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Denominational Reminders

ENGAGEMENTS

Dr. William Kuhn, Asst. Exec. Sec'y
Sunday, June 22 — 50th Anniversary
of the Baptist Church, Martin,
North Dakota.

Rev. J. C. Gunst, Young People's Sec.
Sunday, June 22 — Medina and
Streeter, North Dakota.

Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Sec.
Sunday, June 22 — Carroll Ave.
Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

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CONFERENCE DATES

June 18-22 — Pacific Conference at
the Bethel Baptist Church, Ana-
heim, Calif. Prof. O. E. Krue-
ger, Guest Speaker.

June 23-25 — Central Dakota Associ-
ation at Bismarck, No. Dak. Rev.
E. J. Baumgartner, Rev. H. G.
Dymmel and Rev. E. P. Wahl,
Guest Speakers.

June 23-27 — Atlantic Conference
Minister's Annual Retreat at
Bradley Beach, New Jersey.
Program Theme: "The Minis-
ter and the Holy Spirit." Mes-

sages and Prayers by the Pas-
tors.

June 24-29 — Southern Conference
Young People's Encampment at
Latham Springs, Texas. Rev.
M. L. Leuschner, Guest Speaker.

June 25-29 — Dakota Conference at
Bismarck, No. Dak. Rev. E. J.
Baumgartner, Rev. H. G. Dym-
mel, Guest Speakers.

June 25-29 — Minnesota Young Peo-
ple's Assembly at Buffalo Lake,
Minn. Dr. Thorwald W. Bender,
Guest Speaker.

June 25-29 — Central Saskatchewan
and Alberta Tri Union and Con-
ference at Hilda, Alta. Rev. W.
J. Luebeck, Guest Speaker.

June 26-29 — Ontario Convention at
Killaloe, Ontario. Rev. E. P.
Wahl and Mr. E. A. Hoffman,
Seminary Student, Guest Speak-
ers.

A New Leaflet on
"The Christian Achievement Plan"
Will Soon Be Available.
Watch for the Announcement
About This Eight Page Leaflet!

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July 1-6 — Central Dakota Assembly
at Jamestown College, James-
town, No. Dak. Rev. J. C. Gunst
and Rev. and Mrs. William L.
Schoeffel, Guest Speakers.

July 2-6 — Northern Conference at
Carbon, Alta. Rev. Thorwald
W. Bender, Rev. W. J. Luebeck
and Rev. E. P. Wahl, Guest
Speakers.

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CONFERENCE CORRECTION

August 14-17 — Central Conference at
the Erin Ave. Baptist Church,
Cleveland, Ohio.

(This Is a Change from the Previ-
ous Dates of Aug. 28-31.)

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IMPORTANT DATES

July 17 — Departure Date of Sailing
on "S. S. Elizabeth" for Europe
by Rev. H. G. Dymmel, General
Missionary Secretary, Where
He Will Visit Austria, Germany
and Possibly Bulgaria and At-
tend Sessions of Baptist World
Congress at Copenhagen, Den-
mark. Returning to United
States About August 9th.

July 23-27 — International Sunday
School Convention at Des
Moines, Iowa.

July 29-Aug. 3 — Baptist World Con-
gress at Copenhagen, Denmark.

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AMONG OURSELVES

The last two weeks of June represent
the busiest time of the year in our de-
nominational program for conferences
and assemblies. A total of eight gath-
erings will convene, extending from
California to Ontario, and from Texas
to Canada's province of Alberta. All
of the available general workers will
also be busy meeting engagements and
participating in the inspiring programs.
But this is only the beginning of a full
summer of denominational activities
for everyone to enjoy!

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IN THIS ISSUE

The world with its many spiritual
needs passes in review before the
reader in this issue. Our Million Dol-
lar Offering has definite goals to ad-
vance into all the world with the gos-
pel, as described by Executive Secre-
tary Woyke. The story of the recent
Christian Workers' Conference in Chi-
cago will interest young people every-
where. The heart-rending stories of
the Wahl family, who have
shared the recent war tragedies with
millions of others, will move all of us
to compassion for our brethren over-
seas. China's needs are depicted on
the front cover and in the editorial.
The needs of the present-day world
are overwhelming!

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COMING

It is not widely known that we are
supporting 14 missionaries in the Bal-
kans of Southeastern Europe and that
in these Communist-controlled coun-
tries we are preaching the Gospel. The
article about this mission field by the
Rev. Karl Fuellbrandt of Vienna,
Austria will be unusually interesting.

The Rev. Thomas Stoeri will con-
tinue his messages on "The Present
Day Glory of the Church of Christ"
in the next number. These two articles
deserve your earnest attention.

The Rev. William Sturhahn, recent-
ly our representative of relief in Cen-
tral Europe, will tell the story of Bap-
tists of Germany during and after the
war in an article entitled, "Christ's
Footprints Among the Ruins."

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EDITORIALS

Martin L. Leuschner

China Opens a New Mission Field

CHINA'S MILLIONS need the Gospel of Jesus Christ as never before. The old foundations of their pagan religions are tottering. The post-war world has brought unbelievable hardships and suffering to the people. Communism is bidding for the heart of China's loyalty. Among these hundreds of millions of people of China there are hundreds of doors which open to Christian missionary groups to present Christ as the Savior of all men and the Friend of these in need.

In the all-wise Providence of God, one of these doors to missionary service in China has opened up for us as North American Baptists. It is an entirely new mission field for us in a land that has been profoundly influenced by the saving power of the Gospel. It definitely represents an advance for us as we respond to the pitiful Macedonian calls of a suffering world and to the commands of Jesus Christ to go into all the world.

Most of the missionary societies now active in China are preaching the Gospel in the thickly populated cities. But the vast masses of people living in the tens of thousands of villages are largely untouched by missionaries. The Lord Jesus had compassion on such who were "scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." That spirit of Christ's compassion has moved our General Missionary Committee and General Council to approve this decisive action to support this projected missionary work in the villages near Canton, China.

Miss Leona Ross of River Forest, Illinois has been designated as our missionary to China. Her favorable response has been received. She will return to China with years of experience in the China Boat Mission and with a remarkable knowledge of the Chinese language and customs. Her home will be a typical Chinese boat as she plies her way from village to village along the waterways of China bringing Christ and his Gospel to the people in that area. She will be assisted by a missionary couple who will spend a year or two learning the language in Canton before they assume their full responsibilities as missionaries and evangelists.

These tidings ought to stir our people to more fervent praying and more generous giving for the enlarging program of Christian missions, in which we are engaged. They ought to ring the bells of an aroused interest for the Million Dollar Offering which is our spiritual and financial support of this projected denominational advance on all sectors of activity.

China's door has been opened to us by the goodness of God and the guidance of our Christ. The Christian leaders of China are saying to us with outstretched hands of spiritual pleading, "Never before has your helping hand been more needed and appreciated in China. Never before has the door been open so wide and the people so ready to listen to the Gospel of Jesus. Never before has the church faced such a great challenge made by those who have no need of religion and are decidedly opposed to Christianity" (C. Y. Cheng).

We have heard this call and have faced this challenge that comes to us from China. With the Apostle Paul we can now say that "a great door and effectual is opened 'unto us among China's millions!'"

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BIBLE TEXT

"Let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified," Psalm 40:16.

Let the redeemed say so! God's children should be a constant witness to the saving and transforming power of the Gospel. Every word and deed of life ought to contribute toward magnifying the Lord Jesus Christ.

That is the supreme purpose of our lives as Christians. "The Lord be magnified!" Not only must the minister so preach that the people in the pews see Jesus only, but God's children must so walk and talk that the people of the street see Christ magnified in them. Then with the Apostle Paul we can say: "For to me to live is Christ!" (Philippians 1:21.)

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GENTLENESS

Gentleness is one of the fruits of the Christian Spirit (Galatians 5:22). That is easily forgotten. It is the gracious, winsome, compassionate spirit of one who has the mind of Christ. In the best sense of the word, the Christian should always be the outstanding example of a gentleman!

Gentleness is not softness. Frances de Sales wrote that "nothing is so strong as gentleness; nothing so gentle as real strength." Gentleness is the method of love in winning others until "the power of gentleness becomes irresistible." It becomes the secret of his attraction for others, not to himself but to Jesus Christ, whom he serves. "The golden beams of truth and the silken cords of love, twisted together, will draw men on with a sweet violence, whether they will or not." (Cudworth.) That is Christian gentleness, an important fruit of the Spirit.

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THE ROYAL JEWELS

"The Sunday School Times" recently published the following story in the department, "The Illustration Round Table." Some of us were invited to visit the royal palace while we were in Stockholm attending the Baptist World Alliance in 1923. One of the women in the party asked the king's daughter if we might see the royal jewels. She went to the door entering upon one of the gardens and called someone. Presently a woman came from the garden, holding the hands of two lovely children. The king's daughter, smiling, took her children into her arms, and said, "These are my jewels." One could but wonder if the answer of the king's daughter may not reveal the secret of Sweden's fine record of Christian civilization. — From the Teacher, Southern Baptist Convention.

June 15, 1947

The Glory of Christ's Church

The First of Two Timely Messages by the Rev. THOMAS STOERI, the Associate Pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Illinois

Eph. 5:27

THAT he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing."

There has never been any lack of criticism of the church, and we readily admit that it is not difficult to find spot or wrinkle in it. The church is made up of sinful human beings and so, quite naturally, the total sum of a group's character becomes very noticeable. But it is a very regrettable fact that even church members are not more aware of the highly admirable characteristics to be found in the church.

If we can see the real glory of the church now, we will find it possible, like Moses of old, to choose "rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season," and we, too, "will esteem the reproach of Christ (or his church) greater riches than the treasures of Egypt." Let us then in these meditations try to understand the glory which the Church of Christ has even in this world.

First, it is necessary to make clear what we mean by the term, the Church of Christ. Surely, first we ought to mean the very church of which you and I are members. We all confess to be born again unto a lively hope through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Next we want to extend the term to include our beloved denomination, made up of churches like our own in belief and aims. And we do not stop there. We include every person of any group who has experienced the saving grace of Christ, and that without regard to race, tongue or nation. In short, we include all who believe in the redemptive work and sacrifice of the Son of God and who are desirous of extending his kingdom.

ITS GLORIOUS CREATION

Let us ask ourselves now in all sincerity: what glories does the Church of Christ have now, in this world? We would say, first of all, that the church is glorious in its very creation.

In our day organizations spring up like mushrooms. They serve temporal and often carnal purposes, the desires of man. But the church is rooted directly in God, yes, it is God's own creation. Because of that truth Christ could say even before a visible church existed: "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it." This is glory, indeed, that the church is a clear manifestation of the will of God and a definite part of his plan for this world. The church has a vital and large part

to play in this. The church thus becomes an essential part of his plan for the world. For that very reason the Lord created the church in an extraordinary manner. No angel, much less man, not even a command of God could bring it into being.

It necessitated the appearance of God's own Son; and even that alone also was not sufficient. Remember that during his lifetime no real church was in existence. That had to await the coming of his Holy Spirit. That glorious manifestation could only be brought about by the very death and resurrection of the Son of God himself. Therefore, in spite of its faults and shortcomings, do not speak lightly of the church for which Christ died. Not as a miracle worker, or a teacher and preacher of righteousness, not even as a martyr did Christ become the founder of the church. It needed a sinner-loving, sin-forgiving, high priest, who because of his sacrifice could sit at the right hand of God and intercede for us.

The church became a glorious proof of Christ's death and resurrection. The apostle Paul expresses this glory in Ephesians 1:11-12. "In whom we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will; that we (the church) should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ." This wonderful fact in itself gives reason enough for joyous appreciation of the church.

ITS GLORIOUS DEVELOPMENT

The second factor that reflects glory on the Church of Christ is its makeup and development. Paul, writing to the Corinthians, expresses this fact: "See your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called, but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, . . . but of him are ye in Christ Jesus" (1 Cor. 1:26-29).

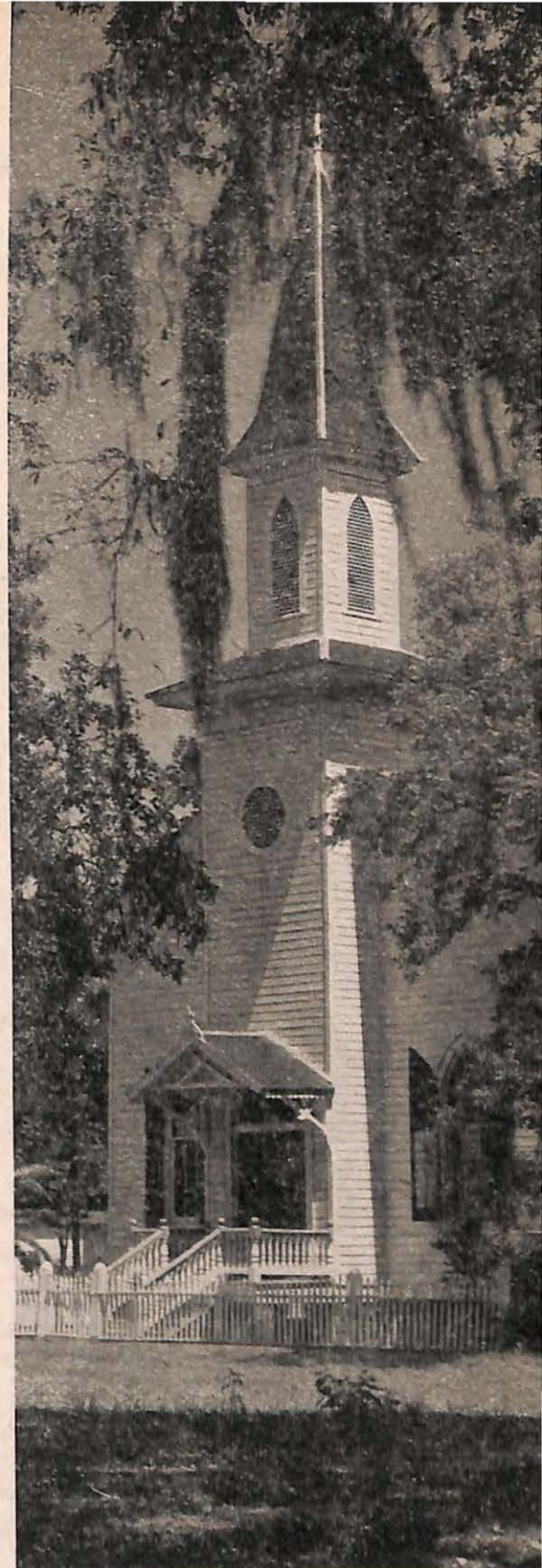
A system that can take poor, ignorant fishermen, despised publicans and later a kettle mender and a shoe cobbler and make of them world personalities like apostles, gospel writers, authors and world missionaries must indeed be a glorious organization!

John G. Paton went to the cannibals of the South Sea Islands. They would gladly have put him in their stewpots to have boiled him for their dinner. But by the grace of Christ, manifested in the church represented in him, Paton saw these savages transformed into children of God, who by their whole-

hearted consecration put the European and American Christians to shame. This is the grace revealed through the membership of the church in the most humble persons as well as in the great and well known.

All of this quite clearly indicates another phase of the church's glory. In the third place, we would point to the glorious purpose for which it was created. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations . . . to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even

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—Samuel D. Myslis Photo

The Farmer Goes Forth to Sow Across the Wide Fields of the Prairie With the Wide Expanse of the Heavens Above Him! So Also the Million Dollar Offering Will Be Begun in the Next Few Weeks With High Expectations for a Bountiful Harvest During the Next Two Years!

Our Million Dollar Offering

The Story Which Ought to Stir All Hearts at the Launching of New Advances by North American Baptists as Announced by the
Rev. FRANK H. WOYKE, Executive Secretary

EMBOLDENED by the generosity of our people during the past few years, the General Council at its recent annual session approved the launching of a Million Dollar Offering, to be gathered in the two years from August 1, 1947 to July 31, 1949.

God has wonderfully blessed the United States and Canada during these past years. While almost all other countries lay prostrate and in need, we have prospered as never before. In gratitude for these blessings, our people have attained new heights in their giving toward the missionary and benevolent work of our denomination.

We have full confidence that this generosity will continue. And yet, the action of the General Council represents a tremendous act of faith. It indicates faith that God will continue to shower upon us the material blessings necessary to reach this goal and that he will make us spiritually responsive to his summons to sacrifice.

ADVANCE IN OUR DENOMINATIONAL SERVICES

What will our Million Dollar Offering accomplish for the cause of Christ?

First of all, it will make possible a significant advance in the regular service rendered by the various cooperating organizations of our General Conference. These consist of the following:

Home Missions
Foreign Missions
Aged Ministers and Relief
Ministers Pension Fund
Roger Williams Press
Children's Home
North American Baptist
Seminary
Young People's and Sunday
School Workers' Union
Woman's Missionary Union
Five Homes for the Aged

The approved budget for the year ending March 31, 1947 allowed for all of our societies and departments the sum of \$230,000. The Million Dollar Offering will provide for all of these services the sum of \$300,000 annually, an advance of \$70,000 a year.

Such added funds will make possible the training of more ministers and missionaries, as well as their appointment to go out into the fields. They will lead to increased activity on the part of our Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, of the Publication Society, and of all other organizations of our denomination. Only eternity can reveal the gain in the salvation of undying souls that will result from this intensified activity.

NEW MISSION IN CHINA

The General Missionary Committee has recently voted, with the concur-

rence of the General Council, to open a new mission in China as soon as this becomes practicable. While no one can say exactly when this work will begin, we shall all be grateful to God when the increased funds made available by the Million Dollar Offering will help to support this new work.

SPECIAL OBJECTIVES

In addition to the \$600,000 to be used for our denominational services, the sum of \$400,000 has been designated for the following special objectives:

Ministers Pension Fund	
Enlargement	\$200,000.00
Seminary Removal	100,000.00
Fellowship Fund for	
World Emergencies	100,000.00

PENSION FUND ENLARGEMENT

Our denomination in past years has been unable to provide an adequate retirement pension for those laborers who have faithfully "ministered to the saints" for many years. All that our Pension Fund has been able to provide for them was a maximum of \$300 per year. We all know how utterly inadequate such a small sum is.

At the same time, it has been recognized that it is our duty and privilege to provide generously for those servants of God who no longer have the strength to carry on. Many of our laymen have been deeply concerned

and distressed over this failure in our denominational program.

As a result, an entirely new Pension Plan is being developed. Although details of this plan will be publicized later through the "Baptist Herald" and by other means, we can already state that the benefits of all present pensioners will be increased and that the maximum benefits under the new plan will be \$525 rather than the present \$300.

In order to make the plan actuarially sound, and in order to make possible the increased benefit payments, an enlargement of the Pension Fund is imperative. For this reason, \$200,000 of the Million Dollar Offering have been designated for this Fund. We shall all work with enthusiasm for the accomplishment of this goal.

SEMINARY REMOVAL

The question of locating our Seminary somewhere in the Middle West has long been discussed and considered. The General Council has now approved the removal of our Seminary from Rochester, New York to Sioux Falls, South Dakota. It is hoped that this project can be carried out within the next year.

Such relocation of the Seminary will in no way affect its independence. The Seminary plans to erect buildings on its own land and to retain its present administrative organization in its entirety. Naturally, an agreement for the purpose of academic exchange will have to be worked out with Sioux Falls College. Otherwise the relocation will be simply what the word signifies—a change in the location of our Seminary.

The unanimous action of the General Council in approving this step came as the result of the obvious advantages that are involved. Some of these are the following:

1. Freeing our faculty of the load of teaching purely college work.
2. A charter that will bring to our Seminary all degree-granting privileges. All efforts to obtain these privileges in New York State have met with complete failure.
3. A location at approximately the geographical center of our Conference. This will make the school more easily accessible to prospective students and at the same time will make the faculty more readily available for the majority of our churches.

No doubt, this step on the part of our Seminary will meet with the enthusiastic approval of our churches. But such an undertaking is inevitably connected with a considerable outlay of money. For this reason, one of the special objectives of the Million Dollar Offering is a fund of \$100,000 to go toward helping the Seminary establish itself in its new location.

FELLOWSHIP FUND

Our churches have contributed over

MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING GIFTS

Million Dollar Offering Certificates will be sent to the contributors with the receipts. Each gift of \$20.00 will entitle the contributor to receive a full share certificate. Larger contributions will give the contributor several shares. An offering of \$10.00 will entitle the giver to receive a half share certificate. These certificates will be suitable for framing in your home or church!

All contributions by individuals, churches and societies after August 1, 1947 towards the denomination's missionary enterprise will be included in the Million Dollar Offering.

You may designate your contributions to any part of the Million Dollar Offering, if you so desire. These designated gifts will be honored according to the contributor's instructions.

\$450,000 toward the Fellowship Fund for World Emergencies during the past four years. These funds have made a great relief work possible. Hundreds of tons of bulk relief and many thousands of parcels have already been sent to Europe.

The need for food, clothing and rehabilitation continues to be appalling. Hence, at least \$100,000 of the Million

The task of reaching our goal of a million dollars in two years will be a gigantic one. United in Christ and dedicated to the spreading of the unsearchable riches of his Gospel, we shall accomplish it. It will be best for each one of us to set a goal for himself. Perhaps, the following suggestions will be of some help:



God Prepares Denominational Leaders in Every Generation!

(Right to Left: Dr. William Kuhn and Dr. Herman von Berge on the Day of Their 50th Ordination Jubilee; and Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary)

Dollar Offering will go into this Fund for relief in Europe.

YOUR PART AND MINE

Thus it becomes clear what our Million Dollar Offering will accomplish. But before this world-wide ministry can be rendered the Offering must be raised. As yet it is only a plan, a goal. It is now the responsibility of every North American Baptist to make this dream of a Million Dollar Offering come true.

News concerning the Million Dollar Offering will reach you from time to time through the pages of "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote". In addition to this, posters and leaflets will be made available to every church.

Million Dollar Offering Shares will be issued to all contributors. Each share will be valued at \$20.00. A contribution of \$100.00, for example, will thus be rewarded with five shares in the Million Dollar Offering. Half shares at \$10.00 each will also be issued.

1. For individuals and families. Why not set a goal of five shares or \$100 for each year?
2. For local churches. A goal for the church, based on membership and ability, might be set up as a missionary project.
3. For local Missionary Societies, Men's Brotherhoods, etc. A goal of a certain number of shares in the Million Dollar Offering can be agreed upon.
4. For state or conference groups. Such groups could adopt a larger number of shares in the Million Dollar Offering as a project.

"HE SHALL BRING IT TO PASS"

Man proposes; God disposes. We know that, when all is said and done, we can do nothing without the approval and help of God. Let us therefore be much in prayer that our wills may be in harmony with his Will. "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass" (Psalm 37:5).



The Rev. and Mrs. John Wahl and Their Children, Formerly of Yugoslavia
(Left to Right—Children—Harry, Aged 12; Gertrude 17, Guenther 16, and Helmuth 14)

Our Flight from Yugoslavia

The Story of Europe's Refugees by GERTRUDE WAHL, Daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. John Wahl

AS THE death-dealing waves of armies and military might moved close to our home in Yugoslavia in October, 1944, we had to leave our fatherland and flee for our lives into a strange country. That was our first taste of many bitter experiences as refugees, roaming the countryside without a home of our own!

We settled down in Lower Austria and were there only a few months when we began to hear the thundering echoes of approaching armies. We were refugees again on the march!

But now there were hundreds of thousands like us. The transportation facilities were pitifully inadequate. Thousands of people waited in the train depots or stood on the highways hoping for a lift.

With our parents we four children waited for something to happen on the open road. We had all of our earthly belongings with us in a few bags. All night long we slept on the roadside with thousands of people around us. It was terribly cold, so near the Danube River, and with so few blankets with us.

About noon on the next day the driver of a car consented to take us along. But the crowd of people pressed so quickly against us that my father could not get in the car and we had to drive off without him. The worst was that he did not see in which direction we had gone. Like thousands of European children, we were torn apart by the dreadful circumstances of the war. Fortunately, we had promised one another, if separated, to try to meet again at the home of some relatives in Upper Austria.

After we had gone some distance, we were told to unload. Hundreds of cars drove past us with no glance of compassion in our direction.

Night was approaching fast. It began to drizzle with a penetrating cold. Thousands of people sat or lay on the ground around us. Among these were crippled and aged people. Nobody could move any further.

My mother went from house to house and asked for a place to sleep. But the doors were closed in her face. Finally, we forced our way into a farmer's house, since we children were terribly cold and hungry. The farmer's wife gave us some warm milk to drink and a place to sleep on the floor of the kitchen. That was grand hospitality for which we thanked her and God.

Bombs of Death Overhead!

A Graphic Glimpse of the War's Horrors by GUENTHER WAHL, Aged 16

IT WAS a cold, wintry morning in January, 1945. Dark clouds hid the bright, blue skies of Lower Austria from view. We had to be satisfied with this disagreeable, wintry weather.

We as a family sat in our refugee home, which consisted of one room. We tried to occupy ourselves with reading and drawing. Suddenly the sirens sounded with their shrill, wierd blasts. Another air raid was about to begin!

But this was only the first alarm. We were accustomed to these dangers.

The next morning we took our places on the road hoping to get a ride. It was all in vain! We waited for hours in the rain. Finally, a man in a wagon was willing to take our luggage on the overloaded vehicle while we walked alongside on foot. We trudged along for eleven miles. It was still raining and getting colder!

As we approached the next town, the confusion and congestion on the road became worse. Enemy bombs had fallen on that town and destroyed much of its communication system. My mother went from auto to auto, pleading for help. Finally, some soldiers in a car took pity on us and brought us some distance.

We stayed for several days in a farmer's home where we even had a few potatoes to eat. My, but they tasted wonderful! Then we were taken by some soldiers to the depot to board the next train.

Just then the air raid alarm sounded! That was awful! Thousands of people rushed for the air raid bunkers, but only a few could get in. We sat huddled together with our luggage in the station and prayed that God would watch over us. We breathed a prayer of thanksgiving when the alarm had passed.

We went by train for several miles, but there was more trouble ahead. The tracks had been bombed, and the train could go no further. We had to get out and drag and carry our luggage quite a distance to the place where another train waited for us.

Finally, after many days we arrived at our aunt's home where we were overjoyed to find father waiting for us. My, but I am happy to be in America and happy that God has brought us safely as a family to this wonderful land. The experiences through which we have gone as refugees were frightful, but God was always near to help and to protect us. To Him be all the glory and honor!

We put on our coats and filled our suitcases with the things we might need before going into the neighbor's cellar. The sirens were at it again. Was this raid meant for our area?

It wasn't long before we heard the frightening roar of airplane motors in the skies above. We could guess as to their objectives. A mammoth oil refinery was located on the Danube River about four miles from us. Ten thousand laborers were employed there. It was cleverly camouflaged, and besides the day was extremely cloudy. But we could never be sure

of anything in such dreadful times!

Suddenly the anti-aircraft guns went into action. Between the shots of the guns we could hear the steady drone of the airplane motors. To this was added the dreadful crash of falling bombs. Our nerves were really on edge!

But the worst was still to come! We could hear the falling of a bomb not so far from us, as it plunged with a whistling roar to the ground. A Polish servant girl in the cellar with us clasped her hands in prayer and cried, "Help! Bombs! Bombs!" Those were frightful moments of suspense. Then there was a terrific explosion that knocked all of us to the floor of the cellar. All around us was the clattering of broken window panes and the wild cries of people.

My father crawled outside as soon as possible to join a few others and to see what damage had been done. A large school building next to the one in which we were hiding had received a direct hit. Store buildings in the vicinity were badly wrecked. Fortunately, not a person lost his life in the raid.

We thanked God for his wonderful protection in the midst of this danger. Certainly, there had been only a short step between us and death. His eyes have always been open toward us. It was his Almighty Hand that guided us across the seas to America which is now our new, happy home.

We want you to know as young Baptists of North America how glad we are to be in your beautiful, freedom-loving country after the frightening, horrible experiences through which we went during the war. It's wonderful to have found such grand friends and a better land by far in which to live. For this we shall thank our heavenly Father as long as we live!

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REV. JOHN WAHL AND FAMILY

The Rev. John Wahl was for many years one of our missionaries in Yugoslavia. In 1938 Dr. William Kuhn and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner in company with the Rev. Karl Fuellbrandt were able to visit with him and his family and the members of his church near Belgrade.

After the close of World War No. 2, relatives of the family in the New York area were able to open the door for the Wahls to come to America. They found a warm welcome in this country and many friends in the Ridgewood Church of Ridgewood, Long Island.

During the past school year Mr. Wahl has been a student at our Rochester Seminary in order to become more proficient in English. Most of his family lived in Rochester, N. Y., during that time, having secured good positions.



—Acme Photo

"Post-war Living" in Germany for Many Residents of Nuremberg as They Make Their Way to Work With the Fire-blackened, Bomb-blasted Main Section of the City in the Background

First Impressions of America

By the Rev. JOHN WAHL, Formerly One of Our Missionaries in Yugoslavia

THE PEOPLE of Europe can never imagine what a fine and free kind of life people have in this country of America. I mean all the people, not only the rich and wealthy. Everyone who works is able to enjoy it. All the people who came from Southeastern Europe in earlier years to the United States now have their own houses and automobiles. It is apparently common to see laborers drive their own cars to the shop. In Europe only high government officials and industrialists can afford to do it.

Here we are no longer treated as undesirables or as gatecrashers, as in Austria. On the contrary, we enjoy much love and goodwill. The words, "Welcome to the shores of new hope," expressed by our relatives in a radio-gram have been fully realized in that we are truly welcome and also have new hope. For everyone who saw us upon our arrival extended a hearty welcome to us. All were glad that we had escaped from all the misery and distress of Europe. In the true American spirit many people showed us the real meaning of practical Christianity. Everywhere we are treated well!

There are so many good things which we had not even seen for many years in Europe. We all received new

clothes from our relatives. Even strangers extended a helpful hand. Shortages such as plague Europe are not found here. For example, we were overjoyed to taste chicken again after many years, but our hostesses served it with apologies such as: "We are sorry we can serve you only chicken."

In school, teachers and students welcomed our boys very cordially. Some even tried to speak a few words to them in their language. And the fellow-pupils competed with one another in helping our boys to do their home work. They also came to take them to school. It is touching for one who comes from Europe where one nation hates the other with deadly poison to see how the people of different nations live in the best of harmony with one another.

In our churches we are pleasantly surprised by the presence of Christian fellowship. As Baptists we are proud that here in the United States of America Baptists are not a small rejected sect but a large denomination with great church buildings. But despite impressive buildings and large numbers, we are happy to have found in our churches in bigger cities a warmth of spirit and brotherly love which has made us feel at home.

A Christian Workers Conference

A Report of a Unique Young People's Conference Held in Chicago, Ill.,
from May 2 to 4 by MISS MARTHA LEYPOLDT

HOW CAN I be a more effective worker in my local church? Am I as competent a leader as I could be? Why is it that our churches do not have adequate leadership? How can we develop sufficient and capable leaders? What is our denomination doing to help meet this need? How can my Sunday School and youth group be a more vital organization?

These were some of the questions that were in the minds of those who attended the Christian Workers' Conference held at the historic First German Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois on May 2, 3 and 4. The aim of getting acquainted with other Christian workers in the Central Conference and a desire for inspiration and constructive program suggestions were clearly evident.

Over sixty out-of-town delegates were present, representing thirteen churches in Michigan, Ohio and Illinois. In addition, there were many in attendance from the eight Chicago (and vicinity) churches.

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

In several respects this conference was unique. It was the first of its kind to have been held in any one of our local conferences. The National Union sponsored this conference as an experiment and for the purpose of setting an example for other conferences to follow. The program was worked out by our National Union officers with the Central Conference young people's president, Mr. Herbert Seipke, of the Burns Ave. Church of Detroit, assisting.

Since the conference was held in Chicago, there was the advantage of having all four of our general secretaries and the executive secretary of the denomination present and participating in the conference. In addition, the president and vice-president of the National Union were also in attendance.

Our guest and out-of-town speaker was the youthful, vivacious and inspirational speaker, the Rev. John F. Crouthamel, pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Friday evening was the opening rally with our National Union president, Mr. Walter C. Pankratz, presiding. Special music was one of the features of this and all succeeding sessions. Mr. Crouthamel bought the inspirational message of the evening. His dramatic and sincere presentation touched the hearts of all. This was



Mr. Walter C. Pankratz of
Chicago, Illinois

merely a taste of the inspirations to come.

SATURDAY'S DISCUSSIONS

Saturday morning brought more delegates from out-of-town. A browsing table was set up with a display of National Union material as well as missionary pictures and curios. A devotional hour in the morning began our activities for the day with a period of singing, testimonies, prayer and a devotional message by the Rev. C. B. Nordland of Forest Park, Illinois. Dinner was served by the women of the host church, of which the Rev. John Schmidt is pastor.

The afternoon program brought six interesting discussion groups, three being held simultaneously. The Rev. John Crouthamel outlined an interesting and stimulating discussion on the subject of the "Trinity." The program of evangelism in the local church was presented by the Rev. Frank H. Woyke, and a profitable discussion on missions was led by the Rev. H. G. Dymmel. The Rev. Martin L. Leuschner presented a constructive and tangible program of leadership training for the local church. The principles

This was the first Christian Worker's Conference sponsored by a local Conference Union! It shouldn't be the last! You can have one, too!

involved in the program of the Christian Service Plan, our National Union's spiritual goals, were given by our general secretary, the Rev. J. C. Gunst. The present and future plans of the denomination were revealed by the executive secretary, the Rev. Frank H. Woyke, in a class entitled, "You and Your Denomination."

MISSIONARY RALLY

The National Union vice-president, Mr. Harold W. Gieseke, presided at the Saturday evening missionary rally. The Rev. H. G. Dymmel, our general mission secretary, appropriately addressed the well attended audience. A new historical film, depicting our denominational work over a period of several decades, was shown by Dr. Leuschner who gave very fitting remarks. A \$100 mission offering was received for the Central Conference Medical Unit Project.

On Sunday morning the delegates were free to visit one of our eight churches in the Chicago area.

Sunday afternoon climaxed a profitable weekend. "The Assembly Speaks" was a special feature of the program. Class instructors of the previous day answered questions raised by the audience which were incited during the discussion periods. The "experts" were not "stumped" and the stimulating questions and answers were advantageous to all. Our guest speaker culminated the session with a challenging message, bringing to our attention again our conference motto, "Workers Together With Him."

MORE CONFERENCES LIKE THIS

It was the expressed desire of all present to suggest to the Central Conference officers that they sponsor annually a Christian Workers' Conference. It is the desire of the National Union officers that such a program be carried on and sponsored by each regional conference. Write to your conference young people's president and tell him that you are interested in having such an inspirational and challenging conference for young people's leaders and Sunday School workers. It will be a valuable and beneficial undertaking for all concerned.

Write to the Rev. J. C. Gunst for a complete outline of the Central Conference program for suggestions and your stimulation. The general secretary will also send display material upon your request.

It has been done in the Central Conference—it can be done in yours! You can have one, too!

A Five Fold Spiritual Program

The Third of a Series of Articles on the Christian Service Plan Inaugurated
by the National Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union
by Mr. HAROLD B. LIPPERT of Tripp, South Dakota

THIS is the third in a series of several articles on "The Christian Service Plan", with which the denomination's "Christian Achievement Plan" is now identified. All the goals are essential, but no other goal is more closely related to our national theme, "Saved to Tell Others", than evangelism.

Too often we think of evangelism as the work of an evangelist, a preacher or perhaps a prominent teacher, but rarely do we consider it the work of the laity. As a layman I am more concerned that the latter see their responsibility. I do not expect every one to enter full time service, but every one should strive to give an effective testimony, both in word and deed.

CONSECRATION FOR THE TASK

This is the first step in preparing for soul winning. Romans 12:1-2. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (Romans 12:1-2).

Only as we recognize that God's will is that we should be his witnesses can we approach the task without fear and question. Daily must we pray for the filling of the Holy Spirit that in our contact with men this day we represent Christ.

We must have a working knowledge of the Bible, an inner assurance of the accuracy of the Bible, and faith in the working power of the Word.

MAKING CONTACTS

Use tact! Do not approach the person in a rude manner. Work together with the Holy Spirit. This requires much prayer. I would suggest looking for the personal needs of the lost soul. Very often by supplying these you make the necessary contact. Have confidence in God to show you what to do next and follow his leading.

I may add that you have a right to expect results. Do not quit after the first attempt but rather watch for spiritual developments.

Show courtesy but display courage. Never argue! Simply and always hold Christ in the foreground. In making contacts use the tact of Paul when he preached his sermon on the subject, "The Unknown God." Peter is another example of how to approach a person

when he encountered the beggar at the temple door.

We must have courage to meet each situation by depending on God's help. "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Ps. 126:5-6). Peter showed this courage on Pentecost. We shall only succeed when we have conquered the spirit of fear, for the spirit of fear is not of God. "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (2 Tim. 1:7).

SUNDAY SCHOOL EVANGELISM

Now I am addressing Sunday School teachers primarily. A teacher is one who helps someone to learn. An ordinary teacher is concerned only that the pupil develops mentally, but a good Sunday School is equally concerned about the development of the pupil's soul. Teachers must know the needs of their pupils in addition to the lesson material in order to teach effectively.

All Sunday School teaching must be aimed at presenting Christ and his teachings to the pupil. Then, and only then, can we hope to lead the pupil to Christ.

The Sunday School, the B. Y. P. U., and the Vacation Bible Schools are the best mediums of reaching souls outside the church services. I wish our people could see the importance of extending invitations to their friends and acquaintances to attend our Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U.'s and Vacation Bible Schools.

Whenever you find a church that is losing in membership and is dying spiritually, you will invariably find that they first lost their passion for souls.

EVANGELISM EVERYWHERE

IN SCHOOL. This is where most of us make and have made our beginnings as soul winners. We realize it is not always easy for our young people to let their light shine there and we want them to know that we are much in prayer for them.

IN BUSINESS. In our business dealings we must reveal the Spirit of God. Even in corresponding in the business world it is easy to testify for him by slipping a tract in our letters.

Tract distribution is a worthwhile work. The tract which someone will throw away will be read by the next person. No tract is seldom wasted.

HOSPITAL EVANGELISM. Hospital visitation is to be recommended. Hearts are soft in the hospital. Here too tact is required. Never preach but be ready to give a testimony. Make your visit cheerful and brief.

I have made these suggestions to help our people give an effective testimony. May we ever be ready to do our part as we sing in the chorus, "Lord lead me to some soul today, Teach me, Lord, just what to say."

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The Importance of Soul Winning

Rev. J. C. GUNST, General Secretary of the National Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union.

A strong evangelistic program in a church is most imperative and wholesome. Evangelism is not always receiving the proper emphasis nor is there a working knowledge on this subject prevalent among Sunday School and youth leaders. That church which does not train its teachers and leaders to be Bible soul winners does not have a great future nor does it have special spiritual warmth and depth.

It is important that we carefully study the thought provoking article on this page by the Council Member-at-Large of our National Union, Mr. Harold B. Lippert. May this article arouse sufficient interest among the readers, pastors, superintendents, young people's presidents and other church leaders to have a training class in your church in Evangelism.

This is a time when there are excellent books and study courses on the market on Evangelism. There are also outstanding evangelists at work in the field. Great emphasis is being placed on Child and Youth Evangelism in certain circles. That, however, will not make any one local church or even church leaders winsome evangelists. Your best evangelists, after all is said and done, will be your own local leaders, your Sunday School teachers and youth leaders.

Our prayers should never cease in asking God's guidance and strength for our general evangelists, our Sunday School teachers and youth leaders. All other special efforts in soul-winning in the church need our prayerful support.

Sample textbooks for study classes are available through the Headquarters Loan Library without cost. Leaflets and other information are gladly given. Write to your National Union's General Secretary.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The Bethel Heights Baptist Church of Gatesville, Texas has extended a call to the Rev. W. E. Liss of Henrietta, Texas. Mr. Liss has responded favorably and will begin his pastorate in Gatesville soon after his resignation takes effect in the Hurnville Baptist Church on July 1st. He will succeed the Rev. W. H. Buening who is now living near Waco, Texas in retirement.

● **The Church by the Highway**—German town near Cathay, North Dakota recently dedicated its new Service Hymnals, according to the pastor, Rev. W. G. Gerthe. The Sunday School rooms of the church have been newly decorated. The young people have also dedicated their "Upper Room", which has been set aside for young people's gatherings and youth prayer services.

● On Sunday, May 4, the Rev. Otto Fiesel, pastor of the Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana, baptized 3 converts and received these and 3 others by letter into the church's fellowship. The converts are the fruit of the evangelistic services conducted by the denominational evangelist, Rev. Henry Pfeifer. Mr. Fiesel wrote that "the Lord greatly blessed Brother Pfeifer's messages as well as his flannelgraph stories. The church as a whole was helped to a deeper life in Christ."

● The Rev. Frank Veninga, pastor of the State Park Baptist Church of Peoria, Ill., was elected president of the Peoria Baptist Executive Council on May 9th. The guest speaker at the Sunday services on May 18 was the Rev. J. C. Gunst, young people's secretary, who also conducted an informal discussion with church school teachers and Baptist Youth Fellowship officers following a fellowship supper. The Vacation Bible School of the Peoria church will be held from June 16 to 27.

● On Thursday evening, May 8th, a Mother-Daughter banquet was held at the State Park Baptist Church of Peoria, Illinois. After a brief song service, led by the pastor's wife, Mrs. Frank Veninga, a delicious ham dinner was enjoyed. This was followed by an interesting program with an inspiring address by Miss Idalee Woodson, the message centering on "The Power of Christ Within Ourselves." There were 80 mothers and daughters in attendance. Miss Alma L. Vinz served as reporter for this occasion.

● On Sunday, June 15, the Rev. Thomas Stoeri, the associate pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church, will speak in the Baptist churches of McLaughlin and McIntosh, South Dakota. During the following week he will serve as one of several instructors and guest speakers at the Badlands Young People's Assembly at Hettinger, No. Dak. On Sunday, June 22, Mr. Stoeri will preach in the Baptist Church of New Leipzig, North Dakota. This will be his first return to the field since he served the church in his first pastorate after graduation from the seminary.

● The Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., held its 5th annual "World Mission Conference" from April 20 to 27 with missionary speakers from China, Africa, Haiti, Ecuador and Mexico. Miss Twila Bartz, our missionary among the Indians of Alberta, Canada, was one of the North American Baptist Conference speakers as well as Prof. Assaf Husmann and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, who showed pictures of the Spanish-American Mission field in Colorado and prepared an exhibit of the Cameroons field. The Rev. Paul E. Loth is the pastor.

● The Rev. Harold Ekrut, formerly pastor of our Baptist Church in Ellinwood, Kansas from 1942 to 1944, is now serving as pastor of the Baptist Church of Sweetwater, Oklahoma. This church of the Southern Baptist Convention located near the Panhandle area has a membership of 180. Mr. Ekrut received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Seminary of Ft. Worth, Texas on May 2nd, after 3 years of study. His home church is the Cottonwood Baptist Church of Texas of which his father was pastor.

● The Rev. Vincent Sprock of Prince George, British Columbia has accepted the call extended to him by the Greenvine Baptist Church near Burton, Texas and writes that he expects to take up the new field with the month of July. The Rev. J. J. Lippert closed his service at the Greenvine Church with a musical program consisting of numbers from the church choir, men's chorus, ladies' chorus, trios, duets and soloists on June 2. This represents 12 full years of service for Brother Lippert with the Greenvine Church. He will continue, however, to serve the Elgin Baptist Church, at least for the time being, although he and his wife will be living in Waco, Texas.

● The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia has recently purchased a \$2,775 Hammond Electric organ. On Sunday evening, May 4, which was the first Sunday of its use in the church, an organ recital was given, at which time an offering of \$1,060 was received. The Rev. R. Kern, pastor, wrote: "We are confident that this fine instrument will add greatly to the worshipfulness of our services." On Mother's Day the mothers of the church were honored by an "all girls" service conducted in the evening. The church is planning its twentieth anniversary for Nov. 2nd, followed by two weeks of evangelistic meetings.

● Mr. Roger Schmidt of Buffalo, N. Y., a student of our Rochester Seminary, is serving the Ridgewood Baptist Church of Ridgewood, Long Island, N. Y., for the three summer months beginning with June 1st. He will also participate in the program of the Vacation Bible School to be held from July 7 to 23. The Rev. A. E. Kannwischer, pastor, baptized 5 persons on Palm Sunday and received these into the church's membership on Sunday, May 4th. Mr. Theodore Krause, another student of our Rochester Seminary, is serving the Evergreen Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., for the same period of three months. This is his "home church", of which the Rev. W. J. Appel is the pastor.

● The two mission guilds of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Wausau, Wisconsin combined for a mother and daughter banquet in the church parlors on Tuesday evening, May 6. The guest speaker was the Rev. C. E. Wallin of Minneapolis who served as a chaplain in the U. S. air corps more than two years and is now on deputation work in the interest of Baptist missions in India. A miniature picket fence, entwined with red roses, ran the length of the T-shaped tables, which were further decorated with tall white tapers and rose-decorated napkins. Mrs. Doris Schubring, president of the Gladys Atkin Guild, presided as toastmistress. Miss Helen Kruit gave the toast to the mothers and Mrs. Warren Essells the response. A vocal number was presented by Miss Lois Jaeschke, with Mrs. Mary Beth Erdman at the piano. The pastor, the Rev. Lawrence E. Wegner, opened and closed the program with prayer.

Beside the Still Waters

Devotional Nuggets of Truth by Dr. JOHN LEYPOLDT, Pastor of
the Bethany Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis.

SAFE GUIDANCE

Psalm 23: 3b

An Oriental shepherd always leads his sheep; he never drives them. The sheep are helpless without a guide. In Palestine the sheep cannot be turned loose on the mountain-side. The shepherd must find grass and water for them. He must keep them from straying. Because the shepherd is thoroughly acquainted with the country-side, especially with the location of wells, his leadership is absolutely essential.

The Psalmist has pictured the shepherd as one who provides food, drink and rest for his sheep. But the shepherd and his flock must go further, in spite of heat and dust. So he becomes their real leader, their safe guide.

David found in his God a safe Leader, an absolutely reliable Guide. Therefore he said: "He guides me." The Psalmist was speaking from personal experience. One has said: "Personal experience may be a dangerous court of appeal, but it is the only source to which we can turn." How true!

How do we know that God leads us? Not only from his precious Word but from our personal experience. David's life was full of the guidance of God. Sacred history proves it. God leads us by reasoning processes, pressure of

circumstances, by his Word and Spirit,
and in answer to prayer.

In what direction does he guide? The answer is: "In the paths of righteousness" or "in safe paths." God always guides us in the right way. We so often go the wrong way. "There is a way which seemeth right to a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Proverbs 14: 12). Whenever man chooses his own way, he gets into trouble sooner or later.

Christ is still the Way, but so many refuse to accept his guidance. They will not have him rule over them. They do not realize that "the path of the righteous is as the dawning light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Proverbs 4:18).

The Psalmist answers a third question in connection with God's guidance. Why does he guide? The answer is: "For his name's sake." It has also been translated, "For his fame's sake." A shepherd's credit would suffer badly if the sheep under his care should be lost. His reputation is at stake.

God guides us because his name and honor are at stake. His name stands for his character. His name is the guarantee that as the holy, righteous and loving Shepherd he will only guide us in safe paths that lead to the choicest blessings. He cannot do otherwise but bless because he delighteth in mercy.

Pointed Paragraphs

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

¶ "The editor from the Christian Advocate, recently returned from Europe, states that the cosmetics business there was badly hit by the war. It was surprising to him to discover how beautiful God made women."

—Moody Monthly.

¶ "We are losing our Christianity because Christianity is a creed for heroes, while we are mainly harmless, good-natured little people who want everybody to have a good time."

—The Pulpit, W. R. Inge.

¶ Dr. Morris Wee, at the closing session of the biannual convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, said that "paganism is the prevailing philosophy in the seventeen hundred college and university campuses of this country." He asserted that "a conspiracy of silence concerning God in modern secular education is making it appear that God is unimportant to the college student."

If this is true, it is time for Christians to look into the teaching of American colleges. Someone has said, "What you want in your national life, put it into the schools. If the colleges in America are pagan, then ultimately if the saying be true, we will have a pagan nation."

—Southern Baptist Home Missionary.

● Dr. and Mrs. Herman von Berge of Dayton, Ohio celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with members and friends of the Fourth St. Baptist Church of Dayton on Sunday afternoon, May 18. Messages of congratulation were extended by Mr. Karl Lorenz, publisher, by the Rev. E. J. Baumgartner of Cleveland, Ohio, a former pastor, and by Dr. William Kuhn of Forest Park, Ill., who served as best man at the wedding. The church was represented by Messrs. Frank Bartels, William Bausman, and John Tapper and Ella Sump and a bouquet with five and ten dollar bills intertwined among the flowers was presented to the honored couple. Musical selections were brought by Helen Haller, Lucille Nolte and the Rev. Alex. Elsesser, pastor of the church. On Saturday evening Dr. and Mrs. von Berge received visitors in their home amidst a shower of lovely flowers, gifts and congratulatory cards.

RESIGNATION OF MISS LILLIAN JACOBSEN

Our Cameroons missionary, Miss Lillian Jacobsen, has tendered her resignation. She writes: "The thing laid upon my heart was the training of teachers for the very kind of work I have been dealing with for more than two years. In response to inquiry I found that there is need of help in the Teachers Training Center of the Southern Baptists at Iwo, and I am accepting their offer of a place with them. I value the experience of the past two years and have received many blessings. They have been hard years, for there was much to do. No one expects a rest cure on the mission field, however; and I only pray that some of the efforts may serve to be of lasting value to the mission schools."

Her fellow-missionaries are appreciated in these words: "I consider those with whom I have worked in this time to be very fine Christian people, and our fellowship has been sweet to me. There will be many fine memories of the time spent in your circles, and I will treasure friendships formed in these years."

It is the sincere consensus of our missionaries that Miss Jacobsen has done most commendable work of a lofty spiritual character. It is, therefore, with genuine regret that the General Missionary Committee accepted Miss Jacobsen's resignation and expresses to her the denomination's thanks for her sacrificial testimony and labor. It will, indeed, redound to the glory of our blessed Redeemer.

And this is Miss Jacobsen's parting call: "This is our time of opportunity. The wide open doors of Africa may yet begin to close. If we do not have wisely trained, earnest Christian young Africans to take the leadership in future years, then this land is lost. That is why Christian education is so important."

q "D. Robertson writes from Shanghai: "It seems that in some respects the power of the communists has increased of late. Miss Lajus, writing from Yangchow, tells of refugees crowding into the city from the country places all around, with terrible tales. From every place where the communists rule comes similar news of disorder, injustice, cruelty, and of persecution of the Christians. It is easy for us to be complacent because we do not receive many details of these things. Nevertheless, the sufferings of the people and of Christians in North China must be terrible from day to day, and these facts should stir us to prayer on their behalf."

—China Inland Mission News Letter

CHARIOTEER

by GERTRUDE EBERLE



SYNOPSIS

In Egypt Joseph and Raanah, two slaves from the caravan of Ishmaelite merchantmen, became attached as servants of Potiphar's household and went with the Pharaoh to see the famous chariot races at Memphis. There Potiphar feasted his distinguished guests. All of the servants who waited on the tables were awed by such elegance, except Raanah who was loyal to his love for Bashia. "You are just as beautiful as the priest's daughter," he declared stoutly. "You need only clothes and jewels like hers to set your beauty off. Some day you shall have them!"

CHAPTER TEN

It was late when Raanah and Bashia were relieved and sauntered, hand in hand, toward their section of the camp. As they rounded some tents that hid their quarters, they stared in surprise. The place looked strangely deserted. The large tent of the merchantmen was gone. There remained only a few camels and bales near the tent of the women. All the rest, even the dogs, had disappeared as if a typhoon had stripped it bare. The heated voices of Calah and Obal reached them with Dahmru protesting.

"I know nothing about it," Dahmru was saying. "Only a few minutes ago I returned from looking on Potiphar's banquet, and this camp looked just as you see it now. I have since been checking my own stock. It seems to be all here, but everything else—" He shrugged impressively.

"The cheats have robbed us! I'll beat them up when I find them," Calah declared hotly, while Obal reiterated an angry jargon that no one could understand.

"Sh-sh—stop it!" Raanah demanded sternly. "You will rouse the camp, and we shall all be thrown out! What is wrong, anyway? Who is gone?"

"Egiba and Isme-Dagan," Calah and Obal flashed in unison. "They have sneaked off with all our—"

"Silence—both of you!" Raanah ordered. He felt his own anger rising at what he dreaded to hear. "Dahmru, you tell it!"

"I know only that before the feast started, while all were busy with preparations, a stranger limped into camp. His clothes were frayed, yet he was not a beggar. I judged some misfortune had befallen him, for he looked frightened. Apparently Egiba and Isme-Dagan were expecting him. They took him aside so no one could hear their conversation. I paid little attention to them, yet once I thought I heard the man say 'Ishtar'. They talked for some time and seemed wrapped in some conspiracy.

"Then my wife and I walked over to look on the banquet. It was pleasant there, and we stayed longer than we had expected. When we returned the camp was uprooted. All three men were gone. As you see, the merchantmen have taken their slaves, camels, and goods, as well as the goods and camels that belonged to Accid-Adab. That is all I know."

Calah and Obal's anger flared again. Raanah silenced them with a reprimand. He felt hurt and indignant. He could hardly believe such a thing of Egiba and Isme-Dagan. He knew they were sharpers, but he never thought they would despoil a friend.

"I believe they did not really mean to defraud you," Dahmru defended them, "but they could never resist a chance to pad their purses. They probably figured that in this unusual case, as traveling mates of Accid-Adab, they had as much right as you to what he left."

Despite Dahmru's peace-making efforts, Raanah's indignation boiled over. He needed that money to buy Bashia's freedom and they had defrauded him, whether intentionally or not. He started forward. "Come!" he said to Calah and Obal, "there is a chance we may catch them yet. They have probably crossed over the river to El Gizeh."

"No, Raanah, no!" Bashia clung to him. "You have neither camels nor money. You would not likely find them among the hills, nor in the crooked streets of the cities, and would have to beg your way. Besides, you would lose the work that Potiphar has promised you."

"The girl is right," Dahmru counseled. "Give over!"

Raanah stood irresolute. He saw in Bashia's tear-drenched eyes not only fear but love, and could not hold out against her, but he spoke wrathfully, "Right now, like Calah, I feel that I could beat them, so your counsel is

probably best." He whirled and strode off toward the river to work off his angry mood.

He had not gone far before a dog sniffed at his heels. It was guarding a donkey that was tied in the brush with a bed-roll on its back. Even then he did not guess that it was Uruk until it brayed at him. He laughed sardonically. So they could not despoil him of everything. They had left Uruk so he could ride to Memphis. In a more tolerant mood he pulled the stake and led the donkey back to camp.

The Ishmaelite company looked deplorably small the next morning with only Dahmru's possessions trailing behind Potiphar's train. Raanah had not been able to throw off his despondency with the night. His face was cast into grim lines as he told Joseph about Egiba and Isme-Dagan's flight, and that his plans and Bashia's were disrupted since his legacy was stolen.

The distance between Latropolis and Memphis was short, and they arrived in the capital city before noon. As they passed between the giant pylons on each side of the gate, Raanah and Joseph were amazed at the splendor around them.

Potiphar rode far to the front and throngs on the street drew aside for his train to pass, for the Basilisk Guard was acclaimed with pride wherever it went.

As the youths rode toward Pharaoh's palace in Potiphar's train, their hopes rose with the strange sights and prospects before them, and they wondered what was in store for them in the most magnificent city of the world.

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The three men of the Ishmaelite company who went to Memphis prospered beyond their first hopes. As Raanah and Joseph, dressed in fashionable apparel, rode through the crowded streets in the evenings in Raanah's chariot, they were pointed out by loiterers at the wine booths as rising young dandies on the edge of military and court circles.

In a few years Joseph had become major-domo of Potiphar's extensive household. Raanah's ability as a horseman was marked. He became a charioteer, trainer and exercise man, and no one could question his right to select any team from the stables whenever he chose to drive them.

As a youth his long tramps along caravan trails had toughened his sinews. He accepted the rigorous training of the soldiers, and tried to keep himself as mettlesome as the horses he drove; for some day he intended to lift the Gittish Stone and to enter the Basilisk Guard, and had already met some of the requirements.

Dahmru, likewise, had shown more than ordinary ability. He carried on a lucrative trade in rugs, vases, rare oils, and spices in a booth in the most aristocratic part of the business center. Bashia helped him, and her fresh

beauty and personality attracted many customers.

But the hoarfrost of years had touched Dahmru's beard and temples. His breath was short and his health was none too good. Certainly, he had turned a blind eye on the love of Raanah and Bashia. He could not spare her, he told them. Besides, they were young. They could wait.

But as Bashia developed into more lovely womanhood, Dahmru's wife became jealous. Finally, Raanah protested so hotly over her treatment of his sweetheart that Dahmru reluctantly consented to set the date of their wedding a few weeks ahead. Although the price he asked for the girl was too high, Raanah felt sure he could meet it.

As he drew up one evening at the side entrance of Potiphar's house and sent a servant for Joseph, his team pranced under the tight rein and cocked their delicate ears at each sight and sound. Knowing well the impatience of Raanah's horses, Joseph appeared almost instantly, drawing a rich cloak over his tunic, and made a running leap into the chariot.

"Ah," he said, "at last we are to try out the young sorrels you have been crowing about."

"Yes, how do you like them?"

"Still too skittish for pleasant riding, I fear."

Raanah laughed, gave the team their heads, and they bounded off. "Look at that action!" he gloated. "Their gait is as smooth as a rocking cradle. All they need is a little more experience with crowds. I'd like Bashia to see them. What do you say—?"

Joseph nodded. The rumble of flying wheels over cobblestones made conversation difficult. Raanah's dashing appearance on the streets with his horses always excited interest, and pedestrians turned to stare after them. Under such inspection the young men assumed a dignity they did not feel, and bowed stiffly to acquaintances in other chariots as they sped by.

Dahmru lived in the rear of his booth and kept it open until he reboothed. When the young men entered he tired. When the young men entered he tired. When the young men entered he tired. When the young men entered he tired. When the young men entered he tired.

She squealed and squirmed until she was set down. "You are very unmanly before others," she accused him. "Besides, I am too busy for such nonsense." She gave him a saucy toss to her head and put a table between them.

"Come," he coaxed, his eyes still caressing her, "the young sorrels I told you about are outside. Joseph and I would take you for a ride. You would love it."

"That is, if it doesn't shake you up too much," Joseph amended.

"She is needed here," Dahmru interposed garrulously, "and I cannot have her running about at night, even with you." Then an idea struck him. "Unless you will drive to On and deliver this vase. It was ordered by Asenath, daughter of the priest, Potipharah. You should remember them. They traveled in the same train when we came to Memphis. I had intended to deliver it myself in the morning on a camel; but you can take it more quickly with the horses, then I need not be absent from the booth."

"We shall be happy to do it," Raanah agreed, while Bashia's eyes danced with pleasure. "It is only a few miles, and we can easily get back before the city gates are closed. Come!"

Bashia took her shawl. "It is a very valuable vase," Dahmru cautioned as he placed it in her arms. "You must hold it carefully."

Raanah kept the team at a moderate pace until they passed through the city gate and the broad river road stretched before them. The horses required most of his attention. They liked a fast run and held their heads high and spread their tails as they settled down to it.

Bashia leaned against the rail, hugging the precious vase to her bosom. To give her more security Joseph braced himself beside her, and she swayed between the two young men. They heard the swishing sands beneath the wheels. They startled a wild gazelle, and it bounded off among the reeds. A lonely boatman on the river sang his love song to the stars. Bashia hummed the refrain lightly, and the hearts of the trio were stirred by the wild beauty of the night.

They had traveled some distance and were opposite the mileometer on the island of Rodah when an unpleasant incident confronted them. The road narrowed to a mere passage for two vehicles, and another chariot occupied the middle of it. The driver must have heard them, for they were clipping along at a quick pace. He was walking his team, but did not pull over nor even look around.

Raanah's sorrels had their mettle up. He attempted to pass the other chariot, expecting the driver to give room, but the man would not yield a foot, and Raanah was forced to draw his excited team down to a slow walk behind him. They pranced and chafed and required a tense arm on the reins.

"Is the fellow deaf?" Joseph exclaimed.

"Not he," Raanah asserted with rising ire. "I know him. He's an arrogant fellow. He has insulted me before, and some day when my hands are free I am going to tweak his nose."

"Who is he?"

"Hadar. You've heard of him. His father is reigning prince of the province of Bakarrah."

"Ah, that is a powerful family house."

They have such a large following of soldiers that even Pharaoh is deferential to them."

"And this young fellow has grown an inflated opinion of himself," Raanah replied. "I have never heard any good spoken of him."

Whatever his reputation, it was evident that Hadar, heir apparent of Bakarah, was enjoying the discomfort of the young people behind him. They were choking on his dust and he knew that Raanah's sweating team was growing increasingly difficult to manage.

Raanah gave a gulp to his hot passion. "Ho!" he called, "will you kindly pull over and allow us to pass? My team has been traveling rather briskly, and are restive under your slower pace."

Hadar paid no heed. If anything, he slackened his horses, which were beginning to react to the excitement behind them.

"What is the matter with the knave?" Raanah exploded, then set his lips grimly. He was known in Memphis as a racer with a dauntless spirit, and Hadar knew it. "Hold fast!" he shouted to his companions, "I'm going to pass him or ride him down!"

"Raanah!" Bashia spoke but the one word, then bit her lips. She knew that in his present mood it would be useless to argue with him.

"Hold your peace, Bashia!" he flashed. "He has it coming to him." He spoke to his team, and they sprang forward.

While Hadar appeared to be dumbly stubborn, he was alert. He smiled at Raanah's angry tone. He knew that Bashia was frightened. From the corner of his eye he saw Raanah's team toss their heads in response to his urging. Yet he had no intention of allowing them to pass. With a wild yell he brought his lash down on the backs of his horses. There was sting and menace in its sharp report, and they leaped forward, but Hadar still held the center of the road.

It was a mad race. Raanah's young team valiantly held the pace, but were not able to advance beyond Hadar's chariot wheel. Whenever Raanah pulled them over, his left wheel ground in the loose sand on the edge of the road and braked their pace. He tried to watch the dark road ahead to take advantage of its vagaries, but Hadar's team was older and steadier, and except for his cruelty to them, he was an excellent driver. With wild yells he led the others on.

Joseph and Bashia rocked about in the Chariot, while Bashia clung to the precious vase. A murky cloud of dust enveloped them, stinging their eyes, choking them, yet they dashed on pell-mell in the lowering darkness.

Beyond a curve in the road ahead lay a sandy gouge that Raanah could not see. His chariot wheel struck it hard, and Bashia was thrown against

the opposite rail. She gave a sharp cry, then gamely smothered it, as Joseph grabbed her arm to steady her.

Raanah knew it for a protest. He saw, also, that his horses were becoming agitated. They were too young to race in such mad abandon. They sensed the futility of their efforts, and he could not afford to break their spirits and ruin them for such a trifling reason. There was nothing he could do but to accept defeat and drop behind, while he seethed in exasperation.

As Raanah tightened the reins, Hadar hurled a jeering laugh over his shoulder, but kept on with his wild pace. He had proved that he was master of the situation, and about a mile further along turned off the highway.

Raanah's eyes shot sparks of resentment, and his companions wisely left him to his thoughts. But Raanah could not hold a grudge for long. He sighed and broke into a short laugh. "Methinks I was foolish to have let a fellow like Hadar disturb my peace. But some day I shall even things up."

They caught his changed mood, and laughed.

"Now that the matter is past, it does seem of small moment," Joseph agreed. "All except that bump. It set my teeth on edge."

"And mine," the others echoed. "Still, it was a thrilling ride," Bashia giggled. "I would have enjoyed it immensely had it not been for this vase." A shadow pinched her face. She produced the package anxiously. It seemed solid. Relieved, she giggled. "Neither of you can ever guess how much I longed to crash it on Hadar's head."

When they reached the palatial residence of the High Priest of On, they were normally composed. Seeing the royal insignia on the chariot, the keeper opened the gate without question, and they rolled into the courtyard.

"If that fellow knew we are but lackeys of Pharaoh," Raanah whispered jestingly, "he might not be so courteous. It pays to make a good appearance."

Before his companions could reply, a couple of grooms sprang forward and grasped the bridles of the horses. As they stepped from the chariot, Asenath came out of the house to greet them. Under the soft light of the torch set in the lintel of the doorway she looked like a princess. The folds of her clinging gown molded themselves to the curves of her slender body and swept the ground. Her slightly reddish hair hung over her bosom in two thick braids. A necklace of lapis contrasted the warm texture of her skin.

The young men bowed deeply. Bashia dropped a curtsy. "My lady, we are come from the merchant, Dahmru, with a vase that was ordered. It is my pleasure to place it in your hands."

Asenath concealed her surprise well. It was unheard of for merchandise to

be delivered at night by two dashing gallants and a comely maid out of a chariot of Pharaoh's. Yet, obviously, these young people were as highborn as herself. She smiled graciously. "Please come in." She unwrapped the package, then stared in double surprise. A thin crack marred it from rim to base.

Bashia gave a low cry. "It is cracked—ruined!" Tears filled her eyes. Despair overcame her reticence and turning toward Raanah, she sobbed, "Oh, what shall we do? Dahmru will make us pay for it, and we cannot—"

The young men took over the vase and examined it seriously. Asenath turned to the weeping girl. "Does it mean that much to you?" Bashia nodded, and Asenath began to understand. "Please, may I see it again?" Raanah tried to comfort Bashia while Joseph and Asenath bent over the vase. Their hands touched as she traced the crack with a delicate finger. Then she looked up at Joseph. Their eyes met and she smiled. She turned to Bashia. "The crack is only a thin thread. I believe it is not hurt much after all. I have a jobber who is highly skillful in mending. He can fill the crack cunningly with goat-milk glue, then stain it so it will never be seen. I am sure I can use it."

"Oh, my lady!" Bashia's voice was tremulous with relief. Raanah bowed gallantly. Joseph also bowed, and his eyes glowed with admiration. "It is a gracious act," he said.

"Wait!" Asenath begged as they turned to leave. She clapped her hands lightly and a serving maid appeared. "Bring wine and cakes!" Turning to her guests, she gave a slight inclination of her head. "Please seat yourselves. I crave company. Surely, you will humor me. Sometimes," she added a little wistfully, "the seclusion of a priest's home makes it very lonesome."

Delighted with her hospitality they toasted her as a beneficent princess, and laughing modestly she disclaimed their praise. Under her affable manner, their reserve melted. Raanah related the circumstances of the race, but withheld Hadar's name. He told of the bump in the road, and how they were violently shaken and the vase was cracked. Then Bashia told Asenath they remembered her from the time they all rode to Memphis in Potiphar's train. Joseph said little, but gazed at the priest's daughter with open admiration, and her eyes were often turned in his direction.

It was with reluctance they arose to leave. "Do come again," she called and waved as they drove off.

"Isn't she lovely?" Bashia sighed, when they had passed out of the courtyard into the highway. "And she is a great lady in heart as well."

(To Be Continued)

CHILDREN'S PAGE



AN ALPHABET OF BIBLE NAMES

- A disobeyed and "fell".
- B treated gleaners well.
- C was called Simon, too.
- D dreams and visions knew.
- E sold the rights he had.
- F claimed that Paul was mad.
- G God's announcement made.
- H for a son had prayed.
- I a God-given name,
- J thenceforth bore the same.
- K was by earth entombed.
- L escaped, though Sodom doomed.
- M toiled at home and served.
- N was from flood preserved.
- O did not go with Ruth.
- P asked Christ, "What is truth?"
- Q of toured in state.
- R glad, forgot the gate.
- S sang in prison at night.
- T doubt was cured by sight.
- U touched the ark and died.
- V her king's will defied.
- W, X, Y, Z in vain you'll seek.

(Answers Will Be Found on Page 22)

SAMPLE, PLEASE!

"Mr. Harmon."

He stopped his lawn mower, when he saw Janice coming toward him, for they were not only neighbors but they were great friends and often visited together.

"Is there something I can do for you?" he asked.

"I think so." She looked at him seriously. "Where you work, they make electricity, don't they? Well, we are going to study about it in our school. Do you think you could get me a sample—a little sample, to show to the other children? If it's not too much trouble," she added.

Mr. Harmon nodded gravely. "This was Dick's idea—that you should ask me? Yes, I thought so."

Her brother Dick, he suspected, had been trying to play a joke on Janice, but he did not say so—he and Dick were good friends, too.

"Well—". He walked over to the shade of the big oak and Janice followed him. "I like to do things for you and Dick, but this is something that I can't do."

This was rather astonishing, but she could see that Mr. Harmon was not joking. They sat down together with their backs against the tree.

"What can you tell me about electricity?" he asked.

"It makes lights—flashlights, and other lights."

"What else?"

"It makes some automobiles go—and some boats and trolleys; and I've heard about 'lectrified' trains—not toy trains, you know, big ones. Oh, yes, and fans."

"And washing machines, and refrigerators, and mowers, and choppers, and heaters, and clippers, and curlers, and shavers—"

Mr. Harmon rattled off a whole string of names, half of which Janice

"Maybe—" said Janice. "Maybe the things we can't see are the most important of all."

Mr. Harmon nodded thoughtfully. "I have a little Book that tells about that; I'll see if I can find the place for you."

He took from his inside pocket a little black book with red edges, a book Janice had often seen him reading. He turned its leaves slowly.

"Yes," he said at last, "I've found



—Photo by Samuel Myslits

had never heard before.

"Is—is that all?" she gasped.

"Oh, my, no! That is only the beginning. Suppose I said, 'Janice, I want a sample of goodness to take down and show to the office men.'"

Janice found she had no answer, excepting to laugh.

"But it's everywhere, just like electricity, all over the world—more in some places, of course, than in others. It feeds hungry people, cures sick people, comforts troubled people. But you can't see it—even with a microscope."

It was all puzzling and wonderful, but true,—as Janice could see for herself.

"And hope, and politeness, and patience," he went on, "and—oh, a great many things that can't be handled, or wrapped in packages, or bought in any store, but are very important."

Then he read: "The things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

"What does 'temporal' mean?" Janice asked him.

"It isn't an easy verse," he admitted, "but it's good to learn such verses, because we keep thinking about them, and by and by we understand more. 'Temporal'? Well, the whole verse (2 Cor. 4:18), I think, means something like this: 'The things we can see do not last (trees, stones, even mountains don't last); but the things that we cannot see—they last always.'"

"It's been a nice talk, hasn't it?" said Janice.

"A very nice talk," Mr. Harmon agreed. "When you think I can do something for you, come over and see me again some time."

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Eastern Conference

Ontario Convention at the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe from June 26 to 29

General Theme: "God's Kingdom." Motto: "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." Matt. 6: 10.

Highlights of the Program:

Guest Speaker at the Opening Service on Thursday Evening, June 26, and on Sunday Afternoon and Evening.

Woman's Missionary Program on Friday Afternoon and Evening, June 27.

Mr. E. A. Hoffman, Seminary Student, Also Serving as Guest Speaker.

Young People's Service on Sunday Afternoon.

Invitation

The Calvary Church of Killaloe cordially invites delegates and friends to the convention. Those who anticipate attending should forward their names and requests to Rev. C. R. Weisser, Killaloe, Ontario.

Pacific Conference

Mother and Daughter Banquet Following Easter Festivities at Salem, Oregon

The week preceding Easter was a time of spiritual uplift and blessing for us at the Bethel Baptist Church of Salem, Oregon. Services were held each evening conducted by our pastor, Rev. G. Rauser.

On Easter Sunday morning our pastor brought a sermon on "Resurrection Proofs" and in the evening the choir rendered an Easter cantata entitled, "The Thorn Crowned King" by Fred B. Holton. Mrs. Carl May directed the choir with Jean Rauser accompanying at the piano. An Easter offering amounting to \$653 was received.

On May 6 the Guild Girls sponsored a Mother's and Daughter's banquet. Over 60 daughters and their guest-mothers attended. The room and tables were beautifully decorated with pink and green used as the color scheme. Bouquets of roses and pink candles centered each table, at which everyone enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner.

Velma Kuper, president of the Guild, served as toastmistress. A piano solo was played by Mrs. Elva Weigum, a reading by Mrs. Anne Frey and a sextet by six of the Guild Girls sang. Our guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. John Wobig, pastor's wife of the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon. She gave a very inspiring talk on the home, pointing out its essential traits.

Mrs. Arnold Kuper, Reporter.



The Rev. A. S. Felberg of Lodi, Calif., Who Received the Degree of Doctor of Theology on May 6th From the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School

Rev. A. Felberg of Lodi, Calif. Receives Doctor's Degree from Berkeley Divinity School

On May 6th at the 42nd annual commencement of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School of Berkeley, Calif., the Rev. Albert S. Felberg, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, California, was awarded the Degree of Doctor of Theology. The degree is the recognition of many years of study and research in the field of New Testament, in which Dr. Felberg majored for all of his graduate work.

He is one of the few who has earned this degree from the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School and was the only one receiving it this year. The graduation exercises were highlighted by a sparkling commencement address by Judge Matthew W. Hill of the Supreme Court, State of Washington who spoke on the very challenging theme, "Construction Ahead."

Dr. Felberg started his formal training at the University of Königsberg in Germany. He continued his preparation for the ministry at Preussisch-Bahnau Seminary and the Lithuania Seminary. At the Berkeley Divinity School he completed his work for the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Theology and now has graduated with the degree of Doctor of Theology, which is the highest degree the school is able to offer. The subject of his thesis for the doctor's degree was "The Evangel of Christ—Message and Method."

Throughout these many years of graduate work, Dr. Felberg has carried on a very successful ministry in one of our largest and fastest growing churches. He is completing his tenth year of ministry as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lodi.

In recognition of his successful min-

istry and scholastic achievement Dr. Felberg was elected president of the Alumni Association of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School at its last annual meeting held on Tuesday, May 6. Melvin Pekrul, Reporter.

April Activities in the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon

Returning from a series of two weeks' evangelistic services at the Calvary Baptist Church at Tacoma, Wash., the Rev. John Wobig, pastor of the Trinity Church in Portland, Oregon conducted similar meetings in his home church for eight days preceding Easter. At these revitalizing meetings our members were instilled with a new challenge to serve their Master wholeheartedly and unreservedly. Through the zealous efforts of our pastor and the prayers and testimonies of believers, eight persons confessed the Savior as the Forgiver of sin and Master of their lives. Culmination of these pre-Easter services took place on Good Friday evening when members assembled for communion.

On Easter morning the Youth Fellowship held its annual indoor sunrise service at the J. P. Finley Morning-light Chapel. The beautiful setting here truly lends the most desirable atmosphere as we adore our victorious King, the King of kings. The Rev. Lloyd Young of this city delivered a heart-searching message. Breakfast for 85 persons followed in the Sunday School parlors.

Mr. Wobig delivered his Easter message on the topic, "From Despair to Hope," at the morning worship service. This was the occasion of our pastor's first Easter with us, and we thank God for his leading thus far.

An Easter cantata, "From Dankness to Light," under the direction of Mrs. Emma B. Meier, was presented in the evening service. Many words of commendation were given for its beauty in word and music.

On the following Friday, a Father's and Son's banquet was held at which time nearly 200 persons assembled for a delicious meal and an excellent address by our guest speaker, Dr. E. B. Hart, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Corvallis, Oregon. Roses were presented to the oldest father, the father having the most sons, the father representing the greatest number of generations, and the father with the greatest number of son-in-laws. This banquet was sponsored with the ulterior motive of establishing a Men's Fellowship.

To the end that spiritual advancements are made in the lives of individual Christians and in the consecration of unsaved lives to Jesus Christ, the pastor and people of Trinity are working with renewed interest.

John Leypoldt, Reporter.

Central Conference

Farewell Service and Welcome for Pastors by the Beaver Baptist Church

It was with sad hearts that we of the Beaver Baptist Church of Michigan held our farewell service for Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman und Paul, but we are sure that they were led of God. The service was under the leadership of Mr. Herman Majeske, our first deacon. Special selections were rendered, and each branch of the church was represented.

Through God's guiding hand and by the leadership of Mr. Zimmerman, we were taught many new things and were drawn closer to God. We received many blessings during the four years of the pastorate and stay of the Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman with us.

God has blessed us abundantly, for on Easter Sunday we had the joy of welcoming our new pastor, the Rev. Fred Mashner, and his family into our midst. The welcoming service was under the direction of Mr. Herman Majeske. Representatives of the church spoke words of joy that again we have a shepherd to lead us. Special selections were rendered and Rev. and Mrs. Fred Mashner expressed their joy in being on this field to work.

We as a church are looking forward to the years of labor for Christ under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Mashner.

Mrs. Paul Rinas, Reporter.

Spiritual Showers of Blessing for the Linden Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich.

Showers of blessing from above are falling on the Linden Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich. During the two weeks preceding Easter, revival meetings were held with Rev. Henry Pfeifer, our denominational evangelist. A number of persons were won for the Lord and the spiritual life of the church was deepened. Mr. Pfeifer is a preacher with a heart-searching message and he is highly proficient in the illustration of Bible truths with the use of flannelgraph.

So rapidly is the work developing at Linden that it became necessary to call the Rev. Albert Ziarko, Jr., as associate minister to do the voluminous clerical work, visitation, direction of the Christian Education work of the church, and to direct the musical activities. He began his work on the first of March.

Another great undertaking of Linden is that of relocating. Because the Negroes are rapidly taking over our present neighborhood, and since many of our members live long distances from the church, it is considered expedient to move to a new location.

We are happy to have had the Rev. J. C. Gunst and Miss Twila Bartz with us for a Youth Rally from May 7 to 9. Their inspiring messages and radiant Christian personalities did much to encourage us in the service of our Master. We covet the earnest prayers of our friends and fellow-Christians.

Stanley F. Geis, Pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Sellhorn Observe Their 48th Wedding Anniversary at the Beaver Church

On Sunday, April 13, the Beaver Baptist Church of Michigan had the joy of celebrating with Rev. and Mrs. Henry Sellhorn and their children their 48th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Sellhorn spoke words of welcome and also expressed thanks to the church for helping them observe this anniversary.

The greater part of the program was presented by the grandchildren on their instruments. A duet was sung by one of the daughters and her husband, Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Armbruster. We also enjoyed a reading by Mrs. Florence Braun, as well as selections by the choir and male quartet. Our pastor, Rev. Fred Mashner, spoke fitting words for the occasion.

Because Mrs. Sellhorn was the founder of our Ladies' Mission Society and Mr. Sellhorn was the organizer of our Young People's Society, these branches of the church, as well as the church, presented gifts to the honored couple. May God continue to bless the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Sellhorn as they serve him who is our Creator and the Giver of all good and perfect gifts.

Marie Rinas, Reporter.

Reception at the Headquarters Office for 60 Students in the Chicago Area

May 1st was a marked and joyful day at our Headquarters Building at Forest Park, Illinois. At that time a most delightful evening in fellowship and "Get Acquainted" was spent with the young men and women who are students from our various churches, attending Christian schools and colleges in the Chicago area.

Later in the afternoon these Christian friends started arriving at the office building, which many of our friends were seeing for the first time. This was a happy experience! Here was an opportunity to see the denominational officers, the general secretaries and officers, the rest of the office staff in their private offices and at their respective desks. The large relief room with its varied activities was thrilling, to be sure.

Our congenial and efficient office stenographers had prepared tables for some sixty people in a most artistic and beautiful way in our spacious conference room. Soon we sat about these tables enjoying grand Christian fellowship and delicious food, as the stenographers waited on us.

Miss Adelaide Klatt led the group in singing choruses. An informal and interesting program followed under the leadership of our executive secretary, the Rev. Frank H. Woyke. A retary, the Rev. Frank H. Woyke, brief message by each of the secretaries touching the highpoints of his department in denominational activity opened the program. The presentation of each student climaxed the program by each giving his name, home church, guest giving his name, home church, school he is attending and his plans for the future. Each closed his remarks with a very fitting Bible verse.

Students were represented from the following schools: Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wheaton Col-

lege, Moody Bible Institute, Bethany Seminary and the Baptist Missionary Training School.

The evening was fittingly brought to a close by an informal moving about the building, getting acquainted and fine Christian fellowship. The guests expressed deep satisfaction in this opportunity of getting acquainted with our denominational leaders, seeing the Headquarters' Building for the first time, and meeting many of these Christian friends for the first time from other schools.

For our officer staff it was a thrill, indeed, to learn to know these students, discovering additional fine prospective leaders from our churches who are preparing for the Lord's work.

J. C. Gunst, Reporter.

Southern Conference

Anniversary Program of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Greenvine Church of Texas

On Sunday evening, May 4, a program was given by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Greenvine Baptist Church of Texas. The program consisted of two songs by the group, special selections, some readings, and as a special favor we had our "half-sisters," the Men's Choir, sing us a number.

This was our annual program at the close of another year. We as a Missionary Union received many blessings in our work, and especially do we owe our gratitude to Mrs. J. J. Lippert, our president, who has been a faithful worker. An offering of \$17.35 was received at our program which is to go to our Cameroon's Nursing Home.

Mrs. Willie Heinemann, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference

Older Members of the Baptist Church at Durham, Kansas Are Honored

On Sunday, May 4, the First Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas observed a special recognition service for its aged members.

After the regular Sunday morning service the congregation was invited to the dining room in the church basement, which had been beautifully decorated with lilacs, yellow tulips and iris. All members above the age of 65 years were guests of honor, and each of these was presented with a corsage or boutonniere of purple pansies tied with gold ribbon.

After partaking of a sumptuous dinner, all assembled in the church auditorium for a well arranged program conducted in the German language. The Rev. Claus Neve of Marion, Kansas was the guest speaker and gave an inspiring message on "The Beauties of the Sunset of Life." Our pastor, the Rev. L. H. Smith, brought a brief message in English.

We pray God's richest blessings on the honored members, and wish them contentment and happiness.

Mrs. Jack Geis, Reporter.

First Baptism and Mother-Daughter Banquet in New Church of Ellinwood, Kansas

A very impressive service was held in the new Baptist Church at Ellinwood, Kansas on Sunday, May 4. It was truly a church being dedicated to God since on that Sunday morning nine persons followed Christ in baptism. This was the first baptism for our fold in the new building and although many wonderful services have been held in the new edifice, this was the most impressive.

On May 6, a Mother and Daughter Banquet was given for 75 mothers, daughters and guests. This was the first banquet of this nature to be given in the history of our church and the

for starting this club were, firstly, to serve our church with songs and, secondly, to give the members, who are all high school students and many of whom are away from home, an opportunity to spend their time wisely. We meet regularly once a month at different homes of the members.

Our last meeting of the term took place on May 12 at the church basement where the business was taken care of and a social hour was spent. It was decided to bring clothing together for a few more packages to send to Europe. In the last three months we were able to send 45 packages. The Lord has laid it upon our hearts to share with the more unfortunate people.

Leona Opp, Reporter.



The Sunshine Club of the Baptist Church of Ashley, North Dakota with Mrs. Walter Stein, Leader, Second from the Right (Front Row) and Corinne Wolfe, Pianist First from the Right

first banquet served in the new building. The theme of the decorations was "Lilac Time" and all of the colors used were lilac and white. On the stage was a home setting portraying the life of a mother and her young daughter.

The toastmistress of the evening was Mrs. Alfred Scheuffer. Scripture reading was by Mrs. Herman Fisher and prayer by Mrs. Hannah Fisher. A welcome to all was given by Mrs. August Krueger, president of the Missionary Society. A toast to the mothers was brought by Miss Edith De Duff and this was followed by a toast to the daughters by Mrs. Theo Dons. Mrs. Paul Scheuffer sang a solo. A monologue was presented by Mrs. August Krueger. Mrs. Rudolph Marchand played an accordion solo. The main speaker of the evening was Mrs. Charles Thole of Stafford, Kansas.

Edith De Werff, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Sunshine Club of Ashley, No. Dak. Is Active in Singing and Relief Ministries

The Sunshine Club of the Baptist Church of Ashley, North Dakota was organized in December 1946 under the leadership of Mrs. Walter Stein. At the time of organizing we were 18 members; now we are 25. Our reasons

Birthday Banquet of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Bismarck Baptist Church

On Thursday evening, April 24, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Bismarck Baptist Church of Bismarck, No. Dak., held its annual birthday banquet. The husbands of the members and several other friends were also present.

We did justice to a tasty meal at tables beautifully decorated with spring flowers and tiny umbrellas in keeping with the "April showers bring May flowers" motif. The speakers' table was adorned with an attractive birthday cake with 31 candles, symbolizing the number of years that the Society has been in existence.

As part of the program after the dinner Miss Ann Swain, director of Scripture Memorization in the Dakotas, recited a portion of Scripture from memory. The Rev. C. M. Knapp, superintendent of the Old People's Home, led in prayer.

We had no particular speaker but everyone was urged to tell us some interesting experience from his own life. The evening went all too quickly. The toastmistress for the evening was our pastor's wife, Mrs. Edward Kary, who is also the president of our Woman's Missionary Society.

Our Society has set a goal of \$500 to be raised for a new church building, which we need so desperately.

Mrs. E. Stohler, Secretary.

Northwestern Conference

Events of May in the Program of Milwaukee's Bethany Baptist Church

The ladies of the Bethany Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin enjoyed a Mothers' and Daughters' banquet on Tuesday evening, May 6. A delicious meal was served, and a colorful program was presented, with Mrs. H. Erickson as the guest speaker.

The members of the Brotherhood and friends enjoyed a meeting on Tuesday, May 13, with an interesting speaker, Sanjina Rao, from India.

The annual business meeting of the church was held on Friday, May 16. The meeting was especially marked by a fine spirit of fellowship and co-operation. May God be very near during the coming year, so the officers of the church will truly enjoy their work of serving Christ in their various tasks, however small.

On Sunday evening, May 18, a group of students from Wheaton College presented "A Glimpse Into a Negro Sunday School." This group is endeavoring to bring the Gospel to Negro children in a district of Chicago. The service showed how they work with these children in the different phases of the Sunday School. The service was interspersed with several enjoyable musical numbers. It certainly was very interesting and inspiring.

Mrs. Kurt Knebel, Reporter.

Recent Programs of Inspirational Interest of the Grace Church, Racine, Wisconsin

Northern Baptist "Seminary Day" was held in the Grace Baptist Church of Racine, Wis., on Sunday, May 14th. Special guests were Dr. Charles Koller, president of the Northern Baptist Seminary as well as Mrs. Koller and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Griffith. The services were in charge of the Northern Trio composed of Messrs. Paul Findlay, Douglas Duffy and Ben Wati, all of whom are students at the school. Mr. Douglas Duffy gave a very fine message relating his experiences in Panama, China and Burma during the last war. Mr. Paul Findlay rendered several fine solos, while Ben Wati, a native of Burma, spoke at the Sunday School hour and in the evening service. Preceding the evening service, a fellowship supper was given by the Young Peoples' Society.

"Aunt Theresa" of the well-known KYB Club of radio station WMBI, Chicago, Ill., was our guest on Friday evening, May 2nd. She brought with her a group of her staff, including Suzanne and her accordion, and some of the Tiny Tots. A splendid program was rendered.

We recently completed a week of special meetings. Dr. E. W. Palmer, pastor of the Judson Memorial Baptist Church of Oak Park, Ill., was the speaker. We all received a real spiritual blessing from his messages and a number of persons were led to Christ through his ministry.

On Friday evening, May 16, the an-

nual Mother's and Daughter's banquet was held in the church parlors. We expect to conduct our Vacation Bible School in June. Last year we had a large group of boys and girls in attendance each day. We believe nothing is so important as a good Summer Bible School where the children are taught the meaning of Christian living.

Recently 13 new members were received into the fellowship of our church, either by baptism, letter or upon profession of faith.

Viola Goedeke, Reporter.

Northern Conference

Invitation of the Carbon Church to Northern Conference Visitors for July 2 to 6

The Carbon Baptist Church of Carbon, Alberta is herewith extending a hearty invitation to all interested persons to attend the 44th session of the Northern Conference convening at Carbon, Alberta, July 2-6, 1947.

Train connections are good up to Calgary and from there the Bus Transportation is excellent right to our town of Carbon, located some 70 miles northeast of Calgary. Please write either to the clerk or the minister of the church for your lodging reservation. Remember that you owe yourself this spiritual retreat in the "Sunny Alberta."

Chris Harsch, Clerk.

Tour of the "Christian Training Institute Witnesses" to the Southern Conference Churches

We as "C. T. I. Witnesses" began our tour to the Southern Conference Churches on March 30. Ours was the privilege of carrying the rays of our great "Northern Light," the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta across the many miles to the extreme south. Our aim in doing this was to glorify Christ as we witnessed in song, word and deed.

The young people of the Southern Conference are engaged in the special project of raising \$1,500 for the building fund of our Institute. Upon their request and through their kind support, we endeavored to create a greater interest for our school by visiting the individual churches. Our entire trip took us through 16 states.

After one week of travelling, we held our first service in Elberta, Alabama on April 6. After visiting at Mowata, Louisiana, two weeks were spent visiting the eleven churches in Texas.

We were inspired by the outstanding spirit of eagerness to further God's work in all aspects among the churches. We are grateful for their kindness and faithfulness in supporting our Institute with their gifts and prayers.

The beautiful handiwork of God, the noted Southern hospitality, the interesting spaciousness of Texas and the "hot" sunshine contributed towards pleasantness during our southern tour.

Upon returning to Canada we held services in twelve churches in Manitoba and Saskatchewan concluding our (Continued on Page 22)

Children of the Mexican Mission in St. Paul, Minnesota, and Miss Minnie Peters, One of Two Teachers in the Background



A Mexican Children's Mission in St. Paul

The Story of Two Students of Bethel College, St. Paul, Minn., Related by MISS MINNIE PETERS of Chancellor, South Dakota

"BUENAS TARDES." "Como están ustedes?" Such is the exchange of greetings with our little black-haired, brown-eyed Mexican girls and boys each Thursday afternoon at 4:00 P. M. following our classes at Bethel College of St. Paul, Minn.

A desire to be in service for our Lord and an interest leaning toward Mexican Mission work led Miss Myrtle Weeldreyer of Emery, S. D., and myself to inquire about possibilities. God is faithful in all things and we were led to the First Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn. They have been having a program of work among the Mexicans in that vicinity. An opportunity to work with the children of the Phalen Creek District was opened to us and we accepted it.

We anticipated our first personal visitation with an inward joy. But there was a certain sense of fear and of wonderment as to what we might expect and what our own reactions might be.

The Lord is gracious. Our first visit was to acquaint ourselves in a limited way with the people, and to invite the

girls and boys to a Christmas Party on a Thursday afternoon. We were kindly received and the children were eager to come. We rejoiced as we thanked God for going before us.

Fifteen smiling children responded to the party invitation. They sang heartily and listened attentively as we told the old familiar, yet wonderfully new story of the birth of Jesus. We gave them treats and invited them to come for a class on the Tuesday following vacation.

Our program for our weekly classes includes flannelgraph stories of the life of Christ, lesson application or object lesson, the teaching of Bible verses and of songs and choruses. We conclude the hour with a short period of handwork. Most of the children attend regularly and respond well to the teachings.

Myrtle Weeldreyer and I are rejoicing in our privilege to witness to these whom God loves and for whom he sent his beloved Son to seek and to save them, too. The need is challenging. Prayerfully we long to see these boys and girls saved to life eternal, and

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The Christian Training Institute Witnesses Who Visited the Southern Conference Churches Recently

(Left to Right: Inez Wahl, Erna Schwanke and Cecilia Priebe)

BOOK REVIEWS

THE BOOK OF OUR CHOICE

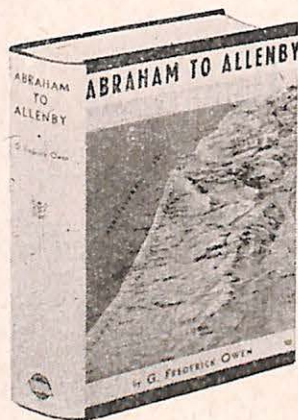
Almost every day the land of Palestine, the Jews or the Arabs are headlines in our daily papers, and, in fact, no international problem is as burning an issue as the modern Palestinian question. For a general background of this perplexing international issue we heartily recommend the book written by G. Frederick Owen, "Abraham to Allenby."

The author is peculiarly fitted for this book inasmuch as he has spent more than fifteen years in study and research of Palestinian affairs, spending several years with the American School of Oriental Research at Jerusalem. In connection with this trip, he visited Egypt, Syria and Transjordan. In this research Dr. Owen not only limited himself to Biblical research but broadened his field to include the economic and political affairs.

In this book Dr. Owen presents in moving narrative style a history of Palestinian affairs covering the last four thousand years. It is a readable account of the intensely absorbing story of the Holy Land, from the time of Abraham's venture of faith to Allenby's military conquest in 1917. The story of these four thousand years is filled with significance and action amidst a scene that has been the background to history's most significant happenings.

Even though many a layman may lack historical understanding, let him not turn indifferently away from this book. Indeed you will be intensely fascinated by this absorbing tale starting with Abraham, carried on down through the periods of the kings and prophets, through the freedom loving Maccabees, the rule of the Romans, the conquest by the Arabs, the ever fascinating story of the Crusades. We are convinced that few books of our day have more lasting interest for the average Christian than this book which should be widely read and discussed, especially now that the United Nations has this entire perplexing problem thrown into its lap.

The ever popular Radio commentator, Lowell Thomas, who himself spent some time in Palestine and with the Arabs claims this book to be one of the most stirring word panoramas he has ever encountered. Another



Price \$2.50

reviewer lets his enthusiasm run away with him by making the startling claim: "This is among the great books of this century. It is difficult to conceive how a book on Palestine could be greater." In such instances it is always better to read the book and then evaluate these fine judgments. You will not regret doing so.

W. L. S.

MEDITATIONS ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS by Herbert V. Prochnow. Wilde Co. 78 pages. \$1.00.

Down through the centuries the Ten Commandments have been the great principles to which scores of nations have looked for guidance and in which tens of millions of men have found the way to righteous living. In these trying times when individual greed instead of the common good seems so often foremost — when so much of the world's civilization has given away to chaos and confusion — there is a desperate need for a rededication of all men to the fundamentals of the Ten Commandments.

This booklet can be read easily in one evening. It will be reread over the years with increasing rewards. Here one will find strength, inspiration and courage for every day. We suggest giving this booklet as a gift to all young people who will be profoundly impressed by again becoming familiar with the great eternal and fundamental truths laid down here by God.

W. L. S.

LIFE'S HIGH HURDLES by Sidney Powell. Abington-Cokesbury Press. 192 pages. \$1.75.

To many of our readers this should be a welcome book, not because it might concern them directly, but one

never knows in these uncertain days when it might help us. However, we do come in contact with many people who need just such encouragement as this book offers. Living victoriously, despite life's handicaps!

Through many stories from life the reader is inspired to follow the example set by those who have faced life in the depths of despair but have overcome. Indeed, the conclusions to which the writer is led again and again is this: "Almost nothing is impossible to him who believes and lives by faith." A few chapter headings might indicate the trend of the writer: We All Face Them, The End of the World Is Not Yet, Broken Dreams, The Other Side of the Cloud.

The author, Rev. Sidney W. Powell, has been the pastor of the First Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minnesota, since 1939; he is a much sought for speaker and is a prolific writer for periodicals and other books.

W. L. S.

Christian Institute Witnesses

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work on May 8. Gratitude towards God for his protection on our way and blessings bestowed in service for him filled our hearts as we returned home.

Anew we challenge all our Christian friends to pray for the work of the Christian Training Institute and the young people who are going forth from this school into service for God and the truth!

Cecilia Priebe, Reporter.

Mexican Children's Mission

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some of them yielded to a Christian ministry among their own people. It is our prayer that we might be faithful, so that the Holy Spirit can witness through us.

Jesus Christ left heaven and all his splendor to come to live among us and to die on the Cross of Calvary for our sins. But he arose victorious over sin and death. We have a message to give of our living Savior. Can we do less than give him our best and serve him in faithfully witnessing to all those about us?

We started a meeting for the Mexican young people on March 7. Our number is small but we want to labor faithfully for we know assuredly that God can bless in all things, little or great, when it is done for his glory.

ANSWERS TO "AN ALPHABET OF BIBLE NAMES"

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Adam, Boaz, Cephas, Daniel, Esau, Felix, Gabriel, Hannah, Israel, Jacob, Korah, Lot, Martha, Noah, Orpah, Pilate, Queen of Sheba, Rhoda, Silas, Thomas, Uziah, Vashti.

OBITUARY

MR. ERNST BAUMANN of Watertown, Wisconsin

Mr. Ernst Baumann of Watertown, Wis., was born in Germany on Feb. 16, 1882. He came to the United States with his parents in 1884. Most of his life was spent in Watertown, Wisconsin. He suffered as a result of physical handicaps all his life, but he remained constant and strong in his Christian faith. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Watertown during his entire Christian life. Mr. Baumann became seriously ill in March and died at the Watertown Hospital on April 17th. Funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church of Watertown on April 21st. The pastor, Rev. Rudolph Woyke, spoke words of comfort.

Watertown, Wisconsin.

Rudolph Woyke, Pastor.

GARRY EDWARD PULLMAN of Prince George, B. C., Canada

Garry Edward Pullman of Prince George, B. C., Canada was born on Dec. 14, 1946, and after a brief life of 7 months and 7 days was called home by the heavenly Father on April 22, 1947. The joy of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Pullman, was of brief duration but they have submitted themselves to the holy will of God. We found comfort and counsel in the hour of sorrow in the words of Matthew 18:2. "And Jesus called a little child unto himself."

Prince George, B. C., Canada.

Vincent Sprock, Pastor.

MR. CHARLES ANTHOLD of Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Mr. Charles Anthold of Manitowoc, Wis., was one of the quiet, unobtrusive but faithful saints of the Lord. He served his church of Manitowoc (formerly the Kossuth Baptist Church) of which he was a member all his life, since his baptism in 1882. His memory will remain a blessed one. He was born in Kossuth, Wis., in 1882 and departed on May 10, 1947 at the age of 64 years and 7 months. He was married to Minnie Schwendner in 1884. The Lord blessed them with 7 children, 2 of whom preceded their father in death. The mother also is with the Lord since 1938. Three sons and 2 daughters sorrow his passing. There is the hope and comfort of meeting again in glory. Rev. 14:13 served as text at the funeral service. The profusion of flowers and the large attendance at the services were a small token of the love and appreciation for the departed.

Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

Rev. John C. Schweitzer, Pastor.

MR. HOLDRICK KUNTZ of Billings, Montana

Mr. Holdrick Kuntz of Billings, Montana was born on Sept. 13, 1903 at Odessa, Russia. At the age of 18 months he came with his parents to this country and made his home with them at Java, So. Dak., where he grew to manhood. On March 4, 1925 he was united in marriage with Eva Peppel at Fessenden, No. Dak. In the same year he accepted Christ as his Savior. Shortly thereafter, the young couple moved to Isabel, So. Dak. to live on the farm. Here in 1926 Mr. Kuntz was baptized by Rev. Samuel Blumhagen and became a member of the Isabel Baptist Church. Eight years later he moved with his family to the vicinity of Billings, Mont., where he also farmed.

On April 29 at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the age of 43 years, 7 months, and 16 days his life came to a sudden end because a heart attack.

Mr. Kuntz leaves to mourn, his wife; two sons, Bennie, aged 21 and Melvin, aged 6; three daughters, Violet May, Erleen Erma, and Bernice Vera; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kuntz; 2 brothers; 3 sisters; many other relatives and a host of friends.

Billings, Montana.

R. Sigmund, Pastor.

MR. ALBERT B. PAWLISCH of North Freedom, Wis.

Mr. Albert Berthold Pawlisch of North Freedom, Wis., the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pawlisch, was born in Rheinfeld, Germany on October 25, 1885. The family came to this country in 1889 and settled in North Freedom, Wisconsin, which has been the family home ever since.

On May 4, 1902 he was baptized and was extended the hand of fellowship of the North Freedom Baptist Church by the Rev. Julius Kaaz, of which he remained a faithful member to the time of his death.

On June 18, 1913 he was united in marriage to Miss Lizzie Klemm of Baraboo, Wisconsin. To this union were born four children, two sons and two daughters.

On the afternoon of Friday, May 2, while working in Madison, Wisconsin for the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Company, he suddenly collapsed and died from a heart attack at the age of 61 years, 6 months and 7 days.

He leaves to mourn his departure his beloved wife and four children, his father, who is 92 years old, six brothers, one sister, six grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

North Freedom, Wis.

Thomas Lutz, Pastor.

MR. HENRY METH of the Old People's Home, Portland, Ore.

Mr. Henry Meth was born on Dec. 17, 1861 in Neu Danzig, South Russia, and fell asleep on the afternoon of April 29, 1947 in the Old People's Home in Portland, Oregon to await the day when the Lord shall call. He had been blessed with the ripe old age of 85 years. He had been preceded in death by his wife, former Rosina Woehl, in 1914; by his second wife, former Mrs. Ida Fischer in 1937; and by his third wife, former Mrs. Eva Kammerer, in 1945.

In 1882 Mr. Henry Meth accepted Christ as his Savior and followed him in baptism while still in Russia. Eleven years later, in the year 1893, the family moved to the community now known as Wishek, North Dakota and in 1896 the family homesteaded in the Germantown Community where they joined the Germantown Baptist Church. In 1914 Mr. Meth moved to Fessenden in North Dakota, and in 1937 he made his home in Lodi, California. Finally in 1945 he entered the Old People's Home in Portland, where he spent his remaining years.

During his lifetime Mr. Henry Meth held various offices in the churches where he resided. It is said that he took active part in building the Kingdom of God and was ready and willing to serve whenever called upon to do so. He leaves behind to mourn his passing 3 sons and daughters, 23 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, numerous other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held in the Church by the Highway of Germantown on May 6th and his body was laid to rest in the Germantown cemetery.

"Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord."

Germantown Church, No. Dak.

W. G. Gerthe, Pastor.

MRS. GRACE WINTER of Buffalo Center, Iowa

Mrs. Grace Winter, nee Meyer, was born on Dec. 24, 1862 in Loquard, Ostfriesland of Germany and died on April 26, 1947 at Buffalo Center, Iowa after having attained the age of 84 years, 4 months and 2 days.

In the Spring of 1890 she migrated to the United States and located at Ackley, Iowa. After her marriage, she established her home on a farm at Iowa Falls. About 10 years later she moved to Iowa with her family to a farm north of Buffalo Center, Iowa where the family resided until 1920. Then she and her husband lived in Buffalo Center, Iowa until 1936 when her husband's earthly life ended. After that her children as resided in the homes of her children as long as her health permitted her to go from place to place. Then illness caused

her to stay in her son Ubbe Winter's home where she was bedfast the last 4 years suffering considerable pain at times. Her earthly pilgrimage ended quietly in the morning of April 26 while she slept.

On Dec. 11, 1890 the deceased was united in marriage with John Winter. The Lord blessed this union with 4 sons and 4 daughters. Of these one son and 2 daughters preceded her in death.

The departed was baptized by Rev. A. Willms on July 11, 1897 upon the confession of her faith in Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and united with the Baptist Church at Buck Grove, Iowa. When she came to Buffalo Center, she united with the First Baptist Church of Buffalo Center, where she remained a member until her sojourn on this earth ceased.

She is survived by her 3 sons: Ubbe, Jake and Folkert, all of Buffalo Center, Iowa; 2 daughters, Mrs. J. Murra and Mrs. D. Murra, both of Buffalo Center, Iowa; 35 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren; 3 brothers, H. Meyer, Stout, Iowa; W. Meyer, Wesley, Iowa and J. Meyer, Clara City, Minnesota; 2 sisters: Mrs. M. Karsjens, Bradford, Iowa and Mrs. J. Risius, Buffalo Center, Iowa; besides many other relatives and friends who mourn her departure.

Funeral services took place at the Baptist Church of Buffalo Center, conducted by the undersigned who delivered the sermon of warning and consolation based on Psalm 23:1. The songs and text for the sermon were chosen by the departed. Interment was in the beautiful cemetery at Buffalo Center, Iowa. May the Lord console the bereaved!

Buffalo Center, Iowa.

Martin De Boer, Pastor.

The Glory of Christ's Church

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unto the end of the world." No other group of men ever received such an enormous and difficult command and worked at such a marvelous project. Then let me point out that in the last 125 years the church has accomplished more for the evangelization of the world than was accomplished in the 1500 years preceding. In this revival of evangelistic zeal the evangelical free churches, including our own, had a most glorious share.

Thus, the church of our day was not only created by the Lord in a marvelous way, but now by its labors is establishing the Lord's Kingdom near and far. The true Church of Christ will always say with Paul: "I press toward the mark for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Eph. 3:14).

The world is in a mess today. It always has been since sin came, but what would it be without the work of the church? We still refer to the years when the church was sound asleep on the job as 'the dark ages', showing no advance in any phase of life. The advances have been greatest wherever the gospel has had freedom to function. The countries where the churches with the full gospel have labored freely have advanced far beyond the countries where paganism and ecclesiasticism have throttled the message of the church; again giving proof to Paul's words that "godliness is profitable unto all things."

Of course, we know that the first work of the church is soul saving and then the nurture of the saved. But besides the missionary efforts of the church, it shows the spirit of Christ in

its benevolent works. The church with very good reason claims credit for establishing the care of the unfortunate, the young and the old, the sick and the poor. The world knew nothing of such institutions as children's homes, old people's homes and hospitals before Christ created his church. Thus, the church reveals the love of God for the unfortunate and oppressed.

In our country especially the church fathered the cause of education. Our Baptist forefathers founded such institutions of higher learning as Harvard, Brown, Rochester, Colgate and Chicago Universities, beside many smaller colleges and seminaries.

Even the proud business world owes much to the Church of Christ, even if it does not always admit it. The

church not only teaches that people should be honest and pay their debts, (surely, a good thing for business), while ungodliness brings the opposite results, as Russia proves.

It is not commerce, but the church that has opened pagan lands to commerce. Its missionary efforts have most always preceded commerce and also often been made difficult by the greediness of business. Commerce used Africa as the source of raw materials for its slave markets; it took Missionary David Livingstone to reveal its wickedness and to agitate its elimination. The church is still the tool of God, and we are his coworkers to work out his Kingdom among men. This, the church's privilege, is part of its glory. Psalm 118:23.

What should these truths which we have thus far emphasized mean to us, to you and to me? First, inasmuch as the Church of Christ is made up of many groups like our own church, it is needful that we evaluate anew and appreciate our own church in this light. Each church makes its contribution to the glorious whole.

Second, each local church again depends for its effectiveness in this glorious Kingdom work on the contribution that each member makes in personal consecration, devotion and loving service. The question in all of this is simply: What share can I have and should I have and do I have in the glory of the work of my local church as well as of the greater church universal?

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