



# Baptist HERALD



*Dedication of Memorial for Missionary Bender at Soppo, Africa*



DENOMINATIONAL  
REMINDERS

ENGAGEMENTS

Rev. J. C. Gunst  
Sunday, Dec. 4 — Kyle and Green-  
vine, Texas.  
Dec. 6 — Mowata, Louisiana.  
Dec. 7 — Elberta, Alabama.

Rev. Martin L. Leuschner  
Sunday, Dec. 4 — Racine, Wis. (95th  
Anniversary of the Grace Bap-  
tist Church).

Rev. Henry Pfeifer, Evangelist  
Nov. 28 - Dec. 11 — Streeter, North  
Dakota.

Rev. Herman Palfenier, Evangelist  
Dec. 1-18 — Odessa, Washington.

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SPECIAL DATES

Sunday, Dec. 4 — Ninety-fifth anni-  
versary of Grace Baptist Church,  
Racine, Wis., Rev. Ray L. Schla-  
der, Pastor.

Sunday, Dec. 11 — Universal Bible  
Sunday. Sponsored by the Amer-  
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DEDICATED

The story of the dedication of  
the memorial tablet and cross  
in honor of the late Rev. Carl J.  
Bender of the Cameroons is  
published on page 6 of this is-  
sue. Mr. Bender served as mis-  
sionary from 1899 to 1935.

In the front cover picture  
Irene Williams and John Em-  
bola are shown holding the  
wreath of flowers in the front.  
From right to left in the back  
row you will see a native Chris-  
tian; Rev. Edwin Michelson,  
missionary; James Mbape, dea-  
con of the Soppo church and a  
bricklayer who helped Mr. Ben-  
der build the Ebenezer Church;  
Rev. George Henderson, mis-  
sionary; David Williams; and  
Oscar Embola, a deacon of the  
Soppo Church.

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An eight-page leaflet about the  
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lustrated with new pictures, and  
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AMONG OURSELVES

On Friday, Dec. 9th, Dr. William  
Kuhn will celebrate his 80th birthday.  
This will be a memorable milestone,  
not only for him but also for our de-  
nomination since the story of his life  
has paralleled the remarkable ac-  
count of our North American Baptist  
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Dr. Kuhn has served the denomina-  
tion as young people's secretary, gen-  
eral missionary secretary, executive  
secretary of the General Council, assist-  
ant executive secretary and secretary  
emeritus. It will bring great delight  
to his heart to have his many friends  
share the joys of his 80th birthday  
with him. Send your congratulatory  
cards to Box 6, Forest Park, Ill.

IN THIS ISSUE

This number is PREPARATORY for  
important events to follow. Several  
articles by Mr. Arthur Schwerin and  
Prof. R. P. Jeschke prepare the way  
for the Seminary's financial campaign  
in January and February 1950. The  
material for the 1950 Week of Prayer  
is published in this issue. The ser-  
mon of the Rev. Kenneth Nelson is  
appropriately entitled, "One Week  
Before Judgment." The colorful ac-  
count of the dedication of the Bender  
Memorial plaque at Soppo prepares  
the way for further missionary ad-  
vance. Yes, this issue ought to help  
you to prepare the way of the Lord!

COMING

**Christmas Sermon** — The Rev. Paul  
F. Zoschke, pastor of the White Ave.  
Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio is  
preparing the sermon for the Christ-  
mas issue. His contributions to "The  
Baptist Herald" are always spiritual  
highlights for the reader.

**Christmas Holly** — The message  
and the spirit of Christmas will large-  
ly fill the next issue with illustrations,  
poems, inspirational sketches and an  
editorial appropriate for Christmas.

**Let's Hold a Workers' Conference** —  
Four young people will tell about the  
blessings of a Christian Workers' con-  
ference as well as describe the suc-  
cessful conference recently held at  
North Freedom, Wis.

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# Editorials

by Martin L. Leuschner

## Gold, Silver Or Stubble?

**O**UR DEEDS AND GIFTS are "the good works that follow us." They vary according to individuals and circumstances. They are like "gold, silver or stubble" in God's sight. They are the results of our service as "laborers together with God," building on the foundation of Christ Jesus. To this, the admonition has been added: "Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon."

The Seminary Building Campaign is officially announced and described in this issue of "The Herald." It will be launched among our churches on Jan. 1, 1950 and will continue for two months to the close of February. The goal of \$225,000 will have to be reached if the new building at Sioux Falls, So. Dak., now already under construction, is to be dedicated next Fall free of debt. A corps of workers will solicit funds of every family in every one of our churches.

The important thing to remember is that every North American Baptist will be asked to consider his share in the construction of the new Seminary building. This is OUR SEMINARY, where the spiritual and intellectual training of men as pastors for our churches is faithfully carried out. This is the life-line of our denominational strength and ministry for years to come. You will be asked to make some contribution or pledge to the building project. Before God, and in the midst of our denominational advance, what will it be: "Gold, silver or stubble?"

This will be the greatest opportunity ever given to you to support one of our denominational institutions. A Seminary building is constructed once in fifty or seventy years. It is a golden opportunity to have a part in the erection of this place which will house our "school of the prophets." It ought to be an unusual challenge for everyone to give generously, gladly and grandly!

But the more important question still remains. Will your gift be like gold, silver or stubble before God? Will it represent your best gift, a real sacrifice, your largest effort, the utmost that you can do for the Seminary project? Then your gift will be like gold in the eyes of God!

Possibly the circumstances of your home and of life make it difficult for you to lay a sacrificially large offering for this purpose upon God's altar for the present. But you will try to do the best that you can. You will want to make a pledge to do and to give a little each month or quarter. Your gift will be like silver in the eyes of God!

Unfortunately, there may be others who will see how cheaply they can get by with the Seminary solicitor. They will give under pressure because others are doing it and because it is expected of them. It will be giving that will not be really "felt" by the giver. Such a gift will be like stubble in the eyes of God!

"Let every man take heed how he buildeth." What will your gift be — gold, silver or stubble? The Seminary Building is now under way with God's blessing. You will be asked to give SOON toward this project. Make it a GIFT that God can approve and bless bountifully.

## BIBLE TEXT

"The entrance of thy words giveth light." Psalm 119:130.

The light of God's Word shines brightly during December. The observance of Universal Bible Sunday on the second Sunday of this month reminds Christians of the glorious fact that the Bible has been translated into almost 1200 languages and dialects of the world. Its light has gone out to the far places of the globe. The message of Christmas and the truth of God's incarnation in Christ are impressed upon people's hearts everywhere. Dark places of worldliness and sin are strangely lighted by the Christmas words, and hearts are warmed by the glow that first shone over the Bethlehem manger. O, that men and women might find room for the Bethlehem Babe and that the words of God's truth might find entrance into such souls! God's Word is still the light of the Gospel that the darkness can never put out!

## WEEK OF PRAYER

Most of our churches will observe the Week of Prayer with other Protestant churches from Sunday, Jan. 1, 1950, to Friday, Jan. 8, 1950. However, it was felt that the program for those days should center on the theme of EVANGELISM in keeping with our denominational "Christian Life Program" and evangelistic goal of 7000 baptisms for the coming triennium. In response to the request of the Forest Park secretarial staff, the Rev. Robert Hess of Bethlehem, Pa., prepared the material for the suggested program for those days. That is published this week in the pages of "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote." Every pastor, church leader and reader will agree that the material is exceedingly fine with much that is inspirational, practical and challenging.

## RENEW SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is time to renew your subscriptions to "The Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote." Please remember that there are slight changes in the subscription prices. Each paper will cost \$2.50 per year for individual subscribers or in those churches that have not adopted the Club Plan. The subscription price in Club Plan churches is \$2.00 annually. These churches must have at least 75 percent of their families subscribing to one or both of our denominational papers.

It ought also to be remembered that "The Baptist Herald" will appear bi-weekly with the publication date on Thursday of every other week beginning with Jan. 5, 1950. This will mean 26 times during the year rather than 24 as heretofore. Plans are rapidly progressing for a feast of good things in spiritual and inspirational reading material during 1950.

# One Week Before Judgment!

It is imperative that we be soul winners, impelled by a divine compassion, warning, wooing and winning the unsaved to the Lord. Are we on the march for God?

By the Rev. KENNETH E. NELSON of Gatesville, Texas

**T**HE STORY of how a woman and her household were saved occupies the entire second chapter of a history book written by one of the world's greatest army generals, namely, Joshua, the son of Nun. This woman, "Rahab, the harlot," challenged authorities, defied condemnation, and defeated despair and death. Salvation and life came to her household and an eternal memory of her has come to us. She knew what it meant to have seven days of extended life and opportunity. What would you do in seven precious days?

## THE PLIGHT OF SIN

Rahab lived in Jericho, a city surrounded by a wall. Archeologists tell us it was a double wall, on top of which Rahab had built her home. Jericho is located on the Jordan River which flows into the Dead Sea. Here is a city that means "fragrance," situated on a river that speaks of "death," that flows into the Dead Sea that speaks of "judgment." We too live in a world of great natural beauty, fragrant with life and opportunity, but condemnation rests over it. The wages of sin are death, and as sure as there is death there will be a judgment.

Rahab was called a harlot. Her home was called a "harlot's home." But I am persuaded that her home was not a house of infamy. These are not located on city walls, but secluded in remote areas, like the home of the Witch of Endor of King Saul's day. Who of us can boast of a past life without sin? Let us now have a life and a home in open view to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rahab was industrious. Flax straw on the roof of her home was deep enough to hide two men. This implies the weaving of linen and sewing of garments.

She was religious. She knew Israel's history. She knew in detail how they had crossed the Red Sea and had traveled for forty years through the wilderness. She knew about God and who were God's people. She was conscious of her need of the Lord. Do our neighbors know that we know the Lord, and that we are God's children, as she knew concerning the spies? Paul said, "I know Whom I

have believed." Many today know neither who nor what they believe. Rahab told the spies, "For the Lord your God, he is God in heaven above and in earth below."

She was a woman of faith. She trusted in the testimony of two men. These two men were representatives of God. They spoke the message of God. They told what God was going to do. They told her that Jericho was going to be destroyed, and if she would be "inside" on the day of judgment, her life would be spared. She heartily received their message. To her it was as the Gospel is to us — "Glad tidings of good news." Her faith had works in the harboring of the two spies.

## THE PROMISE OF SALVATION

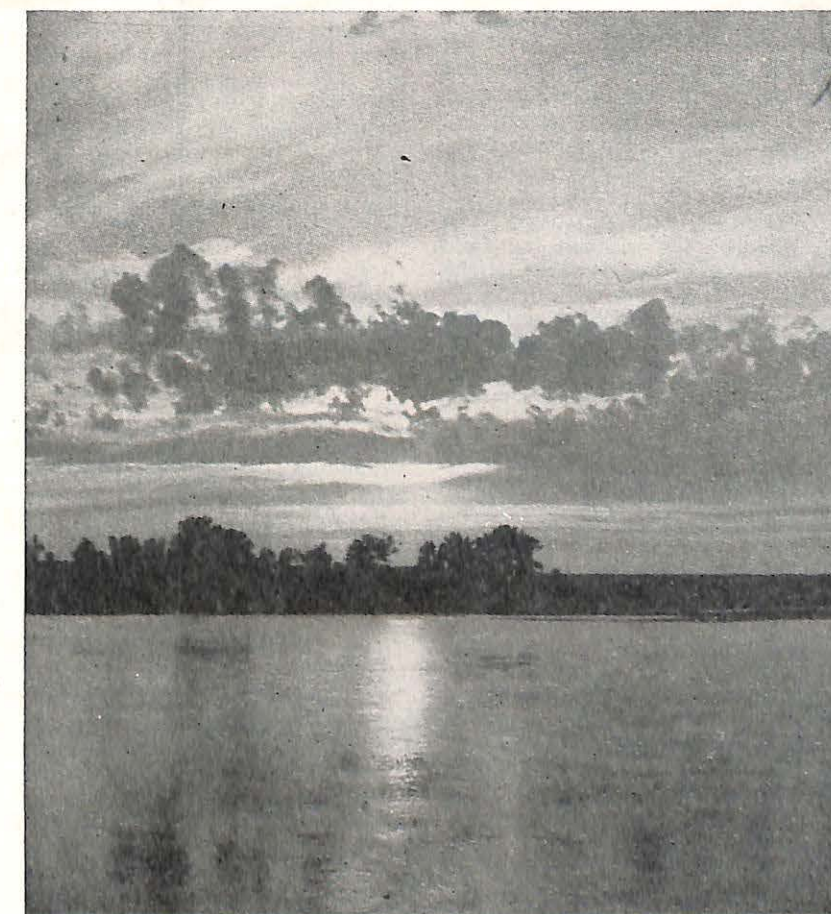
Rahab pleaded for mercy. "Save alive my father, my mother and my brethren and my sisters and all that

they have and deliver our lives from death." The spies answered, "We will deal kindly and truly with thee." They promised to spare her life when the walls of Jericho were to crumble. This was the marvel of God's deliverance in sparing her life and her home though the walls were to fall and the city to be destroyed!

A scarlet line was lowered on the outside of the wall. It was the way of escape for the two spies. It was the token of identification for the two parties in agreement. "Bind this scarlet line in the window, and thou shalt bring thy father, thy mother, and thy brethren, and thy father's household home unto thee." She answered, "According unto your words, so be it, and she bound the scarlet line in the window."

The scarlet line speaks of sin as Isaiah 1:18 indicates. It also speaks

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"Sunset and evening star, and one clear call for me!" Tennyson



# Missionary Bender's Memorial

The story of the dedication of the memorial plaque honoring the late Missionary Carl Jacob Bender at Soppo, Africa

By the Rev. EDWIN MICHELSON, Cameroons Missionary

ing villages the churches founded by the Benders sent representatives to the big meeting. Before the bell in the tower of the Bender Memorial Church could toll to bring the Christians together, they began filing into the church — these who were beloved and loved of the Benders.

As is not unusual in Africa, the native Christians began singing before the meeting was scheduled to begin. Led by Pastor Oscar Embola, who has written many hymns himself, the people joined in singing native hymns in fuller participation than had been seen in a long time.

As orderly as is possible in Africa, the meeting began with more singing, the reading of Scripture and prayer. The native deacon of Soppo Church, James Mbape, who helped Sango Bender build the church as a bricklayer, told us briefly in his own way of his joy and security in the Lord Jesus Christ and his gratefulness to the departed saint for leading him to the Savior.

Emelia Namme, a deaconess for many years, told of the beginnings of the Soppo women's work with Nyango Bender and how the Benders set the example of true Christian living before the natives. She told how the Benders, filled with the love of Christ, helped them in every need.

She recalled the hardships they had suffered during the first World War. Black and greying heads nodded approval as the Africans remembered the deeds and words of their beloved Benders.

Pastor Oscar Embola and Evangelist Albert Luma, who have served their Lord since 1913, retold the story of the opening of the villages to the light of Christ by the Benders. First came Soppo, then Wonduma, the Wolifambas, Mutengene, Tiko, and all the others. We were again told of the Africans with whom they worked, who have already followed Sango Bender to glory.

Missionaries Myrtle Hein and Edwin Michelson paid tribute to the Benders in the most fitting words to be found in God's book. We had never met the Benders but we told of that "which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon" . . . the work of the Word of Life as brought to Africa by the Benders. It was made clear that the future called for everyone to show the light of life in Africa is to be saved.

"Di mala o Sion" (We're Marching to Zion), a great favorite hymn of the Benders, closed the service in the Church. The entire congregation

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## An Ardent Missionary Memorialized

By Mr. S. EPALE, One of Our Soppo Native Teachers

**SOPPO!** What drew a crowd here on Sunday, August 28, 1949 from the neighboring churches? It was a service conducted in memory of the late Rev. Carl Jacob Bender.

Several old Christians, among whom the late Mr. Bender had worked for such a long time, paid tribute to his life in glowing terms. The entire

### THE AUTHOR

Mr. S. Epale was educated at our Soppo Mission School, became a Christian in 1942 and was baptized at Soppo. He is very much interested in education and commercial work. He plans to go to England to study if an opportunity opens for him.

service was dedicated to Mrs. Bender, the widow of Mr. Bender, who left this country for good just before the death of her husband.

The Rev. Carl J. Bender came out to the Cameroons as a missionary on August 27, 1899, roughly two decades after the death of Alfred Saker. As a missionary who was really a missionary, who had come out to answer the Macedonian call, he worked with and for the Cameroonians, not laying any stress or premium on skin pigmentation or social strata.

After some 34 years of meritorious service, this rare Christian character discovered that his wanting age would soon dictate his repatriation, and so he started to build the Ebenezer Church at Soppo, which would bear lasting testimony of his love to the

Cameroonians to generations yet unborn.

Practically singlehanded, with but the help of two faithful laborers, Mathias Ngeh and Zaschaeus, he went to work undaunted, often going to the bush to cut sticks, carry them home and even breaking stones with heavy hammers.

Alas! As man can not stay the hand of cold death, this man did not live to see his work come to completion. He died just when "Canaan was in sight." On Sunday after the morning service, October 27, 1935, Mr. Bender did not feel well enough to stay for Sunday School which he liked so much. He left word to us to the effect that he was feverish. This was the last day most of us saw him. For, exactly two weeks later, despite all the aid rendered by some German Medical experts, this great missionary succumbed to the illness, thus confirming what Thomas Grey wrote in his "Elegy":

"The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,  
And all that beauty, all that wealth  
e'er gave,  
Await alike the inevitable hour;  
The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

He sleeps in peace just outside the door of the Ebenezer Baptist Church here at Soppo.

### Bender's Memorial

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marched out before the church to that grave that received Sango Bender fourteen years ago. The grave was decorated in African fashion with African flowers and palms by Soppo women. At the head of the grave was the veiled, cemented in, bronze plaque and the tall white iron cross which now marks the Bender grave. (See accompanying picture.)

Rain was now beginning to fall lightly as natives and missionaries (George and Alma Henderson, Myrtle Hein, Esther Schultz, and Edwin and Verna Michelson), gathered near the grave. Tribute was again paid to the man of God and after a prayer, the Cross and plaque were unveiled to show the words: "Missionary, Ambassador for Christ, Carl Jacob Bender Walked With God."

His faithful wife, no less the missionary and handmaiden of God, was his constant inspiration and honored companion. We of the younger generation are upon the battlefield to continue the battle against Satan who leads the forces of evil and fear in the land of darkness and confusion.

Africa sorely needed the redemptive message brought by the Benders and others, but now the need is even greater. The gifts, prayers and support of our people at home are solicited by your missionaries and African Christians.



The Bronze Tablet in Honored Memory of Missionary Carl Jacob Bender Made by the Oregon Brass Works of Portland, Oregon

### One Week Before Judgment

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of sacrifice, especially the blood-stained cross of Calvary. This line was the hope of her deliverance. The promises of the two spies were the assurance of her deliverance. Calvary is our only hope of salvation. God's promises are our assurance of salvation. Incidentally, the word "hope" in Heb. 6:19 has the same meaning. "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul." The Lord provided the way of escape. So let us bind the scarlet line to our homes and hearts. This will be identity before the public and security in the day of judgment.

As Rahab worked within the city, the scarlet cord hung between her and the attacking army. Each day was an extension of mercy and grace. God's mercy to her withheld what she deserved as a sinner. God's grace to her revealed salvation, which she did not deserve. So Christ, our Redeemer, stands between us and an eternal judgment. Have we really made an agreement, not with the servants of Joshua, but with the Son of God? Have you promised allegiance to the Lord, as she did to the spies? Have you claimed the Lord's promises as she did theirs? "Our lives for yours, and it shall be when the Lord hath given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with thee."

Rahab was no longer concerned about her own salvation after binding the line of hope to her home.

Her plea was for the salvation of souls. Immediately she offered intercessory prayers for her relatives and friends. She sought assurance for their deliverance. Her petitions influenced Joshua, so that he commanded his servants to spare her home (Joshua 6:22-23). Prayer cannot go unanswered. God does hear and work when Christians pray. Rahab stood in the "gap" between the "line of

hope" and a dying people. It was not a question of her past life, but the future eternity of doomed men and women. She had been forgiven much. Now she loved much. Many could tell her, "We are safe within these walls," but she knew better.

Suddenly the day came! She heard the tramping of feet below her window. The day of judgment became alarmingly real. The armies of Israel had come. She heard the marching of an organized host. But she was privileged above millions. She was not only prepared, but also situated to see a "foreview" of judgment.

The soldiers had no military equipment. Just marching around! Her city was encircled and identified. She knew the meaning of the marching. She realized the brevity of time. She knew the place of safety. She hastened to tell every relative and friend of the wrath to come.

Rahab could have done a lot of other things that would have been perfectly natural for her to do. But she would have been the most foolish woman, if she had done anything else but SOUL WINNING. He that is wise winneth souls.

Soon the seventh day came, the seventh march around the city and the seven priests blew their seven trumpets of rams' horns. The shout was heard and the "walls fell flat." The city met destruction, and God's children met their deliverer.

So there will be a finality of this age. Christ will return as he said he would. It is imperative that we be soul winners, impelled by a divine compassion, warning, wooing and winning the unsaved to the Lord. Have we encircled our city? Are we on the march for God? Is it not what the army did, but moreso what the Lord did through them. The end of the age is soon at hand.



The Memorial and Cross Dedicated to the Rev. Carl Jacob Bender, Cameroons Missionary, Which Have Been Erected Alongside the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Soppo, Also Known as the Bender Memorial Church.

"FOR I AM NOW READY to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown . . ." (2 Timothy 4:6-8a).

On August 27, 1899 Missionary Carl Jacob Bender first touched the land of the Africans whose hearts in the years to follow he was to touch with the love of the Lord Jesus Christ and whose lives were to be transformed by that touch. His coming may not have impressed everyone, since we are told that his small stature brought the prediction that his years in tropical Africa would be few. But God, seeing the inner man, saw fit to keep the faithful witness of this frail man burning in Africa for the next thirty-five years.

For years we had awaited the bronze plaque to be placed at the head of Sango Bender's grave at the foot of the Bender Memorial Church at Soppo. Our waiting was rewarded by the coming of the plaque just in time for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the coming of Missionary Bender to Africa.

It was Sunday, August 28, 1949. This was the big day! August is the rainiest month of wet Africa, but we saw that "God he done dash we fine day pass mark." From the surround-



# The 1950 Week of Prayer

Program Suggestions on EVANGELISM for the Week of Prayer  
from Jan. 1, 1950 to Jan. 6, 1950

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Prepared by the Rev. ROBERT HESS of Bethlehem, Penn.

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## INTRODUCTION

Theme: Working for Christ Through Evangelism.

Purpose: To inspire and help believers to win souls for Christ.

Scripture: Selected readings from the Book of Acts.

Key Verse: Acts 1:8.

Every North American Baptist is faced with a spiritual challenge. The emphasis is upon evangelism. Our denominational goal for this triennium is a minimum of 7000 souls won for Christ and added to our fellowship. This means approximately every five North American Baptists must win one soul.

This may appear to be an easy task, but under prevailing circumstances it will mean a great deal of devoted effort on the part of everyone. The secret of successful evangelism depends upon the servants of God, the Spirit of God, and the spoken Word of God. We have no testimony until we are saved and know it. The Spirit-filled life is necessary and is assured only through surrender and obedience. We are to preach the living Word which "is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword."

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 1950

### "Personal Evangelism"

Read Acts 8:26-40

Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

**Cleansing for the Readers:** All real evangelism is personal, but in this case we refer to the personal appeal of one individual to another to trust Jesus Christ as his Savior. It is one of the most effective ways which every Christian can and ought to employ. Opportunities and methods are numerous but it requires zeal, knowledge and tact.

The Ethiopian in his chariot was reading the prophet Isaiah. Philip had surrendered himself with simple faith to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. He left a great revival in Samaria in order to minister to one soul in a lonely country. He was in touch with God and knew His Father's will. God prepared his messenger for a pre-

pared heart in a separated circumstance. The man accepted Christ and was baptized.

Philip's obedience, knowledge of the Scriptures and tact enabled the Holy Spirit to use him. We can't help another to know Christ unless we know him and are in the place of usefulness.

Sixteen years ago a young Christian spoke to the writer about Christian things. That word led to a series of events which caused him to find salvation in Christ and a call to the ministry. So speak a word for God today.

**Leadings for the Pastor:** This first evening could be spent in showing a general picture of evangelism with a special appeal to the individual to be a "witness." Our three-point Christian Life Program (secure leaflets from headquarters in Forest Park) or the secret of successful evangelism as outlined in the introduction may be used as the basis for a message. Some methods and opportunities could be suggested. Emphasize the absolute necessity of assurance of salvation, knowledge of the Scriptures, tact and leading of the Holy Spirit.

**Blessings by Prayer:** Pray for the spiritual lives of our people. Unless we are on fire for God, efficient administration and well-planned programs will not succeed. Pray for wisdom, zeal, and a sense of personal responsibility. Pray that the Spirit-filled life will be a daily experience.

## MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1950

### "Family Evangelism"

Reads Acts 16:13-34

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us"

**Gleanings for the Reader:** The disciples attended a place of prayer in the city of Philippi. There they found a responsive heart in Lydia, the business woman. Through her conversion her household of relatives and servants were saved and baptized. Afterwards, the jailor and his household became Christians when the way of salvation was made plain to them. Two households were united in Christ and in fellowship because one in each house was saved, wonderfully changed, and concerned for loved ones.

A Christian young man was burdened for the salvation of his loved ones who were good church people but unsaved. By bringing a Christian friend to visit his family all were led to profess Christ as Savior through this friend's ministry.

Professed Believers, behold your duty and privilege! Prayerfully endeavor to bring your own family into the knowledge and experience of salvation. Is the life radiant for Christ in the home? We are the light. How are we reflecting the Light?

**Leadings for the Pastor:** Here is an opportunity to help awaken a real sense of responsibility for Christian living and witness in the home. Often it is here that many Christians fail to live a sweet, victorious Christian life. Emphasize the joy and blessings of a united family in Christ. Suggest ways to accomplish it.

**Blessings by Prayer:** Pray for the salvation of unsaved loved ones. Mention each one by name and claim the promise "and thy house." Pray for grace to live and for wisdom to witness as a victorious Christian in your home.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1950

### "Church Evangelism"

Read Acts 11:19-30

Hymn: "For Christ and the Church"

**Gleanings for the Reader:** Antioch was the place where the disciples of Jesus were first called Christians. Here the persecuted Christians fled and found refuge after the death of Stephan. Here Jesus was preached and many were converted, and a flourishing church of Christ was formed. "And so were the churches established in the faith and increased in number daily." Believers were carefully gathered into a church, instructed in sound doctrine, and shepherded. Many souls were won for Christ every day.

Happy is the church where the grace of God exists in such power that it is seen in the marvelous changes it produces in the soul, in living, and in missionary service. Antioch was a soul-saving station, a school of Christian education, and an armory for training soldiers of the Cross. That

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is quite a contrast to mild, non-militant churches of our day. If we want the world to take us seriously, we must return to fervent evangelism in our local churches. Routine services are not enough; we must go outside our church walls.

Some years ago the writer was requested to visit a woman confined in a sanitarium some distance away. She was unknown to the church and he was busy with his sheep and lambs, but nevertheless he went. As a result the woman accepted Christ before she passed away. There was opportunity to witness to others, and the parents attended the church services until they moved from the city. On two occasions \$100 were handed to him for the church. What if he had not redeemed the opportunity?

**Leadings for the Pastor:** Emphasize the need of revival and evangelistic zeal. Many of our people are too content. Make soul winning the major objective of every effort. Sunday School teachers and youth leaders have good opportunities. We all need a healthy discontent about our local church life.

**Blessings by Prayer:** Pray for a genuine revival and let it begin in my heart first. Pray for the pastor and church officers, Bible School teachers and officers, youth leaders and affiliated organizations. Pray for the indifferent members and backsliders.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1950

### "Community Evangelism"

Read Acts 17:15-34

Hymn: "The Son of God Goes Forth to War"

**Gleanings for the Reader:** Paul's concern about the idolatry in Athens and his message to the people calls our attention to the absolute necessity of spreading the light in our own community. Athens excelled in pagan culture, learning and religion but it was without a true knowledge of God and his Son. The apostle's concern led him to do something about it. Athens became a better city because Paul visited it.

So the communities in which we live stand in need of the Gospel in a practical way. Many children and young people are unchurched and unwon for Christ. There are parents who attend no church. Social evils could be eradicated or modified by aggressive action. Yet churches generally stand as indifferent landmarks, and not without a Pharisaic attitude.

It is time to break up the fallow ground and do something in the community. Not all will become Christians, nor will all social evils be eradicated but "certain men clave unto him, and believed."

A Baptist church in Georgia recently led a vigorous campaign against

corruption and liquor in their country. Not only were the liquor forces defeated and crime decreased but God gave the church a revival and many souls were saved.

**Leadings for the Pastor:** Now we move from the confines of the home and church into the world. The emphasis is upon Christian living in the community. Point out the many opportunities that are available.

**Blessing by Prayer:** Pray for your community and for individuals who manifest an interest in Christian things. Pray for the various efforts to reach the community with the Gospel. Pray for courage and wisdom to defeat certain social evils. Pray for other Christian churches. Pray for the new converts who must live in non-Christian homes.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1950

### "National Evangelism"

Read Acts 7:54-8:1-8

Hymn: "Send the Light"

**Gleanings for the Reader:** Anyone who confines his vision and ministry to his own little circle and shuts out the larger view misses the mark. We are saved to glorify God by Christ-like living in service.

It took the death of a great Christian and a severe persecution to make the early Christians mindful of a world beyond Jerusalem. It is easy to make church and community activities an end in itself. Once they moved out into a larger area of service, the power of God followed such action. God made them equal to the task.

No one denies the seriousness of the hour in which we live. But few institutions or individuals are doing anything constructive and practical to meet the need. It is publicly admitted that our moral and spiritual life as a nation lags far behind our material advancement. We have the answer, but Christians must be awakened to this responsibility and face the issues of the hour. The Church has the type of spiritual leadership that this generation needs. The great Wesley revival saved England in a critical hour of her history years ago. Such a revival can save America from political, social and spiritual bankruptcy.

**Leadings for the Pastor:** Our people must realize their responsibility as Christian citizens. Show them how the Gospel of Christ can produce godliness in our national life. Illustrate with Christian statesmen of yesterday and the effect on national life. Help them to see that the Church has to gain by a God-fearing nation.

**Blessings by Prayer:** Pray for our North American Baptist Conference and leaders. Pray concerning our denominational enterprise here in Amer-

ica. Pray for President Truman and other national leaders. Pray for a national revival. Remember the Christian schools and colleges, Christian publications, Gospel radio and television programs, national Christian organizations, etc.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1950

### "World Evangelism"

Read Acts 26:1-32

Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

**Gleanings for the Reader:** Paul believed in world missions. He was obedient to his commission to evangelize all peoples. That is the task of the Church today. It is the direct command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world," but disobedience, selfishness, faithlessness and indifference are causing millions to go into Christless graves. We have a Savior who died for the world, a Book written for the world, but we need a Church ready to serve in all the world. Therefore over 100,000 souls a day are dying without saving knowledge of Christ. What are we doing about it?

A Christianity that results only in pleasing and comforting people is a tragic failure and a travesty on the purpose of the Church in the mind of Christ. The Bible recognizes no faith that does not produce an obedient life, subject to the demands of the New Testament. "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also to walk even as he walked." The Christian, the Church, and the denomination that are doing something large in regions beyond are also doing something at home. It is a living Church. If you do not have world evangelism on your heart, you had better re-read the Bible.

**Leadings for the Pastor:** Here is a splendid opportunity to emphasize world missions, and concentrate on our own North American Baptist mission fields. Make use of missionary literature. A wealth of sermon material is available for a positive approach. Interest the people in specific projects if that will increase interest and giving. The writer finds that the youth will respond to this great challenge.

**Blessings by Prayer:** Make this prayer meeting one of world scope for the worldwide program of the Church. Conditions are critical in many fields. Pray for our persecuted brethren and loved ones in Europe and Asia. Pray by name for the Christian workers who have left the local church. Especially pray for the missionary program of our denomination. Name each field and missionary by name. Pray, believing!



# The Future Becomes the Present

With the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, we are building a monument to the glory of God and for expanding service in his Kingdom

By Professor R. P. JESCHKE of Sioux Falls, South Dakota

**G**REAT ACHIEVEMENTS begin with dreams of great things to achieve. That is true of our Seminary, also. In the beginning was the vision of a new day to dawn for our school of the prophets, involving new location, strengthened curriculum, and increased effectiveness in service.

The difficulties multiplied, and so did the years. The location must be decided upon. High building costs must be faced. Hardships involved in moving an entire institution must be recognized. As a result there were delays, disappointments, changed plans and unforeseen problems. Even though the plans slowly crystallized, the early faith of many gave way to doubts and faint hopes. Some said that the Seminary would never move to Sioux Falls!

## FORTY-SEVEN STUDENTS

But the Seminary has moved to Sioux Falls, and even now the future is becoming the present. It is the purpose of this article to report some of the outstanding facts of that present, referring especially to the present operation of the school.

Our place of operation is the campus of Sioux Falls College. Meredith Hall is dormitory "headquarters." Classrooms and faculty offices are distributed between Meredith, the Arts and Crafts Building, and the College Chapel. Late beginnings, and the still later arrival of some students, made for various awkward situations at the outset. These have been met, classes are now proceeding, and the school year is well under way.

The curriculum has had to be reduced to a necessary minimum. But we are able to offer a full scholastic year to the students, there being forty-seven students in all under our jurisdiction.

Fifteen of our students are enrolled primarily at Sioux Falls College, so that they may at least complete at two years' college minimum that the Seminary will require for a Th. B. degree. In order, however, to have the pre-theological students keep in as close touch as possible with the Seminary, each of them is taking one seminary course together with the work at the college.

With the exception of several part-time, special students, the remainder

are taking the theological courses. In some instances they are taking additional college work to meet certain deficiency. The total future curriculum has yet to be worked out, so that before long we shall be able to offer the Bachelor of Divinity degree to those who do their seminary work after the usual four years of college.

## SIX GRADUATING STUDENTS

In the meantime, we are able to offer the necessary basic courses. Six students are to be graduated this spring. There are seven full-time new students, two pursuing theological studies and the others being in the pre-theological department.

It is to be expected that the students who came to Sioux Falls this year — in view of the various uncertainties — came with something of a spirit of Christian adventure and courage. That spirit has been maintained, further strengthened by increasing faith in our entire future. Various experiences have contributed to that end.

Notable is the warm spirit of our own chapel services. Stimulating and helpful are the occasions when twice a week the Seminary family joins the college student body for its chapel. The friendly relations with college staff and personnel have been very helpful. An increasing acquaintance with the various Baptist churches of the city, and especially our own churches in this territory, has contributed to a growing feeling of being happily established. In part this is so because growing acquaintance has also meant increasing participation in the activities of these churches.

## NEW SEMINARY BUILDING

But very probably, most stimulating and inspiring of all is the fact that now our own Seminary is actually going up! It is only three blocks from the college, so that frequently small clusters of our students can be seen watching some of the activities. By now the size of the floor and the shape of the building are clear. At the moment concrete is being poured for parts of the foundation. Other parts of the excavation are well under way. The continuing fine weather gives support to hopes of students and faculty that by next Fall we shall be

in our own building. The future is, indeed, becoming the present!

For some, classes began on September 12, with college enrollment. For others, they began on October 18, when the initial seminary classes were held. But for all a milestone was commemorated when on the evening of November 1 the official opening convocation of the Seminary was held in the chapel of Sioux Falls College.

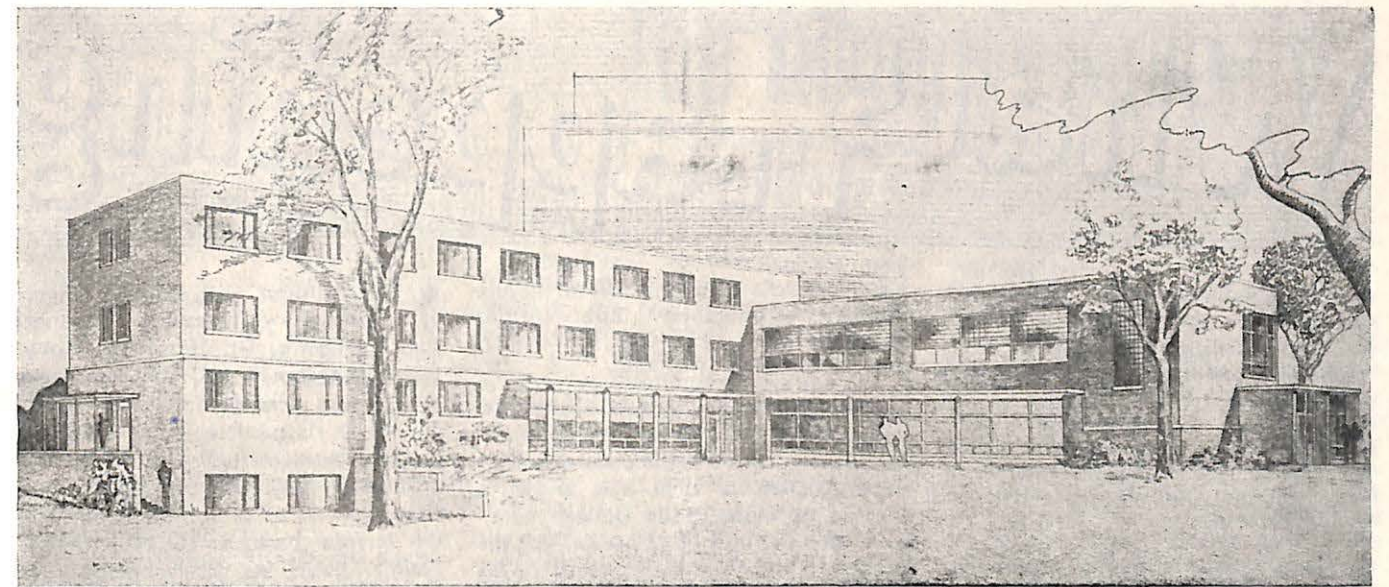
Students and faculty were all present. A good representation of visitors came from the city and our churches nearby. Friendly good wishes and felicitations were extended by these representative leaders: Dean A. O. Larsen of Sioux Falls College; Mr. John K. Cressey, president of the South Dakota State Baptist Convention; and Rev. Herbert Hiller, president of the South Dakota Association of the North American Baptist Conference.

## THE EVANGEL OF CHRIST

Dr. Albert S. Felberg gave the address of the evening, speaking on the very appropriate subject: "The Evangel of Christ." Making special reference to the example of Christ and the spirit of the New Testament, he dealt with the need for evangelism, the ills and weaknesses in evangelism today, and with its true meaning for any and every day. Some of the words of greeting recognized that our convocation was a history-making occasion. The fervent singing of the hymns seemed fully to indicate the faith of the congregation that this was an historic occasion bright with promise.

To look about us in this busy city of Sioux Falls is to realize that much of what once was future has now become a present reality. But how much more future there is that must yet become the present! The imperative immediate need is that the building be completed and furnished.

Developments that have taken place so far give us as a Seminary family a sure faith that the members of our churches will catch the vision, wholeheartedly shoulder the burden, and see the venture through to its conclusion. Thus, shall we have built here in Sioux Falls a monument to the glory of God and for expanding service in his Kingdom.



The Architects Sketch of the Proposed New Seminary Building at Sioux Falls, So. Dak. on Which Construction Has Already Begun

# The Seminary Building Fund of \$225,000

The first announcement of the Seminary Building Fund Campaign with gifts to be solicited of all of our church members during January and February 1950

By Mr. ARTHUR SCHWERIN of Burlington, Iowa, Seminary Building Fund Campaign Manager

**AS A DENOMINATION** we are faced with a big task in raising the money needed for our new Seminary building in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Now that the decision has been made, it will be up to each member to do all he can to help attain the goal.

When we stop to think that this is a "once in a life time" expenditure, and not an annual expense, the outlook becomes brighter. I doubt if there are very many members in our churches today who have contributed anything to our past Seminary building program at Rochester, N. Y. This equipment has been a heritage from those who have gone before us. Should not we, likewise, leave a similar heritage for those who will follow us?

## \$225,000 TO BE RAISED

The Finance Committee with the approval of the General Council has formulated plans for the raising of this money. A campaign committee with the Rev. Frank A. Woyke as chairman, and the Rev. Martin Leuschner as publicity director has been named. Sunday, January 15, 1950 has been designated as denominational Seminary Sunday. The months of January and February of 1950 have been set aside for a fund

raising campaign. During these two months all of our churches will be visited by special representatives, 13 men having been selected, who will cover our nine local conferences simultaneously.

The total cost of the removal and for the new building is estimated to be \$425,000. Of this amount, there is approximately \$200,000 on hand, leaving the sum of \$225,000 to be raised. Solicitations for the fund will be divided into four different types of contributions.

## TYPES OF GIFTS

First, there will be the request for larger sums from individuals as an over and above gift. These can be either gifts for the new building or specified as a memorial in memory of some beloved one. Churches likewise will be asked for direct contributions or memorial gifts.

Secondly, there will be various projects which are to be taken by groups, churches, or even individuals. The new building will have to be completely furnished with new furnishings. None of the old used furniture from Rochester was sent to Sioux Falls, since the cost of crating, handling and shipping would have been tremendous and we would have had merely old and used furniture, most of which was

about ready to fall to pieces.

A few of the projects will be furnishing the balance of the students' rooms in the dormitory; kitchen and dining room equipment; desks, chairs, filing cabinet, etc., for the professors' offices; shelving, tables and chairs for the library; chairs for the classrooms and many others. It is estimated that it will require at least \$50,000 to take care of these projects.

In the third place, there will be the so-called four percent income gift bonds. In order to secure as much cash at once as possible, and also realizing that there are a considerable number of people who would like to spread their contributions over a period of several years for income tax purposes, these gift bonds have been devised.

## INCOME GIFTS BONDS

Let us assume that you wish to make a \$1,000 gift. You do so and in return receive one of these bonds. Two hundred dollars of the amount given will be considered as an outright gift for the year 1950. Then in 1951, you will receive a check for \$32.00, being 4 percent interest on the balance. However, another \$200 will be deducted from the principal as your gift for 1951. In succeeding

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# What's Happening

● Dr. Donald G. Davis, who served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wasco, Calif., from 1942 to 1947, recently transferred his membership to the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif., of which the Rev. H. K. F. Hengstler is pastor. Dr. Davis is serving the Schaeffe Memorial Congregational Church as preacher on a temporary basis.

● The Baptist Church of Washburn, No. Dak., held its Harvest and Mission Festival on Sunday, Oct. 16, with services in the morning and afternoon. The Rev. Paul Galambos, pastor, brought the messages. He also directed the choir of 20 voices which rendered several selections at these services. The missionary offering amounted to \$644.

● On Sunday, October 23, the Rev. A. Sootzmann of McLaughlin, South Dakota baptized a young couple upon confession of their faith in Christ. This is the second time Mr. Sootzmann was privileged to baptize a young couple in this month. The Communion service was held after the baptismal service and the hand of fellowship was extended to them.

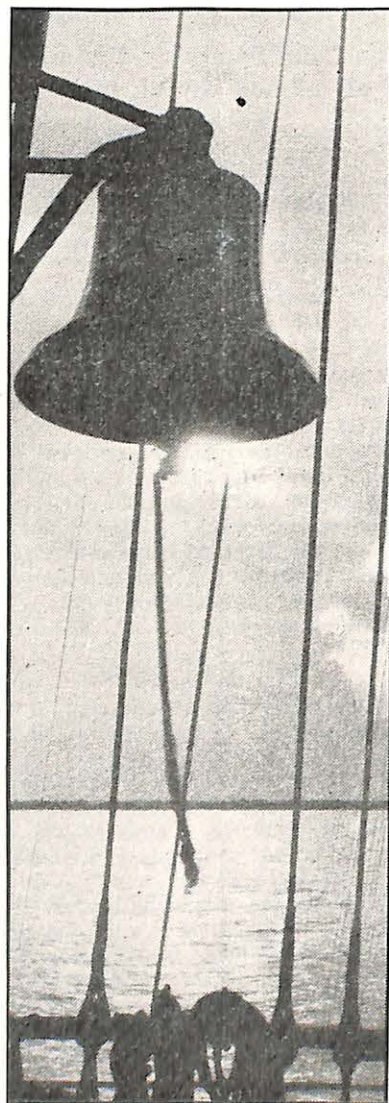
● The Rev. and Mrs. Rudolph Rapske of Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada have announced that a son was born to them on Oct. 18 who has been named David Albert. This is their first child. Evangelistic meetings were conducted at the church in Medicine Hat from Oct. 30 to Nov. 13. Mr. Rapske also announced a weekly radio broadcast from the radio station in Medicine Hat.

● The Baptist Church of Olds, Alberta, Canada has extended a call to the Rev. G. J. Thiessen who began his ministry there on Oct. 1st. He has served churches in the Canadian Baptist Convention for the past nine years. Mr. Thiessen is exceedingly anxious to present the denominational objectives to his church and has requested copies of the latest denominational leaflets.

● The Central Baptist Church of New Haven, Conn., has extended a call to the Rev. John O. Strickland to become its pastor to which a favorable response has been given. He is a student from the state of Georgia and the Yale Divinity School in New Haven. He served the church for

several weeks as supply pastor before the call was extended to him. He has succeeded the Rev. Alfred R. Weisser, now of Parkston, So. Dak.

● The Baptist Church of Unityville, South Dakota has been served by the Rev. Ellsworth J. Schubring as pastor since August 15, 1949. He is also a student at Sioux Falls College nearby. Mr. Schubring is a son of the Baptist Church of Wausau, Wis., where he was baptized by the Rev. John Wobig. He was formerly a student at Bethel College in St. Paul, Minn. The former pastor at Unityville was the Rev. Fred Trautner, now of Beulah, No. Dak.



"Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be."

● The Clinton Hill Baptist Church of Newark, New Jersey has announced that its pastor, Dr. Harold C. Abbot, recently resigned and that his resignation was accepted. He served the church as its minister since 1944. The festive services of the Centenary Jubilee of the Clinton Hill Church from Oct. 20 to 23 were addressed by its former pastors, Dr. Charles W. Koller, Prof. A. Bretschneider and Dr. Verner I. Olson. An attractive 16 page anniversary brochure was prepared by the church for this Jubilee.

● The Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., held "Anniversary Meetings" from Sunday, Oct. 30, to Wednesday, Nov. 2, with the Rev. Robert Hess as the guest speaker. In the attractive leaflets announcing the meetings Mr. Hess was presented as the author of "The Pilgrim's Guide," which appears regularly in "The Baptist Herald." The response of the people in attendance and spiritual fervor was most encouraging during these meetings. The Rev. Paul E. Loth is pastor of the Bethel Church.

● The Board of Directors of the Baptist Home for the Aged in Philadelphia, Pa., has appointed the Rev. John F. Crouthamel, Jr., pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Church, as a field representative of the Home. Beginning with October he and his wife are visiting 27 churches of the Atlantic and Eastern Conferences and presenting the story, challenge and needs of the Philadelphia Home for the Aged before these churches. It will be a 5000 mile tour before the trip is completed. It is hoped that many new friends will be won for the Home through these visits.

● On Sunday evening, Oct. 23, the Woman's Missionary Society of Lehr, No. Dak., held its anniversary program. Following Scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. Fred Goebel, a welcome was given by Mrs. H. Walte-reit and a German dialogue was rendered. The pageant, "They That Shall Be Wise Shall Serve," was well received. The offering was designated for the local church's building fund, the Bansa Baptist Hospital in the Cameroons and the Seminary Building Fund. Mrs. John Kranzler, reporter, also stated that a new member, Mrs. Fred Ziegenhagel, was received into the society.

● On Sunday, October 9, the Rosenfeld Baptist Church of Anamoose, No. Dak., conducted its annual Harvest and Mission Festival. The Rev. G. E. Splinter, radio pastor and minister of the First Baptist Church of Jamestown, No. Dak., was the guest speaker. The afternoon and evening offering amounted to \$359.35, which was designated for missions and sent to our headquarters at Forest Park, Ill. From Oct. 24 to 28 special services were conducted in the Rosenfeld Church with the Rev. R. F. McIlnay of Minot, No. Dak., bringing the messages. The Rev. R. C. Schmidt is pastor of the church.

● National Laymen's Sunday was observed on Oct. 16 at the State Park Baptist Church of Peoria, Ill., with special speakers. Mr. Calvin Stone spoke on the topic, "Am I My Brother's Keeper in Business?"; Mr. Alvin Parker on "Am I My Brother's Keeper in Church?"; and Mr. Walter E. Kohrs on "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" On Sunday, Nov. 20, a rededication service for the newly decorated building was held in the morning and the annual Thanksgiving service in the evening. Dr. William Kuhn of Forest Park, Ill., was the guest speaker. The Rev. Frank Veninga is pastor of the church.

● The Baptist Church of Underwood, No. Dak., held its Harvest and Mission Festival on Sunday, Oct. 23, with the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, promotional secretary, speaking at the morning and afternoon sessions and showing missionary pictures to an audience of 250 persons in the high school auditorium in the evening. Offerings of the day for the church's building fund amounted to \$1625. The foundations for the new church edifice have been built and progress on the work is being made. The new church will cost at least \$15,000 for materials alone. Labor is being contributed by the men of the church. The building supervisor is Mr. Jacob Hepper. The Rev. Fred Knalson, pastor, hopes that the dedication of the new church can be held in the Spring of 1950.

## Seminary Building Fund

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years you will receive 4 percent on the principal still unused. And each year \$200 will be deducted from the principal as a gift.

Thus in five years the entire principal will have been given; you will have had years with 4 percent interest on the unused principal and \$200 per year to apply against your income tax. And the Seminary will have had the use of the entire \$1,000 at the time when it was needed most. The above example of \$1,000 is merely an example. Larger sums can be taken

care of in the same manner.

Fourthly, it is hoped to secure at least \$50,000 by the sale of annuities. This form of contribution is intended mainly for those individuals who are looking for a high rate of interest on their money and who need this income to supplement their other income. The income from these annuities is assured to them so long as they live, with the unused principal going to the Seminary upon their death. The solicitors will have tables with them showing the actual amounts to be paid out as interest, these sums depending upon the age of the an-

# The Pilgrim's Guide

Brief Expositions of God's Word

By the REV. ROBERT S. HESS of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

## THE WITHERED HAND

Mark 3:1-12 records Christ's healing ministry. We are especially interested in the healing of the withered hand on the Sabbath. This incident gives us a warning against an empty religion of fossilized form, and shows the need of a vital, transforming faith centered in Christ.

Today the call is "union," but what is really needed is a new Christian. Religion and union of churches will not save the world. The primary need is faith in Jesus and the power of God that transforms lives. Without changed people there can be no changed world. Such a change of character and behavior must begin in the church.

## THE CASE

When Jesus entered the house of religion on the Sabbath Day he discovered a man with a withered hand. The cause of his condition is not known, but his need of healing was known. No one seemed able or willing to help him.

There are people attending church services who are in need and are looking for spiritual healing and the right way. Many are in the same condition as was Nicodemus in John 3. The world is seeking the way of peace and security and we have the answer, but too often spiritual obligations of sound preaching by ministers and consecrated living by professing Christians give way to ceremonial observances and indifference.

The religious leaders hated Jesus because he upset their complacency and revealed their empty piety. He demanded faith in himself which must result in the daily cross. Therefore, they watched Jesus with cold hearts hoping only for an opportunity to accuse him. What a miserable state to be in!

The poor man, having faith in

Jesus, disregarded the cynical observers and came forward at Jesus' command. Then Jesus appealed to the mercy of those who watched, but they remained hostile. They believed he could and would heal the needy man on the Sabbath but they were unmoved. Compassion for others was sacrificed to a dead theology and jealous sectarianism. Too many are standing on the side lines in smug complacency and criticism while the world is going to hell and never enter the contest for God in a positive and Christ-like way.

Jesus was angry because of their insincerity and callousness of heart. Here we have one of the few Gospel records recording the feelings of Jesus. Let us not mistake meekness for softness. "God is a consuming fire." Then turning to the needy man he asked him to stretch forth his withered hand. His effort was a manifestation of his faith, and as he made the effort he was healed.

## THE CONSEQUENCES

When God's will is done and he has his way with us the results are always good and happy. God is glorified and earth is blessed. In this case a needy man found healing in body and peace in his soul by faith in Jesus.

The spiritually dead religionists immediately got together with some politicians to seek a safe way to murder the Man of Compassion. But a great crowd of spiritually and physically sick people followed the One who is "the way, the truth, and the life." There is no disappointment in Jesus.

By nature men's hearts are withered and Jesus only, by the power of his atonement and resurrection can cure mankind. He puts his Spirit and love into men's dead souls. He asks faith and obedience to walk as he walked.

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The above sets out briefly the various types of contributions. Please understand, however, that all gifts regardless of size are most welcome and will be needed. But in order to reach our goal, we must of necessity have many large gifts. It is the hope of the committee that every member will give this matter of funds for our new Seminary building his earnest and prayerful consideration, so that when the solicitor calls at your church you will be ready to contribute and assist in every way possible to make the campaign a wonderful success.





—Harold M. Lambert Photo

# Mary Arden

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and RUTH LIVINGSTON HILL

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with it all over again. The house that belongs to my name."

"What nonsense!" said her mother contemptuously. "If your father were at home he would soon make you understand."

"If dad were home he would make you understand, mother, why I feel as I do. Dad is an Arden, and that house in Ardenville is where he was born and brought up. It was where his mother lived and his grandmother, and it was dad who wanted me named Mary Arden, you told me so yourself. Why shouldn't I want to go and get acquainted all over again with my namesake house that I'm so proud of, now that I own it?"

Her mother sighed annoyedly: "Oh, Mary, child, you don't understand. You don't realize that you would be bored to death if you went down there in the country. Not a friend of your own age who is worth cultivating, just a lot of country bumpkins!"

"I don't care, mother, I want to go and remember all the beautiful times I had as a child."

"But you're not a child, now, my dear! You are just coming into young womanhood and this is the time when you can lay the foundation for a successful life. Listen, my dear, I have private information that three young officers of very high rank have engaged apartments at Castanza for the summer. There will be all sorts of gaieties planned to include them. I am very anxious to have you in on this. In fact Mrs. Worthington Warden has given me this information ahead of time because she is anxious that you should be there and help in all these festivities. She told me that she was counting on you to help her, and she personally would see that you had a good time."

Mary's face grew very grave. "Well, that's very kind of her, of course, but I've never felt the need of Mrs. Worthington Warden before to give me a good time. And that doesn't change my plans. I simply must go down to Ardenville this summer. I really have my heart set on it. I mentioned it once to dad before he knew he had to go away, and he seemed pleased that I wanted to go there."

"He would, of course!" said Mrs. Arden with a deprecating sigh. "He has always been utterly childish about that place. Even wanted me to go there and live when we were married. Imagine it! I went through two weeks of it and that was all I could stand. Oh, I've been back occasionally, to your Aunt Cathie's wedding, to the golden wedding of the old Ardens, and a few occasions like that. I did manage to escape the funerals. Ardenville and funerals was a combination I could not stand, and it was very fortunate for me that I usually had a severe cold, or a sprained ankle or something of the sort to prevent my going. I was always glad to be relieved from the trip to Ardenville. And, my dear, you are very like your mother in your emotional make-up. I'm sure you will feel the same way I do about the place, when you once see it."

"But I have seen it, mother dear, and I don't feel that way at all. I have a lovely photograph of the house that dad got for me, and I always cherished it. You don't know how I love it and have longed to see it again."

"But you were a mere child when you were there the last time."

"I was sixteen years old, mother, and I remember everything about it."

"Nonsense! You were just barely sixteen, and besides sixteen-year-old memories are soon dispelled. Why, my dear, you'll have no companions, and no servants."

"Oh, mother, grandmother's old servants are still there. Dear old Nannie, and Orrin, her husband, and their daughter Randa. They've kept the house for years. Goodness knows I have to pay them little enough, and the inheritance takes care of that little. I shall keep them on, for there couldn't be better servants."

"My dear! You don't realize what you're saying. They are simply antiquated, like the house itself. They wouldn't know how to do anything in the modern way. I grant you they can make buckwheat cakes and queer old-fashioned hash, and cook baked beans, and brown bread — that's about all. But you just go down there and try it. Invite some of your friends from college, or from New

York, to visit you there, and you'll sink through the floor with shame when you take them out to your table. Just try it for a week and find out for yourself! That will cure you of this absurd obsession."

"All right, mother, I will. Only I won't promise to come back in a week. I'm going to stay the whole summer long."

"But Mary, I've accepted several invitations for you already. You'll simply have to come up to attend them, you know. They are counting on you for them all."

"Sorry, mother, but I can't make it."

"Such an absurd notion!" sighed her mother distressfully, settling in her mind that this should never be.

Yet Mary Arden went to Ardenville, on the strength of a cablegram received from her father, giving hearty permission and commendation to the idea:

"Delighted that you are going. Wish I could be with you. Lovingly, Dad."

But as she drove away her mother's words of warning sounded clearly in her ears.

"Now remember, Mary dear, that your room in the hotel at Castanza is engaged for the season, and any time when you get fed up with that silly old country place you can come right up to Castanza and find a gay welcome and plenty of good times. And you don't need to worry about clothes. I've had all your evening dresses and a few new sports things sent up, so they'll be there waiting for you, and you needn't pack a thing except your overnight bag when you get ready to come back to your own natural world."

A shadow flitted across the girl's eyes as she listened, and she feared that there might still be some plot afoot to try to stop her. So she drove away in the lovely summer morning and tried for the thousandth time to see if she might possibly be in the wrong.

Each time she had approached the subject it had come to her with a shock that she was deliberately planning to stay away from her own mother for the whole summer, perhaps for even longer, the mother from whom she had been so long separated by her college days. And yet behind it all there had been reasons which she had not ventured to bring forward in her arguing with her mother that had made her feel entirely justified in her decision. They were reasons which she had not openly owned even to herself as she thought it over. She had not been willing even to think about it much because she shrank from the subject, did not want to acknowledge that there was anything in it. But now speeding far away with no one beside her to watch the thoughts in her eyes, she realized that

she must face the matter and have it out with herself once and for all.

And so as she drove along the smooth highway, and now and again into lovely fragrant country roads, gay with spring flowers, she deliberately brought out the main immediate question and braced herself to settle it.

For there was a certain Brooke Haven, tall, handsome, cultured, well-thought-of, and almost fabulously wealthy, who had been hovering about her vicinity this year every time she came home from college, with a possessiveness that was becoming annoying to her. His mother, too, was taking the attitude that Mary belonged exclusively to her son. He and his family were to be at Castanza this summer, and were fairly gloating over the fact that the two young people were to be together. And it made it all the worse for Mary that Mrs. Haven was an intimate friend of Mrs. Arden, and the two mothers evidently shared their hopes and aspirations regarding their children.

Mary shrank from acknowledging that her own mother had a part in this conspiracy. But she was sure of it in spite of the fact that Mrs. Arden had of late taken pains to stress, albeit halfheartedly, other young men also, such as the young officers who were going to be at Castanza, who were Mrs. Worthington Warden's contribution to the list of attractions offered Mary recently.

Of these attractions Jinnie Randall's birthday party was the first definite engagement. How little attraction it offered! The thought of it left Mary simply cold and blank. She wondered why she had used to thrill so at the thought of parties. Of course, she had been ill this winter and was still feeling rather dragged out. And there had been that tragedy at college that had upset her more than she was willing to admit. The thought of it still brought a sinking feeling in the pit of her stomach. So far she had found no one to answer her desperate questions about it. That was one thing she planned to do at Ardenville, the other main reason why she had wanted to go. She would be quiet, and she would go over that whole terrible experience and find an answer to it. But she must not think of it again now. Wait until she could get settled.

Well, perhaps she could avoid all these parties until she felt more like herself. If she sent a rather good birthday present and a nice letter of excuse to Jinnie Randall she could get out of that. Then there was Earle Warren's coming-of-age party. But why should she care about that? She was definitely not his girl, and even though her mother was a good friend of his mother, another stunning present would make that all right. That is, with everybody but

her own mother who would certainly reproach her with rudeness. But there would be some way to get out of it.

Then her heart suddenly froze with the remembrance of another engagement that she had entirely forgotten. Floss Fairlee's wedding! And she had tentatively promised to be maid of honor. But perhaps it wouldn't take place until fall! If she could get out of all these dates how wonderful it would be! If she went back for that wedding it would mean that Brooke Haven would take possession of her, and arrange to walk up the aisle with her. No, she simply would not be caught in that trap! Somehow she must have a real summer to herself, without any strings to it.

With a sigh of relief that at least she was out of tangible reach for the present, she found a pleasant little tea room and stopped for lunch. She had made up her mind to cancel all those engagements the first thing when she got to her new home. Then she could really enjoy her summer.

But after lunch she started worrying about presents. What presents could she think up that would adequately make up for what her mother would consider extreme rudeness? The problem stung her like a gigantic thorn, and stayed with her as she rode along the pleasant way spoiling her anticipation of the new, exciting joy that she hoped was before her. She simply must think up some wonderful presents and have them ordered and sent in plenty of time to evade the invitations that would follow one another all too quickly if she wasn't ready for them. The wedding, of all other engagements, she simply would not attend, for she knew it would mean the constant attendance of Brooke Haven, who was Floss Fairlee's cousin, and the inevitable conclusion in the minds of all present that he and she were pledged to one another. This of all the other anxieties was most repellent to her. Yet she knew she must say nothing about it to her mother until the time was at hand, or somehow her mother would plan it so that she had to be in the party.

She felt a little guilty as she thought these things over. It seemed rather wicked to be so definitely planning to disappoint the mother who had planned for her youthful joy all her life. But she saw plainly that if she did not take a stand now, and make it quite plain, that she would be trapped for life in ways that she would never choose for herself. Oh, if daddy would only hurry back and be her ally it would not be so hard. He always understood, and sided with her!

Then the town appeared in the distance and she began to watch for familiar landmarks. Yes, there was the old Harmon farm where she once went with her grandfather to see a horse he was thinking of buying.



There had been a little pony here and the owner had put her on its back and let her ride around the lot while her grandfather was talking with the man about the horse.

And next was the little white cottage where Granny McVicker used to live. It did not look so immaculately white as she remembered it. Probably Granny was gone now, and somebody else lived there. There seemed to be several little children playing around the yard. And then the row of brown houses facing on the railroad street, and off in the distance the old red brick school house where she had gone sometimes to visit school with Angie Perkins and had had such fun at recess time playing blind man's buff. Then the spire of the big old Presbyterian church came into view; a little farther on, the Methodist church, and to the left the Baptist church. She had gone to each of them once or twice with the little girls she played with, and once to a Sunday School picnic in the woods up over the hillside. How it all came back to her like a moving picture now, as one after another the scenes of beloved summers long cherished in memory, swept into view. And now the old freight station flashed by, and then a broad new platform paved with cement, and a name posted in bright letters, ARDEN. Not Ardenville as it used to be, but ARDEN. It came with almost a shock and made it seem like a new place at which she was arriving. Yet they had retained the family name, Arden, after her great-grandfather! That was nice.



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Mary had a passing sense of pride in the name. It was a pretty name. Prettier than Ardenville. She felt like one about to arrive in a long-hoped-for heaven where she could look around with shining eyes on the idols of her childhood. With happy eyes she swept her glance over the scene before her. Just the same little old brick station, with gray stone trimmings, but it had always seemed to her the most beautiful little station in the world. Of course it was dirty now, and old-looking, but that seemed to make it all the more precious to her. There was the old drug store across the street, and the grocery next door. She remembered how she used to go down with her dimes or her nickels to get peanuts, and pink-and-white-striped mint candy. And there was the little real estate building, now enlarged, with a neat little second story, advertising a beauty parlor, presided over by one Sylva Grannis. Mary read it over twice. Why, Sylva Grannis used to

be a senior in the high school when she was there last. She used to be a very popular girl with a wonderful hair-do and very red lips. So that was what she was doing now! Running a beauty-parlor! And she was the girl that so many of the high-school boys had been crazy about! Some men along the road had ceased their work and were gazing after the new arrival, speculating as to who she was and where she was going, no doubt. As she bumped along the rough cobblestones of the poor old road that hadn't had time or men or material to get itself mended during the war, Mary cast an amused glance at the old houses by the way. She half smiled at the expression that she felt sure would be on her mother's face if she could see her treasured daughter now, and see how humbly she was riding to her own ancestral home. It was almost as if that mother were sitting beside her. She could fairly hear the scorn in her voice as she would say in her polite taunting voice: "There, now, I hope you see what kind of a place you have come to. Imagine an Arden riding on little bumpy streets like this, and living in a shabby town! It is unthinkable, Mary. I hope you understand. If I were you I would turn right around and start home at once. I wouldn't go a step farther. Nobody knows you are coming. You won't have to explain a thing to anybody! You told me yourself you didn't even send a telegram to the servants, so even they cannot be disappointed about having

to get up a dinner for somebody who won't be there!" Mary drew a long breath and set her pretty lips. She had no idea of turning around or going back. She had come thus far in good faith to find her beloved inheritance, and if it was all shabby, why then she would simply set about bringing back its charm. She hadn't expected perfection when she came back here. It would be old-fashioned of course, but she loved old-fashioned things. At least she believed she did, and she meant to find out for herself whether or not it was true that she did. She knew that the station was almost a mile from the old Arden home, and she watched anxiously as she drove along the way to see some of the old places she remembered. There were some new stores, one quite large one, like a department store, and next a very large up-to-date market. Then a barbershop, a shoe shop, and another grocery. These were built where the Whites used to live, next the yellow boardinghouse where the men from the factory used to board, and where the Chinese laundry used to be. Well, they were no loss. They had only been an eyesore in her memory. The blacksmith shop was gone, and in its place was a grand new fire house with a bright red chrome-trimmed fire engine standing grandly within its open doors. And now she turned into the wider avenue, and swept up past the better houses. There was a big new hotel, towering up several stories. And then she came to the fine old houses she remembered, with now and then a new one sandwiched in. The new ones were fairly good-looking and did not seem out of place between the handsome Tracy mansion, and the Rathbone house where she used to go and play with Celia Hathbone, and love it so. She glanced up to the upper porch where the door of Celia's playroom opened out. Where was Celia now, she wondered? Up the pleasant hill she went, and now she could catch a glimpse of her own stone house at the top, a little back from the street, so sweetly pleasant and cosy, yet spacious in the lovely setting of trees and lawn. Thanks be, it didn't look run-down as her mother had said that it would. It looked well groomed, as if every blade of grass had been newly brushed and combed that morning, and every flower set right for blooming to welcome her home. It looked just as it had looked in her grandmother's day, just as she had known Nannie and Orrin and Randa would keep it, even if it were only in memory of the adored mistress who had lived there for years. Even though they had no possible way of knowing that the present new owner was arriving that night. Her heart thrilled as she

thought of this. This was something she could be proud to tell her mother, something mother would appreciate: that the servants had kept up their traditions, the ways in which they had been trained, even with no one to watch over them. Then she was at the house, turning up the well-remembered drive. Mary stood still on the step, slowly looking around the old familiar scene, down the smooth-sloping lawns, over to the summer pergola, drawing a deep breath of delight that at last she was here and was seeing it all again, and that it wasn't changed in the least. At least the outside wasn't changed. And now she almost dreaded to go in lest something would have been moved before she saw it again. She wanted so much to see it as it had been in her girlhood when she had learned to love it so much. Suddenly she turned and went to the door touching the bell and thrilling to hear it bring to life the old house. Almost at once she heard footsteps. Nannie's, shuffling along in felt slippers, to meet, as she supposed some book agent or a man selling a new kind of cleaner. A moment more and Mary was in the old woman's arms. Mary gave a glance around. There was the wide cool living room where the white curtains were floating gently in the breeze, just as they always had. A big brass jardiniere of black-eyed Susans stood on the hearth, just as grandmother always fixed them. One might have thought that Nannie had expected her Arden chick this very morning. A glimpse toward the far wing, through the dining room with its spacious bay window, showed the same beautiful willow furniture in the wide sunroom, with the gray-flowered chintz covers as crisp as ever. Flowers in there, too. How homey it all looked. The wonderful old grandfather clock, in its accustomed place beneath the gallery of the stairway, struck the half-hour with its welcoming voice, and Mary felt as if it were one of the family, too. Over Nannie's shoulder her eyes swept downward and she saw the big wide random-width floor boards. Yes, they were just as smooth kept as ever. What wonderful people Nannie and Orin were. "Oh, Nannie, Nannie!" she cried softly, "You're just the same. You haven't changed at all." "Oh, my darlin'!" said Nannie as she emerged from the smothering young arms that enveloped her. And then she stood her off and looked at her. "Oh, my little darlin'! How you've grown up. I'd scarce know you. And yet, you've the same big eyes. Yes, it's you yerself, darlin'!" And then appeared Randa on the scene, solid, shy, but with eyes full of joy. Randa, grown to be a woman, capable and strong and ready to take all burdens from her mother's frail arms, fully aware of her responsibilities now that her mother was growing old. "Dad! Come here! See who's come! Our Miss Mary, all lovely and golden and grown up," she called. (To Be Continued)

NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE  
— OCTOBER CONTRIBUTIONS —

Conferences	Oct., 1949	Oct., 1948	Oct., 1947
Atlantic	\$ 1,277.34	\$ 2,045.27	\$ 3,745.21
Eastern	1,219.61	999.50	1,181.36
Central	5,142.37	5,554.24	5,509.74
Northwestern	2,995.32	5,551.18	5,924.52
Southwestern	5,933.72	3,059.80	3,757.79
Southern	2,085.89	561.48	1,258.72
Pacific	8,876.71	3,191.59	3,711.95
Northern	2,091.75	4,835.63	4,832.11
Dakota	7,726.38	13,073.97	17,636.98
Totals	\$37,349.09	\$38,872.66	\$47,558.38

BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

For the month of October, 1949	\$36,767.44
For the month of October, 1948	38,119.48
For the month of October, 1947	44,811.37

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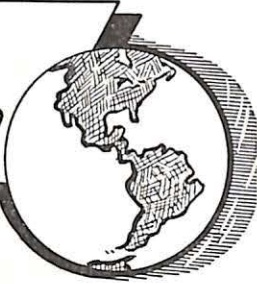
April 1, 1949 to October 31, 1949	218,196.15
April 1, 1948 to October 31, 1948	200,577.78
April 1, 1947 to October 31, 1947	230,257.52

BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE TRIENNium

August 1, 1949 to October 31, 1949	76,232.36
August 1, 1948 to October 31, 1948	77,531.15
August 1, 1947 to October 31, 1947	95,216.56



# REPORTS FROM THE FIELD



## Southwestern Conference

### Memorable Sessions of the Oklahoma Association Held at Bethel Church of Ingersoll

Many were the blessings which we of the Oklahoma association received at the Baptist Church of Ingersoll from Oct. 27 to 30. From the first session with its welcome and greetings by the pastor, Rev. John Heer, who was also the moderator, and even to the little children's chorus, directed by Mrs. Heer, the pastor's wife, and to the association's close, we felt God's spirit.

The key verse of the association sessions was John 17:3, "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." The Rev. Frank Armbruster gave the opening message based on the key verse and on Friday morning the Rev. John Berentschot from Okeene spoke on, "The Return of the Lord."

In the business session our hearts were thrilled when we again experienced the fact that God works in mysterious ways to perform his wonders. It was a touching experience as we listened to a report from a group of delegates from Corn, Okla., who told of the origin of a church there, the result and influence of a school superintendent and a revival sent from God. It was our joy to accept them into our fellowship as the Calvary Baptist Church of Corn, Okla. This increased our association to seven churches.

We were privileged to have Miss Leona Ross with us who told of her many experiences in China and of the hope and future of that country. On Friday night the women were in charge of the program at which time Miss Ross again spoke and showed pictures of her work. The messages of Dr. Geo. A. Lang of Sioux Falls, So. Dak., throughout the session convicted and inspired us to know Christ better and to give evidence in our lives that we have life eternal. For all these privileges and blessings we are most grateful to our heavenly Father.

Mrs. Harry Geis, Reporter.

### Sessions of the Kansas Association Are Addressed by Miss Ross and Dr. Kuhn

The 1949 Kansas Association sessions were held in the First Baptist Church of Ellinwood, Kansas from October 17 to 19. The weather was ideal and the program proved to be excellent. All of our eleven churches were represented with delegates. The Rev. Theo. Dons, the host pastor,

brought a welcome to all the visitors. The hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Dons and congregation was both cordial and genuine.

We were greatly blessed and helped through the messages of our two guest speakers, Dr. William Kuhn of Forest Park, Ill., and Miss Leona Ross, our former missionary in China. An interesting feature of Dr. Kuhn's ministry to us was the answering of questions that were asked of him in regards to church work and our denominational enterprise. Along with this Dr. Kuhn brought a denominational report and an interesting history of our denomination. Miss Ross related to us how she had witnessed God's working within the hearts and lives of the people of China. The local choir furnished beautiful music for all the evening services.

Associational business was transacted splendidly under the capable leadership of our moderator, Rev. Harold Fischer. The digest of church letters, which is always interesting, revealed that all of our churches are progressing quite satisfactory. The following pastors and their wives were introduced for the first time to the association: Rev. and Mrs. John Wood, Bethany; Rev. and Mrs. Henry Baerg, Durham; Rev. and Mrs. John Kroeker, Marion; Rev. and Mrs. Loyal Funk, Strassburg; Rev. and Mrs. Trow, Ebenezer.

A panel discussion entitled, "Has Our Denomination Met the Present-Day Challenge of the Rural Church?" was introduced by Rev. J. R. Kruegel. Rev. A. A. Stackhouse reviewed what other groups and denominations are doing in this regard. Rev. Theo. Dons stated his views and Mr. C. A. Zoschke presented a few remarks.

The association voted to send words of greeting in the form of a cablegram from the association to Rev. Fred Ferris, pastor of our Lorraine Church, who was en route to Africa to survey the Cameroons Mission Field with the Rev. H. G. Dymmel. The new officers for the coming year are as follows: moderator, Rev. Harold Fischer; vice-moderator, Rev. J. R. Kruegel; secretary, Rev. William

Trow; treasurer, Mr. Robert Wirth. Flowers were given to Mrs. Theo. Dons who was ill and could not attend the sessions. Many friends also called at the parsonage to bring to her some cheer.

The days of fellowship in the homes, the dining room and the church were splendid and will be long remembered. We went back to our churches strengthened and encouraged by the fine fellowship we enjoyed with those of like interests.

William G. Trow, Reporter.

### Showers of Blessing for the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Junction City, Kansas

We of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church near Junction City, Kansas, praise God for the many ways in which he has abundantly blessed us. We conducted a Vacation Bible School some time ago for one full week. We had an enrollment of 15 children with a perfect attendance every day except the first. Our school was divided into three classes. On the following Sunday evening, the children gave a program illustrating the work they had done.

On September 8 we were blessed by having our denominational colporteur, the Rev. H. Renkema, and family with us. They rendered a fine ministry in our midst, bringing the services of our Publication House closer to everyone.

From September 25 through October 7 we received many rich blessings from God in our evangelistic meetings with the Rev. L. H. Smith of Denver, Colo. bringing God's Word to us in a very searching and impressive way. These meetings were well attended by friends from far and near, with the average attendance around 50 and with a high attendance one evening of 98.

The children gave close attention to Mr. Smith's nature stories and object lessons, which also proved to be of real interest to the entire congregation, since through them he showed us the greatness and love of God. God spoke to hearts of Christians and some were brought closer to him, others desiring by the power of God to overcome Satan in their lives and be used of God in a greater way. There were two confessions of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

The Rev. J. R. Kruegel is pastor of our church. We thank God for the faithful service and humble devotion to Christ which he and his wife are manifesting.

Lillian Oesterhaus, Reporter.



The McDermot Ave. Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba Which Recently Celebrated Its 60th Anniversary (Left), and the Mass Choir Which Sang at the Festive Program Directed by Rev. Wm. Sturhahn of Morris and Mr. J. Schirmacher of Winnipeg

## Northern Conference

### Dedication of New Parsonage for Grace Baptist Church at Davin, Saskatchewan

The dedication of the parsonage of the Grace Baptist Church at Davin, Saskatchewan was held in the latter part of September, for which ceremony the local group was joined by congregation of the Edenwold Baptist Church. A devotional service, suitable to the occasion, was enjoyed by all, which was followed by a time of social fellowship.

The pastor of the visiting church, Mr. E. L. Thiesen, brought the dedicatory message based upon Psalm 48. Mr. H. Rosom offered the prayer of dedication and the Davin Male Quartet sang, "Thine for Service, Lord." After the meeting a surprise gift, representing a lovely set of dinnerware, was presented to our pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. James McNair, on behalf of the group present.

The dedication ceremony marked the completion of the parsonage which is 24 by 30 feet and is conveniently situated next door to the church. In addition to the parsonage, our church's building program this past summer included the erecting of a 24 by 40 foot barn for team use during the winter months. We humbly thank God for his constant enabling power and for an increasing desire to make known his matchless worth.

Mrs. H. Lindenback, Reporter.

### Sixtieth Anniversary of the McDermot Avenue Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba

For months, in fact for more than a year, the McDermot Ave. Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba was preparing. Preparing for what? — Why, our 60th anniversary, of course! Sixty years! Sixty years of spiritual growth!

What a glorious day it will be when we can enter heaven. We had a good taste of what it will be like. Guest speakers arrived. There were

the Reverends F. H. Woyke, executive secretary of the North American Baptist Conference; Dr. J. Leyboldt, Bethany Church, Milwaukee, Wis.; A. Krombein, Eureka, So. Dak.; J. Kornalewski, Minitonas; Wm. Sturhahn, Morris; A. Kraemer, Ochre River; and Earle DeLong, Trinity Church, Winnipeg. A mass choir, two mixed choirs and a male chorus made golden music. Ed Anhalt at the Hammond put everyone into a festive mood.

The Jubilee ceremony officially commenced on Saturday night, Aug. 1st. A capacity crowd watched breathlessly as a historical review of the church was unfolded before their eyes in the form of a play, "Father Time's Chronicles," adapted by Mr. P. Penner. This drama started with the organizational meeting of 1889, a typical committee meeting (1906), lantern slides of former ministers, events, etc.

As more and more scenes unfolded, one could feel how deeply the audience was touched. The climax came in the form of a dedication service for the former ministers who had long since gone to their glory, namely, the Reverends F. A. Petereit, W. H. Mueller, Wm. Schunke, F. Hoffman, J. A. H. Wuttke, and J. Lubeck. The house lights were dim. Then silently angels glided onto the stage — each carrying a large candle. As each of the ministers names were called out by the Rev. Daniel Fuchs, an angel would light its candle, then place it on a great candelabra. When the candles were all in place the scene was marvelous to behold. A flaming cross!

On Sunday morning, Dr. John Leyboldt of the Bethany Church, Milwaukee, Wis., spoke on "The Holy Ghost — Mainspring of the Church." The Winnipeg choir presented two numbers. During the afternoon we heard the older members reminiscing — among them Mrs. Schroeder who joined five months after the inception of the church in 1889. Then friends and visitors were given the opportunity to speak. The Morris choir sang two lovely songs.

After a meal in the lower church, we assembled for the final service. The Rev. A. Krombein and Rev. F. H.

Worke presented addresses. The mass choir sang "And the Glory of the Lord" (Handel) and "Unser Vater" (Rink). The Winnipeg choir sang "Gloria in Excelsis." The Morris choir "My God and I," and the male chorus "Gottes Volk darf nie ermüden."

J. Luebeck, Reporter.

## Dakota Conference

### Badlands Sunday School Convention Held at the Presserville Baptist Church of Montana

Our annual Badlands Sunday School Convention was held at Presserville, Mont. from October 7 to 9. Among our numerous privileges, one was in having the Rev. F. W. Benke of Edmonton, Alberta with us, who was our guest speaker. We were all well impressed and greatly inspired by his messages. Mr. Benke serves in Canada as a missionary and teacher.

We were also fortunate in having Miss Esther Klempel and Mrs. Otto Fiesel of Sidney, Mont.; Rev. David Littke of Billings, Mont.; Rev. B. C. Schreiber of New Leipzig, No. Dak.; Rev. G. Beutler of Plevna, Mont.; Rev. A. Sootzmann of McLaughlin, So. Dak.; Rev. Otto Lohse of McIntosh, So. Dak.; Rev. Norman G. Miller of Hettinger, No. Dak.; and Rev. Henry Lang of Presserville, Mont. with us.

The annual business meeting was held with Rev. B. C. Schreiber in charge. The following officers were elected for this coming year: president, Rev. N. G. Miller; vice-president, Rev. D. Littke; secretary and treasurer, Rev. Henry Lang.

We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Benke, who brought such inspiring messages at all times. We want to thank the pastor, Mr. Lang, the members, and the Ladies' Aid of the Presserville Baptist Church who served us in such a wonderful way, and helped make the convention a success. An offering of \$157.48 was taken and given to missions.

Harold H. Hoffman, Reporter.

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### Thirtieth Anniversary of Woman's Missionary Society of Underwood, North Dakota

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church of Underwood, No. Dak., celebrated its 30th anniversary on Sunday evening, Oct. 9th. The Society presented a program to the church and surrounding community on that evening.

Our president, Mrs. Arthur Saylor, led the program in which a special tribute was given to our charter members with the presentation of corsages to each. There were nine charter members present, five of whom are still active. A memorial service was held for four members who have gone to be with the Lord whom they



Members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Underwood, North Dakota After the 30th Anniversary Program

served. There was a cross formed by seven candles, and as the name of each deceased member was read, a candle was lighted in their memory.

A German song, "Hand in Hand mit Jesu," was rendered by the entire group because it was the first special number sung at the first program, a Mother's Day program, held by the society back in 1919.

"Tired of Missions," a play, was presented after being revised to fit our situation. A large, white anniversary cake, bearing 30 candles, was lighted and then cut by Mrs. Carolina Schuh, our oldest charter member, and by our youngest member, Mrs. Lloyd Schaefer. A time of fellowship was enjoyed by all after a short message from our pastor, the Rev. Fred Knalson. We look forward to even greater opportunities for service for our Lord in the future!

Officers of the Society in the accompanying picture are: Front Row, Seated (left to right) — secretary, Mrs. Carl Radke; vice-president, Mrs. Ferdinand Koeng; president, Mrs. Arthur Saylor; and treasurer, Mrs. Emma Blatchford.

Mrs. Carl Radke, Secretary.

### Sessions of the South Dakota Woman's Missionary Union at Madison, So. Dak.

The Woman's Missionary Union of South Dakota met for its annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 12, at the West Center Street Church of Madison, with Mrs. G. W. Rutsch, our

president, presiding. The program opened with a song service led by Miss Minnie Peters of Chancellor. Mrs. E. Gutsche of Corona read the Scripture passage, and Mrs. P. Geissler of Avon led in prayer.

The president of the Madison society extended a cordial welcome to which Mrs. Rutsch responded. The entertaining church gave a playlet representing the work of our missionaries in foreign fields. The new pastors' wives were introduced and welcomed to our union.

Twelve societies were represented with 32 delegates. The reports and letters, which were read, revealed that our missionary societies are not idle and that they are mission minded. Miss Leona Ross, our guest speaker,

kitchen of the new church has been entirely equipped by our women, including five sinks, stove, coolerator and many other essentials to make a modern kitchen.

Over \$1200 have been put into our treasury to help in this Building Project. We hope to go forward in our new community, working, praying and doing the Kingdom's work.

Lillian Efflandt, Secretary.

### Eleven Converts Are Baptized and Received Into the Central Church, George, Iowa

The Central Baptist Church of George, Iowa with the Rev. J. A. Brygger as pastor recently completed 12 days of special meetings with Dr. Fred Garland of Roanoke, Virginia as evangelist. Mr. Garland had C. T. Holt as the personal worker. Christians were lifted up and four persons were saved.

On Sunday evening, October 9th, the pastor baptized nine adults and two young people. This was followed by a candlelight communion service at which time these were given the right hand of fellowship into the church.

This is our second baptismal service in the ten months that the Rev. J. A. Brygger has been with us as pastor. Last Spring he baptized seven adults and four came by letter. This makes a total of 22 additions to the membership of the church, for which we praise the Lord.

Reporter.

### Golden Wedding Anniversaries for Two Couples in St. Paul's Dayton Bluff Church

Golden wedding anniversaries are always a treasured and glad occasion. Recently, the Daytons Bluff Baptist Church of St. Paul, Minn., gave recognition to two of its honored couples, who completed 50 years together. First, Mr. and Mrs. August Wiesner, members of the church for almost forty years, had the joy of achieving the coveted milestone.

Next was the anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bruns, who were married in the present church edifice and have been constant and faithful members these fifty years. They celebrated the occasion by presenting to the church a lovely beautiful set of Maas Electric Cathedral Chimes. For this token and expression of love to their church, we are truly grateful. In the years to come they will add to the beauty and meaning of worship and will enrich our ministry of music. At the dedication service and reception, a unique feature was the presence of three members of the original wedding party, Mrs. Emma Kampfer of Chicago, Illinois, and Messrs. John Yeager and Frank Eilers, both of St. Paul, Minn.

Our church appreciates also the faithfulness and worthiness of these two couples and breathes the prayer that in the years to come no day shall be without love for them, and that the God of all grace will keep them within the circle of his care and overshadowed by his love.

Russell G. Blank, Pastor.

### Woman's Missionary Society Organized in the First Baptist Church, Sumner, Iowa

A Woman's Missionary Society has now been organized at the First Baptist Church of Sumner, Iowa. Mrs. William Jeschke, our pastor's wife, called a meeting for the women of the church on April 21, 1949, for the purpose of organizing a Woman's Missionary Society. Ten ladies gathered at the church that afternoon. Mrs. Jeschke outlined to the women the purpose of the Society and some of the work to be accomplished at these meetings to be held each month.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. William Jeschke, president; Mrs. W. O. Potratz, vice-president; Mrs. M. B. Potratz, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Robert Sage, pianist; and Mrs. Elmer Husmann, missionary news reporter.

The program committee set to work at once preparing a planned calendar for the year 1949-1950, with a membership list of 18 members. We are studying Old Testament Bible characters and we plan to do some White Cross work at each meeting, if time permits. We will also announce special White Cross meetings when we will sew for the Cameroons Mission Field and pack boxes of food and clothing for German relief.

### PROGRAM MATERIAL for the WEEK OF PRAYER

from January 1 to 6, 1950 Prepared by the Rev. Robert Hess appears on pages 8 and 9 of this issue

Thursday evening, Sept. 22, was a time of special rejoicing for the members of the Sumner Church and our invited guests, the Elgin Baptist Church, when we met at the Sumner church for the installation service of our Woman's Missionary Society officers.

In the absence of our pastor, Rev. Wm. Jeschke, who at the time was conducting meetings in the First Baptist Church of Buffalo Center, Mr. M. B. Potratz acted as chairman. He opened the meeting by asking the group to sing the doxology and then he gave the welcome. Mrs. Herman Lalk led the congregation in singing two hymns.

The impressive service for the installation of officers was masterfully conducted by Mrs. Edward Krueger, president of the Elgin Tabitha Society. The service was charmingly worked out by presenting each officer with a corsage, and using the flowers to illustrate what is expected of each officer in the garden of service for the Lord. The Krueger male quartet from Elgin sang two numbers, after which Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Elgin gave a fine talk telling us of some of the great women in Bible times. We were then favored with a solo by Mrs. John Menke.

Mrs. Wm. Jeschke, the Missionary



Officers of the Woman's Missionary Society at Sumner, Iowa With Mrs. Edward Krueger of Elgin, Iowa Who Conducted the Installation Service

Left to Right, (Front Row): Mrs. W. O. Potratz, Mrs. William Jeschke, Mrs. Edward Krueger. (Back Row): Mrs. Elmer Husmann, Mrs. Robert Sage and Mrs. M. B. Potratz

Society's president, concluded the meeting with several acknowledgments, final remarks and admonishing all members diligently to work to build God's Kingdom, and closed with prayer.

Mrs. M. B. Potratz, Secretary.

### Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Immanuel Woman's Missionary Society of Milwaukee, Wis.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis. celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary with the annual birthday dinner on Wednesday, Oct. 5. Mrs. George W. Zinz, Jr., and Mrs. E. C. Quade provided violin-piano background music as the guests assembled in the dining room and also played between the luncheon courses. Following the heartfelt singing of the hymn, "Praise Him," Mrs. E. Loehr led in prayer.

After the delightful birthday

luncheon had been served, guests of the Woman's Missionary Society were individually introduced and were welcomed by Mrs. M. Roth, president. Mrs. Raymond Rohrbach led in prayerful devotions based upon Luke 22:39-42 and Isaiah 59:2. "Walking Every Day With Jesus" was sung by the society's trio whose members are Mrs. Fred Neubauer, Mrs. Max Erbach, and Mrs. E. C. Quade. Following prayer for the sick and the shut-ins, Mrs. Zinz played the "Intermezzo" from Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana," accompanied by Mrs. Quade.

Mrs. C. Schoenfeld, program chairman, introduced the speaker, Mrs. M. J. Battle, wife of the minister of the Calvary Baptist Church of Milwaukee, and chairman of the Milwaukee Association Christian Home Department. Mrs. Battle spoke on the subject, "The Home, the Family Foundation." Mrs. Roth closed the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. George W. Zinz, Jr., Reporter.



Members of the Missionary Guild of the Temple Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis. Before Their First Service in the New Church Building



## Pacific Conference

## Woman's Missionary Union of the Pacific Northwest Association at Spokane, Washington

We, of the women of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Pacific Northwest Association, enjoyed a blessed time on Friday, October 21st, at the Arthur Street Baptist Church of Spokane, Wash. We were gathered there for our 46th Pacific Northwest Association.

Our business meeting convened at 9:45 A.M. Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler led the devotions. Our president, Mrs. F. E. Klein, presided. Mrs. E. Bibelheimer, our secretary, read the constitution and minutes of the preceding meeting. Mrs. A. Krueger and Mrs. E. Wolff audited the treasurer's books. Mrs. Koth and Mrs. Beringer were selected for a balloting committee. The election of officers followed. Mrs. E. Bibelheimer of Tacoma was elected president, and Mrs. F. W. Bartel of Spokane, secretary and treasurer.

Reports were given by the various churches revealing that our women have not been idle this past year. We decided to divide our money on hand amounting to \$50 plus the offering of the afternoon (which amounted to \$100) equally between our Bansa Baptist Hospital and our Seminary Removal Fund. We had 25 women present, including our missionary-nurse, Laura Reddig.

Our afternoon program was well attended by young and old, both women and men. After a selection from each church represented as well as an impressive memorial service, our attention was centered upon our guest speaker of the day, Miss Laura Reddig. Mrs. Klein presented her with a corsage in honor of her birthday. Miss Reddig informed us that she had sailed from Germany just eleven years ago that day. She told us about many experiences among the natives of Africa. She said she wouldn't change places with any one of us because God's eternal purpose for her is to be a missionary to the Cameroons of Africa. She challenged us to continue in prayer for more missionaries and funds.

Mrs. F. W. Bartel, Secretary.

## Activities of Organizations at the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif.

We of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, Calif., have truly had a blessed year of working for our Lord's Kingdom. It has been a little over a year since our pastor, the Rev. G. G. Rausser, and his family came to us and in that year much has been accomplished to the honor and glory of God.

The Ladies' Missionary Society recently held its annual food sale and bazaar at which time they were well rewarded for their hard and untiring work. The Brotherhood Society too has been doing great things for the welfare of God's work. They have helped the recreation department of the church in supplying needed recre-

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Other appointments by the cooperating societies as provided by the General Conference will be announced in a later issue.

ational material. They are purchasing a large neon sign for the church, as well as having several projects with which they hope to bring added financial assistance to their treasury. Although during the summer months the Sunday School was somewhat smaller, it is now on the upward trend for which we are thankful to God. It is a thrill to see young and old come to the prayer meetings on Wednesday evening. Our pastor has time and time again expressed his great joy in seeing the meetings grow every Wednesday evening, and in having so many of the young people come out to the prayer services. We are thankful to God for His servant, our pastor, who gives of himself so

unstintingly to bring the true Word of God to all who are willing to listen. The Youth Fellowship of the church recently had the installation of new officers for the ensuing year. They are: president, LeRoy Reimche; vice-president, Marian Erbele; secretary, Loretta Forsch; treasurer, Mabel Graf; song leader, Alice Rausser; pianists, Joyce Baumbach and Muriel Zimmerman; ushers, Donald Boassart, Donald Baumbach, Duane Graf, and Ivan Bender; "B.Y. Speaks" editor, Thelma Forsch; assistant "B.Y. Speaks" editors, Betty Meidinger, Loretta Forsch and Mabel Graf; and representative to the City Council of Churches, Ruby Littke.

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Thelma Forsch, Reporter.

## Ordination of Rev. Walter W. Wessel at the Baptist Church, Costa Mesa, Calif.

In response to the call of the First Baptist Church of Costa Mesa, Calif., delegates from four of the churches of our California Association met together in Costa Mesa on Friday afternoon, Sept. 30th, for the examination and ordination service of Mr. Walter W. Wessel. Mr. Wessel's professor of Greek Exegesis and Anthropology at the Bible Seminary of Los Angeles. The churches represented were the First Baptist Church of Wasco, Fifteenth Street Church of Los Angeles, Bethel Church of Anaheim, and Ebenezer Church of Los Angeles. The candidate was formerly a member of the Fifteenth Street Baptist Church but is now a member of the Costa Mesa Church.

The Rev. P. G. Neumann called the meeting to order. The usual procedure was followed in the election of officers resulting as follows: Rev. P. G. Neumann was elected moderator, and Rev. Henry F. K. Hengstler clerk. The moderator introduced the candidate and read the recommendation of the Costa Mesa Church for the ordination of Mr. Wessel.

Mr. Wessel, as requested, gave a clear orderly and convincing account of his conversion, call and subsequent training for Christian service. His testimony was well received and since there were no comments, he was then asked to state concisely his doctrinal tenets. After a brief declaration of definite and thoroughly fundamental views, a series of questions were asked by the council, all of which were fully answered to the satisfaction of those present. The council declared itself satisfied with the examination and a motion was made to proceed with the ordination service in the evening.

A piano prelude opened the ordination service. The congregation joined in the singing of "The Church's One Foundation." Scripture was read by Rev. E. Mittelstedt of Los Angeles. Rev. E. A. Kohfeld of Wasco led in prayer. A vocal solo was rendered by Rev. Henry F. K. Hengstler.

Following the presentation of the candidate by the moderator, a short, stirring, inspiring and challenging message was given by Dr. Bernard Ramm of the Bible Seminary of Los Angeles. His subject was "Paul's Ordination Service" as found in Acts 26. Rev. P. G. Neumann gave the charge to the candidate. The ordination prayer was offered by Rev. E. Mittelstedt with the laying on of hands. The meeting was concluded with a hymn by the congregation and benediction by the Rev. Walter W. Wessel.

Henry F. K. Hengstler, Clerk.

## I SEE JESUS

(Composed by Nettie Louise Conger, Aged Ten, Bronx, New York City, while listening to Dr. Baxter speak in the Ocean Grove Auditorium, N. J.)

I see Jesus everywhere I go.  
In the morning I see His face,  
In the evening His form I trace;  
In the darkness His voice I know,

## Obituary

MR. AUGUST W. RENNEGARBE of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. August Wm. Rennegarbe of Los Angeles, Calif., was born in Chicago, Ill., on October 21, 1902 died on October 13, 1949 at the age of nearly 47 years. At the age of ten years he became a member of the First German Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. In 1928 he was married to Eleanor C. Auder of Chicago. This union was blessed with one daughter, Elyn. In 1933 he came to Los Angeles, Calif., and during the late war he served his country in the Coast Guard for two years. After six months of severe illness, he passed away in a hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; his daughter, Elyn Barraras; and a granddaughter, all of Los Angeles; his mother, Mrs. Martha Rennegarbe of Anaheim, Calif.; and his sister, Mrs. Esther Lange of Chicago.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. O. R. Schroeder who spoke words of comfort to the bereaved.

Anaheim, Calif.

O. R. SCHROEDER, Offic. Minister.

MR. DANIEL GIENOW of Balgonie, Saskatchewan.

Mr. Daniel Gienow of Balgonie, Sask., Canada passed away to his heavenly reward on July 8, 1949 at the age of 82 years. He was born at Killaloe, Ont., in 1911. He moved west where he farmed in the Balgonie district until 1934 when he retired and moved to the town of Balgonie where he resided until his death.

Besides his wife, Mr. Gienow is survived by six sons and three daughters: Sam, Balgonie; Norman, Yorkton; Walter, Swan River, Man.; Lawrence, Rouleau, Sask.; Ralph, Niagara Falls, Ont.; Jim, Atikokan, Ont.; Mrs. Gertrude Smith, Kelowna, B. C.; Mrs. Mildred Hanson, Chicago, Ill.; and Mrs. Anne Rennick, Rouleau. Predeceased are two sons, John and Dan. There are also 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Gienow was an active member of the Baptist Church of Edenwold. Funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist Church with the Rev. E. M. Checkland of Regina bringing words of comfort to the bereaved. Pallbearers were his six sons. May God continue to be the comfort and guide to those who mourn until the day when we shall be united together!

Balgonie, Saskatchewan

MRS. S. GIENOW, Correspondent.

MR. ALVIN ALBERT LIPPETT of Delmont, South Dakota.

Mr. Alvin Albert Lippett of Delmont, S. D., was fatally injured on Saturday afternoon, October 15, 1949 at the home of his father, when the tractor, which he was driving on the farmyard, suddenly overturned and threw him. He was taken to Parkston Hospital, but his severe head injuries had become fatal.

Alvin Lippett was born at Delmont on October 5, 1927, the son of Emil and Malita Lippett. In February 1943 he became a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ and he was a faithful and helpful member of the Tripp Baptist Church. He leaves, looking hopefully for the Great Reunion, his parents; two brothers, Arnold and Elmer; and a sister, Arline. A younger brother, Ervin, passed away in July 1935.

After a brief prayer service at Eggers Funeral Home, in charge of the Rev. Alfred Weiss, pastor of the Tripp Baptist Church, the memorial service was held at the Tripp Auditorium on Wednesday afternoon, October 19th. The burial service took place at the family plot near Delmont. The music was in charge of Miss Esther Rieb and a quartet consisting of Mrs. Albert Radel, Miss Lydia Radel, Messrs. Arthur and Edwin Rieb. Mr. Lippett was interested in farming and had been working together with his father on the home place.

A host of relatives and friends have been greatly shocked and saddened by his sudden and untimely passing. He will be

greatly missed in the community and church. Sincere sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

Tripp, South Dakota

ALFRED WEISSER, Pastor.

MR. LUDWIG LITTMANN of Leduc, Alberta, Canada.

Mr. Ludwig Littmann of Leduc, Alberta was born on May 31, 1871 in Wolhynien, Poland and was taken to his heavenly home on September 29, 1949. He reached the age of 78 years, 3 months and 29 days. As a young man of 19 years, he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized upon the confession of his faith by the Rev. Mueller. In the Wiesental district, where he settled upon migrating from Poland in 1907, he became one of the charter members of the Wiesental Baptist Church. It was in this church that he remained a member and served the Lord joyfully and faithfully, until his death. His life bore forth a positive testimony for the Lord, both at home, in church and in the community. Death came to him a few days after he was stricken with paralysis of the left side.

On October 24, 1890 Mr. Littmann was united in marriage to Julia Lessing. His faithful companion was called to glory on November 10, 1921. Through this blessed union, eleven children were born, nine sons and two daughters. Two sons died in infancy and nine children remain to mourn the passing of their father and to wait for the glad reunion in glory. On June 30, 1922 Mr. Littmann was united in marriage to his second wife, Florentina Wetter, with whom he lived in happy relationship to the end of his earthly life.

Mourning his departure from this earth are his wife, Florentina Littmann; seven sons, Gustav of Wetaskiwin, Rudolf of Bluffton, Alta., Ferdinand of Leduc, Adolf of Killaloe, Ont., Emile of Toronto, Ont., Reinhardt of Thorsby, Alta., and John of Leduc, Alta.; two daughters, Mrs. Hilda Stiem of Leduc, and Mrs. Adina Beach of Kavanah; one brother and one sister, Gottlieb and Emilia Brendel of Germany; besides 35 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

The Rev. Wm. Kowalski of the neighboring Pentecostal Church brought a message in English based on Job 19:25-27, "We sorrow not as those who have no hope."

Wiesental Baptist Church,

Millet, Alta., Canada

H. SMULAND, Pastor.

MRS. GEORGE LUBBERTS of Parkersburg, Iowa.

Mrs. George Lubberts of Parkersburg, Iowa was born on May 19, 1868 near Freeport, Ill. In the year of 1886 she came to Iowa with her parents and their family, living on a farm near Parkersburg. In 1887 she accepted Jesus as her personal Savior and was baptized by Rev. G. Engemann at Aplington and taken into the fellowship of the Baptist Church at that place. On March 9, 1893 she was united in marriage with George Lubberts at Parkersburg.

In 1895 she became a charter member of the local Baptist Church, of which she remained a faithful member till the time of her death. She loved the fellowship of God's people and was always ready and willing to help those who were in need. Mrs. Lubberts was a loving and devoted wife and mother to her family. On November 13, 1948 she suffered a stroke from which she never recovered. In all this time she received the patient and loving care of her beloved husband and family. On Sunday, Oct. 16, she passed away quietly at the age of 81 years and 5 months.

She leaves to mourn her departure, besides her husband, four sons and three daughters: John of Austin, Minn.; Albert of Iowa Falls; Hays of Allison; Donald of Waterloo, Nebraska; Etta of St. Paul, Minn.; Edith, Mrs. Fred Johnson of Marshalltown; Angeline, Mrs. Carl Fresenberg of Parkersburg; and eleven grandchildren. One daughter, Esther, died at the age of eight years. She is also survived by four brothers and two sisters, besides many other relatives and friends.

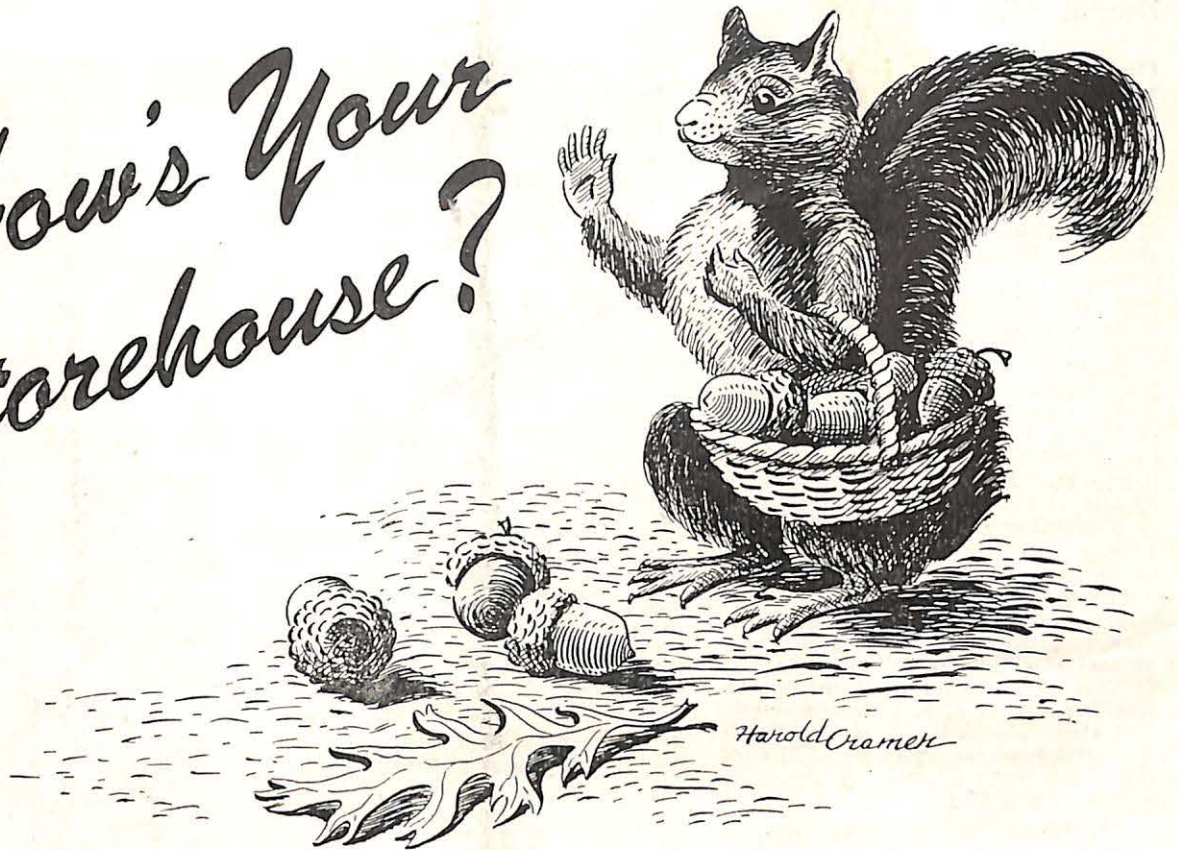
In the absence of the pastor, Rev. Herman Lohr, who was in Cathay, No. Dak., at the time the funeral service was conducted by the Rev. A. G. Lang.

Parkersburg, Iowa

HERMAN LOHR, Pastor.



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