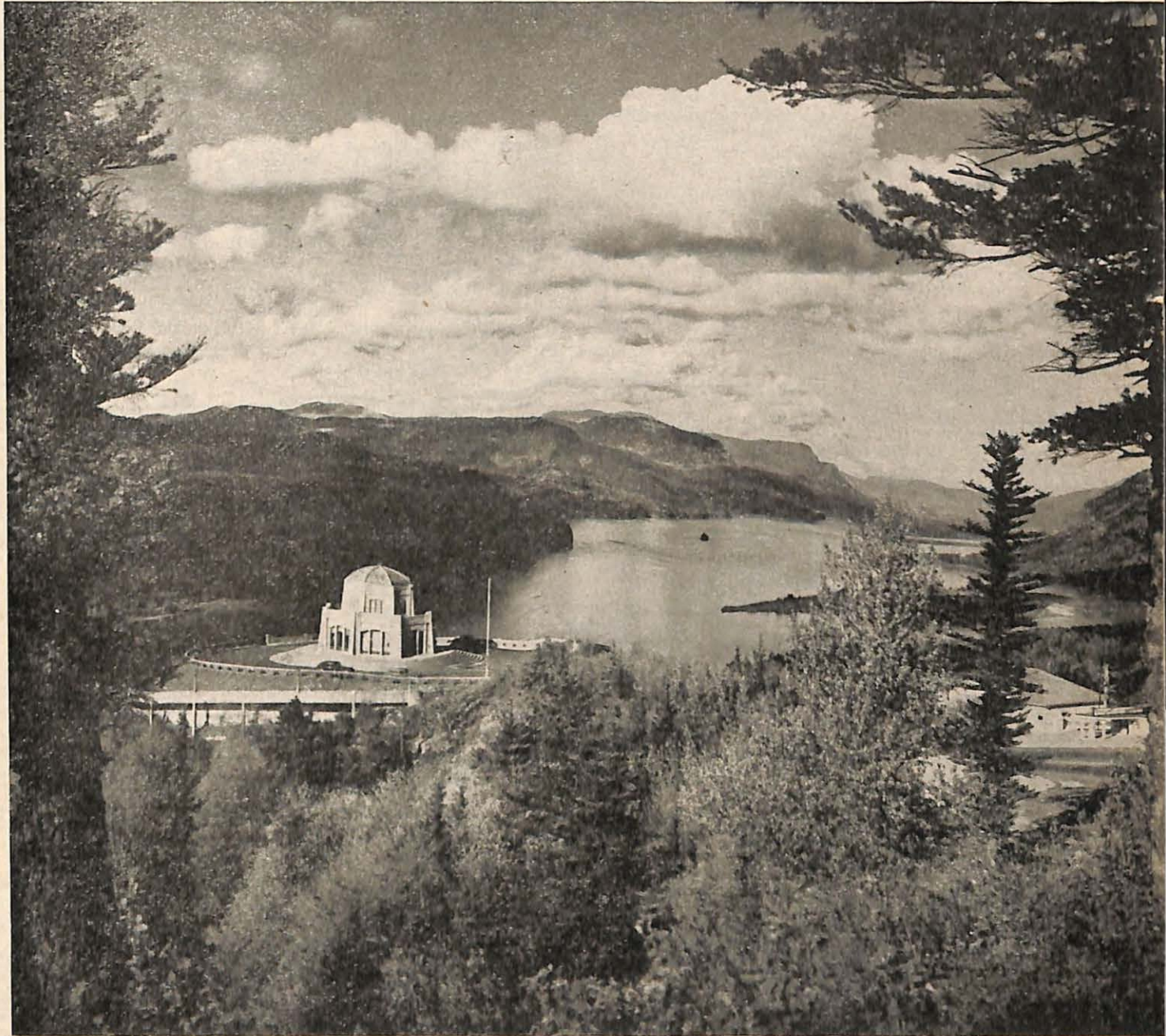


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- June 14-17 — Iowa Young People's Convention at First Baptist Church, George, Iowa. Prof. T. W. Bender and Mrs. Lois Ahrens, Guest Speakers.
- June 16-20 — Pacific Conference at Immanuel Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon. Dr. William Kuhn and Rev. E. P. Wahl, Guest Speakers.
- June 16-20 — Central Dakota Association at Ashley, North Dakota. Rev. H. G. Dymmel and Rev. Henry Pfeifer, Guest Speakers.
- June 16-20 — Minnesota Young People's Assembly at Buffalo Lake. Prof. Albert Bretschneider and Rev. J. C. Gunst, Guest Speakers.
- June 17-20 — Northern North Dakota Convention at Washburn, North Dakota. Prof. George A. Lang, Rev. W. J. Luebeck, and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Guest Speakers.
- June 22-25 — Dakota Conference at Avon, South Dakota. Prof. George A. Lang, Rev. W. J. Luebeck, Rev. Henry Pfeifer, and Mrs. H. G. Dymmel, Guest Speakers.
- June 22-27 — Southern Conference Young People's Encampment at Latham Springs, Texas. Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Guest Speaker.
- June 23-27 — Central Sask. and Alberta Tri Union Convention. Prof. Alb. Bretschneider, Guest Speaker.
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- June 24-27 — Central Conference at Clay Street Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Michigan. Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, Mrs. Lois Ahrens and Mrs. C. Fred Lehr, Guest Speakers.
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- June 30-July 4 — Manitoba Convention and Tri Union at Minitonas, Manitoba, Canada. Rev. Herman Palfenier, Guest Speaker.
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IN THIS ISSUE

June is a month of beauty! That is also true of this number of "The Herald." The scenic beauty of Switzerland will be seen through the eyes of Wallace Kehrein. The glory of a Christian marriage is emphasized by Mr. H. P. Donner, who has just returned from beautiful Hawaii! Spiritual beauty will be viewed in the missionary testimony of Eleanor Weisenburger. South American beauty can be found in the Rev. J. H. Landenberger's report. God's beauty in darkest Africa is clearly evident in Missionary Gilbert Schneider's article. And if you follow the admonitions by the Rev. W. W. Knauf in his provocative sermon on page five, you will never lose your Christian beauty and glory!

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The Contemplated Temple — It will be a red letter event as "The Herald" publishes this wonderful sermon by the Rev. Frank Kaiser of Rochester, N. Y., the senior pastor in our ranks.

The Freedom Train — The front cover picture and the editorial in the next issue will feature the Freedom Train which is making exciting history in the United States.

Mbembe-Funbang Trek — The mission trek by Miss Hilda Tobert to the strange sounding places, such as Mbembe and Funbang, will be a reading adventure even as it was a memorable experience for our Cameroons' missionary.

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EDITORIALS

Martin L. Leuschner

"The Sound of the Hammer Everywhere"

A GREAT church building program is under way in the North American Baptist General Conference. New edifices are being built or are planned for the future. Repairs to parsonages will cost tens of thousands of dollars. Projected expenditures for the new Seminary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the second educational unit at Edmonton's Christian Training Institute, and the Home for the Aged in Bismarck, North Dakota exceed a half million dollars. Everywhere the sound of the hammer and saw can be heard in the construction of new churches and denominational institutions.

These plans are bound to make heavy demands upon the local constituencies of our churches. There is a grave danger in times like these so to concentrate upon the local work as to forget or to neglect the larger missionary enterprise of God's Kingdom. The building work at home must be done, but let not the other be undone!

If we believe that a church is really spiritual and true to Christ's commission only as it is missionary-minded with a passion to take the Gospel to peoples in far away lands, then a church must continue to emphasize its world-wide missionary obligations even while facing a tremendous building program at home. As a conference of Baptist churches we ought to maintain our missionary spirit at such a time as this as the sound of the hammer tells its own story of local building plans.

It is a joy to report that the General Council established a denominational Revolving Loan Fund for our churches that need financial help in their building projects. This is a forward step in the right direction. It ought to create good will among our churches and assure our people that an avenue of assistance is open to them as far as funds will permit. A more detailed report about this plan will appear in "The Baptist Herald."

As the sound of the hammer resounds on some building project, care must be exercised that it becomes God's Temple, that the Name of Christ be glorified. The temptation is sometimes closer to us than we realize to memorialize our name and to perpetuate our fame in some building project rather than to magnify the matchless Name of our Lord and Savior. The word of the Psalmist can be sounded as a warning for all to hear above the building noises of the hammer and saw: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

Every building project is a joy for those who manifest this Christian spirit. God's Kingdom is being advanced. A creative work is coming to a successful completion. Christ is being magnified. In such places, dedicated to his glory, the Gospel of Christ will touch men's hearts and transform lives for eternity. In a unity of Christian fellowship, such a group of God's people can see their dreams come true as the last finishing touches are put upon the building.

These are times of great activity among our churches. Towers are rising everywhere. May every building tower take with it the Name of Jesus Christ to lift him up high and to magnify his Name among us!

BIBLE TEXT

"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord." Psalm 150:6.

This is the last verse in the closing Psalm of the psalter. Its universality is staggering. Its implications are amazing. All of God's creatures are to praise the Lord, until a globe-encircling symphony of thanksgiving is to rise heavenward. Every living thing is to acknowledge the Source of life in God.

But the one with the most resounding praise is the man or woman who has been given the breath of life by the Creator and has also been born again by the power of God in Christ Jesus unto life everlasting. The praise of the Christian should be unique, glorious, eternal. It is the last and greatest word to be spoken before the throne of the Lamb of God!

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FATHER'S DAY

It is difficult to lay hold on the real significance of Father's Day scheduled for Sunday, June 20. For most people it is merely the occasion of giving father a new necktie or sending him a special card. Father's Day programs are quite unlike the deeply moving services of honor which are held for mothers in the previous month. Possibly a pat on the back of father or a strong handshake or just a word of recognition from the pulpit will suffice. Father always appreciates such brevity. But his strong influences are felt in every Christian home. His life and profession have been the model of action for many a son. He stands like a pillar of strength in every Christian church. It's certainly in order to thank God for every Christian father if it is done without many words and without sentiment.

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POLITICAL CONVENTIONS

The city of Philadelphia will be the center of attraction in weeks to come as both of the important national conventions will meet there to nominate two men for the presidency of the United States. Every event will be covered by radio and television and by hundreds of newspaper reporters. The eyes of America, yes, even of the world, will be focused upon those scenes. Christian people will be earnestly praying that God's will might bring the men of his choice into the national limelight. Let us never forget that the prayers of God's people ought to take the national welfare into account, especially in these dark hours of the world's history. It will also be of interest to North American Baptist Churches to follow the course of events as it affects one of its own members, the Honorable Harold E. Stassen of St. Paul, Minn. Exciting days are ahead!

Watch Your Diet!

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A Thought-provoking Sermon on John 6:58 by REV. W. W. KNAUF of Elk Grove, Calif.

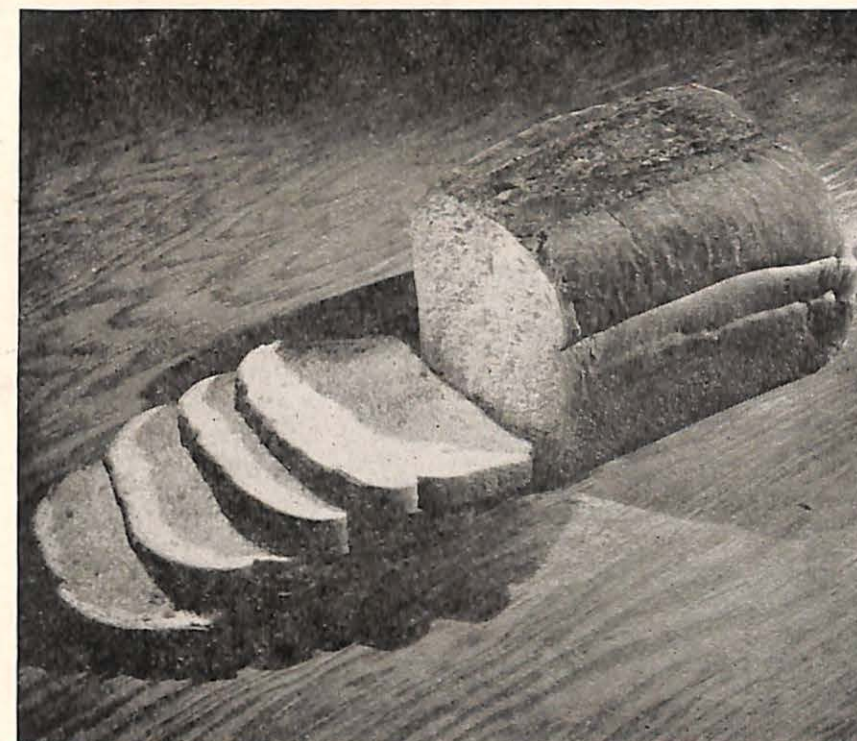
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TO TELL PEOPLE to watch their diet may sound like kind, doctorly advice to a woman who is keenly conscious of her weight. But to a person whose life is in the balance, depending upon the diet, this should come as a solemn warning. Realizing that lives everywhere are at stake because of improper diets, my message is to come to you as solemn warning. The text is recorded in John 6:58—"This is the bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live forever."

A HARMFUL DIET

My first reason for bringing this warning note to you is because you may have the wrong diet. It is wrong if your diet is harmful to your body. The kind of a diet that gives one a headache and a hangover is certainly the wrong kind. In order to avoid these ill consequences, it becomes necessary to eliminate from your diet certain items which we like very much. From what one sees, one must assume that people are either too ignorant or too brutish that they persist in the use of a harmful diet.

When we consider how popular it has become to drink alcoholic beverages, we cannot help but believe that man has lost his fine sense of taste, especially so when we see with what relish he drinks these beverages. The "Sign of the Times" informs us that there are 437,000 liquor outlets with fifty million drinkers. That means that two-fifths of our whole population either believe that they cannot live normal lives unless their minds are befuddled or they are two cowardly to face life like a man.



—Photo by Ewing Galloway

Associated with these facts are the usual awful consequences. Time does not permit to enlarge upon this thought. But think of our juvenile delinquency problem, our crowded social institutions, the crime wave that is sweeping our nation. Listen to me! If you are in on this, I say, you have the wrong diet. Watch your diet!

Your diet is furthermore wrong, if it is harmful to your mind. Since the mind has a great bearing upon a man's life it would hardly be fair to confine our observation and remarks to a man's physical life. "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he", so spoke the wise man of old. Where do you look for nourishment for your soul, your mind? Do you get your fill from vice-breeding movies or sensual magazines?

GREAT BOOKS TO READ

The Evangelical Beacon published a statement made by Dr. W. B. Hinson in a sermon. Let me pass it on to you. "Why, you young people, sometimes you almost drive me mad as I think of the great books you might read that would make you heroic in soul, that would fortify you for the great struggle of life, that would put nerve in you, invigorate and help you to stand foursquare to all the world; and yet you will not read them. But you find your mental nourishment in magazines bestially illustrated and damnably suggestive; and you sedulously gather the mica that is worthless while you neglect the gold that is of such high value!" If your mind is feasting on this unwholesome trash, I say, you have the wrong diet.

Your diet is also wrong if it consists of material substance only. The Lord of heaven himself declared, "Man does not live by bread alone but by

every word out of the mouth of God." The living Word of God is in our possession in the form of two Testaments, compiled into one book which we call the Bible. Isn't there one somewhere on the shelf or in the cupboard of your home? God wants to speak to you, and by his Word you shall live. Would it be interesting or shocking to discover how many or how few of all the fortunate people living in this country read the Bible? It seems that all too many are filling themselves with the husks of this world and thus the hunger for God has ceased. If your diet does not contain the Word of God, you are suffering from lack of essential vitamins without which your soul cannot survive. I say again, your diet is wrong.

AN UNBALANCED DIET

Another reason why I suggest that you watch your diet is because your diet may be unbalanced. With reference to our text and in accordance with the claim of Christ, the Jews in their early history on their exodus from Egypt to the Promised Land had actually eaten the bread from heaven but had died in the wilderness and had never reached the Promised Land. What are the implications we are to draw from this strange claim? I believe I am correct when I say that Christ used this way of reasoning to prove to the Jews of his day that a man can participate in definite religious practices and yet be an unfit candidate for heaven; he can be a pious church member and yet not be a Christian; he can have a form of godliness and yet not have experienced the power that makes him a child of God.

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Marriage in the Lord

A Scriptural Study of an Important Subject by MR. H. P. DONNER
of Cleveland, Ohio

IN WRITING on this important subject, "Marriage in the Lord," I am thinking primarily of the young people in our churches who have reached that stage in life when thoughts naturally turn to the serious question of getting married. It is, furthermore, my earnest desire to be helpful so that the happiness of their wedded life may not be impaired but, on the contrary, may be strengthened and serene.

THE INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE

Marriage is as old as the human race. It is a divinely-planned institution. It is the consummation of perfect human love, and that love is the reflection of God's love. Love is at the very basis of married life. The merging of human love is the problem. That can only be experienced in the union of two Christian lives. That's the meaning of marriage in the Lord.

Paul, who was the apostle to the Gentiles, had much need to instruct the new Christians in the matter of the marriage relationship which was then lifted out of paganistic carnality into an honorable estate. He became God's spokesman, for through him the mind of God was revealed as to the matter of marriage. What these utterances were, which are binding on the child of God, are what we are attempting to explore.

Paul who was unmarried during his public ministry had on one occasion expressed the view that it might be his privilege to have the companionship of a wife, just as other of the apostles, but indicated at the time that such companion would naturally be a **believer** or a **sister** in the Lord. That was self-evident for him because it was in harmony with his teaching. Due, however, to his consuming devotion to his Master and to his lifework, he chose the solitary life.

THE CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

In watching over the life of the newly-formed church in Corinth he had much occasion to advise them on the Christian conception of marriage which was then emerging from a sordid practice to the very much higher plane of Christian morality. While with them he taught the underlying prin-

ciples that must govern the new order. After he had moved on to the other fields, and in his deep concern over the proper development of that church, he had to counsel them on many questions of vital moment by writing to them again and again. In both of his letters he wrote at length on various phases of the marriage question which was confused and acute in the Corinthian church.

Dare a widow after the death of her husband marry again? This was answered by declaring her free to marry whom she will but **only in the Lord**. It is here that we find the fundamental principle laid down, not only for that day but for all time. That establishes the procedure of Christian marriage. That is binding. It is not arbitrary. It is a most gracious provision. It follows logically that every marriage of Christians should be **in the Lord**. That means that God's definite guidance should be sought and every union have his approval.

MARRIAGE AS A YOKE

This principle is reiterated again and again in Paul's writings. It is, therefore, a scriptural injunction and it is based on spiritual as well as psychological laws. It is reasonable in the extreme. It has been pointed out that there can be only utter disparity and incompatibility between believer and unbeliever in any association whatever, and implicitly so in wedded life.

Marriage is figuratively spoken of as a yoke and it is, indeed, a fetching term. Two creatures yoked together must, of necessity, move in one and the same direction at the same time. The fact that the believer and unbeliever are in different realms precludes all possibility of a harmonious course.

In his second letter to the Corinthians Paul found occasion to stress this very point when he wrote: **"Be not unequally yoked with unbelievers: for what fellowship have righteousness and iniquity? or what communion hath light with darkness? ... or what portion hath a believer with an unbeliever?"** This is plain language and the meaning is clear. The only thing for any Christian to do when facing

MR. H. P. DONNER

Mr. Donner returned to his home in Cleveland, Ohio early in June following a restful stay of some months in the Hawaiian Islands with his daughter and son-in-law.

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the issue is to recognize this imperative.

It is only too true that two natures brought into contrast by the great apostle, who had Gentile Christians in mind, can not be blended into one. There cannot possibly be oneness and agreement in thought, in purpose, in desire, in every important phase of life. Regenerate and unregenerate spirits cannot merge.

THE BODY OF CHRIST

Growing out of this very discussion Paul utters a truth so profound that the mind of man can hardly grasp it when he reveals that **"he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit."** That positively excludes the unregenerate. In further interpretation of the mind of God he reminds the believer that his body is a member of Christ and that it is wholly unthinkable for that body to have union with a worldling.

There is another far-reaching conclusion to note and that is the great danger to the life of our churches. The prohibition is logically sound. It is one of the safeguards of the purity of the church. The principle here involved is separation from the world which in this connection Paul urges upon the church with unquestioned finality. It is, therefore, clear that a New Testament Church, and that is what we profess to be, dare not countenance her members consummating the marriage tie with unbelievers.

If it be disobedience against God's Word for a member to marry contrary to its prohibition, how dare a church, which is intrinsically the embodiment of revealed truth, condone the practice? No wonder that Paul, sensing the importance of this fundamental law, introduced it **"in all the churches"** which he founded. It follows too that a pastor of such a church must feel restraint upon him from exercising his constitutional right to perform a ceremony which unites such contracting parties in life-long marriage.

FACE THE PROBLEM!

It is a colossal problem with which we are dealing. It requires much courage and grace to live the separated life in our day. How extremely difficult it is for the young Christian attending high school or college where worldly amusements are encouraged if not enjoined!

The stigma of being regarded "narrow" is hard to bear. It is here too where mating, quite often, has its earliest impulse. It has real danger for the child of God. The warning should be sounded from the pulpit and otherwise be brought home to the youth entrusted to our care. There is escapement in prayer.

(Footnote. Texts quoted in the article are as follows and can best be read with the inclusion of the contexts. It is interesting to note that they all stem from the two Corinthian letters: 1 Cor. 9:5; 1 Cor. 7:39; 2 Cor. 6:14-7:1; 1 Cor. 6:17; 1 Cor. 6:15; 1 Cor. 7:17.)

God's Country in the Alps

Observations of Switzerland by T-SGT. WALLACE KEHREIN of the
United States Air Force, a Member of the Bethany Baptist
Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin

It stirred us to remember in our hearts that he created all things beautiful for us to enjoy.

KNOWLEDGE OF GERMAN

Life in Switzerland was very enjoyable to us. My wife, having arrived there some months after I did, found little difficulty in adapting herself to Swiss customs and manners. We have never ceased to be grateful to our parents for maintaining two languages in our homes, for as soon as

Word to friends, and we have the faith to believe that God's Word will not return unto him void.

HAPPY MEMORIES

We attended a Baptist church in Zurich, but we soon discovered that the German that was spoken there was somewhat different from that which we had heard some years ago when German services were held in our churches here in America. We further learned that the European

TO HAVE SPENT two years in the wonderful country of Switzerland was, indeed, a blessing of the Lord. Many have heard this little, picturesque country described as "God's country", and in one sense of the word, to the naturalist, it is that. The beauties we beheld during our frequent trips to the Alps are simply indescribable, and each time our jeep bravely climbed those steep mountains our hearts and lips could not refrain from singing,

"This is my Father's world
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—
His hand the wonders wrought."

Each bend in the mountain road brought a completely different panorama of the beauty of our Father's handiwork to our eyes.

I recall on one of our trips my wife said, as she was marveling at the lovely scenery, "Just think, God's Word promises us that we are heirs to all of this through Christ Jesus"! Yes—isn't this a wonderful thought for us as Christians? We are joint heirs with Christ to all these riches of nature!

ENCHANTING SCENERY

Switzerland is, in reality, just as romantic and enchanting as our grammar school geography books describe, complete with its skiing, mountain climbing, mountain goats, mountain railroad, cable cars, chalets, and St. Bernard dogs pulling the milk carts. The costume of the mountain people and also their cleanliness in their mountain homes impressed us greatly.

Our trip to the top of the famous Jungfrau, the most widely toured of all the Bernese Alps, made its deepest impression upon us. Our jeep took us from our home in Zurich to the foot of that majestic mountain and from there we traveled by mountain rail directly inside the mountain reaching the highest lookout point after several hours.

The wonder of God's creation, as our eyes beheld it from this point, thrilled our hearts to tears. We viewed the great glacier, the clouds hanging below us, and the peaks of the Alpine ranges on all sides. The greatness of God's creation became much more real to us, and since he has bestowed upon us the privilege to see these lovely things we have loved him more.



A Typical Church in Switzerland With the Majestic Alps Towering High in Every Direction of the Compass

we reached Switzerland we realized how very fortunate we were to be able to converse and understand the German language.

We were situated in Dübendorf, five miles from Zurich, Switzerland's largest city. We were approximately one and one half hours by auto distant from the Alps and, when weather permitted, the beautiful mountain of Glarus was visible from our apartment.

Although we found life there amusing and interesting, our hearts ached many times as we were aware of the ungodliness and rampage of sin existing there. Switzerland is largely dominated either by Catholicism or complete godlessness. Among our many Swiss friends, there were few who loved the Lord or showed any interest in the things of God.

With our limited German we attempted, by his grace, to witness for Christ. Though we could not do as much for the Lord as we would have liked, due to the language hindrance, we were given opportunities on several occasions to quote snatches of his

manner and attitude of worship were different from that to which we were accustomed.

In the course of our stay in Switzerland, we had the opportunity of visiting all the major Swiss cities: Basel, Zurich, Luzern, Lugano, Geneva, Lausanne, and Bern, and we learned to love every part of that quaint country with its quiet and contented people.

The Lord blessed us with a son who was born in Zurich, and to whom the typical Swiss name of Martin was given. We have many precious memories in our hearts of the two years we spent in that small peaceful, protected country in the midst of troubled Europe. Needless to add, we said "Goodbye" to our Swiss home and friends very reluctantly.

My job took me to eleven other countries on the continent where I witnessed many heart-breaking sights, and I challenge every reader to pray earnestly for many of those disillusioned people that they may turn to the loving God and acknowledge him, and then will he heal their lands.

Ready for Service in Africa

The Story of Miss Eleanor Weisenburger of Venturia, North Dakota as Related by MR. M. L. LEUSCHNER, Editor

ELEANOR WEISENBURGER is always ready for any service that she can render for the Lord. She has won many friends by this spirit of willingness to respond to many urgent requests. She has had a full and varied training which has prepared her for many types of service.

In the Cameroons of Africa, where she is now stationed as one of our 26 missionaries under appointment, she is laboring as a missionary teacher but at any moment she can also take up the responsibilities as a missionary nurse or doctor's assistant as the need arises. Such a missionary who is ready for any kind of service and who can adapt herself to various situations is a rare find, indeed!

VALEDICTORIAN IN HIGH SCHOOL

She was born in Venturia, North Dakota on February 23, 1922, so that she belongs to "the notables" whose birthday month is February. At the age of seven her farm life began when she acquired three brothers and sisters overnight with the coming of a stepfather into her home. Her high school days were spent at Ashley, North Dakota where she was graduated as valedictorian in a class of 19 students in 1937.

She accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior at the age of nine and was baptized and became a member of the Baptist Church of Venturia, North Dakota. Her membership is in that church at present, of which the Rev. C. T. Rempel is pastor. One of her stepbrothers is Mr. Norman G. Miller, senior student at our Rochester Seminary.

Eleanor found it necessary to work her way through college at Jamestown, North Dakota. They were strenuous but exciting days for her. After two years of college she found it necessary to teach for three years in her home town of Venturia.

AFRICA'S GREAT NEED

It was during these years of teaching that God gave her a vision of the great need in the Cameroons of Africa. She served in various capacities in the local young people's societies and the Central Dakota Young People's Union. While working as Director of the Bender Memorial Trek, the mission project of the Dakota Conference, she wrote a Cameroons missionary play which was widely used with effective results.

Then began the three most wonderful years of her life, as Eleanor her-



Miss Eleanor Weisenburger

self described them. She entered nurse's training at Mounds-Midway School of Nursing in St. Paul, Minn. Not only did she have an opportunity to gain an understanding of people and their needs, but her own spiritual life was deepened by many fine contacts with Christian schoolmates and teachers.

Another year followed at the Baptist Missionary Training School of Chicago. This completed a rather varied course of training for her. She reviews this year of study in these words: "Probably the most treasured experience of this year was the increase in knowledge and understanding of God's Word that it brought."

The seven months after graduation Miss Weisenburger served as a nurse in the rural hospital at Eureka, North Dakota adding a great deal to her

storehouse of knowledge and practical experience for a greater and more useful ministry on the mission field.

She concluded her interview with a number of wonderful observations and the story of God's call to the mission field. This can best be described in her own words.

"Although my training and life have been rather varied, yet I feel that God has guided me through it all. I have really never found time for an extended vacation, so I can look forward to that first vacation on my first furlough.

"In regards to my missionary call, it started when I was very young and became a growing conviction as I grew in my Christian life. Then in 1942 at the Jamestown Young People's Assembly I promised God that I would be willing to go—even to the Cameroons! Since then many difficulties and doubts have had to be overcome. The one verse that has meant much to me is a verse of Scripture that Laura Reddig gave to me in John 15:16.

GOD'S MISSIONARY

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you."

That is an inspiring verse of Scripture for a stalwart missionary out in Africa! With a profound sense of God's commission she has sailed for the Cameroons. There she is already bringing forth the fruit of missionary service in a hundred fold manner, fitting with her missionary labors into every type of need.

My Testimony as a Missionary

By MISS ELEANOR WEISENBURGER of the Cameroons, Africa

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," is a call that came to me early in my Christian life. It came through a young missionary who told of the great need in fields afar off.

Through the intervening years God has graciously led and blessed, so that today I have a better understanding of what that challenge means. I have seen the indifference to the Gospel by people who have been surrounded by the love of Christ in Christian homes, churches and communities. I have also seen the look of longing for peace and joy in the faces of those who have

never heard of the love of Christ as we have experienced it.

But God has given me a vision of a need and a "field white unto harvest" where the laborers are so few. That field is our own Cameroons in Africa!

Since the day I promised God that I would be willing to go—even to the Cameroons—I have experienced the joy and hope of his promise: "Lo, I am with you always." With such a promise I have gone forth, remembering that Christ also said: "My grace is sufficient for thee" and "my strength is made perfect in weakness."

Our First Year in Africa

By REV. and MRS. GILBERT SCHNEIDER, Missionaries Stationed at Warwar, Mambila

THE WEATHER is calm and warm. The magnificent tropical moon is full, and bright myriads of glittering stars are declaring the glory of God. We have reached Africa and established a home at Warwar. We are in good health. Very gradually natives are receiving the message of love, changing fear to hope, and sin and misery to peace and joy. Our crops are growing, our cows are contented, our pigs are getting fat and the rabbits are nibbling at their food. Peaceful surroundings, indeed—and we are in God's care!

At the close of this, our first year in Africa, we cannot help but add, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men".

GOD'S PROVIDENCE

If a tabulation were made of our accomplishments during the past months, they would probably seem small. But we are thankful for God's providence in the tasks we were able to do.

One of our most immediate duties on arrival at Warwar was to begin making preparations for housing the Warwar mission staff. The station church, laborers' huts, dispensary, and guest hut were all nearing a state of

collapse. Quite a number have reached that state in the meantime. Our own stone home is far from finished, and as yet it has no zinc roof so that the fireplace cannot be used.

Building in Africa is markedly different from American construction work. Particularly is that true here at Warwar where we cannot borrow one of those red "pick-ups" to help out with the transportation of materials to the building site. Therefore, this dry season Warwar has been the scene of brick making, sawing timber, building frames, laying foundations, and erecting houses.

CARRIED BY HEAD!

Cement is carried from Ndu on native heads, a half bag at a time. Planks are carried by head from the bush where the native sawyer has cut down the tree and sawed it into planks. Sand is carried by head from the river. Stones for foundations are carried by head from the mountainside, where they have been chipped previously. Bricks for walls are carried by head from the clay pit where they have been made and dried. All this involves many men and many hours, weeks and months.

Aside from the pressing problems of construction which greeted us,

there was also a problem of food, especially for laborers. Local natives grow only enough for themselves. As a remedy we cultivated about nine acres of land and planted corn, cassava, sweet potatoes, peanuts, bananas, pineapples, pumpkins, and cabbage. This was last April and May (1947). The harvest has been very plentiful thus far, to the satisfaction of our laborers and ourselves.

Part of the food from the farm goes to feed the animals which we have collected in an effort to prevent a meat shortage. We selected the stock with the idea of good breeding material, and in time we hope to be able to help supply other missionaries with meat who live on stations not so well adapted to farming. To date we have four pigs, five rabbits, and 13 head of cattle. We hope to get some chickens before long. Because we have several guns, and Warwar has antelopes, bush fowl, guinea fowl and pigeons, we haven't suffered a shortage of meat thus far. An occasional water buck or monkey is good for variation.

DISPENSARY TREATMENTS

Dispensary work is part of the program for every day and an occasional night. Since we came to Warwar in (Continued on Page 17)



The Mission Truck Stops Along the African Road as Our Missionaries, Dressed in Travel Clothes, Get Ready to Be Photographed. Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider Are Standing to the Left Alongside the Truck

Among South American Baptists

The Last of Several Reports of a Visit to Baptist Churches in Brazil
by the REV. J. H. LANDENBERGER of Gladwin, Michigan

happy to see how a small church during our time had become such a large group with a host of young people and how this church was now able to do great things. That thrilled our hearts with joy and thanksgiving.

THE NEW CHURCH

When we approached the town coming over a hill, the new church with its steeple still unfinished could be seen. But during the next few days we had the opportunity to admire the new building. Indeed, it is a small cathedral with an adjoining home for the B. Y. P. U. The outside of the building, except the tower, was already completed. The comparison of the old modest wooden chapel with its small steeple and the new mighty solid structure is only symbolic of the greater spiritual forces that are now moving the church onward and upward.

Our Baptist church will have the largest, most impressive and most modern building in Panambi. The "chorals" played by the brass band in the early Sunday morning hours are an expression of the spiritual forces of this church. "So long as the Baptists are playing early in the morning and late in the evening, all is well in Panambi," even the worldly people of the town are saying.

While we were there a baptismal service was held in a nearby river. The next one will be held in the new church. Seventeen redeemed persons were baptized by the Rev. F. Matschulat. On New Year's day the church held an outing at its playground nearby. This was a happy time to get better acquainted with the host of people. An address by the writer about our American way of life created a desire in many hearts to come to our blessed country, the United States. Too quickly the time of our stay came to an end, and we had to leave this dear place of so many blessed memories.

BAPTIST CONVENTION

Our visit to the city of Porto Alegre from March 18 to 21 for the annual convention of the Baptist churches of Rio Grande do Sul and the city of Sao Paula brought our trip in Brazil, South America to a grand climax. We were also able to attend the Golden Jubilee of the Baptist Church of Porto Alegre during these days.

The theme of the convention was "Christ Among the Seven Golden Candlesticks." Your reporter spoke on "the Church in Ephesus" (Rev. 2.2-4). Other speakers were Rev. S. Schmal,

Rev. F. Matschulat and Rev. O. Horn. The orchestra and the different choirs of the church rendered beautiful music and contributed greatly to the high level of spiritual fervor that prevailed in all the gatherings.

All 12 churches were represented by means of 33 delegates and 24 visitors. Six of the seven preachers were present. The report of the churches showed the spirit of sacrifice that has been unique during the last last year. The total income has been 790,301 cruzeiros with an average per member of 545.50 cruzeiros or \$28.55 in United States currency. The total membership is now 1449 as compared with 1409 last year. There are 11 B. Y. P. U. groups with a total membership of 398, 20 Sunday schools with 1128 scholars and 77 teachers, and 6 Women's Missionary Societies.

All the business sessions demonstrated the fact that our brethren are well capable to manage and solve their own problems. Three of our pioneer workers are getting close to the retiring age. Therefore, more young men are urgently needed to carry on this work in the future.

A GOLDEN JUBILEE

The work of our churches had been greatly handicapped during the war years. Through the nationalization act of the Brazilian government the German language was prohibited in all churches. All German schools were closed and the newspapers suspended. Most of the churches have adapted themselves to the new order and are now able again to carry on their work in both languages.

In connection with this convention the Golden Jubilee of our church in Porto Alegre was also held. It was a happy, beautiful Jubilee. In its early history the church suffered greatly. Its reputation was maligned, but through years of faithful toiling the church has regained its good name in the city. The church has a beautiful building, a more beautiful home for its young people, a faithful minister, Rev. V. Stillner, and devoted officers in the church. The value of their church property is conservatively over 300,000 cruzeiros.

For the Jubilee services the auditorium was beautifully decorated with rare flowers. The orchestra and different choirs rendered superb musical numbers.

During the afternoon service six preachers representing the work among the natives in this city were present. At that time an unusual incident took place. Rev. V. Stillner,



Orchestra and Young People's Choir of the Baptist Church at Porto Alegre, Brazil, South America With Mr. Alfred Uhr, Director, at Extreme Right

the pastor of the church, helped an 87 year old Negro woman to the platform. Once upon a time she had been an African princess. Her father was a mighty African chief who had lost out in a war with an enemy tribe and had fled. The conquering chief took his wife and two daughters and sold them into slavery. They came as such to Brazil.

AN AFRICAN PRINCESS

They and some other people found Christ in an Episcopal Church. They wanted to be baptized. So our former missionary, Rev. Carl Roth, baptized the two sisters and others and they became members of our Baptist church. They held services of their own in the Portuguese language in our church. Later when Rev. C. Dunstan founded the first native church in Porto Alegre, they joined there.

Now the mother and daughter have passed away, but the old African princess, Enes de Souza Santos, is still alive and was able to come to the Jubilee service radiant with glory. She has no earthly goods but is rich in God. By means of mending and sewing she is partly able to support herself and a niece of hers. Other women are looking after her so that she is well taken care of. What a memorial of God's infinite grace! This is only one incident that shows how our Baptist churches have been an instrument of blessing towards our native churches.

The evening service was in the auditorium of the Youth's Home. Many telegrams and letters of congratulations were read. Rev. F. Matschulat, former pastor of the church, brought many reminiscences. An offering of 5000 cruzeiros for European relief was laid upon the altar, making a grand total of 11,000 cruzeiros for the day. May God make our church in Porto Alegre a mighty center of Christian endeavor for the entire great city!

Watch Your Diet!

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Do you eat the bread of heaven in a formal church service that leaves your heart cold and your life unchanged? Do you join in religious exercises and come away as empty as you were when you went? A young man once said to me: "I like the liturgy in a certain church." Why do you go to church at all? If not to worship God, you certainly are there for the wrong purpose. In this day you have excellent opportunities to hear the Word of God and enjoy the bread of heaven. Don't let the devices and the means by which the bread of heaven is conveyed to you so absorb you that you fail to be inspired with the heavenly manna. Let the voices of the singers attract your attention but let the message of their song stir your heart. That is what I mean! Are you enjoying a balanced spiritual diet? If not, perhaps my last reason can help you to discover a spiritual diet that will satisfy you.

A BENEFICIAL DIET

My last reason that I urge you to watch your diet is because the Word of God offers a beneficial diet for you.

"YOUTH COMPASS" TOPICS

for young people's meetings.

- July 4 — "Let Freedom Ring" by Rev. B. C. Schreiber, New Leipzig, North Dakota.
- July 11 — "Crossing the Color Line" by Mrs. John G. Leypoldt, Portland, Oregon.
- July 18 — "Home and Church Co-operating" by Mrs. Paul Krueger, Colfax, Washington.
- July 25 — "Know Your Pastor" by Rev. E. Bibelheimer, Tacoma, Washington.

Jesus claims that he is the bread from heaven, and that that bread is essential for a permanent existence. In John 6:36, Christ speaks of himself as the bread of life and gives this assurance that if we come to him for a spiritual feast we shall never hunger. In other verses of John, chapter six, Christ suggests that if we eat his flesh and drink his blood we have eternal life.

Now we know that this cannot be interpreted literally, for we cannot possibly eat the glorified body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The meaning of it all is that eating him as the bread of life or the bread from heaven is more than a casual or formal acknowledgment of Christ. It is a person appropriation of Christ. At the moment of our acceptance of Christ by faith, we partake of heaven's true manna. Thus, Christ becomes part of us. With these eternal elements in us we shall live for ever. If you want to live in your sins and in eternal separation from God, this diet has no significance for you. However, if you long for the mansions that Christ has promised and gone to prepare, then this spiritual food is indispensable to your diet.

A striking lesson comes to us from the beehive. There, any cell is good enough for the worker or the drone, but not for the queen. The cell in which she is hatched is of special size, improved environment, and moreover during the incubation period she is fed royal jelly by her maidens. What a lesson! Hear me, people! If you want to be a son of God, one of these royal beings, you cannot subsist on the sin in this world but you must feast daily on the Lord Jesus who will truly satisfy you.



Iguassa Falls in Brazil, South America, Which Are Three Times Larger Than Niagara Falls of New York State

ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS of our recent trip to our Baptist churches in Brazil, South America was the visit of my wife and myself to Panambi, formerly New Wuerttemberg. This was the field of our former ministry when I served as a Baptist pastor in South America.

To our great surprise all our old friends had come a considerable distance to the railway station to welcome us. Three autos filled with happy Christian people escorted us to the home of the Rev. F. Matschulat. There was a report current in the town that Mr. Harry Truman had arrived from North America!

A ROYAL RECEPTION

After we had washed off the dust from our trip, all at once our children came marching in. After many years of separation, what a reunion! At last we could embrace our daughter and son-in-law and our grandchild.

But a dark cloud was still hanging over the people of Panambi. They had gone through four years of suffering and humiliation because of the war.

In the evening the church gave us a royal reception. The auditorium and the adjoining young people's room had been converted into a festive banquet hall. A full program unfolded gloriously before us. Poems and songs had been prepared for this occasion. Beautiful music was rendered. Addresses of welcome by the pastor and the different organizations were given. Rev. O. Grellert, moderator of the conference, had come from far away Santa Rosa to bring words of welcome in the name of all the churches.

Our hearts were thrilled with deep gratitude. We felt we had not deserved such a welcome. But we were

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● A son was born to the Rev. and Mrs. William Sturhahn of Morris, Manitoba, Canada on May 15th, weighing seven pounds, 14 ounces. He has been named David Arthur. This is the third child in their family.

● On Sunday evening, May 16, the Rev. Otto R. Schmidt of Fessenden, North Dakota had the joy of baptizing five converts on confession of their faith in Christ. The church can report that the resident membership has increased well beyond twenty percent during the past year. On Sunday evening, May 23, Mr. Schmidt gave the baccalaureate address to the graduating class of the Fessenden High School. His topic was "A Man Sent From God."

● The Rev. G. G. Rauser of Salem, Oregon recently conducted evangelistic meetings for two weeks at the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, of which the Rev. John Wobig is pastor. As a result of the meetings 12 of the converts were baptized on Sunday, April 4. The hand of fellowship was extended to these twelve and also to two others who were received into the church by letter, followed by the Lord's Supper on Sunday, May 2nd.

● The announcement about the radio broadcasts now being conducted by the Reverends Ernest Sitenhof and P. G. Neumann of Anaheim, California in the May 15th issue of "The Herald" should have stated that it is sponsored by several members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim. The booklet that is available to all readers, upon request to Mr. Sitenhof, is "What Jesus Offers the Jews." It can be secured by writing to 1392 So. Hillside, La Habra, Calif.

● The members of the King's Daughters Society of the Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas were hostesses to a Mother-Daughter Tea held at the church on Friday afternoon, May 7th. A beautiful bouquet of snowballs and tall white tapers in crystal holders decorated the table. Mrs. L. H. Smith and Mrs. Herman Janzen served the guests. An interesting program was presented by members of the society and each guest was presented with a lovely corsage.

● On Sunday afternoon, May 9, the young people of the Baptist Church of Bismarck, North Dakota held a tea in honor of their mothers. The lunch was served to the mothers by the



The Judson Tower, a Familiar Landmark on the Grounds of the Northern Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, Wisconsin, Which Will Be Seen Frequently During Our Pastors' Conference at Green Lake from July 26 to August 1

young people. The program consisted of several readings and musical numbers besides brief messages of tribute to mother. Gifts were presented to two of the mothers present, one of whom has eleven children and the other has 22 grandchildren. The Rev. Edward Kary, pastor, also participated in the program.

● A Mother's Day program was held at the Baptist Church of Randolph, Minn., on Sunday evening, May 9, with Mrs. Nathan Lufi in charge. The program consisted of musical numbers, recitations, a talk on "What Mother Has Meant to Me" by Mrs. Paul Miller, and a message by the pastor, Rev. Ben Zimmerman. The Children's Day program on Sunday, June 13, was in charge of the superintendent, Mr. George Engler. The women's choir of eleven voices that participates regularly in the church services is directed by the pastor, Mr. Zimmerman.

● The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas held its annual birthday celebration on Wednesday evening, April 21. A delicious dinner was served in the dining room with all church members and their families present. Places were assigned to the guests at the beautifully decorated tables according to the months in which their birthdays

occurred. Later a program of musical selections, readings and several brief addresses was enjoyed by those present. The Rev. L. H. Smith is pastor of the church.

● The Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Landenberger arrived at New York harbor on May 2nd on the "S. S. Uruguay" and came home to Gladwin, Michigan and the Round Lake Baptist Church, of which they are members, soon thereafter. They had visited some of the German Baptist Churches of Brazil during the previous months, as the articles of Mr. Landenberger have vividly reported. The closing article about this trip appears in this issue. Mr. Landenberger wrote: "All the rest of our lives we shall remember this great trip which God permitted us to make."

● Miss Ann Swain, our Scripture Memorization Worker who has labored faithfully in the Southwestern and Dakota Conferences during the past four years, will work this ensuing year under the guidance of the National Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union, as directed by the Rev. J. C. Gunst, young people's secretary. Miss Swain has been reappointed by the General Missionary Committee and will receive her salary through the mission society's treasury. On May 26 she began a program of several months in the Dakota Conference beginning with Lincoln Valley, No. Dak. After Sept. 1, 1948 her program will carry her to other conference areas of the denomination.

● At the commencement exercises of the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Ill., held at the First Congregational Church on Friday evening, May 21, Mr. Harold Gieseke of Trenton, Ill., won the Heagle scholarship award given to the most worthy, unmarried student in the school. Mr. Gieseke is the vice-president of the National Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union as well as a first year student in the seminary. The speaker at the commencement exercises was Dr. Harold C. Abbot of the Clinton Hill Baptist Church, Newark, N. J. A total of 85 graduates in all departments of the seminary received degrees at these memorable commencement exercises with Dr. Charles W. Koller, president, presiding.

● From Sunday, May 9 to Sunday, May 16, the Reverends M. Vanderbeck

of La Crosse, Wis., and M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., made a tour of all the churches in the Minnesota Association in the interest of the \$1000 mission project of the Minnesota Y. P. and S. S. Workers' Union toward the Million Dollar Offering. Messages were brought and missionary pictures were shown concerning our denominational enterprise. As a result of offerings received on this tour and also previously, the young people of Minnesota have gone well over the top in reaching their \$1000 goal. The tour closed on Sunday night, May 16, at an enthusiastic service in the Seventh Street Church of La Crosse, Wis.

● The Germantown Church near Cathay, North Dakota held a farewell service for the Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Gerthe on Sunday evening, April 25, with Mr. Herman Edinger in charge. Members of the nearby Cathay and Fessenden Baptist churches were also in attendance. The Rev. Daniel Klein, a former pastor, was the guest speaker. Mr. August Seidel, senior deacon, represented the local church. On that Sunday morning, Mr. Gerthe spoke on the same topic, "The Love of God," and text, John 3:16, which he had used in his first sermon at the Germantown church three years previously. He began his ministry at the Northside Baptist Church of Hutchinson, Minn., on Sunday, May 2nd. A welcome reception for the pastor and his family was held on Wednesday evening, May 19.

● The Friendly Workers' Class of the Baptist Church of Wishek, No. Dak., presented a program on March 21st consisting of musical numbers and readings. Mrs. Edna Ritter is the president. The class has purchased an out-door illuminated bulletin board for the church. The anniversary program of the Woman's Mission Society on April 11 featured several dialogues, readings and a talk by the pastor, Rev. Arthur Weisser. The offering was for the building fund of the church. Mrs. Edward Herr gave the address of welcome. The men of the Wishek Church had charge of the Mother's Day program on Sunday morning, May 9. A chorus of 25 men sang several selections. The offering went toward the pulpit in the proposed new church. In the afternoon the Dorcas Society sponsored a special musical program with Mr. Jack Lockhart, radio singer, as the soloist.

● The Ogden Park Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois has extended a call to the Rev. John Vanderbeck, a 1948 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary of Rochester, N. Y. Mr. Vanderbeck has responded favorably and has announced that he will begin his pastorate at Chicago's Ogden Park Church on July 1st. He is a son of the Rev. and Mrs. M. Vanderbeck of La

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Memorable Days at Our Seminary

The Report of the Annual Session of the Seminary Board of Trustees and of the Recent Commencement Exercises

THE CLOSE of another school year of our North American Baptist Seminary brought together the members of the Seminary Board at Rochester, N. Y., from May 20 to 23. The Educational Committee of the Seminary held its sessions on Thursday and Friday morning and the entire Board met on Friday afternoon and Saturday. The Board was most favorably impressed by the spirit of unity and enthusiasm of the entire student body.

The superintendent and matron, Mr. and Mrs. Okko De Boer, made our brief stay comfortable and pleasant in every way possible. The Board sensed the evidences of continued faithfulness and untiring efforts on the part of the faculty. Our two recent additions to the faculty have applied themselves to their teaching duties in a commendable way and have won the hearts of the students. We missed the congenial presence of former Prof. O. E. Krueger who is now serving as pastor of the Andrews Street Baptist Church.

The Educational Committee listened to the testimony of the three graduating seniors and heartily recommended them for graduation and for service in building our Lord's Kingdom through our churches. The Committee also interviewed the entering class of last Fall and approved them as full-time students.

The foremost task confronting the entire Board was the building program for our Seminary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. This program is steadily coming to fruition. As has already been reported before, lots have been purchased and Articles of Incorporation secured which pave the way for us to function as a Seminary in the State of South Dakota with the privilege of granting degrees.

President Lang presented his report of the building project to the Board. Plans prepared by the architectural firm of Perkins and McWayne for the proposed buildings were shown. The presented plans were approved in principle, calling for the construction of a dormitory and an administration building. Before many more weeks contract bids should be in the hands of the Relocation Committee so that

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the estimated cost involved can be made available to our churches. Plans were also worked out that will lead to curriculum arrangements with Sioux Falls College toward the granting of degrees for the Th. B. and B. D. courses.

Another important matter was the appointment of another professor to the teaching staff. After a period of consideration and prayer, the Board voted to extend a call to Dr. Albert Felberg of Lodi, California to become the new member on the faculty. We feel Dr. Felberg to be qualified in every way for this position in the teaching field of training young men for the Gospel ministry.

The alumni banquet of the Seminary was held on Friday evening in the Hubbel Bible Classroom of the First Baptist Church. There were about 150 people present, consisting of the faculty, students and their wives, and Board members and friends. The Rev. Rudolph Woyke acted as toastmaster. Musical numbers were rendered by the students' quartet and chorus and a solo by Mrs. Eldon Janzen. Prof. A. Bretschneider presented the graduating class who in turn responded and presented the Seminary with a beautiful painting of Da Vinci's "The Last Supper." Prof. Reuben Jeschke and President George Lang gave the main addresses of the evening. Prof. Thorwald Bender led the pause of remembrance in honor of the ministers who had graduated to glory. Prof. O. E. Krueger led in closing prayer.

The Rev. Alfred Bernadt presided at the baccalaureate service in the Andrews Street Baptist Church on Sunday morning with the Rev. Fred Klein of Colfax, Wash., bringing the baccalaureate message. The commencement exercises were held at the church in the evening with President George Lang presiding, and also presenting the diplomas to the graduating class. Dr. Wm. Kuhn of Forest Park, Illinois was the commencement speaker. The Sigma Rho Key was presented to the Rev. E. J. Baumgartner and Dr. William Kuhn. Musical numbers for the two services were furnished by the church choir and the students' Glee Club.

Our Seminary will have a very busy year of varied and strenuous activities in the months lying ahead. Its future depends greatly upon the loyal and sacrificial support of every member of our denomination. We covet your prayers and your determination to make our Seminary a real force in the life of our denomination and for the glory of our Lord.



"Alaskan Scene" by William Zimmerman of Chicago, Ill.

Land of Tomorrow

A Novel by CHARLOTTE KRUGER

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SYNOPSIS

After the war Chris MacKay went to Alaska—"the Land of Tomorrow"—not only to the mountains and forests, but to love and dreams. On the steamer he met Julianna Barrett, who was going to Alaska with the message of the Gospel. In the little fishing village of Willow Point Julianna held meetings for the children in the old schoolhouse. She also met an old-time friend of hers, Lydia Wilson, the friendly government teacher at Beaver Creek. The arrival of the government mailboat, "Nushagak" with its husky skipper, Neal Jones, was a big event. Chris MacKay soon became Jones' first mate on board the ship. He also became a very good friend of Julianna. Everywhere Julie witnessed for Christ—to Molly Tedishoff, to Cookhouse Mike, even to the men on the "Nushagak". Her heart was filled with praise to God for his wonderful ways in life.

CHAPTER TWELVE

MILES AWAY, across the Sound, the men on the "Nushagak" were far from asleep. An hour out of Willow, they had been hit by a northeaster. After a thrilling battle with the elements, wind and waves, Jones had piloted the struggling ship into a sheltered fiord.

"No sense of goin' any farther tonight, Chris," the skipper said. "No use tryin' to make it with the odds against us."

Before turning into his bunk for the night, Chris wrote in his diary: "Glad Julie wasn't still on board tonight. Soon after we left Willow where she disembarked, a northeaster hit us.

Neal decided not to keep on but to anchor for the night. She was really rough. Phosphorus sprayed the windows, flashing for several seconds until a new wave would wash it off. A deck bucket was filled by water washing over the deck. It was a rough night and I loved it!"

The morning of the first day of October broke beautifully in Valdez. The clouds dropped to the sea and revealed the mountains in their fall colors. New snows had descended the slopes of the towering Chugach Range during the night and had mingled with the russet, gold and brown of decaying vegetation. In town some snow had fallen, too, but the noonday sun transformed it to slush and mud.

Within another fortnight the snows would begin in earnest. Then they would continue, month after month, after month. The Alaskan village, built on old moraine at the head of the beautiful fiord, would be covered with a heavy blanket of white, one that would remain over the little hamlet for half a year. Communication with the picturesque interior via the scenic Richardson Highway would be cut off for six months, the only remaining contact being by air or the round-about way of steamer or rail. In summer it would be possible to drive to the interior of Alaska and connect with the

famous Alcan Highway that had been built during the time the war clouds had hung low over the northern outpost.

Flocks of ptarmigan as white as snow itself would wing their pathless way over the snow-covered village. Gulls, crows and raucous magpies would appropriate the hospitality of Alaskan housewives who would throw scraps of food to the hungry birds. The sun would gradually become a less frequent visitor during the weeks that lay ahead, until, by mid-December, it would pay only a very brief daily visit to the town nestled between towering peaks—a town hugging a blanket of white around its shivering form.

Hunters prepared with eager expectancy to climb the rocky slopes many miles out on the trail where they knew long-haired goats would be clambering inaccessible places, high among the rocks, fearful lest man with his modern firearms would plan to replenish his meat supply for the long winter months.

Chris, on the "Nushagak," felt the approaching winter. It was disagreeable to pull on the cold anchor ropes and tie up at icy docks. His fingers were often stiff and numb. Yet he still liked his job very much in spite of these minor discomforts. The beauties of the landscape never grew tiresome. It was interesting to watch the

same places through the changing seasons. Then there were the pleasant visits with Julianna Barrett at Willow Point. Twice a month he would have the privilege of seeing her, spending a few hours in her wholesome presence, watching her expressive face, listening to her accounts of work among the natives. He often longed to let her know of the love that had awakened in his heart, but he always checked the impulse. First he must know Julie's Lord and Savior as a reality in his own life. That he was keenly interested in the things of God was evident from the way he faithfully read the little Testament the young missionary had given him. He attended the little church in town faithfully, seeking, seeking, yearning for the assurance in his own heart that these things were so. Jones enjoyed teasing his tall helper for his definite trend toward spiritual things.

"Chris, I wouldn't be surprised if you'd turn out to be a sky pilot some day," he had said with a mischievous grin.

"No fear of that," returned MacKay soberly. "I'm no kind of a speaker at all." It was true . . . the Wyoming man was one of few words, the quiet thoughtful type.

"Come to think of it," added Jones lightly, "Most preachers do have a gift o' gab, don't they?"

He had to smile at his friend's blunt way of expressing his observation, but in his heart Chris knew that he could not be a representative for God when he did not belong to Him.

October passed. November followed. Snow fell softly, thickly, consistently. Sometimes the wind whistled and howled from the glacier and kept Valdezans in the shelter and warmth of their frame houses.

The first week of November, Jones and MacKay prepared the "Nushagak" for her regular mail trip. She and one other boat belonging to the Government Forestry Service were the only two boats running the Sound in the wintertime.

"I have a few rolls of kodachrome for my 35," Jones mentioned when they were going through the Narrows. "Since this is just a routine trip . . . no passengers . . . what do you say we go up College Fiord and take pictures?"

Chris was heartily in favor. He had never been up that fiord nor seen the glaciers in that vicinity. It was a glorious day. The men enjoyed the freedom of this trip to the full. In addition to having no passengers to worry about, there was only a very small amount of freight to be unloaded at the various stops.

All the way up College Fiord, the men took turns shooting at seals and icebergs. Jones took a few shots of magnificent scenery with his fine camera. MacKay did, too. Many enjoy-



Dr. and Mrs. Leslie M. Chaffee (Left), Newly Appointed Medical Missionaries for the Cameroons Visiting With the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Ferris (Right) at Lorraine, Kansas

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able evenings would be spent looking at these colored slides projected onto a screen. It was always a treat to have a new box of transparencies to project and to study. Both men had exceptionally good collections of colored slides. Each considered photography a worth-while and entertaining hobby, though a somewhat expensive one.

Darkness descended early in the afternoon. Through the gray-blue gloom of the November day the "Nushagak" continued . . . on . . . on . . . now past familiar islands . . . now past blue-white glaciers, age-old ramparts of ice that rumbled and roared as parts crackled off and toppled into the sea. To Wyoming-bred MacKay, the constant crackling of the floating ice as it swept out with the tide was like a thousand horses running through a shallow stream.

Other fiords were visited, other glaciers viewed. At Surprise Glacier the men from the mailboat saw a thrilling and awe-inspiring sight. A part of the glacier, as large as a city block, broke off and crashed into the sea with a tremendous roar. Jones told MacKay that glaciers up the various fiords around the Sound flowed much faster than the gigantic Columbia which was generally considered the world's largest moving glacier at the present time.

They ran all night. In the morning the boat was completely closed in by icebergs and new skim ice. Careful navigating was essential to get them out of danger and both breathed more easily when open water lay ahead of the "Nushagak".

At midmorning they reached Willow point. School was in session so the usual welcoming committee of children was absent. The village dogs, however, were well represented. A tail-wagging, barking pack of them

waited at the dock's end where the "Nushagak" tied fast.

A few natives who were lounging around on empty kerosene oil drums mumbled a welcome to the two white men. Silently they helped to carry the cases of groceries designated for this port to the long low building that bore the sign "ding Post." The "Tra" had been missing for several years, but the proprietor had never summoned enough interest or enthusiasm to replace the missing letters. No one in the village seemed to care anyway. Everyone knew that the building was the store. A sign was not at all necessary.

MacKay was disappointed that Julie had not come down to the dock. Usually, if it was at all possible, she came to meet the boat. If she did not come down, Chris had an excuse to go up to her small cabin to which she had returned three mail trips ago. Some snapshots he had taken during one visit to Beaver Creek last August had been returned from the photographer's shop. He knew Julie would be keenly interested in seeing these. There was an especially winsome one of little Molly with Micky, her dog. He knew Julie would prize this one highly and for her special benefit, he had enlarged it. Jones had a dark room in his house where many pleasant and profitable hours were spent. Sometimes they sent out their black and white films to professional shops. Sometimes they did their own. MacKay appreciated all he had learned from the versatile skipper.

Neal had business to attend to at one of the cabins. A young native had promised him on the last trip that he would cure a few sealskins and then sell them to him. Eventually Jones hoped to have moccasins made up for his sister who lived Outside since her marriage.

It was unnecessary for MacKay to explain to the skipper where he would spend his time at Willow. When the unloading operations were completed, Jones strode off in one direction, Chris in another. MacKay's destination was the humble cabin where Julie lived. He was eager to see her again, to watch the sweet smiles as they spread across her honest face, to see the twinkle in her blue eyes as he told of amusing things that had happened since last he saw her, to listen to her low voice as she recounted the experiences for the past fortnight. He hurried across the dock, the snow crunching under his heavy-soled boots. Then he began to climb the steep hill. It was icy, treacherous.

Juliana Barrett, unaware of the arrival of the mailboat, was busy bandaging the injured leg of a small native boy whose drunken father had allowed him to descend the steep hillside to the village unaided.

The reeling, staggering Aleut had failed to hear his son's cries when he fell. Julie had seen the accident from the window of her small house, had rushed out into the cold and snow and had carried the wounded boy into the warmth and comfort of her cabin. Probably not until Nick Kolkoff reached his own cabin would he miss little Bobby. That is what drink does to poor, weak people who are caught in this soul-destroying habit. Julie loathed liquor and what it did to a person. Daily her heart cried out to the Lord to deal with these poor misguided natives, most of them so weak, so easily led into paths of wickedness.

"There, there Bobby," soothed the young missionary, as she finished wrapping the bruised and torn knee. "Now, what are we going to do about that big hole in your pants leg?" She made a funny face at the child, who by this time was about cried out. With a few choking gulps, he stopped crying and regarded the new problem — what to do with his torn trousers. He looked at Julie's kind face and, before he realized what he was doing, actually smiled at her. Encouraged, she gave the child a picture book to look at while she searched for a woolen patch that could be used to close up the gaping hole in the trouser leg. She found one without much trouble, and a needle, thimble and thread as well, and soon the patch was being fitted securely into the torn place. She was startled when a low knock at the door of her cabin announced someone's arrival. Would it be Nick coming to ask her what she had done with his boy? He might be ugly, mean. He might even try to harm her. She was afraid of him when he was drunk. A silent prayer went heavenward as she jumped from her chair and went to the doorway. A peep through the curtained glass in the top of the door made her heart leap for joy. It was

not Nick Kolkoff at all, but Chris MacKay!

With great relief, she opened wide the door. A snowy Chris stood on the threshold.

"Come right in, Chris," she welcomed joyously. "I didn't know the 'Nushagak' was in. When did you arrive?"

"Hello, Julie. Say, it's good to see you again!" He looked admiringly at the golden hair, the wide blue eyes, the smile of welcome. "I'd say we got here a half hour ago," he informed her.

Spying the little dark-eyed boy who was looking up at him timidly, MacKay remarked pleasantly, "I see you have company, Julie. Who's the little fellow?"

"That's Bobby Kolkoff," explained the missionary. "He took an awful tumble just outside my house. Probably tripped on a rock. I heard him cry and brought him in to fix his cuts." Holding up the damaged trousers, she added, "He even got a cut in his pants!" With a chuckle she displayed her amateurish attempt to patch the hole in the knee. Chris grinned; he appreciated Julie's grit, her willingness to help wherever possible. He could see at a glance that the patch would not win a prize in a needle contest, but at least it covered the hole!

Chris had no trouble in making the little native boy feel that he liked him. Soon, Bobby and we are friends. When the finished trousers were put on and he was contentedly munching a candy bar which Chris had produced, Bobby had quite forgotten about the ugly gash in his knee and the tears that had flowed freely such a short time ago. Julie began to realize that she might have a difficult time convincing the little boy that he had a home to which to return.

When MacKay handed the large square brown envelope containing Molly's picture to Julie, he watched her eagerly as she opened it. He was delighted to see the happy smile flash across her face when she looked at the reproduction of the winsome native youngster with her faithful Micky at her side.

"Chris it's wonderful!" she exclaimed. "How can I ever thank you enough for this!" She gazed at the picture again, hungrily, taking in every detail—Molly's pigtailed blowing in the breeze, the crude log on which she stood, the strip of bay at one edge, the towering snow-capped peak in the background, Mickey standing happily at the side of his young mistress.

"I brought you a half dozen small prints, too," he said, taking these from his pocket. "Figured you might like to have some for your friends when you write."

"You are thoughtful, Chris." There was deep appreciation and warmth in Julie's voice. "Thank you ever so much." That was Chris—thoughtfulness personified! What a wonderful disciple of the Lord Jesus he would make! If only—if only soon he would be His! For some reason it was more difficult for her to converse with him about spiritual matters than with these humble natives. Her prayers were ever for his salvation. She coveted him for the Savior. He would be such a loyal follower, so true, so unselfish, so willing to help others. She would continue to pray for him. Perhaps, soon, the Lord would answer.

A little before noon, Julie asked Chris to find the skipper and to bring him back to her cabin. She would prepare a luncheon for them, little Bobby and herself. MacKay soon returned with Neal, and the four enjoyed a delicious and satisfying meal together.

Shortly afterward the men left. They had many more stops to make at various fox islands before the early darkness descended.

Chris offered to carry little Bobby home. Julie, bundled up in a warm parka fringed with fur, went along to show him the way to the native cabin where the Kolkoffs lived. They deposited the youngster—well fed, bandaged, patched and sleepy—into his thin young mother's arms, and then Julie accompanied the men to the boat. She had not been out in the fresh air at all today except for those few minutes when she had brought Bobby into her house.

"I may be able to spend Christmas with Lydia," Julie said as MacKay was descending the ladder to the waiting mailboat. "She has asked me to come."

"That would be fine for both of you," suggested Jones, who had overheard. "You two girls oughtn't to be parked out in the middle of nowhere like this. It ain't right!"

Julie smiled warmly at this blunt observation.

"We both love our work. We're both useful," she defended. "But, most important of all, I've come here for the Lord."

With great seriousness Jones replied, "Don't see how any girl like you would be willing to live such an isolated life if she didn't have a . . . (he was groping for the right word) high motive," he finished.

Soon afterward the "Nushagak" was just a tiny speck on the horizon. Two whole weeks would go by before Julie could expect another visit with Chris. But they would be busy weeks, weeks of useful service, weeks of earnest prayer for these people to whom she had come with the Good News.

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A Year in Africa

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April 1947, until the end of December 672 patients were given 1912 treatments at the dispensary. Several hundred more patients were treated by the native dispensary helper during the first three months before our arrival. Twelve babies were delivered here during 1947 — ten of these in the dispensary since April.

Other missionary activities for our Warwar area include women's meetings and village visitation, monthly church workers' conferences, and quarterly treks to outstations.

MISSIONARY NEWS!

On May 31st Mrs. George Dunger and her two children, Daphne and Amaryllis, sailed from Africa on the "S.S. Calumet" to rejoin her husband in the United States, who is ill at present.

The Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Goodman have been stationed at Soppo, following Mr. Goodman's recovery from illness. The Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson are now in charge of our new mission field at Victoria where a glorious revival has strengthened the local Baptist church.

Working among the sick and diseased natives of Africa is fascinating and much appreciated, however, inadequate our service so often may be. And here may we give tribute to the faithful societies that have generously provided the White Cross material. You would realize more fully what a great service you are doing if you could spend even one day in a mission dispensary with any one of the nurses here. Bandages and dressings for putrid sores, blankets and shirts for cold, sick or newly born babies, pneumonia jackets, towels, hot water bottles, safety pins and all the little things you tuck in add to our efficiency of service. Thank you sincerely!

OUR APPRECIATION

We wish to thank all of the societies and friends who have remembered our anniversaries and the holiday seasons with special greetings. With each special occasion a greater number of cards arrive and we appreciate your thoughtfulness and good wishes! Thank you too for your promises of continued prayers in our behalf as we labor here. We remember the great work on the home front as well in our daily praying.

"My peace I give unto you." We are thankful that Jesus Christ left his peace. We commit the events and consequences of the coming year into his care because we know he can give wisdom and strength if only we accept his peace.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

We, the Women

DAUNTLESS WOMEN

So you think all missionary books are "dry" reading, full of statistics and facts. And you put off reading, even one such book a year, as an unpleasant duty. Well, may I politely but most decidedly contradict you! I have found a missionary book that combines a romance, high adventure, suspense — all in vivid, gem-like character sketches of seven outstanding women. It is called, "Dauntless Women" by Winifred Matthews.

Different in their personalities, their talents, training and background, they were all alike in their unshakable faith, in their devotion to their mission and in the almost unbelievable hardships and sufferings which they endured bravely. "They did what they could not!"

For instance, see young, beautiful Ann Hasseltine Judson for eighteen months providing for the Burmese children and servants now wholly dependent on her — since her husband was imprisoned — getting food and clothing for her husband who otherwise would starve; and, most important of all, interceding at the Burmese court, using all her wit and charm in order to secure his release from captivity. Picturesquely, she is called "Comrade of an Ambassador in Chains."

Or read of Mary Moffat, wife of the well known pioneer missionary in South Africa, Robert Moffat, who became known as "mother of the tribe." Rearing a family of ten children of her own, nevertheless she found time to teach the native women how to establish true homes.

After she had taught the women how to make candles by pouring fat into molds with a piece of rag for a wick, the African huts for the first

time were lit with artificial light, so that the new Christians could read the Bible and hymns which the Moffats had translated and printed for them. That night Robert said to his wife: "Yes, Mary, Christ is bringing real home life to Africa, and you have helped him to do it here." Her great, undaunted faith in the first years which brought no apparent results of their labors is evidenced in the episode of the communion plates. But that you must read for yourself.

"Tanna is a hard field," agreed Agnes Watt, "but is that any reason why we should give the people up? Or send men past Tanna saying, 'Wherever you go, don't go to Tanna; Tanna is doomed?'" And so for 25 years this sturdy Scots wife of William Watt labored on this South Sea island, seeing only a handful of converts, but laying a lasting foundation. Hurricanes, wars, epidemics could not discourage her. "She impressed all who knew her, not by brilliant gifts or accomplishments, but by the beauty of her Christlike character and the power of her unquenchable faith."

A honeymoon in a carrying chair, traveling into the interior of Korea where no white woman had ever been, was the experience of Lillias Underwood, a graduate doctor and nurse. Private physician to the Korean queen, whom she was able to win for Christ, was just one of her many adventures in her 28 years in Korea with her husband, Horace Underwood.

Do take this book with you on your vacation, for a few hours of profitable and fascinating reading. It may be secured from the Roger Williams Press, 3734 Payne Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

You Should Know -!

A National Young People's and S. S. Workers' Union Feature

That our Scripture Memorization Course is working out very profitably in many of our churches. The local sponsors will want to get their reports ready to be sent to the Forest Park headquarters by the end of June. The leaders and sponsors should make proper preparations during the summer months in order to get the new courses started early in September.

Miss Ann Swain, the Scripture Memorization missionary, is ready to serve in the conference area where she is assigned. Her program of work and itinerary are now prepared by the general secretary of the National Y. P.

and S. S. Workers' Union in cooperation with the local pastor and conference mission secretary. Information about her work and itinerary has gone out to all pastors and sponsors of the conference in which she is working.

The National Union will continue to supply the Church School with the necessary materials to carry on the Scripture Memorization work. We trust that our sponsors and churches will make good use of this material. The material is provided free of charge to churches at a considerable cost to the National Union.

CHILDREN'S PAGE



GROWING UP FOR JESUS.
I need to grow up true and strong,
That I might help the work along
The Lord has left to do;
I must be brave, with courage bright,
To face the foe both day and night —
A Christian through and through.
—N. E. Schrock.

JOHN IS GROWING UP!

It was John's birthday. He was six years old. Besides the scooter and the books and the baseball, John had received a dark blue suit with a coat like his father's. This made him feel quite grown-up. Six years seemed so much older than five. It meant that it was time to start to school. It meant that John was no longer a little fellow. He was a real boy now.

John's mother tied the gay tie that went with the suit. Then she kissed the tip of his nose as she always did. "Dear me," she sighed. "How fast little boys do grow up!"

John's father winked at him as if to say, "We just have to let these women fuss over us a little." And then he grew serious.

"Now John, since you are old enough for suits like this, and since you soon will be going to school, I think it is time we started your allowance."

"What is an allowance, Father?" John asked. You see, he still was not too old to ask questions.

"Out of the money that I earn I will allow you a share to spend," Father replied. "But you must learn to use it wisely."

And then Father told him how to divide it into so much for church, so much for savings, and so much for spending. He gave John a little tin box with sections marked CHURCH, SAVING and SPENDING. Each week he was to have the same amount of money to use.

John thought that this would be fun. It would be nice to have his own money to use, and the little tin box would help him to spend it wisely, as his father wanted him to do.

Then Father gave him another little box full of small green envelopes. He told John that he was big enough now to put his church school money in envelopes as Father and Mother did. This would be his own box. It had his number on it. There was one for each Sunday.



—Samuel Myslis Photo
Brother and Sister Admire the New Baby Calf on Their Farm

Each week John would take his money out of the tin box marked CHURCH and drop it into one of the green envelopes. He would seal it shut and put it in the pocket of his new blue suit. When the offering was gathered at Sunday School, John would put in his envelope.

John thought that this would be fun too. "But Father," he asked, "why does everyone pay to go to church?"

Father smiled. "That is just what we do not do," he said. "We give instead. You see," he went on, "we like to go to church. But it takes money to keep our church going. We have to buy coal to heat it in winter.

CHILDREN'S PAGE EDITOR
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All contributions for and correspondence regarding Children's Page can be sent directly to Mrs. Reeh.

We have to buy Bibles and hymnbooks. We need crayons and scissors and paper. We have to pay for electric lights. We must pay our minister and organist and janitor."

"Goodness me!" John laughed. "I never thought about all that."

"Those are just some of the necessary things for ourselves," Father went on. "The part we like best is sharing our church with others. Part of the money we give is used to help other churches in other parts of the world. It pays for sending missionaries and doctors and nurses to places where they are needed. It sends food and clothing and other kinds of help to places where the story of Jesus is being told to other boys and girls. Some of it goes to help our boys and girls in the orphanage."

John looked at the envelope in his hand. "I never knew that I could help to do all that," he said. "I shall never forget to take my envelope when Sunday comes."

By Mary C. Odell.

THE BIBLE FARMER

How Is Your Bible Score?

1. In the book of Genesis, who is the first Farmer or "tiller of the soil"?
2. What common farm animal did the mighty Pharaoh behold in a dream?
3. What animal was killed when the Prodigal Son came home?
4. On what animal did Jesus ride in triumph into Jerusalem?
5. The crowning of what farmyard bird chilled the heart of guilty Peter the night of Jesus' arrest?
6. What farm animal do you associate with the Passover?
7. Into what farm animals did Jesus once drive evil spirits, according to the scripture story?
9. What kind of animals were in the flocks that young David tended?
9. Once Jesus said, "She gathers her young under her wings." What common barnyard fowls was he talking about?
10. What common animal is mentioned in the Bible "eating the crumbs under the table?"
11. What farm animal did Abraham substitute for young Isaac in the sacrifice on the mountain top?
12. What does the farmer call the food he gives his cattle? (Job 6:5.)

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Northern Conference

Evangelistic Meeting and Musical Service at the Bridgeland Church of Calgary, Alberta

For almost two weeks in April the members and friends of the Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary, Alberta were richly nourished with the Bread of Life. It was brought to us in a simple but instructive way. If we who heard will carry out that in which we were instructed, many more persons will be won for Christ. We were reminded to study and to stock up on the Word of God. These heart stirring messages were brought to us by Dr. C. H. Seecamp of Leduc, Alberta. Again our hearts were thrilled to witness the saving power of God when a young lad gave his heart to Jesus Christ.

On the following Sunday evening, May 2nd, the service was "out of the ordinary." Under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. H. Schatz, the choir presented a "Worship Service in Song," German and English selections were rendered by a male choir, mixed choir and a ladies' chorus. The latter was directed by Mr. Ted Neher. The rendition of the seventeen selections was enjoyed by a large audience.

Tina Schmidt, Reporter.

Northwestern Conference

Special Activities and Programs of the Junior B. Y. P. U at Victor, Iowa

On Sunday, April 18, the Junior B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church of Victor, Iowa had charge of the Sunday evening service giving an interesting program centered on the theme, "Christ the Good Shepherd," based on John 10:1-18. The program consisted of several musical numbers, the 23rd Psalm, two readings and a short play, "The Lost Sheep." An offering was taken at the close of the program which was used to purchase a pulpit Bible for our church.

Our Junior B. Y. P. U. has been having interesting meetings on Sunday evenings. Once a month we have a social gathering at the homes of the Juniors, at which time we enjoy a period of recreation, singing of choruses, followed by a devotional in which the Juniors take part with testimonies and prayer. These are very inspiring and helpful in our Christian life.

Mrs. John Broeder has been the sponsor of the Junior Society, being ably assisted by Mrs. Louis Muller. Mrs. John Broeder, Reporter.

Farewell Reception for Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Schweitzer at Manitowoc, Wisconsin

On Thursday evening, April 28th, the members of the First Baptist Church of Manitowoc, Wisconsin assembled to bid farewell to their pastor, Rev. J. C. Schweitzer, and his wife.

A representative from each of the departments of the church spoke briefly thanking the Schweitzers for their kind helpfulness during their stay as pastor and pastor's wife, expressing regret at the loss which we so keenly feel.

We are grateful to the Lord for having sent us Mr. and Mrs. Schweitzer to minister to us. Though their stay was brief, we feel much was accomplished, for it was during the ministry of Mr. Schweitzer that we were led to the purchase of our present church home. Also seven members were admitted into our church by baptism, nine by letter and two by letters returned during his ministry.

May the Lord richly bless Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Schweitzer as they continue to serve Him in the field to which the Lord has called them at the Bethany Church of Vancouver, B. C.

Jane Specht, Reporter.

Sunday School Activities and Evangelistic Services at the Grace Church, Racine, Wisconsin

The Sunday School of the Grace Baptist Church of Racine, Wisconsin observes Mission Sunday once each month. On Feb. 29th Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Myer, Sudan Interior missionaries, had charge of the Bible School period and the morning and evening services.

We have instituted the six point record system in our Sunday School. A monthly report is given in our Church Bulletin, naming the department, the highest class in each department and the scholars and teachers with a 100 percent for the month.

We enjoyed the Easter program under the direction of Mrs. Kastensen and Mrs. Hurley on March 28th. At the evening Gospel Hour our pastor, Rev. Ray L. Schlader, administered the ordinance of baptism! Those who confessed Christ in baptism were welcomed into our membership on April 4. On May 2nd, after an inspirational service, Mr. Schlader again had the privilege of baptizing six girls and three boys.

We have adopted the Registration Card System during our services which gives our pastor the names of visitors, those desiring membership or a pastor's call and a closer affiliation with his own membership.

Dr. E. W. Palmer, pastor, evangelist and Bible Teacher of Oak Park, Ill.,

brought us inspiring messages from God's Holy Word from April 5 to 11! The response was good. The consecration service on the last night, with Christ's picture illuminated, filled our sanctuary with the Holy Spirit and softened our hearts to a deeper consciousness of the precious truth.

Rev. George Moaba, area director of evangelism was with us from April 19 to 22, conducting our Visitation Crusade, which was a real blessing. An average of ten teams went out each night. They visited 65 homes, made 85 calls, secured 11 decisions, four transfers of letters and one profession of faith.

Contractors are at work remodeling the entrances to the basement and in the basement of our church. Some of the men offer their assistance on evenings which is speeding up the work.

Mrs. M. W. Schacht, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Spring Rally of the Northern North Dakota Young People's Union at McClusky

On Sunday, May 2, the Northern North Dakota Young People's Union met at the McClusky Baptist Church for a spring rally. Although many were not able to attend because of bad roads, the church was filled for the afternoon and evening services. We were very glad to have as our guest speaker the Rev. J. C. Gunst, our young people's secretary.

The afternoon service was opened with a hearty song service which was led by the Rev. Gideon Zimmerman. Adeline Zimbelman, young people's president of the host church, extended a hearty welcome to all, to which a response was given by Mr. Zimmerman, dean of men of the assembly.

The message of the afternoon, "Saved to Tell Others," which was presented to us by Rev. J. C. Gunst, was a blessing to everyone. Everyone also enjoyed a short talk by Rev. E. P. Wahl, president of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta.

After the afternoon service we enjoyed a fellowship supper prepared by the ladies of the Friendship Class. After the supper hour each society answered with a stunt for roll call, featuring, "Why I Want to Attend the Assembly." Then a message meditation was given by Rev. F. Knalson.

The message for the evening service was, "Do You Dare?" Several young people consecrated their lives anew for full-time service and a closer walk with God. We are looking forward to our assembly which is to be held at Lake Bently from July 3 to 9.

Vera Zimbelman, Secretary.

Seven Converts Are Baptized at the West Center Street Church, Madison, South Dakota

On Pentecost Sunday, May 16, we of the West Center Street Baptist Church of Madison, South Dakota had the joy of seeing four Sunday School scholars, a young married couple and a young married man followed the Lord in baptism. These converts were partly the fruit of the evangelistic meetings that were held early in March when the Rev. H. Palfenier was with us.

During the past year we have also received four new members from other churches, but we have also lost six of our members by death. All of our organizations are quite active. The choir has given several fine concerts and the young people took over several of the evening services. Missionary interest and giving have increased, and we have every reason to look hopefully into the future.

Henry R. Schroeder, Pastor.

Invitation to the Dakota Conference at Avon, So. Dakota, from June 22 to 25

The First Baptist Church of Avon, South Dakota invites all churches of the Dakota Conference to send their delegates, representatives and pastors to attend the 40th session of the Dakota Conference to be held in our midst June 22nd to 25th. All delegates and visitors will be lodged in private homes. Breakfast is to be served free to all. A charge of 60 cents for the noon meal, and 50 cents for supper, will be made of adults.

The most convenient lodgings will be assigned to those who will announce their coming. Please send all announcements to our pastor: Rev. P. Geissler, Box 706, Avon, South Dakota. Kindly state whether married couples, older people, or young people, "Mr.," "Mrs.," or "Miss," and whether you plan to come by auto, train, or bus; also when you expect to arrive.

Prayerfully we thank God for the privilege of having you as our guests, and for the blessed fellowship which is ours in Christ, our Savior. "Come, ye blessed of the Lord!" Sincerely yours in Christ,

Chester J. Betz, Church Sec.

Anniversary Program of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, Linton, North Dakota

On Sunday evening, April 25, a program was given by the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Linton, No. Dak. Although the weather was not favorable, our program still proved to be a success and a blessing to all who could attend.

After a hearty welcome by our president, Mrs. H. J. Wilcke, roll call was given with each member answering by saying a Bible verse. The group sang two songs. Then we had a brief review by our secretary of the work by the society.

A reading was given, "True Beauty," and we were also favored with several special musical numbers. A dialogue,



Dr. John Leypoldt of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and His Twin Daughters, Martha (Left) and Mary (Right) as Photographed by Mr. Herman Siemund at Chicago Recently

"The Most Beautiful Flowers," was presented by six women. Our minister, Rev. H. J. Wilcke, brought a brief message on the subject, "Thy Kingdom Come." The offering which amounted to \$49.36 was designated for the Cameroons Nurses' Training Project.

The officers to preside in the coming year are Mrs. Valentine Kremer, president; Mrs. H. J. Wilcke, vice-president; Mrs. Eva Graf, secretary; and Mrs. Ben Meidinger, treasurer.

Mrs. Fred Kremer, Reporter.

Young People's Activities of the Baptist Church at McLaughlin, South Dakota

On Sunday, May 23, the new church building at Selfridge, North Dakota was dedicated. Many of our B. Y. P. U. members sang several numbers with the choir. The Rev. H. G. Dymmel, Missionary Secretary, was the speaker for the occasion. In the evening he served as guest speaker at the B. Y. P. U. of McLaughlin, South Dakota. A contribution of \$25.00 was made by the B. Y. P. U. to the Selfridge Church. Our society was also very happy to be able to give \$200 towards the new furnace for the local church.

We feel fortunate to have the Henry Schweigert family with us for the summer. Henry was formerly president of the society and will be of much assistance now. This fall he plans to enter a theological seminary.

Answers to the Bible Farmer

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| 1. Cain | 7. Swine (pigs) |
| 2. Cows | 8. Sheep |
| 3. Fatted calf | 9. Hen, chickens |
| 4. Colt (ass) | 10. Dogs |
| 5. Rooster (cock) | 11. Ram |
| 6. Lamb | 12. Fodder |

"Thanksgiving Ann," a one-act play, will be given by the B. Y. P. U. in the local church sometime in June. The young people plan to tour to several towns to raise money for foreign aid. However, the one in town will be given for the Bender Memorial Trek, the mission project for the Dakota Conference.

For the past month Betty and Virginia Salziedler and their mother, former members of our society but now residents of Stockton, California have been visiting in McLaughlin. The girls have rendered special song numbers for morning services and for our programs.

The B. Y. P. U. had a special Mother's Day program on Sunday evening, May 9, after which everyone went into the basement for lunch and a singspiration. On May 30th, Rev. Philip Anderson of Moberge was the guest speaker for our morning worship. The Rev. Alex Sootzman was at the Moberge church.

Mrs. Art Moser, Reporter.

Central Conference

Annual Dinner of the Chicago Sunday School Teachers' and Workers' Union

The Sunday School Teachers' and Workers' Union of Chicago, Illinois held its annual delegate session and program on Tuesday evening, April 13th, at the East Side Baptist Church. Mr. Herman Siemund and Mr. Fred A. Grosser were again elected president and vice-president, respectively, as were the other officers.

Mr. Siemund and Mr. Grosser have been re-elected to the same offices for 25 consecutive years — a record of devoted service and loyalty! At the business session it was voted to distribute the funds of the organization to various denominational projects, and plans were also made for the city-wide Sunday School rally which was held on May 23rd at the First Church of Chicago.

A wire recorder had been installed and it picked up the various musical numbers and peppy chorus singing led by Mrs. Walter Pankratz. We then had the fun of listening to the recording of the chorus singing and Mrs. Pankratz' eloquence in urging us on to greater musical effort! Dr. John Leypoldt of Milwaukee, Wisconsin then brought the inspiring message entitled, "Streams of Christian Influence."

Mrs. Edward Engbrecht and other women of the East Side Church served an excellent dinner to one hundred persons. One of the highlights of the evening came, however, when Mr. Siemund announced that an anonymous donor would contribute the cost of the entire dinner if the audience would vote in favor of giving the money collected for the dinner for food parcels to be sent to Europe. Every one was delighted to vote "yes" — it was a thrill to know that our feast was to be shared with the needy overseas.

Marion Kleindienst, Reporter.

Anniversary Program of the Round Lake Young People's Society of Gladwin, Mich.

On Sunday, May 2, the young people of the Round Lake Baptist Church of Gladwin, Mich., held their anniversary program. The prelude was played by Betty Rinas followed by congregational singing. The Scripture was read by Mrs. E. Schultz, vice-president. Viola Wolfe favored us with a solo and then the pastor, Rev. V. Prendinger, led in prayer.

The officers of "47" were seated on the platform in the front of the church. Doris Doede, president, and Mrs. E. Schultz, vice-president, were presented with corsages from the society.

We were also favored with a piano duet by Doris Doede and Betty Rinas. The Girls' Chorus rendered a fine number. The pastor then gave a short talk on the missionary play, "The Pill Bottle," which the society presented immediately thereafter. An offering was taken amounting to \$40.00 which will go to the Medical Unit, the mission project of the Central Conference.

Ronald Doede, Reporter.

Highlights of the Central Conference Program at Benton Harbor, Mich., June 24 to 27

Clay Street Baptist Church, Clay St. and Pavone, Benton Harbor, Mich. Conference Theme: "Witnessing for Christ Through Missions."

THURSDAY

7:45 P. M. — Opening Service. Moderator, Rev. C. B. Nordland. Message: "The Crisis of Missions." Dr. A. J. Harms.

FRIDAY

7:45 P. M. — Praise Service. Welcoming of New Ministers. "Home Missions," Message and films. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Promotional Secretary.

SATURDAY

6:30 P. M. — Young People's Banquet and Program. Mrs. Lois Ahrens, Speaker.

SUNDAY

9:30 A. M. — Sunday School. Speakers, Rev. A. Voigt, Rev. P. Zoschke.

10:30 A. M. — Worship Service. "The Achievements of Modern Missions," Rev. R. Schreiber.

3:00 P. M. — Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Rally. Dr. M. L. Leuschner.

7:30 P. M. — Closing Service. Message. "The Missionary's Qualifications." Rev. Stanley Geis.

INVITATION

The Clay St. Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, Mich., hereby extends a cordial invitation to all delegates and visitors who plan to attend the Central Conference at Benton Harbor, Mich., from June 24 to 27. The Entertainment Committee kindly solicits the cooperation of all who plan to be guests to register early. Address all mail to: Rev. Wm. Hoover, 822 Pavone, Benton Harbor, Michigan.



Rev. J. Lester Harnish, Pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.

Bethel Church of Detroit Welcomes Rev. and Mrs. J. Lester Harnish and Family

The Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., is happy to announce the coming of its new pastor, the Rev. J. Lester Harnish.

Mr. Harnish prepared for the ministry at Ridge Technical School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Wheaton College, Illinois; and Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. During these years he was very active in musical circles, having travelled through 45 states with college glee clubs and quartets. He also was Minister of Music at the Delaware Avenue Bethany Baptist Church of Wilmington, Delaware and instructor of voice for two years at Eastern Seminary.

Prior to his graduation from Eastern Seminary, Mr. Harnish was assistant pastor at the First Baptist Church, Altoona, Pennsylvania. His first pastorate was the Euclid Baptist Church of Brooklyn, New York; second pastorate was Belmont Avenue Baptist Church of Philadelphia; Bethel is now his third pastorate.

Mr. Harnish has been active in denominational and interdenominational life and has given some time in speaking to young people at youth rallies, as well as conducting evangelistic meetings in local churches, in addition to summer Bible conference work. For

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the past several months he has had an active radio broadcast.

We had a very enjoyable time at the reception for our pastor and his family on Friday, May 7. There were greetings by Rev. Wilbur Bloom, Detroit Baptist Missionary Society; Dr. A. J. Harms for the five sister churches of the North American Baptist Conference; Mr. Paul Nast for the men of Bethel; Mrs. Eugene Geschwind for the Ladies' Aid; Douglas Bucy for the young people; and Nancy and Bobby Morgan for the Sunday School. Mrs. Frank Peery brought the special music in song.

Also at the reception recognition was given Mr. James H. Barnes, Sr., who led our church as moderator during the absence of our pastor. He was presented with a beautiful Authorized Version Bible. The rest of the evening was spent informally in our Fellowship Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Harnish have three children, Judy, age 8; Jimmy, age 6; and Jon, one and one-half years of age.

Alma C. Kludt, Reporter.

Activities of the Ladies' Missionary Society of Detroit's Burns Ave. Baptist Church

Under the leadership of our very capable president, Mrs. Otto Ernst, we of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Burns Ave. Church of Detroit, Mich., have been able to do much for the Lord. Our main aim has been relief to the suffering of Europe. We have sent 1749 boxes of food and clothing. Many of the articles of clothing were made and donated by our members. The money for this project has been taken up by special offerings. Up-to-date we have spent \$7,113.84 besides a \$5,000 gift that was sent to the Rev. Wm. Hoover for relief when he was in Germany.

We have meetings twice a month, one in the afternoon, still conducted in the German language and the other in the evening. Once every three months we have a combined mission meeting and have some special missionary speaker. Twice a year we have something special for those who have had birthdays. Recently it was brought to our attention by our only charter member, Mrs. Christ Potz, that our Missionary Society started with only nine members in 1902.

We also had a real treat at one of our meetings as one of our women, Mrs. G. B. Howard, who had the opportunity to visit the Rev. and Mrs. R. Wilkinson and family on their field of work in Haiti gave us a fine report from there and we were greatly blessed with her experiences with our own missionaries.

Our Society also supports a Chinese girl and contributes to the support of the Rev. Wegners in Kentucky, the Old People's Home in St. Joseph, the Scholarship Fund and then at Christmas time we always remember our elder women, who are not able to be with us in our meetings.

Our offering for the last year amounted to \$420.48 which goes for the work of the Lord, and so we are happy to work in his vineyard.

Mrs. Olga Rossel, Secretary.

Two Weeks of Evangelistic Meetings at the Burns Avenue Church, Detroit, Mich.

Two weeks of evangelistic meetings were held at the Burns Ave. Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan following April 4th.

It was once stated that Gospel campaigns often become scenes of the most poignant human experiences.

present in Sunday School.

On Sunday, April 11, we had the privilege of having the Rev. H. G. Dymmel, our general missionary secretary, with us. He brought a very heart-stirring message to us in the morning service on this Sunday and at the evening service he gave us a very interesting report on home and foreign missions.

Mrs. Clarence Zgorski, Reporter.



Mr. and Mrs. William Pfaff of the Trinity Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon who on May 9, 1948 celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary

This was our experience during our two-week campaign held with the Rev. John Barbee of Charlotte, North Carolina. Mrs. John Barbee rendered the special music each evening by singing many of our favorites. In addition to this we had the privilege of having Mr. and Mrs. Ken Cumings, a chalk artist team, of Detroit, with us. Mrs. Cumings drew many of our well known Bible stories as Mr. Cumings accompanied her with a message in song.

Under the passionate preaching of the Word of God and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit we saw how the Gospel can melt hearts and change lives.

On the evening of April 25th and also on the morning of May 2nd Dr. A. J. Harms, our pastor, had the joy of baptizing a number of these converts and soon again we will be looking forward to seeing others follow Christ in baptism.

Mildred Wolfe, Reporter.

Inspiring Mother's Day Observance at the Fourth Ave. Baptist Church of Alpena, Mich.

In observing Mother's Day on Sunday, May 9, we of the Fourth Ave. Baptist Church of Alpena, Mich., held a very fine program. The service included recitations by six Primary pupils. Mr. Reynold Behnke sang a bass solo and Mrs. R. A. Grenz gave an appropriate reading.

Following a short message by our pastor, Rev. Richard Grenz, a Mother's Day play entitled, "My Mother's Bible," was presented. Several numbers were sung by Mr. Grenz during the play. Mother's Day tags were given to all mothers present for the services of the day, and plants were presented to the youngest and oldest mother and to the mother with the most children

Southwestern Conference

A Missionary Conference With Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Chaffee and Others at Lorraine, Kansas

A missionary conference was held at the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, of which Rev. F. G. Ferris is the pastor, from May 2 to May 5. It was on this occasion that we met Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Chaffee, our newly appointed medical missionaries for the Cameroons of Africa. We were inspired by their testimonies and realized again that our prayers have been answered by God through this fine couple.

The Rev. H. G. Dymmel, our general mission secretary, and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, our promotion secretary, were with us also. They brought challenging messages on missions in their inimitable way. Mr. Leuschner showed several films on the Million Dollar Offering, Home Missions, young people's work, Cameroons, and the work among the Indians in Canada. These pictures showed us very forcibly the need for a greater effort in missionary enterprises.

We were happy to have had Dr. and Mrs. Chaffee, Mr. Dymmel and Mr. Leuschner with us, and we all have a clearer picture of our mission work. We are very grateful to our heavenly Father for the privilege of having a small part in these great denominational projects.

Mrs. Theodore Wilkens, Reporter.

See Picture of Dr. and Mrs. Leslie M. Chaffee and Rev. and Mrs. Fred Ferris on Page 15 of This Issue.
EDITOR.

Pacific Conference

Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfaff of Portland's Trinity Church

It was on May 8, 1898 that William Pfaff and Amanda Kargel of Portland, Oregon joined their hands in holy matrimony. Now fifty years have passed by and the occasion called for a golden wedding celebration. On Sunday afternoon, May 9, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Pfaff arranged to hold open house in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hager, daughter and son-in-law of the honored couple. For this festive occasion the members of the Trinity Baptist Church and other relatives and friends had been invited.

This afforded all an opportunity to extend their congratulations and best wishes to the two who had reached their golden peak of happiness along the pathway of matrimony. Their pastor, Rev. J. Wobig, addressed Mr. and Mrs. Pfaff on behalf of the congregation and presented them with a beautiful rhododendron plant. He also thanked the Lord for the loyalty and sacrificial spirit which both had always manifested toward the church and God's Kingdom, and expressed his desire that God might sustain them for many more years to come. Mrs. Albert Losli, president of the Ladies' Missionary Society, presented them with a lovely azalea plant and thanked them for all the services which they in their quiet way had performed in the program of the church.

Brother Pfaff came to Portland as an orphan when he was 20 years old. But even though he was thus handicapped he did not let that discourage him in the least. At once he started night school and began working in a bakery. In a very short time he had established his own business and was making good in life, but all the while he was a faithful attendant and supporter of the church. His life is an incentive for many others who feel that because of unfavorable conditions in their boyhood days they were robbed of the opportunity to make a success in life. Brother Pfaff served for many years as treasurer of the Sunday School and also acted as teacher. In the church he was collector of the contributions for missions. Sister Pfaff was adept in making her talents and influence count in her own quiet way. All their eight children are living in or near Portland and are members of Trinity Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Pfaff expressed their thanks for all the love and kindness which had been showered upon them at this festive time and they praised God for his grace and guidance throughout the years that have passed. May God grant our dear brother and sister many more years of fellowship together and grant them his continued blessing as they live and labor for him!

Martha Kepl, Reporter.

OBITUARY

MRS. LYDIA MAYER of Odessa, Washington

Mrs. Lydia Mayer, nee Schlechter, of Odessa, Wash., was born in Russia, on Nov. 17, 1866, and died on April 23 at the age of 81 years. For the second time her daughter, Mrs. Ida Frater, had come from Wisconsin to minister to her mother in her lingering illnesses.

At the age of 14 years Mrs. Mayer came to this country, settling in Scotland, South Dakota. In 1883 she was married to Mr. Samuel Mayer. In 1890 the Mayers came to Stafford, Oregon, and since 1891 the family has resided on a farm near Odessa, later in town. Of the eight children born to them, two daughters preceded Mrs. Mayer in death. Mr. Mayer died on June 17, 1917.

After her conversion and baptism Mrs. Mayer became a member of a Baptist church in Oregon, later transferring her membership to the Baptist Church of Odessa. She was always in Sunday School church services, mid-week meetings and Ladies' Missionary Services. She leaves three sons, three daughters, ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Odessa, Wash.

Alfred Foll, Pastor.

MR. LUDWIG BILLIGMEIER of Fessenden, North Dakota

Mr. Ludwig Billigmeier of Fessenden, North Dakota was born October 15, 1875 at Annenthal, Russia. First he settled in South Dakota. Then he came to North Dakota and homesteaded in the Heimdal community in 1899. There he resided until he retired to Fessenden in 1945. On April 27, 1948, at the age of 72 years, 6 months, and 12 days he passed to his heavenly home from gradual failure of health after he had suffered a stroke 17 days before.

Funeral services were from the First Baptist Church in Fessenden. Rev. O. R. Schmidt and Rev. D. Klein brought messages of comfort for the bereaved. The large number of people who had come to pay their last respect gave evidence of the many friends he had.

On Dec. 12, 1902 he married Rose Moser. She and the seven children, through whom the union was blessed, are now mourning his passing. The following are the daughters: Mrs. William Albus, Heimdal, N. D.; Caroline, at home; Mrs. Ted. Metzgar, Ro-

Atlantic Conference

Annual Session of the Delaware Association's Woman's Missionary Union at Elsmere, Delaware

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Delaware Association met on April 28 in the Baptist Church of Elsmere, Delaware for its annual meeting.

The devotions were led by Miss Laura Auch of Philadelphia. Our president, Mrs. Gustav Schmidt of the West Baltimore Church, extended a hearty welcome to all present. Twenty-one women came by bus from Philadelphia for the afternoon meeting. Mrs. Christian Peters, president of the entertaining society, welcomed the Woman's Missionary Union. Mrs. Stuart of Jamesburg answered for the Union.

We had the pleasure of welcoming Mrs. R. Hess, wife of the Rev. R. Hess of the Calvary Baptist Church of Bethlehem, Pa., into our Union to be a co-worker with us. All six societies of West Baltimore, Bethlehem, James-

burg, Fleischmann Memorial and Pilgrim Churches of Philadelphia and Elsmere reported that they are working for the upholding of God's Kingdom.

We heard a brief report from Mrs. R. Jahn, matron of the German Baptist Home for the Aged. The present living conditions make it very difficult in the management of a Home. Rev. R. Hess was our guest speaker who spoke on "The Macedonian Call."

Mrs. J. F. Blessing, Secretary.

What's Happening

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Crosse, Wisconsin. On Friday, June 11, he was ordained in an impressive service held at the Seventh St. Church of La Crosse, Wisconsin. He is engaged to Miss Edith Glewwe of St. Paul, Minn., a member of the River-view Baptist Church, and they are planning for the wedding bells to ring for them in October, 1948. At the Chicago church Mr. Vanderbeck will succeed the Rev. Roy Anderson, now of San Bernardino, Calif.

MRS. JENNIE DE BOER of Corona, South Dakota

Mrs. Jennie De Boer, nee Vust, of Corona, South Dakota was born December 19, 1876 at Simonswolde, Ostfriesland, Germany, and died on May 12, 1948 at Corona, So. Dak., after having attained the age of 71 years, 4 months and 23 days.

In 1882 she departed came to the United States with her parents, locating in Grundy County, Iowa. She moved to Lyon County, Iowa in 1887 where she also established her home. In October 1909 she moved with her family to a farm south of Corona, So. Dak. In March 1938 the deceased moved to Corona where she spent the rest of her earthly pilgrimage.

On Feb. 1, 1898 she departed was united in marriage with Mr. Hisko De Boer. The Lord blessed this union with eight sons and six daughters. Her husband preceded her into eternity on July 18, 1944. So did a son and a daughter at an earlier age.

In 1894 she was baptized by the Rev. M. M. Swyter upon the confession of her faith in Jesus Christ as her personal Savior. She united with the First Baptist Church of George, Iowa. When she came to South Dakota she united with the Baptist Church at Corona, where she remained a faithful member until her earthly life terminated. During the later years of her life a lingering illness caused her physical condition to deteriorate and finally resulted in her early demise.

She is survived by seven sons: Rev. M. De Boer of Buffalo Center, Iowa; Okko of Rochester, N. Y.; Leonard, Otto, John, Dick and Louis, all of Corona, So. Dak.; five daughters: Lena, Mrs. Leonard Sprung of Twin Brooks, So. Dak.; Florence, Mrs. George Buseman of Cannistota, So. Dak.; Anna, Mrs. Marvin Behlen of Columbus, Neb.; Jennie, Mrs. Bert Lang and Elsie, both of Corona; five brothers: Walter Vust of George, Iowa; Lucas Vust and Martin Vust of Ellsworth, Minn.; Henry Vust of Portage La Prairie, Man., Canada; and Frank Vust of Sioux Falls, So. Dak.; three sisters: Annie, Fanny and Grace, all of George, Iowa; 24 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, many other relatives and friends.

The Rev. E. Gutsche, pastor of the Corona Baptist Church, officiated. Devotional music was rendered by a mixed quartet and by the minister and his wife. There were many floral contributions, also a substantial amount of missionary contributions in memory of the departed. The undersigned spoke words of comfort about John 20:10. "The memory of the just is blessed."

Corona, South Dakota

E. Gutsche, Pastor.

● Sunday, June 13, was a gala day for the Seventh Street Baptist Church of La Crosse, Wisconsin with the impressive observance of five anniversaries. The day marked the 55th anniversary of the Seventh Street Baptist Church and the 95th year that the building has been used for religious purposes. It is the oldest church building in the city of La Crosse. It was also the 10th anniversary of the Rev. M. Vanderbeck's pastorate in the church and his 35th anniversary in the Christian ministry. The occasion was also the 45th anniversary of Mr. August Kaaz' services as a deacon and sexton of the church. Besides these anniversaries, the program featured the ordination of a new church deacon, Mr. G. Julius Wallen, and the recognition of the ordination of the Rev. John Vanderbeck, pastor-elect of the Ogden Park Church of Chicago, Ill. The guest speaker on this gala Sunday was the Rev. L. B. Berndt of the Faith Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., the secretary of the Northwestern Conference Mission Committee.

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