Church of New York, N. Y., since Sept. 15, when the Rev. Rudolph Schade discontinued his pastorate. The church has not been successful as yet in calling a new minister. Mr. Orthner is also serving in his 5th year in the library of Union Theological Seminary of New York

City where he is in charge of book stacks and periodicals. The library is famous in seminary circles because of its 350,000 volumes.

● German male choir books are wanted by the men's chorus of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta. If any church or society should have copies of the book, "Unser Maennerchor," with music composed and songs gathered by C. A. Weiss, compiler of "Unser Maennerchor," please notify Mr. Eugene E. Land, c/o Central Baptist Church, 10635—96th Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. The group will gladly purchase the books and pay for all expenses.

● The 11th concert of the Christian Fellowship Club's Male Chorus of the First German Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., was held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 10, at the church. The program featured classical numbers, Negro spirituals, German folksongs, and several numbers with music arranged by Herbert and Walter Pankratz. Trumpet solos by Newell Kees and tenor solos by Elmer Carlquist were also appreciated. The offering was designated for the Fellowship Fund's relief ministry in Europe. The Rev. John Schmidt is pastor of the church. Mr. Herbert Pankratz is the director of the chorus.

● Friday evening, Oct. 25, the Central Baptist Church of New Haven, Conn., held a reception for its new pastor, the Rev. Alfred Weisser and family. Mr. Henry Behler, chairman of the church's official board, introduced the speakers who included the Reverends George Hensel of Bridgeport, Gustav Friedenberg of New Britain and Alex Elsesser of Meriden. The Rev. La Rue Cober of New Haven's First Baptist Church and the Rev. John Gregory of the New Haven Council of Churches also spoke. Mr. Weisser responded graciously to the inspiring program of greetings and special musical numbers. Afterwards a social hour was enjoyed.

● On Sunday, Oct. 20, the Bismarck Baptist Church of Bismarck, N. Dak., observed "Christian Laymen's Sunday." Special recognition was given by the pastor, the Rev. Edward Kary, for the very fine work that is being done by faithful laymen. Mr. C. A. Albrecht, deacon, and Mr. K. F. Gutsche, church clerk, brought brief, fitting messages. Mr. Albrecht pointed out the fact that laymen need always to uphold the arms of the pastor and that there is need for more consecrated living on the part of the laymen. Mr. Gutsche in his message stressed the need of "Waiting Upon the Lord."

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Coming

THE ANGELS' CHRISTMAS SONG

The Christmas issue of "The Herald" will feature this uplifting and inspiring message by the Rev. R. A. Grenz, one of our younger pastors, now serving the Baptist Church of Cathay, North Dakota. Another Christmas article will appear from the pen and heart of the Rev. Carl Weisser of Killaloe, Ontario, Canada.

CHRISTMAS IN A W. P. CAMP

Last Christmas a strange holiday celebration occurred in a war prisoners' camp near Baltimore, Maryland, conducted by the Rev. Gustav Schmidt. This exciting story of his adventures with these German soldiers as he led them to Christ and brought an assuring message of peace of their hearts will thrill every reader.

"THE HERALD'S" 25th JUBILEE

A full page announcement will appear in the next issue with the account of new features, important changes of style and appearance, and special articles to be published in the enlarged "Baptist Herald" in 1947. The 25th Jubilee volume promises many amazing editorial surprises for every "Herald" subscriber.

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EDITORIAL

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The Appearance of the Annual

FOUR THOUSAND copies of the 1947 ANNUAL will soon be rolling off the presses. Every effort is being made to have them ready for distribution before Christmas Day. More colorful, more inspiring, more invaluable than ever—those have been the encouraging comments by some who have seen previews of the new ANNUAL.

The 1947 volume is dedicated to our expanding denominational enterprise. Every mission field of ours is reviewed with dramatic accounts and striking illustrations. The front cover with an attractive blue border shows Chief John Bear of the Indian Bob Tail Reservation. The back cover page outlines the uncompleted task still ahead of us. In the 64 pages between the covers the reader is taken on a pilgrimage to the Cameroons of Africa, the Spanish-American field in Colorado, the Indian reservation, the Edmonton Bible School and home mission churches.

The work of our denomination through its institutions is emphasized. Our Rochester Seminary is featured with a splendid article by President George A. Lang and the story of "Four Troubadours for Christ." The National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union and the Woman's Missionary Union have two pages devoted to each group, respectively.

Some of the articles will be read by everyone with keen delight. The six world-famous paintings of Warner Sallman have been interpreted by Mrs. William Jeschke, following a personal interview with the artist. This is "a magazine scoop" of unusual significance. The portrayal of "The Great Seminary Triumvirate" by Professor F. W. C. Meyer, Lewis Kaiser and A. Ramaker deserves to be read repeatedly and kept permanently. "The Building Boom Among Our Churches" reveals the staggering news that the building plans of our churches now total more than \$1,500,000. A wonderful sermon by the dean of our preachers, Rev. Frank Kaiser, and a section "For the Family" with an original story by Mrs. Louis Johnson will bring joy to many hearts.

In place of the brief biographical sketches of our ministers, about twenty pages will be devoted to human interest and historical sketches of "Fifty Oldest Churches." A directory of our ministers and their addresses, of our churches and their location, and of the members of all cooperating societies will be included. The Easter Sunday dates for the next twenty years will be greeted with acclaim by many.

Orders can be sent to our Roger Williams Press at fifty cents each. A sample copy will be sent to every one of our pastors to be shown to the church. We expect the printing of four thousand copies to be sold out early in the year. Make sure now of your copy of "this bundle of spiritual enjoyment" in the 1947 ANNUAL.

Foundations That Abide

A Sermon by the Rev. BENJAMIN SCHLIPF of Cleveland, Ohio

A REAL EDUCATION

There are several aspects of the topic that should be of interest to all young people.

Let us relate it to education, which may be built either on sand or rock. He builds upon sand who does only enough serious studying "just to get by." A young man from Yankton College was in our home. I asked about his studies, and he said among other things: "I'm taking Latin all over again because I did not take it seriously in High School." There was regret in his voice, but the wasted opportunities could not be recalled. As far as that subject was concerned, he had built upon sand.

Those who take the easiest subjects make the same mistake, for they obtain the least training for the mind. Muscles become strong through exercise, and the powers of the mind also are developed by earnest study.

They build their education upon a rock who study with the earnest purpose of obtaining a thorough preparation for the serious business of living. Life is NOT a game, but a task. Almost anyone can build a coop, or put up a tent, but to build for beauty, utility and permanence requires the knowledge of an architect, an engineer, or a builder. Are YOU building your education upon a rock?

A CHRISTIAN VOCATION

We can relate the teaching of Christ to our vocation. One can build upon sand by not giving one's best. Can you imagine anyone saying: "I don't intend to work one cent's worth more than I get paid for." Many act as if that were their determination. Their work is slovenly and inadequate. They should realize that they will soon be found out, and advancement for them is out for the question.

Others are clock watchers. The day's work ceases for them 10 or 15 minutes before closing time. If the boss happens to be around, they remain busy, otherwise not. This is dishonesty, plain and simple. It is just as wrong to steal an employer's time as to steal his money.

If you wish to build your career upon a rock, be as faithful as if the business were your own. Do a bit more than is actually required. Such an attitude towards business will surely come to the attention of those higher up, and advancement will be assured.

A HAPPY MARRIAGE

Now let us think of founding a home in relation to our text and theme. Many marriages and homes are built upon sand. For instance, this happens when young people make the choice of a life companion because of outward appearance or money, rather than of character. Beauty fades in the course of the years, especially if the going becomes rough, and money often is lost in a short time, but character abides. Ask not "Who?" but "What?" is he or she! Some get married as a lark. Many elopements must be so explained.

The sure foundation for a happy marriage and home is love. Love is a holy thing for God is love. All true love is from this source and is unchanging and abiding for it is divine.

SPIRITUAL FOUNDATIONS

And now, upon which foundation are you building your religious life? Christ wanted us primarily to think of this when he spoke his parable. Some are satisfied with church membership and the participation in the ordinances as the foundation. These are helpful and right, but of themselves and alone they are nothing but sand. Many bear Christ's name unworthily, live unspiritually, and backslide because they have had no transforming spiritual experience, no rock upon which to build their religious life.

When Christ said: "He that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them," he was referring to the sermon he had just finished. Only one who has experienced conversion and regeneration can live the life he outlined in it. What is required is the conviction that the teachings of Christ are true, the earnest determination to live according to them, and a full surrender to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Paul says in I Cor. 3:11, "for other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Christ." Is your religious life founded upon this Rock? Since it is important how we build upon so wonderful a foundation, will you not consider whether you are building with gold, silver, precious stones, a work that will abide, or with wood, hay, stubble, one that will be destroyed when the fire of testing tries it? Upon which foundation are YOU building?

Take a Look at Yourself

A Message for YOU by the Rev. RUDOLPH WOYKE of Watertown, Wisconsin

"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." Psalm 51:10.

IT IS quite evident that the Psalmist who spoke the words of this text had taken a sharp, discerning, penetrating look at himself. He had more than looked at that which is reflected by a man-made mirror. He had dared to look at his real self. That is the crying need of our day.

Man is always in danger of living on the surface of things. Countless people look only at the outward circumstances of life and feel that they are a reflection of their spiritual state. Such an attitude can only result in spiritual indifference. Social prestige, academic superiority, or economic security are not always an indication of spiritual fullness. The proper way, therefore, to examine ourselves is to look at our souls. Only then are we looking at our real selves.

THE CONFLICT OF LIFE

A view of the inner man reveals a conflict that is not found elsewhere. The thing that differentiates a man from an animal is his consciousness of conflict. There is no growth apart from conflict; a life that knows only peace is a life that has become stagnant.

The consciousness of God places within us a desire to overcome or escape from stagnation and sin. There is conflict in all of our lives. Many of us still have some habit that has a tyranny over us. There are appreciations that some still must discover. Some are still victims of mood swings, so that they are unpredictable. Many still face the struggle of keeping out of a rut. Some still are faced with the conflict of being defensive of their point of view without listening to the other side. Conflict is added to conflict in your life and in mine.

THE PLEA OF LIFE

We can win in the conflict of life only when we plead for a new, inner creation. Out of the depths we must cry with the Psalmist, "Create in me." Old things must pass away. Life must be born anew by the Spirit of God.

We cannot live our lives without God in our souls. Jesus said, "Unless ye eat the flesh of the Son of God, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you." This eating is spiritual appropriation of that

which God offers us in Christ Jesus. No man can live without God in his soul and earth can never mend the brokenness of earth.

First of all, we must cry out to God to "create within us a new heart." If we are genuinely aware of our need and have a deep desire for a new heart, then God will answer, "A new heart also will I give you." The new heart is both God-given and God-created. Man cannot buy it nor merit it; neither is it in the power of man to renew the heart.

"Man looketh on the outward appearance, but God looketh on the heart." "Out of the heart are the issues of life." "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." These are revealing statements of Scripture. They indicate that the heart can be foolish, proud and hard, or wise, humble and Christlike. This divides humanity into two classes: namely, the class with old hearts of sin, and the class with new hearts of spiritual devotion to God.

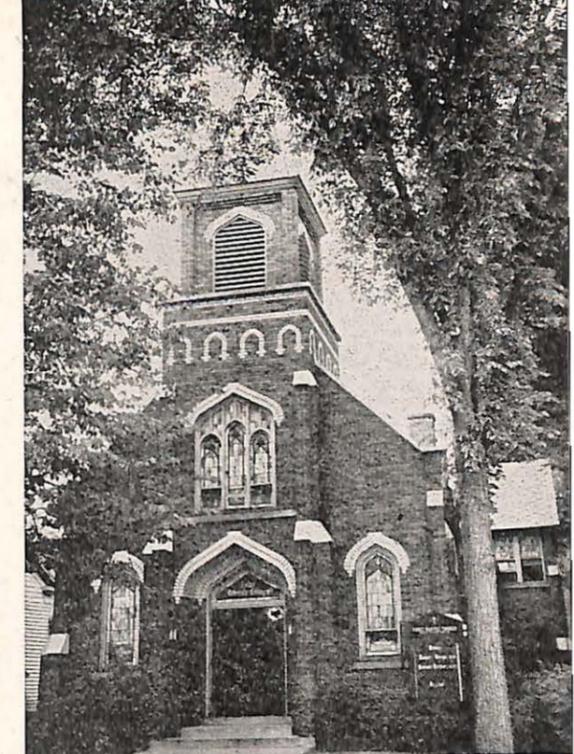
A NEW HEART

Since we cannot have two hearts beating in the same bosom, the very first thing to be done in order to make things new is to take that which is old out of the way and have God give us a new heart. The heart that we should desire is one that will produce "positive religion."

God requires more than a negative Christianity. Christianity, like fire, is an active, not a passive element. It has a positive note and not merely a negative existence. James tells us that "pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction . . ."

In the thirteenth chapter of John we read how Jesus endeavored to wash away the pride of the disciples as he washed their feet. He taught them a

The Worshipful Edifice of the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wisconsin, Almost Completely Surrounded by Stately Trees.



lesson on greatness in the Kingdom of God. It was then that he said, "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."

Although the heart cannot always be seen, things will sooner or later show on the surface. A lady who had lost a little daughter took a photograph and painted it with rare skill. She then laid it in a drawer for safekeeping. Several weeks later she was grieved to find that the photograph was covered with ugly blotches. Specialists told her that the trouble was in the paper which contained some chemical ingredients in undue proportions. Though the picture was very beautiful at first, ever up out of the heart of the paper came the ooze of decay. It is thus with human life; the heart, being wrong, spoils the entire life. "A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things." (Matthew 12:35.)

A NEW MIND

The next part of our plea to God must be the cry, "Create within us a new mind." We need an entirely new thought factory. Now if you owned a factory, you would not want to manufacture anything you did not want, and did not need, or could not use. The fact is that you are in possession of a thought factory. Is it one created by God himself?

Perhaps one of the happiest moments in Luther's life was when, reading in his Greek Testament, he learned that repentance meant a change of mind rather than penance-doing. The Bible says that "the carnal mind is enmity against God." A bad mind is not only a hindrance to man but is also an enemy of God. A new mind is obedient to God's commands. It is willing to have its faculties and intellect directed

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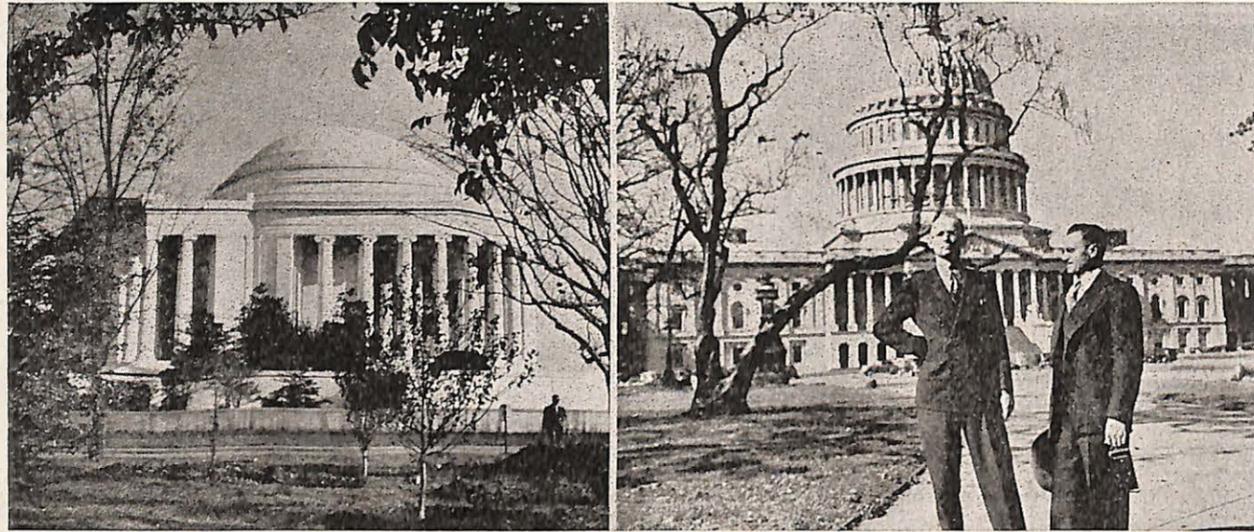


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FRANKLY, this is a sermon for young people. Old people have done the greatest part of THEIR building. One can quite clearly see the results of their life's development, but the life of youth is in its beginnings. Perhaps, some young person may be led to do some serious thinking, and, it may be, to make some alterations that will result in a more beautiful and permanent building. There is nothing more tragic than for a person, in whom there are countless possibilities for success, to make a failure of living.

In his matchless parables Jesus points to several people who did just that. One is that of the man who wanted to build a tower, but had means enough only to lay the foundation. People passing by mocked him saying: "This man began to build, but was not able to finish." The foolish virgins, the man with the one talent, and the man in our passage of Scripture (Matt. 7:24-29), who built his house upon sand, are others.

One day a rich young man, whose life morally had been without reproach, came to Jesus with the question: "What must I do that I may inherit eternal life?" He had a splendid background and was engaged in life's noblest quest. He came to the One who alone was able to point out to him the way to realize his soul's deepest desire, yet his life ended as a pitiful failure because he was unwilling to build for eternity upon the Rock.



Two Members of the Atlantic Conference Promotional Team, Rev. J. J. Reimer and Rev. J. C. Gunst (Right), View the Capitol Grounds at Washington, D. C., and Visit the Picturesque Jefferson Memorial (Left).

A Five Man Promotional Tour

The Story of a Two Weeks' Visitation Trip to Our Atlantic Conference Churches Related by the Rev. M. L. LEUSCHNER

OUR ATLANTIC Conference churches are not unaccustomed to the distinction of being first in the things pertaining to their work. Some of our first churches were established in that area. In the historical annals of our denomination these churches usually head the list.

Now the Atlantic Conference is first again! From October 27 to Nov. 10 a promotional team of four general workers and a missionary held a series of 55 meetings in all of the Atlantic Conference churches with the avowed purpose of helping our churches spiritually and promoting our denominational cause. Such an extensive tour for a five-man team with an intensive promotional effort had never before been attempted!

It was also the first opportunity for many of our people to meet the Rev. Frank H. Woyke in his capacity as executive secretary and the Rev. H. G. Dymmel as general missionary secretary. It was certainly the first time that a number of our denominational secretaries traveled, worked and lived together for a period of two weeks until the results in harmonious teamwork and mutual appreciation of our challenging task became evident. Missionary J. J. Reimer, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, young people's secretary, and Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, promotional secretary, were also on the team.

MISSIONS IN REVIEW

Every church of our Atlantic Conference was given a comprehensive review of God's great work through our

denominational enterprise. As far as possible, simultaneous meetings were held so that the five-member team could take its message to five different churches. Several services were held in most of the churches with the Ridgewood Baptist Church at the head of the list with four meetings having been scheduled there and a most gratifying attendance at each meeting.

The missionary challenge of today was particularly stressed. The Rev. J. J. Reimer spoke forcefully and dramatically about the Spanish-American field in Colorado. The Rev. Frank H. Woyke showed the new doors into mission fields which God has opened to us and the need of greater effort in the program of the European relief. The thrilling story of the 22 Cameroons missionaries was depicted by the Rev. H. G. Dymmel, and the new colorful Cameroons leaflets were distributed in some of the services. Moving pictures of our mission fields in Africa and among the Mexicans of Colorado and the Indians of Alberta were shown by the Rev. M. L. Leuschner besides films dealing with our Southern Conference churches in Texas, our Edmonton Christian Training Institute and Rochester Seminary. All of the equipment for the showing of the pictures accompanied the team.

The spiritual program of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union was portrayed enthusiastically by the Rev. J. C. Gunst. The Union's new motto, "Saved to Tell Others," was laid upon the hearts of the people.

The new leaflets of the Youth Union were distributed generously, and several scores of copies of the new quarterly, "Youth Compass," were sold.

In every church a full assortment of denominational leaflets was distributed among the people. About a hundred attractive eight by ten inch enlarged pictures of every phase of our denominational enterprise were put on display, so that a sufficient number of these pictures could be shown in four or five simultaneous meetings. Our Publication Society was represented with a splendid assortment of books for exhibit purposes and for sale. Many copies of the new book, "Religion in the Ranks," were purchased. The book sales aggregated almost \$300.

INSPIRING BEGINNING

The first Sunday on Oct. 27 was an auspicious beginning for the trip. Members of the team visited the Fleischmann Memorial and Pilgrim churches of Philadelphia and our churches in Bethlehem, Pa., Wilmington, Delaware; and Baltimore, Maryland. The response by the pastors and people was very gratifying. The spiritual impact of these personalities and the indelible impression made by the mission pictures were definitely stimulating. Our Atlantic Conference churches were really becoming acquainted with our larger denominational enterprise.

Then the tour began to unfold in real earnestness. New meetings, often several on the same evening, were

scheduled for every day. The only let-up in the two week period was Election Night, Nov. 5, when most of the team were the guests at the Election Night concert of the young people's union of New York and vicinity.

When it was necessary to be in a church for only one service, the team would be enlarged. Four of the brethren visited the Baptist Church of Jamesburg, N. J., on Tuesday, Oct. 28. The entire five-man team presented God's glorious work in our varied denominational tasks before large, responsive audiences at the Evangel Church and Clinton Hill Churches of Newark, N. J., on November 6 and 7, respectively. The pastors of these churches, Dr. M. A. Darroch and Dr. Harold C. Abbot, had made splendid arrangements for these services.

SPECIAL EVENTS

On Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2 and 3, the team participated in the sessions of the New England Association held at Meriden, Conn. A dinner conference was held with the pastors and their wives from the New England churches on Friday evening, Nov. 1. On Sunday, Nov. 3, the Reverends J. C. Gunst and M. L. Leuschner were in the Rock Hill Church of Boston, Mass., where opportunity was given them to present their story by means of several messages and missionary films. On Saturday evening, Nov. 9, the entire team was present at the banquet of the Fifth District B. Y. P. U. banquet of the Brooklyn area held in the Ridgewood Baptist Church. Miss Ruth Tipton of the Evergreen Church is the winsome president of this aggressive youth organization.

Sunday, Nov. 10, was the climax of the trip with members of the team serving the following churches: Evergreen Church of Brooklyn, Ridgewood Church, Second and Immanuel Churches of New York City, and Walnut Street Church of Newark, N. J.

Everywhere the pastors of our churches accorded us the finest hospitality and many tokens of kindness. The Rev. W. J. Appel made all arrangements for our comfortable stay in the rooms of the Sudan Interior Mission building during our week in the New York City area. We wish to express our appreciation to the ministers and their families and churches for these many expressions of kindness.

IMPRESSIONS

The Atlantic Conference is the only one of our nine conferences which does not have a single rural church. Its work is almost exclusively urban and metropolitan with their accompanying problems of modern city life. Our pastors there face many difficulties and have more than their share of discouragements. A great many religious currents and Baptist activities, other

TWO IMPRESSIONS OF OUR ATLANTIC CONFERENCE TOUR

By Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary of the General Conference.

Two impressions stand out most vividly in my mind at the conclusion of our tour of the Atlantic Conference churches.

First, I was struck again and again by the continuing, keen interest of our people in the cause of missions. Where there is missionary interest, the Holy Spirit is at work.

Again, I was impressed with the heroic work of our pastors. Working under unbelievable difficulties—against terrific secular and religious competition of all kinds, with most of their members long since moved far away from the church, often with a language problem to be overcome—they bear the brunt of the battle. And they are doing it confidently and cheerfully. May God's blessing rest upon their efforts!

WHAT HAPPENED ON OUR PROMOTIONAL TRIP

By Rev. H. G. Dymmel, General Missionary Secretary.

God kept answering our prayers! Daily our families and friends would bear us up on wings of prayer. Upon our request, pastors and deacons would meet with us before the service commending us to the Holy Spirit. God heard the cry and granted lavish grace.

God opened vistas of greater things! There were many people in our services. These were impressed by what was sheer revelation to them: our potentials and consecration as the North American Baptists. They learned that "these glorious years" are by no means past but rather ahead, and that it is thrilling to be a North American Baptist today.

Christ glorified! Best of all, in the faces of our people we saw the quest: "We would see Jesus." After the services they assured us they had seen Jesus. A leader confided: "It's in our North American Baptist fellowship that I feel at home. I can't go with the liberals. True, the conservatives in other camps hold my doctrine, but with so little grace. I'm glad you came."

than our own, claim the attention of these people. Loyalties are divided as a result.

But they are fundamentally a sound, energetic group of God's children who are eager to witness for Christ and to take the Gospel to the far corners of the earth. This promotional tour revealed the encouraging fact that if these people of ours in the Atlantic Conference churches can be informed

VARIED EXPERIENCES IN THESE INSPIRATIONAL DAYS

By Rev. J. C. Gunst, General Secretary of the National Young People's and S. S. Workers' Union.

Variied, but inspirational and greatly helpful were the days for our team as we toured together from church to church in the Atlantic Conference. The spirit of team work among the brethren was excellent. I was deeply impressed by the splendid reaction and fine cooperation of our pastors and members of our churches in the East. Without exception, the people of these churches were eager for a spiritual message and to get news about our denominational enterprise.

We were encouraged by the fine evangelistic and missionary spirit manifested in these churches. Everywhere we found talented and devoted Christian young people at work in these churches. The activities in these churches are plentiful. We are confident that God will use these people as a mighty witness for his Kingdom work. The interest and support of our General Conference goals in the Lord's work is encouraging, indeed.

GREAT CHURCHES AND FAMOUS CITIES IN THE EAST

By Rev. J. J. Reimer, Missionary on the Spanish-American Field in Colorado.

The visitation tour of our Atlantic Conference Churches in the fellowship of our denominational leaders was a great blessing to me. The warm reception of our kind, brotherly pastors and their fine churches was as the "balm of Gilead" to me as a missionary. The opportunity of a deeper insight into the great tasks of our secretaries and their consecrated lives has caused me to praise God and to have a greater burden to pray for them, as well as for our entire growing denominational enterprise.

It was my first opportunity to see the East with its rich store of historical shrines and its big cities with their big factories, subways, tunnels and skyscrapers. To see such sights as Capitol Hill and the Supreme Court building in Washington, D. C. and to read in the Library of Congress the very script of Thomas Jefferson's first sketch of the Declaration of Independence has renewed my patriotism.

about our ever expanding mission fields and inspired to see the areas "white already to harvest," they will do more than their share in bearing the load of responsibility and will be faithful to this God-given task of ours. Such a heartening impression, gained from this Atlantic Conference tour, strengthened the hands of service of these general workers and missionaries as they returned to their respective tasks.

Torches of Enthusiasm for Christ

The Story of the Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson, Missionary-Appointees to Africa as Related by the Rev. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER, Promotional Secretary



The Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson Cutting Their Wedding Cake at the Reception Held at the Bethany Church of Milwaukee, Wis., Following the Wedding Ceremony.

WHEREVER they go, the Hendersons are torches of enthusiasm for the Lord Jesus Christ. Since their marriage on September 28th in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, George and Alma Henderson have been enjoying an extended honeymoon visiting our Southwestern and Southern Conference churches and going on trek for Christ's Kingdom.

Others would soon have become exhausted in trying to meet this heavy schedule. But these two young people, our appointees for the Cameroons Mission field of Africa, only seem to become more fervent and aflame with joy as they present their testimony and missionary plans to large crowds everywhere.

THE WEDDING CEREMONY

Even their wedding service on Saturday evening, September 28th, was uniquely different. The decorations in the Immanuel Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin featured two large hearts, united by the arrow of love, against the background of candelabras and bowers of ferns and gladioli. As the bride entered the church the official photographer fell down the balcony stairs in a clatter of noise. But Alma was unperturbed. Everyone commented upon her contagious smiles that transformed the entire service into a festival of glory.

Mr. Siewert, Alma's father, informed us that while the Immanuel Church was being built, Alma was born. In

fact, he was at the partly finished church building on the Sunday afternoon when word reached him of Alma's entrance into the world. Now she was being married in the sanctuary of the same church building!

Dr. John Leypoldt of the Bethany Church read the 128th psalm as "Martin Luther's Marriage Psalm" and spoke earnest words of counsel to the bridal couple before pronouncing them husband and wife. Dr. Thorwald W. Bender reminded George Henderson that as they waited for the service to begin that evening in the pastor's study, he was looking at the picture of the Soppo Church in Africa where Missionary Carl Bender lies buried. The song, "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us," was sung with profound feeling. The reception at the Bethany Church afterwards continued the spirit of meditation and joy which had permeated the wedding service itself.

TOCCOA FALLS COLLEGE

It is widely known that both George and Alma are graduates of the Toccoa Falls College. George was appointed one of our Cameroons missionaries by the General Missionary Committee at its session held during the General Conference in Tacoma, Washington in August 1946. Their departure for Africa will take place as soon as conditions permit after January 1, 1947.

George Henderson, a husky, handsome young man with a soft Southern brogue, was baptized in 1936 in the Madison Avenue Baptist Church of Montgomery, Alabama. He was working as a watchmaker's apprentice in a jewelry shop, when he decided to go to school to finish his high school studies and to enter college. At Toccoa Falls College he received a thorough training and worked as personnel foreman on the night shift in R. G. Le Tourneau's new plant in Toccoa Falls. He is well acquainted with the entire Le Tourneau family. Richard Le Tourneau, a son of the famous family, was one of the ushers at George's wedding.

GOD'S WONDROUS WAYS

He was ordained into the Christian ministry by the Hill Street Baptist Church of Toccoa Falls, Georgia in the Fall of 1945. It was his intention to enter the pastorate after graduation. In fact he was already serving the Baptist Church at Tallulah Falls during

his student years.

In that little country church in the south, Alma Siewert would often play the piano and bring her testimony for Christ. Always the fires of enthusiasm burned brightly as she spoke of God's plans for her to go to Africa. The friendship between the two, George and Alma, deepened but their plans after graduation went apart. Even their ways separated, and they said farewell with no thought of ever seeing each other again.

But on June 4th after the school's graduation exercises God called George Henderson to the mission field. He described the struggle that went on in his soul with dramatic forcefulness. At a revival that was held in his church in Tallulah Falls with a young friend, Rev. Ben Buzzard in charge, this young preacher went forward with the purpose of God for him to go to the mission field now stamped indelibly upon his soul. A whirlwind of events followed which ultimately led the two of them to the marriage altar in Milwaukee.

VISITATION TOUR

From November 3rd to 22nd they visited every church in the Kansas Association. Alma has been adopted by the Kansas Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union as its mission project. A busy itinerary was planned for them by the Rev. Fred Ferris and carried out with flying colors of enthusiasm by the missionaries.

From November 22nd to December 1st they participated in the program of the Oklahoma Association at Okeene and visited most of the churches of that state. For at least two weeks in December they will be visiting as many churches as possible in Texas within the confines of the Southern Conference.

So it will continue to be with George and Alma Henderson so long as God lets the torch of their testimony burn brightly, as they visit our churches and then go on trekking trips in the Cameroons. Their enthusiasm will light the fires of consecration for many other hearts to give and pray more for the mission fields. Their gospel preaching will lead many in Africa's darkest recesses to open their hearts to Jesus Christ, the light of the world. God bless you, George and Alma, as you continue to hold those torches of yours aloft for many years to come!

A Chaplain in Central America

A Report by Chaplain EDWIN KRAEMER While Stationed in the Canal Zone of Panama

SINCE ARRIVING in Panama, it has been my privilege to visit a number of Air Bases located throughout Central America and to conduct divine services with our men stationed there. While visiting these bases, I have been able to study the life of many of the people living in these Central American countries and at times have had opportunity to speak with them through the use of an interpreter.

I learned that one does not have to take his interpreter along as he goes among these people, for they can be found almost anywhere. While in Managua, Nicaragua, I went to town with a group of soldiers to do some bowling one evening. While we were playing, I noticed a crowd of spectators gathering around us, and since I was falling behind in the scores made by the soldiers, I turned my interest to the people. I found a white boy of twelve years, who could speak both English and Spanish, whom I used as my interpreter. We spoke to the people gathered in front of the bowling alley and distributed some New Testaments among them. They were very appreciative and appeared to be hungering for the "Bread of Life." The little boy did a good job at interpreting and felt well rewarded with a battle of "pop."

The need for more missionaries to work among the people of Central America is great and urgent. The religion which they have benefited them very little and has affected their morals even less. Poverty and disease are prevalent everywhere. Their homes are made in shambles while in the plaza of the city you will find a huge cathedral, frequently equipped with a golden or silver altar. In the streets you will find mothers nursing their babies, children praying in the dirt, and old people gazing into space with a blank look in their faces.

The lot of the aged and that of the children is extremely hard. It is no uncommon thing to see an old man crumpled on the hard sidewalk attempting to sleep for the night. It is very evident that children are undernourished and lacking in medical care. The lot of the younger people is precarious from a moral standpoint. Their elders permit them to wander around, leaving them to find entertainment in their own devices, paying no attention to their recreational activities. It is not strange that immorality and disease are widespread among them.

My travels also took me south to Finogana and Yovisa on the Tuira

River, as far out into the Darien Province as a white man is permitted to go. Beyond these points are found the Darien and Columbian head-hunters. We traveled up the river by boat as far as the channel would permit, and then loaded into a narrow Piragua, which the natives had hewn out of a tall tree. A sergeant skillfully guided the Piragua and operated the motor attached to the rear of it. We found our men out at the outstation quite contented and not at all desirous of re-assignment back to civilization. The country, indeed, is very enchanting with its beautiful mountains, tropical jungles and primitive people.

Perhaps, the following incident can best describe the native life of the people there. In one of their villages I saw two Indian lassies carrying on their shoulders a drunken man who was completely unconscious. They handled his body with ease and rolled his lifeless form onto the porch as if it were a dead log. Here was a human soul, without any signs of life, except an occasional groan, typical of a lost soul, yes, of many lost souls, without life and without hope. The white man has given them rum in ex-



A Typical Scene in a Central American Harbor as Photographed by Chaplain Kraemer

change for their furs and bananas, and has withheld the necessities of life and the gospel.

One missionary could do an unlimited amount of good in these territories. "Whom shall I send, who will go for us?" Isaiah 6:8. Perhaps God is speaking to someone now as he reads this account. Will you heed his call?

Do You Know That...?

Column Edited by the
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Today labor tells its story by beginning, "Once upon a time and a half."

The boy claimed that even elephants were allowed on the train on condition they checked their trunks.

Mr. W. Lawrence of the New York Times claimed that the flash of the atomic bomb was ten times as bright as the sun from ten miles away.

The man was heard to say as he sat down in the barber chair, "My face is in your hands."

The times that try men's souls are conquered by the men who try.

The missionary who was captured and eaten by cannibals gave them their first taste of religion.

The federal debt now amounts to more than \$5,400 for every civilian worker.

A pedestrian is a person with a wife, daughter, two sons, and a car.

Praise like gold and diamonds owes its value to its scarcity.

The fellow sat around twiddling his thumbs because he was a hitchhiker training for a journey.

Face-powder may catch a man but, after all is said and done, it takes baking powder to hold him.

The fellow called his car "snake" because it always rattled before it struck.

The smallest good deed is better than the greatest good intention.

An easy way to find the horsepower of any car is to lift the hood and count the plugs.

Worry is a thin stream of fear trickling through the mind; which, if encouraged cuts a channel into which all other thoughts are drained.

The fellow hammered nails like lightning; not that he was fast, but because he never struck twice in the same place.

The beauty parlor placed a sign near the door which read, "Don't whistle at a girl leaving here; she may be your grandmother."

The fellow got rid of the noise in the back of the car by making her sit up in front with him.

After several months of investigation Eastman Kodak Company is making more satisfactory tests for radio-activity. But years ago Mr. Eastman left a note when he took his life which read, "My work is done; why wait."

After all, a back seat driver is no worse than the fellow who cooks from the dining room table.

After Many Days

A Christian Novel

by JOYE HOEKZEMA

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SYNOPSIS

Dr. Christopher Matthews, Chief of Staff at Cass General Hospital, had a brilliant mind and skilled hands, but—se people said—no heart. He fell in love with Jane Lee, a nurse and a consecrated Christian, and asked her to marry him. She knew that he was grieving the Spirit of God, but she consented. For their honeymoon they went to the Virgin Islands, where in bitterness of spirit, because of inexplicable tragedies, Dr. Matthews closed his mind to God and to all news from the hospital. There on the fishing boat of Andre O'Hara in a terrible storm little Michael was killed. The Spirit of the fisherman-father amazed Dr. Matthews.

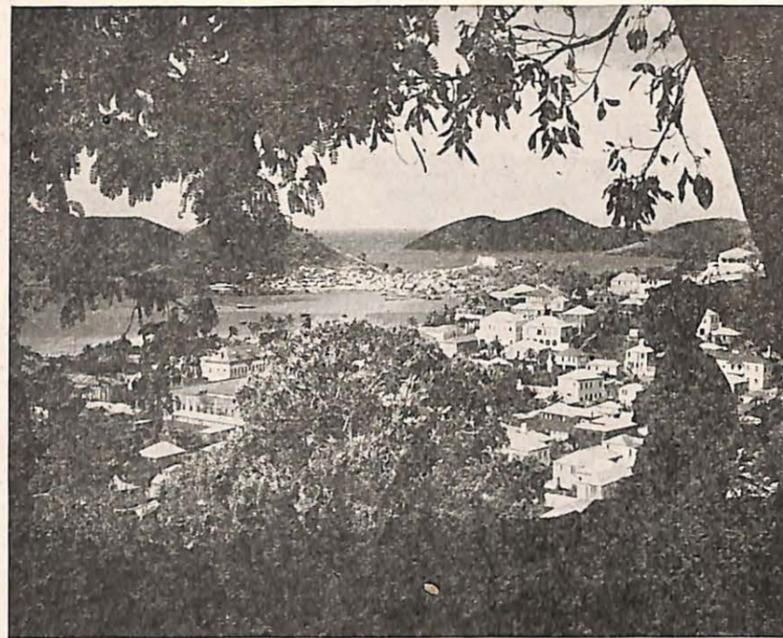
CHAPTER SEVEN

The simple service was over. Michael's body had been laid to rest in the little cemetery beside his mother.

"Ashes to ashes, dust to dust" . . . a mound of fresh earth . . . a few brave flowers withering in the hot sunshine . . . the trade winds lifting the dust across the new grave . . . Andre standing a little apart from his friends, staring sightlessly out to sea.

Not once had she seen him weep, Jane reflected, since the tragedy of the storm. He had brought the fleet safely into port, and then had gone into his cottage with his dead, to spend the days before the funeral alone. He had returned from his vigil haggard with grief, but as steadfastly at peace with his world as the harbor after the storm. "Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him," Jane repeated, seeing the look of unwavering faith in Andre's eyes. His step was steady and sure, and there was a strength within him that was like flint.

Chris had suffered acutely during the service. Perspiration glistened along his hairline, and his face was drained of color. Jane knew by the set of his jaw that he was making up



—Ewing Galloway Photo

A Striking View of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands from Synagogue Hill With the French Village With Its White Church Crowning the Hill Top in the Distance. Here Chris and Jane Spent the Weeks and Months of Their Extended Honeymoon.

his mind to do something. She could feel the savage strength of his thoughts.

As soon as the little crowd dispersed, he walked determinedly to Andre who was still standing alone on the little rise of ground, and said, his words throbbing with emotion:

"Andre, there aren't words to express how I feel about this. I've—I've known grief myself, but none so great as yours. I know you'll want to get away from all this . . ." He paused, his face flushing painfully. "What I'm trying to say is—I'll be glad to buy your fleet. You can take the money and clear out . . ."

Andre's thoughts came back slowly, reluctantly from far places. Grey-blue, like the sea at twilight, his eyes, questioning, gentle, dark with sorrow, searched Chris' face.

"Clear out?" he repeated. "You mean leave this place? Sell the fleet? Why should I do that, Doctor Matthews?"

"You won't want to stay here, surely," Chris said thickly. "Everything here will remind you of . . ."

"Michael?" Andre supplied without wincing. "Aye, everything here will remind me of my boy just as it does of his mother. But it is best that I learn to bear my sorrow here, my friend. Somehow the Almighty will give me grace and courage to carry on. He always has. I've trusted Him for sixty years, and He has never failed me."

"Never failed you?" Chris cried starkly. "Never failed you! What do you call Michael's death?"

"God gave me my boy. Surely He has the right to take him away," An-

dre said with a dignity that silenced Chris. "Who am I to question the judgment of my Maker? As for leaving the fleet—I couldn't do that. You see, the men have faith in me. I'm the only one who knows the uncharted shoals, who can find the best fishing banks. These folks need me, Doctor. It's my duty to stay here."

Duty! There it was again—a ringing challenge—a blazing accusation. Duty!

Hot color swept in a brutal wave from Chris' neck to his hair. "If you change your mind, let me know," he said hoarsely and turned on his heel.

For a moment longer Jane lingered at Andre's side, searching for some word of comfort.

"Oh, Andre, if I could tell you how sorry I am," she whispered. "Michael was so beautiful . . . so dear . . ."

"Aye," Andre agreed, and his eyes glistened for an instant with unshed tears. "Aye, he was that. I've been thinking how his mother must be rejoicing to see him. I've been picturing the two of them, walking across green fields, hand in hand. Michael is singing with his face uplifted to the morning, and she is saying, glad and proud, 'You sing like an angel, lad. You sing like an angel.'"

"You make heaven sound very near, Andre," Jane murmured brokenly.

"Aye, it is. Only a step ahead for those who keep the faith," he answered. "The boy's mother used to love the Twenty-third Psalm, especially the triumphant verse that reads, 'Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.' She told us many times that death was only a shadow. She said

that someday we'd all learn the glad lesson that the grave isn't the end of life, but only its glorious beginning, that earth is but a school and death the graduation. I reckon she was right. The hour of Michael's home-going was Commencement Day for him."

Jane went back to their villa slowly, the fragrance of Andre's beautiful faith lingering with her. She dreaded to meet Chris and witness again his silent, bitter suffering. The last days had been almost unbearably miserable.

As she entered the dim living-room she realized that something unusual was happening. She could hear Chris' quick steps in their tower room. She tiptoed up the winding stairs, her heart beating high in her throat. The door was open and she could see the place that had been their rendezvous and their sanctuary. The windows were flung wide to the fresh vigor of the trade winds. The mahogany tree cast deep pools of shadow across the floor. Chris was packing his clothes—not in a frenzy of haste, but with the sure hands of a man who knows where he is going and why.

He heard her step and turned. The breath caught in Jane's throat.

"Chris," she whispered, "what does it mean? Where are we going?"

Then she saw his face. The tears were not yet dry. His eyes were blazing with self-condemnation.

"We're going home, Jane." His voice was spent, as though he had been exhausted by a violent struggle. "Home—back to Cass General. Michael's death has at least accomplished that much."

Jane tried to speak, but only a small sob escaped her trembling lips. Instantly Chris had her in his arms, and held her gently against the punishing hammer of his heart.

"You've been right, Jane—so right that I've resented you because of it. I have been a coward and so yellow I couldn't stand my own stench. The life of a willful prodigal is no bed of roses. The husks I've fed my soul have given me spiritual colic! And we aren't through the woods yet. Oh, darling, I've 'come to myself' once again, and the desire to 'arise and go' to my Father's house is strong in me right now. But I'm not fool enough to think the battle is all won."

"It can be entirely and forever won if you'll only trust the Lord Jesus the rest of the way," Jane said softly as she pulled his rumpled head against her breast, "Oh, my husband, if you'll only 'let go' and 'let God.' Rest on His never-failing promises, dear one. He cannot lie. Remember the story of Abraham and his unwavering faith. He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God," Paul tells us in the fourth chapter of Romans. You see . . ."

Chris made an impatient movement with his wide shoulders. "Take it easy, honey," he muttered, moving away from her restraining arms. "I don't want to be stubborn about this, but neither do I want you getting the wrong idea and setting your hopes too high. We're going back to work, yes, but, fundamentally, I'm afraid I'm still a long way from seeing the Light—at least the way you see it. You'll probably find I'm still 'sounding brass.' I have no intention of mixing sentiment with business, but I will try to be a loving husband, Jane. I—I promise to do my level best to make you happy if you'll promise not to interfere with my professional life."

Jane looked at him through a mist of tears, her sweet face quavering. "I'm only human, too, Chris. I love you so very much that I'll promise almost anything to make you happy. But, oh, darling, why can't we go back fully surrendered to the loving direction of the Great Surgeon? Yield yourself to Him completely. Let Him work through you to heal souls as well as broken bodies . . ."

"Preaching seems to run in your family," he interrupted rudely, turning his back. "We'll have to get busy with this packing or we'll miss the next Clipper . . ."

Jane drew a shallow breath. She felt that she was dying a little inside. How much more bitter chastening must Chris endure before he was willing to bow his will to the divine will of his Almighty Father? And her own disobedience—how much more bitter fruit must she pluck? . . .

During the months Jane remained at the hospital, she tried hard not to clash with Chris. They had rented a charming apartment on a pleasant little side street, and the hours they spent there together were tender interludes. They cooked gypsy meals at all hours, wrote love notes which they hid in conspicuous places, made love to each other before their own wide-mouthed fireplace and were like happy newly-weds.

Jane prayed for the same unity and understanding during working hours, but Chris' attitude made that impossible. He was a different person the minute he donned his white jacket and entered the congested wards. Tenderness left his eyes, laughter left his mouth. Every day, without a trace of emotion, he performed miracles of surgery. His brilliant science was as pitifully impersonal as ever.

Even when his patients were the victims of infantile paralysis, it was the same. No matter if the twisted bodies belonged to children, his gruffness was never tempered by the tender understanding which would have made him truly great.

In spite of Jane's resolution never to quarrel with him again, their contention often became brief, bitter feuds.

"But I tell you he's only fourteen, Chris! Can't you see it's more than just a dragging limb that's bothering him? He was going to be captain of the Pee Wee Football Squad this fall. Now he'll be wearing a brace."

"He's lucky to be alive! That polio nearly finished him!"

"I know it, but that doesn't make watching a game from the sidelines any easier!"

"What am I supposed to do—invent a new-style football for cripples?"

"You could talk to him—man-to-man. Explain to him that perhaps you'll be able to operate after a while. Give him something to look forward to, now that his world has gone to smash!"

"I haven't time to run a Pollyanna clinic, as you should know!"

"You mean you haven't time to be human, Chris Matthews. I sometimes wonder if your blood isn't a mixture of cracked ice and salt! How can you treat those children . . ."

"Sorry I haven't time to listen to another sermon today, Mrs. Matthews, but I've got to practice some of my unfeeling skill on the Dillon kid. See you at dinner."

Watching him stride angrily away, Jane knew that she had grieved the Spirit by her sharp words, and that she must make full confession to her Lord before she slept.

Jane was unspeakably relieved when a class of new Nurses'Aides made her release from the hospital possible.

Hope kept her spirits high. Unable to witness his attitude toward his patients, she was able to persuade herself that Chris' attitude was changing. At home he was tender and considerate, and each passing week deepened the affection between them.

Then, just before their first Christmas, she made the happy discovery that they were to have a child. She wondered how Chris would receive the news, for they had never seriously discussed the possibility of a family. To Jane, this seemed the answer to her hours of earnest petition. Surely a boy of his own would do more to soften Chris than anything else possibly could!

She waited until Christmas Eve to reveal her secret. At her insistence, they had trimmed a tall Christmas tree, and Chris was just fastening a glittering tinsel star to the top branch when he said, grinning down at her fondly, "Seems sort of foolish—trimming a tree like this just for the two of us. I always thought Christmas trees were for kids."

Holding a lap full of colored lights, she rocked back on her heels, so that she could meet squarely those black, amused eyes. Hesitating only the briefest instant, she said jauntily, but with warm banners of happiness unfurling in her cheeks, "There are. That's why we're decorating this one—so Christopher Matthews, Junior, can enjoy it by proxy."

The tinsel star remained for a moment motionless in Chris' hand, reflecting the quiet firelit room, the warm pools of lampshine, the cluster of electric candles above the mantel. Then it slipped through the evergreen boughs with a lispng whisper as it dropped from his startled fingers.

"Hey, wait a minute—what do you mean—Junior?" he demanded excitedly. "You aren't trying to tell me..."

"Come down off that stepladder before you fall!" Jane interrupted, laughing. "They say shocks like that aren't good for an expectant mother."

He was down from the ladder and kneeling beside her in an instant. He gathered her into his arms, colored lights and all. "Why haven't you told me before? Don't you know the first thing you should do is consult a good doctor?" His laughter was boyish and a little awed. "A kid!"

"You're—you're glad then, Chris?"

He held her away, to peer intently into her glowing face. "Sure I'm glad! Why shouldn't I be? A family is a great institution. That's the way I got my start. When, honey?"

"Oh, not until late next summer. But he'll be here before next Christmas. We'll hang his stocking there on the mantel, with your sock on one side and my stocking on the other, and he'll be old enough to enjoy the tree and the lights."

"He'll probably drool all over his bib and try to eat the ornaments," Chris jeered, but she could see how happy he was. "Of course, it may turn out to be a girl, and in that event I'll forgive her anything if she only looks like you! Tell you what, if it's boy, you get to name him. But if it's a girl, I get to do the job."

"Fair enough," Jane agreed happily, relaxing in his arms. "What will you name her, lover?"

"Rose," he answered promptly, retrieving the fallen star and fastening it in her shining hair. "And I'll always keep her dressed in pink!"

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One day a few months later Jane received a disturbing visit from old Toby. He came late one afternoon when he was sure Chris would be at his office. Jane greeted him eagerly.

"Toby, darling, shame on you." She scolded him lovingly. "You haven't been to see me in months. What excuse have you for such neglect?" Then she saw his eyes and the light banter died. "What is it, Toby? What has happened?"

He patted her arm, and looked around the comfortable living-room, as he always did, with the wistful appreciation of a man without a home. "Don't get alarmed, Jane. It's nothing so vital, I suppose. It's just that this case is a little different from the others, and I've been praying extra hard that Chris would take more than a professional interest."

"Wait a minute, Toby," Jane interrupted. "Sit down and tell me all about it. What case are you talking about? You see, Chris never discusses his work with me."

Toby looked guilty. "No more should I," he admitted, "but this has been troublin' me for days and I thought maybe if you knew the inside story, you could kind of influence him maybe."

"Go on."

He moved his chair uneasily. "Well, we got a little boy in Pediatrics—cutest little tike you ever did see—and smart, too! But he has a curvature of the spine. Unless he's operated on, he'll be a cripple for life. The mother is a Dutch refugee. Her husband sent them over here just before the invasion of Holland. He was killed a month later, defending Amsterdam. This boy, Jane, is all she has left in the world. She isn't even sure that any of her people in the old country are still alive. It's a pitiful case."

"Oh, Toby, how awful," Jane whispered. She knew the rest of the story now from past experience, and her heart cringed.

Toby sighed. "Chris wants to operate just as soon as the boy's blood can be built up, but the mother is afraid. That's natural. She's afraid she'll be left with no one. She needs reassuring—a pat on the back maybe."

"And Chris won't give that pat on the back? Is that it, Toby?"

The old man's eyes were miserable. "He ain't to blame," he mumbled defensively. "I've watched him a lot since you came back from the South. He's tried hard to be different, but it's like tryin' to lift himself by his own boot-straps. He's sunk in the devil's own mire and he just can't unbend and get really human."

"I know," Jane murmured, blinking back hot, bitter tears. "I guess I've been living in a kind of wishful dream, Toby. I've been hoping he had changed. He's so kind and tender with me here at home. Oh, Toby, there's still a chance that God will lift him from the mire. We're—we're going to have a baby this summer. Won't you pray, with me, that being a father will soften him, that God will use this..."

Toby swallowed hard. "Jane, what a blundering old idiot I am! I didn't know or I wouldn't have bothered you."

"It's all right. I'm glad you told me. Maybe I can help. Maybe I can have a talk with the mother," Jane offered eagerly.

Toby shook his head doubtfully. "Chris wouldn't like that. You know how he hates being interfered with." He sighed.

The old familiar anger quivered for an instant against her heavy heart. "Send her over here tomorrow afternoon," Jane commanded resolutely. "Chris never gets home before seven on Saturday. Sometimes, Toby, we

give sick folks medicine against their will. I guess we'll just have to help Chris out a little until the Master cures his soul. By the way, what is the mother's name?"

"Van Ripper," he told her. "But I sure hope this doesn't cause any trouble between you and Chris. I'm a meddlin' old fool."

"You're a tenderhearted saint," Jane corrected, "and don't forget to send that poor woman up here in time for tea!"

Jane didn't mention Toby's visit to Chris. She was so full of bitter disappointment that she didn't dare. She knew they would quarrel, and somehow she couldn't bear the thought of estrangement from him, now that she was to have his child. She loved deeply, yet the happiness of the last months was gone. Faced with the grim knowledge that he had not changed, Jane knew that she would never be happy again until the coldness in Chris' heart was divinely transformed into sympathy and understanding.

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Mrs. Van Ripper came the next afternoon, escorted to the door by Toby himself. Jane loved her at once—the troubled blue eyes, so eloquent of suffering, the sweet, trembling mouth, the mended clothing, worn with dignity. The frightened woman knew she had found a friend.

Reticent by nature, Mrs. Van Ripper told Jane only part of her story, but they wept a little together, there over the tea things, and Jane showed her the small sweater she was knitting. Mrs. Van Ripper did the purling on the yoke and their hearts touched.

Jane didn't mention Jan's proposed operation. She didn't have to. She merely talked about Chris and the little children he had cured. She painted glowing word pictures until her visitor's taut body relaxed and the doubt left her eyes. When Mrs. Van Ripper finally rose to go, Jane knew that Chris would have no more difficulty getting her consent to operate.

She was startled to hear Chris' ring only a moment after the elevator door had closed behind the visitor. Realizing that they would meet in the lobby, Jane had but a moment to prepare herself before Chris was forcefully closing their front door. She didn't need to look to know he was angry.

"Purl two, knit two," she said aloud, childishly trying to pretend she didn't know he was glaring at her.

"What was that woman doing here?" he demanded in a voice he had never used since their stormy days at the hospital.

"Why, darling, how come you're home so early? Knit two, purl two, What woman?"

"You needn't pretend you don't know—the Van Ripper woman!" he said irritably. "I see you served her tea."

(To Be Continued)

Publication Sunday, Dec. 8th

An Important Announcement by Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, Business Manager of the Publication Society

FOR MANY years it has been customary to observe the second Sunday in December as Publication Sunday. This year the day is December 8th and no doubt many of our churches, on this day, will remember the Publication Society. The fundamental purpose for observing the day is to bring the meaning and the work of the Publication Society to the attention of our people. Perhaps, a brief review will serve as a guide to the thoughts and prayers of our people.

Your Publishing House provides the denominational papers such as The Baptist Herald, Der Sendbote, the Youth Compass, the lesson quarterlies and other publications. Furthermore, it is ready at all times to serve and to assist our church schools in obtaining the many lesson helps that are needed. It maintains an active and efficient Book Department whose aim is to serve the needs of our people. Your Publishing House is also so organized that it can be of service to any individual or church regarding any material relating to the Printed Word.

The management of the Publishing House expects to appoint a colporter in the very near future. This minister of the Printed Word will devote his entire time to the distribution of free Christian literature and Bibles where there is need for such and, in addition to this, he will act as a servant and counsellor to all of our people regarding Christian literature.

In recent months, doors for service are opening in Europe and South America. Many subscriptions of Der Sendbote are regularly finding their way to South American churches. It has also been the privilege of your Publishing House to serve many of these South American Christians during the past year with grants of free literature. Many of these people are pioneers, opening new territory and there is no way for them to obtain Christian literature in German except by the helping hand of Christian people in the United States.

A limited number of German publications are being sent to Denmark and Austria. In the former case, they are given to the refugees and, in the latter instance, they are being distributed

among the Baptists in Austria. We are not yet permitted to send Der Sendbote into Germany. As soon as the gates are open, large quantities of Der Sendbote and other German periodicals will be rushed to Germany. The need is so great. Rev. William Sturhahn, who is, at present, supervising our relief work in Germany writes: "I little realized that there is such a hopeless paper shortage here. Even if the printing houses are not in ruins, there would be no paper to print on. The Sunday School work seems to suffer the most from this lack of literature, more so, since the Baptists used to have a very good children's paper in Der Morgenstern."

Your Publishing House will certainly make every effort it possibly can to help our Baptist people in Germany with the necessary Christian literature as soon as the government permits the sending of printed material to Germany.

May Publication Sunday in 1946 be a day in which much thought and prayer are given to the very important and far reaching work of the Publishing House. The management is, indeed, grateful to our constituency for all helpfulness and consideration during the critical year gone by. It bespeaks the prayers of our people that all who labor here might be led in the way of wisdom to do the best for the Kingdom of God.

Two New Seminary Professors

An Announcement of Great Importance

DR. THORWALD W. BENDER OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, PROFESSOR-ELECT

Dr. Thorwald W. Bender, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., since 1941 has been called to our North American Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., to become the Rauschenbusch Professor of Systematic Theology and Homiletics to succeed Professor Otto E. Krueger. He is assuming the place made vacant by Professor Frank H. Woyke, after the latter had accepted the position of executive secretary of our General Conference and resigned from the professorship.

Dr. Bender has had a rich background of educational training in numerous institutions of learning, such as Illinois Institute of Technology, University of Wisconsin, Northern Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls College, Oberlin Graduate School of Theology, Western Reserve University and Marquette University. He received his doctorate degree (Th. D.) from the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Ill., in 1945.

He was ordained into the Christian ministry in 1931, and has served the

following churches: Lebanon, Wis.; George, Iowa; Emery, S. Dak.; Erin Avenue Church, Cleveland, Ohio; and Immanuel Church, Milwaukee, Wis. In the latter pastorate he has been privileged to see the large indebtedness on the church building almost entirely erased and to witness an encouraging revival of attendance and spiritual life in the church.

He has served as Youth Counsellor for the Milwaukee Association, chairman of the Department of Christian Education and Evangelism of the Wisconsin Baptist State Convention, vice-president of the state convention, secretary of the Northwestern Conference Mission Committee, and secretary of our Publication Board besides other important positions.

He is a son of our former Cameroons missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Carl Bender. He will begin his ministry as a member of our Seminary faculty in September 1947. His host of friends and an even larger number of those who do not know Dr. Bender but who have the best interests of our denomination at heart will greet his appointment with joy and approval.

REV. REUBEN P. JESCHKE OF DAYTON, OHIO, PROFESSOR-ELECT

The Rev. Reuben P. Jeschke, pastor of the Fourth Street Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio since 1937, has accepted the call to become Professor of English in our North American Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y. He will begin his work as professor on September 1, 1947.

On Sunday, October 20, he presented his resignation to the Dayton church. With profound regrets it was accepted. Plans of the church to erect a new edifice on the site already purchased will not be altered by the pastor's departure. At present, construction is delayed by material and labor shortages.

Mr. Jeschke will bring his pastorate in the Dayton Church to a close on December 31 of this year. He expects to move with his family to Stratford, Conn., after which he will enroll at Columbia University in New York for additional studies, continuing from February 1, 1947 through next summer.

Mr. Jeschke now holds the B. A. degree from Wesleyan University and the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Sacred Theology from Hartford Seminary Foundation. He was dean of the Dayton Community Training School for two years, secre-

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Giedt Return to Kityang, China as Baptist Missionaries

Included in the group of missionaries who sailed for the Orient on Sept. 30th were Dr. E. H. Giedt, Ph. D., and Mrs. Frances Giedt, and their two children, Robert and David. The Giedt family were bound for Kityang, via Swatow, China, where they will resume the work they started there in 1919. Their missionary work had been interrupted by the war, and Dr. Giedt had been home on furlough for a couple of years, while the family had been here a little longer.

Two sons are at Redlands University in California to complete their college education. Lt. Eugene Giedt was a navigator on a bombing plane, but later transferred to University of Chicago for a short language course in Japanese, and was then sent to Korea in charge of a district of the Army of Occupation. Lt. Harold Giedt served with the Marines in the Pacific.

Dr. Giedt is a North Dakota son, having been born and raised at Danzig, N. Dak., and went to the German Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y., by recommendation of our German Baptist Church of Danzig. He received his Master's Degree at Rochester University, and the degree of Ph. D. later from Yale University. Mrs. Giedt was formerly Frances Kirsch, and comes from the Andrews Street Church of Rochester. Both are working under the auspices of the Northern Baptist Convention.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Fall Meeting of Detroit's Woman's Mission Union With Rev. F. H. Woyke as Speaker

The regular Fall meeting of the Detroit Woman's Baptist Mission Union was held on Thursday, October 24, at the Linden Baptist Church. Luncheon was served by the ladies of the Linden Church.

Our president, Miss Hattie Moehlmann, opened our meeting. After her welcome to all present, she called on Mrs. Otto Ernst who led us in devotions on the theme, "Follow Me."

Our executive secretary, Rev. Frank H. Woyke, was the speaker of the afternoon and truly our hearts were heavy as we heard of some of the conditions in war-torn Germany. What an opportunity for God's people to rally to this cause. The offering had been designated for the Fellowship Fund, and our hearts were glad when we heard the report that \$100 had been received.

Several musical numbers completed the program and, indeed, each one present could say, "It was good to have been there."

Violet Teichert, Secretary.

Harvest and Mission Festival Program at the Fourth Avenue Church of Alpena, Mich.

Our Harvest and Mission Festival program given by the Sunday School under the leadership of our superintendent, Leonard Schwenke, was held on Sunday evening, Oct. 27.

The program was opened with group singing and prayer by Mr. Edward Ratzloff. This was followed by recitations and songs by the Beginners, Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments. A piano duet was given by Viola and Jeanette Liske and a piano solo by Ronald Pinkel. The Intermediate Girls Class presented a very fine play pertaining to kindness to others.

Musical selections were then rendered by Dorothy Luebeck and Marjorie Weinkauff, the Men's Quartet and the Senior Choir. Our pastor, the Rev. W. J. Luebeck, brought a fitting message on missions. The offering that was received for foreign missions amounted to \$40.72.

The Rev. W. J. Luebeck has resigned as pastor of our church to accept the position as editor of "Der Sendbote." We are sorry to have Mr. and Mrs. Luebeck and their family leave us for they are doing such a fine work in our midst, but we wish them God's blessing in their new work. We pray that God will soon send us a new shepherd to feed his flock.

Mrs. Clarence Zgorski, Reporter.

Special Programs at the Round Lake Baptist Church Near Gladwin, Michigan

We of the Round Lake Baptist Church of Gladwin, Michigan were happy to have Miss Esther Schultz, who is going to Africa to be a missionary, bring us an inspiring message on Sunday morning, August 11th.

The Beaver young people's group had charge of the evening service. The well known play, "The Lost Church," was presented by some of the members. The offering amounted to \$35.00 which our young people sent to the Cemerons Medical Unit.

Our pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Victor Prendinger, attended the General Conference in Tacoma, Washington. We were happy to have the Rev. Adolf Orthner supply the pulpit for two weeks while they were gone.

The Lord gave us a great blessing over the Labor Day weekend. The radio choir from the Burns Avenue Church of Detroit, Mich., was with us. Approximately 125 people went on a hay ride on Saturday night and it was a great success. In spite of the crowded wagons, everyone had an enjoyable time as we journeyed through the country roads. Upon our return to Mr. Wolfe's home, we had a worship service at the campfire, singing choruses and enjoying a wiener roast. The radio choir had charge of the Sunday morning service.

The evening service was held in the Gladwin Community Building. The choir brought the evening program just as they do when they are on the air. A large crowd turned out for this meeting. The offering, amounting to \$100, was given to the choir to help continue their work on the air.

Our Young People's Society is arranging its program from the "Youth Compass" magazine.

Clara Yerke, Secretary.

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

The Election Night Concert in New York City Is Attended by Many Friends

The annual Election Night Concert of the Fellowship of New York and vicinity was held on November 5th in the Second German Baptist Church of New York City.

The service was opened with the singing of well known hymns and choruses under the direction of Wm. F. Kettenburg, Jr., from the Evangel Church of Newark, New Jersey. The Scripture passage was read by the Fellowship's second vice-president, Gustave W. Goecke, and the Rev. J. C. Gunst led in prayer. Our president, Victor H. Prendinger, addressed the audience with words of welcome and then introduced the program for the evening.

Those who took part were as follows: trumpet duet, Grace Appel and Francis Fox, Evergreen, Brooklyn; Mingoia Boy's Trio, Walnut St., Newark; vocal solo, Ruth Pusch, Pilgrim, Jersey City; piano solo, Virginia Kuhl, Grace Baptist, Union City; young men's quartet, Clinton Hill, Newark; vocal solo, Grace Appel, Evergreen, Brooklyn; violin solo, Bob Wakeman, Walnut St., Newark; vocal solo, Paul Grammer, Clinton Hill, Newark; piano solo, Mrs. John Grygo, Immanuel, New York; flute solo, Sam Appel, Evergreen, Brooklyn; trumpet solo, Francis Fox, Evergreen, Brooklyn.

We had the honor of having in our midst distinguished guests as the Rev. Martin Leuschner, promotional secretary of the General Conference; Rev. J. C. Gunst, general secretary of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union; and Rev. H. G. Dymmel, general missionary secretary. These men were in the East, visiting our churches and speaking to the members of the work that is being carried on through the General Conference, as well as showing moving pictures of the various mission stations.

A fine Christian spirit of fellowship prevailed, and the attendance of our first post-war concert was gratifying, due to the interest shown by the young men who have returned from the service. The gathering gave evidence that "the Fellowship of New York and Vicinity" has a bright future.

Ruth Pusch, Recording Secretary.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE

Dr. Olthoff Installed as New Pastor at Tacoma's Portland Avenue Chapel

On Wednesday evening, October 30, the members and friends of the Calvary Baptist Church and Portland Ave. Chapel of Tacoma, Wash., gathered at the mission to greet the new pastor, Rev. J. F. Olthoff, and his wife, who recently accepted the call to this mission field. Words of welcome and encouragement were spoken by leaders of the various branches of the church, and special musical numbers were given.

Although Dr. and Mrs. Olthoff had arrived in Tacoma about two weeks previously, the occasion of officially welcoming them had been postponed due to our participation in a city-wide evangelistic campaign. Although the type of work here will be entirely different from that in organized churches, we are confident that the Lord will give the Olthoffs joy in their ministry here which is particularly among the youth.

Elizabeth Ahrens, Reporter.

Relief Goods Are Brought to the Harvest Festival of Portland's Laurelhurst Church

The annual Mission and Harvest Festival program of the Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon was held on Sunday, October 20, with Mr. Herman Reibick, superintendent, in charge. The meeting was opened with a song service led by Robert Delzer, assistant superintendent. The responsive reading from the mission leaflet was led by our pastor, Rev. Fred Mueller.

The following program by the primary department was arranged by Miss Esther Schmidtke, superintendent. This part of the program consisted of a welcome by four beginners, several recitations, songs, and musical numbers. Then scripture memory work was recited by Junior girls. The offering which played an important part on our program amounted to \$332.00.

Instead of the usual decorations of perishable fruits and vegetables, our platform was very uniquely decorated by Mrs. Martha Proppe with a large gathering of food in cans and parcels. These parcels were on display, and later they will be wrapped and sent to the needy in Europe. In this way the members had a real opportunity to do some practical Christianity and to help our fellowmen in the Name of Christ our Lord. Over 60 parcels weighing between 10 and 11 pounds each have already been mailed direct to many addresses in Europe.

Anna Wardin, Reporter.

Anaheim's Bethel Baptist Church Has an Inspiring Program With Many Activities

The members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim, Calif., are engaged in many activities for the Lord.



The Educational Unit of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim, Calif.

The Sunday School has shown a steady and healthy growth. Over three hundred scholars attended the Harvest Festival program. Our new Educational Unit is almost full to capacity, although we moved in only a little over six months ago. It was necessary to organize new classes. New teachers were also supplied. A number of our Sunday School workers are going out by cars each Sunday morning and bringing the children to Sunday School.

A twenty-five piece orchestra under the direction of Howard Greene has been instrumental in attracting the music lovers. The song services led by Leonard Dargatz have also helped to bring the congregation to a receptive mood for the inspiring messages by our pastor, Rev. P. G. Neumann.

The Youth Fellowship meets every Sunday evening. Paul Remland, an ex-service man who recently returned from Japan, is now president of our Youth Fellowship. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Wilgus are directing an energetic

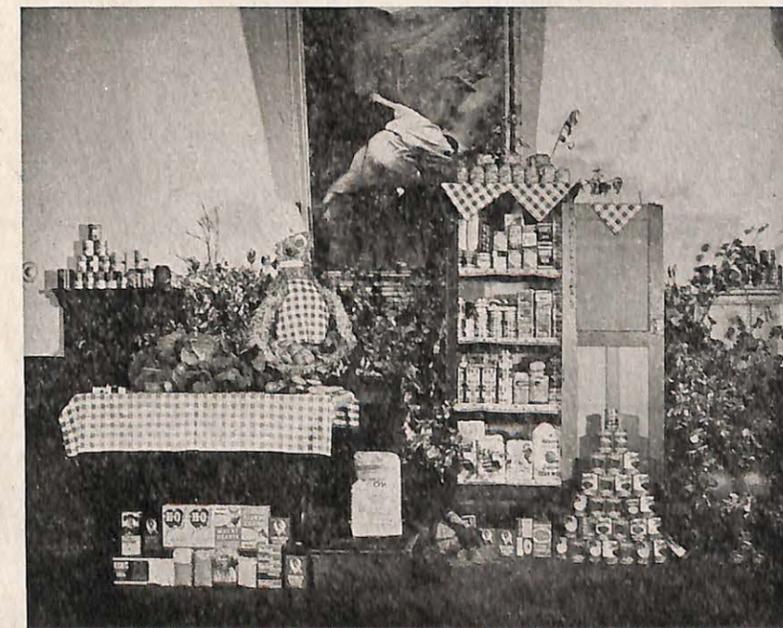
group, the Junior Youth Fellowship, during the same hour that the Youth Fellowship meets.

Due to the work of the Men's Brotherhood, we have become known as the "Men's Church." In August the Men's Brotherhood accommodated 400 people at a barbecue dinner held at our beautiful city park. After the dinner, Fred Jordan, founder of the Soul Clinic, spoke challengingly to the group.

In the near future Mr. Robert G. Le Tourneau, an outstanding Christian businessman, will be in Anaheim for a meeting to be sponsored by the Bethel Brotherhood in a county-wide meeting to be held at the Anaheim High School. Every place in the 1,600 seat auditorium is expected to be filled.

The male chorus under our pastor's direction has sung at many occasions. On November 24th the male chorus gave a 30 minute concert preceding the Charles Fuller radio broadcast at the Long Beach Civic Auditorium.

Paul G. Jungkeit, Reporter.



—Photo by Eric A. Pohl
Packages and Cans of Food Brought to the Harvest and Mission Festival of the Laurelhurst Baptist Sunday School, Portland, Oregon to be Sent as Relief Goods to Europe.

The Salt Creek Baptist Church Near Dallas, Oregon Celebrates Golden Jubilee

Beginning Friday evening, Aug. 30, and continuing through Sunday, Sept. 1, we of the Salt Creek Baptist Church of Oregon were privileged to celebrate our fiftieth anniversary. God's goodness was experienced again and again during those joyous days as we listened to messages presented by former pastors, renewed acquaintances, and reminisced over bygone days with old friends.

The Rev. Henry Schroeder, a son of the church, and now pastor of the Baptist Church in Madison, South Dakota, was the main speaker and brought messages on Friday and Sunday afternoon. The Rev. Fred Bartel, one of our denominational evangelists and former pastor at Salt Creek, delivered the Sunday morning address. The Rev. P. G. Neumann, now of Anaheim, Calif., another former pastor, brought the consecrational message on Sunday evening. Other former pastors present were the Reverends George Ehrhorn, R. E. Reschke, and Walter Radke.

On Saturday evening we enjoyed "Family Night." Following a banquet prepared by our Ladies' Missionary Group, we gathered in the main auditorium for the church history in pictures. At this service the one remaining charter member, Mrs. Margaretha Peters Gloeckler, told us briefly about interesting happenings of the early days of our church.

This Jubilee marked a special place in our hearts and minds since we were privileged to have the Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider, our missionaries to the Cameroons, with us for this occasion. At the Sunday evening service our pastor, the Rev. Otto Nallinger, officially sent them out as our missionaries. He offered a prayer of dedication and thanksgiving and challenged them anew as they go forth into Africa.

Mildred Schneider, Reporter.

Sessions of the 43rd Pacific North West Baptist Convention at Odessa, Wash.

Baptists from Washington, British Columbia, Idaho, and Montana gathered at Odessa, Washington from October 16 to 20 for their annual convention. The gracious hospitality, so beautifully Christ-like, evidenced by the good members of the Odessa Church, the warm, sincere fellowship enjoyed by everyone, and the genial, humble and benign atmosphere radiating from our host pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. A. Foll, made our stay in Odessa a memorable occasion.

The theme for our four day convention was, "Christian Discipleship." The various aspects of this theme were elucidated upon in a forceful, inspiring, and informative manner by Rev. George Pust of Startup, Wash.; Rev. A. Kujath of Kelowna, B. C.; Rev. E. Becker of Vancouver, B. C.; Rev. J. Halbert of Spokane, Wash.; Mr. A. Kraemer of American Falls, Idaho; Rev. R. Klingbeil of Colfax, Wash.; Rev. E. Riemer of Paul, Idaho; Rev. Ronald Stabbert of Tacoma, Wash.; and Rev. Walter Damrau also of Ta-

coma, Wash. On Sunday morning a vibrant, sincere, and heart searching mission sermon was delivered by the Rev. A. Alf of Missoula, Montana.

We felt favored and honored in having as our guest speaker the Rev. F. Mueller of Portland, Oregon, who spoke on "The Apostle Paul in a Basket" at the ladies' meeting on Friday afternoon, and who delivered the closing message on Sunday evening.

The business sessions of the convention were ably presided over by the moderator, Rev. J. Halbert. Rev. Walter Damrau was elected vice-moderator, Rev. A. Foll secretary, and Mr. Asaph Krueger treasurer. The reports from the various churches of our union were encouraging and showed that the Lord had blessed us all richly in the past year.

On Saturday afternoon an outing had been planned to Coulee Dam. We first enjoyed a satisfying meal at the "Green Hut" overlooking the mighty spillways, and then we were conducted on a lecture tour through the gigantic power house of Coulee Dam.

It was a joy to participate or listen in on the beautiful sacred songs rendered by the mass choir. This was directed by Vernon Alf of Missoula, Mont., who gave unstintingly of his time and talent in making the music a highlight of the convention.

Esther K. Blaudau, Reporter.

Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Pacific Northwest Baptist Convention

On Friday, Oct. 18, the women of the Pacific Northwest Convention met in the dining hall of the Baptist Church of Odessa, Wash., for their annual business meeting, led by the president, Mrs. F. Alf of Missoula, Mont.

The Missionary Society of Paul, Idaho was received into the Union. The reports of the various societies were interesting and encouraging. Much has been done for the Lord, and the poor and the suffering in Europe are especially remembered by all societies. Mrs. F. Alf was reelected as president and Mrs. E. Becker of Vancouver, B. C., was elected secretary-treasurer.

In the afternoon we gathered in the church parlor to listen to the annual program, which was well carried out and led by Mrs. Alf, following the song service led by Mrs. E. Becker. Scripture was read by Mrs. Kludt and prayer by Mrs. Bibelheimer, both from Tacoma, Wash. A memorial service with Mrs. E. Riemer of Paul, Idaho in charge, was very impressive. Five sisters have gone to their reward since the last meeting. A solo by Miss Lechner of Missoula concluded this service. Each society present took part in the program, either in song or in reading. The Odessa Society presented the dialogue, "Does the Bible Actually Teach Missions?" The offering brought forth amounted to \$70.90, most of which was designated for the Fellowship Fund.

Our guest speaker was Rev. F. Mueller of the Laurelhurst Church, Portland, Oregon. His text was found in II Cor. 11:33. "And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped his hands." Mr. Mueller led us to use our imagination to see those who have a part in serv-

ing, like the man who made the rope or the woman who loaned the basket to make Paul's escape possible. The deed may be small and insignificant, yet it is a necessity in God's plan and the reward will be great in heaven.

Mrs. Emil Becker, Secretary.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE

Annual Business Meeting and Election of the B. Y. P. U. at Vida, Montana

On Oct. 20, young people of the First Baptist Church of Vida, Montana held its annual business meeting and election of officers. Our B. Y. P. U. was organized a year ago.

Even though there has not been much interest shown, we still praise God for the many blessings he bestowed upon us. It seems as though our group has been somewhat migratory and the result was that only one of the officers was present. Our present membership is nineteen.

The results of the election were: John Schumaker, president; Mrs. Henry Lang, vice-president; Mary Strobel, secretary; Lee Hintz, treasurer; Rev. Henry Lang, advisor.

Mary Strobel, Secretary.

Harvest Festival and Evangelistic Meetings Are Held in Hebron, North Dakota

The month of October was a busy one for our people of the Baptist Church of Hebron, North Dakota. During this month we had our annual Mission and Harvest Thanksgiving Festival, and we were very well pleased with the results. For guest speaker at the Antelope Station church, we had invited the Rev. C. T. Rempel of Venturia, who served us with two good inspirational messages in the morning and afternoon, and an English service in the town church in the evening. Our newly elected mission secretary, the Rev. H. G. Dymmel, spent the following Sunday with us, and likewise served us with three uplifting sermons. We were grateful to be able to meet Mr. Dymmel and to become acquainted with him. Our offering for mission and building fund purposes was \$3,246.61.

For the first two weeks in October, we held special evangelistic meetings in our Hebron Church. The Rev. A. R. Weisser of Wishek preached the gospel in both German and English during this period. Much personal work was done by our pastor, Rev. J. G. Benke, and Mr. Weisser, and we are happy to report that six people made their decision to follow Christ. Others were deeply moved and the spiritual life of the church was quickened. The seed was sown, and while we regret that not all of it fell on good ground, we are thankful for what was accomplished. Mr. Benke followed up with evangelistic services in our Antelope church, but after a week of snow and rain these meetings were discontinued since the roads were unfit for travel.

I. E. Geidt, Correspondent.

Bible School and Special Missionary and Evangelistic Meetings at Ashley, North Dakota

"Delightfully different" are the words that can best describe the Bible School and special meetings held at the Baptist Church of Ashley, North Dakota from October 13 to 25. It was the first Bible School ever held in the Ashley Church and the plans for it were well laid by the aggressive young pastor, the Rev. Walter Stein. Its success was well established by the enthusiastic response of more than 70 "students."

The sessions of the Bible School were held in several shifts. From 9:30 to 12:00 o'clock every morning three German classes were conducted with an average of 33 persons in attendance. These students ranged from 84 years of age to a number of young people. They used their Bibles, asked many questions and participated in lively discussions.

One of the teachers was the Rev. H. Waltereit of Lehr, N. Dak., who taught a great variety of doctrinal truths on angels, Satan and the problem of evil, God's covenants with men, and the Second Coming of Christ. The Rev. Walter Stein introduced the class to the privileges of personal evangelism and informed them concerning dispensational truths. A large colorful chart was used throughout the second week. The Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, editor of the BAPTIST HERALD, taught in the Bible School for the first week in a study of "Baptist Principles."

The second series of daily classes was held from 4:00 to 6:00 P. M. with about thirty high school students coming to the church immediately after the close of public school. The three teachers conducted courses on Bible Studies, Christian Growth, Baptist Beliefs and Sunday School Work.

On Saturday afternoon, October 19, the first of a series of Saturday classes was held for children under 12 years of age under the direction of the pastor, Mr. Stein. A teeming crowd of 55 youngsters was on hand to listen to missionary stories by Mr. Leuschner and to see a reel of mission pictures. This Saturday School will be continued throughout the winter months by the pastor.

Three services on Sunday, October 13, taxed the seating capacity of the church with more than 350 people at each meeting. This was the annual Mission Festival of the church. These crowds continued to come throughout the next two weeks to attend the programs. Messages in German and English were brought during the first week by Mr. Leuschner at the early part of the services. Afterward missionary pictures were shown each evening about the Cameroons, the Seminary, the Spanish-American and Indian fields, the Southern Conference churches and the General Conference at Tacoma. On Friday evening, October 18, a great many people responded to the call for consecration in an impressive service.

Evangelistic messages were brought by the Rev. H. Waltereit during the second week with many blessings accompanying them. Musical numbers



High School Students Who Attended the Afternoon Classes of the Bible School at Ashley, North Dakota, With Rev. Walter Stein (Right) and Rev. H. Waltereit (Left).

were rendered by the Girls' and Men's Choruses and by individuals. A mission offering of \$100 was received on Friday, October 18, in addition to the Mission Festival Offering of \$2500 received on Sunday, October 13.

Souls were brought closer to Christ and eyes were lifted high upon our mission fields as a result of these services. Bible doctrines and Baptist convictions became much more precious to those at the school. Neighboring churches heard about the venture and are eager to emulate the Ashley Baptist Church and its successful undertaking.

M. L. Leuschner, Reporter.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Fortieth Anniversary Program of the Baptist Church of Whitemouth, Manitoba, Canada

For the observance of the fortieth anniversary of the Baptist Church of Whitemouth, Manitoba, Canada a special program was planned for the fifth and sixth of October. An informal program of Christian fellowship was

arranged for the opening service on Saturday evening. Unfavorable weather hindered us somewhat. The Rev. J. P. Rempel, a former pastor and now a deacon of the church, was unable to be present to give a review of the history of the church.

Therefore various older members of the church and the Rev. Phil. Daum of Chilliwack, B. C., a former pastor and our guest speaker for the occasion, spoke informally concerning the history of the church. Since he was a pastor here during 1918-1921, Mr. Daum could speak of many interesting recollections of his experiences as a young pastor in a pioneer church. He made mention of the unusual joy that was manifested in the purchasing and use of the first organ.

During our Sunday festivities our guest speaker, Mr. Daum, spoke in the morning and afternoon services. Friends and guests from the neighboring Baptist churches brought words of greetings.

We are grateful to God for our colorful history of revivals, growth and also disappointments. He has blessed the church in the past and his promise still stands: "I will build my church."

Fred Schmidt, Pastor.



Students of Younger and Older Years Who Attended the Morning Classes of the Bible School Held for Two Weeks at Ashley, North Dakota



Mr. and Mrs. William Karberg of Watertown, Wis., Who Recently Observed Their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Baptismal Service For Seven Converts at the First German Baptist Church of Olds

Sunday, October 13, was a blessed day for the First German Baptist Church of Olds, Alta., Canada, when a large audience gathered to witness a baptismal service. The Lord was good to us and gave us a beautiful morning so that the inspiring message brought by our pastor, Rev. J. P. Schultz, could be heard by all.

It was then the privilege of our minister to baptize seven young people on confession of their faith in Christ. In an impressive service these persons declared their new found faith before the world. In the afternoon we assembled at the church to partake of the Lord's Supper, and to extend the hand of fellowship to these young people.

We are truly thankful to God for these new fellow-Christians, and our prayer is that we may work together in love and harmony. We are grate-

ful to God for leading the Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Schultz to our church where they labor faithfully for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ruth Unger, Reporter.

NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Karberg at Watertown, Wisconsin

On October 22nd the members and friends of the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., went out to the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. William Karberg to surprise them on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary. Over a hundred friends were present at the celebration.

A brief program under the leadership of the pastor, the Rev. Rudolph Woyke, was held. Walter Stalker led the well-wishers in group singing.

OCTOBER CONTRIBUTIONS — NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

Conference	October 1946	October 1945
Atlantic	\$ 3,605.84	\$ 1,598.08
Eastern	1,520.25	1,666.66
Central	5,354.68	5,067.58
Northwestern	5,717.81	3,529.10
Southwestern	4,715.90	2,188.00
Southern	1,005.67	574.30
Pacific	7,592.36	5,185.49
Northern	1,643.24	4,265.69
Dakota	13,881.18	9,414.04
Totals	\$45,036.93	\$33,488.94
Missionary and Benevolent Offering		
Oct., 1946	\$ 26,257.07	
Oct., 1945	17,046.30	
Total to Oct. 31, 1946	\$142,708.69	
Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies		
Oct., 1946	\$ 14,968.66	
Oct., 1945	10,893.59	
Total to Oct. 31, 1946	\$352,540.94	
Seminary Endowment Fund		
Oct., 1946	\$ 1,586.95	
Oct., 1945	4,066.19	
Total to Oct. 31, 1946	\$120,677.12	
Christian Training Institute Building Fund		
Oct., 1946	\$ 1,606.60	
Oct., 1945	691.63	
Total to Oct. 31, 1946	\$30,307.21	

Mrs. Roger Norman sang the appropriate song, "Silver Threads Among the Gold." The pastor then read the Scripture passage, several poems and gave a short talk. A gold-base table lamp was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Karberg as a gift from the church.

On the day of the anniversary Mrs. Karberg also celebrated her 75th birthday. Mr. Karberg is 78 years old. The delightful celebration closed with an informal visit and refreshments. Mr. and Mrs. Karberg are shown on the accompanying picture, in which Mrs. Karberg is shown wearing her original wedding gown of fifty years ago.

R. Woyke, Pastor.

Wisconsin Young People Hold an Inspirational Rally at Pound, Wisconsin

The 19th and 20th of October were two blessed and most successful days for all who attended the Wisconsin State Young People's Rally at Pound, Wis. The theme of our rally was "Walking with Jesus."

On Saturday afternoon Mr. Alvin Miller of the Gillet society led the devotions, after which Rev. Thomas Lutz of North Freedom held a short singspiration. The Rev. North E. West of Kenosha then gave us an interesting address on the first phase of the theme, "In Living Faith."

At our business meeting held later on Saturday afternoon the acting secretary read a letter of resignation from the secretary. The group then affirmed Erna Konitz as secretary. The young people voted to adopt the Youth Service Goal of at least \$500.

The Rev. Robert Konitz began our evening service by leading us in devotion. We then listened to a welcome and response address from LaVerne Gross, president of the Pound society, and Walter Wilzewske, state president, respectively. Each society responded with a special number as the secretary called roll. Mrs. George Henderson spoke a few words to the audience, after which Dr. John Leyboldt of Milwaukee presented an inspirational message on the second phase of the theme, "In Fellowship with the Father."

During Sunday School the Rev's. R. Woyke, T. Lutz and F. Knalson discussed the lesson for us. Mrs. T. Lutz brought a short message in story form for the youngsters which even the older youngsters enjoyed. The Rev. Peter Pfeiffer of the Temple Church of Milwaukee brought the morning message.

On Sunday afternoon Myron Dudeck of Racine led the devotions. An offering was taken for our Youth Service Goal. We then had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. George Henderson, who brought us a challenging message on "Missionaries."

All too soon our Sunday evening service came. This being our last meeting, it was a consecration service. The state officers were in charge of the devotions. Dr. John Leyboldt brought the last phase of the theme as the closing message, "In His Footsteps." Surely those of us who heard this message will try in the days to come to walk closer "In His Footsteps."

Erna Konitz, Secretary.

OBITUARY

Mrs. MARY MATTHYS of Elgin, Iowa

Mrs. Mary Matthys, nee Sutter, of Elgin, Iowa was born on March 14, 1861 in Switzerland, and died on Oct. 17, 1946. In 1866 she came with her family to America and located in Elgin. She was married to Mr. Benedict Baumgartner in 1880. Six children were born to them, one of whom died in infancy. Mr. Baumgartner passed on in 1901. Mrs. Baumgartner was remarried to Ephraim Matthys, who also preceded her in death. She is survived by her five children, 19 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren, and one brother. Having experienced a saving faith in Christ as her Savior, Mrs. Matthys was baptized and joined to the Elgin Baptist Church, whose faithful member she ever proved herself. Elgin, Iowa.

Paul F. Zoschke, Pastor.

FRANCES KULINNA of Pittsburgh, Pa.

On September 24th just as the day was declining a tender hand reached down and removed from our midst a beautiful radiant Christian spirit in the person of Frances Kulinna. During almost eight years of constant confinement she was never heard to complain about her lot in life. The many friends who called to cheer her left the room finding themselves greatly enriched. We who knew and loved her are thankful to God that he has brought release from the body racked with pain. She has gone to join that throng which has triumphed in this life and in the life to come. She leaves to mourn her departure her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Kulinna; one brother, Frank H.; and a sister, Mrs. William Dague. The loft ones are comforted in the thought that the heavenly Father doeth all things well.

Temple Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Louis B. Holzer, Pastor.

Mr. RAYMOND F. DESLER of St. Paul, Minn.

Mr. Raymond F. Desler was born on Nov. 12, 1889 at St. Paul, Minn., and died on June 10, 1946 at Mounds Park Sanitarium after a short illness. He was brought up in a Christian home and accepted the Lord as his Savior as a boy. He was baptized by Rev. H. Marschner on May 22, 1904 and received into the church. On Sept. 11, 1915 he was united in marriage to Miss Augusta Stahnke. This happy union was blessed with 5 children, 4 sons and one daughter, of whom one son in infancy preceded the father in death. Mr. Desler was a devoted husband, a loving father and a faithful church member. His passing will be sorely felt by his widow, his 3 surviving sons and 1 daughter, his mother, one sister, one brother and one grandchild, all of St. Paul. By special request the undersigned was asked to speak at the funeral and we found comfort in John 14:2.

St. Paul, Minn.

C. A. Stoeckmann, Pastor.

JOYCE DARLENE HEILSBERG of Colfax, Washington

Joyce Darlene Heilsberg of Colfax, Wash., was born May 19, 1930 near Colfax. Early in her youth she accepted Jesus as her personal Savior and by baptism joined the Wilcox Baptist Church in December 1939. She proved herself to be a consecrated disciple of Christ. As a willing worker, she will be missed in the Sunday School, the B. Y. P. U., the choir and at the piano.

On Friday morning, October 11, the Lord called her by death to higher service above after months of suffering of rheumatic fever. She died at the age of 16 years and nearly 5 months. On Oct. 14 we laid her earthly remains to rest, knowing that we shall meet her by and by before the throne of the Lamb. She leaves behind her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Ewald Heilsberg; one sister, June; and two brothers, Donald and Gary. The Lord's consolation is with the bereaved ones.

Colfax, Wash.

R. M. Klingbeil, Officiating Minister.

Staff Sgt. FLOYD LECHNER of Missoula, Montana

Staff Sergeant Floyd Lechner of Missoula, Montana, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lechner, was born on Nov. 14, 1925 in McIntosh, S. Dak. He was killed in action as an air pilot on March 15, 1945 over Hungary. His remains are interred in the United States Military Cemetery in Budapest, Hungary.

In 1937 Floyd was baptized into the fellowship of the Baptist Church of Missoula, Montana by the Rev. Emanuel Bibelheimer. He served the Lord before he joined the Air Force by singing in the choir and in a mixed quartet. He was faithful and dependable.

He is mourned by his parents; four brothers, Richard, Ernest, Albert and Raymond; and three sisters, Mrs. Deen Cook, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Ray Morrison, Missoula, Mont., and Ruth; as well as by his church and a host of friends.

On Sunday evening, October 27, our church held an impressive memorial service. The Rev. J. McPike of the First Baptist Church and the undersigned brought words of consolation. The American Legion participated at this service. Miss Silvia Hornbacher and Vernon Alf rendered the music.

Grace Baptist Church, Missoula, Montana

F. Alf, Pastor.

Mr. HENRY SHERMAN of Aplington, Iowa

Mr. Henry Sherman of Aplington, Iowa passed away on Monday, October 28, 1946, at the age of 83 years, the result of a stroke which he had suffered two days previously.

Mr. Sherman was born on July 8, 1863 in Rorichgum, Ostfriesland, Germany. In 1881 he emigrated to the United States, settling at once in the state of Iowa where he made his home. In 1887 he was united in marriage with Miss Lena Uhlenhopp, with whom he lived happily for over 59 years. Eight children were born to this union, of whom four preceded the father in death. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, two sons, 19 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

Upon the confession of his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, he was baptized in 1896 by the Rev. Mr. Tietge and received into the Baptist Church, remaining a faithful member until he passed away. For a number of years he served as deacon, retiring from this office a few years ago because of advanced age. He was a stalwart Christian, a man of deep and firm convictions, a loving husband and father. We looked to John 14:27 for words of comfort and cheer at the funeral service.

Aplington, Iowa,

C. Fred Lehr, Pastor.

Mrs. JOHN C. STOCKSIEK of Peoria, Illinois

Mrs. John C. Stocksiek, nee Moeller, was born on March 22, 1888 in Peoria, Ill. She died early Wednesday morning, October 16, 1946 at the age of 58 years. Her illness was over a rather long period of time. The funeral service was held on Friday, October 18th.

At about 16 years of age she experienced the joy of accepting Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior to whom she was faithful throughout life. The Rev. David Hamel baptized and welcomed her into fellowship of the State Park Church. In the church she found her friends and enjoyed many years of happy Christian fellowship.

On October 21, 1920 she was united in marriage to Mr. John C. Stocksiek. Their marriage was blessed with a daughter and a son.

Mrs. Stocksiek is survived by her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Howard Greenwood; a son, John H. Stocksiek; a sister,

Anna Moeller; and two brothers, William J. and Henry J. Moeller.

She lived an exemplary life and was deeply devoted to her Lord. The large attendance at the funeral service and the many floral contributions were expressions of love and respect. She will be missed in the home and in the church. May God comfort the bereaved!

State Park Baptist Church, Peoria, Illinois

Rev. Frank Veninga, Pastor.

Mrs. WILLIAM WOLFF of Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. Alvina Wolff, nee Marquardt, of Chicago, Illinois, was born in Hanna, Indiana, December 6, 1875, and went home to be with the Lord on October 29, 1946, nearing the age of 71, after an illness of five months.

She received Christ as her Savior early in life and at the age of 17 she was baptized by the Rev. Mr. Petersen and joined the East Side Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member until her death. She was active in the Ladies' Aid and Women's Guild organizations of the church.

On May 19, 1898 she was married to William Wolff. The Lord privileged them to spend over 48 years of married life together.

She was known to many as "Auntie," probably because of her sincere interest in the welfare of others. She found great pleasure in remembering the sick and shut-ins with beautiful flowers from her garden. Another of her traits was to lend a helping hand in homes where illness prevailed.

She is survived by her husband, Will; two brothers, Emil and Fred Marquardt; two sisters in Canada, Mrs. Ida Entner and Mrs. Hulda Strickerdt; and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted on Friday, November 1, with the pastor officiating.

East Side Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois

Louis R. Johnson, Pastor.

Mrs. GEORGE W. PUST of Startup, Washington

Mrs. Elsie Marie Pust, nee Kohler, of Startup, Wash., was born on October 16, 1891 in Rochester, N. Y., and departed from this life on September 2, 1946 in Startup, Wash., at the age of 54 years, 10 months and 16 days. Just a few hours before her passing, she and her husband, Rev. G. W. Pust, were received into the fellowship of the Startup Church, where Mr. Pust is beginning a new pastorate.

As a young girl she was converted by the Rev. C. A. Daniel and received into the fellowship of the Andrews Street Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y., where she remained a member until she married Mr. Pust.

On May 16, 1911 she was united in marriage to the Rev. George W. Pust. Three children were born to this union. As a minister's wife, she labored with her husband in the following churches: New Hamburg, Ontario; Saskatoon, Sask.; Lemberg, Sask.; Dickinson County, Kansas; Emery, S. Dak.; McLaughlin, S. Dak.; Fessenden, N. Dak.; and now Startup, Wash. Everywhere she entered wholeheartedly into the work of the Lord with her husband. Mrs. Pust was of a happy disposition, making many friends wherever she went.

She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, the Rev. G. W. Pust; three children, Lt. Earl Pust of Sheridan, Wyo., Mrs. L. H. Boucher of Yakima, Wash., and Joyce, who lives at home; her step-mother, Mrs. Katherine Kohler of Rochester, N. Y.; a host of relatives and many friends. Her earthly remains were laid to rest in Minneapolis, Minn.

The Rev. E. Bibelheimer and the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., conducted the service held at the Startup Church, with the latter bringing a message of comfort from II Cor. 1:3-6. May the Lord strengthen and comfort the bereaved!

Startup, Washington,

W. C. Damrau, Officiating Pastor.

Two New Professors

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tary and vice-president of the Dayton Ministerial Association, and for several years he has been a member of the leadership training committee for the Church Federation. He was recently re-elected moderator by the Dayton Baptist Association. He was a member of our Publication Board for a number of years.

His appointment by the Seminary Board of Rochester has been greeted with joy by many of our people and will be accompanied by the continued prayers of all of our people for the professor-elect and our "school of the prophets."

ATTENTION — FRIENDS OF THE CAMEROONS MISSION

A new Booklet about our Cameroons missionaries entitled, "Now We are Twenty-Two," has just recently been published. Coming from the pen of Dr. M. L. Leuschner, our promotional secretary, it presents a graphic picture of our Cameroons Mission fields. In its contents are included vivid life stories of our missionaries, their pictures, birthdays and addresses, a map prepared by Missionary Dunger showing the various fields, and a list of projects suitable for adoption.

All who have seen the booklet are enthusiastic in its praise. It is undoubtedly the finest leaflet of its kind our denomination has ever published.

"Now We are Twenty-Two" is being made available free of charge to all of our churches for distribution. Readers of "The Baptist Herald" will want to request their copies immediately.

If you are unable to obtain a copy through one of our churches, please send your request direct to North American Baptist Headquarters, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois.

Frank H. Woyke, Executive Sec'y.

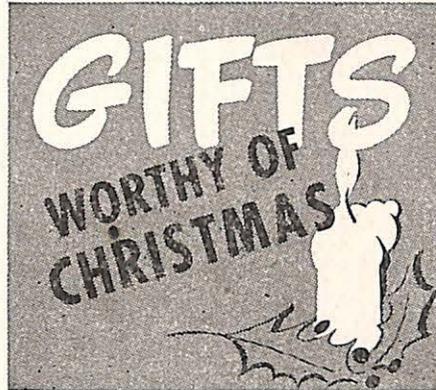
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Mrs. M. B. Dymmel, Vice-president.

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Take a Look

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into divine channels.

Paul called upon the Ephesians to "have this mind in you which was also in Christ Jesus." No man can possess the mind of Christ without an ac-

quaintance with the Scripture. Here we find a great weakness in our land. We have shut Christ and his teachings out of our lives and out of our educational systems by neglecting the Bible.

This great library of books ought to be read from the standpoint of literature as well as religion. All who pass through our public schools should be acquainted with the Bible. A knowledge of the Bible would give all the opportunity of choosing the mind of Christ, of moving in its directions, and of going where it leads.

A NEW SPIRIT

Our plea to God would be incomplete if it did not also include the cry, "O God, create within us a new spirit." The answer of God to such a desire is this: "I will put my Spirit within you." The soul of man needs the Spirit of God. To fail to apprehend the gift of the Spirit is to fail to grasp God's most characteristic blessing. We need to be cleansed from sin, but our cleansing is incomplete without the Holy Spirit who will keep us clean. Only as his Spirit is enshrined within us shall we walk in his statutes and keep his judgments.

There are forces on the inside of us that, if unrestrained, would make criminals out of us. No man needs a Bible to tell him that. Many of the things we blame on bad environment are really caused by the use of wrong inner powers.

When we accept Christ, he makes the change. He puts his Spirit into us. He calls it "the gift of the Holy Spirit." The Spirit is Jesus Christ adapted to our needs. He makes the use of right inner powers possible. The Spirit within us places Christ on the throne of our lives.

It is said that the ashes of Bruce were preserved, and in the time of war they were carried into every battle as the secret of victory. The armies carried the urn containing the preserved heart wherever they went. Their patriotic fires were always kindled by it.

Once, in the Crusades, a fiery charge was made by the Saracens, which seemed likely to be successful. The famous relic was brought to the Scottish chieftain and, riding to the head of his cavalry, he threw it far ahead of him into the ranks of the Saracens, shouting, "Forward, heart of Bruce! Douglas will follow thee." His men drove forward to save the sacred relic. The charge of the enemy was repelled and the silent ashes of Bruce returned to the Scottish army.

If that dead heart could be such an inspiration, what a power the living Spirit of the Son of God must be in the midst of his people! Not relics of the cross, nor nails of the crucifixion, but the consciousness of God's Spirit within can make us fit to live today!