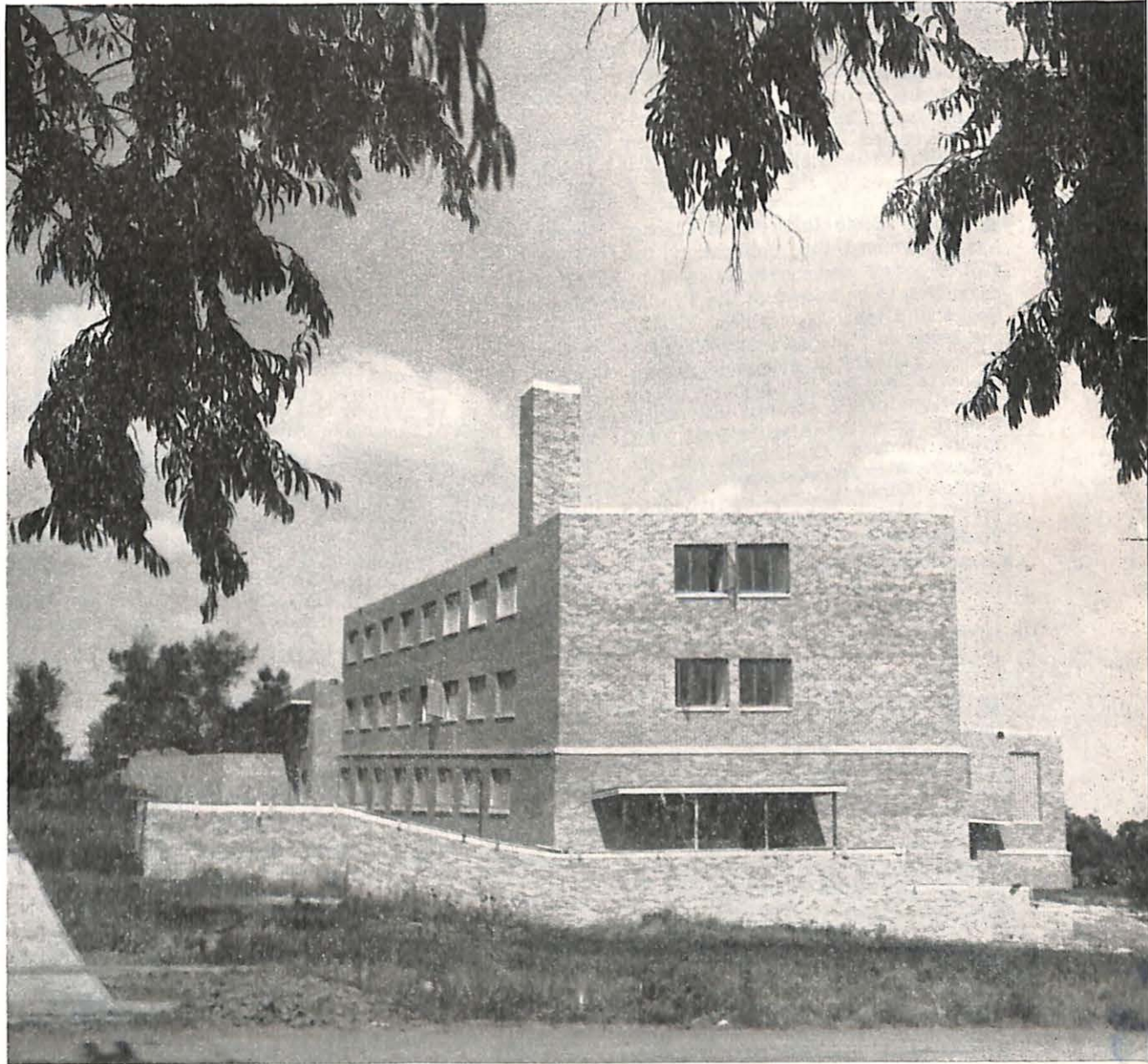


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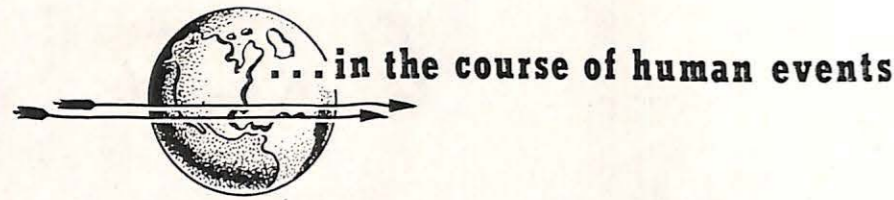


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**Our Seminary's Influence on the
Denomination**

By REV. HENRY HIRSCH
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● An estimated circulation of the Scriptures in China, covering the last six-months' period to be reported, totaled 578,406 copies, according to a statement issued by Dr. Eric M. North of the American Bible Society. The report, which came from Dr. Ralph Mortensen, the Society's secretary in Shanghai, also stated that sales were said to be improving in all regions except Central and Northeast China. Preparations are being made to issue a Latinxua transliteration of the Gospel of Mark. The Latinxua is a recently developed method of printing Chinese in Roman characters which is being fostered by the Government.

● Moody Bible Institute of Chicago has announced the publication this Fall of a new and major series of biographies, to be known as the Tyndale Series of Great Biographies. First in the series is "The Life and Times of Martin Luther," a 559 page masterpiece telling the vivid story of the life of one of the greatest men of the Church since the Apostle Paul. Following before Christmas will be, "Henry Martyn, Confessor of the Faith." Other biographies scheduled for the series include John Wesley, Madame Guyon, John Knox and Matthew Henry. The series will be famous reprints edited by Moody Press editors in consultation with evangelical leaders, plus some volumes of new material.

● Rev. John Giesbrecht, pastor of the Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian Church, Martin, S. Dak., was beaten severely in retaliation for his opposition to a beer license application. Facing trial on a charge of assault and battery in the "revenge beating" is Lee McCoy, a former liquor store owner. McCoy lost his bid for the license. He attacked the minister on the street. Mr. Giesbrecht, who refused to fight back, says he intends to "prosecute to the full extent of the law, not out of a feeling of revenge, but because I believe it is my solemn duty to uphold the laws for the benefit of the people." Mr. Giesbrecht is a graduate of our Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., and a former pastor of our churches at Washburn and Underwood, N. Dak.

● Dr. Herbert Johannes Gezork, a professor at Andover Newton Theological School in Massachusetts since 1939 and a native of Germany, became president of the 143-year old School on September 1. He succeeds Dr. Harold W. Tribble. Dr. Gezork

has been teaching at Andover Newton since 1939 as professor of Christian sociology and world relations on the Helen Barrett Montgomery Foundation. Born and educated in Germany, he was graduated from the University of Berlin and the Baptist Theological Seminary in Hamburg. He was an exchange Student to America from 1926 to 1930, and during this period he received the doctor of philosophy degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

● Millions of Americans have heard the voice of Charles E. Fuller during the past twenty-five years and now many of these same millions will be seeing him and the Old Fashioned Revival Hour staff on their television receivers this fall. "Old Fashioned Meeting" is the title of the TV program. It will follow the same general lines of "Old Fashioned Revival Hour" except that it will deviate from the revival type sermon and emphasize the stories of the Bible featuring Dr. and Mrs. Fuller, the choir and quartet. Weekly telecasts over the American Broadcasting Company TV Network are as follows: KECA-TV, Los Angeles, 10:00 P.M.; KGO-TV, San Francisco, 10:00 P.M.; WENR-TV, Chicago, 9:00 P.M.; WXYZ-TV, Detroit, 10:00 P.M.; WMAL-TV, Washington, D. C., 10:00 P.M.; WJZ-TV, New York City, 10:00 P.M.; and WFIL-TV, Philadelphia, 10:00 P.M.

● November 1 will be a historic day in the life of the Roman Catholic Church, but most of the world's Protestants will have good cause to ponder the process by which the hierarchy decrees what is truth. On the first day of November, Pope Pius XII is scheduled to appear before thousands of Holy Year pilgrims in St. Peter's Square to proclaim the dogma of the assumption of the Virgin Mary to heaven. The reading of the proclamation will mean that the belief that the Virgin Mary's body went to heaven will become divine revelation to the world's some 423,000,000 Roman Catholics. Any disbelief of this dogma will become heresy. The latest dogma of the church, proclaimed in 1870, asserted the infallibility of the Pope in matters of faith and morals. Protestants everywhere will reject this belief and assert with the Church of England leaders "that there is not the smallest evidence in the Scriptures, or in the teachings of the early Church of Mary's bodily assumption into heaven." —Presbyterian Life.

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Editorial

Sacred Stones

THE ENTIRE DENOMINATION can be mighty proud of its beautiful new Seminary buildings at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The outward appearance of the edifice and its pleasing architectural design are "the talk of the town" in Sioux Falls. In the library and dining hall, one can look out upon the courtyard through large window panes that make up an entire wall. The buildings are completely fire-proof with the most modern installments of classroom and dormitory facilities. The seminary is an exciting "showplace" to be seen with justified pride by many North American Baptists in the days to come.

The stones and bricks of the building are all in their place; as the front cover of this issue reveals. It is almost time for the festive convocation and dedication program to be held at Sioux Falls from November 2 to 5, as the reader of this number will soon find out. The seminary building project is approaching its successful completion and all eyes of our people will again be directed toward the "school of our prophets."

These school bricks are bound to become "sacred stones," not because of the building itself, but because of many meaningful associations with this new edifice in Sioux Falls. The illustrious history of our Seminary is being continued at a new location. This year 1950 marks the 100th anniversary of our seminary which will be fittingly commemorated during the dedicatory services. An overflowing stream of spiritual influences has gone forth from our seminary to bless our churches with more than a thousand students who have studied at our seminary. We confidently believe that this school of ours will continue to provide many ministers and missionaries for our denomination. For them as well as for our churches the halls of the seminary, yes, the stones themselves will be associated with sacred experiences that will have the impress of God's blessing upon them.

If a building could speak, it is undoubtedly true that the very stones of our seminary edifice would shout with praise and joy over the successful building fund campaign. It can now be announced officially that our denomination went over the top in oversubscribing the Seminary Building Fund of \$225,000 by many thousands of dollars. The final figures will be announced at the dedicatory services in a colorful souvenir brochure. But it can now be said that our people gave nobly, generously and sacrificially. The campaign was a grand success, because of the shining witness of all North American Baptist contributors as "lively stones," or living stones, in the eternal Temple of our God.

Our Seminary is on its way to greater heights of achievement and of an influential ministry for our denomination. The student body is growing. The faculty is competent. The products of our seminary are a blessing to our churches. With increasing unanimity and with deepening fervor our people are supporting this "school of the prophets" with their prayers and interest.

Behind those walls in Sioux Falls the future of our denomination will be molded. This is our only North American Baptist Seminary, in which the very stones in the building proclaim the sacredness of God's task in training young men for the Gospel ministry.

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The attractive, neon lighted sign in front of the First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., presented by the Men's Brotherhood to the church

Revive Thy Work, O Lord

A revival will come to our land and churches when God's people will meet God's conditions according to his Word.

By REV. G. G. RAUSER, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lodi, California

"O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the year" (Habakkuk 3:2).

In this text we have the earnest prayer of the prophet of old who was concerned for his people, the children of Israel, God's chosen race who lived in a very crucial day in their existence. Habakkuk, the messenger of the Lord, prophesied in the year 620 B. C. It was on the eve of the captivity of Israel, a wayward people, who had forsaken the holy law and commandment of their God.

There was nothing else that could save the nation from the judgments of God except a revival, a turning back to the Lord. Therefore the

prophet prayed for a revival.

It is surprising how parallel the present times are with the one in Habakkuk's days. In looking into the present world conditions and into the low spirituality of our land and the lukewarmness of multitudes of professing Christians and the abounding iniquity on every hand, we also need to pray with the prophet of old, "O Lord, send us a revival." Nothing but a turning back to God will save us from the judgment of God.

When will such a prayer be answered? When will a revival come to our land and our churches? It will come when God's people will meet God's conditions according to his

Word. Let us mention a few of the essentials for a revival.

God's people must first want a revival. We know that not everyone wants a revival. Satan surely does not want to see a revival anywhere. He will do everything in his power to prevent and to hinder it from coming. So often we find that he will even use God's people to accomplish his evil work.

ABOUNDING INIQUITY

The world does not want a revival because it may hurt their sinful business. That is what happened in Philippi where Paul and Silas were preaching (Acts 16:10), and when the damsel's masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas and drew them into the market place unto the rulers. This is often the case when a revival comes. Without a question it will hurt sinful business. The carnal Christian does not want a revival; it may cause him to give up the things of the world.

Who then wants a revival? God in heaven wants to send it; the Holy Spirit wants to create it; the true, sincere Christian longs for it and wants to promote it. We too can say with the Prophet Eliah when the enemies sought to destroy him: "Fear not; for they that be with us are more than they that be with them" (2 Kings 6:16). We can have a revival today and what is more true, we need a revival today, but are we willing to meet the term of God who wants to send us the refreshing?

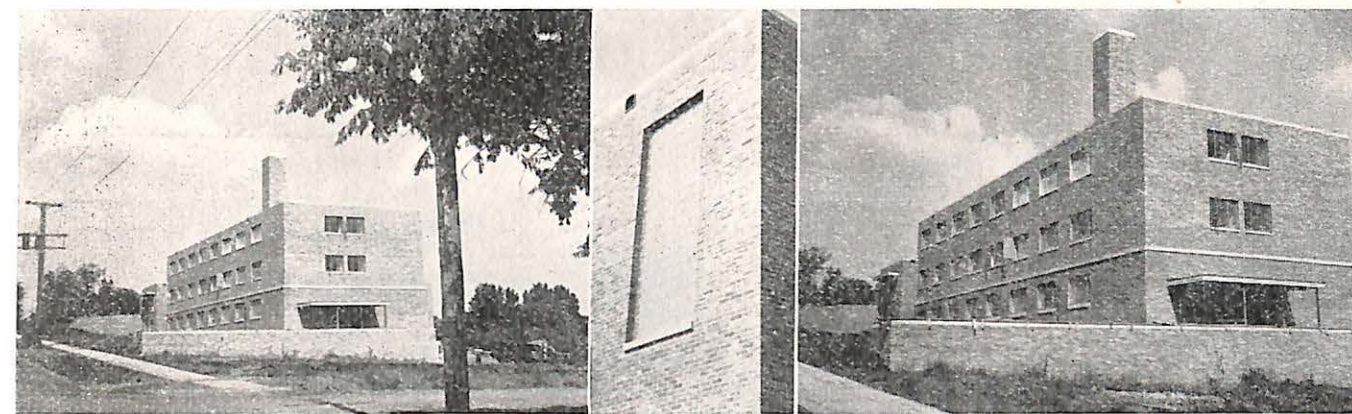
ESSENTIALS FOR A REVIVAL

What are the essentials for a revival? God's people must get right with God. In the Book of 2 Chronicles

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The Rev. G. G. Rauser, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., at his desk in his elegantly furnished study in the church



A close-up picture and a more distant view of the dormitory building of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., with the imposing cornice and tall window (center) in the administration building

Our Seminary's Influence on the Denomination

An evaluation of our Seminary's ministry on the occasion of the dedication of the new buildings of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

By the REV. HENRY HIRSCH of Goodrich, North Dakota, a Seminary graduate of 1914.

YOU WILL remember the familiar Gospel song which proclaims: "I'm here on business for my King," followed by the chorus:

"This is the message that I bring,
A message angels fain would sing'
'Oh, be ye reconciled,'
Thus saith my Lord and King,
'Oh, be ye reconciled to God.'"

The message of reconciliation with God is the primary message of the Christian religion, and we should never fail to preach that. If we fail here, we fail in the sacred mission entrusted to us. But the business of our King is much more inclusive. It is much more far reaching, for the business of the King of kings includes the entire human life.

THE FATHER'S BUSINESS

When Jesus was only twelve years of age, and his mother had reproached him for staying back in Jerusalem, he said: "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" At that time his Father's business was to learn the will of his Father, to ask and answer questions. Later, when he had grown into full manhood and when he began his ministry, his business was to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. Still later his business was to bring the supreme sacrifice, to lay down his life as a ransom to reconcile the world to God. In the scope of this he also trained men for the ministry and sent them out to preach the Gospel of reconciliation.

The ministry which Christ began had to be carried on after his death. This training of ministers was a vital part of his business while here on earth, and it is a vital part in the Kingdom business today. You cannot successfully carry on the program of Jesus Christ without preachers.

The Apostle Paul in writing to the church at Rome said: "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be (trained and) sent?" (Romans 10:13-15.) My Lord and my King made it his business to train and to send preachers. This is also the business of the Christian Church.

We of the North American Baptist Conference have been a peculiar people. God has chosen us for a special mission. We were first chosen to preach to German-speaking people, and God blessed us richly in this ministry. A number of factors contributed to our wonderful success. These were our Seminary and our Publication House. The Seminary trained preachers for our own need, and the Publication House furnished our people with the necessary literature.

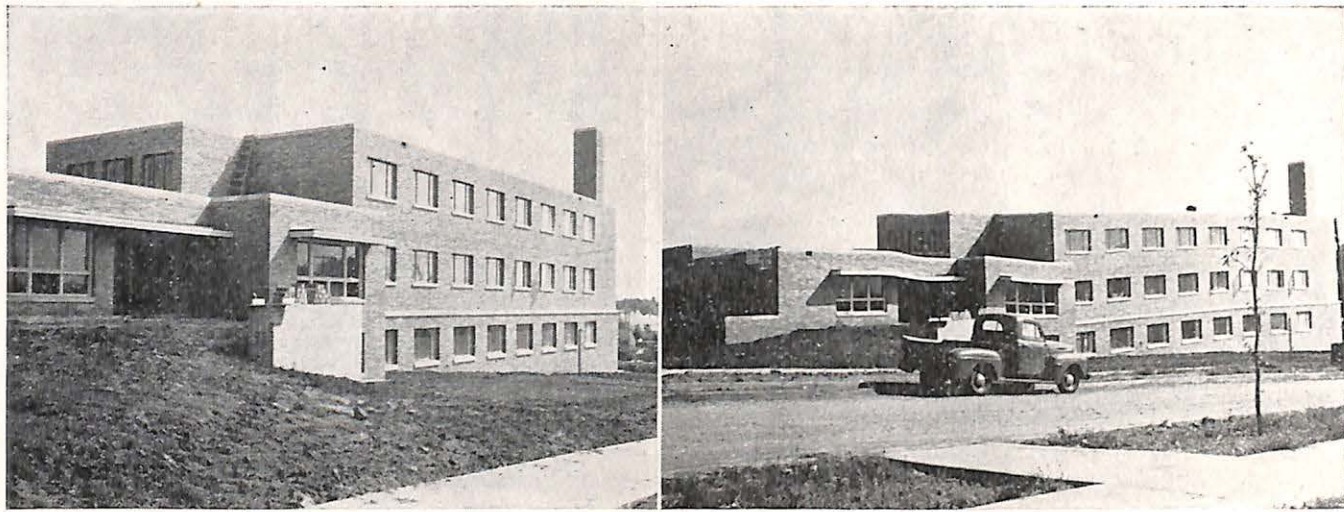
The influence of our Seminary in the past is beyond computation. No figures can adequately give the full picture, and they cannot measure the far reaching influence of our school.

Our Seminary has given us well trained and outstanding teachers, preachers and leaders such as Gubelmann, Kaiser, Ramaker, Speicher, Geis, Hamel, Bender, Meyer, Kuhn, von Berge, and many others. The Seminary has a right to be proud of the fine caliber of preachers which it has produced. Our denomination has every reason to give thanks to God for the achievements of the Seminary through the past century.

SEMINARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Seminary has also kept our denomination conservative in doctrine. We always were a Bible-loving and Bible-centered people. The Bible has always had a prominent place in our homes as well as in our pulpits. Under the wise and effective leadership of our pastors love for biblical knowledge was successfully cultivated. We stand firmly established upon the Eternal Rock of salvation. This can be attributed largely to our Seminary which has been true to the evangelical faith of our fathers. No doubt, there has been a mutual and beneficial influence exerted by the Seminary and the churches on each other for steadfastness in the faith.

The Seminary has cultivated the evangelistic spirit. Not only were we true to the evangelical faith but also to the avengistic spirit of the New Testament. Our churches are soul-winning churches. The missionary spirit, which characterized the pioneers of our work in America, has



Two pleasing views of the partially completed dormitory building of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., showing the students' entrance on the ground floor (left) and an overall picture of the building (right) with fascinating architectural lines

also filled and inspired our churches as well as the Seminary throughout the century to this day. Preachers and missionaries with a passion for souls came forth from our school. Sitting in the classroom and in chapel services with teachers, men of God, whose souls were on fire for the salvation of lost sinners, kindled a like fire in the hearts of their students and sent them forth with a glowing passion to preach the Gospel of salvation. Thank God for a Seminary with spiritual fervor for the salvation of mankind!

TIES THAT BIND US

The Seminary has united our denomination. There were other contributing factors than our Seminary to the uniting of our churches into a conference or denomination. The language, German, which our fathers spoke, was a strong tie which bound our churches together. But even people of one language can have disrupting factors come into their group. Biblical doctrines when they become fancies of Bible interpretation have often been divisive instead of cohesive and uniting. But in God's providence we have been saved from such divisions.

If anything, besides God's grace, should receive credit for our unity, then it is our Seminary. The preachers coming from our Seminary were not only classmates, sitting at the feet of the same teachers, drinking knowledge from the same fountain, being indoctrinated in the same eternal truths, but they also were yoke-fellows with the Son of the living God. The intimate friendships formed and cultivated during the Seminary years in themselves united them for a lifetime.

But the tie which bound them together for time and eternity is the precious truth of the Gospel. They

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Seminary Convocation and Dedication

Announcement of Festive Program from November 2 to 5, 1950 at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A SPECIAL convocation and dedication program will be held by the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., from Thursday evening, Nov. 2, to Sunday afternoon, Nov. 5. The Seminary's Centenary Jubilee will be observed, and the new \$350,000 buildings of the "School of the Prophets" will be dedicated. In addition, an inspirational convocation program has been arranged by the seminary president and the school board which will probably become an annual event in the seminary's calendar year.

Dr. Ralph E. Knudsen, dean of the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, Berkeley, Calif., an outstanding Baptist preacher of Swedish background and theologian, the author of the book, "Christian Beliefs," has consented to be present and to deliver a series of five lectures. These messages alone will make your stay at Sioux Falls for a longer or shorter period most eventful.

The program highlights for four days are announced for the benefit of the Seminary's friends. The new school buildings are located at South Euclid and Covell Avenues and between 24th and 25th Streets in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

CONVOCATION AND DEDICATION PROGRAM

Thursday Evening, Nov. 2
Address by Dr. Ralph E. Knudsen, Berkeley, Calif.
Friday Morning, Nov. 3
Address by Dr. Knudsen.
Friday Afternoon
History of Seminary by Rev.

Charles F. Zummach, Peoria, Ill.
Address by Dr. Knudsen.
Friday Evening, Nov. 3
Alumni Night. Brief addresses by Reverends Wm. Kuhn, O. E. Krueger and J. C. Gunst.
Address by Dr. J. Leypoldt, Milwaukee, Wis.
Motion pictures of Seminary by Dr. M. L. Leuschner.
Saturday Morning, Nov. 4
Address by Dr. Ralph E. Powell and by Dr. Knudsen.
Saturday Afternoon
Address by Prof. Herbert Hiller and by Dr. Knudsen.
Saturday evening, Nov. 4
Victory Banquet.
Mr. Richard H. Mulder, Toastmaster.
Address by Mr. Arthur Schwerin, Campaign Chairman.
Brief Testimonials by Solicitors.
Sunday Morning, Nov. 5
Seminary Chapel.
Sermon by Rev. M. L. Leuschner, Forest Park, Ill.
Sunday Afternoon, Nov. 5
2:45 P.M. Dedication of new Seminary Buildings.
Address by Rev. Frank H. Woyke, Executive Secretary.
Other brief addresses.

All the above services will be held in the Sioux Falls College Chapel except the Sunday morning service which will be in the chapel of the new Seminary buildings.

We extend a warm invitation to all ministers, members and friends of our churches to be present and enjoy these blessings. We cannot, however, provide them with room and board. Each individual must make his own arrangements and provisions.

Scripture Memorization Adventures

During the past summer and for the school year of 1950-1951 the author has been serving in a part-time capacity as the Scripture Memorization Worker under supervision of the Commissioned Baptist Youth and Sunday School Union

By MISS ADELINE ZIMBELMAN of McClusky, North Dakota

"A Scripture memorization worker? Good! We are eager for someone to tell us more about this program!"

"Scripture memorization has been meeting the need of our children for more Bible study in their homes. Parents are studying the Bible, helping their children learn verses!"

"Several of our Sunday School pupils have accepted Christ as their own Savior since learning so much about him while memorizing Scripture!"

CONCERN FOR CHILDREN

These are only a few of the enthusiastic reports which greeted me as I came to our churches as Scripture Memory Worker during the summer months. These words came from pastors and Sunday School workers — leaders who are truly concerned about the children who are trusting them for guidance in the Christian way.

Our leaders are eager for the children to become acquainted with their Bibles, but more than that, they want the children to love their Bibles and learn to trust God's Word for guidance.

Evidence of the labors of teachers and parents was seen when over one hundred children from fourteen Saskatchewan churches gathered at Echo Lake Camp for their annual assembly. I was constantly amazed at the testimonies, prayers and real Christian living of these children, many of them quite young. What a challenge these children must be to their homes and churches for they were firmly convinced that there just isn't anything to compare with living for Jesus! Their faith in God can be known only as a result of the efforts and prayers of Christian parents and teachers. These parents and teachers have given the children the opportunity of memorizing verses from the Bible to increase their knowledge of things vital to the Christian life.

Some questions that many of the leaders asked were: "How can we help the children to learn?" "How can we make it more interesting for them?"

Let me just take you to Echo Lake Camp for the half hour devoted to



Miss Adeline Zimbelman of McClusky, N. Dak., a student at Chicago's Baptist Missionary Training School, who has been appointed the new Scripture Memorization Worker of the denomination in a part-time capacity for 1950-1951.

memory work. The portion of Scripture to be memorized this morning is Psalm 150 — a Psalm of praise to the Lord. Before we learn the Psalm, let us praise the Lord by singing the well-known chorus, "Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah?" This will get us into the mood of learning some verses by which we can praise the Lord, even as the Psalmist did, so many years ago.

After a little discussion of the musical instruments used in praising the Lord, we feel familiar enough with this Psalm to make the memorizing of it very easy. Even as the instruments in the Psalm have different tunes — high, low, and light — so the

"I could not do without him:
Jesus is more to me
Than all the richest, fairest gifts
Of earth could ever be.
But the more I find him precious
And the more I find him true,
The more I long for you to find
What he can do for you!"

—Author Unknown.

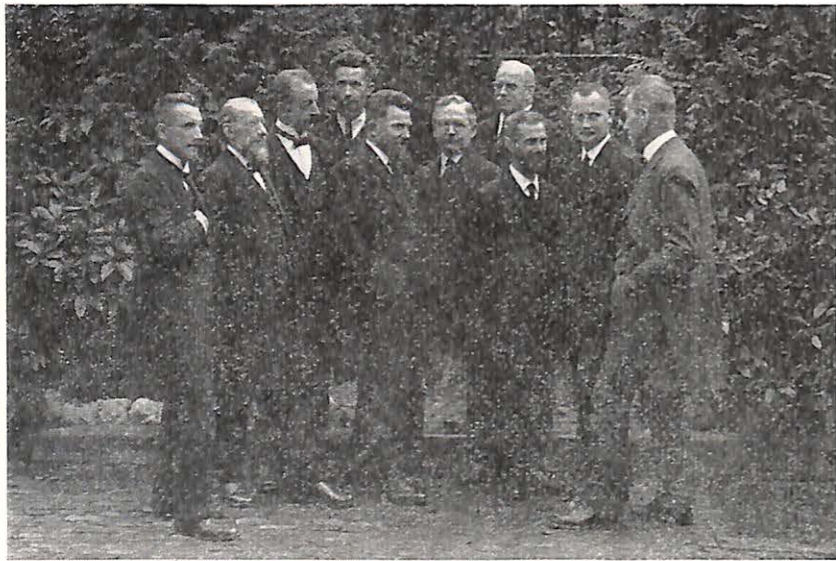
children's voices have different qualities. It is not hard to divide the children into groups, assigning to them the verses which match the quality of their voices. At the close of the "Memory Work Time" we pay a grand tribute of praise to the Lord — many children's voices joined together in a Psalm of praise.

During the week at Children's Camp we had exciting times together, learning many passages from the Bible. It seems that there are so many things which the children need to take home with them to make their home life Christian. Many times it has been the influence of a child that has changed the lives of parents. Scripture memorization in the home has given many parents the opportunity they needed to study the Bible with their children. The verses which they learn can be the devotional thought as the family meets God at the family altar. What a difference it makes when the children not only memorize the Scripture verses, but the whole family learns to live the message of the Scripture!

WORKING TOGETHER

One of the joys of the Scripture memory work is the experience of doing something for the Lord together. Parents and children are learning to cooperate with workers in the church. New understanding develops to widen and strengthen the fellowship of our people. It has truly been a grand summer of Christian fellowship. Everywhere I went there always seemed to be a common understanding and unity with the people. What a privilege it is to be working in that fellowship which we have in Christ, to be strengthened by the unity of many who are eager to increase their knowledge of God, thereby learning to live closer to him!

As the summer has drawn to a close, my thoughts have gone back to that week with the children at camp and I truly can "praise the Lord for his mighty acts!" Praise him for the evidence of his guiding hand in the efforts of consecrated Christians who take every opportunity to strengthen the work which God has entrusted to them!



Dr. William Kuhn (fourth from left at rear) in Zurich, Switzerland, some years ago with Swiss Baptist pastors and leaders and the Rev. Carl Fuellbrandt of Austria (fifth from left) who are among his thousands of friends around the world

God Gave Me Friends

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Investments in friendship for the Christian belong to his most precious possessions and bring forth the greatest dividends in blessing.

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By DR. WILLIAM KUHN of Forest Park, Illinois

ON THE PLATFORM of the elevated railroad station in Forest Park, Ill., there stood a billboard with the slogan in attractive lettering, "Invest in Friendliness." To illustrate this slogan, two young people with faces beaming with joy are handing a CARE food parcel to some needy persons in Europe. Thousands of our own members and friends have personally made this investment in friendliness by sending food parcels to needy persons in Europe at their own expense, and they have already received the rich dividends of this investment in the gratitude of the recipients.

It is sound advice for every member of the human family to invest in friendship, particularly if this investment should be made by every church member, by every person claiming to be a Christian, by every Christian worker, by every pastor, and not to forget, by every denominational secretary. The dividends from this investment never fail.

A GARDEN OF GOD

Having been a pastor myself, I do not hesitate to endorse this investment and to state that it always requires a definite payment on our part such as a spirit of friendliness, of humility, of willingness to serve, of

love for our fellows, and the high motive of doing everything in the name of Christ.

It is often said that the life of a minister of the Gospel is subject to more hardships than any other profession. During the seventeen years of my ministry I had the privilege of serving not only "church members" but friends and some very intimate friends among these church members. Among the saints of God, even though some of them have no social standing nor educational advantages, whenever pastor and people have mutually made that investment of friendship, an ordinary church becomes a veritable Garden of God.

When the pastor preaches a poor sermon, which does happen occasionally, his friends cover that failure with the mantle of love. When the pastor advocates the adoption of some new plan of action, then his friends rally to his support. Very vividly I remember two Sunday evenings while pastor in Philadelphia.

On the one Sunday evening we had baptism. The brothers of the candidate sitting in the back balcony caused a real disturbance when their sister was being baptized, and they threatened the preacher with bodily harm. That evening after the service the preacher did not walk home alone with his wife, but he was accompanied

by a strong bodyguard of his stalwart friends.

On the other Sunday evening, after the close of the service, there was a discussion concerning the placing of our two choirs. One brother, who later became my devoted friend, had attacked the pastor unrighteously. After we had reached our home, the front doorbell rang and about a dozen members of the choir came to assure the pastor of their loyalty to him. After prayer, we bade the friends "Goodnight" and retired to our chambers much encouraged.

In an aftermeeting at a New Year's night service, a brother who had been infected by false doctrine arose and said: "Brother Kuhn has just preached a wonderful sermon, but he does not believe it himself." To that accusation I did not respond, but my friends among those saints of God spoke out and set the brother straight. Serving a church and a congregation where the majority are friends is like walking through and living in a rose garden. To be sure, there are some thorns even there, but the roses predominate and fill the atmosphere with their fragrance and delight the soul with their beauty.

INVESTMENTS IN FRIENDSHIP

As we attempt to tell the story of making this investment in friendships on the part of the pastor and people, we place the halo of the miraculous around the commonplace affairs of life. Not long ago I attended the farewell service of one of our ministers. Many of those present testified that their pastor had been with them in every hour of sickness and even in death. He had knelt in prayer at their bedside. He had counselled with them and helped to solve difficult problems. He had shared their joys at festive occasions. He had even admonished them with the tenderness of love and at the same time bringing to their attention the danger of straying from the fold. By this ministry he had made an investment in their friendship. Although he was now leaving them, his name and his ministry were enshrined in their hearts.

It was in the year 1897 when I assumed the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church in Philadelphia, Pa. About the same time Walter A. Staub, a grandson of one of our loyal families, was graduated from Girard College. This was the largest orphanage for boys in Philadelphia. Frequently Walter came to the parsonage and spent an hour or two of an evening with me. From those visits an intimate and very profitable lifelong friendship developed. In my first baptism Walter was among those converts. I officiated at his marriage. His brother Elmer was also drawn into that same friendship, and I officiated also at his marriage.

During those early years God gave

me other true and lifelong friends. Reuben Windisch, who in later years charmed us at General Conferences with his tenor solos, Theodore Sorg, Christian Schmidt and his son, William Schmidt, were also included in that bond of friendship. All these many friends of mine in those early days rendered invaluable service in the administrative affairs of our denomination. Besides that, they have given tens of thousands of dollars as good stewards of God.

Personally I have received rich dividends from this friendship. Without being egotistical, I can here express it as my conviction that my personal friendship with these men has been an influence bringing them into our denominational administration.

DENOMINATIONAL SECRETARY

As the happy pastor of a local church, the intimate friendship with the many individual members is a wellspring of an unending joy. When I became field secretary for the denomination, I consciously missed the joys of these intimate relationships. By and by, I found many compensations for this loss. The number of my friends increased. My new world became larger and was filled with most fascinating tasks and problems.

When any preacher accepts a new pastorate after having received a unanimous call, he must then nevertheless win the individual members for himself. The same is true of every denominational secretary. From my own experience I can say that winning the individual members of a denomination as friends is a task of the first magnitude and requires time and a rich measure of the grace of God.

It was my good fortune during the many years of my ministry as a general secretary to be invited by large and small churches for their festive celebrations, such as church and society anniversaries and church dedications. Being given a prominent place on conference programs served me as an opportunity for making friends. Now, if by the grace of God, I could speak on such occasions with a message that the Holy Spirit could use and touch the heartstrings of the people, then I could be sure that I was making an investment in friendship. I was then doing my best promotional work and winning the love and loyalty of our own people to our denominational enterprise.

As I review my denominational ministry since 1914, my heart is filled with joy and praise that I have been privileged during these many years to make many friends for our beloved denomination. I am aware that some have criticized me, saying that I was building up a strongly centralized, autocratic organization. If I had not persistently worked for the creation of a strongly centralized democratic

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by Dr. Wm. Kuhn

organization, I would not have been true to my commission. With God's help we have succeeded "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

A WONDERFUL APPLE TREE

In the garden of the summer home of Christian Schmidt at Bradley Beach, New Jersey, within sound of the roaring surge of the Atlantic Ocean, stood a most wonderful apple tree. This tree was remarkable for its size, the spread of its branches, its bountiful harvests and, above everything else, for the five different species of apples that grew year after year on that one apple tree.

That was neither a freak nor a miracle of nature. The explanation was really very simple. When the apple tree was young, there were twigs of five different species of apples grafted into the tree. The life of each species persisted in those branches and thereafter bore fruit of its own kind.

Men and women, parents and teachers, pastors and denominational secretaries are planted as leaders in the midst of large or small circles of persons. If these leaders are indwelt by the Lord Jesus Christ himself and dominated by his Holy Spirit, then the life of Jesus Christ will be made manifest in their mortal bodies and in their everyday living. Then this divine fruit of the Spirit with its nine characteristics: **love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance**, will be found in bountiful measure in such lives. It can be said of these, that "they have put on Jesus Christ."

Anyone bearing this divine fruit of the Spirit will be able to make friends. By nature some persons are constituted with a friendlier spirit than others, but even those lacking in this natural endowment of friendliness can succeed in making investments in friendship if in their daily life they show forth this divine fruit of the Spirit with its nine attractive characteristics.

STUDENT QUARTET TOUR

It was in the summer of 1895 that we (Jacob Kratt, Herman von Berge, Joseph Roeber and William Kuhn) as the first student quartet from our seminary toured the Dakotas during that summer vacation. Joseph Roeber did not do any preaching, but none of the other three men had many sermons which could be used. If I am not mistaken, it was Jacob Kratt who often preached on "Christ's

Friends," using John 15:14-16 as his text: "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my father, I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you that ye should go and bring forth fruit."

Since that summer in 1895, fifty-five years have passed and I have forgotten everything that Jacob Kratt said, but we will never forget — neither in time nor in eternity — that Jesus Christ is our best friend. He chose us not because of our own merit but because of his grace. He has taken us into his confidence and revealed to us many of his divine mysteries. He has ordained us that we should bring forth fruit that will outlast our earthly lives and in time and eternity glorify Christ, our best Friend, our divine Friend.

SIoux FALLS CONFERENCE

During the days of the last General Conference at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, I made many experiences that were in themselves a faint intimation of what we will experience in the day of Jesus Christ, when the members of God's family, the completed Church of the redeemed, will have that glorious reunion. During those more than thirty years of my ministry as general missionary secretary I had crossed this American continent repeatedly, visiting our churches, preaching and lecturing on various occasions. I was received into many Christian homes with a hospitality like that which would be bestowed upon an angel of God. I had become known to many whose faces and names I could never remember.

During those days at Sioux Falls many persons unknown to me came to me and expressed their joy that although I had now reached an advanced age, I could still attend the General Conference. Some reminded me of a sermon that I had preached while in their church. Others told me that my life had been a blessing to them. Those days spent at Sioux Falls were for me but a faint intimation of the revelations that will come to us in the Day of Jesus Christ.

On that Day we will see the fruit of our life's ministry as we never saw it here, and the blessings of our earthly friendships will be revealed in the clear light of his Day. To meet our many earthly friends in the fellowship on Christ's Day we will know them better than we ever knew them here on earth. To learn for the first time of the real and full fruitage of our earthly ministry, that will be ten thousands times better than what we enjoyed during those blessed days of the General Conference in Sioux Falls,

Peace River Mission Field in Alberta

Testimonies by students and the pastor of the Valleyview Baptist Church northwest of Edmonton, Alberta, about the opportunities of this needy mission field.

CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE STUDENTS IN THE PEACE RIVER AREA

By MR. ROBERT JASTER, Pastor of the Valleyview Baptist Church.

Another summer of activity in the Peace River area of the Canadian Northwest lies behind us. Some of our Christian Training Institute students were privileged to serve the Lord here in manifold ways. They are Flora Kramer, Margaret Benke, Raymond Harsch, Marvin Grabia, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffmann.

It was a joy to see these young people venture forth into these various districts of Alberta which are scattered some distance from our Valleyview Baptist Church. The work which they did in these places is greatly to be praised. They taught Vacation Bible School and after school hours they went out into homes visiting people and holding services on Sundays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffmann were stationed at one place for two months. With the help of these students we were able to conduct nine different schools and to get in touch with about 150 children to bring them the Gospel story. This was a great undertaking for the Lord and associated with much preparation and prayer. But it was well worth all the effort it took to make it possible.

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OPEN MISSIONARY DOORS IN THE PEACE RIVER AREA

By MARVIN GRABIA

First of all, we went to Hines Creek to the far Northwest. Here we stayed with a Baptist family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heins. They have no Baptist services anywhere near them, but they have the joy and blessing of listening to services over the radio. A one-week Vacation Bible School was held and 14 regular students attended who showed great eagerness as they listened to the Gospel story brought in word and song.

From here we journeyed to an entirely new field at Woking, which lies about 35 miles north of Grand Prairie. We were privileged to stay at the Joe Zaichkowsky place. He is a member of the Valleyview Baptist church. Joe is a fine Christian young man and also a Bible School student.

Here in this district we held a two-week school with ten children enrolled

and a regular attendance of seven. Again we experienced God's presence among us, while teaching the children. The Peace River area presents an open mission field, but it calls for self-denial and Christian devotion.

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THE NEED OF THE GOSPEL IN THE PEACE RIVER DISTRICT

By MARGARET BENKE

The four weeks spent in the Peace River district were certainly a time of blessing to me. It was a joy to teach the boys and girls about our wonderful Lord.

The time which we spent in New Fish Creek and Little Smoky showed me the need of the Gospel to be brought to these people. Little did I realize that there are so many people in one of our Canadian provinces who have no knowledge of the Bible and the saving power of Jesus Christ. The boys and girls were very eager to learn about Jesus, and my prayer is that the seed that has been planted in their hearts may grow to bountiful harvests.

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MY EXPERIENCES WITH GOD IN THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST

By FLORA KRAMER

It is with joy that I recall the month of July spent in the Peace River district of Alberta. They were days of blessing and learning. With each experience God reveals new truths and impresses old ones. He is our Master Teacher, revealing deeper truths to us if we only keep our hearts and minds in the attitude to learn.

Since the settlements are small, we were able to visit in the nearby homes. As we went from home to home, we saw the spiritual need of the people in a definite and real way. We prayed that God would show us in what way we could reach the people for the Lord most effectively. God has given us a prayer burden for these people.

The last two weeks we spent in Valleyview. Here we had an average attendance of 54 children at the Vacation School. While there we also had the privilege of fellowshiping with the group of Baptist believers. The prayer meetings were a spiritual uplift for me. The Holy Spirit was present in a warm and real way. How it thrilled my soul as our longing hearts were filled with God's joy and peace.

GOD'S PROMISES WERE OURS ON THE PEACE RIVER MISSION FIELD

By RAYMOND HARSCH

Vacation Schools were held by us at three districts in the Peace River Valley. One week was conducted in the Hines Creek area where the Lord richly blessed us with an attendance of 17 children. Two weeks were spent at Woking, and a few days in the Snipe Lake vicinity. Some of the groups were small but we found Matt. 18:20 to be very true where Christ says if two or three are gathered together in his Name there he will be in the midst of them. The Sunday services were very well attended and were usually held in the district school building.

In the experiences that we were privileged to have within these weeks the Lord revealed himself to me in wonderful ways. Never did he leave us alone, but he was always at our side to help us when we were in need. The Peace River area is a great mission field with open doors awaiting the Gospel. Let us remember this field in our prayers so that this work can be carried on and be a successful venture for our Lord.

REVIVE THY WORK

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7:12-14 God said to King Solomon, "If we shut up heavens that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; if my people who are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." The Lord called on his people to turn about, forsake evil ways, and humble themselves before their God.

Dr. R. A. Torrey, the great man of God, a Bible teacher and soul winner, has given the following as a sure way to have a revival. "I can give a prescription that will bring a revival to any church or community or any city on earth. First, let a few Christians (they need not be many) get thoroughly right with God themselves. This is the prime essentiality. Secondly, let them bind themselves together in a prayer group to pray for a revival until God opens the heavens and comes down. Third, let them put

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"If you want your neighbor to see what the Christ spirit will do for him, let him see what it has done for you."
—Henry Ward Beecher.

The Power of Words

A careless word may kindle strife;
A cruel word may wreck a life.
A bitter word may hate instill;
A brutal word may smite and kill.
A gracious word may smooth the way;
A joyous word may light the day.
A timely word may lessen stress;
A loving word may heal and bless.
—Bible Friend.

"The glory of our life below comes not from what we do or what we know, but dwells forevermore in what we are."
—Henry Van Dyke.

Three Gates

If you are tempted to reveal
A tale to you someone has told
About another, make it pass,
Before you speak, three gates of gold.
These narrow gates: First, "Is it true?"
Then, "Is it needful?" In your mind
Give truthful answer. And the next
Is last and narrowest, "Is it kind?"
And if to reach your lips at last
It passes through these gateways three,
Then you may tell the tale, nor fear
What the result of speech may be.
—From the Arabian.

"We should be as generous with a man as we are with a picture which we are always willing to give the benefit of the best light."
—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

The Ten Commandments in Verse

Thou shalt have no more gods but Me,
Before no idol bow the knee,
Take not the name of God in vain,
Nor dare the Sabbath-day profane,
Give both thy parents honor due.
Take heed that thou no murder do.
Abstain from words and deeds unclean;
Nor steal, though thou be poor and mean;
Nor make a wilful lie, nor love it,
What is thy neighbor's dare not covet.

"Lighthouses don't ring bells and fire cannon to call attention to their shining; they just shine on!"
—Dwight L. Moody.

Confidence of Children

"Happy is the family
In which the children know
That they can trust their parents;

Being sure that they will not lie to them,
Nor defraud them of the truth,
Nor give a vague answer
When a straight question is asked.
For in such a family
The parents shall also trust the children,
And through fair dealing one with another
Their confidence shall be secure.
The words of a deceitful parent
Are like water poured through a sieve,
That is spilled upon the ground,
And causes the sieve to rust.
But the mind of a parent of integrity
Is to the child a fountain of truth."
"City Temple Times,"
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
"The great use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it."
—William James.

A Home Prayer

(This was written many years ago by a 19-year-old girl who was in domestic service, and was read by Dr. G. Campbell Morgan at one of his services at Westminster Chapel, London.)
Lord of all pots and pans and things,
Since I've no time to be
A saint by doing lovely deeds

Or watching late with thee
Or dreaming in the dawnlight
Or storming heaven's gates,
Make me a saint by getting meals
And washing up the plates!

Although I must have Martha's hands
I have a Mary mind,
And when I black the boots and shoes,
Thy sandals, Lord, I find!
I think of how they trod the earth,
What time I scrub the floor;
Accept this meditation, Lord!
I haven't time for more.

Warm all the kitchen with thy love,
And light it with thy peace!
Forgive me all my worrying
And make all grumbling cease!
Thou who didst love to give men food
In a room or by the sea,
Accept this service that I do—
I do it unto thee!

—Christian Herald.

Smiles

(From monthly paper of First Baptist Church, Lodi, California)

"Help your wife," advises one home-economics editor.

"When she washes the dishes, wash the dishes with her; when she mops up the floor, mop up the floor with her."

The nervous little man glanced hurriedly at his watch, grabbed his bag and rushed out to the station platform. The effect on the other travelers was that they also picked up their luggage and ran. Shortly afterward the little man returned, picked out the best seat in the station and sat down to wait for the train—which was not due for thirty minutes.



Apple picking time is always lots of fun as these girls show who were pictured on the front cover of a recent issue of SALUTE, our very fine Sunday School paper, edited by Miss Martha Leypoldt

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● On Sunday, Aug. 20, the Rev. Henry Hirsch, pastor of the Baptist Church of Goodrich, N. Dak., had the privilege of baptizing eight converts in nearby Harvey Lake on confession of their faith in Christ. The Sunday School held its annual picnic on the afternoon of the same day.

● Several farms in the vicinity of the Germantown Baptist Church near Cathay, N. Dak., are for sale, according to the pastor, the Rev. Daniel Klein. These are owned at present by Baptist people, and it is hoped that Baptist purchasers will be found for these farms. Further information can be secured by writing to the Rev. Daniel Klein, Cathay, N. Dak.

● The Rev. and Mrs. August Kraemer have moved to Edmonton, Alberta, following their ministry of 5½ years at the St. Rose Baptist Church near Ochre River, Manitoba. On August 13 Mr. Kraemer baptized two converts as the blessed close to his ministry in that church. Mr. Kraemer's new address is published elsewhere in this issue.

● The Baptist Church of Anamoose, N. Dak., has extended a call to Mr. Frederick Fuchs of Hettinger, N. Dak., to which he has responded favorably. Mr. and Mrs. Fuchs are already on the field and engaged in their ministry. Mr. Fuchs is a 1950 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak. At Anamoose he has succeeded the Rev. Emil Riemer, now of Heyburn, Idaho.

● Mr. Robert Jaster of Valleyview, Alberta, Canada, has resigned and announced his acceptance of the call extended to him by the Baptist churches of Nokomis and Lockwood, Saskatchewan. He and his family will close their work in Valleyview on Oct. 25 and spend a month on vacation. He will begin his new pastorate in Nokomis on Dec. 1st. He will succeed the Rev. Wilfred Reimche who is now serving our church at Burstall, Sask.

● On Tuesday evening, September 12, the Woman's Missionary Society and the Men's Brotherhood of the Fourth Ave. Church, Alpena, Mich., observed Family Night for the entire church. The evening began with a potluck supper. At the close of the meal those present honored the pastor, the Rev. Richard A. Grenz, with a large birthday cake and purse on his birth-

day anniversary and the tenth anniversary of his ordination.

● The Fleischmann Memorial Church of Philadelphia, Pa., has called Miss Helen Appel as the full-time director of Christian education of the church. She is a daughter of the Rev. W. J. Appel, formerly of the Evergreen Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., and now associate pastor of the Baptist Temple of Philadelphia. Miss Appel began her ministry in the Fleischmann Memorial Church on Sept. 3rd. The Rev. John F. Crouthamel, Jr., is the pastor.

● From Oct. 15 to Nov. 10 the Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Lodi, Calif., is conducting evangelistic meetings at Eureka, S. Dak., and the Hoffnungs-feld mission station of the field of which the Rev. A. Krombein is the pastor. From Nov. 12 to 26 he will serve the Ebenezer Church of Lehr, N. Dak., as evangelist. Mr. Schroeder, who is a member of the Temple Church of Lodi, Calif., finds great joy in this evangelistic ministry and is available for such churches that can use him.

● The Rev. William Sturhahn resigned on Sunday, Sept. 17, as pastor of the Emanuel Baptist Church of Morris, Manitoba, Canada, effective Oct. 10th. He has accepted the appointment of the Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee to be the immigration representative for the Alliance in Canada with the responsibility of securing sponsors for the European immigrants and attending to immigration details in Canada. He will have his office in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where he and his family will also reside.

● The Baptist church of Springside, Sask., Canada and the nearby West Ebenezer Church have extended a call to the Rev. Martin De Boer of Buffalo Center, Iowa, to which he has responded favorably. Mr. and Mrs. De Boer and their family have been in Springside since Oct. 15 where the parsonage is located. On this Saskatchewan field with its two churches, Mr. De Boer has succeeded Rev. R. Kanwischer, now of Regina, Sask. In Buffalo Center, Iowa, Mr. De Boer has served the Baptist Church as pastor since 1945.

● The Rev. C. Fred Lehr, pastor of the Baptist Church of Aplington,

Iowa, is recuperating from a serious illness at his home. He was brought back to Aplington from the hospital on Sept. 6. All cards and letters can be sent to his Aplington address. The church has called the Rev. John Siems of Burlington, Iowa, as supply pastor until Jan. 1, 1951. Mr. Siems is a recent graduate of the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Ill., and a member of the Oak Street Church of Burlington, Iowa. He began his supply ministry in Aplington on September 21st.

● The Memorial Baptist Church of New Britain, Conn., has called the Rev. Charles Lee as its pastor to succeed the Rev. G. Friedenberg, now minister of the Temple Church, Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Lee are already on the field residing in the parsonage. The church has recently had the joy of having "adopted" a Ukrainian family of parents and two children who are "displaced persons" from Germany. For a while they lived in the rear of the parsonage. The church has derived a great deal of satisfaction from knowing that they have contributed to the happiness and security of this family.

● The Baptist church of Baileyville, Ill., ordained two of its young men, Mr. Carl Zimmerman and Mr. Harold Birkholz, into the Christian ministry at an impressive service on Tuesday evening, Aug. 29. The ordination council met in the afternoon and heard the testimonies of the young men. The Rev. Frank H. Woyke of Forest Park, Ill., offered the ordination prayer and brought the charge to the candidates. Dr. B. E. Allen of Rockford, Ill., preached the ordination sermon and the Rev. Merle Booth of Baileyville, Ill., extended the hand of fellowship to the young ministers. The Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Elgin, Iowa, served as clerk.

● The 60th anniversary of the Baptist Church of Avon, S. Dak., was celebrated on Sunday and Monday, Oct. 15 and 16, with Dr. George A. Lang, president of our Seminary, as the guest speaker. Evangelistic services were conducted in the church from Sept. 18 to 29 with the Rev. Arthur Fischer of McClusky, N. Dak., serving as evangelist. On Sunday, Sept. 17, the guest speaker at the morning worship service and at the Woman's Missionary Society meeting in the evening was the Rev. M. L.

Leuschner, promotional secretary. On Sunday morning, Sept. 24, Dr. John F. Olthoff of Tacoma, Wash., a former pastor of the church, brought a brief message. The Rev. Peter Geissler is pastor of the church.

● On Sunday, Aug. 27, the Rev. Hugo Lueck baptized 23 converts in a lake near Onoway, Alberta and received these and six others into the Onoway Baptist Church. This was his last Sunday with the Onoway church. Evangelistic services had been held from Aug. 14 to 22 with the Rev. Henry Pfeifer of Edmonton, Alberta, bringing the messages and at which 25 persons were converted. From Aug. 7 to 13 a Vacation Bible School was held with 36 children in attendance. The Rev. Hugo Lueck, besides serving as teacher at the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, will also serve as pastor at the Lauderdale church, a mission of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, as recently announced by the Rev. Henry Pfeifer of the Edmonton Church.

● The Ogden Park Church, Chicago, Ill., held its reception for its new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Grygo, and their son, Roland, on Wednesday evening, Sept. 6. Mr. Ruben Thom, a student at the Northern Baptist Seminary, who had supplied the pulpit for three months, was in charge. Rev. H. R. Schroeder spoke for the East Side Church; Rev. Robert Schreiber for the Foster Ave. Church; Dr. John E. Knechtel for the Grace Church; Rev. John Vanderbeck as a former pastor; and Rev. M. L. Leuschner for the Forest Park headquarters. Several representatives of the church's organizations expressed a hearty welcome and rendered musical selections. The address was given by Dr. Warren Young of the Northern Baptist Seminary.

● The Rev. C. B. Nordland brought his seven year ministry in the Forest Park Church of Forest Park, Ill., to an impressive close on Sept. 10, with communion and baptismal services and challenging messages. In the morning he spoke on Exodus 14:15, "Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward." On Wednesday evening, Sept. 13, the church held a farewell reception for him and his family which was in charge of Mr. Carl Jenkins. Appreciation to the Nordlands was expressed with a gift. The Men's Baraca Class, of which Mr. Nordland has been teacher for ten years, held a dinner in his honor on Sept. 29. The Nordlands will continue their membership with the Forest Park Church. Mr. Nordland has assumed his new promotional position with the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, Ill.

C.B.Y. and S.S.U.

HERALD NEWS

YOUTH COMPASS TOPICS

Nov. 5 — "Witnessing to a Skeptic" by Rev. Erwin A. Kohfield, Wasco, Calif.

Nov. 12 — "Witnessing to the Unconcerned" by Miss Agnes Buckles, Edmonton, Alberta.

SPECIAL EVENTS

These Fall days are bringing a whole host of "special" Sundays to your church. Already, we trust, you've had a great Harvest and Mission Festival and an enthusiastic Publication Sunday. There are others ahead. In all of them, your Sunday School and C.B.Y. should have a share:

October 29 — Immigration Sunday. Let young people know of the plight of millions of European refugees and take an offering for our denomination's part in the Baptist World Alliance Immigration Fund. Jesus said, "I was a stranger, and ye took me in."

November 5 — Sioux Falls Seminary Centennial Dedication. Rejoice in this milestone in our Seminary's life. Be in Sioux Falls "in spirit" if you can't be there in person.

November 19-26 — The two Sundays of Thanksgiving and Sacrifice Week. A great chance to plan a special Thanksgiving program and take your annual special offering.

December 10 — Universal Bible Sunday. A perfect time to honor God's Word in song and program.

HOW MUCH ARE YOU WORTH?

You'll find out, if you read the newest leaflet published by our Committee on Education and written by our own general secretary, the Rev. J. C. Gunst. It is Number Four in the series of leaflets for Sunday School scholars. Mr. Gunst's leaflet is a much-needed study in stewardship, which, he says, covers "money, time, talents, service, and all else that makes for a complete life." We're sure your scholars will enjoy and profit from its reading.

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RAISE OUR STANDARD HIGH

(Fourth in a series of pointed paragraphs on our new SUNDAY SCHOOL STANDARD.)

Our Sunday School is to be a Baptist School.

After we win Sunday School scholars to Christ Jesus, we are anxious to indoctrinate them in our historic Baptist beliefs, which, we sincerely believe, are according to the revealed Word of God. This presupposes knowledge of and sympathy with Baptist doctrine on the part of the teacher. Your Union much prefers the use of Scripturally-based Baptist lesson material. If, for some reason, other material is used, it should be supplemented with an emphasis on Baptist principles. Very early in their Sunday School career, we desire our boys and girls to become vitally interested

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Four Canadian young women at the Central Saskatchewan and Alberta Assembly held at Elk Water Lake, Saskatchewan

Mary Arden

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SYNOPSIS

One Sunday morning Mary Arden heard Laurie Judson preach a simple but dynamic sermon in the little chapel at Ardenville. It was a thrilling service for her. She had been engaged to Brooke Haven, but that was "all off." Brooke followed Mary to the old homestead where she now lived and tried to persuade her to return his love. But she had experienced a living faith in Christ and God was now guiding her life. Then the blow came with the telegram that her mother had been in a bad accident. Mary rushed to the hospital at Castanza to learn the news that her mother was critically injured. After several days Mary returned to Arden, not knowing that Brooke Haven with a carousing crowd of his friends had preceded her. Brooke and Rosalie were making "a scene" together as the entire crowd was ordered out of the Arden house at midnight. In anger they lighted their cigarettes and carelessly let a lighted match fall into a pillow. At one o'clock Laurie Judson, walking down the street, saw a thin licking of flame and smoke rising from the end windows of the Arden house.

CHAPTER TWENTY-FOUR

LAURIE well knew that Mary had been expected back that day. Nannie and Orrin had taken care of that. They had hoped he would come to his senses and be there to welcome her. They could not understand why this romance in which they were so interested should not develop as they felt it should.

But Laurie had not come to greet her. The servants felt it was as well he did not, too, after all the goings on! Nannie wondered with growing horror whether Laurie had indeed been there unbeknownst and gone away again when he saw what was taking place. Oh, to think that he should find Miss Mary with such a crowd and such carryings on! What a pass things had come to in the Arden house! What would Grandmother Arden have thought!

Laurie had gone out of town to the meeting not of necessity but because he did not wish to stay in Arden and try to keep out of Mary's way. He did plan, of course, to come and call after a reasonable time. But it would not be the thing for him to rush up there as soon as she arrived, if she belonged to another man. So, hearing that a speaker whom he would enjoy was to be in Middleboro, he phoned his mother that he would not be home for supper and went.

But he heard very little of what the speaker said. He was thinking about Mary. Wondering whether she was home yet. Wondering if her

mother was better. Wondering if that fellow Haven would be bringing her. If he were in Haven's shoes, that is what he would have done, and not let her out of his sight. More than likely they were having supper quietly together right this minute, he thought moodily as his bus jugged on toward Middleboro. Then he discovered that that was the real reason why he had wanted to get out of town, because he thought that Brooke Haven would be bringing Mary down. And he was still more thoroughly disgusted with himself than he had ever been before. It was not that he was afraid of the man. He could gladly have gone to battle with him with one hand tied. But it was the fierce pain of seeing them together that he found he wanted to run away from. So he sighed through the meeting and sighed himself home again on the bus.

It was not until he saw that stealthy flame that he sprang into life. He fairly flew up the hill to the house. The smell of smoke grew stronger as he went. Strange that Orrin had not been awakened by it! But the servants slept in the other wing.

As Laurie drew near the house a wicked knife of flame burst out of another window, directly below where Mary slept. It must be spreading quickly, he thought wildly. "Oh God! Let me get to her in time. Take care of her!"

The thought that he might even now be too late froze his heart. It seemed to him as if his flying feet were really only creeping, in slow motion. He did not take time to wonder at the strange car in the driveway which he had to dodge as he came up to it in the dark.

At last he reached a low front window. He shot his big fist through the screen, tore at the wire and flung himself into the room. Choking and almost blinded he grabbed the rug from the floor and threw it over the couch where the worst of the fire seemed to be.

Just as he took the stairs, four or five at a bound, he heard sirens in the distance. Thank God! Someone had sent in an alarm. Perhaps Orrin was on the job.

Then he heard a terrific pounding of running feet and Orrin's voice

rcared: "Fire! Wake up, Miss Mary!"

Laurie reached her room first. It was full of smoke. He could not tell whether the fire itself had reached here yet.

The din of the sirens and the yelling had just wakened Mary. She was sitting up in bed, coughing and wondering what awful nightmare she had. She tried to scream but the smoke choked her. Then all at once strong arms were about her, lifting her gently, carrying her out of her own door down the hall to the servants' quarters. Did she dream it or had she heard a low thankful murmur in her ear: "My darling!" as those wonderful strong arms held her close? But when she was put down and she turned to thank her rescuer he was gone. Gone back that choking fiery way to get others. For Orrin had shouted to him that there were girls in both the guest rooms.

Most of the guests had been aroused by now. The fright had sobered them and they ran screaming out of their rooms, rushing this way and that. Rosalie was about to take off through her window when Orrin arrived and seized her struggling from. Then giving her a good shake he almost shoved her out to the back stairway.

Laurie was just returning from a tour of the other rooms when he came upon Mary, and a tall blonde girl scantily dressed, who was crying in a high silly voice, "Oh, Mary! Isn't this perfectly terrible? And I know how it started. It was Brooke Haven did it. Oh-h-h! We might all have been burned alive!" She gave a horrible shriek and landed with both arms around the neck of the tall handsome stranger. In disgust Laurie pried her hands loose, propelled her into Nannie's room and banged the door shut. Then he gave a snort of scorn and turned around.

Mary still stood there, looking unbelievably lovely in a voluminous flannel wrapper of Nannie's. There was nobody else in the hall just then. The firemen downstairs could be heard shouting to those in Mary's room: "Okay now. Just about licked."

Mary looked up at Laurie with all her heart in her eyes. All that she had wondered and suffered and trusted for in the past weeks seemed to be calling to him.

Almost without his permission his own eyes answered her look.

She put out her hands. "Laurie! Dear!" She said.

And then he took her in his arms and folded her close. What blessed peace! What shelter! What a precious refuge after all the storms. No need for questions to be asked and answered, yet.

Their lips met, sealing the trust that each felt in the other. Somehow Laurie knew that Mary would never have yielded her lips to his if she loved another man. Somehow there

must be an answer to the riddle. And for the moment Mary forgot that Laurie might ever have cared for another girl.

And so they rested, holding each other close, all the fire and the flood of troubles forgotten. For long minutes they stood, soul telling soul all that each had suffered and longed for.

Then all of a sudden there sounded a loud "Harrumph!" down the stairway. They had not heard Orrin come up the stairs, stop in delighted amazement and retreat, waiting as long as he dared to give his message.

Laurie and Mary suddenly broke out into a laugh. Dear old Orrin! He had tried not to interrupt.

"The fire chief wants you should come down right away," called Orrin in a loud voice as if he were at a great distance.

Mary and Laurie looked at each other and laughed again with happy understanding. But Laurie did not let go of Mary's hand.

"Yes?" he called back. "Okay. Tell him I'll be down. I'm busy for a minute."

Mary giggled. "You must go — dear!" she said joyously.

At that he gave her a look that turned her heart upside-down.

Mary followed him downstairs.

"Hey, Jud!" called the chief. "How about you staying awhile here to make sure everything is out for sure? My wife's sick and I gotta get back as soon as I can. An' Jeff here is due on the early shift in a coupla hours now. He oughta get some sleep. Could you do it?"

"I'd be glad to, chief," agreed Laurie heartily. "Delighted, in fact," he whispered to Mary who stood behind him in the hall.

"That's swell. I know I can always count on you. Call me if you need to, but I think we're safe in leaving now."

"Oh, yes, go ahead, get back to your wife, Pete," Laurie shouted back through the window. "The sooner the better," he said mischievously again under his breath to Mary.

The watched the men climb into the trucks and roar down the drive. They turned to each other once more but just then the excited girls made their appearance again, wrapped in various impromptu negligees which Nannie had produced. Mary had not stopped to wonder before how Nannie had managed to keep those unwanted girls out of the way all that time, but she knew that Nannie's wiles and devices were many, and thanked her in her heart.

The girls buzzed and chattered and laughed, now that the danger was over, for all the world as if the fire had been one more entertainment act in the party. They had been gaily drinking of the strong coffee that Nannie had made for the firemen,

who had declined with thanks and said they didn't have time for it. The girls had delightedly devoured the crackers and cookies which Nannie had produced, and now they had come in search of more excitement. Rosalie had been telling them of the handsome stranger!

It was some time before Mary was able to herd them off to bed again. But at last she and Laurie were alone once more, or thought they were. Just as Laurie drew her to him an ostentatious cough sounded at the far end of the hall. Exasperated, Laurie threw a funny little grin at Mary and then called aloud,

"Orrin, are you there? How about helping me look around here a bit? We ought to see how badly damaged things are. I called to the men to take it easy with the property. But sometimes they get rough, you know, and break glass and douse on water when there's really no need."

The three went thoroughly over the damage.

"The sunroom's the worst," said Mary ruefully. "Mine is mostly smoke. A little paint and fresh paper will fix that up. It needed redecorating anyway. But I can't understand how the fire started. As far as I know there was nobody in the sunroom."

Orrin spoke up grimly.

"There was a somebody in the sunroom, Miss Mary. When I turned out the lights they come stumblin' out. It was a tall gal an' that Mr. Haven. I

REVIVE THY WORK

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themselves at the disposal of God for him to use as he sees fit in winning others to Christ. That is all." This man of God said it has never failed. Revivals have always followed such actions on the part of God's people.

God's people must engage in earnest prayer for a revival. All of the revivals that have ever visited this world have come by and through the power of prayer. A revival may be expected when Christians have the spirit of prayer, when their hearts are burdened for the lost, when there comes a deep concern and an earnest desire for the salvation of sinners. Prayer is always inspired and motivated by a burden or great concern.

Our Savior was moved with compassion for the multitude and he wept over the lost people of Jerusalem. In Acts 12 we have the record of the church praying without ceasing for Peter. God heard that sincere prayer and answered in a miraculous way. The angel of the Lord came into the dark prison, the chains fell off of Peter's hands, the iron gate opened on its own accord, and when Peter came to the house of Mary he found them praying.

heard 'em say somethin' about a match, too, but I was that riled up I didn't listen hard enough then. I should've looked around careful after they were in bed. I guess this fire was my fault. If I hadn't turned out them lights it might not uv happened." He sounded so contrite that Mary hastened to reassure him.

"Oh, no! Orrin, how could it possibly be your fault? You didn't know there was anything to check on. And if you hadn't turned out those lights that awful party would have been going on yet. It was the only thing that quieted them. Oh, I'll be so glad when they are gone. The girls said they were leaving early in the morning, and I hope they never come back, any of them!" Then she clapped her hand over her mouth and glanced at Laurie to see what he thought of her saying such a dreadful thing about her guests.

But he saw her chagrin and only laughed.

"You don't hope it a bit more than I do, young lady, if this is what they are going to do to you. At least unless they all have a change of heart before next time."

Mary made a little indignant grimace.

"Brooke Haven —" she spat out the name — "pretended to have a change of heart, that time he came here and went to church but I never did think it was real."

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When such a passion and such a spirit grips God's people, a revival will surely come to that church.

There comes first the refreshing to the church itself as a blessing of revival. It brings new life and God's blessing upon his own people. We need a refreshing, a revival, a spiritual rain. A revival will bring such blessings to a church.

Souls will be born into the Kingdom of God. This is a natural sequence of a revival, when God's people are stirred, moved, refreshed and revived, sinners always come to know Christ. The name of Christ, the Son of God, who came to seek and to save the lost will be glorified. Jesus said, "Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear much fruit" (John 15:8).

May the sincere prayer of this prophet be our desire, "O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the year." May God grant our churches and our people the greatest spiritual outpouring we have ever had. May we do our part to make it possible. What is your answer to these questions? If God should ask you this moment by an audible voice from heaven, "Do you want a revival?", would you dare say, "Yes"? Are you willing to make the sacrifice? When shall it begin? Would you let it begin in your heart now? That is when we may expect a revival; that is the way revivals come.

BOOK REVIEWS

- "Life and Laughter" by James Whitcomb Brouger, Sr. — The Judson Press. 229 pages. \$2.00

Almost every Baptist has heard Dr. James Whitcomb Brouger in his or her lifetime. For 60 years he served some of the largest Baptist churches of the country, including Tremont Temple of Boston, Mass. During his term as president of the Northern Baptist Convention he delivered the lecture, "Play Ball," to tens of thousands. In his 81st year he is still scattering sunshine and influencing people for Christ.

This is his first book of sermons. It contains his most famous messages which will live for many decades and for which he will long be remembered. His spiritual philosophy of life is typified in the dedication of the book, "To the million friends I would rather have than a million dollars." To have known the friendly touch of this Baptist minister is worth "a million dollars." Read the book and you will laugh loudly and live more nobly!

- "The Quest for Christ" by Dr. A. J. Harms — Good News Publishers. 168 pages. \$2.00.

This small book of messages has unusual interest for North American Baptists for it contains 39 sermons broadcast by Dr. Harms while he was pastor of the Burns Ave. Church of Detroit, Mich. This heart-warming ministry was carried on over "Echoes of Heaven" which is being continued by his successor, Dr. Dale Ihrie. Dr. Harms is now the influential and beloved minister of the Woodlawn Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill.

These sermons are spiritually rich with nuggets of biblical truth and sparkling gems of human interest illustrations and practical anecdotes from everyday life. Each message is brief but always to the point and with abiding challenge. For the devotional life of the Christian, for the enrichment of a minister's sermons and for a better understanding of Scriptural truths, this is a fine book to own and to treasure.

- "A Voice for God—the Life of Charles E. Fuller" by Wilbur M. Smith — W. A. Wilde Co. — 224 pages. \$2.50.

"This is Charles E. Fuller speaking!" With these words of the radio evangelist, the author begins this fascinating biography of the well known servant of Christ whom God "has molded, chastened, taught and so mightily used." Fuller's life story is

described with intimate appreciation and in intricate detail.

His worldwide ministry through the Old Fashioned Revival Hour, the work of the Fuller Foundation and the development of the Fuller Seminary are depicted by one who had access to all the important records. A full chapter is devoted to an entire program of the Old Fashioned Revival Hour. Many pictures add to the interest value of the volume. All friends of Dr. and Mrs. Fuller, of whom there are millions, and all who are concerned about the Gospel in the world of today will read this volume with eager interest and abiding blessing.

- "A Handful of Stars" by F. H. Boreham — The Judson Press — 261 pages. \$2.00.

Bible texts shed their luster over the stern realities of many a life and are indelibly engraven on the souls of men. This is shown with literary sparkle and convincing sincerity by the Baptist preacher of Australia, Dr. Boreham, in this important and popular reprint.

There is the deeply moving story of Catherine Booth of the Salvation Army and of her favorite text: "My grace is sufficient for thee." Hudson Taylor took the three words, "It is finished," with him to China as a missionary and wherever God led him. William Penn confronted the Indians with the demonstration of these precious words: "This the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Here are other favorite texts of Robinson Crusoe, Francis D'Assisi, Andrew Bonar and others — 21 of them — concluding with John 3:16 as "everybody's text."

- "A History of the Baptists" by Robert G. Torbet — The Judson Press — 538 pages. \$6.00.

A good, reliable history of the Baptists was long overdue. A half century has elapsed since Newman wrote his history and since Vedder's volume appeared. The exhaustive history on Baptist history has now been written by Dr. Torbet, professor of church history at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa. For inspirational reading, for references and research, for a detailed review of actual events in Baptist history, this is the book to have and to use!

Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette in his forword states: "Professor Torbet writes as a Baptist, and as one to whom the Baptist heritage is very precious. He has tried to portray Baptists as they really have been and

are. He has also sought to place them in the history of mankind in general and of the Christian church in particular." This is a comprehensive treatise on the glory of the Baptist witness.

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in our own ever-expanding North American Baptist work at home and abroad. This is the only insurance policy that will pay out in years to come, assuring our future as a denomination. Lest anyone think this Baptist emphasis is unimportant, let us be reminded that Communists and Roman Catholics do not rest until their young people are thoroughly indoctrinated in the principles for which their groups stand. Dare Baptists, with the New Testament as their Guide-book, do less?

OUR SEMINARY'S INFLUENCE

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are united in the one purpose for which they have been called, and to which they have dedicated their lives. While it is true that churches make seminaries and make preachers, it is also true or even truer that seminaries and preachers make the churches. There is a rather interesting likeness among our churches, and that is attributable largely to the likeness, in spite of our diversities in our preachers. In view of these factors we realize more than ever how much we owe to our Seminary.

The future of our Seminary is in God's hand. It is his institution. He has brought it into existence, and he who has kept it for a century and has used it effectively in Kingdom work, will also establish it in its new location at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. If we as the North American Baptist General Conference want to continue our fruitful ministry and keep our identity, it is imperative that we not only continue our Seminary but also establish it well. It must be well founded materially but even more so morally and spiritually. It must be established into the hearts of our people.

Our churches and our preachers must make our denominational Seminary their own seminary to which they send their sons for the training for the ministry and from which they will call their future ministers. They must support it with their prayers as well as with their means. The call has come to us, and we accept it as coming from the Lord and as a challenge from on high. In this spirit the new seminary buildings have been constructed, for the people had a mind to work, to pray and to give. For this we are here on business for our King!

DENOMINATIONAL REMINDERS

ENGAGEMENTS

Rev. Frank H. Woyke

Oct. 27 (Friday) — Annual Meeting of the Eureka Men's Club, Faith Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

Rev. Martin L. Leuschner

Sunday, Oct. 29 — Lorraine, Kans.

Sunday, Nov. 12 — North Freedom, Wis.

Rev. Herman Palfenier, Evangelist

Oct. 22 to Nov. 5 — First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, Oct. 29 — IMMIGRATION SUNDAY. Our goal to raise \$50,000 toward \$250,000 Immigration Fund of the Baptist World Alliance.

Nov. 2-5 (Thursday to Sunday) — Convocation, Centenary Jubilee and Dedication of New Buildings, North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

COMING CONFERENCES

Oct. 26-29 — Oklahoma Association at Bessie, Okla. Dr. Ralph E. Powell, Guest Speaker.

Nov. 2-5 — California Association at Temple Church, Lodi, Calif. Miss Hilda Tobert, Guest Speaker.

Nov. 10-12 — Oregon Association at Immanuel Church, Portland, Ore. Miss Hilda Tobert, Guest Speaker.

MISS HILDA TOBERT'S ITINERARY

Oct. 27 (Friday) — Ebenezer Church, Los Angeles, Calif.

Oct. 29 (Sunday Morning) — Fifteenth Street Church, Los Angeles, Calif.

Oct. 29 (Sunday Evening) — Costa Mesa, Calif.

Nov. 1 (Wednesday) — First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif.

Nov. 2-5 — California Association at the Temple Church, Lodi, Calif.

Nov. 7 (Tuesday) — Calvary Church, Tacoma, Wash.

Nov. 8 (Wednesday) — Ebenezer Church, Vancouver, B. C.

Nov. 9 (Thursday) — Bethany Church, Vancouver, B. C.

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We, the Women

News and Views of the National Woman's Missionary Union

By MRS. FLORENCE E. SCHOEFFEL, President

SERENITY, COURAGE AND WISDOM

By MRS. W. W. GROSSER.

Before eating our lunch together one day this past summer, my daughter Jean and I listened to a news flash from Korea. In the seriousness of the moment Jean included the following quotation in her thanks for the food: "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference." Her minister had included those words in his prayer on the previous Sunday.

There are things personally and collectively that "We the Women" cannot change. In such a situation Fanny Crosby wrote: "To weep and sigh because I'm blind I cannot and I won't." God answers "No" or "Wait" to each of us at some time. It is then we pray for serenity to say with the Apostle Paul, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content."

There are, however, things we can change that must be changed. Doing the right thing against the evils of our day takes courage. Courage implies doing the difficult tasks bravely and with self-forgetful devotion. Many of our North American Baptist women have put forth courageous efforts through sacrificial giving for Christ.

White Cross packages have been sent to relieve the suffering at our Banzo Hospital. In Christ's name the hungry have been fed and naked clothed through the relief work. Our women have worked hard in their local churches. But above all this, God's voice rings out again and again, "Be not weary in well-doing."

As women we pray for wisdom to see his purposes more clearly in such an hour as this. We pray for strength to labor harder and to give more freely to others of those blessings which God has so abundantly given to us. We dare not shirk nor become discouraged in such a time as this. We pray to live as Jesus lived, serenely, courageously and wisely.



Mrs. Walter W. Grosser of Oak Park, Ill.

One of the committees of our Union which has functioned very efficiently since the last General Conference is the Committee on Missionary Education. Its first big venture was the preparation of a packet of program material, which was received most enthusiastically by our women. From time to time new material will be prepared and made available for use by local societies.

The chairman of this committee, Mrs. W. W. Grosser, has been largely responsible for the promotion of this new service for the women's groups. She is a woman of much experience in church work and gifted with many talents. Before her marriage to Mr. Walter Grosser, the vice-moderator of our General Conference, she was a public school teacher. She is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Schroeder of Anaheim, Calif.

As we have done in past months with other officers of the Woman's Union, we are happy to present Mrs. Grosser to you by means of her picture and her personal message in the accompanying article.

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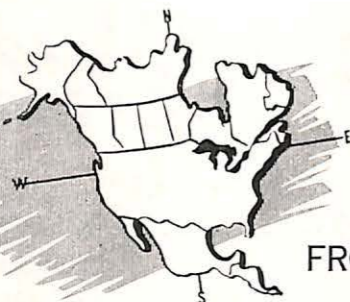
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Reports



FROM THE FIELD

Dakota Conference

Northern North Dakota Young People's Fall Rally at Carrington, North Dakota

On Sunday, September 3, the young people of the Northern North Dakota Commissioned Baptist Youth Association gathered at Carrington, N. Dak., for their annual Fall Rally.

We began the rally with an afternoon service. Lowell Leppke of Carrington welcomed the group, and Bill Kepl of Martin, our president, responded to the welcome. The Rev. Aaron Buhler of Harvey was our speaker, who brought a message on "Winning Others to Christ."

Later in the afternoon we enjoyed a delicious banquet dinner served by the ladies of the Carrington church. After enjoying fellowship around the tables, the Rev. Walter Schmidt of Cathay gave a short talk on "Four Formulas for Christian Living."

For our closing service, we again gathered at the church, where Annela Kreuger of Fessenden led in the singing of hymns. Bob Jesser of Underwood read the Scripture, and also led in prayer. The Rev. Fred Knalson was our speaker at this service. The topic of his message was "Send Down Thy Fire." The Spirit of the Lord was certainly dwelling in our midst that day, and we praise God for his many blessings.

Winifred Wolitarsky, Secretary.

Southern Conference

Ordination Service for the Rev. Walter Gordon Gummelt, Jr., at Cottonwood Church of Texas

It was a happy occasion when delegates from seven churches of Texas met at the Cottonwood Baptist Church near Lorena, Texas, on August 16, for the examination and ordination service of Mr. Walter Gordon Gummelt. In the absence of the local pastor, Rev. J. O. Zillen, Mr. O. G. Miller, senior deacon, called the delegates to order.

After the roll call showed the following churches represented: Central, Waco; Kyle; Bethel, Gatesville; Canaan, Crawford; Cottonwood, Lorena; Elm Creek; and Golinda. Rev. Arthur Schulz was elected moderator and Rev. Kenneth E. Nelson as clerk. After Mr. Achterberg, representative of the ordaining church which Mr. Gummelt had served in the ministry

of the Gospel for eight months, had presented the candidate to the council, Mr. Gummelt gave his testimony concerning his conversion, his call to the ministry and his doctrinal beliefs and convictions. His statements and views were given in a clear and positive manner to the satisfaction of the council, after which the council voted unanimously to recommend the home church as well as the Elm Creek Church, to proceed with the ordination.



The Rev. Robert Hess of Bethlehem, Pa., speaking at one of the evangelistic services at Durham, Kansas, held in a tent on the Durham School grounds

That evening the church, friends, neighbors and delegates gathered in the auditorium of the church for the ordination service. The Rev. Arthur Schulz led the congregational singing. The Rev. Frank Armbruster read the Scripture passage. Then the father of the candidate, Mr. Walter Gummelt, Sr., led in prayer as only a father could at such an occasion. A solo was sung by Mrs. Alma Guderian. The ordination sermon was given by Dr. Sanson, instructor of the Bible Department of Baylor University. The Rev. John Vanderbeck led in the ordination prayer with the laying on of hands by eight ministers present. A welcome into the ministry was extended by the Rev. Kenneth Nelson and the charge to the candidate as

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well as to the church was given by Rev. Julius Ehrhorn. The moderator, Mr. Schulz, made fitting remarks and led in the closing hymn, "Amazing Grace." Hearts were stirred as the Rev. Walter Gordon Gummelt, Jr., led in the closing prayer and pronounced the benediction.

Brother Gummelt is only nineteen years of age and has served the Elm Creek Church with marked success under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

J. E. Ehrhorn, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference

Durham, Kansas Was Host to Union Evangelistic Campaign With Rev. R. S. Hess

The First Baptist Church of Durham, Kansas, was host to a Union evangelistic campaign from August 6 to 20. The Rev. Robert Hess of Bethlehem, Pa., was the evangelist. He was used under God to conduct a successful campaign. The inspiring messages of our brother called for consecration and holy living among the believers and for repentance and surrender to the non-believer. Several individuals accepted Christ as their Savior.

The cooperating churches sponsoring this series of meetings together with our church were Tampa Menonite Brethren, Dickinson County Baptist, and Friedenstal Menonite. Splendid cooperation was also made by other groups and churches. The attendance was amazingly encouraging. The peak was reached on the final night when about 500 crowded into the tent located on the Durham School grounds. We praise the Lord for his blessings.

Henry R. Baerg, Pastor.

Bible Story Books and Mottos for the Spanish-American Mission in Colorado

By Rev. C. L. Young of Monte Vista, Colorado.

Last Christmas season various churches of our denomination sent a good supply of toys, tablets, pencils, etc., for the Mexican children of our Colorado mission field. More came than it seemed wise to give out. Therefore, we now have on hand enough for this year. We would like to supplement the above, however, with wall mottoes and Bible story books.

For any churches that plan to send something to our mission field for Christmas, we would suggest clear Scripture mottoes or story books such as the following:

JUNIORS: "Stories of Jesus," "Bible Character Jewels," "Fireside Talks," "Favorite Bible Stories," "Paths of Unrighteousness."

YOUNG JUNIORS: "Sunny Hour Stories," "Happy Hour Talks."

PRIMARY: "Bible Primer," "A. B. C. Book."

The above can be secured from the Roger Williams Press at prices ranging from 15 to 35 cents each.

Dedication of New Parsonage of Dickinson County Baptist Church Near Elmo, Kansas

On Sunday, Aug. 13, the First Baptist Church of Dickinson County, Elmo, Kansas, was especially blessed by having Dr. George A. Lang as guest speaker in three services, the special occasion being the dedication of the new parsonage.

The dedication service was held in the afternoon with friends from neighboring churches enjoying the happy occasion. Scripture was read by Rev. Wm. Trow of the Ebenezer Church, after which a men's quartet from the same church sang. Rev. S. Overman of the Hope Baptist Church led in prayer. Dr. Lang congratulated our church upon building such a beautiful and convenient parsonage and brought an inspiring message based upon Psalms 127:1, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

The congregation then sang a hymn and assembled at the doorstep of the parsonage where the Rev. H. Baerg of Durham, Kansas, read the Scripture passage and Mr. Alvah Ihde, chairman of the board of deacons, told about the building of the parsonage. James Wendt sang "Bless This House." Then Dr. Lang offered the prayer of dedication. Our pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Schauer, held open house for all members and guests.

We are happy to report that the parsonage was dedicated free of debt. The actual money spent was \$1068, besides the usable lumber from the old parsonage and the many hours of labor donated. May God truly "bless this house" and all who have helped build it, as well as those who live in it and all who find fellowship there.

Mrs. Milton Jacobson, Reporter.

Eastern Conference

Golden Wedding Anniversaries at the Bethel Baptist Church, Buffalo, New York

The Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., enjoyed several special and interesting events during the month of June. On June 20 Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. Smith is our senior deacon, loyal and ever ready for any service he may be able to render. On June 21 Mr. and Mrs. John Cappeller of Forks, N. Y., who also are some of our faithful members, reached their 50th wedding anniversary.

As a church we gathered for a little celebration in honor of these who had reached their golden anniversaries. The church presented Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. John Cappeller with beautiful bouquets of yellow roses.

Our church is now blessed with six couples who have reached their fiftieth milestone of married life. Besides these two there are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meinke, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roehl (who is also one of our



The new parsonage of the Dickinson County Baptist Church near Elmo, Kansas, recently dedicated with prayer by Dr. George A. Lang of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and now being occupied by the Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Schauer

deacons), Mr. and Mrs. Ernst David, and Mr. and Mrs. George Williams. These all within the last three years have reached their fiftieth milestone of married life.

It was a very interesting coincident that on this evening (June 21) we had the pleasure of having the quartet from our Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., with us, who brought rich blessings to us by their testimonies and their splendid singing. This was greatly appreciated by all, after which a dainty lunch was served.

Betty Cappeller, Reporter.

Northwestern Conference

Christian Workers' Conference for the Northwestern Conference Churches at Elgin, Iowa

Plans are well under way for one of the most educational and inspirational Christian Workers' Conferences yet to be held by the Northwestern Conference group.

The dates for the conference are November 10, 11 and 12, with the opening session on Friday evening, Nov. 10, and the closing session on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12.

Elgin, Iowa — First Baptist Church, of which the Rev. A. Ittermann is pastor, is the location for our 1950 Workers' Conference.

Prof. R. P. Jeschke, professor of Christian Education at the Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and the Rev. Robert Schreiber, pastor of the

Foster Avenue Church of Chicago, Ill., will be our special instructors.

All young people serving as leaders and officers, all Sunday School workers of our Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa Baptist Churches, as well as others who are interested are invited to be the location for our 1950 Workers' Conference.

First Anniversary Supper Held by the Seventh Street Church, La Crosse, Wis.

The Seventh Street Baptist Church of La Crosse, Wis., celebrated its first anniversary in its new quarters on Monday evening, Sept. 11. One hundred people gathered in the dining room for a covered dish supper. The pastor, the Rev. Fred R. Lemmert, was master of ceremonies during the program which followed the meal. Special musical numbers were offered by the Larson sisters, Joyce Tichenor, Diane Triplett, Mr. Harold Gullbrandson, and Mrs. Adrian Whitney.

Mr. August Kaaz spoke briefly on how God has guided us in the repairing of this once abandoned building. He very clearly laid the responsibility on every member to do his part to further the work even as every bolt and rivet on a ship have their part to contribute to the endurance of the vessel. The Rev. Otto Larson from the Bethany Free Church was the speaker for the evening. His topic was, "When the Church Prayed."

The Lord has richly blessed us during this past year.

Fred R. Lemmert, Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cappeller (left) and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith (right) of the Bethel Baptist Church, Buffalo, N. Y., who recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries



Sessions of the Northwestern Conference Women's Missionary Union at Parkersburg, Iowa

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Northwestern Conference held its annual business meeting and program on Friday, Aug. 18th, at Parkersburg, Iowa. The meeting was held in the Congregational Church under the leadership of our president, Mrs. J. Benke. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: Mrs. J. Benke, Watertown, Wis., president; Mrs. Peter Pfeiffer, Milwaukee, Wis., vice-president; Mrs. Lydia Lufi, Randolph, Minn., secretary; Mrs. Ewald Wegner, Manitowoc, Wis., treasurer.

It was decided to give \$100 to our Indian Mission. The rest of our offering was to be divided between the Banzo Hospital in the Cameroons and the new seminary kitchen. On Friday afternoon the women presented their program to a large audience. The prelude was played by Mrs. Wm. Jeschke, followed by a song service led by Mrs. Lutter, our former vice-president. Mrs. Fred Woyke, past treasurer, read the Scripture passage and Mrs. Behr, past secretary, led in prayer. The new officers were installed by the conference moderator, Rev. M. De Boer, after which the women's chorus favored us with an anthem. This chorus was organized and directed by Mrs. Wegner.



Boys and girls with Richard Grabke (rear) of Telfordville, Alberta, at the Vacation Bible School held at the Avon Moor Vocational School

School of one week from July 24 to 28 under the fine supervision of Miss Cecilia Priebe. The theme verse was John 14:6. The theme chorus was very fitting, "Boys and Girls for Jesus." Our school opened each morning and afternoon with a period of devotions, led by one of the teachers.

The children found their chart of attendance very interesting. The chart represented Noah's Ark with the Beginners as the lambs, the Primary



Teachers who served in the Vacation Bible Schools of Minitonas, Manitoba, held in four district schools with the Rev. J. B. Kornalewski, pastor (center, seated)

The women of the Parkersburg Society put on a very interesting skit written by one of their members. Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Wegner rendered a beautiful musical vocal duet with vibraharp accompaniment. A very inspirational memorial service was prepared by Mrs. Peter Pfeiffer. Our speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. Walter Stein of Ashley, N. Dak., who brought us a timely and challenging message.

Mrs. Glenn Sutton, Reporter.

Northern Conference

The First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta, Conducts a Vacation Bible School

The First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta, sponsored a Vacation Bible

children as squirrels, Juniors as the deer, and Intermediates as the tigers. The primary children were the winners. The total enrollment was 71 with an average of 62.5.

As a special project the children brought money amounting to \$5.00 for a little gift for Janet Bienert, aged nine years, who was ill in bed for several months. We are thankful to God for the two children who accepted Christ as their Savior. A well prepared program brought the enjoyable week to a close.

Mrs. R. Ohlmann, Reporter.

Vacation Bible Schools Held at Minitonas and Swan River, Manitoba, Canada

Monday, August 7, marked the opening day of Vacation Bible Schools for Minitonas, Manitoba, which were held in four schools in the Minitonas

district. We not only praise God for the boys and girls who attended Bible School from our own Sunday School, but also for a fine group of children who do not go to any Sunday School but who attended and participated so wonderfully in the Vacation School. A number of these found peace with the Lord and want to follow him in baptism.

We had an enrollment of about 125 boys and girls, who were eager to learn more about the Lord Jesus Christ. Our theme was "Onward, Christian Soldiers." This is our aim that we must be out and out for Christ and to make this our task to be willing soldiers who want to obey God in all of his commands. Our lessons were taken from the book of Exodus and the Gospel of Luke.

During the following week, August 14 to 18, another week of Bible School was held in Swan River. Here there was an enrollment of about thirty children who attended regularly. May the Lord be given all the honor and praise for the wonderful work!

Ruth Elke, Reporter.

Students Conduct Vacation Bible Schools on Pioneer Fields Near Telfordville, Alberta, Canada

A Vacation Bible School was held for two weeks in Avon Moor School of Telfordville, Alberta, Canada, under the leadership of Richard Grabke with Gus Kruger as assistant. In spite of the fact that there were only a few children from our church who could attend, still there were approximately 60 children on the roll. The program consisted of Bible study, chorus singing, missionary stories, handwork and recreation. The children enjoyed particularly the music consisting of piano, guitars, mouth organ and trumpet.

The children realized for the first time what Christ had done for them at Calvary as they saw the life story of Christ visualized in colorful flannelgraph pictures. Twenty-five children of their own accord expressed their sincere desire to accept Christ.

Due to the fact that the school was being remodeled, we had to have some open-air meetings, but God blessed us with good weather and with well attended services. On the closing Sunday night, a final program was held. Each child wore a beautiful crown, decked with stars.

Another week of Vacation Bible School was held in Templeton, with eighteen children attending and with six conversions.

Richard Grabke, Pastor.

Vacation Bible School and Baptism by the Rabbit Hill Church Near Edmonton

The Vacation Bible School in the Rabbit Hill Baptist Church near Edmonton, Alberta, was a happy experience for 22 children. Interesting and full of activity, the ten days of school passed quickly and culminated in a program in the morning and in a Sunday School picnic in the afternoon of the last day. Miss Hazel Kuhn, assisted by Mrs. Ruth Kuhn, taught the Beginners, while Miss Minnie Kuhn

taught the Primary Class. Mrs. Korrella served with the Juniors and the Rev. Karl Korella was superintendent of the school and taught boys' handwork and the Intermediates.

The teachers used the Scripture Press material. It proved effective in retaining attention and was instrumental in bringing six Juniors to their Savior. Our mission offering was used to purchase Cree hymnals for the new Indian field at Nordegg, Alberta. Teachers and pupils alike rejoiced in the large attendance this year, since in former years the school had been much smaller.

Special prayer services combined with Bible study were held in the Rabbit Hill church from Aug. 21 to 26 conducted by the pastor. The attendance was good in spite of the harvest season and we rejoice in three more young people joining the ranks of the believers. Examination of the candidates followed, with Sunday, Aug. 27, set for the baptismal service.

On Sunday morning, a special program was rendered in keeping with Flower Sunday with the platform appropriately decorated. Dinner and a fellowship hour followed in the church parlors, after which we gathered on the banks of White Mud Creek on the William Kuhn farm for the baptismal service. The Rev. Karl Korella led the service and baptized eight young people. The Rev. H. Hoffman of the Wiesenthal Church brought a pointed message on, "What Baptism Is Not and What It Is." The orchestra and choir rendered special music on this occasion.

May our Heavenly Father continue to call out those whom he would have serve him!

Mrs. Karl Korella, Reporter.

Reception for Rev. and Mrs. E. Hoffman and Vacation School at Wiesental Church

On Sunday, July 23, we as members of the Wiesental Baptist Church of Millet, Alberta, Canada, were privileged to welcome our new pastor and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Ernest A. Hoffman. The morning message was brought by Mr. Hoffman. A large audience gathered in the main auditorium for the afternoon service. Mr. Arthur Smith served as chairman. Several appropriate musical selections were rendered. Words of welcome were extended to the Hoffmans by leaders of the various branches of the church as well as by representatives from some of the neighboring churches. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman both replied to these greetings.

On Monday morning our annual week of Vacation Bible School began with 38 children in attendance. Classes were held both morning and afternoon of each day. The teachers of the different classes were as follows: Beginners, Edwin Metkie; Primary Department, Norman Kern; Juniors, Bernice Littman and Shirley Neuman; and Intermediates, Verda Scheeler. We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman for the help they gave to all the teachers.

On Sunday evening, July 30, a demonstration program was given to an eager audience. Each class con-



Children and teachers of the Vacation Bible School of the Rabbit Hill Baptist Church of Alberta (left) and eight young converts whom the Rev. Karl Korella, pastor, recently baptized (right)

tributed by giving a little glimpse of what they had learned. This was done by singing, flannelgraph demonstrations, imaginary Bible characters, speaking through an open Bible, the reciting of Bible verses and displaying of handwork.

Verda Scheeler, Reporter.

Central Conference

Farewell Reception by the Forest Park Church for Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Nordland

On Wednesday evening, Sept. 13th, after the customary prayer service at the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill., the members and friends met for the farewell of its pastor, the Rev. C. B. Nordland. First, Mr. Nordland showed the pictures which he took on the vacation taken

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—HAMILTON.

by the Nordland family when they travelled to the West Coast. After this the choir rendered the anthem, "Still, Still with Thee."

Mrs. Dorothy Barber, president of the Woman's Missionary Guild representing all the women of the church, presented Mrs. Nordland with a lovely orchid in honor of helping her husband as a pastor's wife, raising a lovely family and for being so active on church committees, teaching a Sunday School class and singing in the choir.

Mr. Carl Jenkins, chairman of the Church Board then spoke of the un-failing service which Mr. Nordland had rendered as pastor during the past seven and one-half years, after which he presented him with a monetary love gift given by the members of the church.

During the pastorate of the Rev. C. B. Nordland many changes and improvements were made in the Sunday School and the organizations as well as in the improvement of the church properties. Two hundred and seventeen members were received into the church, 113 having been baptized by Mr. Nordland.

It is with a sad heart that the church sees him leave as pastor but we are happy to report that the Nordlands will remain as members in our church. Mr. Nordland has taken over his new duties with the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, Ill. May the Lord richly bless him and his family in the days ahead!

Fred Stier, Church Clerk.



Vacation Bible School children and teachers of the Wiesental Baptist Church of Millet, Alberta, Canada



Some of the boys and young men in the Youth Department of the Forest Park Baptist Sunday School, Forest Park, Ill., who were the winners in the exciting Seminary Building Fund Campaign held by the department

Exciting Activities in the Youth Department of the Forest Park Baptist Sunday School

At the beginning of the Seminary Building Fund campaign, the Youth Department of the Forest Park Baptist Sunday School, Forest Park, Ill., set a goal of \$100 or \$50 each for the girls and boys. The Youth Department consists of 80 members, Junior and Intermediate children between the ages of 9 and 16 years and their teachers.

When the time came to turn in our dime folders, we were still short of the goal we had set, and at the request of the children we decided to continue until we had collected \$100. After considerable competition, the climax was reached on July 30th when we looked at pictures of the Seminary in its various stages of construction and brought our special offerings in the hope of reaching our goal. Not only did we reach our goal, but surpassed it by \$6.39! The boys were the winners with \$55.37 contributed, and the girls followed close after with \$51.02, making a total of \$106.39.

An active part was taken by the Youth Department in our church's

Stewardship Emphasis in April. All of the boys collected marbles and two intermediate girls' classes, the King's Daughters and the Faithful Followers, respectively, sewed bags for the marbles and made stuffed toys — all for the children in the Camerons. The Race Runners, a class of Junior boys, packed the marbles in the bags.

Hardly a Sunday goes by without someone contributing to our Missionary Birthday Bank, and in April we were able to buy 152 felt covered Scripture text mottoes for distribution among the Cree Indians in Alberta, Canada. The mottoes were attractively wrapped in colored tissue paper and ribbon by the Junior girls before they were shipped to Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard Neuman, Indian missionaries.

Prior to our birthday offering for the Indian Mission Field, we had designated \$20.00 for our work in China, but since Miss Leona Ross had to return, we gave her the money for use in her work among the Chinese in Chicago. Some Sunday in the near future we expect to attend the Chinese Sunday School where Miss Ross works and present a program there.

The Youth Department's Junior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. C.

B. Nordland, did an admirable job of singing at our Children's Day Program on June 11th, and is planning to sing from time to time as requested.

The consecrated group of Youth Department teachers has met each month with their department superintendent for a departmental conference at which time problems and matters of interest pertaining to the department are discussed. These conferences have proved invaluable in promoting cooperation among the teachers in the department and have enabled us to work together more effectively.

Irma L. Grieger,
Youth Department Superintendent.

Young People's Assembly at Lake Ripley for Churches of Chicago and Wisconsin

The young people of Chicago and vicinity and of Wisconsin met for a Youth Conference at Lake Ripley, Wis., from August 20 to 26. This turned out to be a week of grand and glorious experiences for all.

Our theme was "Christ Above All." The schedule was arranged so that in the morning we had one class, chapel and then another class. From 2 o'clock until 4 o'clock, volley ball and soft ball were played. The group was divided into four teams, Camerons, Mexicans, Indians, and D.P.'s, representing our various missionary fields. During free time we had our choice of swimming, boating, ping-pong, shuffle board, or horseshoe.

Our chapel speaker was one of our missionaries from Africa, Miss Hilda Tobert. Her daily talks were an inspiration to everyone. During this time and at the campfire, we were favored by many special numbers by our choir, a boys' quartet, a girls' trio, and many solos.

The various classes were as follows: "Your Bible and You" by Rev. F. Lower; "Old Testament Biographies" by Rev. T. Lutz; "Speech" by Rev. F. Lower; "Outstanding Revivals" by Rev. W. Thompson; "My Denomination" by Rev. J. C. Gunst; "Gospel of Mark" by Rev. Wm. Schoeffel; "History of Baptists" by Rev. F. Venninga; "Christian Evidences" by Rev. J. Grygo who also was camp pastor.

Our camp fire fellowship was richly blessed by the Lord, especially on Thursday and Friday nights. These two nights and Saturday morning were times of consecration, testimonies and prayer. Two things everyone mentioned in their testimonies were daily Bible reading and prayer. These consecrations were a result of prayer and messages by various pastors during the week. On Sunday night we heard "Marks of a Christian." On Monday night we had a "Fagot Service" during which time each one made a promise to God of something he would do that week. On Tuesday night we heard of the four roads we could choose: Damascus for conversion, Jerusalem for surrender, Emmaus for consecration, Jericho for service. Then on Thursday and Friday night we heard messages on full surrender to God's will.

On Friday night we held our banquet. After a delicious supper some



Children and teachers of the Vacation Bible School at the Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Wash., with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stading at right, rear row

Obituary

(A charge of five cents a line is made for all obituaries, except for those of our pastors and their wives. If possible, limit the obituary notices to 250 words. Send them to the Editor, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.)

MRS. LENA VEITH
of Rochester, New York.

Mrs. Lena Veith, nee Young, was born in Rochester, N. Y., and came to the knowledge of Christ as Savior and Lord in her early youth. She joined the fellowship of the Second German Baptist Church of Rochester, where she was a member of my Sunday School Class over 50 years ago. In 1908 I became her pastor, and again in the Andrews Street Church recently. She was united in marriage with Mr. Otto E. Veith in 1906. They both loved to sing. Together they have served as choir members for 40 years. Theirs was a happy Christian life.

For several years she devoted herself to the needs of an invalid sister and continued this loving service, even when her own strength was no longer adequate for the task. She was taken to the Father's House and the Choir Invisible on September 10. She leaves her husband, two sisters, one brother and several nieces and nephews.

Andrews Street Baptist Church,
Rochester, New York
O. E. KRUEGER, Pastor.

ELLAN CALVAN SCHOCK
of Lodi, California.

Ellan Calvin Schock, of Lodi, Calif., son of Mrs. Pauline Schock, was born in Streeter, N. Dak., on Dec. 24, 1927. Ellan lived in Streeter until 1934, and from 1934 to 1943 he lived in Mary Cord, N. Dak., where he received both his basic school training and his religious instruction. In 1943 he came to Lodi with his mother and sister Ermaline. Through the faithful ministry of Elmer Zachay, the young assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church, Ellan was led to the Lord on Nov. 29, 1944.

For the last five years Ellan was engaged in the service of his country. For six months he served in the merchant marine and for four and a half years he served in the Army Air Corps. At the time of his sudden death he had reached the rank of Staff Sergeant. The base chaplain, Rev. Estas Lewis, in a letter of comfort to his mother paid him high tribute for both his fine conduct and his capabilities as a young man of only 22 years.

Ellan died of injuries received through an accident when his motorcycle was hit by a lumber truck which failed to stop at a highway crossing. He reached the age of 22 years and 8 months. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Pauline Schock; one sister; six half-brothers and four half-sisters, besides many relatives and friends.

First Baptist Church,
Lodi, California
G. G. RAUSER, Pastor.

MRS. LENA BRUCKER
of Balgonie, Sask., Canada.

Mrs. Lena Brucker, aged 48, of Balgonie, Sask., Canada, wife of Mr. Karl Brucker, went to be with the Lord on Sept. 1st following a fatal car accident which occurred one mile from her home on Aug. 29.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. R. Kanwischer of Regina and the local pastor, were held in the Grace Baptist Church of Davin of which Mrs. Brucker was a faithful member. The large company of friends attending the funeral and the many floral tributes testified to the esteem in which she and the Brucker family are held. Interment was made in the Edenwold Church Cemetery.

Born in Austria in 1902, Mrs. Brucker came to Canada in 1904 with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Lindenbach, residing in the Edenwold and Balgonie districts. She was married in 1920 and became the mother of five children: Mrs. Eddy Rosom of Davin; Mrs. S. Kramer of Whitehorse, Yukon; Henry and Martin of Balgonie; and Violet Jean who died in infancy. Besides

her husband and four children, there are two sisters surviving: Mrs. A. Kiefler of Balgonie and Mrs. J. Lindsay of Edenwold; and three brothers, Valentine of McLean, Adam of Edenwold, and Jake of Edgeley.

Davin, Sask., Canada
JAMES T. McNAIR, Pastor.

MRS. BERTHA KERN
of Millet, Alta., Canada.

Mrs. Bertha Kern, nee Zilke, of Millet, Alberta, was born in Leduc, Alberta, on November 17, 1903, and after a lingering illness went to her heavenly reward on August 23, 1950 having reached the age of forty-six years. As a young girl she gave her life to the Lord, was baptized by Rev. F. Miller, and joined the fellowship of the Wiesental Baptist Church, where she continued as an active and loyal member until her death.

On June 12, 1924, she was united in marriage to Mr. Herman Kern. This union was blessed with eight children, three boys and five girls.

She leaves to mourn her passing her loving husband and children: Edwin, a student at our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; Bernice, active in missionary work on our Indian mission field in Alberta, and Norman, Eleanor, Milton, Delvera, Marie and Carolyn, at home; also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Zilke of Millet, Alberta; a brother, Dan Zilke of Woodstock, Ontario; and a sister, Miss Olga Zilke of Millet, Alberta.

In addition to many floral tributes a number of donations were received for various missionary endeavors in memory of our departed sister.

"Blessed hope that in Jesus is given
In our sorrow to cheer and sustain,
That soon in the mansions of heaven
We shall meet with our loved ones again."

"Blessed hope! How it shines in our sorrow
Like a star over Bethlehem's plain;
That we may be with 'em here the morrow;
We shall meet with loved ones there again."

Wiesental Baptist Church,
Millet, Alberta, Canada
ERNEST A. HOFFMANN, Pastor.

MRS. KAROLINA KRAENZLER
of Lehr, North Dakota.

Mrs. Karolina Kraenzler, nee Hagel, of Lehr, N. Dak., was born in South Russia on August 25, 1881. In 1903 she was united in marriage with Christoph Kraenzler. Two years later the couple came to America, at first settling near Zealand, N. Dak., and later on a homestead near Lehr, N. Dak. Since 1937 they lived in the town of Lehr in retirement.

Her marriage was blessed with eight children, one boy preceding his mother in death in infancy. As a girl our sister was converted, was baptized later by Rev. H. Schwendener, and added to the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Lehr where she remained a faithful member to the end.

About four months before her decease she suffered an attack of the flu, seemed to recuperate from it, but a little later several other complications set in. She was taken to various doctors and hospitals for help, and at the last even to a specialist in a hospital at Minneapolis, Minn. Several times she seemed to show signs of improvement, but our Lord had different plans for her. On Sunday morning, July 9, she was called home at Minneapolis, Minn., having reached the age of 68 years, 10 months, and 14 days. To her husband she was a faithful and loving wife, and to her children a devoted mother. Her hospitality and lovely personality helped her to make many friends. Her glowing testimony will be missed among us.

Her passing is mourned by her husband; six sons: Isadore, Oroville, Wash.; Albert, Brookings, S. Dak.; Henry, Theodore, and John, Lehr, N. Dak.; Jacob, pastor of the Bethel Church of Missoula, Mont.; four daughters: Mrs. Kenneth Jurg, Omak, Wash.; Mrs. Emil Bertsch, Ashley, N. Dak.; Mrs. Marie Werth, Mrs. Fred Ehmann, Lehr, N. Dak.; three sisters in Germany; 23 grandchildren as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

In the absence of the undersigned one of her former pastors, Rev. E. Broeckel of Bismarck, N. Dak., conducted the services finding words of comfort in Psalm 23.

Lehr, North Dakota
H. J. WALTEREIT, Pastor.

of the churches put on small skirts and musical numbers. Installation of officers was made by Rev. Robert Schreiber, who was our dean. The new officers, who were elected for a two-year term, are: dean, Rev. F. Y. Lower of Kankakee; counsellor, Rev. John Gryg, of Chicago; president, Ed Wolfe, Jr., of Chicago; first vice-president, George Salzman, Jr., of Kankakee; second vice-president, Charles Lindberg of Chicago; treasurer, William Reich of Chicago; secretary, Arlene Anderson of Kankakee. Mr. Schreiber gave the new officers a verse of Scripture as a guide. It is Col. 3:23, "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not unto men."

Arlene Anderson, Secretary.

Pacific Conference

Vacation Bible School at the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash.

The Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., held its annual Vacation Bible School from August 14 to 25 with an enrollment of 27 students and seven teachers. The meetings were opened each morning with songs and a story told by one of the teachers or one of the older students.

Mr. R. Stading from the Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and his wife were our capable leaders. Other teachers were as follows: Beginners, Mrs. Stading and Beverly Heidt; Primary, Mrs. Chas. Shockley and Mrs. C. Scheidemann; Juniors, Mrs. J. Klapstein and Mrs. A. Klapstein; Intermediates, Mr. Stading. Beverly Heidt was our secretary. Out of the goodness of their own hearts the children brought a total collection of \$5.47.

The Beginners learned about Zachaeus and Peter. They made pictures that went with each day's story of the Bible. The Primary department studied the beautiful 23rd Psalm. Along with it they made individual flannel boards and pictures that they might use them at home. They also learned Isaiah 53:6 and John 10:11 in connection with the Psalm. The theme of the Junior group was the "Christian's Birth and Growth." They made plywood bookends on which was written "Christ Our All." The Intermediates made maps that showed them where missionaries of our day have been stationed to bring forth the Word of God. These places were marked with miniature flags. They also studied Bible characters of the Old Testament.

At the close of each morning, treats were passed out to the delight of us all. The school was climaxed with a program on Sunday evening, August 27. Each class told of what they had been studying during the past two weeks. The teachers have striven to show to the children the plan of God's salvation, that all who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Savior will be saved.

Mrs. Chas. Shockley, Reporter.



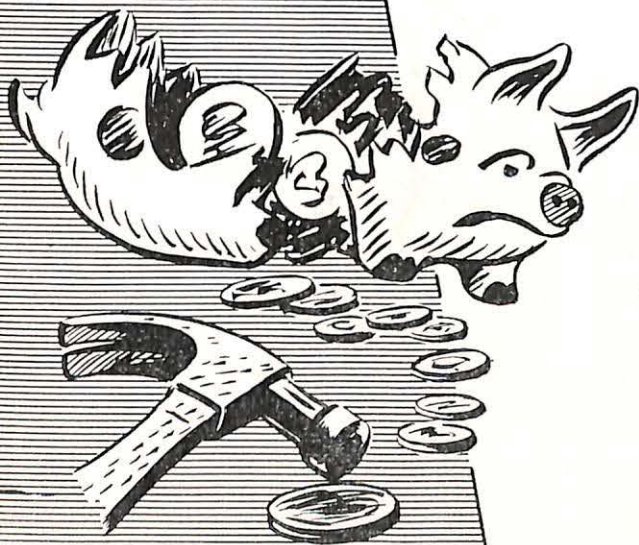
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