

## What's Happening

son, Minn., gave an address on "Week Day Schools of Religion" at the McLeod County Sunday School Convention, held Sept. 17-18 at Silver Lake, Minn.

Rev G. H. Schneck of New Britain, Conn., will be the new pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Milwaukee, succeeding Rev. O. R. Hauser. Bro. Schneck begins work on his new field Dec. 1.

Rev J. J. Abel, pastor of the church at Baileyville, Ill., resigned his charge on Sunday, Sept. 18, to accept the call of the German Baptist Church at Canton, O. He begins his new pastorate November first.

John L. Hartwick, who graduated from the German Department of our Seminary at Rochester, N. Y., last May, has become pastor of our church at Mt. Sterling, Mo. He began his new charge in September.

Rev. Geo. W. Pust, pastor of the First Church, Dickinson County, Dillon, Kans., for the last seven years, has accepted the call of the church at Emery, S. D., as successor to Rev. S. Blum. He enters on his new pastorate Jan. 1, 1928.

The Sunday school of the Temple Baptist Church, Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa., has introduced the Keystone Graded lessons into the Junior department of the school. Door partitions have been installed in the lower rooms of the church to serve classes better which now meet there.

Rev. C. E. Cramer, pastor of the Union Baptist Church at Arnold, Pa., since April, 1921, has resigned to become pastor of the Spruce St. Baptist Church. Buffalo. He closes his work at Arnold on Dec. 18. During Bro. Cramer's pastorate a new church was erected and a new parsonage purchased, both valued at \$50,000. The membership has greatly increased.

The Northern Baptist Theological Seminary at Chicago on Sept. 14 opened its doors for the 15th consecutive year to its student body. On Oct. 4, the enrollment had reached 193. It is reasonably expected that before the year is over the enrollment will have surpassed the 200 mark. Students from various parts of the world have enrolled. The College, and Dr. A. J. Harms, who is responsible office.

Rev. C. M. Knapp, Ph. D., of Hutchin- Head of the Department of Christian Education.

> The First German Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., celebrated a very important event Monday evening, September 19, namely, Rev. Appel's birthday. The age, that would be telling. Men's chorus practice was announced for that evening as a ruse to get Rev. Appel to church. It worked. He was "really" surprised. Speeches were held by the presidents of all organizations and special music was rendered by the men's chorus. the meeting being presided over by one of the deacons, Rev. Wm. Elftmann. After all congratulations were over, ice cream and cake were served by the Ladies Aid, at which time Rev. Appel was presented with a sum of money. The church wishes him to spend many more birthdays with them.

The East Street Young People's Society, Pittsburgh, Pa., has suffered a severe loss in the death of one of its most faithful and esteemed members, Miss Gertrude E. Kost, who died on Sept. 12, 1927, at the age of 23 years and 28 days. She had been ill for several years and had been perfected in character through much suffering. Her father, Edward Kost, has served the East St. church as a faithful deacon for many years. She is survived by her parents. two brothers and four sisters. The church being without a pastor at the present time, Rev. Arthur A. Schade of the Temple Church was called in to conduct the funeral services. The "Herald" extends its sympathy to these bereaved friends.

Our cover page introduces us to Rev. Fred Herman Willkens, who has been a valued member of the Council of our Y. P. and S. S. W. Union since the time of its organization. Bro. Willkens is a graduate of the German department of Rochester Seminary, Class 1916; of the English department, Class 1918. He was graduate student of the Hartford School of Religious Pedagogy 1918-20 and received the degree of M. Ped. in 1920. His pastorates have been with the German Baptist church of New Britain, Conn., and the Bethel Church, Buffalo. He then became Director of Religious Education for the Buffalo Baptist Asso-Danish, Swedish, Norwegian and Ger- ciation and last month has entered a man Baptist churches contribute a fair new position as Director of Religious portion of the student body. The new Education for the Federation of additions to the faculty are Dr. W. L. Churches in Rochester, N. Y. We wish Ferguson, who is Dean of the Pastor's Bro. Willkens great success in his new

**Our Youth** 

We are the future, For in us there lies What through the ages Our land shall be; Yet what we are, is what you are to us;

We are the question to which you make replies.

#### Each One Win One

If the church does not increase numerically, she will dwindle and die. Here is the supreme opportunity for the laymen to come to the rescue. We could save every person in America in sixteen months if each professing Christian would average one convert for every twelve months. We could reach every person in the world with the Gospel in two years if each nominal Christian would carry the message to two others. If the one hundred and seventy million Protestant members would each win one soul a year, we would bring the whole world to a personal knowledge of Chrit in nine years. Individual evangelism would make the church "bright as the sun, fair as the moon, and terrible as an army with banners." In a critical time a Greek orator counselled his countrymen not to trust to mercenaries, but pointed out that the secret of success was to take the field in person. The greatest chance the church has to fulfil her mission is to enlist every layman to utilize his priestly opportunities for service .--Rev. E. J. Crawford in The Biblical Review.

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#### The Blighting Evil of Gambling

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honest exchange. When one wins, others lose. "It is a form of robbery with the consent of the victim AMBLING is an evil that is blighting much of who lets you rob him on the chance that he may G the young manhood of our land. It has berob you." One who gambles puts into his pocket come a widespread vice. The lure of "taking a money for which he has done no honest work and chance" is strong. It fascinates millions. The poiby the very act, he robs the man from whom he son in various forms spreads like a plague. Handreceives and so violates the imperial law of love. book gambling in our big cities is one of the greatest evils of the times. The man who will take another man's money on

the plea that he ran a chance of losing his own, is The universal prevalence of this vice is a reason a gambler and a gambler is a thief in the sight of for parental vigilance; a reason for remonstrance God and ought to be so in the sight of all honest and action from parent, preacher, patriot and press. men. Herbert Spencer says: "Gambling is a kind Evil wants to be let alone. But our business as of action by which pleasure is obtained at the cost Christians is to say to evil: We cannot let you of pain to another. It affords no equivalent to the alone; we never will let you alone, so help us God. general good. The happiness of the winner implies While many of our brothers are being reduced, dethe misery of the loser." Gambling goes straight moralized and damned by evil, it is our holiest duty against honor and justice and brotherly love. to fling ourselves against it and to strike the hardest blows we are capable of in order to win a vic-The Baneful Effects of Gambling tory for decency, righteousness and God.

Many youths think lightly of gambling. This is indeed because they think lightly. A distinguished jurist has said: "Gambling is a general evil. It leads to vicious inclinations, destruction of morals, abandonment of industry and honest employment, and a loss of self-control and respect."

What is gambling? Gambling is the staking or winning of property upon mere hazard or chance. Gambling is betting marbles or money or anything else on uncertain contingencies. There are many different forms and varieties af gambling, but they are all reprehensible, harmful and hateful, whether it is gambling for drinks or gambling in stocks and wheat; gambling by the wheel of fortune or raffling at a church fair; gambling by "shooting craps" in a pool hall or gambling by cards at a fashionable bridge game; betting at a baseball game or at a horse or dog-race. It is all gambling, for there is no honest equivalent to its gains.

### Why Gambling is Wrong

G AMBLING is wrong because it seeks something for nothing. When a man takes value from thing less than that partakes of theft.

stylish road-house. When the excitement of the another, he ought to give as much in return. Anymoment dies, liquor is used to wind up the system again to the glowing point. Drinking is the invariable attendant of gambling and all amusements There are only three ways in which a person can that powerfully excite and pander to all but the come into possession of anything he obtains; either moral feelings of men. by the free gift of another person (love), or by toil, which receives something as legitimate return. Gambling is a prolific source of crime. It impels or by theft, the taking of that from another which a man to lying and trickery and theft. The gambelongs to him. Now the whole habit of gambling bling fever is the cause of more petty larceny and partakes of the essence of theft. In gambling pure wholesale fraud than any other form of sin. It is chance rules unless there is fraud. There is no a dangerous social evil. A gambling parlor endan-

AMBLING diseases the mind and unfits for J the duties of life. Why? Because gambling is founded upon the powerful element of excitability in our nature. Let a man become addicted to the gambling habit and every other pursuit becomes tasteless. He will live in a world of unwholesome excitement. Ordinary duties do not have the stimulus in them for a mind which now refuses to burn without blazing. He is dulled to every interest which is not intoxication. The gambler's thrills are all to the bad in their effects upon his nervous system and character.

Gamblers are seldom industrious men in any useful vocation. A gambling mechanic finds his labor less relishful as his passion for gambling increases. Every employer knows this and there is not one who would not give the preference to the youth who knows nothing of the turf or the tape.

For the same reason, gambling provokes thirst. There always was a natural and logical connection between the old-time saloon and the gambling hell. The connection exists today between the gambling interests and bootlegging and the "blind pig" or

gers lawful business throughout its vicinity. In many bank failures, all too frequently some clerk or official has been gambling on the stock market or at cards. Gambling means diminished deposits in banks and building associations, larger business for pawnshops, fewer homes and farms bought and less business for stores.

#### **Recruits for the Gambler's Ranks**

WHERE do the gamblers come from? An old professional gambler testifies that the parlor prize card game is the college where gamblers are made and educated. Mr. Biederwolf says that nine-tenths of all the gamblers in this country learned to play cards in the home. A reformed gambler remarks: "The card-playing home is the kindergarten for the gambling saloon." If you ask: "What harm is there in card playing?", we reply, there is the harm of handling the tools of the gambler and the harm of learning the method of using those tools. There is the harm of coming under the influence of the tendency towards the tricks and trickery that so commonly go with the use of those tools. We do not call every person who plays cards a gambler, but it does appear as if he were a gambler in embryo. Card playing is the seed which comes up gambling. It is the light wind which brings up the storm. If gambling is a vortex, card playing is the outer ring of the maelstrom.

Gambling is a habit-forming practice. This is not always realized by the novice, but it becomes a frightful plague bye and bye. The confirmed gambler finds himself a slave in chains that only the power of God can break. To satisfy his cravings, he will sacrifice anything: money and all other property, friends, reputation and all one holds dear in this world and the next. No, the card-table is not the road to church or to heaven.

Gambling is always foolish and always wrong. Even petty gambling is bad. All gambling blunts the moral sense and makes wrong seem right. But human nature is inflammable and all fire should be kept away. The man of honor never plays with fire. He is willing to work for what he gets and will take nothing meanly from any man.

"My son, if sinners entice, consent thou not." Do not touch the unclean thing.

#### **Editorial Jottings**

WE COMMEND to our readers the book of Dr. A. J. Harms advertised by our publication manager in this number of the "Herald." This book has already been favorably reviewed in our colums and at the reduced price ought to attract many. The call of Dr. Harms to the new chair of religious education in the Northern Baptist Seminary will undoubtedly draw new attention to the book and its author.

#### THE BAPTIST HERALD

#### "His Own Noise"

#### O. E. KRUEGER

W HILE the family waited for the desert of the Sunday dinner on the desert of the Sunday dinner, one of its younger members amused himself with fork and spoon, testing the tone-qualities of all the glass and china-ware within reach. "Don't make that noise," rebuked the father. The lad refrained for a moment, but soon forgot himself and continued his sound-producing activities. With sterner inflection the father demanded: "Why are you making that noise?" The lad answered frankly: "Because I like it!" "Well, I don't like it," replied the elder. With a sly twinkle in the eye came an expression from the ocean-depth of truth that will find a thousand verifications: "It seems everybody likes his own noise best!"

Indeed, everybody likes his own "noise" best. After having to endure dad's "noise" for an hour in the church, the lad couldn't see why turn about wasn't fair play. Surely, everybody loves his own "noise" best.

### A Great Tabernacle-Dedication Service

had been in progress. The mass choir, the quartets, the soloists had rendered their parts, the best pulpit orator of the city had delivered a most wonderful and inspiring message. "And now we come to the real part of the service," said the minister who had been appointed to read the "act of dedication." No doubt all the other participants had enjoyed their own "noise" best, but here stood a man who publicly declared it. You were

### Telling a Very Interesting Story

and were compelled to pause for a new supply of oxygen (some talkers can do that without pausing). But when you paused, someone else cut in and obtained the floor. You wondered just why he, or possibly she, yes, quite likely she, didn't enjoy your "noise" at all, and for the life of you, you could not see why she enjoyed her own "noise" so immensely.

The congregation is singing the hymn that preceeds the sermon and incidentally

#### Gives the Choir,

that has so beautifully rendered its part, an opportunity to be seated among the other worshippers, facing the minister. It happens in the best regulated churches that some of these actors slip out of the back door and are seen no more for that service. They can see the meaning of song and do enjoy their own "joyful noise" (and that is Biblical), but just why God afflicted the race with preachers is beyond their vision. On the other hand

## There Are Preachers

who imagine the sweetest music of all the sphere is on the air when they are holding forth. But if Mr. Preacher will just open his eyes and behold the stream of folks leaving the sanctuary after Sunday school and consider the people who hang

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around in the other parts of the building while his "noise" is going on, he will become very humble and wonder why God called him to the task of such unpopular "noise-making."

Nevertheless there are those among us who are C UCCESS knows no "toil." Result inspires the still in a state of blissful unconsciousness. The com-I hardest task and removes the burden of a toiler. mon people rate a "noise-maker" as one "who Thus, complaints are turned into praises. However, surcly loves to hear himself talk." It happens to keep on toiling in spite of adversity, requires courage and stamina. To a spectator such an en-Even in Our Own Select Circles durance and pluck is inspiring, bespeaks of stathat such a man appears at the conference just in bility in character. Peter was such a toiler. Retime to make his "noise" and then vanishes with its peated disappointments did not deter him from conecho. Evidently he likes his own "noise" best and tinuing in his calling. No wonder Christ had his is glad to get away from the "noises" of others. eye on him. He saw his divine mission in secure Of course he has other important matters to look hands if trusted to Peter. He wore the scars of a after. veteran, who met the battle of life without ever Together with our own "noise" we delight in admitting a final loss.

the "noise" of our group, class, kind, kith and kin. A hero never surrenders wholly to the foe. There We believe our own choir can make a better "noise" are various methods to subdue an enemy. Physical than the choir of our sister church. We believe the subjection is only one victory, but need not be final. "noises" of our own children to have superior qual-Christ could not suppress his admiration for Peter ities. It is very natural for parents to take a special when he saw him prepare for the next fishing. He interest when their own "flesh and blood" in minwent and solicited the support of this determined iature has a part in the "noise-making" program. "toiler" in Israel. The Sunday school is wise in capitalizing this na-Failure or success is a matter of spiritual attitude. tural tendency in the interest of the kingdom. Seasoned men of life know that mind can never When we analyze

#### Our Fondness of Our Own "Noise,"

we are flooded with a great light that reveals our own character. Those good people who enjoy their own "noise" so immensely and stop their ears when the "noises" of others are on the air, are simply suffering from a superiority complex. They have

His command is a challenge of your attitude in an exceedingly favorable opinion of themselves and your work for him. You may have toiled and feel are puzzled over the obvious fact that others do the burden of it all; your fervor and endurance may not share it. have suffered a setback; your hope of success is There are others, however, who suffer with an diminishing continually. You are ready for a post inferiority complex and are actually afraid of their mortem. You have done well up to now, but don't own "noise." Why are we all so lopsided? Why give up. The observing Master is admiring your do we slop over on one side or on the other side? morale and character. He is expecting good re-Why can't we get our balance? One needs to be sults because of them. His call is now to a more "taken down a peg," another needs to be boosted spiritual attitude. "Launch out" with him. Matching up your courage, skill and endurance with his up. But after all love and spirit is a wonderful power in his kingdom. Don't disappoint him and let the call go un-The World Needs the "Noise-Maker" heard or unobeyed.

and the "noise-taker," but we prefer the latter. We must learn the secret of Christian success. It's a great thing to be a good listener. You can viz. "to beckon our partners \_\_\_\_ that they would easily kill a humorist if you don't laugh at his wise come and help." A united spiritual advance, in cracks. If you cannot tell a funny story laugh at obedience to Christ's command can fail to bring those told by others and you'll be much appreciresults and with it an enthusiasm for the things ated. But it's not only the joker who wants a hearthat are spiritual. "Toil" is then converted into ing. Dr. Jowett tells about an invalid who had service and inspiration. Christ's presence spiritlittle opportunity for self-expression. When he ualizes our work, no matter of what kind. Difficalled she would repeat the story of her ills and culties vanish, human relations with all their peraches-the story had been heard dozens of times. plexing problems find their solutions, when he is He would not get a chance to say a thing, nor was admitted. A combined willingness to abide by his it necessary. The poor soul wanted a good listener. will is blessed with ultimate success. He is the only When about to depart, she would thank Dr. Jowett liberator from toil and servitude, when we accept for his "comforting words"! Will someone now him and co-operate with him. write an article on: "The Fine Art of Listening to Others"? Do you believe that?

#### Work vs. "Toil"

OSCAR WARGA

#### Luke 5:4

lose. Matter is always subservient to spirit. Christianity being a spiritual domain can not be vanquished by material foes or obstacles. Once established it will continue to grow and expand. Christ is always present to cheer and inspire his workers and "toilers" who "launch out into the deep."

#### Myself

I have to live with myself, and so i want to be fit for myself to know. I want to be able, as days go by, Always to look myself straight in the eve.

I don't want to stand, with the setting sun.

And hate myself for the things I've done.

I don't want to keep on a closet shelf A lot of secrets about myself, And fool myself, as I come and go, Into thinking that nobody else will know The kind of a man I really am: I don't want to dress myself in sham.

I want to go out with my head erect, I want to deserve all men's respect: But here in the struggle for fame and pelf

I want to be able to like myself. I don't want to look at myself and know That I'm bluster and bluff and empty show

I never can hide myself from me; I see what others may never see; I know what others may never know; I can never fool myself, and so, Whatever happens, I want to be Self-respecting and conscience free.

#### Linwood Assembly

LINWOOD PARK-a place for study and rest, fun and quiet, boating, swimming and tennis; the place where the Detroit and Cleveland Unions hold their joint Summer Assemblies.

"All those in favor of holding a Linwood Assembly in 1928, please signify their wish by the usual sign of raising the right hand."

When the vote had been taken on the above motion by Rev. O. E. Krueger, Dean of the Assembly, it was found that in 1928 the third Linwood Assembly would take place. The fact that another Assembly is to take place is proof enough in itself that this year's Assembly was a success, the courses given being of such a variety that everyone's wants were well supplied.

Early each morning, i. e., at 8.45, Dean Krueger held a devotional service and made it very interesting, giving an object lesson, such as "The Watermelon Seed" and "The Petrified Tree."

During the first hour, from 9.15 to 10 A. M., Secretary A. P. Mihm gave a course on "How We Got Our Bible." Did you know that the first church had no New Testament to go to for comfort and advice and that the oldest Biblical manuscript is in the Vatican in Rome today? Well, this is all true, as we learned in this class.

During this same hour Rev. Dons gave a course on "Recreation and Amusements of Youth." After a great deal of discussion throughout the week the situation was finally summed up in one thought. viz., that the least trouble regarding amusements was had with those young folks who had the most of true Christianity in their hearts.

During the second period, 10 to 10.45

A M., Secretary Albert Bretschneider taught "The Methods and Principles of Teaching," using "How to Teach," by Betts, as reference book. At the same time Rev. John Leypoldt gave a very helpful course on "The Art of Winning Folks." He showed us how Jesus always approached his subjects on their own level and admonished those taking the course to follow "The Master Fisherman at work."

During the third period Missionary E. H. Giedt told us about China and the Chinese. This was a most interesting 45 minutes for everyone. During the course of one of the classes Missionary Giedt donned his Chinese clothes and one of the young ladies donned the costume of a Chinese lady. Many native articles were displayed and their various uses or origin explained as well as pictures of the South China Mission buildings, teachers, scholars and missionaries. Did you know that as soon as the missionaries have the walls of the schoolrooms whitewashed the boys throw ink on them and do everything in their power to smudge them because white is the color of mourning in China? Missionary Giedt proved himself a man of exceptional ability and well acquainted with the entire general situation in China.

During the afternoons the folks were kept busy swimming, golfing, playing tennis or throwing horseshoes. On Thursday evening of the Assembly a Marshmallow Roast was held on the shore and the large bonfire, illuminating the water for some distance, made quite a picture. The waves, gently lapping the shore, seemed to say "Let us come up and enjoy the fun, too."

Tuesday evening was "Registration and Get Acquainted" and Dean Krueger introduced us to the faculty and officers of the Assembly as well as giving us much encouragement and good advice about pursuing our studies. On Wednesday evening Secretary Bretschneider gave some sound advice to those who had not yet taken the "fatal step," his subject being "Courtship and Marriage." He told the men that if they wanted to know what their "girl friends" would be like when they reached a more mature age, they should just take heed of their prospective mothers-in-law. To the ladies he said, "Don't marry a man until you know he is able to support you." A great many laughs went up, first from one sex and then from the other, making this evening very enjoyable but there were also some very wise truths spoken.

Thursday evening was "Ohio Night" and the combined Cleveland Choirs rendered a cantata directed by Mr. Val. Saurwein. When Cleveland does things she always does them nicely and the folks who heard the cantata appreciated the work that had been expended in preparing it. Friday evening was "Michigan Night," with Rev. A. Bredy as chairman. The Male Chorus of the Second Church of Detroit sang several appropriate selections and Miss Alameda Rossbach of the same church also sang a lovely soprano solo. Miss Dorothy Zan-

noth, of Bethel, Detroit, rendered a delightful selection and Miss Marion Zannoth of the same church recited "The Great Guest Comes" in a most accomplished manner. The climax of the evening, however, came when six young ladies of the Ebenezer Church gave the dialogue "Janey." This is a story of what a Christian home and good school can do for a girl and we recommend it highly for the use of any B. Y. P. U. or Sunday school class.

On Saturday night Missionary Giedt gave a talk on the work in China, singing in Chinese for us, and telling of the effect Christianity has on the average Chinaman. On Sunday morning Mr. H. P. Donner of Cleveland, in his address, challenged the young folks to step out for Christ and to live for him in a true way. On Sunday afternoon Secretary Mihm brought the Assembly to a close with a splendid address on "The Call and Consecration to Service."

The Sunset Prayer Meetings, every evening at 7 P. M., became a vital factor in the Assembly. Sometimes the lake below us was very rough and, as we listened to the speaker, in the background was always that deep booming of the waves dashing against the shore proclaiming the mighty power of the Almighty. Other evenings there was hardly a ripple to be seen. It was on the latter evenings, with the sun, a mammoth ball of blazing fire, just going down over the horizon and casting a glow over the water, staining it as with blood, that one best understood the wonderful peace and harmony which our Heavenly Father gives us when we place him first in our hearts and lives.

Among our list of notables we must not forget to mention the "two Eds," Mr. E. W. Hoek, to whom we went with all the little troubles, and Mr. E. Glanz, the Assembly treasurer. Throughout the entire Assembly Rev. C. F. Lehr of Cleveland had charge of the singing and we want to thank him for adding so much to the Assembly with the attractive special numbers he provided and the splendid mass singing he conducted. Words cannot express how much we all learned to love Rev. Krueger who, in his role as Dean, "fathered" us all. Mr. Emil Schultz of Detroit won the golf tournament and one of the young men from Cleveland won the Horseshoe Throwing Contest

After all of the above you can easily perceive why we feel another Linwood Assembly should be held next year and, as we bid adieu once more to those with whom we have studied and played, we are trusting everything to him who knoweth all things and doeth all things well, believing that if it be his will we may come together again in 1928 to learn more of him and how to further the spreading of his kingdom.

DOROTHEA ROSSBACH.

If we take care to form good habits the first twenty years of our lives, our habits will take care of our last twenty years of our lives.-James Terry White.

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## The Sunday School

#### Goals for Our Sunday Schools 4. Evangelism

#### H. J. WEIHE

It has been said that every child should be helped to answer four questions: "Whence came I?" "Whither am I going?" "What is God's purpose in my life?" "How can I adjust myself to his plan?" A consideration of these questions leads one to think about the important mission of the Sunday school. No institution outside of the Christian home is so well fitted to meet the need of the child for a knowledge of religious truth and for spiritual guidance. The teaching ministry of the Sunday school, the nature of its curriculum and the form of its organization, together with the fact that it touches and influences young life during every stage of its development, has made this institution the most important evangelistic agency of the church. The Sunday school which fulfills it purpose brings the scholar into a conscious and vital relationship with God the Father and with Jesus, as Friend and Savior. It leads its pupils into a life of joyful Christian service and promotes the development of Christian character.

#### Some Fundamental Needs

The first requirement of church school evangelism is the creation and maintenance of an atmosphere which is conducive to spiritual life. The lack of such an atmosphere is no doubt one of the main reasons why some schools have so little success in influencing the religious lives of their pupils.

It is also essential that much dependence should be placed upon the regular teaching ministry of the school. Many of the lessons which are taught in the class are especially adapted to present the claims of Christ as the divine Friend and Savior. The faithful teacher will seek to utilize such lessons in the best possible manner. No less important are those exceptional opportunities which the teacher has for dealing personally with the individual pupil according to his own particular characteristics and spiritual needs. The teacher who knows his pupils intimately will be able to discern the seasons of the soul in their lives. He will know when a heart to heart talk on personal religion will be most likely to yield good results. In this connection attention should also be called to the value of the organized class as an evangelistic agency. If the matter is rightly presented to those members of the class who are followers of Christ, they will be willing to join the teacher in systematic efforts to win their classmates and friends. In this respect, also, there are unused resources in every church school. The Superintendent as a Spiritual Leader

The Sunday school superintendent occupies a place of strategic importance. His relation to fellow officers, teachers needs and other workers who make diland pupils enables him to exert a large influence upon the spiritual life of the school. In the discharge of his duties he will have many opportunities of emphasizing the evangelistic purpose. It has been said that the superintendent should be a person who has seen the heavenly vision and unto it has not been disobedient; one whose spirit has been kindled by the Divine Spirit and who longs to lead others into fellowship with the Father through Jesus Christ the Son.

It is a gratifying fact that many pastors consider the church school their chief and best field for evangelism. Experience has led them to give their most earnest efforts to the winning of boys and girls to Christ and the church. For this purpose the wise pastor will seek to secure the fullest co-operation of the Sunday school officers and teachers. For all the workers many valuable suggestions are contained in such books as "Evangelism of Youth" by Albert H. Gage and "Plans for Sunday School Evangelism" by Frank L. Brown.

A majority of leaders in the field of religious education favor the observance of what is generally known at Decision Day, while a few seriously doubt its value and usefulness. It must be admitted that Decision Day services, for which no adequate preparations have been made and which are conducted in a bungling and careless manner, may do much harm. On the other hand, experience has shown that where such an observance is the result of careful planning, earnest prayer and faithful personal work, Decision Day may become a means of very great spiritual blessing. Some churches have enlarged the scope and meaning of this day and also prefer to use some other name, as Witnessing Day, Confession Day, Forward Step Day, etc.

It is well to remember that certain seasons of the year are especially appropriate for an evangelistic appeal. At Christmas time the thought of giving one-self to the Great Giver can be vividly presented. At New Year the invitation to begin a new and better life is apt to be especially effective. Easter time, with its emphasis upon the redeeming death and glorious resurrection of our Lord, is rightly looked upon as a spiritual harvest time by many churches.

The history of Christianity, as well as the present-day experience of Christian workers, furnishes conclusive evidence that earnest and persevering prayer is one of the essential factors in all forms of successful evangelism. The Sunday school teacher who prays earnestly for every pupil according to his individual

#### The Place of the Pastor

#### Decision Day

#### The Power of Prayer

igent use of a prayer list, will sooner or later discover that they have laid hold of an inexhaustible supply of divine power, which is so much needed to make plans and methods effective.

#### Last But Not Least

The pupil's decision for Christ should mark the beginning of very careful preparation for church membership. The wise pastor will gather the candidates for church membership into classes for special instruction. He will probably prefer to have at least two classes, one for the Juniors and one for the older pupils. These young followers of the Master should also be enlisted in those forms of Christian service for which they are best fitted and which will contribute most to the development of Christian character.

#### **Placing the Bible**

At the one hundred and seventeenth anniversary service of the American Bible Society, held at St. Thomas' Church, New York City, the general secretary of the Society read a letter from President Coolidge in which the President said:

"There is no other book with which the Bilile can be compared and no other reading that means so much to the human race. It is the support of the strong and the consolation of the weak; the dependence of organized government and the foundation of religion."

Such a book deserves not only a place on the library table but a place in our daily schedule. We must first get the Book into our hands, then into our heads, and it must surely then find a place in our hearts.

#### Realizing on the Investment

A little old Korean Bible woman was eager to do religious work, but had to have something to live on while doing it. She decided that she could live on five yen-about two dollars and fifty centsa month, and the missionary employed her for three months at that salary. During this time she visited and preached to 370 non-Christians, called on 43 Christians who were sick, and reported 23 conversions.

As a result, the little church in which she was working organized a missionary society to raise money to keep her as a permanent worker in the district. A future of untold possibilities thus opens out as a consequence of investing in the work of one Korean Christian.

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An enrollment of 4,288,700 members in the 23,364 Sunday schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church has been reported by the secretary of the department of church schools of that denomination.

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A Story of the Quare Women By LUCY FURMAN

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#### (Continuation)

The Sunday of their ride along the ridge-top was to be the last care-free day for Giles for a long time. The very next afternoon, word came from a school over on Tudor that the teacher had been drunk on Saturday, and on Sunday had openly taken liquor at a funeral-meeting and shot around the outskirts of the crowd afterward.

Giles rode over next morning to Tudor Branch and found the boy still too stupefied to be able to teach. He dismissed the scholars, took away the teacher's certificate, and nailed up the door of the schoolhouse.

A week later, two boys teaching at different schools on Clinch,-one of them Charlie Lee, son of Madison Lee, storekeeper at The Forks and a member of the School Board,-got together, drank a lot, and rode up and down Clinch, shooting and boasting that Giles would never dare to take away their schools. But Giles, pulling his hat a little farther down over his eyes, rode over to Clinch, entirely unarmed, entered the schoolhouse where the boys were again teaching, sent away the pupils, and quietly informed the two youths that they were discharged.

"You mind my words," said Uncle Tutt to Susanna, as he worked on the chimney of the big house, "hit's a conspyracy again' Giles. Them boys would n't skasely be mean enough to think hit up for theirselves. Tother fellers, that never got no certificates this time, air working on them that did. And not only only that. You see that-air reptyle sunning hisself yander on that rock?" and he pointed to old Riley Clemm, the deposed superintendent, who had come out of his retirement more and more of late. "I would n't put it past him having a hand in hit somewheres, too. Naturely he hates Giles like pizen. He's allus a-brogueing round where he hain't got no business."

And indeed, the sudden, noiseless appearance from behind some pile of rock or timber of the tall old man, thin as a lath, brown as an Indian, and with small, black, shifty eyes, had become somewhat disconcerting to Susanna, especially after she heard that he was probably frequenting the spot not merely to pass the time of day with the men at work, but to gather recruits for gambling purposes. In the village was an old storehouse no longer in use, where it was said the old man fleeced his victims.

"A big grain of the good money you women pay out of Saturdays to the work-hands, that old sarpent gets afore Sunday," declared Uncle Tutt. "And the county teachers, the onliest boys in the country that has money to fling aroundby grab, you can lay hit's aiming to be Riley's in the eend. Saturday nights

#### stand on this rock, he could never be moved therefrom.

Former teachers, who had failed to pass the last examinations, also came, seeking to teach the vacated schools, and bringing crowds of men to back them up. "Hit's a scandal to have a schoolhouse and a salary and a big passel of scholars to teach, and nobody to teach 'em," these men said. "Better a man that hain't so educated than nobody."

Giles, however, as firmly refused these requests.

"If the trustees and parents will only stand behind me for a little while," he said, "the boys will see that public opinion is against them, and will soon come round to take the oath, and we will have better schools than we ever dreamed of."

Nine schools, altogether, were now closed; and every day the situation became more tense. Giles found two longretired teachers in the county, men known to be of ability and character, and put them in two of the schools, and he himself undertook to teach the two nearest The Forks,-six and ten miles away,-one in the mornings, the other in the afternoons. But five schools remained closed.

And now it was the week before the women's school would open again, and the big house, almost complete, was beautiful to behold. The workshop, which was being built largely from the scraps, was well under construction by the manualtraining teacher and big boys. The sleeping-porch Christine had had made for Lowizy out from her own second-story room in the big house, was done, too, all but the glass, which would be brought in later. Even the cot and rug and table and chair were there, ready for Lowizy's occupancy.

Christine was to ride up to make the final arrangements with Phebe for Lowizy to come down at the end of the week. At the last she felt such a fear and sinking of the heart that she asked Dr. Benoni to ride up with her to see Phebe and exert his influence. As they rode, Benoni spoke of Giles, of whom Christine had seen almost nothing since their ride a month before. "I don't like the look of things for him," he said. "There is hate and malice at work-an effort to turn the county against him. I see it wherever I go on my visits to the sick. I look for bad days ahead."

Phebe was in the yard under a big tree, shearing a sheep David was holding for her on a rude table. Shears in hand, she came to the gate at the call of Christine, who preferred to talk with her apart from Lowizy.

"Our big house is about done, Mrs. Rideout," said Christine, ple:santly, "and we want the girls who are to live with us to come in the last of the week. The boys must wait another week or two till their rooms over the workshop are done. Of course the principal child we have looked forward to taking is Lowizy. She is to room with me, so that I can watch over her day and night; and I have built a sun-parlor, which will be all glassed-in, get the sun-light all winter, and be made well and strong again. I came to tell you, so you can be making preparations to bring her down."

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Phebe stood holding the shears. "I want my child to have allus the best." she said, slowly, "for well I know her like hain't to be found nowheres. I'd be proud to have her live there with you women, where she would n't have to go through no weather to get larning. She's keen to go, too; and I hain't got no desire to cross her in it, if I can get full asshorance she'll be tuck right care of. I know you women will larn her good, and feed her good, and treat her good: but I also know you got quare notions about fraish air. And I got a bound to know aforehand, and get your word on hit, that there won't never be no cold air or night air turnt in on her. That's the onliest thing I ax; for I never was one to stand in my young uns' way."

Christine was stricken dumb.

Dr. Benoni came to the rescue. "Phebe," he said, "I tell you, as a doctor, who knows and has studied such things, that fresh air is the only treatment now used by doctors everywhere for tuberculosis, and in my opinion it is the sole hope for Lowizy's recovery. I visited a tuberculosis camp while at medical college-saw the patients living right out in tents, summer and winter, day and night, where there was nothing but fresh air, and saw numbers of them getting well and strong. I know what I am talking about. If the fresh air is shut off from Lowizy, she is sure to die."

Phebe looked at him coldly. "Benoni," she said. "I knowed you afore you was borned. Many a time have I dandled and trotted you on my knee, when you weren't nothing but a little set-along child. You can't larn me nothing. If doctors out in the world has gone as daft as you say, hit hin't no reason for me to foller their ways. And hit would be more better for you if you did n't. either. Everybody knows how Seliny Polk died soon as you turned cold air in on her last November."

"She was already dying when I got there. They sent for me too late," Benoni indignantly replied.

"Eh, eh, that's your tale about hit: others think different. And now you and the women here have made hit up betwixt you to kill Lowizy the same way. I hain't got nothing else again' her going down to the school, and I'm still willing, if I get the promise I ax for, that no fraish air won't never be turnt in on her, to let her go."

She stood, slowly opening and shutting the shears, looking at Christine.

For a fleeting instant a powerful temptation presented itself to Christine. Lowizy's life, she well knew, hung in the balance. A false promise to Phebe, and it might be saved. Surely now, if ever, the end justified the means. But behind her were nine generations of New England conscience. She shook her head.

"I cannot make you such a promise, Mrs. Rideout," she said. "It will be my

and heated by a stove, so that she can duty to see that she does get fresh air if they had not been at the housewarming. she comes. But I beg, I implore you, to trust me-to believe that I shall be doing my best for her, that I love her almost as much as you do, that my first thought, day and night, will be her welfare!"

Phebe snapped her shears shut. "Then she don't go, only over my dead body," she said.

"Oh, don't say those terrible words, those cruel word-those words that will seal her doom!" cried Christine. "Oh, I beg you to reconsider, to think more carefully, not to make your decision just yet -too much hangs upon it. Think how you will feel when she dies and you know you might have saved her!"

Phebe only looked darkly at Christine, and repeated her words, "She don't go only over my dead body." The small face was inexorably set. There was absolute finality in the tone. Christine could control herself no longer, but burst into a storm of weeping.

Dr. Benoni laid a hand on her bridle and turned the horses. "Come away," he said, "you are punishing yourself for nothing, Phebe," he called back, as they started, "you will remember this one day, when you have killed her." As the two rode down the branch Christine gave way to uncontrollable anguish. She saw that she was indeed up against life, that all her plans were vain, that Lowizy was doomed, that noth-

ing could now avail. In vain Dr. Benoni tried to comfort her. "Something may happen to change Phebe before it is too late," he said.

"No, no, don't you see she is the kind nothing can change? That if Lowizy were to die tomorrow she would be absolutely satisfied she had done everything possible to save her?"

#### THE LOW-GROUND OF SORROW

For Christine all the joy was gone from the fitting up of library and clubrooms, and the moving into the new building. Lowizy would never be there with her. Day and night now before her mind's eye stood Phebe, a small, sinister figure of Fate, snapping with her shears Lowizy's thread of life.

At the big house-warming, the Saturday night after the women moved in, Christine saw Giles for the first time since her interview with Phebe. She could hardly bear to tell him its result, and did so with tears. His face, already harassed, became still more grave. "You have done all you can," he said to her; "leave it now in God's hands. Learn to say 'Not my will but thine be done.' Why wish to keep her long in a world like this?"

From these last words, so different from his usual tenor, Christine knew that the iron of disappointment in the people he had trusted was entering into his soul.

The same night of the housewarming party, while the jailor and his family were there, Ronny Kent broke jail and completely disappeared.

To the opening of school on Monday Uncle Lot and Aunt Ailsie came in;

hit's a sight to hear the goings-on in his place. He fills 'em up with cornliquor-I allow he's pardner in two-

three stills, too-and then gets their

money over cyards. Used to foller get-

ting hit in his office in the courthouse."

ing off in attendance at the Saturday

night parties and socials of the young

man teachers and some of the older

schoolboys. Ronny Kent, the very life

of the parties hitherto, though he always

rode over from his school on Powder-

horn every Saturday, was no longer pres-

about this gambling?" inquired Susanna.

Uncle Tutt. "If fools wants to part

with their money, there hain't no law

again' it, as ever I heared of, in these

"You mean there are laws, but they're

"Not so a body can realize hit," re-

"Well, I'm afraid there is a bad time

"There hain't nothing else. He wa'n't

"Oh, surely they will! Madison Lee

in his right mind when he made them

fool rules. People hain't a-going to sup-

is supporting him against Charlie. They

must all see that Giles is working for

"There hain't many Madison Lees-

Every week new reports came in now

of teachers defying Giles, and drinking

and shooting. The sixth case was the

most shocking of all-Ronny, his own

brother, got wildly drunk on Powder-

horn and actually broke up a meeting

"We'll see what Giles will do to his

They soon saw. Accompanied this

time by Darcy, the sheriff, with a war-

rant, Giles rode over to Powderhorn and

not only turned Ronny out of the school.

but, arresting him for breach of the

peace, brought him back again, a pris-

"Ronny he's been put up to it," de-

And now all hands were questionings

clared Uncle Tutt. "He's wild, like his

daddy, but he has tried to do better

and criticisms of Giles. Deputations of

men rode in every day to see him, trus-

tees, parents, and friends of the deposed

boys, the former to complain about the

vacant schools and the dissatisfaction of

the parents, the latter to bring every

means they could think of to bear on

"Never till they take public oath to

do no more drinking and shooting while

they teach," he declared; and, taking his

Giles to make him reinstate the boys.

there in the revered old church-house.

own. Blood hit's thicker than words,"

"Is there nothing that can be done

"Ourn is a free country," replied

ent at the socials.

parts."

not enforced?"

plied the old man.

ahead for Giles."

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people commented.

oner, to jail.

sence last winter."

the good of the children."

Susanna had already noticed the fall-

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Not the least impressive thing about the opening exercises was the sight of Uncle Lot on the platform, wearing for the first time in the history of man a necktie a handsome black-silk one. The tops of

a white silk handkerchief again protruded from his breast pocket. Had proper search been made in the audience. it would also have been discovered that beneath the skirts of her black-silk sunbonnet Aunt Ailsie wore a pretty lace collar, and that she carried in an elevated position in one hand a lace-edged handkerchief.

It had all come about very quietly and simply. Determined not to be caught napping this time, as she had been at the close of school in May, Aunt Ailsie, after dressing, had retired to the smokehouse, behind a convenient crack, until she saw Uncle Lot emerge upon the back porch. arrayed this time-such is the everincreasing power of temptation-not only in the white-silk handkerchief but in the black-silk necktie as well. Then, in apparent entire unconsciousness of his adornments, she herself at the last moment had pinned on her lace collar and gathered in a mittened hand the lace handkerchief. Not a word passed between them, not a glance; each was wholly oblivious of the departure of the other from the strait gate and narrow path.

Lowizy, too, was at the opening. Too weak to ride the four miles on her old blind nag, she had been brought down in David's strong arms, on his own horse, since stay away she would not.

"Maw she would n't noway consent for me to stay with you," she said to Christine when the high-school pupils were being enrolled an hour later, "she's so afeared of the cold air for me. I know hit's good for me, because you say so; but she won't hear to it. I wanted bad to come, but I won't get to. But I'll be at school every day till cold weather; poppy he says he'll fetch me hisself; and Saturdays and Sundays I'll still get to teach what scholars I got left."

Christine doubted whether she would come even until cold weather, so exhausted was she from the trip down.

Uncle Lot, meantime, was viewing the new building, the unfinished chimneys, the mortar, not yet dry, used for chinking, the workshop being built by the big boys; and Aunt Ailsie had attached herself to Susanna, out in the grounds.

"I allow, now you've got the new house up, you'll be a-leaving to marry your cyarver," she said.

"Yes," said Susanna, with a slight catch in her breath, "I'll be starting out day after tomorrow. But I can't believe it, or imagine myself really going, I'm so rooted here now! I'm afraid I'll never fit into the old life any more."

"You'll fit in, too, if you like your man. But don't you take him if you don't; men-persons is mighty trying, even when you like 'em."

"Oh, I like him well enough, of course." said Susanna. "It's just leaving all this that I hate."

They were approaching the corner of

the big house nearest the cottage and the cow-shed.

"I feel to go up in that-air cow-shed loft again," said Aunt Ailsie.

The two climbed the ladder, and again Aunt Ailsie parted the bundles of fodder and gazed upon what lay beneath.

"Hit holps up my spirit jest to look at it," she said to Susanna. "I allowed I had lost hit forever; but did you see that-air necktie on Lot today?"

"Yes," said Susanna. "And the silk handkercher, too?"

"Yes, I noticed both."

"Well, hit looks like he's kindly coming round-though hit may take him so long I'll be dead and gone, and a young, stout woman there to enjoy this here glass window when hit's sot in."

"Oh, no!" said Susanna. "You must be the one to enjoy it."

"That's jest as hit's to be," sighed Aunt Ailsie. "A body can't noway change what's predestyned. I tried to, a while back, but hit wa'n't no use. We jest got to take what comes-specially if we're womenfolks. 'Pears like they're a sight more predestyned than men!"

After coming down a little later, she embraced Susanna, with the words, "I allow hit's my last look at you. Farewell; I hope your man'll be good to you, and not do no cyarving on you!"

That very night, in the quare women's mail came a check for two thousand dollars to build a small hospital. Great excitement and enthusiasm followed; and before she went to bed-she was again rooming with Christine-Susanna wrote the following letter:

"Dearest Robert,

The most wonderful thing has happened tonight! I thought my work was all done, and had a wagon engaged to take me out Wednesday; and here arrives a check from a friend in the East for the little hospital we so desperately need! If I had only known last winter, I could easily have gotten the extra logs for it. As it is, there are two or three small lots that I know of, cut for timber companies, that we can buy, I am sure; and as the sawmill has not yet been taken away by its owner, these logs can be squared and made ready at once, and the little building put up by the manualtraining teacher this fall. I feel certain I can assemble the logs and get them ready and have the shingles made inside of a month; and the women say I simply must stay and do it, as there is no one else who can, and the hospital is so dreadfully needed. Maybe as it's a hospital, you'll have more sympathy with this final delay than with the others. I'll take less time for trousseau, and maybe the wedding can still be in October. I know it's hard on you, dear, with the old home all in readiness as it is, and you so longing to get into it, to have even a week's more delay; still, I know you won't feel that the happiness of two people ought to stand in the way of the well-being of many, and that you will be willing to lend me for just a few weeks longer to this much-needed work."

After the letter was written, Susanna

threw out her arms and said to Christine, "I feel like a felon who has been granted a reprieve! How shall I ever reconcile myself to living that tame, dull. monotonous life again-to planning three meals a day, with an occasional card or dinner party? I certainly was born out of time. I should have been a pioneer woman at Bryan's Station, darting out of the stockade in the teeth of the Indians to get water for the men to drink, meeting lurking savages at the door with a shotgun. Or at the very least, I should have been born here in these mountains, where life is still alive and interesting, men still do brave and daring things, and the unexpected may always be counted on to happen. In our comfortable, prosperous Blue Grass, we've been 'tendered,' as Giles would say, by too much ease; we have degenerated, and don't produce heroes any moremen, for instance, like those who fought the Kent-Fallon war; and like Giles, who stands like a rock against the whole county, and calmly takes its disfavor; and Benoni, who runs courageously up against a stone wall almost every time he turns round. Our men are too smoothed-down and civilized. They have lost their backbone."

"Oh, I don't believe you ought to say that," objected Christine.

"You like them that way, with all the corners rubbed off," said Susanna. "I prefer the other kind!"

(To be continued)

#### Young People's Society of McIntosh, S. D.

This young group who are most all members of the Young People's Society presented a musical program to an audience that filled the Baptist church at McIntosh, S. D., to capacity on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 3.

The program was rather long but the singers and players had spent much time and effort in preparation and the presentation was very good.

Mrs. S. Blumhagen, who directed the young folks, deserves a great deal of credit for the success of the program.

The afternoon session was opened with a song by the audience, accompanied by two violins.

The duets given by Misses B. Blumhagen and L. Willemsen were rendered in a very able manner and the singing by both mixed and men's chorus was good, for they all tried their best.

Student J. J. Renz gave a short talk on the subject of "Sela."

Rev. Lohse also favored us with a brief talk. The listeners gave us the impression that they enjoyed the afternoon.

A collection was taken for the purpose of furnishing new music for the singers. The aim of our singers and musicians

is to present something good and new every year. May the Lord help them! \* \* \*

"I suppose, poor fellow, it was poverty that brought you to this prisoncell?"

"On the contrary, I was just coining money."

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#### Young People's Rally at Passaic

The young people of the First German Baptist Church, 25 Sherman St., Passaic, N. J., held a Rally meeting and a social in church, Tuesday evening, Sept. 27. The meeting opened with a rousing song service, led by our leader, Mr. E. Earl Traver. Following the song service, Miss Carrie Conrad read the Scripture lesson and Mr. Harry Schroeder led in prayer. The president of the society, Mr. William Beyer, expressed his appreciation for the fine turn-out for the first meeting and expressed a wish that the attendance and enthusiasm the young people displayed, might continue throughout the coming year.

Mr. Beyer introduced the various committee chairmen who presented their program. Mr. E. Earl Traver, chairman of the program committee, presented the program for the fall and winter which was unanimously adopted. Chairman of the entertaining committee, Mr. Wm. Hoof, presented some of his plans in the line of entertainment. Mrs. E. Earl Traver, chairman of the social committee, assured us that she and her committee would do their best to take care of our social evenings. Mr. Traver also reported for the delegates who attended the Executive Comittee meeting of the German Baptist Young People's Union of New York and Vicinity. The members of the society voted to give their consent to the Board of Trustees of the Union for the improvements which they contemplate making at the Young People's Cottage at Bradley Beach, N. J., and instructed their delegate to vote in favor of the improvements at the meeting of the Union on Election Day.

Following the reports of the committee chairmen, Mr. B. W. Rumminger entertained us with selections in German and Russian, which selections were enjoyed by all present. Mrs. B. W. Rumminger told a story. Miss Helen Kliese favored us with two piano selections, and then came the treat of the evening. Mr. O. Conrad, treasurer of the Conrad Hosiery Co. and also director of the Mixed and Male Choir of the church, who had just returned from a trip through Europe, told us of some of his experiences on the trip. He told us something of his trip through Hamburg, Berlin, Leipzig, Breslau, Lucerne, Venice, Milan, Warsaw, Zyrardow, Lodz and then the trip home.

Following the address of the evening we sang another song after which Mr. J. A. Conrad lead in closing prayer. Refreshments, consisting of coffee and cake, were served. The meeting adjourned to meet again for a missionary meeting on Tuesday, October 4, and invites any young people who are without a church home to all of the meetings of the church.

A tramp had been admitted to the casual ward of a county workhouse late one evening. The following morning he duly appeared before the warden.

"Have you taken a bath this morning?" was the first question he was asked.

"No, sir," answered the tramp, "is there one missing?"

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#### **Ever** Jesus

Think often of Jesus, for thinking Will make us but love him the more: By pondering over his mercies, We swing aside gratitude's door.

Talk often of Jesus, for talking May reach one who never has heard, And Christ will confess us in heaven According to his precious word.

Sing often of Jesus, for singng Is winging our praises above: How can we refrain in our rapture To voice what our hearts feel of love?

Live always for Jesus, for living Is all that the world of him sees,

Each day we discredit, or honor, Each day cause him sorrow, or please.

#### Home Coming Day at Portland First

Vacation time being over it was Home Coming all day Sunday, Sept. 11, at the First Church, Portland. "Home Coming" was the popular theme throughout all programs. The Stalder family held their reunion or we might say home coming or get-together day, in the afternoon. Out of approximately 200 relatives there were about 130 children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren present, Mr. and Mrs. Stalder have long since passed away.

In Sunday school, our vice-presidents, Henry Bertuleit and Dave Billeter, each gave an inspiring talk. They mentioned how nice it was after vacationing at the mountains or seashore to come back home and best of all to the church. Also what a wonderful Home Coming it will be when we go to our Heavenly Home. Including several fine numbers on the program there was a Ladies double trio, "Welcome Home," and a solo by Emil Kratt.

In Young People's meeting, Henry Schroeder, group leader, illustrated on the blackboard a wheel with four spokes, namely Ladies Missionary Society, Sunday school, B. Y. P. U. and Choirs. He impressed upon our minds how necessary it is that we all help together and find the place where we can serve best. There were 233 present in B. Y. P. U. meeting.

A musical program was given by the Emanuel class for the evening service. What a fine male chorus this class makes! Under the leadership of Rudolph Redman, they opened the meeting by singing a rousing good song entitled "Das ist der Tag des Herrn," after which Herman Bachofner read the 84th Psalm and Mr. Moekli, their teacher, led in prayer. Two xylophone solos by Miss Gertz were enjoyed by all as well as a duet, "In the Dawn of Eternal Day," by Ed. and Wm. Neubauer. Our pastor, Bro. Kratt, spoke a few words on the dedication of our renovated church. What a coincidence to dedicate our church the same Sunday as the Sunday school lesson taught of the dedication of Solomon's Temple, and being Home Coming Sunday too. Bro. Dymmel, our associate pastor, held the dedication praver.

"Revive us again.

#### Central Conference at Peoria

"Say, fellows! We certainly had the summer conference sized up wrong. It was great!"

"Oh! it was just wonderful! I just can't wait until next summer comes to go to the conference again."

The above exclamations are as common as there are delegates to a summer conference. They come home to their friends and churches, bubbling over with enthusiasm and expressions of how they "had such a good time;" "met such a lot of new friends;" and "how wonderful" such and such a leader was, etc.

Thus Mr. O. V. Davis begins a recent article on "Conserving Summer Conference Experiences." That is also our experience. We had the conference sized up wrong altogether. About all we think of on a conference program are the dryas-bone philosophical discourses and theological discussions, mainly for the indulgence of ministers. Granted that many of the topics on the program are philosophically or theologically tinted, or even concern themselves with church administration, yet there are many topics of high educational as well as inspirational value.

On the program of the Central Conference both classes were well represented. Aside from the strictly devotional talks, the following topics were treated: "Do the Changing Conditions of the East Demand a Restatement of the Christian Message?" "The Missionary Character of Christianity;" "Our Denominational Program" (German and English, each from a different aspect); "Revival or Awakening?" "Conditions for a Religious Awakening;" "Is Protestantism on the Decline?" "Evangelism, who is responsible for it?" "The Present Status of Prohibition;" "Does Christianity offer the final solutions of our world problems?" I think we are all agreed that here was food for thought

for pastor and member alike.

May I just reiterate what you have previously read in the "Baptist Herald" of Sept. 15, namely that the Young People and Sunday School Workers exceeded their goal of \$2500 by more than \$400. Hats off for the past! but coats off for the future! We are going to raise \$3000 this year. "Are you going to?" Yes, we are going to raise \$3000. We as German Baptists, and especially as Central Conference workers cannot afford to fail.

"I wish he would stop telling us that old story over and over again, that we are the men of tomorrow," said an impatient young voice as the boys came out of the high school. "Tomorrow hasn't come yet, and he might give us a chance to be the boys of today." There was some justice in the complaint; youth has a right to its youthfulness. Still the fact remains that it is the material out of which something else is making.

Fill each heart with thy love, May each soul be rekindled With fire from above."

L. T.



Young People's Group, McIntosh, S. D.

#### Ordination of Bruno H. Luebeck

The Plum Creek Church, S. D., called a Council on Sept. 9 to set apart their preacher, Bro. Bruno Luebeck, for ordination into the Gospel ministry. All our churches of South Dakota were represented by 31 delegates. The Council was organized, Rev. A. W. Lang was chosen moderator and Rev. J. G. Rott, clerk. Bro. John Heitzman, who is a member of the Plum Creek Church, introduced the candidate to the Council. Bro. Luebeck gave his testimony according to the three points: 1. his Christian experience; 2. his call into the Christian ministry; 3. his view of the Christian doctrine

The Council was well pleased with the testimony of the candidate and with great pleasure advised the church to proceed with the ordination.

The ordination took place in the evening under the leadership of the Moderator A. W. Lang. Rev. S. C. Blumhagen read the Scripture lesson, Jeremiah chap. 1; the choir sang and Rev. J. G. Rott offered a prayer. Rev. B. Schlipf preached the ordination sermon, according to 2 Tim. 4:2. Rev. S. Blum offered the ordination prayer, following that Rev. H. P. Kayser extended the hand of fellowship. Rev. J. F. Olthoff gave the charge to the candidate and Rev. A. W. Lang to the church. Bro. Luebeck dismissed the meeting with benediction.

Bro. Bruno H. Luebeck is a son of the Rev. J. Luebeck, pastor of the McDermott Ave. Baptist Church in Winnipeg. Can.

Three years ago Bro. Luebeck entered our Seminary at Rochester and graduated last spring in May. He came to South Dakota with the intention of spending only his summer vacation and returning to Rochester to take up an English course. But his plans have changed. Bro. Luebeck has entered into the college at Mitchell, S. D., where he will take up work in English and serve the church besides every Sunday.

May God's blessing rest upon the new pastor so that many souls may be saved through his ministry is our earnest J. G. ROTT, Clerk. prayer.

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Thanksgiving is as much a receiving as a giving, and the best thing we receive is content.

#### Army Reminiscences H. P. KAYSER

As the nature of this topic indicates the writer of these lines wants to say something about military life, for while vet a young man he was strongly led to spend a number of years in the service of Uncle Sam's Army. At that time he thought the life of a soldier must be about the ideal life, but he soon found out that this was not the case. Yet these lines are not written either to encourage nor to discourage any young man of our people in this respect, for there may be somewhere a strong character whom the Lord might want to use to glorify his name as a Christian soldier in the army. And if the Lord leads a young man into the army life, he certainly is able to keep him and to enable such a life to be of great blessing to the many young men about him.

In the first place I wish to call attention to

#### A Number of Events

during my enlistment in the U.S. Army.

The period of my military service extended between the years from 1901 to 1904. Thus it happened that my time as recruit was spent at the barracks of Washington, D. C. During our stay at the Capitol a great event took place, namely the inauguration ceremony of our greatly esteemed President McKinley. The batallion of the 11th Infantry quartered at the barracks was to have the great privilege to take part in the parade on the 4th of March, 1901.

However, we recruits were not permitted to march in the lines down Main St., yet we all felt that this was a great day of celebration. The whole capitol was all gay. It was the center of attraction for the whole country because Mc-Kinley had been reelected in the fall and on this day he took the oath of the presidential office the second time, moreover, to us soldiers it meant that he was not only the president of the country but also the commander-in-chief of the U. S. Army. Taking McKinley's marked personality in consideration as well as his very successful administra- . tion, and especially the fact that it was his task to lead our country in a number of entirely new political enterprises, we all admit that the occasion formed a very important event in the history of our country.

A second important occurrence during my enlistment took place when the headquarters of our regiment received orders from the War Department that we were to get ready to

#### Leave at Once for Service in the Philippine Islands

On the day this military order was issued to the boys of company "M" of the 11th U. S. Infantry, there was a great outburst of rejoicing since such a move would afford the boys a splendid opportunity to make a trip around the world and also the chance of seeing active service.

I shall never forget that trip across the continent made the first time. While

the boys were having a jolly time in the ing so many troops aboard, it became Pullman cars and were making plans about the great part they would take in the suppression of the Philippine Rebellion, I often found myself on the platform observing the manifoldness as well as the vastness of the Western country. And while I often stood there in the night, the train flying through the country of the West, my youthful mind began to contemplate about the problems of my personal life, and after having done some serious thinking I would commit my life into the hands of him who directed the course of the shining stars above my head. Never did I forget in my later life the very pleasant experience the traveler makes when, after having passed the Sierra Nevada Mountains, he is suddenly ushered into the beautiful paradise of California.

#### The Capture of Aguinaldo

Another important military event on this trip I dare not fail to mention, namely the cable news from the Philippines that Aguinaldo, the leader of the uprising in the Islands, was captured.

Our train was just pulling into Ogden, Utah, when the news spread among the soldiers that the ringleader of the rebellion in the Islands had been captured. Now it may seem that such news should be considered as good news, yet this was not the case with our boys. You may ask why? Well, did we not have the great ambition ourselves of capturing this man? And now while on our way to bravery we are informed, that we are too late. However, soldier talk is not always to be taken very seriously. Yet it must be stated here that with the capture of Aguinaldo the rebellion in the Islands had lost its chief inspiration.

#### The next experience was one of Surprising Sadness to My Heart

We had by this time arrived in San Francisco. The U. S. transport "Kilpatrick" was ready in the harbor to take the 11th Infantry on board. What an eventful day in my life! Great was the commotion on and about the ship, but what a feeling of lonesomeness in my soul! Strange thoughts took possession of me while the transport slowly steamed through the Golden Gate. Many of the boys seemed to have friends who bid them farewell, but no one seemed to care for me, nor even recognize this young fellow. I was friendless; I was lonesome. The future was dark before me. Will the ship reach its destination? Will there be a possibility of ever returning home? Who was able to answer questions of such a mysterious nature?

The trip across the Pacific Ocean was rather a long one, lasting some 50 days. could not say that it was a pleasant voyage, for we were hardly on the ocean when the rumor went around that small pox had broken out among the soldiers. Consequently we were subjected to severe medical treatment. Everybody had to be vaccinated, not only once but repeatedly until it would take effect. Yet not only vaccination became the order of the day, fumigation was the next thing that was very rigidly enforced. The vessel hav-

rather annoving to us being repeatedly ordered about in order to change our quarters.

#### Arriving at Honolulu

we stopped here for about a week. But to our great sorrow we were not permitted to go ashore since we had small pox on ship. But who dared to deny us a good plunge in the warm waters of the Pacific? The other boys enjoyed themselves swimming in the ocean. I had thus far not acquired the art of swimming, and yet I was bent on having also a bath in the salt water. What shall I do? I put a life preserver around my body, and then I called out to the swimmers, jumping at the same time into the open Pacific! That was a strange feeling in the air and when I alighted on the water. However, I soon discovered that the water held me up, and thus I enjoyed my first swim in the Pacific Ocean.

Finally, after many days of quiet sailing our transport entered one morning into the

#### Beautiful Harbor of Manila

Looking over the harbor, we were reminded of what had happened here only a few years before: it was the victory of Admiral Dewey's fleet in the harbor. This decisive victory of the American navy completely broke the power of Spain in this hemisphere. In consequence of this victory America was forced to take possession of the Philippine Islands.

While I thus stood on the deck of the "Kilpatrick," a vision came to my young mind. It dawned upon me suddenly that I should have come to these Islands not so much in the capacity of a soldier as in the capacity of a missionary bringing these natives the glad tidings of Christ. I could not help but tell this inspiration at once to a friend who stood next to me. Upon this he remarked that such a thing might be made possible in the future. And although I did not serve in such a capacity in the Islands, yet the Lord led me later on to serve his cause for a number of years in the heart of Africa.

## On the Island of Leyte

Soon after our arrival in the Islands an order was issued from the headquarters that a detachment of company "M" was to be formed for the purpose of being located at the town of Abullio on the Island of Leyte. I happened to belong to this detachment. So one day the detachment of 60 men arrived in a small boat out in the bay of this town. But since the water was too shallow for the boat, we were brought into a small rowboat which was to take us to land. The sea being rather high on that day we had quite a task in reaching the shore safely. What a great relief it was to us to have at last reached our final destination! How beautiful those Islands appeared to us! The thought came to us that now at last we had reached paradise. But we were badly deceived.

Above we mentioned that the inauguration of McKinley was an event of historical importance. Now to our great sorrow we must state that in that very

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same year of his inauguration our detachment received the sad news that the commander-in-chief of the American army had been shot while paying a visit to the exposition at Buffalo. The colors throughout the Islands were at half mast. It was quite a shock for the army in the Philippines.

One more incident I would like to add to this list of events during my enlistment, namely the incident of the socalled

#### "Balangiga Massacre"

Opposite the Island of Leyte is the Island of Samar. At Balangiga, Samar, was company "C" of the 9th Infantry. On a certain day the terrible news reached us, that with the exception of a few men, the whole company had been massacred by the natives in that district. How was it possible that the command of that garrison could be thus deceived?

The commanding officer was quite convinced that the natives under his rule were nothing but friends. Thus he did not deem it necessary to take any special precaution against the people. However, he found out that he was badly deceived in the character of the natives. It was on a Sunday morning when everybody of the whole surroudings seemed to be going to church, for throughout the Islands the Roman Catholic church was in nower.

But these church-goers were not very serious about worship on that morning, for the men carried weapons. The plan was to kill the Americans. It was just about the time when the boys were having their breakfast, and consequently separated from their rifles, when these armed natives made the attack on this company. The men were cut to pieces and everything available was taken along, and then they took to the hills. Only a few men were able to make safe their escape to report the awful story of the massacre of company "C" of the 9th Infantry. When the news of this terrible slaughter had reached us at our solitary place we knew what our attitude toward the natives was to be. We were on our guard day and night in order to prevent any such recurrence on the part of the Filipinos.

Although we were deprived of the honor of making captive Aguinaldo, the leading insurrecto of the Islands, yet the detachment of company "M" of the 11th Infantry had the honor of capturing the leading insurrecto in the district assigned to us. His name was Capille. How the captain of the company was pleased with this report! After we had thoroughly policed the whole district so that there was order and peace among the natives, we were ordered to leave the town of Abullio.

Although there were many more important incidents, yet these narrated were the leading events during my military service in the army.

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"I don't believe in operations," objected the woman. "Even the scriptures are agin' operation. Don't they come right out and say plain as the nose on your face, 'What God hath jined togither let no man put asunder'?"

Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Central Conference of German Baptist Churches MISSION FUND REPORT

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#### A Novel Social at First Church, Portland

The young people of the First Church, Portland, Oreg., had a social Friday night, Sept. 16. Upon arrival everyone was given a pencil and paper and were to see how many names, addresses and color of eyes they could get in a certain length of time. Bertha Johnson won the prize. Each group gave a stunt for entertainment and the funniest of these was entitled, "Two Old Maids Riding in a Ford." Bertha Johnson and Ruth Pfaff were the "old maids" and Henry Bertuleit was the chauffeur. Harry Johnson acted as speed cop.

The boys brought corsage bouquets which were auctioned off and bought by the girls, thus making partners for the refreshments.

Mrs. Dymmel's group won the prize for having the most present of the group. A good time was had by all and we are looking forward eagerly to the next social. L. T.

"Study geography until there be no foreign land, and humanity until there be no foreigners."-Bishop McDowell,

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#### **Our Little Dime**

CHARLES A. WING

We spend a little money for things I will admit.

Some things we take a fancy to, we do not need a bit.

It may be just a lemonade, a soda, or a lime.

But when we get inside a church, it's hard to give a dime.

We go out for a picnic and rent a boat all day

To fish or row around the lake and drive our cares away.

But when we get inside a church, and sitting in a pew

We think how much we've spent this week, we guess a dime will do.

We're glad to pay a dollar to get a real good laugh

And for a little lunch each day we gladly pay a half. But when we get inside a church we're

thinking all the time

What a great thing we are doing when we drop our little dime.

Perhaps we play a little bridge or give a little tea.

It surely costs us something, what e'er the case may be.

We do not seem to worry, we do not seem to care

Providing when we get to church we have a dime to spare.

So long as we are living, we have nothing much to fear,

But it starts a person thinking, when the end of life draws near,

And I wonder if our conscience will not smite us at the gate,

Or is heaven only worth the dime we put upon the plate?

#### California Convention at Lodi

The German Baptist Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of California held their second annual Convention with the Lodi church, Aug. 25 to 28, 1927.

Our motto for this Convention and coming year was "With Christ in Prayer, at Study and at Work." Everyone who was able to attend these meetings was very happy to have been there, for we felt we were all greatly benefited in a spiritual way. From our observations the most outstanding features of this Convention were: the fine spirit of cooperation that prevailed between the different societies and Sunday schools; the devotional, instructive and inspirational studies we were privileged to enjoy, and above all, the blessings of Christian fellowship.

The objectives of our Young People's Work were again set before us and we all resolved to make a bigger and better effort to do the work we as Christians are privileged to do.

The program consisted in a series of three lectures on four very interesting

and important topics. "The Life of Jesus" was very capably brought before our minds by Rev. C. H. Edinger of Wasco. Rev. G. E. Lohr of Lodi in a most interesting way told us of the great possibilities of the "Mission fields." Rev. O. R. Schroeder of Anaheim in his able way lectured on "Baptist Principles." We certainly all felt inspired through these lectures to become better Baptists and to make the renewed effort to live up to the principles which are so dear to us. Rev. A. Bretschneider in his efficient way gave us many instructive ideas on "Methods" in the work amongst our young people.

We were all very happy to have Rev. A. Bretschneider, Secretary of our Young People's Work, with us. Besides his interesting lectures, he gave us practical and in viring messages on two evenings and the Sunday afternoon service. We all feel that Rev. Bretschneider is the right man in the right place and our whole Union can be happy to have such a man as one of its leaders.

Every morning we came together for a devotional hour. "With Christ in Prayer," by Rev. Reichle; "With Christ at Work," by Rev. A. L. Ross; "With Christ at the Sunday Service," by Walter Schroeder, were the topics of the devotional hour. Many young people participated in prayer and testimony.

The musical numbers given by different young people of the various churches were greatly enjoyed. The reports from the various societies and Sunday schools were encouraging and showed that they were all active and successful. The officers elected for the coming year are the same as last year: President, Rev. O. R. Schroeder of Anaheim; vice-president. Rev. C. H. Edinger of Wasco; secretary, Meta Seidel of Lodi; and treasurer, Mr. C. G. Remland of Anaheim.

Saturday afternoon, the society of Franklin church very royally entertained the delegates and visitors of the Convention at McKinley Park in Sacramento. Here we played games and enjoyed some very delicious refreshments which the Franklin people provided for us.

Sunday was the big day of the Convention. We had a very full program. In the morning, after the devotional period, we heard from representatives of the various Sunday schools and then the morning service. Rev. C. H. Edinger of Wasco delivered the message. His subject was "Isaiah saw God, saw himself. repented and then heard the voice of God." Rev. A. Bretschneider delivered the main address Sunday afternoon, his subject was "Why David got the Job."

The first part of the evening service consisted of a program of literary and musical numbers contributed by members of the various societies. At the close of the meeting an invitation was given for renewed consecration for Christ and his work. It was an inspiring moment to see so many answer this call. Then after individual silent prayer, Rev. A. Bretschneider led in the consecrating prayer.

Thus ended the second convention of the Young People's Union of California.

We feel that this Convention was a great influence and inspiration to members present to do greater work and better service for our Master.

META A. SEIDEL, Sec.

#### Organization and Recognition of First German Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia

After several Macedonian calls from across the Rocky Mountains Rev. A. Kujath began a very successful mission in Vancouver. God's blessing rested to such an extent upon the undertaking that it was decided to call Bro. Fred W. Mueller, student of our Seminary at Rochester, N. Y., for the summer months. Bro. Mueller soon won the hearts of the people by his untiring efforts and devotion to the work. Great progress was made. Scattered German Baptists, residing in Vancouver, were greatly blessed and uplifted; a number of friends were converted and visitors to the meetings increased. A church was organized and a council called to give approval of the step taken.

Sunday, Sept. 11, was a great day of rejoicing for the little flock at Vancouver. It was highly appreciated that Rev. William Kuhn, D. D., our General Missionary Secretary, could make it possible to attend. Others present were Rev. E. P. Wahl of Winnipeg, Rev. A. Kujath of Calgary and undersigned of Edmonton. Some persuasion had been used to keep Bro. Mueller on the field until then. All were pressed into service and gave helpful and inspirational messages in the three great meetings of the day. Six converts were baptized in the afternoon by Rev. Kujath and Rev. Kuhn presided at the Lord's Table in the evening meeting.

On Monday evening the Ecclesiastical Council convened. After careful deliberation of the doctrines, church order, nccessity of a church in Vancouver and the future possibilities it commended their organization and made preparation for a public recognition service to be held in the evening. At this time Rev. Kuhn preached the sermon. Rev. E. P. Wahl addressed the church and gave the hand of fellowship. As representatives of the Canadian Baptist churches in Vancouver Rev. Wards and Dev. Daniels expressed words of greeting and fellowship. At the close of the service Bro. Mueller exhorted the congregation to follow Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd, in a farewell address.

May God greatly prosper the efforts of Rev. A. Kujath in this new church with 26 members in the beautiful and busy city of Vancouver, B. C., the Can adian California and port on the Pacific

AUG. KRAEMER. \* \* \*

Auto Tourist: "I clearly had the right of way when this man ran into me, and yet you say I was to blame."

Local Cop: "You certainly were." Autoist: "Why?"

Local Cop: "Because his father is mayor, his brother is chief of police, and I go with his sister."-Bison.

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#### True Story Number Four

Bro. M. W. was a student at our Seminary. During my frequent visits to Rochester, N. Y., he became a holder of a membership certificate for \$500 of insurance and regularly made his quarterly payments, keeping his policy in force. In the course of time he became the pastor of one of our Pennsylvania churches.

However, something happened and Rev. M. W. stopped paying his assessments. To be frank, he became provoked at the rules of the office and subsequently ignored all letters calling attention to his delinquency. We later learned that becoming angry at our insistence that he keep his policy in force, he had thrown the certificate in his waste basket. As luck or providence would have it, his little son, attracted no doubt by the appearance of the lettering and the bright seal on the face of the policy, had taken it from the waste basket and somehow had saved it.

Soon thereafter our brother took a pastorate in North Dakota. The manager of our Association forgot all about him, but, of course, the records of his policy were in the office files. Some years later the manager was the guest of the pastor of our St. Joseph, Mich., church. where he heard that Bro. M. W. had died, leaving a large family and a sweet little wife. "Is he insured with you?" asked the host. We replied, "He was, but stopped paying; he may yet be under our automatic extension system. Our records will show."

The manager returned to Buffalo where he saw the obituary in the "Sendbote." Consulting the records, he found that M. W.'s death had occurred within the extension period which meant that he was still protected for \$500.

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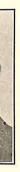
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