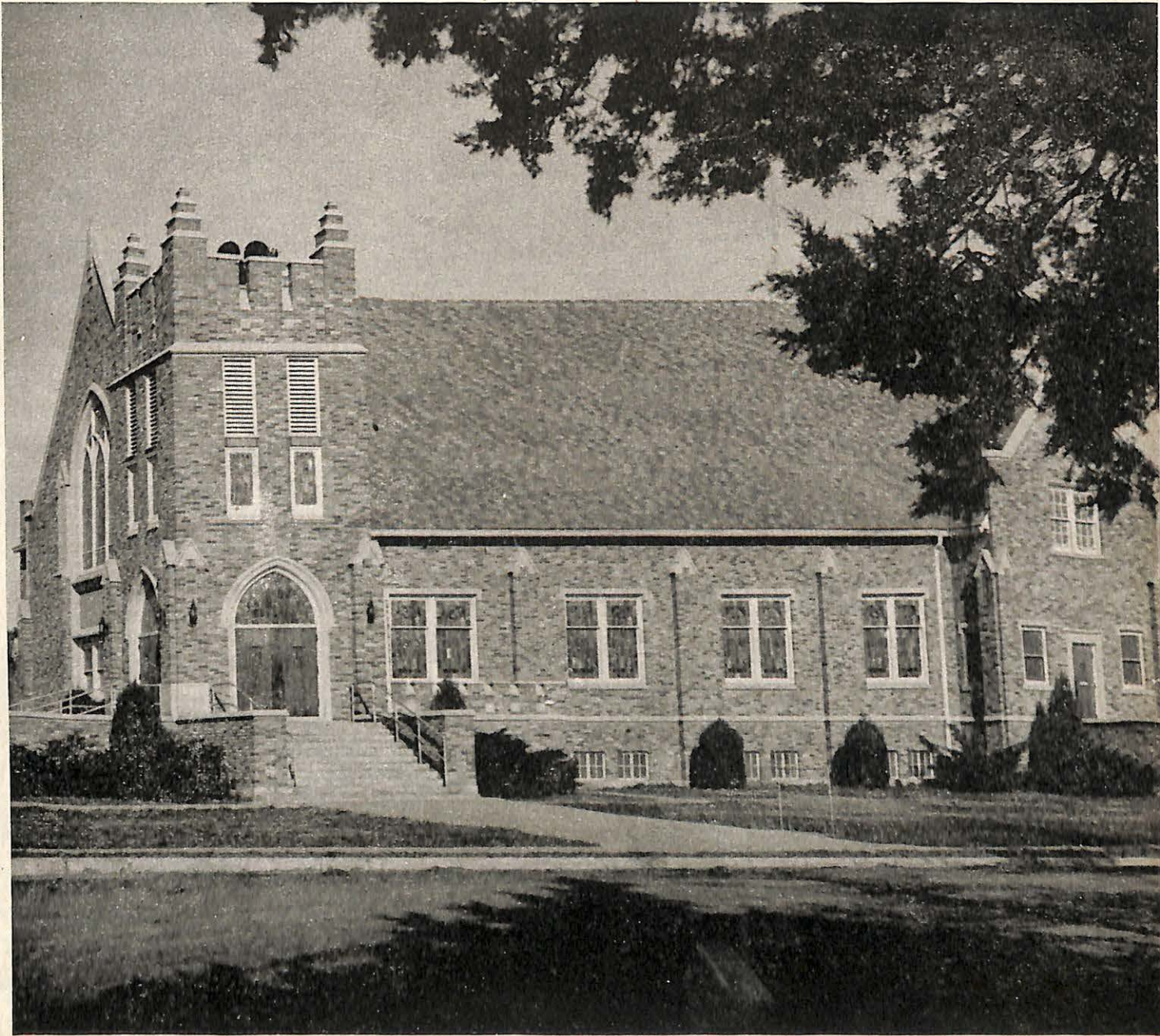


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Denominational Reminders

ENGAGEMENTS

Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Exec. Secretary
 Sunday, Nov. 23 — Lorraine, Kans.
 Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27 — Ap-
 lington and Parkersburg, Iowa.



Rev. H. G. Dymmel, Gen. Miss. Sec.
 Sunday, Nov. 16 — Daytons Bluff
 Church, St. Paul, Minn.

Friday Evening, Nov. 28—Commis-
 sioning Service for Miss Leona
 Ross, Missionary to China, Forest
 Park Baptist Church



Rev. J. C. Gunst, Young Peoples' Sec.
 Sunday Morning, Nov. 23—Forest
 Park Baptist Church, Forest Park,
 Ill.

Nov. 26-27—Hebron, North Dakota
 Nov. 28-29 — McClusky, No. Dakota
 Sunday, Nov. 30—Grand Forks,
 North Dakota

Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional
 Sec.

Sunday Evening, Nov. 23—First
 Church, Chicago, Ill. (Missionary
 Pictures)

Sunday, Nov. 30—Emanuel Church,
 Marion, Kansas

Rev. Henry Pfeifer, Gen. Evangelist
 Nov. 9-22—Eureka, So. Dak.
 Nov. 23-Dec. 5—Herreid, So. Dak.

Rev. Edwin Michelson, Missionary
 Sunday, Nov. 23 (Sunday School
 and Evening)—Forest Park Bap-
 tist Church, Forest Park, Ill.

FRONT COVER PICTURE

The present edifice of the Baptist
 Church of Lorraine, Kansas was
 dedicated on Nov. 28, 1937. The 10th
 anniversary will be celebrated on
 Sunday, Nov. 23rd.

The church was organized on June
 22, 1878 with 25 charter members.
 The 70th anniversary of the church
 will be observed in June 1948, ac-
 cording to the pastor, Rev. Fred G.
 Ferris.

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Nov. 26—Bethany Church, Milwau-
 kee, Wis.

Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27 (10:00
 A.M.)—Union Service, Immanuel
 Church, Milwaukee, Wis.

Nov. 29-30 — Sheboygan, Wisconsin.
 Wednesday, Dec. 3—Missionary
 Service for All Detroit Churches
 at Bethel Church, Detroit, Mich.



IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 13-16 — California Association,
 Wasco, Calif.

Nov. 20-23 — Oklahoma Association.
 Dr. William Kuhn, Guest Speak-
 er.

Nov. 23-28 — Missionary Conference,
 Forest Park, Ill.

Sunday, Nov. 30 — "Haven of Rest
 Sunday" in Northern Conference
 Churches in the Interest of the
 Home for the Aged at Medicine
 Hat.

Nov. 28-29 — Thanksgiving Rally of
 the Northern North Dakota Young
 People's Union, McClusky, N. D.
 Rev. J. C. Gunst, Guest Speaker.

Dec. 2-3 — Editorial Committee of
 "Youth Compass," Forest Park,
 Illinois.

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AMONG OURSELVES

How valiantly the young people of
 our churches are accepting the chal-
 lenge in this day of denominational
 advance to dare to do great things for
 the Kingdom of our Lord! They have
 adopted mission projects which rep-
 resent high and difficult goals for
 them to attain. Recently the Pacific
 Northwest Y. P. and S. S. Workers'
 Union adopted a project of \$4000 for
 the building of the Indian chapel, mis-
 sion school and missionary's house on
 the Montana Reserve in Alberta. This
 is in contrast to a \$50 goal which this
 group set before itself only a few
 years ago. Go forward, young peo-
 ple, in this inspiring advance of yours!

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This number of "The Herald" can
 be read with the overflow of a thank-
 ful heart. See the Rev. Edgar W.
 Klatt's message on this timely
 theme. There are other thanksgiving
 sermons and challenges in the interest
 of the Million Dollar Offering to be
 found in this issue. November has
 also been set aside as Publication
 Month. A comprehensive and color-
 ful story of the Publication Society's
 ministry is brought by its business
 manager. To top off the good things,
 you will find the account of the
 "Homecoming" of Missionaries Earl
 and Lois Ahrens from Africa of un-
 usual interest.

COMING

The Rev. Herbert Hiller of the
 Temple Baptist Church of Buffalo, N.
 Y., presents "Christ as the Author of
 a New Order" in a message of world-
 wide vision, keen analysis of present
 chaotic conditions and a profound
 faith in God's glorious revelation.

The ministry of the Children's Home
 in St. Joseph, Mich., which is especial-
 ly remembered by our churches in
 December, will be reviewed by its su-
 perintendent, Rev. A. F. Runtz, and
 his daughter, Mrs. Melba Petersen.

The new missionaries on the Span-
 ish-American field in Colorado, Rev.
 and Mrs. C. L. Young, will be intro-
 duced to "Herald" readers in several
 articles and illustrative pictures.

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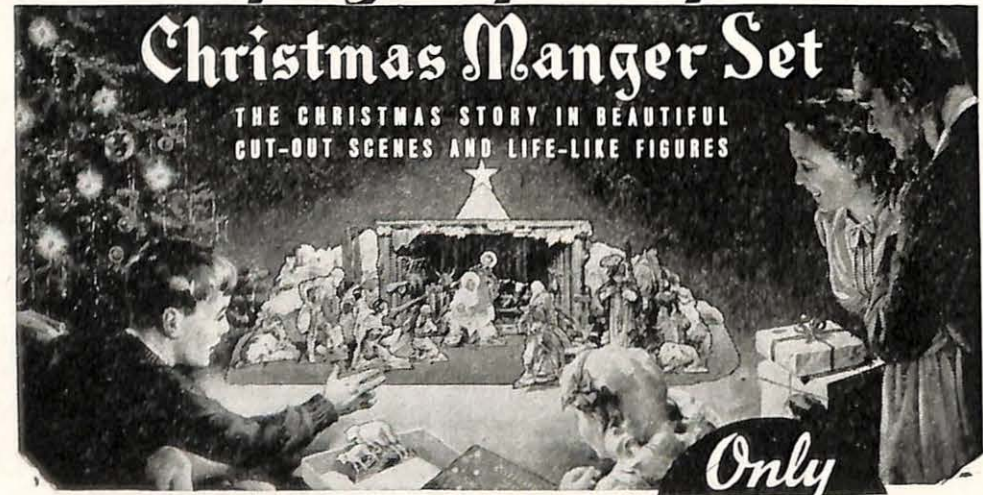
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EDITORIALS

Martin L. Leuschner

Unanimous Thanksgiving

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to find a unanimous spirit of thanksgiving for material things, even among Christian people. There is such a great diversity of these things in the possession of most people that everyone's gratitude reflects his own individualistic background. Such things as health, bountiful crops, a comfortable house, a lovely family, lots of wealth will give occasion to many paeans of thanksgiving to God in our churches at this season of the year, but it will not be and never can be unanimous thanksgiving.

Only as we think of spiritual blessings, do we begin to hear the strains of the doxology in which all of God's children can unite their voices of praise. These are the things which should be stressed at this season, so that the song of thanksgiving will include the unanimous gratitude of all hearts which are bowed humbly and worshipfully before God.

Let us begin our Thanksgiving by being grateful for the Lord Jesus Christ. How much he means to all of us who bear his Name! How different our lives have become since Jesus became our Savior! He has never passed us by; he has never failed us; he keeps and satisfies! Without exception we rise before him and bring our homage to him. There is unanimous thanksgiving for the blessings of life in the coming of Jesus Christ into the world and into our hearts.

This is equally true when we think of the Bible and its revelation of God's truth to all men everywhere. We meet on common ground when we begin to read this Word. It speaks to all of our hearts, regardless of our background and social position. It imparts its blessings to all in all kinds of circumstances. How can we ever be grateful enough for the bountiful gifts which have come to us through this Word of eternal Life!

A few weeks ago I experienced a forceful illustration of this truth. At the request of the Rev. Edward Kary, I spoke to an assembled group of prisoners in the State Penitentiary at Bismarck, North Dakota. It was a deeply moving experience to face those ninety men of all ages and varying races with tragedy written over their countenances. What a deep chasm of differences lay between us! What could I talk about to these men? The answer was found in letting God's Word do the speaking. And as God's Truths were sent forth in that prison chapel, it was a message for the hearts of all the prisoners, the prison guards, the visiting preachers and guests alike! There was common ground where God met us and lifted us all together into his glorified Presence!

And so the story goes! Our unanimous thanksgiving can be expressed for his sufficient grace and bountiful mercies that arise with every new day. There is no one who has accepted Christ who does not enter into the joys of fellowship with Christian believers. The blessing of friends is certainly one of the perpetual wonders of the Christian life.

In unison let us lift up our voices in praise to God. For in Christ Jesus we are all richly blessed beyond measure. In the light of this truth we can offer our unanimous thanksgiving to the Giver of all good gifts of life!

BIBLE TEXT

"O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise ye the Lord." Psalm 117.

This is the shortest Psalm among the 150 psalms of praise, but it embodies volumes of inspirational truth. Here you will find a stirring summons to thanksgiving. All nations are to bow down before HIM. All peoples are called upon to praise HIM. The glory of God's mercy is depicted. The impregnable nature of God's truth is emphasized. The greatness of God towers above the grateful songs of his creatures.

In a crescendo of praise that is rapidly reached in this brief Psalm, the four words at the close ring out with resounding splendor: "Praise ye the Lord!"

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A CHRISTMAS LETTER

Our missionaries need your encouragement. The assurance of your prayers and of your interest in their ministry will greatly strengthen their hands of service. You can have a share in the fervent proclamation of the Gospel to peoples in spiritual darkness by upholding the arms of our missionaries.

Let's begin with a shower of Christmas letters to our Cameroons missionaries. Their addresses are given in the booklet, "Now We Are Twenty-two." Letters weighing one-half ounce can be sent Air Mail to Africa for twenty-five cents and will require only two or three weeks to reach their destination. Select one or several names and have a Christmas chat with them. Your encouragement can work wonders in lightening their burdens at this Christmas season of the year!

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WHAT ABOUT THE JEW?

The Jew is constantly in the lime-light of the world's attention these days. The political future of Palestine has prophetic implications and may determine the destiny of the entire world. The best heads of the United Nations Council are being cracked against one another in trying to find the solution to the problem of the Jew. The Christian Church must take a decisive stand on the issue of anti-Semitism. Every one of us will have to rub elbows with the Jews in the world of today.

It is encouraging to note that large groups of Christian people are zealously engaged in the evangelization of the Jew. More Christians need to open their eyes to this mission work. One of these groups which has been unusually successful is the American Board of Missions to the Jews. Read about this work in the next issue.



Pilgrims Going to Church With Thanksgiving to God in Spite of Many Dangers and Privations in the Early Days of American History

Thanks Be to God Through Jesus Christ

A Thanksgiving Sermon by the REV. E. W. KLATT of the Riverview Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota

"THANKS be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57. (Revised Standard Version.)

This Thanksgiving reminds us somewhat of the first Thanksgiving on the shores of Plymouth Harbor over three hundred years ago. These Pilgrims had learned that where two or three are gathered in Christ's name, there he would be with them. Small in number, but by the help of God's strong arm, they emerged from a year of loneliness, illness, danger, food shortage and cold with thanksgiving in their hearts to God. So they held a feast of thanksgiving.

All over this world people are going through similar and greater privations and suffering. Were we sensitive enough to hear, we would find that there is still much praise in the world, in spite of it all. A great silent chorus of praise passes daily from the hearts of men to the heart of God.

Sometimes our thanks to God is expressed only for the abundance of things we acknowledge as being good. It was not so with the Pilgrims, nor is it so with the stout hearts who have suffered in the past year. Right praise is to be expressed for all things, as Paul advised the Ephesians: "Always and for everything giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father."

The Psalms of the Old Testament and the hymns of the New Testament show that praise has always been given to God. Centuries reveal that grateful human hearts of the past join their kind today in expressing thanks to God.

Thanksgiving is generally not expressed without reason. If people found reasons to thank God centuries ago, we who are the heirs of the past have added reasons to give thanks.

THANKS FOR ENLIGHTENMENT

One great reason for praise today is that we can live in a day of enlightenment in comparison with the time of several generations ago. Science has burst forth with its multitudinous discoveries and has shed both light and confusion among men, confusion because of the inability of man to comprehend and, furthermore, because of misuse of certain inventions. Research of surgeons and physicians has enabled them to bring forth cures for many diseases by which men would ordinarily have died a few years ago. With all the modern inventions to serve man, it seems that we are but a day away from the time when we shall be able to press a button and as a result a mechanical man shall respond to serve us hand and foot.

If the Pilgrim Fathers would be able to come back to this world to view the present set-up, they would be amazed.

And if they with their hand plows and oxen and sometimes only a hand tool to work the ground found reason and time to thank God, how much more ought we to give thanks who have things in abundance to save work and time.

THANKS FOR THE HARVEST

At this season of the year we ought to be overwhelmingly conscious of the goodness of God as he revealed it by giving to us individually and collectively a bountiful harvest. So we ought to be thankful for a good crop, which means sufficient food for all of us. Over this whole land altars of praise to God for these gifts should be raised. The patriarch and pilgrim Abraham, in his old age, planted a grove of trees and dug a well at Beersheba in the extreme south on the fringe of a desert. In addition he built an altar. On that consecrated spot he offered his thanks.

Then there were also travelers from Egypt who, wearied with the journey over the windswept wilderness, would drink of that well, and rest in the shade of those trees. Those who were grateful sought the altar and gave thanks to God. The shade tree, the drink of cooling and refreshing water, and the added loaf of bread are blessings most welcome. But it is, indeed, most sad if we receive all that and forget the altar, if we partake of the

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Homecoming After the African Accident

Missionary EARL H. AHRENS Relates the Story of His Accident in Nsungli, the Harrowing Hospital Experiences, and Plane Flight With His Wife Lois to New York City and Tacoma, Washington

EVERYONE was having a wonderful time! A large crowd of people had come to the celebration. There was food enough for everyone. The chiefs were sitting in the background, happy and content, enjoying the sports events. The next event was Pole Vaulting, and the participants had gathered ready to compete.

"I think I'll join them, Lois," I said to my wife, "and show these people that the missionary likes to share in native play as well as work." The only way to win the native is to participate in his activities, including work and play; then the preaching of the Gospel is received.

I made two successful jumps, and now the bar was up to seven feet. I took a short run, I was going up; I was almost at the top — all that was left was the last little push and twist to throw my body over the stick, but — the pole collapsed under my weight and Earl kept flying through the air and with a thump landed on his back.

My first sensation was this: "Say, that was a hard fall. I wonder!" Trying to turn over and get up I found out that it couldn't be done, and then pain began to rack my body. Lois rushed to my side and the natives crowded around and those who spoke English exclaimed, "Wonderful! Wonderful!" in awe-struck voices. That is the expression they use when something tragic, good, or in any way outstanding has happened. (Truly, the correct use of the word, if you will look it up in your dictionary.)

If I had been able to laugh, I surely would have done so. Lois began giving orders by calling for a bed, asking for a runner to go to Ndu immediately — 40 miles away. As things will happen, on this particular trip we had forgotten to take along our First Aid Kit, a **must** for an African trek. Consequently there wasn't even an aspirin available for "Massa."

EVERYONE HELPED

Miss Hilda Tobert, our Ndu nurse, arrived at three o'clock in the afternoon on the following day. She did a beautiful job of fast trekking, and we are, to this day, most grateful to her. The rain was coming down as fast as water flows over the Niagara, it seemed, and our "Toby" looked like a wet, bedraggled kitten. She set to



The Rev. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens, Missionaries in Nsungli of the Cameroons, Africa, Who Are Members of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Washington, of Which the Rev. W. C. Damrau Is the Pastor

work immediately, and with sedatives and hot packs I began to relax and rest.

Our carriers were thoroughly frightened and wanted to go home. Their main fear was that the missionary might die on their hands, and that meant bad luck for them. On the third morning we had to leave on the three day trip to Ndu station. Strong bamboo poles were put through the bottom of my cot; then eight men carried me, two men changing off every five minutes. If you knew the African mountain trails, you would understand that only two men could carry me at a time. One in front and one in back. These men, Christians all of them, did a masterpiece of work in carrying me. However, if a groan happened to escape me occasionally, they were most frightened too. They were sure I would die.

By the wonderful providence of God, on the morning that we arrived at Ndu, who should come to Ndu in a new Dodge pick-up, but Paul Gebauer, our beloved field superintendent! A runner had been sent to call him, but the runner was still on the way to Bamenda when Paul arrived. Does anyone want to argue that God doesn't take care of his own?

On the fifth day after the accident we left Ndu, with the patient on the

cot in the back of the truck. That afternoon we arrived in Bamenda. The British Government doctor came down the next morning, and said he could do nothing for me. But he urged us to go immediately to the nearest hospital with X-ray facilities. The best he could do was to give me sedatives. We had a little delay in getting gasoline for the long trip and a French Passport and health certificate.

HOSPITAL 450 MILES AWAY

On Friday morning we left for the Presbyterian Hospital at Elat, Ebolowas, 450 miles away in the French Cameroons. Because the roads were so poor, we averaged only about 15 or 20 miles an hour at the most. So this trip took three days. It makes us laugh now when we think that it took us longer to go those 450 miles than it took us to come by plane from Africa to Tacoma.

On Sunday morning, the day after the Ganstrom's baby girl was born, July 20, 1947, I was in the hands of a good medical doctor. Ten days previously the accident had occurred. One never knows what will happen in Africa, hence, it is **most important** that our mission obtain a doctor for the Cameroons, if we intend to go forward for the glory of the Lord.

The X-ray revealed that I had a spinal fracture, and I would have to be put into a cast and consider our work in Africa to have come to a temporary end. This grieved the hearts of both Lois and myself, but the question to be answered the most was, "Can we return to Africa?" The doctor answered us with a positive yes! We committed ourself to the Good Shepherd who leads us through the dark valleys, never so far away that we cannot reach his loving hand of help.

THE PLASTER CAST

I spent six weeks in the Presbyterian Hospital. While there, our Belo nurse, Miss Margaret Kittlitz, was my faithful nurse. Lois had to return to Ndu to pack our household goods and prepare for our leaving Africa. I can't thank the Lord enough for letting me have such a good nurse. She took care of me like a mother takes care of her child. "Thanks, Kitty!"

First, the doctors arched my back up gradually, so that the crushed ver-



Some of Our Cameroons Missionaries Pose for the Photographer in Africa (Left to Right: Paul Gebauer, S. Donald Ganstrom, Earl H. Ahrens, Laura E. Reddig, George A. Dunger and Edwin Michelson)

tebrae would open up. Under ordinary circumstances, the body is put into a maximum arch immediately after the accident. We had been delayed ten days in getting medical treatment so that the arch had to be applied gradually. The hospital's supply of plaster and krenoline had finished, so they had to wait for more. Eventually, they used dental plaster, which wouldn't set in the damp climate.

In this instance, Dr. Thorne, a wonderful Christ-like physician, showed his skill. The cast was cut off of my body after three days and put into an oven to dry. He then set himself to reinforcing this weak mould with timber braces. This work took valuable time and energy which should have been applied to his own mission work.

A few days before we received word of a possible passage on a ship, new plaster arrived to be used for the front half of the cast. This time, when the plaster had been moulded to my body, it was taken off and put into an oven to dry quickly. However, even then it cracked and peeled some. With these two pieces strapped to my body (weighing 15 pounds) I was able to get up and move around under my own power.

The trip from Ebolowa to Douala was uneventful, except that it was too tedious riding the truck on those ter-

rible roads, and so we took a rickety train for the last 75 miles. We arrived in Douala on the first of September, the day the boat, on which we were booked, was to leave. Here we met with disappointment. The captain of the ship did not want to take us aboard; he said he would take no passenger on this particular trip. Dr. Thorne had originally thought it unwise to go by plane, but after the cast was on and he saw how well it was, he thought it even wiser to go by plane, and now we were forced to do just that.

ARRIVAL IN TACOMA

In answer to prayer, plane passage opened up immediately. On the 16th we left Douala for Accra, via Air France. At Accra we were to have waited five days, but again the Lord helped us, and after a wait of only one day in that very hot place, we boarded a Pan American Constellation. We flew all night and all day, arriving in New York at 9:00 P. M. on Saturday, Sept. 20. Stops were made briefly at Dakar, Lisbon, the Azores, and then to New York. By this time I had regained much of my strength and was able to sit up most of the way. Occasionally I stretched out in the aisle while Lois massaged me.

Two hours out of New York we flew into a heavy storm which caused my stomach not only to turn inside out but to turn all colors at the same

time. Saturday night we left New York flying to Tacoma, arriving at 9 o'clock Sunday morning. Oh, what joy to see all our loved ones again! But it was so overwhelming to go to church and see so many white people at the same time, and electric lights, and carpets! The wonderful part of that first service to us was the congregational singing — like an angel choir!

Here at home, the doctor predicts that everything will be "O.K.," as you say here, or as we say — "Palaver no go dey." Both Lois and I are attending college while here to make use of the time while I am recuperating.

The story of my accident has been narrated only that the need for a mission doctor may be further stressed. Hitherto, we have always asked for a doctor for the sake of the natives only! We as missionaries plead for such a man for our own sake as well.

Our Lord has taken care of us wonderfully for which we give him the thanks, but we also want to thank the host of Christians here at home who have faithfully remembered us before the Father in continual prayer. As Christians we are members of one body, Christ; and as members one of another, we suffer together and rejoice together. We do rejoice, "for the Lord, he is good." We work and wait for the day when we shall return to the land which is ever on our hearts for Jesus' sake.

Investing Large Gifts in the Lord's Work

A Unique Challenge to Those Who Have Been Unusually Blessed of God

by the REV. H. G. DYMMELE, Home Mission Secretary

A THOUSAND dollars still look to most of us like a great deal of money, despite the inflationary sky-rocketing of prices. To be sure, we don't mind spending more than that for a car or for the good things we crave. But for the Lord's work a thousand dollars is an amount past every-day thinking. As I search for the motives that may power a good and well-to-do man to surrender a thousand dollars for the Lord, I light upon the following four:

1. He is at the gate of eternity.
2. He will be exceptionally grateful.
3. He will realize that money invested is best invested for God.
4. He will have an overpowering vision of greater things to be accomplished.

MOTIVES FOR GIVING

Let us view the first motive: he is at the gate of eternity. Life ebbs away. The soul prepares to meet his maker. A sense of failure and insufficiency haunt the dying one's feelings. Thus he finds it easy and advisable to will to the Lord's cause a thousand dollars of the money he cannot make use of anyway. Some of you whom God has blessed with unexpected riches have also had a warning that the days of your life are numbered. You are, therefore, working, for the night cometh when man cannot work. You will also want to give not less than a thousand dollars for the Lord's cause as carried on by your denomination.

But if I have analyzed this motive at all fairly, then why should those, who are in possession of their earthly faculties with promises of long life yet ahead, be less anxious to give of their abundance? Pay as you go, is the slogan of our technical age. You pay for gasoline as you travel, for the food as you consume it, for pleasures as you enjoy them. Why should you not pay the Creator as you go for every day of his mercy which is worth to you every bit of a thousand dollars?

GRATITUDE TO GOD

You have enough and to spare. That is the reason the prodigal son came home to his father: he, the father, had enough and to spare. "I will rise and go to my father and I will say unto him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee." Your Heavenly Father may come to you and say, "Son, I have done right by you in heaven and on earth by giving my only Begotten and making him known

to you. I am worthy of all you have. Contribute, therefore, a thousand dollars to the cause of my kingdom."

Or a man may give because he is exceptionally grateful to God. He compares his lot to that of others materially less fortunate, and says: "There, but for the grace of God, go I." He is so deeply moved that only a generous expression of gratitude will give him peace of mind. It takes no stretch of the imagination to view yourself fortunate. You have read about the conditions in war-torn Europe. Perhaps your parents have brought you over. Perhaps, you yourself escaped "by the skin of your teeth." Perhaps even your forty-second cousins in Europe send you signals of distress.

Said a once well-to-do refugee to me: "If I had known my future misery, I should have done more for others." Aren't you grateful God has placed you in a land of opportunity and abundance? You have reaped where you have not sown. You've been crowned with mercy and loving kindness. How natural to reciprocate and write out a check for one thousand dollars for God's cause in our denomination.

THE ONLY ABIDING VALUES

Or a Christian may realize how fleeting prosperity is. There is nothing permanent except change, and the money given to the Lord's cause holds the promise of abiding value.

A businessman was approached to give for a worthy Christian project, and he cheerfully wrote a check for \$250.00 and handed it to the solicitor. At that moment the businessman received a cablegram. He scanned it and looked worried.

"This cablegram," said he, "tells me one of my ships has been wrecked and the cargo lost. That makes a difference in my business. I have to write you another check."

The solicitor sympathized and returned the check for \$250.00. The businessman wrote out another, and handed it to him. When he saw it, he was completely surprised. It was for \$1,000.00.

"Haven't you made a mistake?" the visitor asked.

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Nov. 30

"No," said the businessman, "I haven't made a mistake." Then he added, "That cablegram was a message from my Father in heaven. It read, 'Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth where moths and rust doth eat it.'"

Or a man may approximate that fortunate frame of mind of the Apocalyptic John, who amidst his own desolate and shackled existence, was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day. He saw death and doom defying visions of the Almighty's triumph, and he was assured that each believer and martyr had an abiding share in the strategy of that triumph. The Lord Jesus himself is leading his army unto the predestined appointment. Right now, the issue may look undecided, but not for long. He will lay all his enemies at his feet and lead captive every power.

When the Battle of Waterloo was being fought, an Englishman was hiding nearby, waiting to see the tide of battle. As soon as he knew that Napoleon was losing, he hired the finest horses and sped to the English Channel, crossed it and reached London and bought up all the available British stocks for a song. When the news of Wellington's victory reached London, Rothschild, for that was the man's name, cashed in on it for the stocks and bonds had soared beyond the wildest dreams of speculators. So is he that staketh his all on Christ's victory!

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF \$1000

But what will one thousand dollars accomplish? It will do a good deal even in times like these when it is worth only one-third of its original value. As North American Baptists well know, our Seminary will relocate at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Through this move it is to expand its usefulness over the area of five states, in addition to serving our denomination. This means new classrooms, student dormitories, professors' homes. Would each of two hundred people give one thousand dollars, that project would be well on its way!

Then take the Cameroons Baptist Mission. Our missionaries clamor for a doctor, a hospital, a nurses' training school, a seminary. Another one hundred-fifty giving one thousand dollars each would promote these appreciably. Our Spanish-American field in Colorado needs a parsonage

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Miracles Wrought by the Average Giver

A Message for the Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Offering by the
REV. FRANK H. WOYKE, Executive Secretary

ARE YOU an average man with an average income? Are you a good Christian who likes to contribute to the support of his church and of the missionary enterprise, but whose ability to give is limited by his modest salary?

If so, I am speaking to you! I am writing to encourage those who will be able to support our MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING by means of only one share, or \$20.00, at a time. It may sometimes seem to you that your contribution is small and insignificant. Far from it! You are the backbone of our missionary support.

IMPORTANCE OF THE AVERAGE GIVER

It is difficult to overemphasize your importance. What are some of the factors that make you so?

1. First of all, you are important because your name is legion. Because you are average, you are like many others and so are joined by a great host of people. All by yourself your gift might not accomplish much, but in cooperation with 10,000 others you literally "make" the denominational budget. As our average giver, you are a living example of the saying that "in unity there is strength."

2. You are also important because of your dependability. Though your income is not unusually large, it is comparatively stable. You are a "steady" worker who, year in and year out, lays upon the altar of our Lord a modest offering for missions. Perhaps there are some in your church who on occasion can give far more than you can — perhaps \$200 or even \$2000 a year. Surely, we all regard such ability to give as a great privilege and praise God for it. But large gifts can usually be given only at irregular intervals. Who then steps into the breach when such larger gifts are not available? Why, the many average people, of course, who can be depended upon to lay aside their missionary dollar every week!

"WHEREVER IT IS NEEDED MOST"

3. Finally, you are important because your gift is almost invariably undesignated. In recent years it has become popular to give for special projects rather than for "General Missions." Individuals, churches, and other organizations like to adopt an appealing missionary project, such as the salary of an individual missionary, a truck for the missionary field, or a

school building for a missionary. These are all things that must be taken care of and we are exceedingly grateful for the large sums we receive to pay for them.

But today I want to sing the praises of those of you who make your contributions without any designation other than that it is for "missions." What a joy it is to receive your letters with a message something like this: "Here is a small missionary gift which you may use wherever it is needed most."

Whereas others can support a missionary all by themselves, you must needs be satisfied with a small share in the support of our entire work

But that is exactly where the miracle occurs. Your small share, and thousands of others like it, undergird our entire missionary effort. The combined efforts of all the small givers, each one insignificant in himself, work a miracle of accomplishment.

While you may not have exclusive support of any one cause, you have a share in many causes. A portion of



The Horn of Plenty As Sketched by Mrs. K. Louise Eichler of the Central Baptist Church, Erie, Pennsylvania

How important those words are: "Wherever it is needed most!" Perhaps everyone is clamoring to support causes with popular appeal and glamor. But who will take care of the administrative and promotional expense involved in any denominational enterprise? Who will support such things as the Ministers' Pension Fund? You are right — again it is the average giver whose contribution can be used wherever it is needed most! Thank God for the many people who are satisfied to have their gifts used for the support of our entire denominational family.

YOUR SHARE WORKS MIRACLES

Occasionally you may become discouraged because of your inability to make large contributions. Your one little share in the Million Dollar Offering may seem very ineffective to you.

your share in the Million Dollar Offering will help to operate our denominational office in Forest Park. Another part will find its way to Cleveland, where it will help to send Christian literature to at least three continents. Still another portion will be used at our Seminary in the training of young men for the preaching of the unsearchable riches of God's Word, and these young men will eventually follow God's call unto the uttermost parts of the earth. A part of it will send food and clothing to starving people in Europe, people who will fall down on their knees in thanksgiving to God when they receive your gift. A small portion will go each month to aged ministers and ministers' widows, to cheer their last remaining days upon this earth. Finally, your share will help to send missionaries into the home and

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The Ministry of Your Publication House

The Story of Recent Advances by Our Publishing House in Cleveland, Ohio by the REV. E. J. BAUMGARTNER, Business Manager.

THE North American Baptists own and operate a Publishing House in Cleveland, Ohio. It is housed in a modern two-story building which is fairly well equipped. It is crowded with printing machinery, books, church supplies, office equipment and controls needed to regulate our subscription lists. At the present time, there are sixteen full-time and five part-time employees. This organization has been in existence for over 90 years and only God's great Book of Life will reveal the amount of good

scribe your Publication House in action. The men and women in the Printing Shop are an extremely busy group. Every week 6400 copies of "Der Sendbote," the German language weekly, are printed. Of these, over 1500 go to Germany as gifts of our denomination to fellow-Baptists in Germany. This service has done much good as indicated in the many letters of appreciation. As soon as possible, we hope to increase this service by sending copies of "Der Sendbote" to the German churches in the Russian zone of Germany.

young people; "The Annual," a denominational magazine published annually; "Christlicher Volkskalender," a denominational magazine published in German.

Recently there has been a new publication, "The Cheerful Sower," a monthly magazine published for our Sunday schools. Then there is also "Der Wegweiser," a monthly, eight-page, German leaflet suitable as a tract. Further annual publications are the "Conference Minutes" and the "Directory." The Publishing House also prints the special programs used for the Bible Day observance, for Children's Day and for the Harvest and Mission Festival programs.

In addition, churches frequently send in small printing jobs and in the past two years, we have had considerable work from other religious groups which is handled strictly on a job basis. From the above, it can readily be seen that our people working in the Printing Shop are kept extremely busy.

In the Book Department there is also the constant "rush" to give our churches and people the proper kind of service in response to their requests for books, church and church school supplies. It is our constant hope to increase the efficiency in this department. May it again be said that your Book Department at the Publishing House is in a position to furnish directly or indirectly any book now available. This also applies to the church supplies and Sunday school materials.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MATERIALS

Although this department is busy, it should handle much more business and since there is also a substantial profit for your Publishing House in every order placed at Cleveland, it will greatly increase the profits and usefulness of the Publishing House if as many as possible orders are placed at Cleveland. A little extra assistance from our churches in this respect will go a long way.

Your Publishing House is also organized to handle orders for Sunday School teaching material quickly and efficiently and since the Publishing House will profit by handling these orders, it is distinctly to your advantage to order through your own Publishing House. We can supply the teaching materials offered by any publishing house in the United States.

During the past year, a new department has been set up which is our sub-

scription control department. Two people devote most of their time to this organization which is designed to provide an accurate control over our subscriptions and avoid many of the complaints which were current two or three years ago. Within the past two years, the Bookkeeping Department has also been completely re-organized with a new set of books and new methods of control. Step by step we are coming to the point where it will be possible at any time to get, quickly and accurately, a complete picture of our financial standing and also a picture of the general trend of business. Here again it can be seen that our people are busy in their effort to serve the denomination.

MISSIONARY MINISTRY

Perhaps, it would be well to mention briefly some of the work done in the past year which was distinctly of a missionary character. As already indicated, over 1500 copies of "Der Sendbote" are sent free each week to Germany and 600 copies of "The Baptist Herald." In an arrangement with the Bible Meditation League, we provide the translations and set up the type for Sunday School lessons in German which are sent free of charge to Germany by the League. We have been informed that this service has done a tremendous amount of good in Germany. We also send regularly quantities of "Lektions Blaetter" and "Wegweiser" free of charge to some of our churches in Germany and to chaplains in the American Army in Germany.

As is well known, there are large numbers of refugees in Germany and Holland. These have been remembered by your Publishing House through Christian publications and especially the large number of German refugee ministers to whom it has been our pleasure to send a considerable number of German books. Many of these books were graciously donated by people from our churches. Many touching letters have been received expressing the gratitude of these people for a book which most of us, perhaps, never think of looking at. But they have nothing, and to them the Book of books meant ever so much. It has, indeed, been a busy year attempting to serve wherever we could in a missionary way. Much remains to be done and may God give us the funds and the open door to do that which is so urgent.

Your Publishing House has always faced its problem and the greatest of these is the financial. Everybody is acquainted with the tremendous increase of labor and material costs. It has not been an easy matter to determine how and where a compensating increase in income can be found.

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However, the Board and the manager have been seeking ways to solve this problem. Adjustments have been made and we shall continue to make others. One solution to the problem is, of course, an increase of business and here is where everyone of our churches can take an important part. If they will turn every possible bit of business into their own publishing house, it certainly will help tremendously to meet the financial problem facing us today.

A TREE BY THE RIVER

In the first Psalm we read about the tree planted by the river of waters, a tree whose leaf withered not and which bore good fruit. One of the reasons why the leaf remained green and good fruit was forthcoming was because this tree, through its roots, received nourishment from that great river of waters.

So it is with your Publishing House! It can be likened unto a tree planted by the banks of the eternal stream, the living Word of God, as given to us in Holy Scripture. Your Publishing House feeds from this stream. It is interested in making this Word of God known in every possible printed form. Unless it retains this high ideal and sinks its roots ever deeper and deeper in that living stream of God from which alone it can receive its strength and nourishment, then it has no further need for existence.

May I ask you to pray that from this tree, your Publishing House, shall always come good fruit like that which we recently experienced when a German prisoner of war wrote that while in a prison camp, he had the privilege of reading our "Wegweiser." He states that through the reading of this little German tract, he was led to accept Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. Oh, this man was so happy to have found the Redeemer and peace at the foot of the Cross. It is fruit of this kind that must come from the tree which is your Publishing House.

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foreign mission field to bring the joy of salvation to many undying souls. The combined efforts of our small contributors truly work miracles.

The period of November 23 to 30 has been set aside as the time for the ingathering of our denominational Thanksgiving Offering. The success of this effort will depend primarily on the many average people in our churches who will be subscribing for one share each in the MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING. If enough of us do so, we cannot fail.

How many shares will assure a generous Thanksgiving Offering? Six thousand people, each contributing one share, or \$20,000, would make a combined offering of \$120,000. May God help us to reach this goal!

Investing Large Gifts

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for our missionary, the Rev. J. J. Reimer, and cars for both the Reverends J. J. Reimer and C. L. Young. On the Montana Reserve in Canada, we are building a chapel for the Indians. There is our China mission field for which our first missionary, Miss Leona Ross, is leaving on the 6th of December. She will need a portable organ and a loud-speaker, and most of all a missionary boat, taking her to the unevangelized villages around Canton.

There are, moreover, the underpinnings of our Kingdom structure: the many faithful missionary pastors in the homeland. They hold the fort against encroachment of indifference and secularism. They keep the spiritual homefires burning. From those churches have come many pastors and church workers. There are in our denomination today many men whom God has blessed with money beyond their fondest daydreams. They stand amazed and don't know what to do with it. It isn't too much to ask them for a generous contribution in four figures. They are waiting for such a call from the Lord through his servants. They will be anxious to do their utmost.

A minister wrote to a wealthy and influential businessman, requesting a subscription to a worthy cause. He promptly received a curt refusal which read as follows: "As far as I can see, this Christian business is just one continuous give, give, give."

After a short while the minister replied: "I wish to thank you for the best definition of the Christian life that I have yet heard." Therefore, let us not grow weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not.



The Shipping Room of the Roger Williams Press, Cleveland, Ohio, with Mr. William Wilcke Busily Preparing Shipments for Our Churches

accomplished over this long span of years.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

The Publication Society was originally formed by our forefathers to promote the gospel of Jesus Christ through Christian publications among German-speaking people. Time has brought many changes. Today the primary emphasis is no longer on German publications. As our churches have grown English, the Publishing House has likewise followed suit. It must be said, however, that in the past two years a new door seems to be opening for definite missionary work in the German language. Your Publishing House has faced this problem and tried to serve where it could.

Perhaps, it will be helpful to de-

Twice a month, they print and mail 8800 copies of "The Baptist Herald," of which approximately 600 go to Europe. "The Baptist Herald" is more and more becoming our denominational paper. It is entirely English and designed to serve as a unifying force in providing news items, educational and inspirational material which serve to hold our people together.

OUR PUBLICATIONS

Our Printing Department also prints approximately 17,000 Lektions Blaetter each quarter. This is a bilingual lesson quarterly still used in many of our churches and used quite extensively in other churches with a German background. Other publications are the "Youth Compass," a quarterly of practical suggestions and helps for

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● On a recent Sunday Dr. C. H. Seecamp of the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta, Canada had the joy of baptizing 7 young people before a large congregation that attended in spite of muddy roads. Mr. Emil Price, church secretary, reported that "Dr. Seecamp brought a heart-searching message in the earlier part of this impressive service."

● A son was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Weisser of Wishek, North Dakota on Oct. 7th, who has been named Lance Daniel. The announcement has also been received of the birth of a baby girl on Oct 16th to Rev. and Mrs. Virgil R. Savage of the Villa Ridge Baptist Church near Portland, Oregon. The girl's name is Barbara Ann.

● The Baptist Church of Venturia, North Dakota held its Harvest and Mission Festival on Sunday, Oct. 19, with the Rev. H. Waltereit of Lehr, No. Dak., as guest speaker. A mass choir of 42 voices, directed by Mr. E. Schrenck, sang at the special services. The large offerings of \$3400 were designated for the church's building fund and the denominational missionary enterprise. The Rev. C. Rempel is the pastor of the church.

● Dr. Alfred A. Cierpke, who is well known in our circles for his earlier visits and messages regarding Central Europe, has resigned from the faculty of Bob Jones University to become professor of theology at the Tennessee Temple College. This is a new Baptist college sponsored by the Highland Park Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., under the leadership of its pastor, Dr. Lee Robertson. It was founded in 1946. Enrollment in college and Bible school is already about 500 students.

● Dr. J. F. Olthoff recently resigned as pastor of the Portland Avenue Chapel, a mission of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Washington. His resignation will take effect on Dec. 1st, but he will continue to serve the mission at the urgent request of the Calvary Church until a successor can be found. Dr. and Mrs. Olthoff are retiring from the active ministry and are now having a new home built for themselves in the city of Tacoma. Their address after Jan. 1st will be 4055 E. B St., Tacoma 8, Wash.



Rev. Fred G. Ferris, Pastor of the Lorraine Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas, Who Will Lead His Church on Nov. 23rd in the Celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of Its Edifice

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● On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 28, the annual business meeting of the B.Y. P.U. of the Baptist Church of LaSalle, Colorado, was held and new officers were elected, as follows: Carl Jepsen, president; Evelyn Meyer, vice-president; Mrs. Adam Moser, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Lloyd Krieger, pianist; Ermajean Vogel, ass't pianist; Anna Jepsen, reporter; Irene Prossant, cheer messenger; Mrs. A. E. Reeh, adult advisor; Robert Oster, Fifth Sunday; Mrs. Oliver Oster, Program committee. The Rev. A. E. Reeh, pastor, assisted in the meeting.

● At its sessions in Wessington Springs, So. Dak., from Oct. 5 to 7, the South Dakota Association recognized the North Side Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, So. Dak., and welcomed its pastor, Mr. Robert Wolff, a student at Sioux Falls College and the members of the church into the association's fellowship. The church has a good-sized building which has been deeded over to the North American Baptist General Conference. It is ministering to a large community in the neighborhood of the former United States Air Base. A more detailed report will be published in a forthcoming issue.

● Mr. Harold Gieseke of Trenton, Ill., is enrolled as a student in the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Illinois. He is the vice-president of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union. During the school year, Mr. Gieseke is serving as song leader in the Grace Baptist Church of Chicago and assisting the pastor, the Rev. Wm. H. Jeschke, in many phases of church work and visitation evangelism. The Grace Church has also appointed Mr. David Smart, a student at Chicago's Moody Bible Institute, as director of music.

● On Sunday morning, Oct. 12, the annual Rally Day service was held in the Temple Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., with the Rev. William L. Schoefel, of the Book Department of the Roger Williams Press in Cleveland, Ohio as the guest speaker. On Sunday, Oct. 19, the church observed "Youth Sunday" with young people taking part in the morning worship service. The pastor, Rev. Louis B. Holzer, conducted a dedication service for a number of infants who were brought by their parents. In the evening "the Temple Youth Society" presented the film, "The Power of God." Homecoming Sunday was observed on Oct. 26th.

● From Sept. 28 to Nov. 15, Mr. David Baer of Los Angeles, Calif., the regional manager of the Baptist Life Association, travelled extensively along the Pacific Coast and to the Dakota Conference area. He showed his pictures on several occasions at the Calvary Church of Tacoma, Wash., and made important contacts with many of our churches and pastors en route from Los Angeles to Bismarck, No. Dak. Before returning to the coast by way of Kansas and Arizona, he held a conference with Mr. Henry Marks, president of the Baptist Life Association, at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

● The Rev. Gerlof Palfenier of Tacoma, Wash., died quite suddenly of a heart attack on Friday, Oct. 17. He served as pastor of our churches at Hilda, Alta., Germantown, N. D.; Whitemouth, Manitoba; McLaughlin and McIntosh So. Dak.; before moving to Tacoma, Wash., with his family where he was engaged in business and farming. His brother is the Rev. H.

Palfenier of Philadelphia, Pa. The memorial service was held on Oct. 22 at the Calvary Baptist Church with the Reverends W. C. Damrau and E. Bibelheimer officiating. He leaves his sorrowing wife and five children. The obituary announcement will appear in the next issue.

● A series of evangelistic services was held from September 23 to October 2 at the Sumner Baptist Church, which is a branch of the Elgin Church of Elgin, Iowa. The Rev. Paul T. Hunsicker, pastor of the Berlin Baptist Church in North Dakota, was the guest speaker. His messages were exceedingly enriching and challenging. The services were well attended by the people and friends from the community churches. The Rev. Paul F. Zoschke, pastor, reported: "Even though there were no new conversions to report, we trust that the seed of the gospel will still germinate and bring forth fruit unto everlasting life in several hearts."

● The Bismarck Baptist Church of Bismarck, No. Dak., held its Harvest and Mission Festival on Sunday, Oct. 19, with the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary, as guest speaker. The church was much too small to accommodate the crowds, some of whom had to stand at both services. Mission pictures of the denominational enterprise were shown in the evening. The offering of \$826 represented the largest Harvest Festival offering ever received in the Bismarck Church. The Rev. Edward Kary was in the pulpit again for the first time following his recent illness. Mr. Leuschner also brought a message to an audience of 90 men at the State Penitentiary on that Sunday morning.

● Sunday, Oct. 12, was a great day for the Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas and its pastor, Rev. L. H. Smith, when the church was packed to capacity for its Harvest and Mission Festival. The Rev. Arthur Schulz of the nearby Strassburg Church and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary, brought the morning messages. The Reverends J. J. Abel of Marion, G. Wesley Blackburn of Dickinson County, and Arthur Schulz of Strassburg participated in the afternoon program and their respective congregations shared in the many festivities of the day. In the evening the service had to be held in the High School auditorium to accommodate the large crowd that witnessed the showing of denominational motion pictures of our Indian and Cameroons' mission fields and of our young people's assemblies. The total of the day's offerings, amounting to \$780.58, was designated for our Million Dollar Offering.

Beside the Still Waters

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

Thanks be to God.
"But thanks be unto God, who always leadeth us to triumph in Christ" (2 Cor. 2:14).

Heavenly Gifts.
"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above" (James 1:17).

All Things.
"In everything give thanks" (1 Thess. 5:18).

Needs Provided in Christ.
"And my God shall supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19).

Kindness of Others.
"Having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus — and the love, which ye show toward all the saints, I cease not to give thanks for you" (Eph. 1:15-16).

Salvation Through Christ.
"Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift" (2 Cor. 9:15).

Giving of Self.
"But first they gave their own selves to the Lord" (2 Cor. 8:5).

Interest in Others.
"Not looking each of you to his own things, but each of you also to the things of others" (Phil. 2:4).

Voluntary Spirit.
"Not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:7).

Importance of Thanksgiving.
"Let us not love in word, neither with the tongue, but in deed and truth" (1 John 3:18).

Now Is the Time.
"Buying up the opportunity, because the days are evil" (Eph. 5:16).

Giving of Substance.
"But whoso hath the world's goods and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love God abide in him?" (1 John 3:17).

Pointed Paragraphs

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

While London controls Palestine, missionaries may labor there for Christ. Jewish independence would banish quickly every one of them. A chief rabbi of Palestine affirmed that when the Jews gain autonomy, not a missionary to the Jews will be allowed to remain in the country. As the ground for such action he offered the statement that Christianity is a mere offshoot of Judaism, which is the older, superior religion. — "Prophetic News."

It was Wesley who said, "Be a man of one book and that book the Bible." Many years ago these words were impressed upon my youthful heart and mind. I had been converted only a short time when I ran across them in my reading. At once I determined that by the grace of God I would make that my life motto, as far as literature was concerned. Knowing well what an omnivorous reader Wesley himself was, I knew that he did not mean to debar all other writings, but that his thought was that the servant of God should ever regard the Bible as the central sun around which the entire literary universe revolved. And this

I conscientiously set out to do. —Dr. H. A. Ironside in "Christian Life and Times."

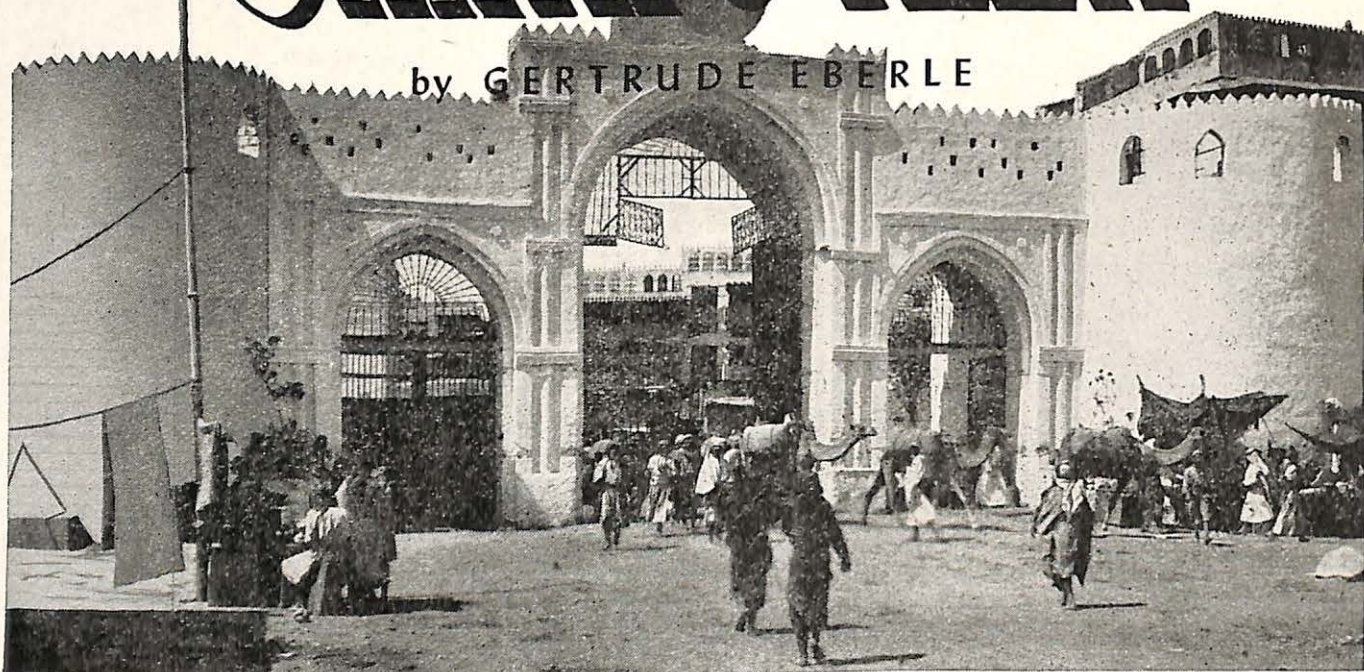
J. P. Morgan, multi-millionaire, left a will of 10,000 words divided into 37 articles. He, no doubt, placed what he considered to be the most important at the beginning which read: "I commit my soul in the hands of my Savior, full of confidence that, having redeemed it and washed it with His most precious blood, He will present it faultless before the throne of my heavenly Father. I entreat my children to maintain and defend at all hazard, and at any cost of personal sacrifice, the blessed doctrine of complete atonement for sin through the blood of Jesus Christ once offered, and through that alone."

Morgan made many successful transactions during his busy life, but the most valuable was his acceptance of the Great Transaction that Jesus Christ made for him on Calvary's Cross by paying for Morgan's sin with His own Precious Blood.

—Christian Business Men's League Bulletin.

CHARIOTEER

by GERTRUDE EBERLE



SYNOPSIS

Joseph and Raanah, two slaves in the caravan of Ishmaelite merchantmen, became attached as servants of Potiphar's household. Joseph was unjustly accused and was sent to prison. Raanah rose rapidly in fame until he became a charioteer in Pharaoh's Basilisk Guard. Shortly before the famous Festival of the Pharaohs and chariot races, the news arrived about Joseph's release from prison and his appointment to a responsible position in the land. These were exciting days for all, especially as the time for the chariot races approached. Almost at the last moment one of Raanah's horses was mysteriously injured in the leg as from a blow. Raanah's rival, Hadar, was suspected. Pharaoh was delighted, for it now meant a race in which these two men would fight it out to a bitter end!

CHAPTER TWENTY

SEVERAL DAYS before the Festival Raanah had spoken to the keeper of the stalls and secured standing room for the five old merchantmen just below the royal box during the races. As the hour for the great chariot race approached, Egiba and Isme-Dagan closed their booth, and as the trumpet blew, the five old men filed into their places and waved proudly to Joseph, Asenath and Bashia, for they felt specially honored.

None of his friends had seen Raanah since Pharaoh had rebuked him that morning, until he came on the course in his chariot with the caperberry team and other contestants in the race. All drove forward briskly to parade their horses before the royal stalls. The teams were mettlesome and swung along with an easy gait that was the perfection of motion.

Raanah's color was the golden green

of the Basilisk troopers. Hadar's color was blood red, and the insignia of his house — a jackal with bared fangs, symbolizing a fighting spirit — was incrustated on his chariot dash and embroidered on his tunic. The Elamite wore tunic and ribbons of orange. The Libyan wore blue, and there were a half-dozen other colors.

Raanah's friends in the royal stall and below, noted apprehensively that his face was pallid and drawn. His close-fitting cap was pulled low over his forehead, keeping his somber eyes in shadow. As if sensing his inner disturbance, his team was nervous, too eager to be off, though he handled them expertly and was quick of eye and steady of hand.

Knowing him, Joseph felt that Raanah lacked the confidence, his old-time vigor and will to win, though he seemed to be trying. And loving him, Joseph began to feel afraid; for fortune, position, life, love — any one, or all of them might be at stake for Raanah in these races.

Hadar appeared to be in fine form — dashing, aggressive, and obviously pleased with himself. He was driving a pair of spanking dark roans, dappled with flecks of gray. The Libyan, the Elamite, the Horite, and others, all made a brave showing.

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A trumpet summoned them to the line. Getting away to a good start, with horses excited and men straining for mastery with nerves taut, was not easy. The horses plunged and reared in eagerness, but finally out of the shouting and cracking of whips, came an order of sorts, and they were off.

Once away on the mad course, the frenzied, yelling drivers seemed not to be men, but primal creatures; and the horses were turned into galloping wolves, fighting their drivers and others for place, their rolling eyes and flaming nostrils reflecting the fury of the sky in a storm. The crowd on the benches shrieked in delirium.

Leading the thundering charge was the Libyan in a jouncing, skittering car, drawn by a pair of light sorrels. Hadar was just behind the leader, but held the inside track. The Elamite with his bays was third. Raanah was fourth, with the others crowding up behind in a compact bunch.

Raanah's caperberry team tossed their young heads and nosed into a long, swinging stride. Around the course and toward the royal stall, the racers swept without much change in position. The rumbling roar of chariot wheels and clop of horses' feet blew forward with a terrific burst of sound. After they had passed, a track tender removed one griffin on the entablature near the judges' stand. There were three more roans to go.

Gradually the speed quickened as the blood of men and horses warmed. The benches shouted the names of

favorites as they passed. "Hadar! Raanah! Zolier! Hiya, Captain! Step along, Orange!" There was not a man of them who did not have heavy bets on his head.

Again the horses swept around the stretch in a wave of power, with snorting breath and blood-shot, straining eyes; but now the pack was scattered. The Libyan had lost a yard and had to pull over. Hadar was leading and holding his place beside the rail. Raanah had advanced to third. He drove well, and his horses ran well, but things had gone against him at the start. He was too far on the outside.

Just behind the Libyan beside Hadar, a dark, unsmiling Horite drove a span of bay Assyrians, hairy and wild, but with long slender legs. He crowded the Idumean next to him against the rail and wedged in treacherously between Hadar and the Libyan, prying them apart so recklessly that his chariot smashed the Libyan's wheel. There was a crash, an agonized scream. The Libyan's chariot overturned, and he fell to death beneath the trampling feet of the horses behind him.

The crowd on the benches groaned and some closed their eyes against the bloody sight. The fright-crazed sorrels of the Libyan plunged wildly. Raanah had to draw over to avoid them. Although he swept past the wreck untouched, he lost much ground because of it. But the Horite had lost more, and Raanah crossed over in front of him. There was no one now between him and Hadar, and Raanah's team was gaining.

As they stormed toward the royal stalls on the third lap, their horses goaded to a lather in the merciless sun, Hadar was still in the lead, hugging the rail, but Raanah was second and only a chariot's length behind him. The Horite was third with the rest of the field bunched around him. As they swept along the grandstand stretch, their horses flattened, their flying feet stretched out like rabbits, the crowd came to its feet and a cheer roared over the loaded stalls. The Basilisk captain was ever a favorite. "Raanah! Raanah! Hadar! On with you, trooper — on!"

"Thirty talents on the prince," a noble called in Pharaoh's rear. "Who will take me?"

"I will," the old king gamely shouted, never taking his eyes from the flying figures, "but I'll make it fifty on the captain."

Isme-Dagan tugged fiercely at his beard. Egiba pounded his clenched fists in the air shouting, "Let 'em out, Raanah! Faster, lad, faster!" The other merchantmen leaned over the fence, oblivious to everything but the race.

Joseph, Asenath, and Bashia had risen with the others. Joseph's olive

face was drained of color. Asenath's soft eyes were staring fixedly. Bashia's small body rocked with fear and excitement. "Oh, Raanah!" she cried, "Speed them on! Urge your horses faster, beloved! Fly, Raanah, fly!"

As if in answer to her plea, his caperberry team crept closer to Hadar's roans. Persistently, an inch at a time, they gained. The benches rocked with applause as around again the racers swept. On the last quarter, Raanah's team was traveling head to shoulder with Hadar's blue roans.

Hadar could see Raanah from the corner of his eye, crowding closer. Fearfully, he swung his whip and with a wild yell laid it stinging upon the backs of his roans. Snorting with fear and pain, they sprang forward with a last maddening burst of speed. Again and again, Hadar laid the lash upon their quivering flesh, and the distance between him and Raanah lengthened.

Then Raanah spoke to his team, calling their names and loosening the reins. He would lay no welts upon their beautiful backs, nor harass their sensitive spirits. They had done nobly with so many odds against them. They were running free now with heads stretched out, ears laid back, nostrils wide and flaming red like fire, their great hearts near to bursting with effort. Straining to the utmost, again, inch by inch, they gained over Hadar's burst of speed.

One hundred yards to go! Hadar belabored his team cruelly, yelling at them. Raanah seemed to grow quieter. He leaned over the dash, his face gray as dust clouds over the sun. He encouraged his team with all the psychology he had acquired through years of training. Faster and faster yet, the ground flew beneath their feet.

"Raanah! Hadar! Turn your dragon loose, captain!" The crowd was on its feet again howling wantonly. Joseph leaned over the rail. Asenath held her breath. Tears welled in Bashia's eyes so that she could barely see. Down in front, Egiba pounded his fists and yelled. Isme-Dagan tugged harder at his beard. The other merchantmen stood with mouths open. Never before in all their travels had they seen such speed.

On to the goal the contestants swept with the ears of Hadar's roans on a line with the caperberry's noses, the rest of the pack running in close behind them.

Defeat had mocked Raanah, but it had been a great race. As they swept past, Bashia caught a glimpse of his face. Its frozen expression frightened her, for she knew that in the coldest flint there is a hot fire.

Joseph stood as one in a trance. He murmured something about the fears of a man bringing a snare. Asenath spoke to him twice before he heard her.

Then the voice of the people broke loose. Some, who had lost, were wailing. The joy among Hadar's backers knew no bounds. They laughed and hugged each other and flaunted his color, howling, "Hadar! Hail, Hadar!"

By the time Bashia could dry her tears, Raanah had left the course, but Hadar returned smilingly to wear the victor's crown. The crowd broke up. The races were over for the day.

As Joseph and his ladies filed out, they heard a matron exclaim, "I think it is a pity. Raanah far outclassed Hadar in that race. If he had not been jinxed, he would have won."

That evening, Joseph drove Asenath and Bashia to Raanah's house. Matters had grown worse. It was unbearable to think of Raanah going into the races the next day defeated and hopeless.

Raanah had kept to his room during dinner, and the five old men were edgy and churlish. Afterwards they sprawled, replete and doleful, over the drawing-room divans. Egiba and Isme-Dagan, counting their losses, snapped like turtles.

As the guests entered, the old men arose in a flurry. They were delighted to see Joseph and the ladies and proffered the best seats, but the guests were too restless to sit down.

"Where is Raanah?" Joseph glanced about anxiously. "Egiba, please tell him we are here."

"Indeed, yes," Egiba stirred himself with alacrity. "Maybe you can do him some good. His pride is skinned and mighty sore since Pharaoh berated him."

"Why did Pharaoh berate him?" Asenath asked, her soft eyes glowing indignantly.

"The old gaffer was angry because he lost a lot of money," Isme-Dagan growled.

"You are wrong," Egiba contradicted testily. "He was angry because Hadar won. He hates that snobbish prince like poison."

"What did Pharaoh say to Raanah?" Bashia asked worriedly.

"Plenty," Egiba pursed his lips. He even accused him of willfully losing the race — told him that if he had been in his right mind he would have won despite the change of teams and the accident on the course."

"And as a further hint of his displeasure, he did not let Raanah drive him home," Isme-Dagan croaked, looking as crusty as Pharaoh was reported to have been. "He sent for Kadmiel instead."

"Yea," Egiba confirmed, "and that put the Captain in a bad light before his men."

Joseph had been stalking about restlessly. "Please, Egiba, tell Raanah that we are here, and say that we will not leave until we see him."

Raanaah came out immediately. He had changed from his uniform into a soft linen tunic that was open negligently at the throat. His face was pale under its tan. His eyes were tired with dark half-circles under them, and his whole body sagged. He looked like a man who had taken a severe beating, but he seemed glad to see Joseph and the ladies. He motioned them to be seated, but they shook their heads. Bashia slipped her soft warm hand into his, and he looked down on her affectionately. For a moment there was an embarrassed silence. No one seemed to know what to say.

Joseph filled the breach. "I have brought you a present, Raanaah," he said with an affectionate smile. While the group watched, he drew from his pocket an old Chaldean pendant attached to a heavy gold chain, and held it up before him.

Fashioned of rich yellow gold, the pendant was about six inches long and covered with an elaborate pattern of gems.

A gasp of admiration greeted it, for it was the most beautiful jewel that any of them had ever seen. The merchantmen edged closer, their eyes distended with amazement.

Joseph held the ornament so that the light caught its gems and spread a luminescent glow around it. The pendant was peculiarly fashioned with a hollow loop at the top and resembled a huge key with a handle. In the center of the crossbar an enormous blood ruby was surrounded by a row of pearls; and these, in turn, were rimmed by alternating emeralds and diamonds. The shafts and the loop were studded their full length with sapphires, rubies, and opals.

Raanaah stared at the pendant solemnly as Joseph laid it in his hand. The women exchanged anxious glances,

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and Bashia smothered a tremulous cough. The merchantmen crowded closer, awed by the dazzling jewel; but for once they held their tongues, feeling that the occasion held some import which they did not understand.

Joseph watched Raanaah apprehensively. "You have told me many times, Raanaah, that it is hard for you to believe in God because He has no image. This pendant is not an image. It is an ancient symbol of life. It may be helpful to you as a reminder that God alone is the Giver and Sustainer of life. I know that you have been greatly troubled, and that your faith in God has been sorely tried. Carry this pendant, let it constantly remind you of the Living, Protective God, until it becomes easier for you to pray to and trust in Him.

"But never make the mistake of thinking of this pendant as an image. That was your trouble in regard to Ishtar. She was not a goddess — only

a luck piece. An image has no soul, no living fire but its gems. So there is no need to fear it."

Joseph paused significantly, then jerked the tiny image of Ishtar from his pocket. "Look, Raanaah! I have carried Ishtar around for days, and she has not harmed me, despite the fact that I kicked her." He tossed the idol up and caught it several times — a most irreverent thing to do in the eyes of the merchantmen.

A murmur of dismay broke out among them. In spite of Joseph's confidence they backed away, their frightened eyes bulging. Even a fool knows that one should never make sport with a god. At that moment they saw Joseph as a madman who cast firebrands and death about recklessly.

The group around Raanaah could see that he was deeply stirred. He turned the glittering pendant over in his hand, then scrutinized Joseph's face. Bashia imagined that a sudden thought brightened his eyes, but he lowered them, and she could not be sure.

Watching for some sign, feeling that the happiness of both of them was at stake, Bashia's heart pleaded, "Dear God, let Raanaah see the light!" As he continued to stare at the jewel, she felt that she could no longer endure the suspense, and turned appealingly to Joseph. "Please, let us go now."

As the merchantmen escorted them to the door with bows and platitudes, she looked back. Raanaah was standing where they had left him.

In the chariot Asenath and Bashia clung to each other with a melancholy feeling that their efforts had failed. But Joseph stoutly maintained that they had done all they could, and Raanaah must now be left to work out the matter for himself.

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Thanks Be to God!

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blessings and neglect to give thanks.

But it is insufficient to feel thankful and express it only with the lips. Deeper thanksgiving must act as well as feel and speak. It must do something for God and for our fellow-men who are starving, naked and homeless. It is a fine thing to have a turkey spread on our thanksgiving table, but our sense of self-goodness and appetite vanishes when at that moment we think of a family on our street and know they have nothing to eat.

We must share our food, our medical science, our knowledge, our skills in different vocations, our ideals, our fellowship, our religious freedom, our

Bible, our Gospel, our Christ, our release from sin and guilt, our love for God with multitudes in this land and in many lands. We must give as we have never given before. In this we must be victorious. "Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Lastly, we must rise to have victory over obstacles that hinder, discourage and sadden life, and give God the thanks for it. **Everything** must work together for the good for Christians. Paul wrote to the Romans, "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose." And recall once again what he said to the Ephesians, "Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the

Lord with all your heart, always and for **everything** giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father."

It may not be the easiest thing for a Christian to give thanks to God in a moment of crisis or sorrow, but even that is to be woven into a pattern, the outcome of which will serve God and man. So a Christian must add his thanks for that also.

Jesus wove the skein of sorrow and suffering into a beautiful pattern. Out of the cross he made a crown, out of death he brought forth life, and out of defeat he brought forth victory. His victory has become our victory. Ever since, Christians have been exclaiming, "Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

CHILDREN'S PAGE



WHAT JOHNNY GAVE

Johnny gave a cent to missions,
One whole cent — how large it
seemed!

Johnny felt himself a giver,
As upon the plate it gleamed.

One bright cent from Johnny's pocket,
Where a nickel and a dime,
And three other duller pennies
Were reposing at the time.

"I should like to go for missions,"
Said the nickel, looking glum;
"But I know too well, I'm booked for
Coke or chewing gum."

"I should love to help the heathen,"
Cried the dime; "But then, you see,
Johnny wants a nice new comic book
That he's going to buy with me."

"Well, we wish," the three cents
murmured,

"Johnny would have let us go;
But for marbles, candy or taffy,
We'll be quickly spent, you know."

So they sighed and wished, but
Johnny,

Wrapped in generous content,
Felt himself a Christian truly,
Since he freely gave a cent.
—Selected.

WHAT RELATION WERE THEY?

1. Adam to Eve?
2. Cain to Abel?
3. Noah to Shem?
4. Isaac to Abraham?
5. Jacob to Isaac?
6. Moses to Aaron?
7. Ruth to Naomi?
8. Mordecai to Esther?
9. Mary and Martha to Lazarus?
10. Saul of Tarsus to Paul?

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THANKSGIVING SURPRISE

Jane and Phil stood at the window watching their pet duck as he waddled around in the back yard in search of a few grains to eat. All summer they had been feeding this duck which grandma had given them, and today was the day they were going to kill it for their Thanksgiving dinner tomorrow.

But just that morning mother had made a suggestion and Jane was very



The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Schreiber and Family, Photographed by Mr. Herman Siemund on the Occasion of the Reception for them by the First German Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois

unhappy. "I don't see why we should have to give our duck to Hill's. We can't help it if Mr. Hill had to get sick and couldn't work for so long. Besides if we give them our duck, we won't have any Thanksgiving dinner. Daddy said yesterday that since he had to have the car fixed we couldn't even buy a chicken."

"Oh, but mother said we could have the sausage that grandma gave us the other day," said Phil.

"Aw, who wants sausage for Thanksgiving dinner!" Then Jane's face brightened a bit: "But, say, couldn't we give the sausage to Hill's?"

"Jane, did you forget what Miss Esther told us last Sunday — that when we do things for others or give things to others, we should give the very best we have, just like God gave his best for us. Remember?"

"Well, I don't care. You can give them your half if you want to, but I won't. All the time we planned to have him for our Thanksgiving." And Jane burst into tears.

Phil tried to comfort her, as he said, "But, Jane, think how happy Betty and Vic would be and even Baby Jim could have fun with the drumstick.

They may not have anything otherwise."

"Oh, all right, go ahead."

Jane wasn't happy, however, and all day at school she sulked and pouted.

Mother had the duck all cleaned and ready and even had stuffing inside when Phil and Janes came home from school.

"Phil, will you and Jane please take the duck over to Mrs. Hill before you take your coats off?"

Jane answered quickly with a toss of her head, "Phil can take it if he wants to. I'm going to read my new books."

So Phil had all the pleasure of seeing how happy the Hill family was when they saw the duck. Mr. Hill even got tears in his eyes, because he had felt so badly that he couldn't provide a Thanksgiving dinner for his family. Now he thanked God for his gracious provision through their good neighbors.

The next morning when Jane awoke, she was glad she didn't have to go to school but otherwise there surely wasn't much to make the day happy. She took an extra long time to dress and as she was coming downstairs, she heard some noise in the kitchen. She hurried down to find that grandma and grandpa had just come in. She was so happy to see them that she forgot her disappointment for the moment.

Grandma had brought a great big basket and when no one was looking, Jane lifted the cloth on top, and imagine her surprise when she saw a great big turkey all ready to pop into the oven.

"Oh, mother, look! A turkey! For our dinner! Now we won't have to eat sausage. Oh, this is so much better than duck. I was so selfish and I'm sorry, mother."

Mother stooped to kiss her little girl. "This is God's Thanksgiving surprise for you, dear. He always gives us the best, doesn't he? But think how much happier you'd be if you had willingly given your best. Next time, you remember to give cheerfully, as unto the Lord."

Later, when grandpa brought in a large bag of apples, Jane showed that she remembered when she said, "Grandpa, may we take some of these apples to Betty and Vic, too?"

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Dakota Conference

Recent Events at the McLaughlin and Selfridge Baptist Churches of South Dakota

The McLaughlin and Selfridge Baptist Churches of South Dakota each had two weeks of Vacation Bible School this past summer. Three teachers assisted in the work. About thirty students were in attendance.

We were blessed with two weeks of evangelistic meetings during the month of October, with the Rev. A. G. Rietdorf of Bison, South Dakota, as the speaker. Two young people accepted Christ as their Savior during these days. Incidentally, these two were married at our church by the Rev. Alex Sootzmann on Sunday, October 12.

From October 3 to 5 McLaughlin was host at the 27th Sunday School Convention of the Badlands Association. Missionary Edwin H. Michelson and Miss Ann Swain were the guest speakers. Besides rich spiritual food provided by speakers and the contributors to the programs we were fed with bountiful good meals at the hands of the ladies of the Selfridge and McLaughlin Churches.

Mrs. Reuben Friez Reporter.

Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Trautner and Family at Beulah, North Dakota

The Baptist Church of Beulah, No. Dak., welcomed its new minister and family in a service on Sunday evening, Oct. 12. The church and its pastor, Rev. J. G. Benke, from Hebron were invited, and many turned out to bring new courage to the small group at the Beulah Church. The Rev. J. G. Benke was asked to take charge of the service.

After the usual opening with song, Scripture and prayer, Mr. Benke spoke fitting words to the church and new pastor from Joshua 1. The Hebron Choir and a male quartet rendered several selections. Representatives from the various organizations of the church spoke words of welcome to the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Trautner and family. The people from the station Zap also brought greetings in word and song.

Mr. and Mrs. Trautner responded with words that expressed their desire to work with God's help to build his Kingdom in this community. Mrs. Trautner and two of the children favored us with a trio, and Mr. Trautner dismissed the meeting with the benediction. We all gathered in the church basement for refreshments.

J. G. Benke, Reporter.

Mission Festivals at the Baptist Church of Hebron, N. D. and Antelope Station

On the successive Sundays, Sept. 21st and 28th, we of the Baptist Church at Hebron, North Dakota and Antelope Station held our annual Mission and Harvest Thanksgiving Offerings at our churches. For our Festival at Hebron, we had invited the Rev. Otto Fiesel of Sidney, Mont., who delivered very impressive messages in the morning, afternoon and evening sessions, besides teaching a Sunday School class for good measure. For Antelope Station services, we had invited Rev. Walter Stein of Ashley, N. D. who also served us well during the day, and brought a final message in the evening in our Hebron Church. The total offering for our mission and building fund was \$3379.73.

Mr. Stein remained with us for two weeks of evangelistic meetings at the Antelope Station. All efforts were made to reach those whom we would gladly welcome as new members of our church, and to bring the message of salvation through Jesus Christ to them by personal work at the various homes carried on by Rev. J. G. Benke and Mr. Stein. While we had hoped and prayed for showers of blessings, we are happy to report that at least four of our young people made a decision for Christ. Others who attended the meetings were specially blessed and encouraged by the messages.

I. E. Giedt, Correspondent.

Bad Lands Convention and Young People's and Sunday School Association at McLaughlin

In 1925 the Rev. S. Blumhagen and family came to take over the church at McIntosh, S. Dak. In 1926 the Rev. O. Lohse and family came to McLaughlin, S. Dak. These two ministers, in their correspondence, decided to organize a Sunday School Convention west of the Missouri. This organization took place in February 1928. Five weeks later, our regular Sunday School Convention convened in McLaughlin, in which Rev. E. Freigang preached the opening sermon. A few days before the recent convention at McLaughlin from October 3 to 4 a card was received from Mrs. Blumhagen stating that her husband has passed away on September 24. The convention remembered his sorrowing family with a gift and prayer. This Sunday School Convention has grown to be a large field.

On Friday, October 3rd, many were on their way to attend the opening meeting at McLaughlin. By Sunday, the church was over-full, so that many had to stand outside. On Friday evening Rev. A. Sootzmann gave a hearty

welcome to the large audience, which was acknowledged by Rev. R. G. Kaiser. Rev. A. G. Rietdorf of Bison preached the opening sermon on "One Thing I Do."

On Saturday morning our moderator, Rev. R. G. Kaiser, opened the session with a brief prayer service, which was followed by a devotion led by Rev. O. Lohse, based on Hebrews 13:3. Rev. H. Lang gave an interesting talk on "Pastors and Teachers Preparing for the Task." Mrs. B. C. Schreiber spoke on building up interest in missions. Rev. R. Sigmund spoke on the lesson material to use in preparation for Sunday School work. Rev. B. C. Schreiber spoke on the ideal Sunday School. This was a challenging message. The secretary's report showed that we had 90 conversions and 62 baptisms during the past year.

For the coming year the following officers were elected: Rev. B. C. Schreiber of New Leipzig, moderator; Rev. R. G. Kaiser of Hettinger, vice-moderator. Rev. O. Lohse, who with the exception of a few years has served as secretary and treasurer for these twenty years, asked to be released and Rev. H. Lang of Vida, Montana was elected to this office.

We were very glad to have the Rev. Edwin Michelson of the Cameroons with us as our guest speaker. At the closing session on Saturday morning he spoke on Psalm 42:1. In the evening he told us about the people's customs. Sunday morning he took us on a trek through the Cameroons.

We were also very glad to have Miss Ann Swain, the Scripture Memorization Sponsor of the Dakotas, with us, who spoke on "Tackling the Task of the Sunday School." At the Sunday School she explained 1 Cor. 15:3-4 in flannelgraph in connection with missions. The children enjoyed this immensely. The convention voted to put in a request to the General Council for a Sunday School worker who would put his full-time into the various fields of our whole denomination. This would be separate from the Scripture Memorization work. Rev. D. Littke also spoke to the Sunday School.

Rev. R. Klein of Gackle, North Dakota was also with us in the interest of the Old People's Home of Bismarck. He favored us with several solos throughout the meetings. On Sunday afternoon the young people had a program in which the various societies participated, with Mr. Reuben Friez presiding. Missionary Michelson gave a short message on "Giving Ourselves."

The offering amounted to about \$500. Next year, God willing, we shall meet at Bison, South Dakota. May God richly bless this convention which had its beginning 20 years ago.

Helen Lohse, Reporter.

Thirty-three Young People From Our Churches Enrolled at Sioux Falls College

Thirty-three young people from our North American Baptist Churches are enrolled as students of Sioux Falls College at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. That is an amazing fact which ought to serve as an encouragement to those who are leading the relocation program for our Seminary from Rochester, New York, to Sioux Falls, South Dak.

The names of the students and their home churches are as follows:

Wayne Heitzman, Phyllis Olthoff, Melvin Wipf and Myrtle Weeldreyer of the First Baptist Church of Emery, So. Dak.

Darleen Heitzman, Alvin Rutsch and Mildred Jucht of the Plum Creek Church of Emery, So. Dak.

Minnie Peters and Wayne Hoogestraat of the First Baptist Church of Chancellor, So. Dak.

Meraleen Huber of Bison, So. Dak.

Violet Mehlhoff of Parkston, So. Dak.

Lavonne Van Gerpen and Leona Powers of the First Baptist Church of Avon, So. Dak.

Bob Wolfe, pastor of the North Side Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, So. Dak.

Mary Backus of Madison, So. Dak.

Esther Krombein and Alden Heupel of Eureka, So. Dak.

Reno C. Bertsch, Iola Bertsch and Le Roy Schauer of Ashley, No. Dak.

Jeanne Mehlhoff and Lloyd Kramer of Wishek, No. Dak.

Gloria Rust of Anamoose, No. Dak.

Wes Trautner and Phil Trautner of Beulah, No. Dak.

Iris Schmidt of First Baptist Church, Goodrich, No. Dak.

Elmer Brenneise of Streeter, No. Dak.

Dolores Kremer of Linton, No. Dak.

Lydia Kaiser, Wanda Kaiser and Esther Kaiser of Hettinger, No. Dak.

John J. Ziesemer of Forest Park, Illinois.

Eleon Sanday of the Mound Prairie Baptist Church, LaCrescent, Minn.

Myrtle Weeldreyer, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference

Fifteen Persons Are Baptized and Received in the Baptist Church of Bessie, Oklahoma

Sunday, September 14, offered a happy experience for the members of the Baptist Church of Bessie, Oklahoma. The baptismal services were held in the Baptist Church of Cordell, Oklahoma, and were conducted by the Rev. G. W. Neubert, our pastor. Of the group there were young people and a few older ones. The blessing of the service was to see the fifteen people step into the baptismal waters and to enact once again the death to the old life and the rising again to a new resurrected life in Christ.

On Sunday, October 5, the candidates were extended the hand of church fellowship and for the first time took part with the other members in the Lord's Supper.

Helen Schmidt, Reporter.

Almost Two Thousand Books in the Popular Baptist Church Library at Lorraine, Kansas

The library of the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas was dedicated on June 1st, 1943. The Education Board of the Church School had felt that there was a need in the church and community for a library that contained not only the best in fiction but books for reference, study, helps for Christian living and teaching and for a deepening spiritual life.

A committee, consisting of Mrs. Henry Froning, Mrs. W. W. Mollhagen and Mrs. George Schroeder, was appointed and under its very able direction our library came into being. Many hours of prayer and hard work were spent in selecting the books suited to our needs, the room and equipment that would be used.

Shelves, built by the men of the church, were placed in the room selected and on these shelves were placed books of biography, history, travel, reference, war and our place in the peace, music, art, poetry, many books for children and young people. Donations from members and friends of the church bought the books, with some being memorials to loved ones.

Today the library contains 1918 books and subscribes to 12 magazines. It is supported by donations from the various church societies and members of the church. Books and magazines are checked out for a period of two weeks. A fine of two cents a day is charged for a book kept over time, one cent a day for magazines.

Every summer a contest is held with points given for reading histories, biographies, science, mission books and books on the Christian life. At the close of the contest a party is given to all those who have received a certain number of points. Last year a large box of books, duplicates and others were sent to Missionary J. J. Reimer in Colorado.

The monthly average for books checked out is over 350, and magazines over 21. The library is open one half hour before and after each church service. Our present committee is Mrs. George Schroeder, Miss Bernice Steinberg and Mrs. August Wilkens. The inspiration and challenge of the printed page is woven into the texture of the soul!

Mrs. Theodore Wilkens, Reporter.

Atlantic Conference

A Review of the Ministry of Dr. M. A. Darroch at Newark's Evangel Church

Dr. M. A. Darroch closed a five-year ministry as pastor of the Evangel Baptist Church, Newark, New Jersey on Sunday, October 19th. He resigned on March 16th and was then stricken with a heart attack before the church had a heart opportunity to act upon the resignation. Since returning the first of September he assisted the church in its ministry.

During the five year ministry in Newark the church has evidenced



The Well Stocked Library of the Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas With Mrs. George Schroeder, Librarian, Showing a New Book to Greta Schacht and Wendell Peters Looking for Another Book to Read

consistent growth in all aspects of its work. A total of 253 new members has been received into the membership with a number of others now awaiting baptism and church membership. More than 500 have professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and the average attendance has increased 59 percent in the morning service, 31 percent in the evening service and the prayer meetings have grown to become one of the largest in the East, averaging 221 in 1946, and 240 the early months of this year.

The church's giving for all purposes has likewise consistently shown increases of more than 150 percent in every department. Missionary giving has increased from \$8,434.92 in 1941 to \$26,275.49 in 1946 and the church now has 32 missionaries working in nearly every part of the world. There are now 25 of its young people in preparation for Christian service, 14 now engaged in Christian service and another large number of volunteers.

The total giving for all purposes during the four years and eleven months of Dr. Darroch's ministry at Evangel was \$230,352.43, of which \$114,418.19 was for missions.

Since January 1946 Dr. Darroch has been Home Director of the Sudan Interior Mission directing the home end of this mission work with its more than 600 missionaries serving in Nigeria, French West Africa, Ethiopia, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Southern Arabia. He will now devote his full time to this ministry. The Darrochs will make their home in Montrose Pa., for the time being.

Reporter.

Woman's Missionary Union Meeting of New York and Vicinity on Thursday, Nov. 20th

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of New York, N. Y., and Vicinity will be held at the Evergreen Baptist Church, corner of Woodbine and Evergreen Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., on Thursday, November 20th.

The afternoon service at 3:00 P. M. will feature reports and election of officers. The guest speaker Rev. John Schmidt of New York City, will speak in the German language.

The evening service will begin at 7:30 P. M. with a song service led by Mr. Frank England. The guest speaker for the evening is Rev. J. F. Crout-hamel from Philadelphia, Pa., who will speak to us in the English language. Coffee and cake will be served.

Emilie Becker, Reporter.

a white robe and carrying a lighted candle escorted the vice-president, who has been in charge since the regular president, Elton Burgstahler moved from Lodi, Thelma Forsch, to the front. At this point Shirley Loffelbein presented Thelma with a beautiful corsage for her work. Katie Michelson then led in prayer and Angeline Kosanke sang, "The Touch of His Hand."

David Gray, Jr., and Clyde Catra dressed in white robes and carrying candles escorted the new officers to their places. The new officers are: president, Milton Fischer; vice-presidents, Levi Goehring and LeRoy Reimche; treasurer, Clifford Goehring; secretary, Norma Jean Goering; ushers, Harvey Berndt and Merle Loffelbein; usherettes, Esther Felberg and Donna Meidinger; pianists, Florence Graf and Muriel Zimmerman; song leaders, Levi Goehring and Ruth Weigum; "B.

Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bertuleit of Portland, Oregon

The Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon celebrated a most unusual event on Sunday, October 5th. It was the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bertuleit who have been stalwarts for the Christian cause in this church as well as in their own community since 1902.

The Rev. John Wobig presided over this festive occasion at which some 200 guests were present. Representatives of various church organizations expressed their sincere wishes on this attainment and for the example set forth by these two ardent and most faithful servants of the Master. Personal words of appreciation were expressed openly by many friends as to Mr. and Mrs. Bertuleit's great desire to help younger Christians establish themselves in life and further to foster this growth to the present and for years to come.

All three children of the parents, Henry Bertuleit, Emma B. Meier of this city and Walter Bertuleit of Balboa Island, Calif., together with six grandchildren and two great grandchildren were present giving due honor to this beloved couple. A personal testimonial meeting was a tribute to these two sterling Christians who have given unceasingly of their time, means and service in this church. Mrs. Emma B. Meier, Mr. Henry Bertuleit and Mr. and Mrs. John Baird as members of this great family sang a favorite hymn in their honor. Refreshments were served to complete this grand festivity.

The Honorable Harry S. Truman, president of the United States, joined in extending good wishes by letter signed by his own hand and received by Mr. and Mrs. Bertuleit the day following this reception. Mrs. Bertuleit recently attained her 87th birthday and Mr. Bertuleit passed his 88th milestone on October 19.

John G. Leyboldt, Reporter.

Annual Mission Festival and Evangelistic Services at the Baptist Church, Odessa, Wash.

Partly in keeping with an Old Testament custom, the Baptist Church of Odessa, Washington held its Annual Mission Festival on Sunday, Oct. 12. The weather was fine, the attendance fairly good and dinner was served at the church. The offering amounted to \$845.06, of which \$43.26 was given by our Ladies' Aid. Some friends of the church sent their contributions by mail.

The Rev. and Mrs. Niels Christensen, former occupants of the parsonage here, were in our midst. Mr. Christensen is pastor of the Baptist Church at Orville, Wash. He was our guest speaker, bringing inspiring messages.

On Nov. 10th our special meetings were scheduled to begin. The Rev. Fred W. Bartel, pastor of our church at Spokane, Wash., is our evangelist.

Alfred Foll, Pastor.

Virginia Schmiedt, Reporter.

Northern Conference

The Ministry of the Grace Baptist Choir of Medicine Hat, Alberta

On Sunday evening, September 28, a large audience received a blessing from the musical program held at the Grace Baptist Church of Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. The choir consisting of 45 voices presented a sacred concert which was conducted by our capable leader, Miss Rose Lehr, with our accompanist, Mrs. Erwin Faul.

The anthems sung were chosen by our director and the three top favorites were: "Let Mount Zion Rejoice" by J. B. Herbert, "Great and Marvelous" by Carrie B. Adams, and "The Day of God is Breaking" by John Zundel. The concert consisted also of numbers by a ladies trio, mixed quartet, male quartet, ladies chorus, a violin duet and vocal solos. The program was climaxed with a solemn but impressive monologue that will never be forgotten entitled, "The Fool Said in His Heart, There is No God," dramatized by Walter Hoffman.

The evening offering taken at this time totaled \$53.00 which was designated for our broadcasting fund. The choir went on the air on October 5 on station CHAT at Medicine Hat and 1270 on your radio dial. We invite you to tune in every Sunday evening from 10:30 to 11:00 P. M.

The choir renders special blessings in the Sunday morning worship services, meets every Thursday evening in the church for a rehearsal and in behalf of the choir we can say that we want to continue singing to the honor and glory of our Lord and Master.

Carrie Reich, Reporter.

Southern Conference

Rally of the Southern Conference Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union at Mother Neff Park

On Sunday, September 28, the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Southern Conference met at Mother Neff Park near McGregor, Texas for the rally. Eight of our churches were well represented.

Our Council member, Mr. Raymond Engelbrecht, was in charge of the Sunday School hour which was held with classes and teachers as follows: Adults, Rev. J. H. Ogilvie; Young People, Rev. J. R. Wyatt; Intermediates, Rev. Vincent Sprock; Juniors, Mrs. F. H. Ogilvie and Mrs. Charles Marstaller, Jr.

The Rev. J. R. Wyatt of Cottonwood conducted the worship service and the Rev. Roy Seibel of Waco delivered the morning message on "I'd Rather Have Jesus" (1 Cor. 1:23). We were favored by a special vocal solo by Miss Betty Lou Gossen who sang, "I'd Rather Have Jesus."

Our president, Mr. Vernon Ekrut, was in charge of the afternoon session. Special numbers rendered by



The Choir of the Grace Baptist Church of Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada

representatives of the different churches were a source of inspiration to all.

Rev. J. R. Wyatt, our dean, introduced our guest speaker, Dr. J. W. Ousley of Baylor University, who brought the closing message using as his subject, "Meeting The Challenge of Today." This was indeed a great day filled with joy and blessing.

Doris Ann Gummelt, Secretary.

Central Conference

The Inspiring Ministry of the Bethel Baptist Church Choir of Detroit, Michigan

Many have been the blessings received from the Choir of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan, which is shown in the accompanying picture on this page of "The Herald." It has been growing, not only in numbers, but in quality as well. This has

only been accomplished through each individual's efforts under the able directorship of Mr. Elmer Wengel and our accomplished organist, Mrs. Ben Zannoth.

Under the auspices of the Baptist Sunday School Workers' Union, one of the outstanding renditions of Stainer's, "The Crucifixion", was given on Good Friday evening to a capacity crowd.

A yearly feature of the past nine years has been the candlelight service which is given on Christmas Eve from 11:00 P. M. until midnight, at which time the choir recognizes two of the outstanding members of the church for their loyalty in the previous year. It has been considering broadcasting this program.

The Bethel Baptist Church has been privileged to have such an inspiring choir. May the Lord continue to bless their efforts for him in the future!

Mrs. Amy Liddell, Secretary of Music Committee.



The Choir of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan, With Mrs. Ben Zannoth, Organist, and Mr. Elmer Wengel, Director, Standing in Front



—Photo by Eric A. Pohl

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bertuleit of the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon who on Sunday, October 5, Celebrated Their 60th Wedding Anniversary

Pacific Conference

Installation of New Baptist Youth Fellowship Officers in Candlelight Service in Lodi, Calif.

The Baptist Youth Fellowship of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., installed its new officers on Sunday, Oct. 5th, at a most impressive candlelight service under the able planning of Mrs. Bertha Wolff. The service was opened with the singing of choruses led by Verne Howen with Bertha Melcher at the piano. The platform was decorated with two large candelabras on either side of the painting of Sallman's "Head of Christ" painted and donated to the church by Mrs. Bertha Wolff several years ago.

The installation began with Violet Little and Judy Mauch lighting the candles. Angeline Kosanke dressed in

Y. Speaks" staff, Thelma Forsch, editor, and Betty Meidinger and Elsie Leicht, assistants. David Gray then sang a solo written by Betha Wolff. Dr. A. Felberg then spoke to the new officers and closed his talk with prayer. Clyde Catra gave the Lord's Prayer while Bertha Melcher softly played the song.

Eight girls from the Junior League, Angeline Kosanke, Janet Fink, Nancy Gray, Joy and Jeanette Rott, Loris Martin, Kay Sjosten and Lucille Meidinger, entered dressed in white robes and carrying lighted candles. They sang, "God Will Take Care of You." Thelma Forsch then installed the new officers with the new president speaking a few words to his new cabinet.

We have a fine group of young people and under the leadership of our new officers and, above all with God's guidance we shall do much for his will.

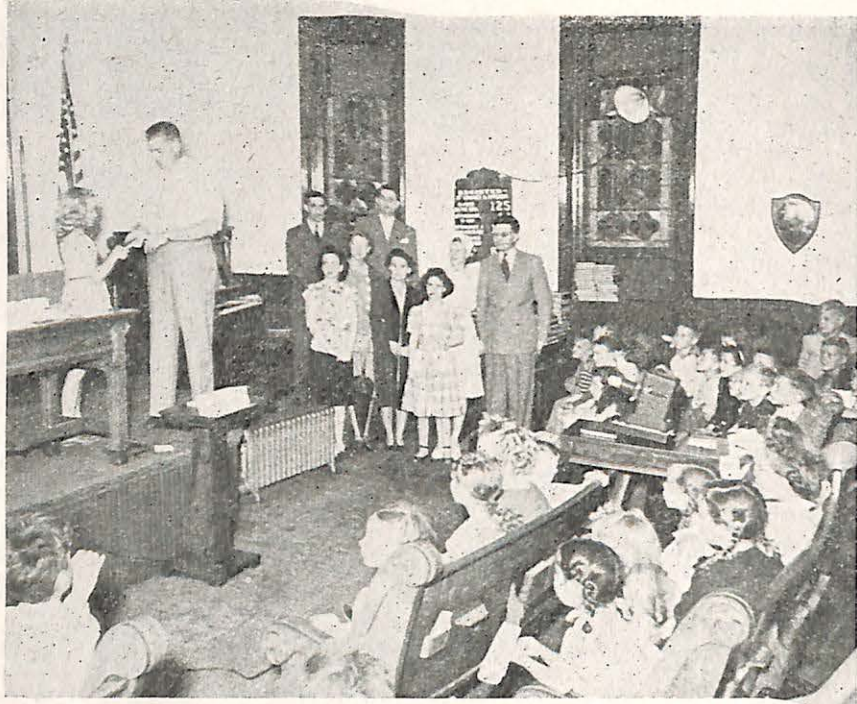
East Side Baptist Sunday School of Chicago Scores a Scoop with Children

As a sequel to the successful Vacation Bible School conducted by the East Side Baptist Sunday School of Chicago, Illinois in July, a week of meetings, specially designed for children, was arranged by the Sunday School and the Rev. Louis R. Johnson for the children of the church and of the community, featuring Captain Lyle Frost of Wheaton College.

Captain Frost's program featured flannelgraphs, stereopticon pictures and moving pictures of selected subjects, magic and stunts, all calculated

had punch and zip that appealed to youngsters and was something new and stimulating for the church and for the community. The response was very enthusiastic and showed that forces for good can be just as aggressive and progressive as many of the commercial enterprises and yet accomplish their purpose with a good measure of dignity, respect and effectiveness. Wholesome entertainment was herein combined with an effective means of reaching the youngsters, many of whom would otherwise be hard to contact, and presenting to them Gospels truths and Christian principles.

In these hectic times when so many interests vie with the church programs



—Photo by Carl J. Schroeder
A Children's Meeting in the East Side Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., in Progress With Captain Lyle Frost on the Platform

to thrill youngsters but each presenting a moral lesson. A system of competition was used by Captain Frost involving point credits and prize awards which proved highly effective as a stimulus for good conduct and attendance. New songs with catchy tunes were quickly learned and sung with great gusto and spirit.

Following each evening's program the boys and girls were invited to stay for an after-meeting to learn more about how to become a Christian and about salvation. These sessions resulted in 87 inquiries regarding salvation and 57 professed conversions. In the course of these meetings 70 Gospels of Saint John were distributed, also 12 New Testaments and several Bibles. We commit to God the seed that was sown and trust him to guide those who received the Savior into their hearts and lives.

Total registration reached a number of 261 boys and girls. Attendance for a single evening reached 188, and total attendance for the entire week was 885, despite the unusually hot weather in July.

Here was a program activity that

to capture the attention of youth with their excitement and thrills, Captain Frost is to be congratulated for his dynamic "one man" program that packs punch in every minute of the young minds that comprise his audience. Those assisting Captain Frost were Rev. and Mrs. Louis R. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vander-Hoogt, Miss Esther Lesniewski, Miss Jean Allfree, Mrs. Edwin Johnson, Mrs. George Page, Earl Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Schroeder.

Carl J. Schroeder, Reporter.

Answers to "Children's Page" Questions
(From Page 17)

1. Husband
2. Brother
3. Father
4. Son
5. Son
6. Brother
7. Daughter-in-law
8. Uncle
9. Sisters
10. The same person.

Northwestern Conference

Young People's Trip and World Wide Communion Service at Milwaukee's Bethany Church

On Tuesday evening, September 30, the young people from the Bethany Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., went to the Norris Foundation Farm for boys, some 26 miles from Milwaukee. They presented several musical numbers, New Testaments were passed out to boys who had none, and the pastor, Dr. John Leypoldt, gave the message. The principal of the school, several teachers, and 60 boys were present.

October 5, World Wide Communion Sunday, was a busy day for the church. The choir participated in an interfaith program over Radio Station WTMJ early in the morning. This was an interesting experience. The church as a whole observed World Wide Communion Sunday with an uplifting and challenging spiritual service, as well as having seven recent converts baptized.

Mrs. Kurt Knebel, Church Reporter.

The Iowa Association Convening at Central Church of George Considered "Christ Preeminent"

In response to the invitation of the Central Baptist Church of George, Ia., to be host to the Iowa Ass'n, we of the Iowa churches responded gladly. We can joyfully say that we were all richly blessed and spiritually uplifted. The general theme, "Christ Preeminent," based on Col. 1:18 was presented in various ways throughout the Convention. The Rev. P. Zoschke delivered the opening message, "Putting on God."

The following addresses, carrying out the theme, were as follows: Christ Preeminent in the Church, Rev. H. Lohr; Christ Preeminent in Evangelism, Rev. F. C. Lehr; Christ Preeminent in our Thinking, Rev. M. DeBoer; Christ Preeminent in our Conduct toward Brethren, Rev. H. G. Dymmel; Christ Preeminent in our Conduct toward the Unsaved, Rev. Harm Johnson; and Christ Preeminent in the Resurrection, Rev. J. J. Renz.

The Reverends J. Broeder and G. Ehrhorn and the Brethren R. Mulder and L. Johnson served as leaders of the devotional periods.

The address by the Rev. H. G. Dymmel, "The Secret of Fullness," was a source of inspiration to all. We also appreciated the "first hand" information concerning the conditions of Europe so ably presented by Mr. Dymmel.

The Ladies' Union held its meeting in connection with the association. At their program Miss Leona Ross, a missionary appointee to China, was the guest speaker. The Rev. Howard Johnson, our moderator, presided over the meetings in a very pleasing manner.

We desire to acknowledge the fine hospitality of the entertaining church.
J. J. Renz, Reporter.

OBITUARY

MR. DENNIS WOBIG
of Unityville, South Dakota

Mr. Dennis Wobig of Unityville, South Dakota, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wobig, was born on June 15, 1929 at Canova, S. Dak. He passed away on Sept. 30, after a brief siege of a treacherous illness. All of his 18 years were spent in the home of his parents, on a farm near Canova, where he spent a joyous boyhood together with his two brothers and two sisters. He graduated from the Canova High School in the spring of this year.

About four months ago he took ill. In spite of all medical efforts his strength kept on decreasing. Through these four months of suffering he bore his fate quietly and without complaint. His faith was rooted in the saving power of Christ, whom he learned to know, and in whom he believed through guidance of his parental home and his church. Ever since his birth, he together with his twin brother was taken to the Unityville Baptist Church, where he lived and worked, and where he accepted Christ, and was baptized on the confession of his faith on Dec. 8, 1940.

He leaves in sorrow his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wobig; two sisters, his elder brother Lowell and twin brother Dexter. "The Lord gave, the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." The Rev. William Sturhahn of Morris, Manitoba assisted in the memorial service.

Unityville, South Dakota
Fred Trautner, Pastor.

MRS. WILLIAM RIEKE
of Burlington, Iowa.

Mrs. William Rieke of Burlington, Iowa, beloved member and loyal worker in our Oak Street Baptist Church, was called to her eternal reward last January 8th and was laid to rest in beautiful Aspen Grove. She was born Anna Luebbers in Oldenberg, Germany on February 17, 1877 and came to this country when she was but ten years old. She was united in wedlock to William Rieke on September 26, 1901, and was a loyal member of this church for 57 years, serving her Master faithfully and well whom she loved so deeply. The Rieke home was always a source of prayer and Christian fellowship that added much to the Kingdom building program of the church.

She is survived by her husband and one daughter Marie. Another daughter preceded her in death. Two brothers, Henry, who was living in Germany and Diedrich of Burlington have also been called to their reward.

We shall miss her, but we also are strengthened by the eternal truth that some day we will meet again. May God grant a full measure of comfort to hearts that are saddened because of the ties of human love, and may all understand the greatness and nearness of the divine love of the heavenly Father!

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MR. HERMAN J. WEIHE
of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mr. Herman John Weihe passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 9, in his native city, Milwaukee, Wis., at the age of 91 years. He was born on May 16, 1856 in Milwaukee. His parents were members of the Evangelical Association. It was in their church that he accepted Christ as his personal Savior. On January 1, 1885 he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Guthard who was a member of a Baptist Church. This union was blessed with three children. In November 1901 our brother was baptized by Rev. F. W. C. Meyer and became a member of the First German Baptist Church of Milwaukee.

He served in various capacities as teacher of the adult Bible Class, as deacon and as a member of the Committee on Religious Education. For 35 years he was a public school teacher in Milwaukee. Brother Weihe was a great reader, a wise adviser and a valuable asset to the church. Occasionally he wrote articles in the interest of Young People's and Sunday School work. He was one of the charter members of the Bethany Baptist Church. After his 86th birthday, his health began to fail, but his mind was alert until shortly before his death. His wife predeceased him on August 23, 1946. He was one of God's choice spirits. We shall miss him.

The funeral service was held on Saturday, October 11. The pastor officiated. The many floral tributes to a silent token of the love and esteem in which the departed was held. He is survived by two daughters, the Misses Laura and Alma Weihe; one son, Mr. Raymond Weihe, a principal of one of our public schools; one sister, other relatives, and a host of friends.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from this time onward. Yes, says the Spirit, let them rest from their labors, for what they have done goes with them." Rev. 14:13.

Bethany Baptist Church,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
J. Leypoldt, Pastor.

MR. DANIEL SCHANZENBACH
of Elk Grove, California

Mr. Daniel Schanzenbach of the Elk Grove Community, California, was born January 12, 1876 in Russia. In 1888 he came with his parents to this country, settling in Eureka, S. D. In 1899 he was united in marriage with Miss Katherina Flemmer with whom he moved to Akaska, S. D., to make his home there. God blessed them with seven children of whom four have preceded the father in death. In the year 1920, he came with his family to the Elk Grove Community.

As a young man, he recognized his need of the Savior and found forgiveness of his sins in a personal acceptance of Christ. In 1921 he was baptized upon the confession of his faith in Christ by Rev. G. Eichler and added to the fellowship of the Zion Baptist Church of Franklin, Calif. In this affiliation he proved himself as a loyal supporter, holding many offices during the past years. For sixteen years he served as a deacon. His earnestness and devotion will live on in the memory of the people.

On September 15 at 8 P. M. after an active day and while visiting with relatives and friends in his home, his life came to an

sudden end through heart failure. Thus without pain and suffering, one of God's faithful men went to his eternal home.

Those who particularly sense the unexpected and sudden loss are his wife, Katherina; his three daughters: Mrs. Magdalene Holst, Plymouth, Calif.; Mrs. Anna Ehnisz, North Sacramento, Calif.; Mrs. Hilda Holt, Ria Linda, Calif.; 5 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; 8 brothers: John, Sacramento, Calif.; George and David, Akaska, S. D.; Jake, Wapato, Wash.; Fred, Eureka, S. D.; August, Selby, S. D.; Henry, McLaughlin, S. D.; Christ, Mo-bridge, S. D.; and one sister, Mrs. Christine Hier, Akaska, S. D., as well as a great host of friends.

Rev. G. G. Rausser and the undersigned spoke words of comfort and assurance at services conducted at the Zion Baptist Church of Franklin, Calif.

Elk Grove, Calif.
W. W. Knauf, Pastor.

MR. EDWARD MILTON POPP
of Marion, Kansas

Mr. Edward Milton Popp of Marion, Kansas was born on April 9, 1892 at Durham, Kansas. It was in this community that he grew up, attended the public schools and eventually matured into full manhood.

He was united in marriage to Anna Ehrlich on Sept. 29, 1914. The newly married couple settled down on a farm somewhere between Durham and Tampa. This marriage was blessed with three children: Irma, Ralph and Kathryn.

In January, 1925, the deceased moved with his family to Marion where their abode has been ever since. Mr. Popp was a farmer and loved the great out-of-doors.

Our departed friend confessed Christ as his personal Savior, was baptized and united with the Baptist Church at Tampa. It was the Rev. J. A. Pankratz who led him into the baptismal waters. In due time he transferred his membership to the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Marion. He served in this church as treasurer for nearly twenty years. He was very conscientious about this church work. He felt that he should be more careful in taking care of these funds than his own. He was a kind, loving father and husband. His home and his church were his chief concern.

He fell asleep on Wednesday, October 1st, at the age of 55 years, 5 months, 22 days. His death came as the result of a fall. His mother and one brother preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn over his departure: his wife; three children; his father, W. H. Popp of Durham; 5 brothers: Reuben, Dan and Billy of Durham, Alec of Berryville, Arkansas, and Rev. S. H. Popp of Petaluma, Calif.; 5 sisters: Mrs. Alex Socolofsky, Mrs. Arthur Dieter, Mrs. Dave Krispense of Marion, Miss Vera Popp, Phoenix, Arizona, and Miss Elizabeth Popp, Philadelphia, Penn., and a host of other relatives and friends.

There was one verse of Scripture which proved to be Mr. Popp's favorite. It is found in Rev. 2:10. The latter portion of this verse reads, "Be ye faithful unto death and I will give you the crown of life."

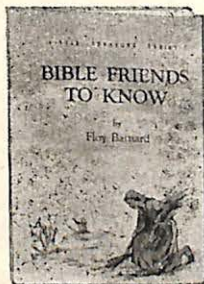
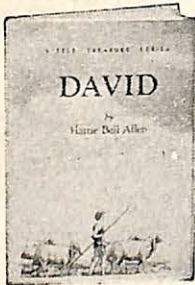
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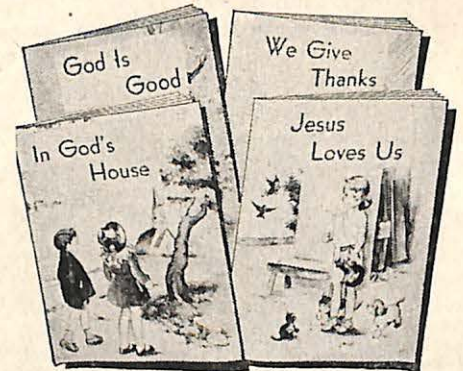
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