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REMEMBER

What's the very best rhyme for December?
Why of course you must know 'tis Remember!
Remember the snowflakes,
The green Christmas tree,
The red holly berries
Each season we see.
Remember! Remember! Remember!

What story is told in December?
To read it once is to remember.
Remember the manger,
The Baby that lay,
His sweet mother watching
All cradled in hay.
Remember! Remember! Remember!

What song do we sing in December,
When the birth of the Babe we remember?
The song of the angels,
We echo it still;
O'er all the earth singing
Of peace and good will.
Remember! Remember! Remember!

—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

What's Happening

The Young People's Society of the Immanuel Church, Kankakee, Ill., gave a play: "The Awakening of Mr. Tightwad" in connection with their annual Thanksgiving day program.

Rev. E. Baumgartner of the Spruce St. church, Buffalo, N. Y., announces a series of sermons on the Bible, which he will preach throughout the winter, beginning in December. The sermons will be illustrated.

Rev. C. E. Schoenleber began his work as pastor with the church at American Falls, Ida., on Dec. 1. Bro. Schoenleber came to us from the Methodists last summer and was ordained in Portland, Ore., by a council from our churches.

The Detroit Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union has decided to put on a contest between our four churches in Detroit for the largest subscription list to the "Baptist Herald," proportionate to the membership of each church. The prize consists of a large American flag.

There are 15,300 members in the Baptist churches of Detroit, according to the Watchman-Examiner. The four German speaking churches of the city have 1350 members, a little less than nine per cent of the total, yet these 1350 German Baptists contributed more than 25 per cent of the \$14,000 that has been pledged for the erection of the new building of the Children's Home in Detroit.

The Lyndock and Sebastopol churches, Wolfe, Ontario, Rev. A. E. Jaster, pastor, held two weeks of special evangelization meetings from Nov. 7-18. Rev. C. Peters of Killaloe, Ont., helped these churches in proclaiming the gospel message. Twelve youthful Sunday school scholars accepted Christ as Savior and others are awakened and seeking. The meetings served greatly to revive the church life in general.

Missionary S. S. Feldmann of the Philippine Baptist Mission in the Capiz district writes: "Our work is progressing along every line imaginable. The hardest part about it all is to have to turn down so many requests from the various sections of the field for workers, for preachers and for teachers. There are funds for only a limited amount and it is heartrending to see the doors open for which we have prayed so long and now not to be able to enter in."

Latest statistics of Baptists in North America, according to "The Baptist," give the total membership at 8,474,582, a gain over the previous year of nearly 110,000. There were 362,055 baptisms against 336,808 for last year. The gain of 700 Sunday schools represents a corresponding gain of 500,000 in enrollment. The value of church property has increased from \$343,540,300 to \$391,891,700. The amount of money raised for

current expenses rose from \$58,084,602 to \$61,986,436, but for beneficence it fell from \$19,140,669 to \$15,877,800.

Special meetings for the deepening of the spiritual life and the promotion of the spirit of revival and the support of the denominational budget were held at Cleveland and Detroit on Nov. 17 and 18. They were arranged by the Central Conference promotion committee, Mr. C. J. Netting, chairman. The Cleveland meetings were held in connection with the First Church and its 60th anniversary celebration. The speakers were Prof. L. Kaiser, Rev. G. H. Schneck, General Secretary Wm. Kuhn and Young People's Secretary A. P. Mihm. The Detroit meetings were held in the Second Church and were well attended during the day and characterized by a strong massmeeting of the Detroit churches at night. Mr. Frank Koppin and Secretaries Kuhn and Mihm were the speakers. The hospitality of the two churches was generous and cordial.

Minneapolis Celebrates Anniversary

Our Young People's Society of the First Church, Minneapolis, Minn., has celebrated another birthday. The Lord has been with us and blessed our work. Our meetings this year have been very instructive and have been well attended. The group system has in a measure been responsible for this, as it has developed more co-operation and has brought to light much talent that has been lying dormant.

Our "Jahresfest" was celebrated Friday, October 29, our auditorium and Sunday school room being filled to capacity. The program was opened with song, Scripture reading and prayer. Next our president, Mr. Frank Woyke, bade every one welcome. Then came a violin selection by Walter Krienke and Bernhard Elftmann; a German reading by Albert Boettcher, just recently arrived from Germany; a men's quartet from the First Church, St. Paul; an English dialog, "From Small Beginnings," by eight girls; a number from our men's chorus; an English reading by Mabel Minks; an English quartet; a German dialog, "Einträglicher Rätselhandel," by six men; a violin solo by Walter Krienke; a talk by Rev. Wm. E. Schmitt, Riverview Church; collection; another number by our men's chorus and closing prayer. We heartily thank everybody that has been responsible for making the program a success.

Although so far we have mentioned only the bright side, there was also a dark side. Our beloved pastor, Rev. Wm. J. Appel, was not able to attend on account of a severe cold. We are glad to say that he is now sufficiently recovered to continue his work.

MRS. FLORA WOYKE, Sec.

Father and Son Banquet at West Baltimore, Md.

It was the national Father and Son week, and the date was November 12 and the time 7 P. M. sharp that a large number of fathers and sons sat down to a well prepared banquet arranged by the Young Men's Bible Class, Bro. S. Bodlien, teacher. The eats were delicious, thanks to some of our good ladies. What would we do without them? Everybody could eat as much as he could carry. After the eats came the songs and toasts both humorous and more serious.

Rev. Mr. Brooks from the Pimlico Church was the first speaker introduced by the Master of Ceremonies. He gave a splendid talk on Father and Son duties, which are well worth remembering by every one present. Bro. Kruger from Miller Memorial was at his best on "Our Country and what it means to us," after which everybody rose and from the depths of our hearts we sang: "My Country, 'tis of thee." Several humorous recitations were given. The male chorus entertained with a song to the old Homeland where many of us were born.

Our beloved pastor, Bro. Schmidt, gave a splendid talk on "Father and Son working together for Christ." The oldest Father in our church, Bro. Schivoder, gave us some of his first thoughts when he came to this country. It was a splendid entertainment and could be followed up by other churches. Everybody said: "Let us have something like that soon again." The hour was rather late when Fathers and Sons departed.

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The Christmas Spirit

IT has been pointed out with great truth, that Christmas is both the celebration of an event and the enjoyment of a spirit.

We all like the true Christmas spirit. It is this spirit that makes Christmas the outstanding, the greatest festival of the year. When we speak of the Christmas spirit, we mean the spirit of love and good will, of helpfulness and happiness, of generosity and giving, of gladness and joy.

The Christmas spirit has its source in Jesus Christ. He is the true center of the Christmas event. There would be no Christmas but for his coming. The Christmas spirit is the sequence, the result of the Christmas event. All that we cherish in the Christmas spirit, all that makes for brotherhood and peace, all that causes rejoicing, is unfailingly traced back to the coming of the Babe of Bethlehem.

The spirit of the times is not always helpful to the true Christmas spirit. The spirit of the times has overlaid and overloaded Christmas with the spirit of commercialism; it fosters the heavy application of the superficial tinsel of artificial mirth-making and discounts the spirit of holy joy and gratitude as too tame. But the seeing eye knows the worldly Christmas spirit is shallow and tawdry. We need a rebirth of the true Christmas spirit, one indeed of holy joy and worshipful reverence. We need a new vision of the majestic and yet so sympathetic human, humble spirit of the divine miracle of the ages,—the coming of the Son of God into our flesh to redeem mankind and to bring us back to God.

Blessed be God for his unspeakable gift. "O holy Child of Bethlehem ---- be born in us today." At Christmas we would conform more to the Christ spirit. May it not only dwell there for the festival time but abide with us all the year!

Some "Boosts" for the "Baptist Herald"

THE Editor and his helpers are not looking around for anybody to pin medals on them or to bestow on their efforts a lavish outpouring of uncritical praise. Yet we confess to prizing highly the good opinion of others; we set great store by the approval of those who can judge objectively and then speak words of esteem about the thing they have had under observation. If some meritorious work has been done by those who are working to make the "Baptist Herald" what it is, it will not puff them up to hear a word of encouragement and approval. It will drive us on with more energy to do better with the help of God in 1927. In all modesty, we present some unsolicited comments

and communications that have come to us during 1926 and that show us how others see us. May these "boosts" help our "boosters" in their subscription work. If these friends value our paper, it can be of value to others.

"The German Baptist Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union has a semi-monthly paper, 'The Baptist Herald' which presents the work and aims of the Union in effective style. It is well printed and its sixteen pages are newsy and interesting. We congratulate Rev. A. P. Mihm, the editor, and the German Baptist Young People."

Dr. Howard B. Grose, D.D. "Missions." March 1926.

"I have been a reader of the 'Baptist Herald' from its first issue and like the paper very much. You are certainly giving the young people their money's worth and are serving well the denomination. I very much like your news-items, some of your articles have been modern and up-to-date. Bro. Krueger's articles I always read with much profit."

Geo. J. Geis, Kachin Mission, Myitkyina, Burma.

"I do believe the 'Herald' is getting better with each issue and fills a real important need and want among our young people."

Edwin F. Strauss, Ebenezer Baptist Ch., Detroit, Mich.

"The subscribers of the Englewood church enjoy the 'Baptist Herald' very much and look forward with pleasure to its appearing."

Olga M. Justin, Chicago.

"Congratulations for the paper you are putting out. 'Day by day it is growing better.'"

H. Hirsch, North Freedom, Wis.

"I surely enjoy our 'Herald' and wouldn't be without it. How glad I am it is being published for so many of our younger generation cannot read the 'Sendbote.' My prayer is that God will bless you."

Mrs. B. H. Schulz, Vesper, Kans.

"The Baptist Herald" and particularly its editorials are getting more interesting every issue and you certainly deserve the highest compliments."

Eugene P. Koppin, Detroit, Mich.

"Wish to compliment you on the fine work you are doing as editor of our semi-monthly. Everybody says the 'Herald' is better than ever."

F. L. Strobel, Arnprior, Ont., Can.

"I congratulate you on the success of the 'Herald.' It is everywhere well spoken of and is without the shadow of a doubt meeting a real need in our churches—not only among the young but the older folk as well. It is a 'newsy' and 'breezy' sheet. As a medium for maintaining and even strengthening the corps d'esprit of our German Baptist group it will become increasingly important as the years grow.... May you have divine support in your important task!"

Prof. Lewis Kaiser, Rochester, N. Y.

The "Herald" Plans for 1927

OUR "Herald" policy for 1927 is "Hold fast to that which is good; strive to incorporate the better that may be found; be on the lookout for the best." Only the best is good enough for our subscribers.

We are confiding some of our plans to our readers, of course on the supposition that they are flex-

ible. We will turn over the page given to Bible study for a while to regular articles on big Baptist leaders, such as John Bunyan, Roger Williams, William Carey, Adoniram Judson, Charles H. Spurgeon, Gerhard Oncken. These studies in popular form should inspire young Baptists to renewed loyalty to the great principles for which these men stood, fought and suffered.

Missions will continue to have a large place in our paper. The present conditions in China are engaging the earnest thought of statesmen, both in the political and religious realm. The situation, especially in Southern China, is very critical for our missionary work. The series of articles recently begun in the "Herald" from the pen of Missionary Giedt are therefore intensely interesting just now as they give clear cut pictures of life and thought among this ancient and virile people that seems to be in transition. You will want to follow these articles. Of course we are intending to keep in touch with our missionaries in China, India, Burma, the Philippines and to publish reports from them as heretofore.

"Jessica of the Camerons" will continue for a few months more. We hope to follow this serial story with another good one.

Thoughtful editorials on timely topics, leading feature articles by denominational leaders, suggestive Sunday school subjects, hints on young people's work and methods, dependable book reviews and chiefly, first of all, newsy reports from the wide field will fill our pages.

You must have the "Herald" again for 1927. You can't keep house as a good German Baptist without it. Win a friend or two to subscribe for the "Herald." We must grow. If you love and value the "Herald" help our numbers to increase. Let every one of our young people, yes, our entire constituency get the "Herald" habit and we shall be happy. Our Goal is 6000.

"Old Elms and New Ideas"

PROF. OTTO KOENIG

THAT is the prize-motto of New Haven, Conn., commonly called "The Elm City" because of its famous old and gigantic elm trees, that have sheltered Yale University under their shadow for more than two centuries. Many of the oldest trees have disappeared in the last twenty years and have been supplanted by tiny beginners. We shall never forget the day when one of these old giants that was standing near the corner of our German church spreading out its majestic branches over our lot and the broad street crossing was condemned to fall under the Park Commissioner's axe. Children played "hide and seek" behind the immense tree whose trunk no lengthy arms could encompass. Every time one of these old majesties was ordered to fall it caused an agony and outcry among the citizens as if a beloved and renowned fellow-citizen

was at the point of death. But they had to go on account of the rapidly increasing traffic to which they had become a source of danger. Only a very few of these kings of the forest are still preserved and are silent witnesses of eventful centuries gone by. Young saplings have now taken their places, but no one seems to take any notice of them: a hundred of them can never supplant one of those giants of the past. When the city fathers wanted to put some healing-balm on the painful wounds they offered a large prize for the best city-slogan. The prophetic motto: "Old Elms and New Ideas" was declared the winner, and all hearts were happy once more.

There is and always has been great danger in idolizing "old elms" and bewailing their decay and disappearance. Some people die of a broken heart when they are forced to leave the old homestead or the old church building. It is not that they worship the stone walls, but they cannot tear themselves away from the associations of the most sacred events of their lives that are linked so closely to these material things. It is not wrong to dwell in the golden and poetic past and enjoy the comfort of the romantic bygone days; it is well to "keep these things and ponder them in your heart," but at the same time

Keep Your Mind Open to New Ideas

Not all new ideas are mockers of the past and despisers of the achievements of former pious pioneers. Why should there not be a constant progress and marching ahead? One generation stands on the shoulders of its predecessor. Almost invariably a new idea has been received with ridicule and open condemnation. How much the world has lost by the innate tendency in human nature to reject it with scorn and almost hatred, as though original thoughts were a crime.

Prejudice is the best-working brake on the train of progress in civilization and the extension of Christ's kingdom. Prejudice, says Zangwill, is the dislike of the unlike,—and that is only too true. When Galileo discovered the movement of the earth around the sun the "sophomore world" made him get down on his knees and publicly retract his great discovery,—and still the earth kept on racing around the sun. Fulton tried in vain to convince the great Napoleon of the usefulness of his marvelous invention. He was planning to cross the channel to subdue England, but he never did it with his sail boats, and eventually English arms conquered him. Napoleon would give Fulton,—the only man on earth who had the solution for his problem in his hand,—just five minutes, and after that he closed his audience—and his mind. Had he listened and seen what Fulton saw, Napoleon might have ruled England and all of Europe. History would have been different and the map of Europe perhaps quite unrecognizable.

"No Time to Waste on Fools"

When young Westinghouse tried to interest some capitalists in his automatic air-brake he wrote a let-

ter to Commodore Vanderbilt, who was at that time president of the New York Central Railroad, explaining his wonderful invention. His letter came speedily back with the scrawling answer in his handwriting: "I have no time to waste on fools." Westinghouse kept that letter—and his courage. After his invention had proved a great success and introduced by another railroad Commodore Vanderbilt wrote a "nice letter" to George Westinghouse, Esq., asking him for a personal visit. The now famous inventor wrote under the letter "I have no time to waste on fools" and returned it just as promptly.

Young man, keep your mind open for new ideas. That does not mean that you should close your old Bible and substitute trashy literature for it; it does not mean to become a modernist in the sense of denying the most precious facts of the Christian religion, to doubt the eternal existence of Christ, his miraculous birth, his miraculous life, and resurrection. It simply means to hold on to these immovable truths, to stand up for the atonement of Christ through the cross, to defend the divine inspiration of his holy Word, and live a life of purity, power and progress in spiritual efforts. But it means also to "prove all things, holding fast that which is good." God has not only given you a heart to keep pure and faithful, but also an intellect and open mind to "search all things, yea, the deep things of God." Remember, your spiritual and mental growth must never cease, or you will be stunted in the growth and knowledge of Christ Jesus. That is the spiritual law on earth and will be natural law in heaven,—to know, to learn to know him more and more as he is.

Keep Your Mind From Freezing

Do you know how to keep your plumbing from freezing? Here is the remedy: Keep the water running a little, and never let the stream of water stop in the pipe entirely; keep up a current, by leaving the taps slightly open. Pipes will not freeze, as long as there is even the slightest current in them. That is good advice for your plumbing, and it is even better advice for your mind and brain. Most of the young people are mentally active and are trained in school to observe, and to keep the stream of thought running. Ambition in life keeps the young man alert and alive, his interest in sport and games, in his affections and in marriage prevents his retrogression. He is building air castles, and that keeps his mental current going for a longer or shorter period of his life.

We see, however, that ambition is vanishing slowly if the air-castles remain blue prints only. It is because ambition often, only too often, takes the form of waiting for success and honors to come to us—instead of going after them with all our might. Mental activity paralyzes gradually, but surely; life becomes a drudgery, and why? Because such a man has

Stopped Thinking, Searching and Studying

The mind in which there is no thought-current freezes up as does the water in the pipe. He has reached his usefulness and torn up his blue prints. A minister who thinks he knows all the Bible could teach him and neglects his daily study of it, and looks down on all other interpretations of the holy scripture as erroneous and modernistic, because they contradict his set ideas and exegeses has reached the first trench of his battle-field—and will soon be in "No-man's Land." Some reach that "dead-line" before they wear glasses, and accuse others of their downfall in the ministry. Let them stop accusing their ungrateful listeners and the scheming deacons. Let them open their ears to the charges of the prosecuting attorneys on the bookshelves of their study. The real "dead-line" is between them and the library, because the daily paper and ready-made sermon-sketches are their prompters and sending stations.

The way to keep the current of your mind and intellect moving, the way to keep mentally alert and alive, is to keep on

Always Learning Something

Read and study at the same time and for that purpose. Read little, but what you read try to digest, think your way through. Just as your food is wasted, and worse than that, if it fails to build you up and give you new blood and new tissues, so your reading is wasted if it does not provide you with new thoughts and new ambition to know more about the subject, then your pipes are in danger of freezing. Better, start the current again, set your brain to work, even if it got rusty. The heresy-hunter in others is mostly a man who has no time for study and no study to think anything through. He has not the grace of old Peter who openly confesses that Brother Paul knows a great deal more about the secrets of the kingdom and the king than he himself, though he was in closer touch with his Master when on earth. Oh for more of that grace that was in that mellowed and modest Peter! He could not follow Paul's logic and scholarly exegesis, but he knew that Paul had seen the Lord, the same who had given him the commission, but not the copyright to all knowledge that excluded every other mortal from infringement. As long as he knew that Christ was the very breath of Paul, and for him to live was Christ, he was assured that Brother Paul could never go astray from the cross or be the cause of others to betray his Master.

Christ's Kind of a Christmas

"I wish you Christ's kind of a Christmas
So full of good thoughts and good cheer.
That you couldn't forget all the comfort it brought
If you tried for the rest of the year.

"I wish you the laughter of children
And the greetings from dear ones away,
The handclasp of friends and the smiles of the poor.
I wish you Christ's kind of a day."

—Selected.

The Christmas Tree Speaks

CLARIBEL WEEKS AVERY

Last spring I thought it very hard
That every other tree
Was dressed with white and rosy flowers
That never come to me.

In summer not a pretty bird
Perched on my arms to sing,
In autumn I'd no golden fruit,
Or nuts, or anything.

But now I'm dressed in red and gold,
I've silver stars that shine
In candle flames; no tree of spring
Has finery like mine.

For fruit I've bags of sugarplums
And almonds sweet and white,
White corn and golden oranges;
Imagine my delight.

And though I guard no little nests,
And still no birds have found me,
Glad children gather in a ring
And lift their songs around me!

Great Rally in St. Joseph, Mich.

On Friday evening, November 5, the Intermediate and Adult Departments of our Sunday school held their annual Rally and "Get-to-gether." Supper was served at 6.30 o'clock in the dining room of the church, each class providing their own supper and table decorations.

Great was the enthusiasm when Bro. Ed. W. Hoek, National President of our Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union and speaker of the evening, entered the dining room.

A splendid class spirit was manifested in the short program immediately following the supper. After a short time spent in community singing, some member of each class was called upon to give in a few words the aims and ambitions of the class. Some of the classes have a "class song" and these were also sung.

One class of young men composed a very clever song in which they "complimented" all of the other classes. This caused a great deal of merriment and brought forth much applause.

An unexpected but very welcome visitor was Bro. Chas. Ewald, Corresponding Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. work in Latin America, who spoke a few encouraging words.

Then the speaker of the evening, Bro. Ed. W. Hoek of Detroit, in his tactful and pleasing way delivered a most inspiring address, using as his subject "Today." He illustrated the necessity of never putting off until tomorrow that which can be done today. He mentioned the lives of great men, both Biblical and of later years, who were successful because they acted "Today" and especially referred to the model life of Jesus, whom we should especially pattern after.

After a song and the closing prayer by Bro. Hoek, a successful evening came to a close. Each class was determined to perform more efficient work in the future.

MARY M. MEINKE, Sec.

Grace Baptist Church, Racine, Wis.

The Men's Bible Class of the Grace Baptist Church, Racine, had its annual banquet on November 11. Mr. Harry Binder is the energetic president of the class, while Mr. John Wiechers is the gifted teacher.

On this occasion Mr. Wiechers acted as toastmaster, and as always, he introduced the participants in the program in his own happy way. Mr. Wahlberg sang two solos, a quartet was rendered by Miss Clara Hilker, Mrs. Otto Boss, Harley Anderson and Paul Boss. A reading was given by Miss Elizabeth Wright, and the address of the evening was given by Rev. L. Peterson of the Grove Ave. Baptist Church on the subject, "Trustees of the Evangel."

Each number of the program was of such excellent quality that the meeting was greatly enjoyed by all, and we trust that it will bring forth much fruit in making us better workers in the kingdom. A fine spirit of fellowship pervaded during the entire service.

Anniversary in Arnold, Pa.

The Union Baptist Church, Arnold, Pa., commemorated the first anniversary of the dedication of their new and well-appointed church edifice on Sunday, Nov. 21, by special services. The Editor of the "Baptist Herald" was invited to be the guest preacher for the day. The church was formerly a mission branch of the Temple Church, Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, and during the editor's pastorate was organized into an independent and self-sustaining church. As one well acquainted with the former status of the church in New Kensington, he was fully able to observe and appreciate the marked progress of the church of late years. The last six years has shown fine qualities of constructive leadership and the people have responded and co-operated faithfully and willingly in the call to go forward. God's blessing has been richly bestowed and the results are such as to gratify every heart and lead the workers to take courage for the future.

The Editor spoke at 9.45 A. M. to the Sundayschool of which Bro. Charles Guenther is superintendent. It is conducting a new membership and attendance contest, and new scholars are entering every Sunday. A lively orchestra enhances the sessions of the school and also adds much to the interest of the Sunday evening church services. The morning message in the German church service was based on 1 Cor. 15:58: "A Call to be steadfast and to abound in the work of the Lord."

At 3 P. M. a Young People's service was held with fine attendance, both locally and from other churches. Bro. Gus Guenther conducted a spirited song service followed with various vocal numbers and selections by the Orchestra. The pastor of the Tarentum Baptist church led in prayer. Rev. M. Steuscik, Slavic Baptist pastor of Creighton, Pa., brought

a brief greeting. Bro. Zezulla of the Union church assists in this work among the Slavs. Your General Secretary spoke on "The fine Trait of Loyalty," Rev. A. F. Runtz of the East St. church, Pittsburgh, N. S., made a brief address in German on "Paul's Ideal of the Church of Christ," Eph. 5.

Lunch was served in the basement at the close of the afternoon meeting, so that friends from near and far could easily stay for the evening service. At the request of the pastor, the sermon was of an evangelistic character for the benefit of the many children and young people present. The preacher spoke on Eccl. 12:1, "Remembering God in our Youthful Days."—A special collection was made for the building debt. The cheering news was given to the congregation that Temple Church, Pittsburgh, the mother church, had made a special offering of \$350 for the daughter's household needs that day. Well done, Temple church! That was a fine exhibition of well-wishing translated into action.

It was delightful to meet old friends in the Arnold church and also a number from Pittsburgh, who drove over for the anniversary. May God richly bless Bro. Cramer and his loyal flock and gladden their hearts by adding many, that are saved to the church! A. P. MIHM.

Successful Meetings in Germantown, Alta.

The days of October 26-31 were days of inspiration and instruction for the church and young people of Germantown. Rev. A. Kujath, our evangelist, Rev. H. Schatz of Rosenfeld and Rev. J. Schweitzer from Medicine Hat conducted a series of lectures and evangelistic services in our midst. The meetings were well attended.

The following lectures were given: Rev. A. Kujath, three lectures on "Sunday School Teachers Preparation Course" and three lectures on "Mental Power." Six lectures were given by Rev. H. Schatz, three on "Bible Exegesis" and three on "Music and Choir Directing." Rev. J. Schweitzer gave us in six hours an outline and insight of: "Church History" and "Secular History." We believe all these hours were spent very profitably.

The evenings were devoted to evangelistic services. Rev. A. Kujath preached on "The Glorified Christ," John 17:1. 2. Rev. J. Schweitzer's topics were: "The Most Important Question," Matt. 27:22; "At the Crossroads," John 6:67-69; "The Crux of Christianity," John 21:15-17. Rev. H. Schatz conducted the song services and sang many inspiring solos.

Sunday, Oct. 31, was the last day, concluding this series of meetings with a Harvest-festival program by the Sunday school, followed by a thanksgiving sermon by Rev. J. Schweitzer.

We were much encouraged in our work here through these services and many a doubting soul was once again anchored in Christ. We have here a large body of young people and pray for a revival in our church.

J. SCHWEITZER.

The Sunday School

What Can the Scholar Expect of the Sunday School?

ELIZABETH AHRENS

(Conclusion)

The scholar can also expect the Sunday school to

Give Him the Best Leaders Obtainable

The superintendent should be acquainted with each child, know each one's name. He should be able to plan the work well and co-operate with the pastor and teachers.

The teacher of the class should be the best that can be obtained. A teacher cannot be perfect, but should be an example of Christian living to his scholars.

It is a fine thing if the teacher has a first-class education. But that is not the main thing. It is better that he is not so filled with worldly knowledge, but knows his Bible and his God.

The scholars should be provided with a teacher who is interested in the special age that he is asked to teach. For example, the teacher of little children must be one who loves to work with small children. This particular teacher, who would be ideal for such a class, may be a failure when trying to take charge of boys or girls in the adolescent age.

The scholar should know that the teacher is interested in the child's activity and his problems—whether they be spiritual or physical.

Although it is a very hard thing to do, I believe that the teacher should speak to his scholars of their short-comings, and warn them when they go wrong. Because we feel our weakness and failures so much, we fail in this, but the pupils expect this of their teacher.

This fact was shown very clearly at a recent outing of a class. Several members got very rough to each other and acted un-Christianlike. The teacher was near but said nothing. Then he overheard one of the scholars say, "Well, I guess, it's all right. My teacher saw me do it and he did not scold me." That scholar expected a remark from his teacher—but the teacher failed in his duty.

The Teacher Must Be Prepared

The pupil has a right to expect his teacher to come before the class on Sunday with his lesson thoroughly prepared. I don't believe that the following happens in our German Sunday schools, but a superintendent recently told of a teacher of an adult class, who would come before them on Sundays with his lesson totally unprepared. He would sit on the edge of the table before his scholars, open the "Sunday School Times" and read silently until he would find an interesting sentence which he would then read aloud for them. Then he would be quiet again until he found another paragraph that

suited him. No remarks of his own were made,—no questions asked.

The scholar, young or old, has a right to expect more of his teacher than this.

The scholar should be taught the contents of the Bible and how to apply it to his daily living. The teacher has only a short time, probably one-half hour. This time should be used wisely in keeping the scholar's mind on spiritual things.

The pupil may also expect his teacher to be so interested in his soul's welfare that he makes it a subject of special prayer, and takes every opportunity possible to lead that one to Christ. Every child that enters Sunday school should be led to accept the Savior before it grows to manhood or womanhood. A child's heart is easily touched, and a child's repentance and faith are the best gifts that we can bring to our Lord.

A Sunday school that does not have teachers who are deeply concerned over their scholar's salvation, has failed in its choice of a teacher.

Above everything else, a teacher should be a person who is fully surrendered to God.

Third: I believe that the Sunday school is also

Responsible for the Scholar's Friendships

Many strangers who come to a city, visit a Sunday school because they believe they can find good Christian companions. It is not enough to just tell a stranger that you are glad to see him. He should be invited to all the hospitality of the class, and that will make him want to come again.

Then we also have among the scholars—even among our steady scholars—some who are very quiet and because of their nature feel very lonely. Other scholars probably do not care to associate with them so they are left to themselves, and as they crave friendship, they choose companions who do not attend church services, and soon the scholars are led on downward paths. This should not be. The organized class can do a good deal to remedy such a condition, and a scholar has a right to expect that the school which he attends furnishes him with Christian friends.

Lastly—I believe that a scholar should expect the Sunday school to so

Cultivate His Spiritual Life

that he becomes an ideal church member. This would be taught him through the study of the Bible, also through the example that the leaders set. His talents should be awakened and used little by little, so that in the larger organization, the church, he will use his entire self to further the kingdom of God. And what an ideal Sunday school yours and mine would be if each scholar would bring another one to Christ every year!

Creed for Children's Workers

The following creed for Children's Division workers was formulated and adopted by the Children's Division Club of the School of Religious Education of Boston University:

"I believe in boys and girls as God's most precious gift to men.

"I believe in the intrinsic value and charm of childhood, both for what it is and what it may become.

"I believe that every child brings into the world with him the possibilities of a noble, Christlike character, and that he has a right to every opportunity for the full development of these possibilities.

"I believe in my work as a leader and teacher of children, and consider it my greatest opportunity for carrying on God's work in the world.

"I therefore pray the heavenly Father that I may so study and serve, so grow in love like him who took the children in his arms and blessed them, that I may offer a life that shall count for the cause of Christ."—The Lookout.

Lesson-Centered or Life-Centered?

Some one has aptly stated that far too much Sunday school work is *lesson-centered* rather than *life-centered* and that teaching, in order to be effectual, must be conceived in terms of *life*, rather than in terms of *lessons*, or subject-matter. Christianity has to do with more than theory; it has to do with *life*, and the ultimate goal in view is not reached until your pupils have been changed, *transformed* by the power of the Holy Spirit—until they have been led into some definite, worthwhile *service* which, in its essential nature, appeals to them as a suitable means of self-expression.

How to Learn Your Part

Read it over one time
And put your thinker on it;
Read it over two times
And meditate upon it.
Read it now a third time,
Be sure you understand it;
Con it o'er a fourth time
In effort to expand it.
Read it now a fifth time,
So you may clearly state it;
Read it still a sixth time
And try to illustrate it.
The seventh is the last time;
I think that you will know it.
And when your time arrives to speak,
Your talk will surely show it.

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Gossip is cheap, but it sometimes proves dear to those who are the subjects of thoughtless talk.

often forgot the text, 'In honor preferring one another.'

The girls looked at one another with conscious smiles.

"Did you know that that is the motto of our club?" inquired Jennie.

"I certainly must plead not guilty," she answered, with an embarrassed glance at Jessica. "I thought my granddaughter had given me the history of your club from 'Genesee to Reverberations,' as the old colored brother says, but there seems to have been one item omitted."

Jessica laughed with the rest, though she also flushed slightly.

"I thought of telling you the motto of our club one day, grandmother," she confessed, "and then I was ashamed to, for we do so little to show it."

"Never mind," returned Mrs. Keith, lightly. "Like the man who stepped into the hole in his friend's garden walk, which he had meant to tell him about, I have found it out for myself. Perhaps we can make a practical application of it in parceling out our work. I will draw them all for you tomorrow, as the time is so short, and you may come tomorrow evening and make your selections."

(To be continued)

A Diamond Jubilee

does not occur every day. It takes three quarters of a century to eventuate. Those present at the first are generally absent at the seventy-fifth anniversary. Our church at Rochester, N. Y., recently celebrating its diamond jubilee, had, naturally, not a single one of its charter members present. However, five of the ten pastors who in its long history regularly served the church graced the festal occasion by their presence. They were Prof. Lewis Kaiser, Prof. Otto Koenig, the Reverend C. A. Daniel, the Reverend Frank Kaiser and the present incumbent of the pastoral office, the Reverend David Hamel. Gone to their reward were the former pastors, A. Henrich, G. Koopmann, H. Schneider, E. E. Tscirch and P. Ritter, all of blessed memory. The celebration was not only a five-pastor, but also a five-meeting affair, beginning with an English service on Sunday morning, November 21, at which the Reverend Frank Kaiser of Detroit preached a powerful sermon on "The Invincible Church." In the evening followed a German service, enthusiastically addressed by the Reverend C. A. Daniel of Chicago, who spoke on "The Glory of the Church," from Psalm 87.

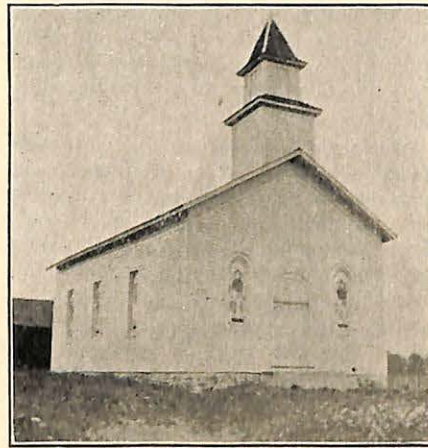
Monday evening was a musical evening of rare charm with instrumental numbers by Nelson Doescher and Eugene Sablak, and vocal renditions by Lottie Doescher, the Students' Chorus under the leadership of Bro. Luebeck, and the large church choir conducted by Bro. Husmann.

Tuesday evening's program was under the auspices of the societies of the church. C. Elmer Fischer presided at the organ. George Doescher sang. Otto Loertscher captivantly spoke on behalf of the Sunday school, Arthur Berendt on Our Young People, Mother Loertscher for the Ladies Missionary society, Mrs. Maas

for the former Wilder St. missionary society, which has supplied 14 minister's wives, and the Reverend D. E. Haglund of the local South Ave. Baptist Church thrilled the audience with an eloquent appeal for the necessity of the Christian religion.

Wednesday evening was the concluding service and the great Church Night of the feast. All of the five living pastors spoke. Letters and telegrams were read from absent former members. Photographs of old worthies decorated the walls. George Fischer, Rochester's foremost organist, who grew up in the Sunday school of which his father was long-time superintendent, made the organ whisper and ring with festive melody. The choir rendered "Will der Tag im Osten grauen." A thankoffering amounting to \$150 was raised for the denominational budget. And ice cream and cake and coffee stimulated the sociability of the vast assembly of members and friends of the jubilant church, which has not only marked history in the past by producing such men as George Geis, apostle to the Kachins, and Walter Rauschenbusch, the most inspiring religious thinker of our century, but we hope, will humbly and faithfully continue to make history as its last quarter of a century rolls on to round out the completion of years.

F. W. C. MEYER.



Folsomdale Baptist Church

Folsomdale Wins Attendance Contest

The friendly struggle caused by the "Laymen's Attendance Contest of Baptist churches of Wyoming and Genesee counties," has at last ended. Our little church, situated out among the hills, three miles from a paved road and placed on a desolate hill in the farming section, with only a membership of about 50, has won the prize—a banner.

The contest was for men only, they had to attend both morning and evening services in order to count their 10 per cent. Our church won the banner by a majority of 55 per cent over any other contending church. Bliss, N. Y., was the nearest contending church, situated in a town, with a much larger membership. Surely they regret losing to a much smaller contender.

Rev. Edward Stevener, pastor of the Folsomdale Baptist Church, Cowlesville, N. Y., which has done this remarkable feat, graduated from our Rochester Seminary. Being a young man he has instilled this church with much new life and vigor. His Sunday night services were a great attraction for the men, and the women as well. Each Sunday night a new and novel plan was carried out in singing, sermon or the complete service. Simple homely truths are expounded and make a deep impression on the minds of his hearers.

It has been said that Folsomdale would have gone over the top 100% above its nearest city contender if it had not been for the bad weather, muddy roads and the quarantine of some of its members' homes by diphtheria.

Annual Meeting St. Joseph-Benton Harbor Jugendbund

On the evening of November 16 our Bund assembled in the dining room of the St. Joseph church for a banquet. The good "eats" were prepared by the two social committees and good cooks they were, we all agreed. Our program for the evening was carried out right where we were. Bro. Arthur Schmitman was chairman for the evening. After a short welcome, a short business session followed, then a fine program was rendered by members of both societies.

Benton Harbor society furnished three numbers, two dialogues, "Sunday Morning" and "Der gefälschte Same," also vocal duet. St. Joseph also had two dialogues, "Der christliche Uhrmacher" and "In the Service of the Lord," a piano solo, vocal solo and trombone solo. Rev. J. J. Lippert of Benton Harbor followed with a few remarks, encouraging the Bund to keep up the good work. Mr. Henry Bartz led in the closing prayer.

In the last year the Bund had some fine and inspiring meetings. In February it was our great pleasure to have Rev. C. J. Bender of Chicago tell us of his work in the Cameroons, Africa. In May, a Musicale was given. July 5 took all who could go with well filled baskets to Indian Fields, Berrien Springs, where a good time was spent in the open, away from the wild rush of the day. In September we had the privilege to have Ed. W. Hoek of Detroit with us and we all enjoyed this speaker, whose topic was, "Saved to Serve," that we would all gladly hear him again.

Mr. G. Achterberg has been our faithful president of the Bund and with the help of the two society presidents and the executive committee he has been able to keep interest and friendship and good feeling among the young folks. We wish to be able to report a much better year, which we are now to begin.

L. KISSAU, Sec.

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God reaches out his strong arm of salvation a little nearer whenever we feel our own strength failing.

From the General Missionary Secretary's Desk Rev. Wm. Kuhn

On a recent Sunday evening a young man grasped the preacher's hand at the close of the service and said: "Your sermon tonight fit me exactly; I am one of those who have lost their Lord." In that evening service the preacher had tried simply and practically to discuss the theme "Finding the Lost Christ." As a basis for the discussion he used the incident related in John 20 how Mary Magdalene found the lost Christ on the resurrection morning. A careful study of this analogy will repay every effort.

On that Sunday evening it was very evident to the preacher that that one young man was not the only one who had to make the confession that he had lost his Lord. In all quietness quite a number of older and younger people said on that evening that they too had lost Christ. They doubtless meant that they had lost the realization of his presence, that his face was hidden and that the intimate communion with him was broken. The joy of former days had vanished from their souls. There was no music in their hearts, nor was there any urge in them to work for their Lord. There has a strong conviction grown upon us that the lukewarmness and the half-heartedness and the inactivity so noticeable in many of our members is to be explained by the sad fact that they have lost Christ.

We rejoice, however, that as Mary Magdalene found the lost Christ, so may we. What inexpressible joy will be ours if we find him more glorious than we ever knew him before.

Read John 20 and see how near Christ is to a soul who has lost him. Even while Mary was lamenting her loss at the open grave, the victorious Christ was at her side waiting to reveal himself to her.

We learn the old lesson from Mary Magdalene that if we seek him with all our heart, we will surely find him. The apostles John and Peter were at the open grave on that resurrection morning and they assured themselves that the Master was not there, but they did not find their lost Christ. It is recorded of them: "that they went home." Mary stayed at the grave and sought him with all her heart. As it always has been and is today: she found her lost Christ.

Nothing will bring us into possession of our lost Christ sooner than when he speaks that revealing word to our individual heart. He but spoke the word: "Mary," and she responded instantly. Today we need a personal revelation of Christ to find him.

What a change it makes when any soul finds the lost Christ. Now Mary goes as a jubilant messenger of the living Christ with the burning words on her lips: "I have seen the Lord, and he has said these things to me." Nothing will bring about a spiritual revival sooner and surer than for our individual members sharing that wonderful experience of "Finding the Lost Christ."



Newly organized Sunday School of Wetaskiwin church, meeting in the city

Carrying It to Him

ETHEL RENNISON

Let's take it all to Jesus,
The weary questioning,
The burdens, and the heartache,
The little things that sting.

For he alone can answer
Our questions as is best;
And he alone can comfort
And give our spirit rest.

Let's also ask the Savior
To teach us how to pray,
And how to witness for him,
And do his will each day.

And how to read the Bible
To understand aright,
And how to win our loved ones
Into his glorious light.

This poem was suggested by a sermon preached by Rev. Ph. Lauer on Nov. 15 on "Bringing it to Jesus," Matt. 11:2-6.

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The greatest tragedy is not the failure of the Church; it has not failed. The greatest calamity is our failure to help the Church.



Sunday School of the Wetaskiwin, Alberta, church in the Country

Sunday School at Westaskiwin, Alta.

We present to our readers two photographs of the Sunday schools of the church at Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Can., Rev. Fred W. Benke, pastor. The group in front of the church is the Sunday school in the country, about 14 miles from Wetaskiwin City. Frida Hammer is the superintendent. It meets regularly every Sunday afternoon. The school had a successful Thanksgiving day program on October 24.

The group with the grassy and leafy background shows the newly organized Sunday school in the city of Wetaskiwin. Gus. Litmann is superintendent. This school meets regularly every Sunday morning. The work has gone on successfully and a number of the scholars have accepted Jesus as their personal Savior. Pastor Behnke is the man at the left end of the second last row. The church has a fine band of 14 pieces of which Mr. Edward Dickau is leader.

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Fair Newspaper Visitor: "And so you work in the composing room! Isn't that fine!"

Composer: "I've been here ten years."

Fair Newspaper Visitor: "Won't you sing something you've composed?"—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Missions—Home and Worldwide



Chapel and a few of the delegates and guests at the Annual Kasapulanan of Capiz Province

The Annual Capiz Kasapulanan S. S. FELDMANN

Perhaps it would be of interest to tell you a bit about our annual Kasapulanan (Convention) of the churches of Capiz Province. It was held several months ago, but will give an idea of what our Kasapulanans are like.

We left Capiz on the train at seven in the morning. After a two-hour ride we reached the place from where we had to hike. About a two-hour hike brought us to the chapel where the Convention was to be held. The sun smiled upon us with all the warmth it could muster, in fact, judging from the effect it had on us, one might almost say it laughed out loud. Before we had hiked a half an hour, through the rice fields and over the hills, our clothes looked as though we had been swimming. On our way we came to a river which had to be forded. Of course the "Misionero Americano" had to be carried. It took three of the cargadores to get him across. One hundred and seventy-five pounds of humanity is quite a load for these small folks to carry, and especially so when it is six feet or more in length. I am sorry I could not get a picture of the scene.

Upon our arrival at the chapel, high up in the hills, we were met by a large number of people who had already assembled there. The chapel was beautifully decorated with tufted bamboo flowers, and some strips of red cloth covered with wide lace, which one finds on all special occasions. A special house had been vacated and prepared for the missionary and his workers, where they were to live during their stay at the Kasapulanan.

The Kasapulanan began with a meeting in the afternoon at which were three addresses. The missionary was asked to give the keynote address, and such it turned out to be in reality, for all the other speakers took up the tune to the key which he had struck, and sang beau-

tiful hymns on Christian living and self-support of the churches.

To put these things into practice is a much harder thing, but our efforts were crowned with some measure of success, for it was at this Kasapulanan that the Capiz Home Mission Society was born. It has since grown into a large child and is doing splendid work in leading the churches into a larger realization of responsibility for the Christianization of their own generation. It is always a hard thing to get people to understand that with blessings come duties, and that to spread their faith there must be at least some measure of sacrifice. That difficulty is also to be found here. But the organization and the functioning of the Home Mission Society is doing much to this effect. The work of the Society is conducted entirely by the Filipinos themselves, the missionary acting only in an advisory capacity. This Society is gradually though slowly taking over the support of the native pastors in the organized churches, thus releasing missionary funds for use in the undeveloped portions of the field. It will take a long time before this will have reached the ideal, but a large step has been taken in the right direction. The contributions of the native churches have increased from Pesos 80.00 last year over a twelve-month period to an average of Pesos 75.00 per month for the first four months of the existence of the Society, or from June 1 to September 30.

The business meeting of the Convention took up the afternoon and part of the evening of the third day. It was conducted in a way that would be creditable to any Convention. Even if on a few occasions the chairman had to be told what to do next. I have been at few Conventions where the business meetings were carried out in a more orderly fashion. The whole Convention is conducted by the Filipinos themselves, the missionary acting only as advisor.

But there was also another side to the

matter. Three times a day we were filled up on lechon (roast pig), jackfruit, which grows here by the ton, chicken (small imitations of the American real), bamboo sprouts, pechi, gabi, and many other things which might be mentioned here. Even the Dakotas and Canada cannot compare with the Filipino brethren in this respect.

May I invite you one and all to come and enjoy the next Convention with us? It will be in April, 1927. I am inviting you thus early to enable you to pack your suit-case and oil up your Fords and drive across the Pacific to us. Unless someone has recently been careless in scattering nails or broken glass, I can guarantee that you will have no punctures, at least while on the ten thousand miles of briny deep between us.

Capiz, Capiz, P. I.

Missionary Maxims

"The consecrated missionary church is not a cistern, but a living fountain."

"The message of the hour is for the main body to come up to the firing line."

"The Kingdom of God is waiting for the hard-earned leisure of the business man."

"The church that forgets itself in its passion for others will in that forgetfulness find itself."

"The best remedy for a sick church is to put it on a missionary diet."—Western Baptist.

When Duff Fainted on the Platform

Alexander Duff was one of the greatest missionaries of the nineteenth century. After a quarter of a century of intense and fruitful missionary work in India, he came back to his native Scotland and at Edinburgh rose to speak at a great missionary conference. Many thousands were present to light their torches with his burning words. Broken in health and weakened in body, he actually fainted in the midst of his speech. In a little while, however, he recovered and to those near him he said: "I was speaking of India, was I not? Take me back and let me finish my subject."

They complied with the hero's wish and it was with flaming ardor that he exclaimed: "Although I have spent twenty-five years of my life in India and lost my health, if Scotland has no more sons to give to the Lord Jesus, I will be off to the banks of the Ganges tomorrow."

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Those who set a guard over the tongue prevent the exit of angry words and the entrance of sad regrets.

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Criticism cannot harm the man who is more concerned about honoring his Master than he is about getting bouquets.

Thanksgiving at the Children's Home, St. Joseph

Thanksgiving in its deepest meaning was a complete success at our Home this year. It was in great contrast to our last Thanksgiving season when everything conspired against the anticipated joys of the day. This year all the family was in good health and spirits, while last year "Judy," our oldest boy, was seriously ill and had to be taken to the hospital the next day. Of course, we were all anxious about him. This year weather conditions were favorable to the working up of a good appetite out of doors, whereas last year, nature had only forebodings of a storm. And again, what a contrast the dinner was! While we were truly grateful to our Heavenly Father for untold blessings received, it was nevertheless an effort last year to get into the real Thanksgiving spirit over our plate of hash.

For several days before mysterious barrels and boxes arrived from nearby and distant states. The contents were a more or less open secret until the day. When it came we were ready to carry out our share in the day's program. The older children attended a Thanksgiving service in the morning. It had been decided to serve a light lunch at noon and have the "feast" at 5 P. M. The afternoon was spent in various ways. Papa Steiger challenged the older boys and girls to a brisk walk in the fresh air while the smaller ones, content to stay at home, provided amusement for themselves.

Shortly before five, the hiking party returned in a jolly mood and hungry enough to do full justice to any meal. As they neared home, they caught whiffs of delicious odors escaping from the kitchen, and these, prompted by the empty stomachs, quickened their pace, so that in two jerks they were in the dining-room ready to attack their full plates.

What a dinner! There was everything from turkey to desert. The Thanksgiving birds had traveled from North Dakota and Chicago to grace our tables. There were sweet potatoes served with butter—real butter, not the usual substitute, stuffing with raisins, mouth-watering cranberry sauce, crisp celery and home-made candy all the way from Kansas. There were shining eyes and smiling faces and for a while nothing could be heard but "Um!" and "Oh Boy!" and the clatter of knives and forks busy at a long delayed task. When all had their fill of the good things, a generous helping of ice cream and cake appeared upon the scene. Although that disappeared more slowly, it gave the finishing touch to a perfect meal. When the last bit of ice cream and cake had vanished one could have seen a gleam of satisfaction upon the faces of all. That this *surely* was the "best Thanksgiving" was agreed to by everyone.

We are thankful and appreciative of the kind thoughts of our friends, who so generously helped make the day a memorable one.
EDITH GUTZEIT.

When I Survey God's Wondrous Power

Translation of the German hymn of Prof. Chr. Fürchtegott Gellert, entitled: "Wenn ich o Schöpfer, deine Macht" by C. A. DANIEL

When I survey God's wondrous power,
His wisdom in creation;
The love Almighty God doth shower
On man in every station,
I stand amazed in prayer and thought,
Oh God, what marvels hast thou wrought!
My Lord, my God, my Father.

My eye as far as it can see
Beholds the heaven's wonder.
The firmament in majesty,
My soul this power doth ponder.
Pray, who exalts the sun on high?
Who paints with dazzling flame the sky?
Who guides the planets courses?

Who shifts the course of winds that sound?
Commands the rains to scatter?
Who brings to light and makes abound
Earth's wealth of grain and matter?
Oh God, thy glory, power and might
And goodness reach beyond all sight,
Beyond the clouds that travel.

The sunshine, storm and sands, of God
Proclaim creation's glory.
E'en yonder worm beneath the sod
Incites to give God glory.
The tree's symmetric beauty shown,
The seed of earth the Lord hath sown,
To God be all the glory.

The body too of man was wrought
By God's own great volition.
He made his spirit too, man sought
To learn his own position.
In God's own image man was made,
And day by day the proof is laid
In his own love and goodness.

My soul, forever praise the Lord,
All earth, unite in Amen.
Our Father, God, with one accord
We praise thy name in heaven.
And all the world fear him and sing,
And hope in him and service bring,
Who would not gladly serve him?

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(By Courtesy of the Scripture Union)

Joining the church does not mean that we are to leave our minds and pocket-books at home.

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The sinner's right to enter the Kingdom is not based on merit, but on the need for salvation.



Temporary kitchen where the food for the Convention guests and delegates was prepared

Book Review

(Order all books through German Baptist Publication Society, Cleveland, O.)

Evolution in the Balances. Frank E. Allen. Publishers, Fleming H. Revell Co., New York. 191 pages. \$1.50.

This is an intensely interesting book on a question that has loomed up large again during the last few years and troubled many earnest Christian souls. The greater part of the material in the book appeared originally as a series of articles in various Christian journals. The author in response to many requests has revised and enlarged the original articles and now sends forth the book in order that it may instruct any who may be seeking light on the subject of evolution.

The author is minister of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg, Can. He has occupied himself with this subject for many years, part of which time he taught science and especially in his ministerial work and contact with educators and young people. He is particularly desirous that younger people who are in the formative period of life may receive a reasonable and scriptural explanation of natural phenomena in order to dispel their doubts.

He points out the insuperable barriers in the way of the materialistic evolutionist and asserts that the theory of ma-

terial evolution cannot account for the origin of matter, nor for the origin of life, nor for the origin of complex life. It cannot account for the difference between plants and animals, nor furnish adequate evidence to prove relationship between the varied groups of life. It cannot account for the rational and spiritual nature of man. The author shows how little real ground there is for the weighty deduction some overeager scientists draw from fossils as to age, construction, environment of man. One of the strongest chapters in the book is the one on "How account for the Fossils?" in which Dr. Allen shows that those who have attempted to divorce this science from the history of the Bible have made a colossal mistake. His standpoint is: "The written Book furnishes the key to unlock the great stone book." He marshals a wonderful array of facts which the evolutionist will find hard to disprove.

The book is well-written, clear and understandable to the average man. If you are looking for a strong presentation against the evolution theory from a positive Christian and Biblical point of view, this is the book. A. P. M.

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"And now, sir," thundered the counsel, "tell the court what you were doing in the interim."

"I never went there," retorted the witness indignantly. "I stayed in the drawing-room all the evening"

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