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# Denominational Reminders

## ENGAGEMENTS

Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Exec. Secretary  
Oct. 20-22 — Kansas Association  
at Ebenezer Baptist Church of  
Elmo.

Sunday, Oct. 26 — Wisconsin Young  
People's Retreat at Sheboygan,  
Wis.

Sunday, Nov. 2 — Tenth Anniver-  
sary, Ebenezer Church, Van-  
couver, B. C.

Rev. H. G. Dymmel, Gen. Miss. Sec.  
Sunday, Oct. 19 — Mission Festival,  
Napoleon, No. Dak.

Sunday, Oct. 26 — Plevna, Montana.

Rev. J. C. Gunst, Young People's Sec.  
Sunday, Oct. 19 — Billings, Montana  
(See "Promotional Tour" for  
Further Engagements).

Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Sec.  
Sunday, Oct. 19 — Bismarck, N. Dak.  
(See "Promotional Tour" for  
Further Engagements).

Prof. O. E. Krueger, Sem. Librarian  
Oct. 19-Nov. 2 — Bible School, Ash-  
ley, No. Dak.

## SPECIAL DATES

Oct. 20-22 — Kansas Association at the  
Ebenezer Baptist Church. Rev.  
Frank H. Woyke, Guest Speaker.

Oct. 22-26 — Pacific Northwest Asso-  
ciation and Young People's Con-  
ference at Colfax, Wash. Rev. J.  
C. Gunst, Missionary Edwin H.  
Michelson and Rev. M. L. Leusch-  
ner, Guest Speakers.

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Oct. 27-30 — Leadership Training  
Course and Special Services, Cal-  
vary Church, Tacoma, Wash.  
Rev. J. C. Gunst and Rev. M. L.  
Leuschner, Teachers.

Oct. 22-26 — Golden Jubilee of the  
Burns Ave. Baptist Church, De-  
troit, Mich. Rev. P. G. Neumann,  
Dr. Wm. Kuhn, Guest Speakers.



## PROMOTIONAL TOUR

Team: Reverends Frank H. Woyke,  
H. G. Dymmel, J. C. Gunst, M. L.  
Leuschner and Missionary Ed-  
win H. Michelson.

Friday, Oct. 31—Tacoma, Washington.  
Sunday, Nov. 2, to Wed., Nov. 5 —  
Churches of Oregon.

Nov. 6-9 — Oregon Association, Salt  
Creek Baptist Church.

Sunday, Nov. 9 — Tuesday, Nov. 11  
— Southern Alberta Churches of  
Canada.

Wed., Nov. 12 to Sunday, Nov. 16 —  
Northern Alberta Churches of  
Canada.

Sunday Evening, Nov. 16 — Closing  
Rally Program at Central Baptist  
Church, Edmonton, Alta.

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## AMONG OURSELVES

A great deal of work is required to  
set up the new Pension Fund Plan for  
our pastors. Mr. Walter W. Grosser  
as chairman of the committee for the  
reorganization of the plan and Dr. H.  
Theodore Sorg are devoting themselves  
unstintingly to this difficult task. Mr.  
Roland E. Ross, as comptroller, is also  
rendering distinguished service in this  
regard. It is hoped that full particu-  
lars about the plan can soon be sent  
to our pastors and churches by means  
of letters, leaflets and articles in our  
publications. This represents a de-  
cided advance in our denominational  
ministry for the Lord Jesus Christ!

## IN THIS ISSUE

The past summer was a busy time for  
our many consecrated young people.  
Two of the Seminary students, Ed Link  
and Alvin Wetter, describe their  
Southland adventures in this issue.  
Four of Edmonton's Christian Train-  
ing Institute students and graduates  
relate their joys in doing missionary  
work among the Indians in Alberta.  
One of our girls, Viola Kimmel of  
Portland, Oregon, takes us to Oslo,  
Norway to a great student convention.  
Assembly reports continue to picture  
the groups of young people at their  
blessed gatherings. It was a wonder-  
ful summer! This issue of "The Bap-  
tist Herald" ought to convince you of  
that!

## COMING

In preparation for the observance of  
Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week from  
Nov. 23 to 30 by the entire denomina-  
tion, the next issue will feature five  
brief articles by our headquarters'  
staff showing you what your thanks-  
giving gifts can accomplish in the  
Lord's service.

The ministry of our Seminary will  
receive attention in an informative  
article by its president, Dr. George A.  
Lang, and a colorful report about the  
tour of the seminary quartet last  
summer.

The recent homegoing of the Rev.  
Adolf Orthner of Detroit, Mich., has  
prompted the Rev. H. P. Kayser to  
write an article about his missionary  
accomplishments in the Cameroons as  
a pioneer in the grasslands.

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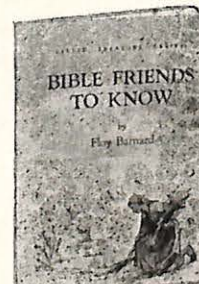
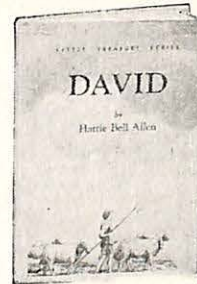
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# EDITORIALS

Martin L. Leuschner

## The Stars in the Heavens Above

IN THESE CRISP FALL days there is a source of inspiration for all of us in the stars of the heavens above. When the pace of life becomes too hectic, and the little things of the day's routine get on your nerves, and the problems overwhelm you, go out to some spot at night where you can have a full view of the starry heavens above. Let them talk to you of many things, as you reach out in your spiritual yearning for a closer fellowship with the Creator of them all.

How insignificant our petty troubles and problems seem to be in the light of this immense universe! How the confusion in our little minds is cleared away in the light of God's ways and truth! As the Psalmist said: "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, . . . what is man, that thou art mindful of him?" (Psalm 8:3-4). But such a spirit of humility is only the prelude to an awesome worship of God. "O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!" (Psalm 8:9).

It is remarkable to see how much the Bible has to say about the stars and how frequently they are used for illustrations. Dr. Frank M. Goodchild in his book, "God in Everything," published some years ago by the Judson Press, lets the Bible speak for itself in an amazing review of quotations.

"Does it wish to declare that God is entitled to worship? It says, 'Praise him, all ye stars of light!' Does it wish to show what a defense God is to his people. It says, 'The stars in their courses fight against Sisera.' Does it wish to express inconceivable number? It says, 'As the stars of the heaven for multitude.' Does it wish to express God's absolute holiness? It says, 'Behold the stars are not pure in his sight.'

"Does it wish to set forth God's omniscience? It says, 'He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.' Does it wish to rebuke man's arrogance? It says, 'Though thou build thy nest among the stars, I will bring thee down.' Does it wish to announce God's sure victory? It represents him as saying, 'I will exalt my throne above the stars.' Does it wish to depict the awfulness of the last days? It says, 'The stars shall fall from their places.' Does it wish to show forth the glory of the godly? It says, 'They shall shine as the stars forever and ever.' Does it wish to assure us of the ultimate triumph of Christ? It says, 'The sun and moon and the stars shall be put under his feet.'

This review of eternal truths as illustrated by the stars is only the opening of several windows upon the expanse of God's reality. How eager he is to teach us! How simple our response can be: "Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me!" And through the transfigured, twinkling splendor of the stars, God's glory will be revealed to you in the fellowship of One whose nearness and dearness will become the greatest treasure of you heart!

### BIBLE TEXT

"The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments" (2 Timothy 4:13).

There's a stirring sermon in these words of urgent request addressed by the Apostle Paul to young Timothy. Paul is a prisoner in the city of Rome and is alone except for his beloved physician, Luke. He is hopeful that his young friend and co-laborer may be able to visit him before the end. As the cold of the winter approaches this aging apostle longs for the warmth that the cloak left at Troas could afford him. But as his body yearns for the coat, so his active mind and hungry heart covet the reading material to be found in the books and parchments left behind.

We must always remember that we are body and soul, that our minds must be fed as well as our bodies clothed. There must be food for the soul as well as sustenance for the body. Do you sometimes yearn for the inspiration of a good book, for the manna of God's Word, for an hour of fellowship with the masters of yesterday?

### BROTHER DONNER

It has been an unusual privilege for "The Baptist Herald" to publish in full in two installments the study of heaven in which Brother H. P. Donner has been engaged over a period of several years. Against the background of rich experiences in a lifetime or more than 80 years and as the result of a profound study of God's Word, Brother Donner's words convey an authority and command the respect of all readers. We are grateful to him for this remarkable manuscript. We invite you, dear reader, to study the articles with great diligence.

It may be that many of our readers would like to convey their personal appreciation and greetings to Brother Donner, who served as business manager of our Publication Society for many years. He has not been well of late and has been confined to his bed for a while. His address is 3183 Chadbourne, Shaker Heights 20, Ohio.

### CHURCH BULLETINS

The denominational church bulletins are rapidly winning favor among our people. Some are saying that this is one of the best things we have done along promotional lines in many years. The bulletins are attractive, and the fourth page with its spiritual and promotional messages is dignified and practical. A letter with further information about the bulletins has been sent to every pastor. Sample copies are available. This is your denominational program in action. Become acquainted with this new venture that has been launched so successfully!

# Life's Most Important Journey

The Second of a Series of Two Articles on a Study of Heaven by  
Mr. H. P. DONNER of Cleveland, Ohio

THE REDEEMED of God get to heaven by any one of three routes:

**Route A — The Way of Translation.** We know of only two men to have gone this road. Enoch was the first. At the age of 365 years, God translated him to glory after an intimate walk with him in which he enjoyed God's good pleasure. This was a choice fellowship.

Elijah is the other instance. He had some intimation of being taken when suddenly he went up in a whirlwind, riding in a chariot of fire drawn by fiery horses as they appeared to godly Elisha. Thus, went the man of like passions with ourselves but who had great power with God in prayer.

**Route B is Death Road.** Many millions of God's saints have taken it. This involves the parting of the spirit from the body. It means to be absent from that body and to be at home with the Lord which is a very far better condition. No one ever follows this road a second time. Marital relations do not exist, and those over there do not participate in any of the affairs of this life.

This stepping across the bar, meeting that abhorrent thing called death, has been greatly alleviated since our Lord tasted death in our stead and removed the sting of the passing. A new term has been coined in their behalf. The sympathizing Jesus now puts them to sleep, for Paul wrote of such who have been put to sleep by him. They are spoken of as having fallen asleep in Christ. The great joy of the resurrection of their bodies awaits them.

**Route C — The Highway of Change.**

To take this road will be the prerogative of the true followers of the Lord still living when the glorious head of the church, which he claims as his bride, will descend with his following of holy angels in the clouds from heaven to meet his waiting saints. They will be summoned by the voice of the archangel, will be changed in the twinkling of an eye, in a moment, or better, in an instant, the Greek word being "atomos" from which we derive the word "atom," defined as "indivisible," so brief is the period of time.

This will mark the change from a corruptible into an incorruptible body, the putting on of immortality, and this body of humiliation will then

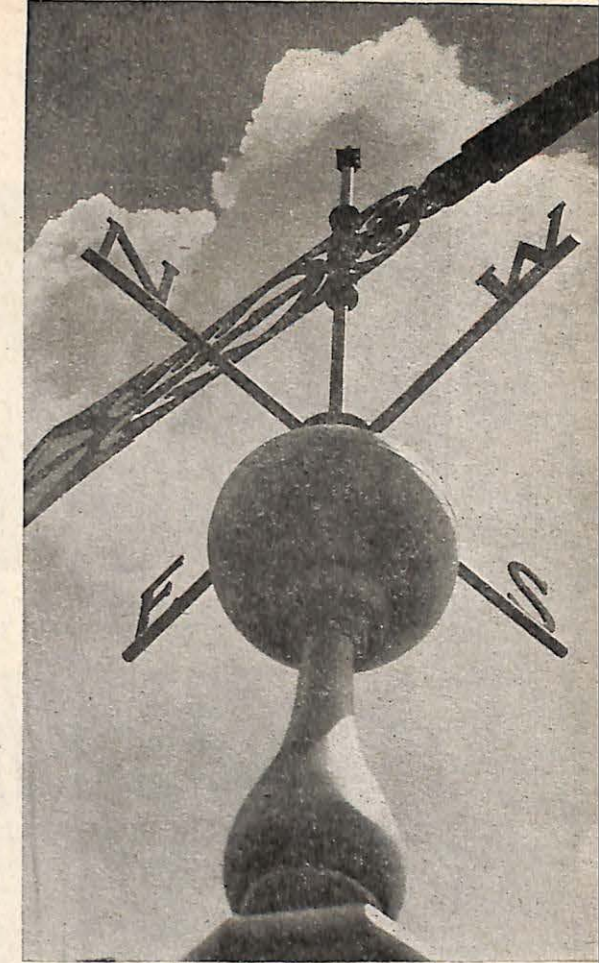
be conformed to the body of the Lord's glory. There will be no loss of personality even though this earthly house, this bodily frame, be dissolved. It is being clothed upon with a new habitation. It is then that death will be swallowed up in victory.

The resurrection of the saints refers solely to those who have passed through the portals of death, or, as otherwise stated, have fallen asleep in Jesus. The event will be the same as the rapturous departure of the living saints with the difference that the resurrected will precede the former in being caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the clouds of heaven. Then the spirits of the just who have been tarrying in heaven, will be reunited with their bodies which had become the subject of dissolution but which will be changed into incorruptible spiritual bodies, adaptable to all the laws of the spirit-world. Heaven will forever be their home and they will possess the mansions prepared for them by their glorious Lord who desires their presence with him throughout the eternal ages.

### THE MARRIAGE SUPPER

Another of the stirring events of eternity will be enacted. The bridegroom will have returned with his bride, the Church of the living God. This was anticipated by the Lord in some of his parables speaking of it as a feast for which great preparations had been made. He himself assumed the role of Bridegroom. The bride will be arrayed in beautiful attire for which he has made provision, it being his desire that she be glorious and that she be presented to him on that brilliant occasion without blemish, spot or wrinkle. It will be the great climax of the union of this holy body with the head, for which consummation he is waiting in heaven, and over which there will be great rejoicing. It will be the marriage of the Lamb.

The judge of this auspicious day is the Christ, the gloried Son of Man to whom the assignment has been given. This might be termed the judgment of works, or the judgment of awards. Before the supreme judge will all the redeemed, who will then be in heaven as perfect saints, and without condemnation, be assembled. Every one will be made manifest and each one will give an account of himself for



—Photographed by Harold M. Lambert

the things done in his earthly pilgrimage.

Standing before the searching eyes of this righteous judge the hidden counsels of the heart will be exposed. The motives behind our service will be detected and will determine the issue. If we have built on the foundation which Christ has laid, the structure will be imperishable, endurable like gold and silver and precious stones. If we have used such dead materials as wood, hay and stubble they will perish in the presence of a holy God who is a consuming fire. Even though we do not forfeit our salvation, we fail of any award, for we have failed in faithful service.

Of course, all will enter into their eternal inheritance but the good and faithful servants will reap rich rewards, prominent among which throngs are the hosts of martyrs who sealed their testimony with their blood. For them the crowning day has come. There will be distribution of crowns, crowns of life, of righteousness, and crowns of glory. They have long been prepared. They are all incorruptible.

From the parables of Jesus we learn that there are various grades of honor and he has indicated greater responsibilities in his Kingdom-reign. This is the day on which the righteous shine forth as the sun and when the Lord will confess his blood-bought people in the presence of his Father and his angels. On this day they enter into their inheritance as heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ. There will be

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Indian Men on the Bobtail Reserve of Alberta (Left) With Chief John Bear in the Center (Rear Row); Lightning, One of the Indian Boys on the Pigeon Lake Reserve (Center); and Joseph Crane of the Bull Reserve (Right), a Proud Indian Boy on His Horse

## The Pigeon Lake and Bull Reserves

By Miss ROSE WEISS of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alta.

IT WAS with eager and expectant hearts that we began our Vacation Bible School among the Indians on the Pigeon Lake Reserve of Alberta. We counted it a privilege to bring to these spiritually neglected people the story of Jesus and his love in word and song. Under the capable supervision of the Rev. F. W. Benke, a very successful week of Bible School was held from July 27 to August 4.

Our first day with these people was an impressive one. It was Sunday morning and we met in the home of the Lightnings for a Gospel meeting. Slowly but eagerly they gathered; young and old alike. With hungering hearts they listened attentively as the message of God was brought to them. Together we sang the old hymns and prayed to our heavenly Father.

Sunday evening was a special occasion when Whites and Indians gathered in the Ma-Me-O Beach Hall for a Gospel service. People gathered from near and far, some Indians having walked many miles. Eagerly they listened to the strains of music from our orchestra, heartily joined in with the group singing, and attentively listened to the special numbers in song, testimony and message.

Monday was the day for which we had been eagerly looking. At eight o'clock the Rev. F. W. Benke began to call for the children and take them to school in his car. The car was quite crowded but, oh, how the Indians enjoyed this ride which is a rare treat for them and quite different from riding on their old, rumbling wagons.

A short distance from Pigeon Lake we entered a small clearing. Here we viewed an old Indian log cabin on a hill, surrounded by great majestic trees and shrubbery. This was to be

our school and building for the Bible School.

During the few minutes left before school began, the teachers joined the children in playing a few games. Game period always was a time of great excitement for all. In the meantime Mr. Benke could be heard playing some hymns on his trumpet to welcome the children nearby and urge them to come.

At 9 o'clock the teachers lined up the children in front of the school. After the signal was given by calling out "astum" (this means "come," in the Cree language), they all marched into the building to the tune of "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know."

Our enrollment at this school was 24. Most of the children had never attended a school and thus only a few understood English. Therefore some of the older pupils as Johnnie Lightning, Fred Roasting and Violet Rhone did the interpreting for us.

After a short devotion period we began our classes. A study on "The Life of Christ," illustrated with pictures, formed the major portion of our course. Some of the other activities included Bible memorization,

handwork, singing and Bible stories in flannelgraph on Genesis and the New Testament.

On Sunday, August 3, we rallied together with the Indians on the Bull Reserve for a service. We were privileged to have in our midst a number of guests: Dr. M. L. Leuschner and his son; Mrs. W. Pankratz and Joyce of Chicago; and many friends from the Pleasant Prairie Baptist Church of Wetaskiwin. It was fascinating to see all the Indians appear in their most colorful garments with beautiful feather head-dresses, brightly colored blankets and scarfs, as well as beaded moccasins, gloves and belts.

In the service that followed we had a hearty song service, in which the audience sang in the Cree and English languages. We were privileged to have special musical selections and hear an inspiring message given by Mr. Leuschner. It was also impressive to hear Chief Bull and Mrs. Three-fingers utter their prayers to God.

Monday, August 4, was our last day of Vacation Bible School with these dear Indian children. What a joy it was to tell them about Jesus and to see their eagerness to live the Jesus' Way!

## An Indian Vacation Bible School

By EDNA E. ROSOM of Lashburn, Sask., Canada

FROM MY FIRST meeting with the Indian people on the Pigeon Lake Reserve in Alberta, Canada, I was much taken up with their characteristics and native habits. Though they smiled at us as we entered their humble dwellings and managed a greeting, we were conscious of restraint. The

Rev. Fred Benke received a ready welcome; no doubt he had gained their confidence by his previous visits. We were enthusiastic about the Vacation Bible School but could not be too disappointed if they weren't. They are slow to express pleasure and quickly become aloof when offended. Some

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OUR LORD and Master left us a great commission when he said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." As we look about us, we see the need of witnessing for him, both at home and across the seas. The fields of service are ever widening in our present day.

The Indians of our own North American continent have been a race which has been sadly neglected. Even today there are many who have never been to a Christian service or have heard of the love of Christ. Often we do not realize this fact until we get right into a mission field and see for ourselves the condition of the people about us.

In Alberta we have many tribes of Indians living on different reserves. Some have had some Christian influence, while others are what we call "pagans." We are thankful for the work that Miss Twila Bartz and her helper, Miss Gladys Scheirer, have been doing on one of these "pagan" reserves, but there is still a great field to be reached besides this one group of Indians.

The Rev. F. W. Benke, missionary among the Indians, has done much to bring the news of salvation to those who have never heard the Gospel. Most of his work has centered around the Indians on the Bull Reserve. It is a slow and hard work to deal with people who are under strong Catholic influence and who do not understand the English language very well.

At the present time it seems as though the Catholics are losing some of their power. The question now comes to us: "Will the Indians accept Christ as their way of life or will they turn away from all forms of religion?" May God grant that the light of salvation will break upon the hearts and lives of these people!

The government has now opened the doors for us, and God has been gracious in giving us the opportunity to spread the news of salvation. Thus far, our work has consisted mainly of house visitations, Vacation Bible Schools, and Gospel services. Most of the children with whom we come in contact have never been to any school at all, and it does our hearts good to see how these little ones respond to the teachings of Jesus.

During this past summer while a Vacation Bible School was being held, the interpreter came to the missionary and told the story of how her brother had died just two years ago. She was thankful though that he died with a prayer on his lips. When asked as to where he had learned to pray, she replied that it was at Vacation Bible School. To hear of an incident like this give one more courage and joy

## Open Doors Among the Indians

By LAWRENCE BIENERT, a Student of Our Rochester Seminary

in working for the Lord, for we know that our labors are not in vain.

God is opening up other doors of service among the Indians. Many reserves from Northern and Central Alberta are asking us as Baptists to come to them to hold Gospel services and Vacation Bible Schools. Because of lack of time and workers, we have not been able to contact all of these people.

This summer we heard another

the Stoney Indian Reserve near the Canadian Rockies. They said that they have never had the Rev. F. W. Benke last May. We went to these services with a deep sense of their appreciation. Their words of challenge to each of us. "We are so glad and every one of us who cares enough about us to bring us the Gospel."



Indian Young People and Teachers and Assistants Who Participated in Vacation Bible School Held on the Bull Reserve Near Wetaskiwin

## A Prayer Burden for the Indians

By LEONARD MAIER of the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta

THE HEAVENS declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiwork." God has placed special beauty spots into his beautiful creation. One of them is found about thirty miles west of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, known as Pigeon Lake.

The summer resort on the south end of the lake is called, "Ma-Me-O Beach," an Indian name denoting a beauty spot. It is also described as "Premier Beach Accommodation for All."

On the other side of the lake, different denominations have their camp grounds. The Baptists of the Pleasant Prairie Church and the Brightview Church have their annual camp at "Inspiration Point" along the lake.

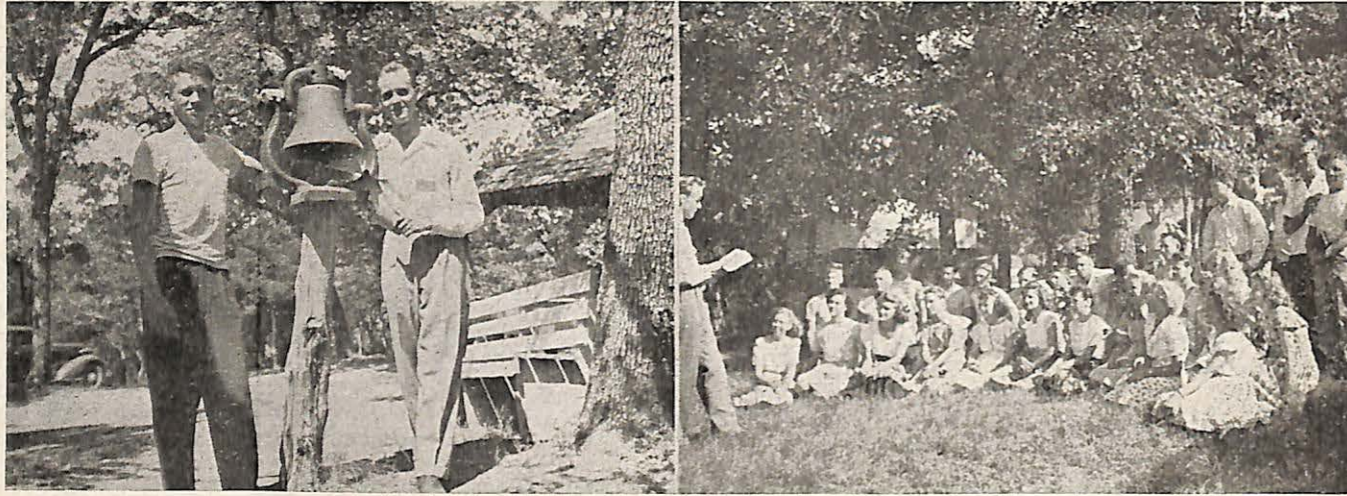
At this beautiful and picturesque lake God has also placed some of his people, the Indians, who have become very dear to me. The Indian population at Pigeon Lake, located on the reserve,

is not very large. There are about fifteen families living there, and they have a fair sized group of children.

Since this is a summer resort, other Indians camp here during a part of the summer and also for a longer stay during the winter for fishing. These Indian people, like all Indians, are very hospitable and friendly.

There is no church of any denomination carrying on a mission work among these Indians, and there is no church building here. Our meetings are carried on in the homes of Indians or in the little town hall.

Possibilities of mission work are many. The fields are white and ready to be harvested. The Indian people are eager and willing to hear the great and Good News that Christ died for them. They show their kind appreciation to us for coming, and to invite us to come oftener.



Alvin Wetter and Edward Link at the Latham Springs Camp Bell (Left) During the Southern Conference Young People's Encampment; and Ed Link Teaching His Class of Young People at the Baptist Youth Encampment (Right)

## At Work and Play in the South

By Mr. ALVIN WETTER of Benton Harbor, Michigan, a Rochester Seminary Student

"Be sure and take your rain coat," was the warning given to me before I left Rochester for my work among our Baptist churches of the Southern Conference during the summer months.

Others gave me the advice based on sad experience and said, "Be sure and leave your dark suit at Rochester because you will never use it in Texas."

As I listened to the natives of the South talk about "God's Country," I was almost convinced that no preparation at all would be necessary to prepare for adverse weather conditions, because in a country of such magnitude and splendor as was described to me, it seemed that adverse weather conditions just couldn't exist.

Now that I look back on my completed travels among some of our Southern Conference churches this summer, I see that I received some false advice as well as some for which I am thankful. Wherever I went I found people praying for rain but the only rain I came across was a short shower while residing in Waco and then I was in the security of the Waco church parsonage so that a raincoat was an unneeded accessory. I was thankful, on the other hand, for those who have pioneered the South with dark suits and have given the sound advice to the rest of us less enlightened Yankees, "Leave your dark suit in Rochester."

As I look back on the past summer's program, I see that I received some early and lasting impressions of our Southern churches. Although there are many praiseworthy characteristics which I could mention, I would like to

mention three which especially stand out in my mind. They are hospitality, honesty, and homogeneity.

Hospitality characterized by an abundance of fried chicken, bacon and eggs, watermelon, and iced tea met me at every turn. At the Southern Conference sessions held at the Cottonwood church we were confronted with what I believe was the most efficient iced tea service in the world. Iced tea glasses seldom got below a third of the way empty before they were promptly and courteously filled again to the top with more of this "Southern Special". I believe I did not miss more than a half dozen of those bacon and egg breakfasts since I arrived in the South.

We have all heard much about Southern hospitality but a good characteristic is always worthy of remembrance. Homes were opened wide and a place was always provided after dinner for a short Southern siesta, since a short period of rest seems almost a necessary prerequisite for survival during the heat of the Southern noon day. There is also an overwhelming spiritual hospitality present. Upon arrival in any of our Southern churches, you are immediately accepted into the fellowship of the group and find yourself worshipping the Son of God together with them.

A second impression which I received was the honesty of the people. It seems that students have a way of forgetting some item at every place they stop on their summer itineraries, perhaps as an excuse to stop again at those places where they so enjoyed themselves during their summer tours. At any rate, at nearly every place that I

stopped I found some item of Eddy Link's wearing apparel or other equipment which he had forgotten as he worked in our various churches here in the South last summer. A pair of swimming trunks here, a pair of suspenders there, a tie clasp at still another place, etc., all very carefully and honestly preserved for an entire year and returned directly to the owner this summer or given to me to return; small items, to be sure, but characteristic of a much wider and deeper-seated, simple honesty.

And then I could not help but be impressed by the homogeneity or oneness of the people of our Southern Conference churches. In every church to which I went, without exception, I have met many brothers, sisters, cousins, etc., of some of the members of the previous churches which I had visited. I must confess that I met so many Engelbrechts, Schievelbeins, Schmeltekopfs, Loewers, etc., in the South that at times I was a little confused. But more important than this physical solidarity or homogeneity of the people in our Southern churches, is the sense of spiritual oneness which confronted me at every turn.

In oneness there is strength. Our Baptists there unite with true believers everywhere in proclaiming "one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all and in you all." Thus "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." (Eph. 4:5-6, Gal. 3:28) These have been early but lasting impressions of the South for me!

## Working for Christ on the Southern Front

By Mr. EDWARD B. LINK of Olds, Alberta, a Rochester Seminary Student

TWO summers of Christian work down in the Southern Conference left me with cherished memories and various impressions of our churches and the fellow-Christians who maintain our Southern front. Working with most of the eleven churches spread over the giant state of Texas, the lone Mowata Baptist Church in the midst the Central rice fields of Louisiana, and the singular Elberta Baptist Church nestled in the scenic region of lower Alabama, has given me an insight into the important role which these groups play in our denominational forward march for the Lord.

There's Donna, amidst its palms and prosperity, a small group doing a mighty work for the Lord, enlarging its present church edifice, at the same time carrying on a heavy missionary program, including its local project of supporting missionary workers to the Mexicans. There's Cottonwood in the Central conference area, active with a large youth group organized and consecrated for effective service. So also, the young people of the northernmost church, Henrietta, are eager for strides forward in the Christian development of their community. At Waco over-crowded Sunday School rooms result from increasing enrollments. These churches and others give evidence of the continued striving towards higher goals of achievement.

While working in these churches, two commenting thoughts repeatedly came back to me—"How inspiring this is!" and "What a challenge that presents!" Especially, how inspiring is the Southern fellowship and song, and how challenging are the opportunities!

One senses a fellowship with these Southern folk whether it be with the individual, in the home, at the church, or at the rally. Southerners are eager to tell of the hows, whys, and wherefores of what they do in their respective states. Thus, I was often benefited by the practical education of a description of the progress of cotton from seed to bale, the harvesting of peanuts from underground, the amazing way in which bananas grow upwards, or how the airplane aids the Louisiana farmer in rice-growing.

Quite often I would find myself engaged in verbal contest comparing the relative merits of the South and my Canadian homeland, and almost just as often I would find myself at a loss to cope with stories, such as how grapefruit in the Rio Grande Valley are so big it takes only nine to make a dozen.

But while engaged in such entertaining conversations, I was eased into the home-life of these friends, there to experience in reality the so-often lauded Southern hospitality.

Uplifting was the joy of joining in the family worship circle around the breakfast or dinner table. I noted that this feature of Christian home-life is paying off. The dividends are God-fearing children and youth who love the Lord and his work. The children come to Vacation Bible Schools with almost inexhaustible energy, eager to learn more from the Bible, to win for Christ other boys and girls of their community. The youth respond to study courses with a keen interest and open mind to gain more knowledge of how to meet life with Christ. This desire of these young people to know more, to live and serve better, inspire the teacher. Thank God for the Christian homes from which they come!

The church activities to which these young people and their parents come are events with a fellowship that inspire people. One outstanding element of their fellowship is music. Whether they sing the old song of the South, "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand", or the newer chorus, "Christ For Me, For You, For All", one feels that spirited enthusiasm often ascribed as typical of the singing South. Their inspirations are alive! They open up with a zest and feeling that bring out the song deep in the heart. Not only the music, but harmony in friendships

old and new, and unity in Christ are the ties that bind these kindred spirits.

These inspirational get-togethers do much to provide the necessary impetus for both pastor and laymen alike to get busy on the job that must be done. For here in the Southern Conference is a challenge to Christian endeavor that must be met. There are fields such as Elm Creek where possibilities, now only explored, should be followed by a full-time worker.

But the most imperative task of all is the charge of responsibility for leadership and training of the oncoming youth. The local pastors and the two summer workers for the Youth Service Plan are striving to accomplish their share of the responsibility. The local youth leaders must meet their charge, also. The new Conference Young People's executive committee is a representative cross-section of Southern youth. (It includes a young business man, an ex-chaplain, two ex-G.I.'s, a business executive, an office secretary, a young married couple, a farmer's daughter, a high school girl.) These should know the needs and wants of youth; together they should find some answers. They have impressed me as being consecrated and dependent enough upon the Lord to be a youth bringing the Truth to the youth of the Southland.

Yes, with God's help, great harvests can be garnered in from this southern area of the North American Baptist section of the Lord's vineyard.

### An Indian Vacation Bible School

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mornings it was necessary to call on the children a second time to get them for school.

The bead work and other handwork displayed unusual ability. Some of this was on buckskin. We found that the children possessed great ability to learn if only given the opportunity.

The closing program of the Vacation Bible School was held out-of-doors following a picnic supper. Seventy or eighty people were present for the occasion. Most of the Reserve turned out. The parents fairly beamed with delight as the children recited or sang in Cree and English. We discovered some fine voices. Some children memorized as many as ten verses. A group from Ma-Me-O rendered several numbers in song.

Joyce Pankratz of Chicago beautified the program with two vocal selections. A violin solo with organ accompani-

ment was played by Faye and Hilda Strohschein. Dr. M. L. Leuschner and his son Ronald were honored guests for the program. Dr. Leuschner brought a brief message. Mr. Yellowbird expressed gratitude on behalf of the reserve for Dr. Leuschner's words to them. Expressions of thanks were voiced for opportunities granted to the children by the Bible School classes.

Classes were held for the white children in Ma-Me-O Beach Hall. A total of twenty-one were enrolled. A very keen interest was shown by the children. Their enthusiasm and appreciation well repaid every effort we put forth. Classes were held for one week in August, Monday through Friday from 4:00 to 5:30 P. M. Our hearts overflowed with praise that we had something vital and real to give to little plastic hearts among the Indian people.



Philadelphia Hall in Oslo, Norway, the scene of the Second World Conference of Christian Youth with the theme, "Jesus Christ Is Lord," in three languages on the front wall

# World Conference of Christian Youth

An Epoch-making Conference at Oslo, Norway as Seen Through the Eyes of One of Our Young People, Miss VIOLA KIMMEL of Portland, Oregon

AS A DELEGATE to the World Conference of Christian Youth, I boarded the "S.S. Marine Jumper" on June 30th with approximately 200 delegates bound for Oslo, Norway. By the time our ship docked on July 11th, we had enjoyed many days of Christian fellowship. A daily orientation program aboard gave us information on European customs and served as a pre-Oslo seminar. Discussion groups, worship services, and committees met at all hours of the day and night, and it was not unusual to hear the announcement of a hymn sing in the "aft gun turret of the poop deck." Girls slept in cabins accommodating twenty-four, and fellows in larger cabins.

## SIGHTSEEING IN NORWAY

All of us "third class" passengers ate our meals in the cafeteria. Often as we stood in line we heard the "Doxology" being sung as grace when a group sat down to eat together. In addition to the 200 delegates to Oslo, there were 200 students going to attend summer school at the University of Oslo, and many small cultural and educational groups, approximately 800 passengers in all, taking advantage of the opportunity to study or attend conferences in Europe in one of the two ships made available by the United States Government.

"The Marine Jumper" docked in the late afternoon, and five Oregonians left

Oslo early the next morning to see Norway in the ten days before the conference sessions were to begin. As the train went through rich farm lands, along beautiful rivers and into the mountains, we were reminded of our own Pacific Northwest. In Norway we saw the same trees, the same green undergrowth and lovely snow-capped mountains. All day our eyes took in the beauty around us, and at 11 P. M., when we reached Bergen, the sky was not dark, nor were we able to see the stars, because it never got completely dark while we were in Norway.

We left by steamer to go up the Hardanger Fjord after several days in and around picturesque Bergen. The steep rugged mountains of the Fjord reminded us again and again of the Psalmist as he wrote: "I will look unto the hills . . ." For five days we traveled by various steamers and busses, visiting small villages and towns.

Breifonn Lake near Røldal in the western part of southern Norway was a most beautiful spot. Our hotel was high on the side of the lake. The country-side was dotted with well-kept farms with the village and the church in the distance. After a swim in Breifonn Lake and a walk through the village, we told ourselves that this was the spot to vacation each year! We visited Odda, Dalen, Skien, and other villages across the high mountains on narrow, windy roads. Back in Oslo

again, we left to spend the weekend in Stockholm, Sweden.

The sessions of the Second World Conference of Christian Youth opened in Oslo on Tuesday evening, July 22nd. Filadelfia Hall, where most of the sessions were held, was filled to capacity, with the approximately 1200 delegates seated according to country. Across the front of the auditorium in the three conference languages, and also in Norwegian, was the conference theme: "Jesus Christ is Lord." Groups stood up for roll call by continents — Africa, America, Asia, Australia, Europe. The United States was represented by 228 delegates coming from four different groups, the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., World Student Christian Fellowship, and the United Christian Youth Movement — the organization through which delegates of churches were chosen.

## AN INSPIRING CONFERENCE

Delegates were housed in various dormitories, student houses, and private homes throughout the city. Two meals each day were served in three conference restaurants in the downtown area. Living and dining with young people from all parts of the world for ten days gave us opportunity for development of friendships and an exchange of ideas and experiences. Although 81 percent of the conference members preferred English, some speeches were given in German and

French. For every speech, mimeographed copies were available. If the speech was in English, all English speaking delegates had a copy, and all German and French speaking delegates had a copy in the language they understood best, simplifying the matter of interpretations.

Each day's sessions opened with a worship service led by a different national church group. Devotional talks based on the general theme of the day were inspirational. Especially interesting was the worship service planned by the Japanese Christians before finding they could not attend the conference.

The half-hour worship service was followed by the speech of the morning. "God of the Bible in History" was the first topic, bringing out God's part



Five Young People from Portland, Oregon, including Viola Kimmel at left, who travelled across Norway and Sweden together last summer

in history. "Confronting Moral Chaos" gave us an insight into European problems during and after the war, and the perplexity thereof. "Man's Disorder and God's Design," "The Lordship of Christ," and "Lord of the Future" were other challenging subjects presented.

## BIBLE STUDY

Delegates met to study the Bible for an hour and one-half each day in groups of twenty-five to thirty. Groups met according to language preferences, and my German-English group included delegates from Norway, Finland, Holland, Switzerland, Austria, Poland, Scotland, the Gold Coast, Siam, Indonesia and Germany. In the study of the Bible, with our varied backgrounds, there were differences of opinion. We were able, however, to understand each other and each other's countries better, realizing that our similarities were much greater than our differences.

In the later afternoon the same groups met for discussion of a topic vital to Christian youth of the world today. The subjects included "World Order," "Man and His Inventions," "Education in the Modern World," "The Church Faces the World," and "Christian Obedience in a Secular Environment." The discussion afforded

another opportunity to learn the thoughts, the hopes, and the despair of youth of the world. Every day Americans learned of war experiences of fellow-delegates which gave them new outlooks. Because Americans did not suffer destruction and occupation, Americans could not comprehend some of the deep concerns of the European delegates.

One of many never-to-be-forgotten experiences was the very large youth rally held in Oslo's largest stadium one evening. All delegates marched in a forty-minute parade through the city streets to Bislet Stadium where 25,000 people were crowded, in addition to the hundreds of people who lined the streets. Various Oslo Christian groups took part, and several conference delegates spoke on the general theme of "Jesus Christ as Lord in My Life." It was most inspiring to be in a group of so many Christians from all parts of the world worshipping together.

## BAPTIST SESSIONS

All Baptist delegates were invited to the Baptist Church in Oslo for a reception. A few delegates on their way to Copenhagen were also in attendance, and an evening of Baptist fellowship was enjoyed. Here I met Karola Geiger, the only representative of the Baptists in Germany. Despite her scant knowledge of English and my poor usage of German, we were able to converse, and I found that she reads the BAPTIST HERALD and the SEND-BOTE. Later we traveled to Copenhagen together to attend the sessions of the Young Baptist International Congress.

Delegates were brought face to face with many problems facing the world today, such as the physical needs of many countries of Europe. During the conference the Dutch-Indonesian War broke out, and because we were in a Christian group, the delegates of the two countries were able to get together to issue a joint statement. The more time we spent at the conference, the more problems arose, and the smaller the world became as it changed from day to day.

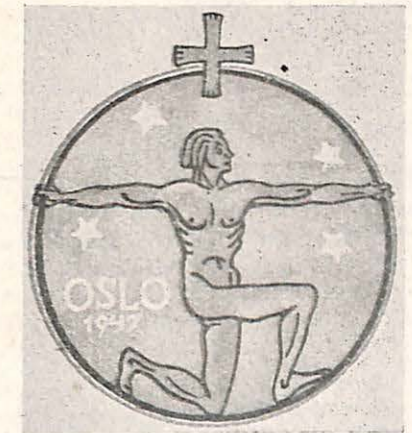
Although delegates came from various backgrounds, all felt the fellowship and the unity which Christians have around the world. National and racial barriers disappeared in Oslo as we learned that Christian brotherhood was not an illusion, but a fact. A new sense of the reality of Christ as Lord was brought out in the study of the Bible together. We learned the hope of the future is in the understanding of Jesus Christ as personal Lord of our lives as we obey him and go forward. As we look at the conference emblem of a youth kneeling in prayer, with arms upholding the

world, so must Christian youth around the world take part in telling the world: "Jesus Christ Is Lord."

## BAPTIST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

Realizing we might not see many of our friends from various parts of the world again, we departed with saddened hearts, but with the new-found realization that the world had grown very small in the ten days we were in Oslo. Traveling to Copenhagen, several days were spent in sightseeing before the opening of the Young Baptist International Congress from August 4th to 7th.

Sessions for the Young Baptist Con-



The Emblem of the World Conference of Christian Youth, Showing a Youth Kneeling in Prayer, with Arms Upholding the World

gress were held in Kristuskirken (First Baptist) and Köbnerkirken (Second Baptist) Churches in Copenhagen. Approximately 300 young people from various countries attended the sessions. No registration or roll call was taken, which made it difficult to ascertain how many countries were represented. "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism" was the theme. Each day one phase of the theme was stressed, and we were again brought to the realization that Jesus Christ is Lord of all, regardless of color or creed. Before each main speech, both morning and evening, representatives of various countries told of the Baptist Youth work in their country. Many interesting facts and data gave us an insight into Baptist work over the world.

## OUR DENOMINATION

When I asked to represent our denomination, I was very happy that the Rev. J. C. Gunst was able to have me certified as a delegate, and I appreciate the money which the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union contributed to my expenses. Although I encountered many difficulties in getting to Oslo, the experiences of the summer are never to be forgotten, and I realized every day the ever-present guidance and protection of Jesus Christ, my Lord.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

● Evangelistic meetings were held in a large tent at Durham, Kansas from Aug. 24 to Sept. 5 with the Rev. John Walkup of the Daytons Bluff Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn., as the evangelist. These services were sponsored by the Durham and Dillon Baptist Churches and by the First Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren Churches of Tampa.

● The dedication of the new edifice of the First Baptist Church of Manitowoc, Wisconsin was held on Sunday, Oct. 5, with the Rev. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, as the guest speaker. The pastor, the Rev. John Schweitzer, was in charge of the impressive dedication services. On Sunday, Sept. 28, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, young people's secretary, was the guest speaker at the services of the church.

● Mr. Alvin C. Foster of Bridgeport, Conn., a member of the Kings Highway Baptist Church of that city, is serving this Fall as the minister's assistant at the Baptist Temple of Rochester, N. Y., while he is studying at the University of Rochester. The Baptist Temple is one of the largest churches in the city. Mr. Foster's address is 17 Fernwood Ave., Rochester 5, N. Y.

● The Rev. Ralph Rott, formerly pastor of the Gross Park Immanuel Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., and of the Baptist Church of North Freedom, Wis., has become the field secretary for the United Temperance Movement of North Dakota. He is speaking at various churches in behalf of temperance. He served as U. S. Army chaplain in the South Pacific for 20 months. His mailing address is Box 1946, Fargo, North Dakota.

● On Sunday, Sept. 14, six converts were baptized in the waters of the Blanco River near Kyle, Texas by the Rev. David Zimmerman and later received into the fellowship of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kyle. These converts were the result of evangelistic meetings conducted from August 3 to 17 by the Rev. Henry Pfeifer, denominational evangelist. A young couple was also received by letter at the communion service on Sunday evening, Sept. 14.

● The Rev. M. Vanderbeck of La Crosse, Wis., was the evangelist at meetings held in the Baptist Church of

## THE MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING

\$600,000 for Denominational Services

\$400,000 for Special Projects.

The Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Offering Will Go Towards This Cause. See Next Issue for Further Particulars.

Parkersburg, Iowa from Sept. 14 to 26. On Sundays, Sept. 7 and 14, Mr. John Vanderbeck, a student at the Rochester Seminary and a member of the Seminary Quartet which toured our churches last summer, supplied the pulpit of the Seventh St. Baptist Church of La Crosse for his father. The guest speaker at the La Crosse Church on Sunday, Sept. 28, was Dr. Wm. Kuhn, assistant executive secretary.

● The Reverend G. K. Zimmerman, pastor of Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, No. Dak., has had the privilege of being the first minister to bring a series of devotional messages over Radio Station KNOX, "The Newest Station in the Nation," at Grand Forks. Presented daily at 7:15 A.M., the messages were concluded on Friday, September 26. On that same day, Mr. Zimmerman began a course of study at the University of North Dakota preparatory to obtaining a degree.

● A Ten Weeks' Loyalty Crusade is being conducted by the Andrews St. Church of Rochester, N. Y., from Oct. 12 to Dec. 14. The program was launched at the prayer meeting on Oct. 1st, when the sound moving picture, "The Rich Young Ruler," was also shown. On Sunday evening, Oct. 12, a beautiful gift was presented to the person who turned in the first correct answer to the question, "What sin causes the most sadness in Rochester?" The Rev. Daniel Fuchs is pastor of the church.

● The Rev. Owen L. Miller of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., presented his resignation on Sept. 14th and announced that he had accepted the call extended to him by the First Baptist Church of Hammond, Indiana with a membership of 1600. This church also, has a radio ministry

and it will afford Mr. Miller an opportunity of studying for his Th.D. degree. He will start his ministry in Hammond on Nov. 1st.

● The Rev. Fred Trautner recently presented his resignation as pastor of the Baptist Church of Unityville, South Dakota and brought his ministry there to a close on Sunday, Oct. 4. He accepted the call extended to him by the Immanuel Baptist Church of Beulah, North Dakota and its station Zaph where he began his ministry on Oct. 11, succeeding the Rev. Wm. G. Jaster. This is his second pastorate in the Beulah church, since he served on this field from 1925 to 1928.

● The Immanuel Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin has extended a call to the Rev. George W. Zinz, Jr., pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Penn., since March of 1940, except for three years in which he served as a chaplain in the United States Army. Mr. Zinz has replied favorably and will begin his ministry in Milwaukee on Sunday, Nov. 9th. He will succeed Dr. Thorwald W. Bender, who is now serving as a member of our Seminary faculty in Rochester, N. Y.

● The Rev. and Mrs. Earl H. Ahrens, missionaries in the Cameroons, arrived by plane in New York City on Sept. 21st and traveled by plane to Tacoma, Wash., immediately thereafter. They left Africa from Accra on the Gold Coast a day or so before. As reported in the Sept. 15th issue of "The Herald", Mr. Ahrens was recently in a serious accident and injured the vertebrae of his spine. He will be stationed in Tacoma, Wash., where he and his wife have their respective families. As soon as available, further information about his physical condition will be announced.

● During the past summer the Baptist Church of Jamesburg, N. J., dedicated a set of tower chimes and a recording system as a memorial to the late Chaplain Gustav Lutz, a former pastor of the church. The chimes were presented by Ruth, his wife, to the church. They are played every Sunday for fifteen minutes after the Sunday School period and the morning service, as well as before the evening service. New records for the programs are being secured by

members and societies of the church. The Rev. Victor J. Hammond is the pastor.

● Mrs. Albert Johns of Oak Park, Illinois, one of the most prominent members of the Forest Park Baptist Church, passed away after a lingering illness on Sept. 22nd. She was the president of the local Woman's Missionary Society and a member of the board of directors of the Chicago Girls' Home for many years. She participated actively in the missionary promotion of our denominational enterprise. Her son, Mr. Harold B. Johns, is the president of the Publication Board of our denomination. Her obituary will appear in the next issue of "The Baptist Herald."

## Pilgrim Church of Philadelphia, Pa., Honors Dr. and Mrs. Kuhn On Their Wedding Anniversary

On Sunday evening, Sept. 21, the members and friends of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., held a program in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Kuhn of Forest Park, Ill., even though they were not present for the occasion. Fifty years ago they were married in the Second Church (now Pilgrim Church) by the Rev. L. C. Knuth.

In our opening song service we used the two hymns, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" and "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing", and the Scripture reading which followed was the passage in Acts 11:19-26 in which Barnabas is spoken of as "a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith."

The report of the Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration for Dr. and Mrs. William Kuhn held in the Forest Park Baptist Church appears on page 18 of this issue.  
EDITOR.

In his remarks in the program the Rev. H. Palfenier compared the qualities which Dr. Kuhn evidenced in our church with these two attributes of Barnabas, and pointed out that Mrs. Kuhn could be described as Tabitha or Dorcas as spoken of in Acts 9:36—"a woman whose life was full of good actions and almsgiving." He spoke of Dr. Kuhn's ministry in the "Second Church," as he even now continues to think of it, and of the larger denominational work done by him over the years, emphasizing the imprint which was naturally felt by the church and its former pastor. He pointed out how Dr. Kuhn has often spoken of his experiences in this, his only pastoral charge, in the denomination.

A German poem, written by Mrs. Anna Schweitzer, a member of the church for many years, was read by Mrs. Schweitzer. It was a real tribute to the Kuhns and represented a tremendous effort on her part in the face of illness in her family.

Ida Draeger, Reporter.

# We, the Women

Views and News of the National Woman's Missionary Union

By MRS. FLORENCE E. SCHOEFFEL, President

## MISSIONARY READING

There are two goals on our project chart which have called forth a number of questions: Goal 1—"Reading," and Goal 6—"Missionary Study." May I say, first of all, that we do not require any certain books to be read for the first goal. Any good book on missions or missionary is acceptable. Nor do we require that any certain theme or books be studied for goal 6. Again, each group may make its own choice of mission field or missionaries to be studied.

However, we are glad to make suggestions. Our publication house in Cleveland has many worthwhile missionary books for general reading. Some biographies of missionaries are: Mary Slessor, Ann Judson, David Livingstone, Goforths of China, etc. A more complete list of good missionary books, which may be read for credit on goal 1, appeared on the back page of the September 15th issue of the "Baptist Herald."

Every year a theme for study is suggested by the Missionary Education Movement, which is interdenominational. Usually there are one foreign field and one home mission field selected, and a study book and a program guide prepared for each. Last year the theme was India, and many women's groups in our churches joined women all over the country in learning facts about this great land, and in studying about our Baptist missionaries who have served out there.

This year there is only one theme: "World Evangelism." The books suggested for study are: "Committed Unto Us," by W. Lamott, and "The Sun is Up," which tells the part Baptists may

have in a program of "World Evangelism." Program guides for both of these books are also available.

We regret to say that at present there are no German missionary books on the market.

## NOTES FROM YOUR OFFICERS

Mrs. H. C. Dymmel, vice-president, who mimeographs and mails the "Broadcast," makes this request:

"Can you help me keep the index file cards and address stencils of each society up to date by advising me of changes in office or of the pastor? If any society wishes the German page with the "Broadcast," please make your wishes known."

Mrs. C. F. Lehr, treasurer:

"May I ask that great care be exercised in making out money orders so that the treasurer's name and the town in which she lives may be given correctly? Aplington is not Arlington—and the post office is not permitted to cash money orders when name or address is incorrect."

Mrs. R. Schreiber, secretary, checked over the report blanks sent in this spring, and prepared the statistics. She says:

"Out of about 250 societies in our denomination, only 156 reported. Where are the others?"

With the fall and winter season getting into full swing, let us determine to work wholeheartedly, in the united effort to make this the best year ever. Will you heed these hints and reminders by your officers?

## Million Dollar Offering Instructions

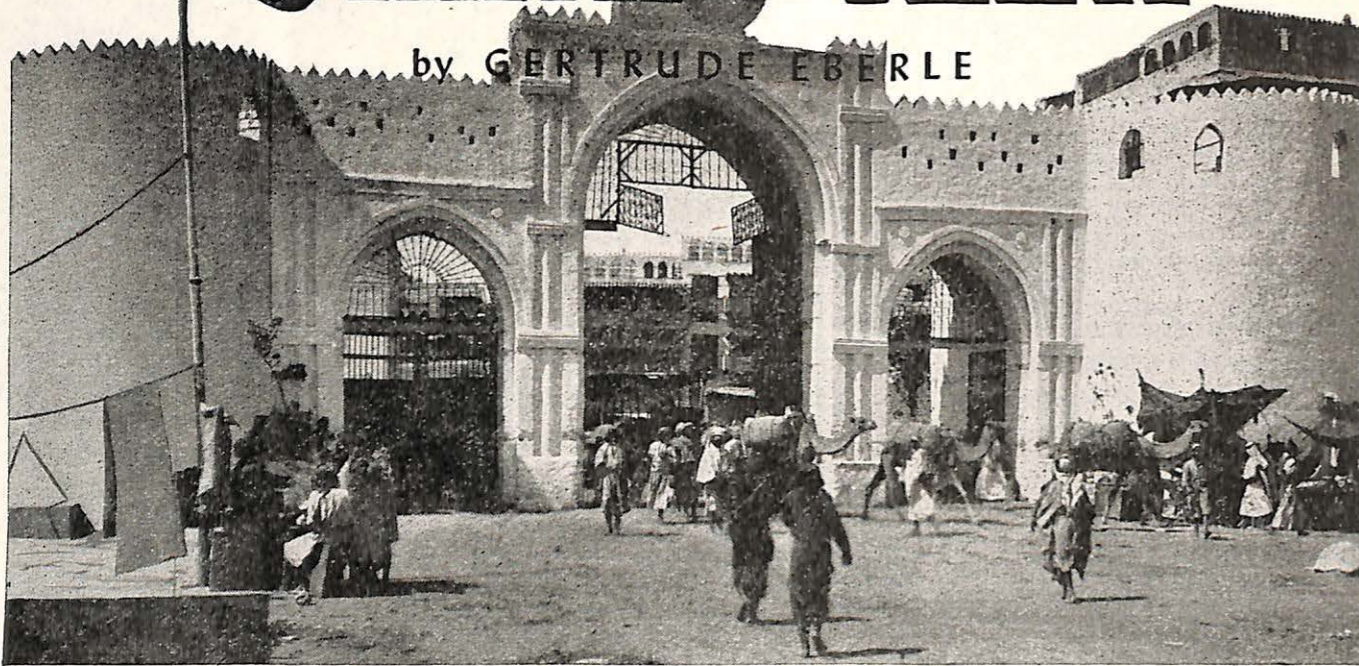
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You may designate your contributions to any part of the MILLION DOLLAR OFFERING, if you so desire.

# 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 sent to prison. Raanah rose rapidly in fame until he became a charioteer in Pharaoh's Basilek 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, except for Hermas, Raanah's cook, who was disturbed by the sudden arrival of six coarse-looking men at the palace who claimed to be friends of the captain. Raanah was surprised to see his old friends of the slave caravan, and called each by name.

## CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

AS his name was spoken, each man bowed stiffly, looking embarrassed, as if uncertain of his welcome. "And I am sure," Egiba addressed the four Ishmaelite merchantmen, while his face beamed with pride, "that none of you would recognize Accid-Adab's slave boy in this brawny young man. He has come up mightily in the world since we traveled together."

Raanah grasped each man heartily by the hand, genuinely glad to see them. As he looked into their faces, happy memories of that journey came back to him, and he offered each some special welcoming word.

The men looked much older — shockingly so — and the peculiar traits of each were accentuated in their rough, weather-beaten faces. Asaph had become more formally judicious, and his long narrow face carried a suspicion

of melancholy. Kedar's shrewd, pushing nature had sharpened his features. He had a keen glance, and his ferrety eyes were set too close together. Kihai-Del's ears, eyebrows and nose had become more pointed.

Only Dungri seemed not to have shriveled spiritually with the years. He was more quietly expansive, more poised, more neatly dressed than the others. His manners were more refined, and a gentle dignity sat well upon him. He was the first to speak.

"We are glad," his old eyes twinkled, "that Egypt has befriended you and refrained from laying a heavy hand upon your head, so you could grow into such a magnificent man." He laid his hand with a significant gesture on the bare, bulging muscles of Raanah's arm. "Moreover, I see that she has strewn roses in your path." His kindly eyes circled the room and came back to glide over the rich uniform of the captain.

"Thank you, Dungri, but you are only partly right," Raanah spoke half-seriously. "Fortune has not pampered me. I have had to work hard for the honors and wealth that have come to me. The path was not always smooth. Even roses have thorns."

Asaph and Kedar also paid him compliments, which he turned modestly.

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Kihai-Del had little to say, but he missed nothing that the others offered. Of all the men, Raanah felt that Kihai-Del was the least to be trusted.

Egiba and Isme-Dagan fluttered amiably about their host. They had reserved his seat at the head of the table. Isme-Dagan drew out his chair, while Egiba poured him a goblet of wine. At a sign from Raanah they all sat down. While the meal and the conversation proceeded, Raanah held an amused light in his eyes, for he could hear Hermas stalking angrily about the kitchen, making unwarranted noise with the pans.

Egiba's tongue was already well oiled with wine and wagged glibly. "We found our old friends at the Grove, and urged them to ride in with us. Their companies are camped there, but it is too crowded to be pleasant, and we knew that you would be pained if they did not consider your house their home until after the Festival."

"There is so much room going to waste in this big house," Isme-Dagan backed his partner. "Obal is looking after their donkeys, and Calah was glad to see them." The two old cronies gazed meaningfully at Raanah for confirmation, and he responded genially, "I am delighted to have them." He smiled his welcome at the merchantmen, and they thanked him.

The meal was a merry one. Assured of their welcome, the men grew more talkative, and Egiba and Isme-Dagan excelled themselves in wit. Between

sallies the newcomers gave a sketch of their lives. As traveling merchantmen they still roamed the highways of the world. It was a rough and hardy life, but an interesting one. They did not always travel in the same company, but had met several times and proceeded along the road together, as old friends like to do. They had heard a herald of Pharaoh's crying the Festival, and knew that opportunities awaited them in Egypt.

Later that evening Raanah rode over to see Bashia and told his friends about the men, and they were much amused. "I know that all six are cut from the same bolt of cloth," he smiled at the recollection of them, "and Hermas is still muttering darkly into his pans, and there probably will not be much peace in the household while they are there, but I like the old scoundrels. They fitted into the pattern of our lives once. Perhaps they do now —. Anyway, they have a toe-hold in the house, and I cannot turn them out. Egiba and Isme-Dagan are delighted with their company."

"I would love to see them again," Bashia declared.

"You and Joseph should meet them, if only for old times sake," Raanah urged. "And Asenath, you would enjoy them, too."

A few days before the Festival, the drivers of Pharaoh stopped training to give themselves and their horses a short rest. Raanah had looked forward to this time, but it did not prove satisfactory. He and Bashia had quarreled over another visit from Hadar, and Raanah had not seen her for several days. In the evenings the merchantmen kept his house lively, and there was little rest for him there.

Raanah's strenuous work had fortified his mind against unwelcome thoughts; but with the training over, he found that he was not so sure of himself as he tried to believe. Something was lacking in his avowed self-sufficiency. He knew there were erratic forces in the world which are beyond human control; that chance, as well as training, counted in the coming races. And what did he have to favor him? He was facing his first crisis since he was on his own, and for the second time in his life he felt afraid. Hadar had confidence because he believed he had the powerful Egyptian gods back of him; while his own faith in God was at such low ebb. The thought appalled him.

It is hard for a man to carry on alone. He hungered for the simple trust in God he had once known so he could go about the business of life without misgivings.

Feeling tired and discouraged, he came home one hot afternoon and went to his room to lie down. He was awakened from a sweaty doze by the merchantment returning for dinner.

Their voices were loud and argumentative, and he could not help but hear their words.

"I tell you, Raanah is the greatest horseman in Egypt," Egiba stoutly maintained, "and Pharaoh's horses are the pick of the herds that are driven in from other countries. They are trained by the captain himself. He is bound to win any race he enters, and our money is staked on him."

"But what about the talk that is going around?" Asaph asked.

At these words, Raanah raised himself on an elbow.

"Yea," Kedar demanded, "'tis said he has no god to favor him, and the lack of one goes against a man in these days. No matter how popular he is, the people will not lay their bets on him freely."

"Then so much the better for us!" Egiba disdainfully snapped his fingers.

"Yes, it is!" Isme-Dagan contended hotly. "Let the betting odds go against him, who cares! Then, when he wins, our pockets will be filled."

"Well, I am not so sure," Kedar said frankly, "and I am thinking of putting my money on Hadar. He has a fine string of horses and knows how to handle them."

"I am curious to see that fellow, Hadar," Dungri interposed blandly. "Somebody told me that he is very conceited."

"Oh, I would not call him that," Kedar dissented, "but he knows how to take care of himself all right."

Kihai-Del's voice broke in with a silken purr. "It is rumored that Raanah fears his old goddess, Ishtar. Perhaps with reason. If she still has a mind on vengeance, this would be a fitting time to use it. Take a tip," Raanah could visualize Kihai-Del's wink, "don't bet on the captain." He ended with a snicker.

Egiba turned on him angrily. "What are you hinting at? Out with it, back-biter! What do you know that you are hiding?"

"It sounds as if you have been trafficking with Hadar," Isme-Dagan growled.

"If you have—," Egiba's voice was menacing.

Raanah could hear their chairs scrape back as if they were advancing on their adversary.

Kihai-Del's quavering voice protested. It was evident that he was frightened. "Tis merely a bit of gossip I ened. I wished only to befriend repeated. I wished only to befriend you. We have many times before tipped each other off."

"This is different! Don't think that you can deceive us," Egiba blazed. "You are a sly one. You know something —"

"Let's choke it out of him," Isme-Dagan suggested darkly, and there arose a scuffling sound as if they were doing it.

"Hold, men!" Dungri's voice implored. "You forget that we are guests." His words were drowned by a jumble of voices. When the commotion subsided, Isme-Dagan commanded tersely, "Now, speak up!"

Kihai-Del gurgled as if his breath was not able to flow freely. "I—I was only passing along a tip that was given to me—but I can tell you no more. It was merely hinted that—for several reasons—Raanah cannot win over Hadar."

The words of Kihai-Del seemed to carry a veiled threat, and Raanah waited to hear no more. There was some conspiracy afoot, and he would not be surprised if this man, who sat daily at his table, had sold information about him to Hadar. But he knew that he could depend upon Egiba and Isme-Dagan to keep Kihai-Del in order.

The merchantmen were still squabbling as Raanah slipped out of his bedroom to get his team. He drove rapidly to the palace to talk the matter over with Joseph. All the vague fears that had tormented him were now intensified.

He found Joseph in the elegant suite that had been assigned to him. With his elevation to office Joseph had become a free man, and had adapted himself readily to his position. He saw at once that Raanah was troubled.

"Surely, fright of the public has not gripped you already," he bantered. Pouring a goblet of wine from a gold ewer, he handed it to Raanah. "Sit down and tell me what weighs so heavily upon you."

Rannah sipped the wine while he told Joseph about the conversation of the merchantmen. "I had a haunted feeling that all was not well," he confessed. "Now what the men have said is like a sign to me. A dismal feeling persists that the races will be the death of either Hadar or myself, and I am not hopeful that I shall be spared."

"Truly, man, you are in the doldrums." Joseph looked shocked.

"Bashia is worried about the weakness of my faith," Raanah continued, "but what am I to do? The grimacing Egyptian gods appall me, but it is hard for me to see God beyond the grass, the trees, and the sky. Joseph, what can help me to believe, to trust God fully?"

Joseph laid his hand on Raanah's knee. "Raanah, be sure that God does not give you up. As His child, you fit into His plans. It is the nature of faith to reach out, and the nature of God to give. I wish," Joseph concluded, "that you could see the light and walk confidently in its beam."

"I wish I could." Raanah arose with a sigh. His dejection was so deep that Joseph grew anxious about him, for Raanah's mood did not assure success in any undertaking.

That evening Joseph told Asenath



and Bashia about Raanah, and it was Bashia with her love and womanly intuition who gave Joseph the clue to a possible remedy.

"You see, Joseph," Bashia said with a wistful smile, "we cannot easily put aside the background from which we have emerged. Raanah has always had an image to pray to. Now he needs some symbol to remind him of God and to sustain his faith. And I confess that often I feel the need of something myself."

As Raanah's mood did not improve, Asenath and Bashia thought to cheer him by giving a dinner party for the six old merchantmen on the eve of the Festival. Besides, they wished to meet them again.

It would be the first dinner party the old men had ever attended, for their roaming life precluded such social affairs. They were thrilled over the prospect. They talked about it tirelessly, and made extensive preparations. All along they had been inordinately proud of being house guests of the Basilisk Captain, and not a day passed that they did not boast about it to someone. Now to be invited to dine with a lady of Asenath's social standing and a man of Joseph's political rank stirred their conceit anew.

Having an established and lucrative business, Egiba and Isme-Dagan bought themselves new outfits for the party. Nothing was too good for them. They dallied over their selections; and for the first time in their lives each listened to the other's advice.

Not being so affluent, the other four merchantmen brought out their holiday best and added what accessories they could afford. All of them tried to brush up on social and table etiquette; and their meals turned into argumentative functions. Raanah was appealed to frequently in settling difficult points, and his reports to Joseph and the ladies often sent these young people into gales of laughter.

"Now take sopping," Egiba held forth like a connoisseur, "if you use a small loaf it is highly satisfactory, but messy." Evidently he was considering his new clothes.

"It is much daintier," Dungri proposed, "to break the bread into bits the size of a mouthful."

"Then your fingers get sticky," Asaph objected.

"But they are easier to clean than a beard," Kedar argued, "and it can be done under cover."

"Well, if you ask me," Isme-Dagan grumbled, "none of this fancy fingering is satisfactory when it comes to eating. When people want food they don't want to be dainty. I like to take mine without thinking on the proper way to eat it, but I suppose on this occasion —"

"We had better trim our beards so they will not be in the way," Kihai-

Del offered. "They'll look neater, too." "Yea," Egiba assented, "then just a dab now and then with a kerchief will be all is needed to save our appearance."

On the afternoon of the appointed day the merchantmen came home early to give plenty of time to their dressing. When Raanah came in later, he gave a startled look around the living room. The chairs and the floor were littered with clothing. The old men about in various stages of undress. They hailed him and gathered round to ask his advice on various sartorial matters. As soon as possible he escaped to his room, changed quickly, and drove on ahead of them.

The old men followed almost immediately on their donkeys, their big feet dangling low, their expressions expectant but anxious. They were constrained to silence, but looked very spruce in their finery. To a man their beards were trimmed close to their chins, their wind-bitten, leathery faces were shiny, and for once their hands were clean. They strutted pardonably as they turned their steeds over to Asenath's stable boys and gathered in a close group before the door. As the knocker resounded, they straightened and cleared their throats nervously.

When the door was flung open by a servant and Asenath came forward to receive them, they tried manfully to conceal their self-consciousness. She was disconcertingly beautiful in a rich, flowing gown and looked every whit the grand lady; yet her manner was warm and friendly. Joseph stood beside her, slender and elegant. He introduced them to Asenath, then added hearty greetings of his own.

Bashia stood by smilingly in a fluffy gown of old rose. To their great delight she remembered each of them, though they declared that they hardly knew her since she had grown into such a fine lady.

Raanah indicated comfortable seats, but they ignored them. They had something on their minds, and until it was unloaded they could not sit down. Finally, Egiba gingerly and ceremoniously took Bashia's hand and asked her to step over beside Asenath. His swarthy face, with its bulbous red nose, beamed with pleasure. As the other old men lined up behind him, the ladies wondered what was coming. Raanah and Joseph exchanged amused glances.

Egiba cleared his throat. Two more beautiful ladies never graced the land of Egypt, he declared gallantly, and he and his comrades wished to present them with tokens of their admiration and esteem. He handed an extravagant hand-carved tortoise-shell comb to each lady. Isme-Dagan followed with appropriate words and expensive bracelets of clear, blue chalcedony; and there were exquisite jeweled trinkets

from the other merchantmen — old treasures they had hoarded for better trading. The ladies were delighted and profuse in their thanks, as they were expected to be, but withal not a little touched; and the merchantmen looked very proud of themselves.

When dinner was announced, they filed into the long dining hall that could have held a hundred guests. Its walls were hung with old tapestries, and the broad buffet stretching across one end was filled with pewter dishes. Joseph and Asenath sat at the ends of the table, Raanah and Bashia along one side with Egiba and Isme-Dagan at their elbows, and the other four merchantmen opposite them. They were served by a dozen slaves. The meal was bountiful and excellent; the wine sparkled in all emerald goblets. Dungri proposed a toast to Joseph and Asenath, who would soon be wed. Asaph followed for the moment, Raanah responded to the toast and flashed witty retorts to those who prodded him. Wit and humor flashed about the board like a shuttlecock. Only Kihai-Del had little to say, but his foxy eyes roved about the company. In a corner of the room the strings of a harp twanged, and a flue soared into a lively accompaniment.

At that happy, care-free moment, the thunderbolt struck.

A messenger with a parcel for Raanah swung the knocker. Its eerie boom resounded through the house. As Raanah stepped forward the others curiously watched him receive and unwrap the parcel. The parchment fell away, and a long-drawn sigh traveled around the company — for the grotesque image of Ishtar lay in Raanah's palm, its jeweled eyes glaring at him.

Stunned and speechless, he stared at it fixedly, his face bloodless, his heart pounding. Like a ghost from the past the image had returned to haunt him. He dropped the cursed idol as if it burned his palm.

Sobered and shaken the company arose, horror and anxiety on their faces. Isme-Dagan and Egiba glared at Kihai-Del, but his shifty eyes would not meet their accusing glances.

Flushed and disturbed, Joseph kicked the image aside.

Raanah stirred from his trance, but his face wore a tormented look.

Hours later, when he returned home, Egiba and Isme-Dagan were waiting up for him. He tried to avoid them, but they would not let him go until they had told him that Kihai-Del had sold information about Ishtar to Hadar, who secured the image and sent it to Raanah. But they assured him that he would no longer be bothered with Kihai-Del, for they had given him a sound beating and driven him out of town.

(To Be Continued)

## CHILDREN'S PAGE



### Who Am I?

I was a fair lady who gleaned in the field,  
To take every bit that the crops would yield.  
Great "grandma was I to a well-known king,  
Which I think was a wonderful thing.  
Much is the work I did for Saul,  
This was after his name was Paul.  
My mother a Jew, my dad a Greek,  
I worked with Paul for many a week.  
There are two books that bear my name,  
From whose parts some church laws came.

Once to God I sang a song,  
An old refrain known long.  
This was ere I bore for man  
The One who gave the heavenly plan.

(Answers Will Be Found on Page 22)

### AH-LEE FINDS A HELPER

By JEAN PHILLIPS

Ah-Lee was a little Chinese girl. She lived with her mother and father and two little sisters in a very poor, little house near the foot of a high hill. All around her home there were terraced rice fields and beside her house were melons and cucumbers growing.

Ah-Lee's father and mother were very poor. Many times in winter they almost starved to death, and Ah-Lee almost never had enough to eat. Her clothes were always ragged. Ah-Lee's father and mother worshipped idols of wood and paper and gave gifts to them.

The thing Ah-Lee liked most of all to do was to slip away in the evening to the little village near by, for sometimes a Bible man came to talk to the people. He told them about a strange God no one could see, but who could answer the prayers of the people who believed in him. Ah-Lee wished she could learn more about this great God, but she always had to slip home quickly so her father would not know she had been to the house where the Bible man came.

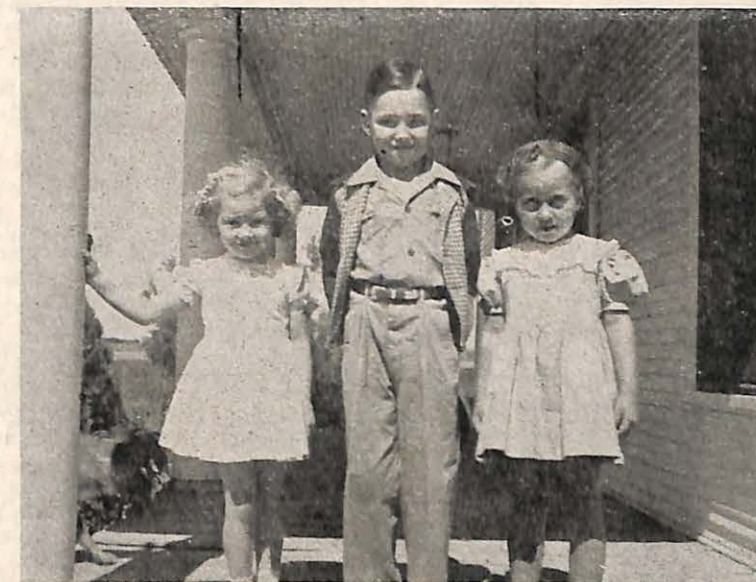
One day Ah-Lee heard a very terrible thing. Her father was talking about selling her to an ugly, old man who lived near the village. He had a bad, ugly son, and Ah-Lee was to be his wife when she grew up, but now she was to be a slave for his father and mother. She cried and cried after

she had gone to her little bed on the floor. All at once she thought of the Bible man's God. She wondered if he would help her. The Bible man said he would. She thought of getting up and running away to the Bible man, but a still small voice came in her heart and said, "Do not run away. I will take care of you." Ah-Lee forgot everything else and went sound asleep.

It was a lovely summer morning

"I am very ill. I'm afraid I am going to die. I do not want to die. I am afraid of the Bible man's God."

"I will go for the Bible man," Ah-Lee said softly. "He will tell you how to please the great God so you need not be afraid of him. Maybe HE will make you well again." Her father told her to go quickly. The way was very dark, but all the time the kind voice seemed very near, and Ah-Lee was not afraid. She soon came to the



Three Fine Sunday School Scholars of Oklahoma  
(Left to Right: Marilyn and Howard Kossan of Bessie, Okla.; and Sandra Jane Kline of Shattuck, Okla.)

when she awoke. Her mother was making her a new suit with long trousers and a short coat of bright colors with a pretty sash. Ah-Lee knew she was to wear it and go away to her new home. She started to cry again, but the quiet voice inside said, "I will take care of you."

When evening came the father came home from the village. He was very angry. "The Bible man is here again," he snapped. "I wish he would never come back. He talks about a strange God who knows everything we do, and who will make us suffer for bad deeds. I do not like to hear him."

"Also I hear that Ah-Lee has been going to his house. It is enough. Tomorrow she must go to Hop-sing's house." The mother was sad, and Ah-Lee was sad, too, until the sweet voice came again, "I will take care of you."

That night when the house was very still, Ah-Lee's father began to groan with pain. He called her mother.

house where the Bible man was.

"It is Ah-Lee," she said. "My father is very sick. He is afraid he is going to die and he is afraid of the Bible man's God. Won't you please ask him to come with me to see my father?"

The Bible man was soon ready and he and Ah-Lee were soon at her father's bedside. The Bible man talked to him and they prayed, and soon her father was laughing and crying at once. He was no longer afraid of the Bible man's God.

He called Ah-Lee to him and held her tight in his arms. The next day Ah-Lee wore the bright new suit, but she did not go to Hop-sing's home. Instead she went as often as she wished to hear the Bible man, and her father and mother and sisters went with her. They burned the idols they had in their house, and replaced them with a Bible which the Bible man gave them. Many times a day Ah-Lee thanked God for helping her.

# REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

## Central Conference

### Vacation Bible School at the Fourth St. Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio

During a period of two weeks last summer a very successful Church Vacation Bible School was held at the Fourth Street Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio. In all, there were 37 children enrolled, with an average attendance of 27. Eleven of the pupils had a perfect attendance record. "Lunch" was served to the children each day.

Closing exercises, at which there was a good attendance, were held on Friday evening. The children participated in a program and displayed their handwork. Also, a sound movie, entitled "Man of Faith," was shown.

The Rev. Alex Elsesser was director of the school. Mrs. Harold Schultze, Mrs. Harry Martin, Mrs. Alex Elsesser, Mrs. Walter McCreary, Mrs. Frank Kos and Mrs. Kenneth Gregersen were the teachers. Mrs. William Haller and Mrs. William Bausman served as substitutes.

Marguerite Knorr, Reporter.

### The Golden Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. William Kuhn At Forest Park, Illinois

A golden glow, reflecting some of heaven's brightest sunset colors, enveloped Dr. and Mrs. William Kuhn of Forest Park, Illinois on their fiftieth wedding anniversary observed on Sunday, September 21. Their faces shone with joy as they were escorted to their places of honor in the Forest Park Baptist Church on Sunday evening with a large crowd of friends in attendance.

A large basket of golden chrysanthemums was the center of floral attraction as a gift of the Forest Park Baptist Church to the honored couple. Everything in the impressive program contributed to the overwhelming truth that God had abundantly blessed this distinguished couple in their pilgrimage and service and had called them "unto his Kingdom and glory" (1 Thess. 2:12).

The guest speaker at the evening service at the church was Dr. Herman von Berge of Dayton, Ohio, an intimate friend of Dr. Kuhn's for many years, who spoke most appropriately on "The Meaning of a Christian Home." The Young People's Chorus of thirty-three voices led by Mr. Harold Johns sang the selections "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" and "The Golden Bells of Heaven."

Immediately following the church service a reception was held in the Sunday School room of the church which was taxed to capacity. Dr. and



Children and Teachers of the Vacation Bible School Held at the Fourth St. Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio

Mrs. Kuhn were escorted to the beautifully decorated tables to the accompaniment of "The Wedding March" played by Mr. Wm. J. Krogman.

The impressive program with heartfelt congratulations, humorous anecdotes, and spiritual challenge was introduced by the Rev. C. B. Nordland, pastor of the Forest Park Church. Musical selections were rendered by Miss Lydia Mihm, the Men's Chorus which sang Dr. von Berge's song "Wie ist mir wohl", and the church choir. Congratulatory messages were brought by the Rev. M. L. Leuschner in honor of Dr. Kuhn; Mrs. Walter W. Grosser in a tribute to Mrs. Kuhn; Dr. H. Theodore Sorg in a very expressive recognition of both Dr. and Mrs. Kuhn, and by Dr. Herman von Berge. Mrs. Grosser presented a copy of the book, "Leaves of Gold," to Mrs. Kuhn and announced that the book and the gorgeous orchid she was wearing were the gifts of the Woman's Missionary Society. The church gift of the large, lovely bouquet of flowers was announced by Mr. Fred Grosser. The Rev. Frank H. Woyke made the presentation of the gift of a beautiful picture of a bouquet of Spring flowers on behalf of the Headquarters Staff and the denomination.

Responses by both Dr. and Mrs. Kuhn reflected how deeply touched they were by all that had been done and said for them and how happy they were to celebrate this anniversary with their many friends. God was given all the glory for his marvelous guidance in their lives.

Many cards and letters of congratulations and bouquets of flowers were also received by Dr. and Mrs. Kuhn at their home from their friends at a distance and from the Pilgrim Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with which they had been associated. The golden glow of this anniversary will certainly brighten the pathway of these two dear saints of God over the years of their remaining pilgrimage on earth.

Martin L. Leuschner, Reporter.

## Southwestern Conference

### Business and Devotional Meetings of the Women's Union of the Southwestern Conference

Under the able leadership of our vice-president, Mrs. Harvey Kruse, who also presided at the annual meeting held in conjunction with our regular conference session, held from July 30 to August 3 at Marion, Kansas, the Southwestern Conference Woman's Missionary Union gathered on Friday, August 1st.

At our morning's business session, Mrs. Aaron Stackhouse of Stafford, Kansas served in the capacity of devotional leader. The results of the election of officers were as follows: president, Mrs. Harvey Kruse, Marion, Kansas; first vice-president, Mrs. J. J. Abel of Marion, Kansas; second vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Klempel of Creston, Nebraska; secretary, Mrs. George E. Schroeder of Lorraine, Kansas; and treasurer, Mrs. Carrie Haas of Cherokee, Oklahoma.

The appointed Finance Committee met and brought forth the following recommendation which was unanimously adopted: That the money that will be received during the year shall be disbursed as follows: 50 percent for the Nurses Training School for the Cameroons; 25 percent for our Seminary at Rochester, New York; and 25 percent for the Fellowship Fund.

The afternoon program was very well presented under the direction of Mrs. Harvey Kruse. The devotion was led by Mrs. George E. Schroeder, after which Mrs. C. C. Stenzel, the president of the local union, gave us a hearty welcome to which Mrs. Adolf Reeh of LaSalle, Colo., responded. Our new officers were installed. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Mrs. L. H. Smith of Durham, Kansas, after which the Strassburg Women's Chorus brought a suitable number.

Then our missionary, Mrs. Young, who works with her husband and the Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Reimer on our Mexican mission field in Colorado, was introduced and brought a fine message. An appropriate and effective memorial was also rendered at this time in memory of those who had passed on. This was under the able leadership of Mrs. Theo. Dons. Dr. George Lang, too, was brought into the picture, for he spoke at this Women's Missionary Union session on the work the women did for the Seminary. So another annual session was brought to a close but not before a beautiful and well received offering was placed on the altar of God, amounting to \$124.36.

Mrs. John Heer, Reporter.

## Ordination of the Rev. Oliver K. Ringering at Ellinwood, Kansas

On the afternoon of September 3rd delegates and friends from eleven Baptist churches of Kansas met at the Ellinwood Baptist Church near Ellinwood, Kansas to consider the ordination of Mr. Oliver K. Ringering. Although the temperature was well above the hundred mark, a goodly number assembled in the cool basement of the new church. After the organization of the council during which the Rev. Theo. W. Dons was elected moderator and the Rev. W. Quiring as clerk, Mr. Ringering gave an account of himself. He vividly portrayed his conversion and call to the ministry, and gave clear and concise statements concerning his doctrinal beliefs. The council was completely satisfied and unanimously recommended to the church to proceed with the ordination.

The ordination service was held that same evening. Mr. Fischer read a portion of Scripture followed by prayer by Rev. W. Quiring. The ordination sermon was delivered by the candidate's home pastor, Rev. Theo. W. Dons. After the sermon an impressive scene took place when Brother Ringering knelt before the congregation with all the ministers present gathered around while Rev. A. Stackhouse gave the ordination prayer. Rev. J. H. Kruegel charged the candidate and Rev. Ronald Stabbert brought the charge to the church. This charge was later sent to the church which the candidate is serving. A welcome to the ministry was extended by Rev. J. W. Blackburn.

The Ellinwood church showed its appreciation and interest by presenting a fine Bible to Mr. Ringering. A young men's quartet from the local church sang a number, and a solo was sung by Mrs. Ringering accompanied by their two daughters on the violin and the piano. The program was brought to a close with the newly ordained minister dismissing us with the benediction.

The Rev. Oliver K. Ringering is the president of the Northern Bible Institute of Minot, North Dakota, and is also serving one of our churches in Sawyer, North Dakota.

W. Quiring, Clerk of Council.

## Pacific Conference

### Farewell Reception for Rev. and Mrs. Otto Nallinger by the Salt Creek Church

We of the Salt Creek Baptist Church near Dallas, Oregon were very sorry to hear the letter of resignation which our pastor, Rev. Otto Nallinger, presented to the church a short time ago. However, we know that God has led him to the work that he is now doing.

On Sunday morning, August 24, he presented his farewell message and in the evening a farewell reception was given in honor of the Nallingers. Representatives from the church, Sun-



The New Edifice of the Victoria Ave. Baptist Church of Chilliwack, British Columbia

day School, Young People's Society and Woman's Missionary Society spoke words of appreciation for the work the Nallingers have done for the church.

A large number of members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Salem, Oregon attended this service and their pastor, Rev. G. G. Rauser, brought an appropriate message.

The church presented the Nallingers with a table radio and they were given an opportunity for responses.

We are looking forward to the coming of our new pastor. The Rev. Emanuel Wolff of Cleveland, Ohio has accepted the call of our church and will begin his ministry early in November.

Luella May, Reporter.

### Dedication of New Edifice for the Victoria Avenue Church of Chilliwack, B. C.

The 17th of August will long stand out as a red letter day in the history of the Victoria Ave. Baptist Church of Chilliwack, B. C., for on this day we had the joy of dedicating the new church to the service of God and his people. The guest speakers of the day were the Rev. W. C. Damrau of Tacoma, Wash., and the Rev. R. Kern of Vancouver, B. C.

Three big meetings besides the Sunday School session were held, and the two brethren brought fitting messages for the occasion. The choirs of the two Vancouver churches contributed much to the blessings of the day with their singing. We were host to many friends of Baptist people, and the ladies of the church served a sumptuous meal at noon to some 400 people.

The dedication offering amounted to \$700 for which we are very grateful. It will help to pay outstanding accounts. Our church is 37 by 60 feet in size and has a full basement. The small group of our church has contributed much in time and money toward the erection of the church and ward enlargement of parsonage. May it please the Lord to make us a blessing in this field of many opportunities!

Phil. Daum, Pastor.

## Adventurers With Christ at the California Young People's Assembly Held at Lake Hume

The 21st annual California Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union Conference was held from Aug. 9 to 16 at Lake Hume in the Sequoia National Forest under the able leadership of the dean, Rev. P. G. Neumann, and the president, Esther Leuschner, both of Anaheim. Spiritual blessings were received by all during these glorious days beside this beautiful lake, bordered by majestic pines and stately redwoods.

Each morning campers were awakened by reveille, which was followed by allegiance to the flag. Devotionals were then led by the different churches. After breakfast classes were held from 9 A. M. until 11 A. M. The following courses of study were offered each day: The Pastoral Epistles: I Timothy by Dr. Donald Davis of Wasco; II Timothy by Rev. Henry Hengstler of Ebenezer Church, Los Angeles; What I Believe and Why, by Rev. Wm. Knauf of Franklin, a newcomer in our midst from whose teachings we all received a great blessing.

Children of Junior ages attended interesting classes each morning under the leadership of Mrs. E. Sitenhof and Mr. Smith with Mrs. Alvin Grauer assisting. The children presented an interesting program Thursday morning on "Pilgrims' Progress," which they had been taught on the flannelgraph. The conference was indeed privileged in having Dr. Wm. Lang, president of the Rochester Seminary, who taught a class on "Christian Leadership," and who spoke each evening, giving a message of salvation and inspiring us who are Christians to live a more yielded life.

The Sunday service was led by the Rev. Henry Hengstler whose message was "Preparation for Blessing" and whose messages in song were most inspirational. On Sunday evening the Rev. Wm. Knauf spoke on "Something God Wants That You Have," with musical renditions by the Wasco Brass Quintet.

The following missionary programs were enjoyed at the close of the classes each day: Los Angeles' Ebenezer Church presented "India Missions;" Los Angeles' Fifteenth Church, "China Missions;" Franklin, "Africa Missions;" and Mr. E. Sitenhof of Anaheim, "Missions to the Jews." \$1000 has again been pledged to be given to the China Missions. May God burden us individually so that we may honor and glorify his Name in this way.

Afternoons were spent in recreation or resting followed by a wonderful supper which most of the hungry campers enjoyed perhaps more than any of the other meals, due to strenuous afternoons. The evening camp fires under the tall pines blanketed by the dark sky and many stars made one feel so very near to our Lord. Evening services followed and then to rest and await another glorious day. We were truly "Adventuring With Christ" (Luke 9:23).

Barbara Wunsch, Reporter.

Observance of Tenth Anniversary of the Laurelhurst Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon

Sunday, September 14, was a memorable day for our Laurelhurst Church of Portland, Oregon. It was our tenth anniversary, and we thank God for his outpouring of blessings and for the spirit of unity and love in our church family.

In the morning, our pastor, the Rev. F. W. Mueller, brought us an inspirational message, "Praise Unto God in the Assembly," and in the evening a timely message, "Our Christian Cause in This World."



Four Converts Who Were Recently Baptized by the Rev. R. Sigmund of Billings, Montana in the Yellowstone River

A poem entitled, "Anniversary Challenge," written by Marion Roach, was read, and the challenge to help the needy in Europe was accepted by our people with a marvelous response of food, clothing and money. Our church could think of no better way to celebrate a birthday anniversary than to share our material blessings with these needy people.

The day was climaxed with a fellowship hour in the lower church parlors. Refreshments were served, which included the serving of a large beautifully decorated anniversary cake.

Our short history truly reflects the glory of the Lord, for 76 couples have been united in marriage by our pastor, 101 persons have followed the Lord in baptism, and the pastor has officiated in 75 burial services, conducted 11 evangelistic campaigns, in which hundreds have found the Lord as their Savior. Thousands of dollars have been given for missions and the local enterprise. Let us not grow weary in well doing!

Margaret Krueger, Church Clerk.

Dakota Conference

The Calvary Church of Billings, Montana Holds an Out-of-door Baptismal Service

It was a glorious summer day on Aug. 31st in Billings, Montana. The air was clear and still; the sun was shining brightly, though not hot. Sixteen cars, carrying approximately 100 people moved westward on the winding road following the Yellowstone River. Over five miles from the city

they came to a stop on a most ideal spot for an out-door baptismal service.

Under the shady poplar trees the members and friends of the Calvary Baptist Church of Billings joyously began to sing, "Shall We Gather at the River?" After a short service the audience moved out from under the shade up to the running water where the pastor, Rev. R. Sigmund, had the joy of baptizing four young people upon the confession of their faith in Christ as their Savior.

From the river all the cars retraced their way back to the church where the Lord's Supper was observed, and

the hand of fellowship was extended to the newly baptized, and also to a mother of the large family who came into the church by confession. Thus, it pleased God to bring to an end another perfect day. "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above."

R. Sigmund, Pastor.

Joint Baptismal Service for the Plum Creek and Emery Churches of South Dakota

A joint baptismal service of the Emery Baptist Church and the Plum Creek Baptist Church of South Dakota took place at Lake Hanson on Sunday afternoon, July 27, where a large crowd was present for the occasion.

At the appointed time, Rev. Geo. Rutsch, pastor of the Plum Creek Church, played a trumpet solo, which called the attention of the people to the fact that a religious service was under way. This was followed by the singing of a hymn and responsive reading. The Rev. F. Trautner of the Unityville Baptist Church led in prayer after which the message of the occasion was brought by the Rev. Peter Wiens of the Chancellor Baptist Church. The service was brought to a close with the singing of a hymn, after which thirteen converts and their pastors entered the baptismal waters where they were baptized upon the confession of their faith in Christ. The Rev. G. W. Rutsch of the Plum Creek Church baptized two converts and the Rev. D. S. Wipf baptized eleven converts.

In the evening eleven new members were welcomed into the fellowship of

the Emery Baptist Church. May this growth in numbers also be a real spiritual growth in our church!

D. S. Wipf, Pastor.

Birthday and Recognition Receptions and B. Y. P. U. Activities At Grand Forks' Grace Church

On Wednesday evening, September 3, the members of the Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, North Dakota, following the regular prayer meeting, surprised the Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman on the occasion of their birthday anniversaries.

Mr. Emmanuel Wolff, who acted as master of ceremonies, called upon the representatives of the church and Sunday School and the presidents of the organizations, who offered congratulatory remarks on behalf of their societies. A gift was also presented to the Zimmermans as a token of our love for them. Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman gave spontaneous expression to their genuine surprise and thanksgiving for this occasion at which they had been honored.

On Sunday evening, Sept. 7, Mr. Emmanuel Wolff brought the evening message at the request of our pastor, the Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, since this was the last Sunday he was to be with us before returning to his books and studies at our Rochester Seminary. At this time he was remembered with gifts from both the church and Sunday School which were presented by Mr. A. Krominga, church moderator, and Mr. Robert Rust, respectively. We shall miss Mr. Wolff since he has been faithfully serving in our services throughout the summer as "story teller" for the Juniors and on several occasions served in the pulpit in the absence of our pastor.

Miss Ann Swain of Bismarck, No. Dakota, Scripture Memorization supervisor, spent the days from Sept. 7 to 14 with us and instructed a course on "Evangelism" for Sunday School teachers.

Sunday, Sept. 28, was set aside as Rally Day and Promotion Sunday, at which time the Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, missionaries who have returned from the Cameroons, were with us.

Our B. Y. P. U. has been very active during the summer months. We now have 19 members. We started our summer meetings in June. Every Friday night we met at the park for our recreational games and our devotional meetings. On two of the evenings we went to Arvilla State Park where we had a hike, our meeting, and lunch. On August 22 we entertained the Rochester Seminary Quartet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Montgomery, which proved to be a glorious evening.

We are starting our winter meetings now with the help of our advisors, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Balogh, and our minister, Rev. G. K. Zimmerman. Our officers at present are: president, Eleanor Dutt; vice-president, Eugene Stroh; secretary, Morrilyn Kranzler; treasurer, Wayne Strege; Librarian and pianist, Ardele Montgomery.

Mrs. A. F. Bibelheimer, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Retreat for Teachers and Officers of the New England Association Church Schools

On Friday evening, Sept. 5th, about 25 teachers and officers of the church schools of the New England Association assembled at the Cottage on Madison Beach, Connecticut for devotions, inspiration and fellowship. The Rev. George Hensel, pastor of the King's Highway Baptist Church of Bridgeport, served as dean of the retreat. The program opened with a devotional service conducted by the Rev. A. Lutz, the new pastor of the Liberty Street Church of Meriden, after which we had a pleasant fellowship hour with games directed by Miss Anna Snow of Meriden.

At 7:30 on Saturday morning the rising bell disturbed our peaceful slumbers but a delicious breakfast prepared by the matron, Mrs. Anna Snow, compensated for it. After breakfast, the Rev. J. C. Gunst, our general secretary of the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, led our morning devotions in which several of our superintendents and officers participated with prayer.

For our study period two main subjects were treated: the first on our Sunday School work, and the second on our young people's work. The Rev. G. Friedenberg, pastor of the New Britain Memorial Church, introduced the first subject based on two questions: (1) How can we improve the efficiency of our teaching staff? and (2) How can we link up our Church School more closely to our church program?

During the second hour, Mr. Gunst responded to the questions: (1) How can we keep our young people interested and active in our church work, especially when the group is too small for a regular youth organization?, and (2) How can we keep our young people of the New England Association loyal to and active in our denominational program?

After dinner we had several hours of recreation under Miss Snow's leadership. In spite of the humid weather we enjoyed some fine games of volley ball and a refreshing dip in the calm waters of Long Island Sound. After supper we had an hour of vesper services led by Mr. Gunst, following which Mr. Myron Schuster of Meriden showed some interesting slides on Japan.

The Sunday morning rising bell was a half hour later. After breakfast devotions were led by Mr. Gunst, and then all teachers and officers in a body attended the worship service at the church in Madison. Dinner having been served at the Cottage, the retreat was brought to a close. The consensus of opinion was that this retreat was inspiring and beneficial to all and that it ought to become an annual affair again as it was before the World War intervened.

George Hensel, Reporter.



The 31 Candidates for Baptism and the Rev. Kanwischer (Center, Back Row) of the Springside and Ebenezer West Churches of Saskatchewan, Can.

Northern Conference

Baptism and Reception of 31 New Members Into the Springside and Ebenezer West Churches

Sunday, August 24, was another memorable day for the churches of Springside and West Ebenezer, Sask., Canada, for on that day thirty-one persons were baptized on confession of their faith in Christ Jesus and received into the church.

Although the morning of that day was rather cool, the Lord gave us enough sunshine in the afternoon that we were able to have the baptismal service out-of-doors, surrounded by the beauty of God's nature. Several hundred people came out and gathered at the water to witness the baptism. The orchestra from West Ebenezer and the combined choirs of Springside and West Ebenezer helped along to make the service more impressive. The Rev. E. M. Wegner from Carbon, Alberta, who was visiting here, brought a short message on the theme, "Pentecost in Three Scenes." The Rev. R. Kanwischer also spoke challenging words to the baptismal candidates. He was able to speak with great joy since this was his first baptismal service in his pastorate.

At the evening service, for which we all gathered at the Springside Church, the hand of fellowship was extended to 31 new members, of whom 24 joined with the church of Springside and seven with the West Ebenezer Church. We were happy to have the Rev. Ed. Fenske with us for the evening

Bazaar at the Chicago Home for the Aged on Thursday, Oct. 23rd.

The Annual Bazaar at the Chicago Home for the Aged will be held on Thursday, Oct. 23, 1947 under the auspices of the Woman's Mission Union of Chicago and vicinity. Donations for the benefit of the Home will be gratefully accepted and may be sent directly to the Western Baptist Home for the Aged, 1851 N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago, 47, Ill. Hildegard Wuttke Schieber, Secretary

service, and he brought an appropriate message on the theme, "Jesus, the Good Shepherd." With the observance of the Lord's Supper this memorable day came to a close. May the Lord continue to bless us that many more may be brought into the fold.

R. Kanwischer, Pastor.

Summer Mission Work in the Peace River District of Northern Alberta

The words of our Lord Jesus to the disciple Peter, "Feed my lambs," have an unusual meaning in my life. To feed the little lambs we need to put the food low enough that they may reach it and not to make it too rich so that they may digest it. How wonderful to see little children take their first taste of spiritual food prepared for them in God's Word.

It was my privilege during the past summer months to work with children.

Two weeks of this time I was able to spend with the Rev. F. W. Benke on the Bull and Pigeon Lake Indian Reserves near Wetaskiwin, Alberta, working with the Indian children. There is nothing which can give one a greater joy than to see those neglected lives grow into beautiful, loving characters because of their acceptance of Christ.

During the rest of my time I taught Vacation Bible Schools in the Peace River district north of Edmonton, Alberta. First, I went to Hines Creek to the far Northwest. Here I stayed with a Baptist family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heins. They have no Baptist services anywhere near them, but they have the joy of hearing services over the radio.

From there I went farther south to Valley View, Alberta. With the help of other teachers we had two schools of two weeks' duration with the children of the district. In the forenoon we gathered in the Smoky Valley school, about seven miles south of Valley View, and in the afternoon in Valley View town hall. The children were very interested in the course, "God's Clock of the Ages," which was taught.

A one-week school was then held at New Fish Creek, a smaller settlement by Messrs. Robert and Harvey Jaster and myself. All the closing programs were a great blessing to children, parents and teachers.

Leonard Maier, Reporter.

Vacation Bible School  
With 53 Enrolled Pupils at  
Valley View, Alberta, Canada

July 7 to 18 were busy and happy days for our children around Valley View, Alberta. Our studies in the Vacation Bible School centered around "God's Clock of the Ages."

The assisting teachers were Hilda Fried and Leonard Meier who are students of the Edmonton Institute. Martha Heinzelman, who was visiting here with her sister, Mrs. Casper Lehman, and Christina Hufnagel, a member of our Valley View Church, also helped. Friday evening, August 18, brought the happy days to a close with a program by illustrating to the parents what the children had learned.

On July 20th we ventured out to different districts for Vacation Schools. About 35 miles northeast in the Little Smoky Settlement, Hilda Fried and Christina Hufnagel stayed for a week of school with an enrollment of 12 pupils who attended regularly. Leonard Meier and Robert Jaster went into a different direction to a place called New Fish Creek for a Vacation School of one week with an enrollment of six pupils, eager to learn something of the wonderful Book of Life. During this time there were several decisions for Christ.

The seed was sown and all the fruit will not be seen until eternity. Our districts are scattered very widely

Life's Most Important Journey

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tumultuous rejoicing in heaven.

In this study we have reviewed in outline the conditions and movements in heaven as they are revealed to us in God's inerrant Word. We close with a brief summary of a few further details which make our future home attractive beyond comprehension, and serve as an incentive to be faithful unto the end. Even the tests of suffering in this life are not comparable to the glory that awaits us.

The one object of worship and adoration at the very center of highest heaven is the glorified Lord Jesus who occupies the exalted throne of God as the Son of Man who walked among men in the days of his flesh and who ascended on high in that same body, bearing the marks of the cross but now in glorified splendor.

It was his fervent desire that those who follow him in the regeneration should be witnesses of his glory which was his inherent right from all eternity. We are assured that we shall see his face and that when we behold him, as we are manifested with him in glory, we shall be like him and become conformed to the body of his glory. We will then taste eternal life to the full. And what is more, we who overcome shall sit with him upon his throne to share his honors with him as he reigns.

The angels in heaven are deeply in-

terested in the profound mystery of the salvation of men made possible through Christ's redemption. They greatly rejoice when a sinner repents.

Many treasures are being laid up in heaven by the redeemed for they are there safe against the ravishes of time.

Heaven is a place of serene contentment. All worries and uncertainties have vanished for sin does not enter its sacred precincts. There will be no more suffering from the heat of the day, no hunger, no thirst, no weeping, and, of course, no sickness neither dying. The perfect day will have arrived.

Taking another look across the horizon we hear the mighty shout of victory over the defeat of the enemies of the cross — the powers of evil are forever vanquished. We get a glimpse of the New Jerusalem which splendor baffles description and while the old earth is being rolled up as a scroll the new heaven comes in sight and the rewritten Hallelujah Chorus bursts forth from the angelic hosts to the praise of our Triune God.

And "now unto him that is able to guard us from stumbling and to set us before the presence of his glory without blemish in exceeding joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and power, before all time, and now, and forevermore. Amen."

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which makes it hard to keep in close contact with them to give them regular attention. The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers few.

Robert Jaster, Reporter.

**: OBITUARY :**

**ROBERT HUFNAGEL**  
of Valleyview, Alberta

Robert Hufnagel, son of Christian and Alma Hufnagel of Valleyview, Alberta, Canada, was born on July 29, 1947 and died on Aug. 17, 1947. His life was of brief duration. The parents have submitted themselves to the Lord's will. We found comfort in the consoling words from 2 Samuel 12:23 "I shall go to him." Valleyview, Alberta.

Robert Jaster, Mission Worker.

**MR. EMIL A. DINGFIELD**  
of Tacoma, Washington

Mr. Emil A. Dingfield of Tacoma, Wash., was born on April 15, 1886 in Russia, and passed away on August 22, 1947 at a local hospital at the age of 59 years. In his early youth he came with his parents to the United States, eventually settling here in Tacoma, Wash. In March 1906 he was baptized on confession of his faith into the fellowship of the Calvary Baptist Church by the late Rev. G. Eichler. During these 41 years of his membership, he held various offices in the Sunday School and church, including the position of trustee and Sunday School treasurer. He also served for ten years as the local representative of our Publication Society until ill health forced him to relinquish this position. On May 20, 1919 he married Miss Elsie Schubert, who now mourns his homegoing, as do three sons, Elmer of Seattle, Wash., Walter and Harold of Tacoma, Wash., 4 grandchildren, and two brothers, Edmund and Oscar of Tacoma.

The message of comfort at his funeral was based on his favorite Scripture text Romans 12:11-12, a passage that afforded him much consolation during his long suffering before his homegoing. The Lord is comforting the bereaved.

Calvary Baptist Church,  
Tacoma, Washington.  
Walter C. Damrau, Pastor.

**DR. JACOB HEINRICH**  
of Middlebury, Vermont

Dr. Jacob Heinrichs, retired dean of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago, Illinois and previously, for 27 years principal of the Theological Seminary of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society at Ramapatnam, South India, died in the Porter Hospital of Middlebury, Vermont after a brief illness on August 30, 1947.

He was born March 2, 1860 in the East Prussian town of Allenstein, now in the Russian Zone, emigrated to the United States in his early twenties, and was followed by his parents and the rest of their family. He worked his way through Rochester University and Theological Seminary, and was appointed in 1888 by the Baptist Mission Society for service in India where, in addition to his teaching, he published translations of several books of the Bible in the Telugu language of South India. He was a noted scholar in Telugu, Sanskrit, German, Greek, Latin, and Hebrew. For many years he was the foreign missionary of the Fifth Ave. Baptist Church of New York.

He is survived by his wife, Lydia Fleischmann, youngest daughter of Rev. Konrad Anton Fleischmann of Philadelphia, founder of the German Baptist denomination in the United States, whom he married on August 6, 1889. He is survived also by two sons, Prof. Waldo H. Heinrichs of Middlebury College, Vermont and Leonard C. Heinrichs of Columbus, Ohio and a daughter, Margaret Heinrichs, head of the Chemistry Department of Lehigh High School, Canton, Ohio.

Interment was on Sept. 1, 1947, at Middlebury, Vermont.

Middlebury, Vermont  
Reporter.

**MR. EMIL VOSS**  
of Alpena, Michigan

Mr. Emil Voss of Alpena, Mich., was born on Nov. 12, 1875 in Moltke Township, near Rogers City, Mich., and passed away in his home after patiently enduring a lingering illness on August 25, 1947 at the age of 71 years, 9 months and 13 days.

On May 30, 1911 he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Schmidt, and this union was blessed with three children. After having learned the florist's trade in Detroit, Mich., he returned to Alpena where he operated the Voss Flower Shop for 35 years.

Mr. Voss was converted to the Lord and baptized in the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., by the Rev. J. H. Moehlmann. He was a member of the Fourth Ave. Baptist Church of Alpena and served on the Board of Trustees before his illness.

He leaves to mourn his departure, his wife, who lovingly ministered to him during his illness; one son; two daughters; four grandchildren; two brothers; other relatives and many friends. May the wonderful Lord give comfort to all!

Fourth Ave. Baptist Church,  
Alpena, Mich.

Richard A. Grenz, Pastor.

**MR. ANDREW GENSERT**  
of Mt. Sterling, Mo.

Mr. Andrew Gensert was born at Hermann, Mo., on Nov. 6, 1863, and died at the Meramec Old Folks Home near Stanton, Mo., where he was a patient for some months, on July 16 at the age of 83 years and some months. His parents and wife preceded him in death.

From childhood he grew up as a Catholic. About 1934 he moved into the Mt. Sterling Community. During the revival meetings in 1935, held in the Baptist Church, Mr. Gensert was converted and baptized by the Rev. A. R. Cole in the Gasconade River on June 7, 1936 and became a member of that church.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. F. W. Varner of Owensville, Mo. on July 19 in the Baptist Church at Mt. Sterling and burial was in the Pin Oak Creek Cemetery.

Mt. Sterling, Mo.  
Ricka Leimkuehler, Correspondent.

**MISS ELIZABETH SCHROEDER**  
of Chicago, Illinois

Miss Elizabeth Schroeder was born on April 22, 1870 in Stettin, Germany, and lived there until she was eighteen. In 1888 she came with her parents to America and Chicago, where they resided for many years. Here Miss Schroeder became a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ and was baptized on profession of her faith by Rev. Jacob Meier, and was received into the fellowship of the First German Baptist Church of Chicago in 1889. The Schroeder family was connected here with our Chicago Home for the Aged for many years; and they also became well known and respected in our Chicago churches.

Later Miss Schroeder made her home in Cleveland, Ohio, where she united with the White Avenue Baptist Church. In this church she was not only the very efficient church organist, but remained a faithful member to the very end of her homegoing.

She possessed many fine traits of character and varied gifts which she faithfully used in the service of her Lord. Since 1944 she had been in our Chicago Home for the Aged. During her sickness and intense suffering her good friend, Miss A. Brinkman, ministered very faithfully to the needs of this saint of God. We often marvelled at the patience of Miss Schroeder.

She died, as she lived, in faith of the Lord Jesus Christ on Sept. 3, 1947. She leaves to mourn her departure 12 cousins and a host of friends. The Rev. E. R. Lengefeld also took part in the funeral services.

Chicago, Illinois  
A. G. Schlesinger, Offic. Minister.

**MR. J. J. HOFER**  
of Emery, So. Dak.

Mr. J. J. Hofer, son of John D. and Anna Gross Hofer, was born on May 13, 1873 in Johannesruh, South Russia. When he was six years old he emigrated to America with his parents where they settled on a farm eight miles south of Emery, S. D., where he experienced some of the hardships of pioneer life.

In 1898 he was united in marriage with Katherina Walter by the Rev. Paul Tschetter. This marriage was blessed with two sons. After spending the first 16 months of married life on the farm, Mr. and Mrs. Hofer moved to the city of Emery, where they established their home, and Mr. Hofer became one of the leading businessmen. He also took a very active part in civic affairs, serving a number of years as member of the town board and for 12 years as member of the board of education of the Emery Public Schools.

In 1916 Mr. Hofer became aware of his need of the Savior and through the guidance of the Rev. Dobrovolsky, then pastor of the Emery Baptist Church, was led to a saving knowledge of Christ. In 1918 he was baptized upon the confession of faith by the Rev. Lohr and became a member of the Emery Church.

A short time ago the family began to notice that his health was not what it used to be and that medical attention would be necessary. On August 25th he was taken to the Sioux Valley Hospital of Sioux Falls, So. Dak., for a complete checkup, not aware of the fact that his end was so near. All that medical skill can do was done for him but in spite of it all he suffered much during his last days. His extended and useful life was brought to a close when his Savior, in whom his faith was firm, took him from this world to his home in glory on Sept. 8, 1947 at the age of 74 years, 3 months and 25 days.

Brother Hofer leaves to mourn his rather unexpected departure his wife; two sons, Joseph and William of Emery, So. Dak.; two daughters-in-law; two grandchildren; three sisters; two brothers; and a host of relatives and friends.

Emery, South Dakota  
Rev. D. S. Wipf, Pastor.

**MR. HENRY BLUHM**  
of Boston, Mass.

On August 20 Mr. Henry Bluhm of Boston, Mass., was laid to rest to await the resurrection day in beautiful Forest Hills Cemetery of Boston. The funeral was well attended. The beautiful flowers expressed the love and esteem of many.

Mr. Bluhm was born on August 22, 1866 at Memel, Germany. His parents and grandparents were among the first Baptists in that area. At the age of 16 he was converted to Christ, baptized, and became a member of the Baptist church.

In 1892 he was married to Amelia Douhart. This same year he emigrated to the United States. In 1900 his wife died, leaving three children in his care. The year 1901 witnessed his marriage to Margaret Stumm. God blessed this marriage with five children.

Upon his arrival in the United States, he became a member of the young First German Baptist Church of Boston (Rock Hill Baptist.) In this church he worshipped and served God for 55 years, sharing in the struggles and victories throughout the years. He held the offices of treasurer, financial secretary, deacon and served in many other capacities. He was a man of genuine Christian character, ever faithful as a witness to God's grace through Christ. Though 81 years old, he attended church regularly.

On August 9 he suddenly became ill. After nine days of illness, the first in his life, he fell asleep in Jesus on Sunday evening, August 17. He is survived by his wife, seven children, five grandchildren and six great grandchildren. We shall miss him greatly, but we have the assurance of a future reunion.

Boston, Mass.  
Robert S. Hess, Pastor.

**MISS HATTIE MOEHLMANN**  
of Detroit, Michigan.

Miss Hattie Moehlmann of Detroit, Mich., was born August 30, 1871 at New York City to Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Moehlmann, and passed away on August 14, 1947. Being reared in a pastor's home, from her earliest recollection, she acclaimed allegiance to Jesus Christ her Savior.

After completing High School she studied at the Divinity School and the American Institute of Sacred Literature, Chicago University. She served as General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in Rockford, Illinois, one year as missionary to Bethel Baptist Church. Her tireless leadership in Bethel was the result of a soul dedicated to God and his service. She was a member of Bethel for over 48 years, and served as deaconess, member of the Board of Missions, taught the Dorcas Class, president of the Woman's Missionary Society, active in the women's work of the North American General Conference, the Detroit Baptist Missionary Society and the Detroit Council of Churches.

Her great desire was to help others, and she did so without thought of personal remuneration or praise. Earth's loss is heaven's gain.

Bethel Baptist Church,  
Detroit, Michigan  
Owen L. Miller, Pastor.

**MR. and MRS. CONRAD J. NETTING**  
of Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. Conrad J. Netting, nee Bissinger, was born on January 12, 1871, at Detroit, Michigan.

Conrad J. Netting was born on Nov. 6, 1868, at Wuerttemberg, Germany, and came to America at the age of 11. After attending public schools at Pontiac, Mich., he worked as a farmhand at the age of 13. He came to Detroit in 1888.

He served four terms in Lansing as a representative from Wayne County. He was elected in 1925 and then defeated in the Democratic landslide in 1932.

They were married February 18, 1890, at the First German Baptist Church (now Bethel Baptist Church) of Detroit, Mich. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at Bethel in 1941 and were members for about 60 years.

Mr. Netting was a trustee for over 40 years, and for his faithful service was elected trustee emeritus. He was teacher of the Onesima Class for over 30 years, chairman of the Music Committee and a member of the Board of Missions. His work was not confined only to the local church since he was very active in the North American General Conference, Detroit Baptist Missionary Society, Detroit Council of Churches and was always interested in every worthwhile Christian enterprise carried on in the community.

His devoted wife, Mrs. Clara Netting, was always a ready helpmate and a loyal companion. With him, she put her Lord first and served as a leader in Bethel's Woman's Missionary Society, taught the Fides Feliae Class for many years, served on the Board of Missions of the church, Missionary Committee of the Bible School and represented the Needle Guild and many other worthwhile Christian enterprises.

In service and in play they were constantly together enjoying to the full their many friends and acquaintances. Their end came very suddenly, when on their way to the Central Conference at Cleveland, they were killed in an automobile accident. Together they served Him here, together they met Him face to face. Their memory shall be a blessing to countless numbers of souls.

The bereaved are a daughter, Mrs. Stanley A. Stock; three sons, Conrad J. Netting, Jr.; Ralph Netting, Clarence Netting, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

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