# Baptist Herald

NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

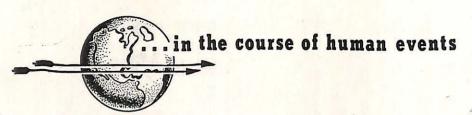


A Grandstand View of Mount Rainier Near Tacoma, Washington

Our Mission from Soppo to Ndu

Berneice Westerman Page 14

July 5, 1951



- Harold E. Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania and former governor of Minnesota, and James L. Kraft, president of Kraft Foods, Chicago, Ill., were among eight citizens who received this year's Horatio Alger Awards for achieving success in this country in the tradition of the Alger "rags-to-riches" novels. The Winners agreed that the United States was still a land of opportunity and promise for the rising generation and those yet to come. The eight award winners were selected by student votes from a list of 19 names drawn up by the association's awards committee, whose honorary chairman is Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson.-Watchman-Examiner.
- A study of the Hutterites, who have an unusual reputation for good mental health, shows that in their culture children are "genuinely wanted" and grow up in a community carefully organized to help them and their parents in the process of child rearing. The 8,500 Hutterites of this hemisphere live in 91 colonies in Northwestern United States and Canada. They came here in the 1870's from Russia, to which they had fled from other European countries. They originated in 1528, when a group of Tyrolese peasants, influenced by an Anabaptist preacher, Jacob Hutter, fled to Moravia to escape persecution.-Watchman-Examiner.
- Three Southern Baptist theological seminaries are opening their doors this Fall to qualified Negro students. The schools are Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas; New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. The seminary at Fort Worth was the first to take action. Commenting on the step, Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, acting president of the Louisville school, said, "It came out of a deep sense of obligation to our fellow Negro Baptists in helping to provide more adequate advantages for the training of qualified Negro students for whom provision is lacking . . . "-Moody Monthly.
- Merger of the Bible Institute of Pennsylvania and the Philadelphia School of the Bible, both located in Philadelphia, has been agreed upon. The new school will be called the Philadelphia Bible Institute. The property of both schools will be sold, and the new institute will begin day and evening classes this Fall in an eight-story downtown building for-

- merly occupied by the Y.W.C.A. Bible Institute of Pennsylvania was founded in 1913 by Rev. W. W. Rugh, a Baptist, and the Philadelphia School of the Bible opened the following year with Dr. C. I. Scofield, editor of a wellknown reference Bible, as president, and Dr. William Pettingill, also a Baptist, as dean. Dr. William A. Mierop, president of the Bible Institute of Pennsylvania, will head the combined institution.-Watchman-Examiner.
- Things are not going too well for missonaries in China. In March in Richmond, Va., the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board held a special service in memory of Dr. William L. Wallace, 42-year-old medical missionary who died February 10 after fiftythree days in a Chinese Communist prison in Wuchow. According to incomplete information about Dr. Wallace's seizure and sudden death, he was tricked into arrest, held incommunicado in prison after his arrest, and possibly tortured to death. He was in good health when he entered prison, and the Communists gave no reason for his abrupt end. Earlier the Southern Baptist mission secretary for the Orient reported from Hong Kong' that seventeen Americans were under arrest in Communist China.-Presbyterian Life.

• For the second time in three years,

the United States Supreme Court will review a case which involves religion in the public schools. The Supreme Court action stems from a 1950 decision by the New Jersey Supreme Court upholding the legality of a state law which requires the reading of at least five verses from the Old Testament each school day. The New Jersey case was brought up by two officers of the United Secularists of America who argued that Bible-reading was contrary to the U.S. Constitution. The State Supreme Court, in upholding the reading, said, in part, "It is not necessary that the State should be stripped of religious sentiment . . . We are at a critical hour in which it may behoove our people to conserve all of the elements which have made our land what it is." Biblereading in the public schools is required in twelve states and the District of Columbia. It is allowed in five other states, and is being done in several states which do not have any specific laws on the subject. The appeals of the Secularists ask that the U. S. Supreme Court reverse the decision of the state court.-PresbyNew and Different

### A Garden in Cards

#### GARDEN GLORY

14 All-Occasion. The utmost in everyday card styling. All who love flowers to express their sentiments will love this beautiful and charming flower assortment of fourteen different flowers including the rose, orchid, violet, carnation, pansy, and iris in seven pastel shades.

Here in a strikingly different manner are all your favorite garden flowers reproduced in rich full colors with a three-dimensional effect which gives them all the realism, beauty, and charm of nature's splendor. There is "Garden Glory" flower card for every occasion from the full grown rose to the shy and subtle violet. Scripture text No. 551R-Price \$1.00.

#### BOUQUET DELIGHT

Never before has an assortment of such superb value of 18 Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, and Cheer folders been offered to the public for \$1.00 retail. This exceptionally beautiful assortment features a variety of smart designs and is cleverly enhanced with elegant trimmings of ribbon, foils, pop-outs, die-cuts, and attachments in full color including gold. The sentiments are written especially for cards having Scripture texts.

Assorted Scripture No. 8851 R, All Birthday Scripture No. 6651 R, All Get Well Scripture No. 7751 R.

Price \$1.00

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Owing to the tremendous increase in production costs, the board of trustees has found it necessary to increase the price of the Baptist Herald to \$3.00 per year or \$2.50 for the Club Plan and \$3.50 for foreign countries. The increase is effective July 1, 1951.

## Roger Williams Press

3734 Payne Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio

# Elitore L

# "Righteousness Exalteth a Nation"

T IS UTTER FOLLY today to call any nation "Christian." The political affairs and civic life of most nations seldom take God into account. Sin is a reproach to the people of today's world because sin has taken on a respectable guise. We have again come into perilous times, even as they were described by the Apostle Paul so many years ago, when "men shall be lovers of their own selves, so many years ago, covetous, boasters, proud — — lovers of pleasures more than

It has always been true through the centuries of time that only "righteousness exalteth a nation" (Proverbs 14:34). This is the righteousness "which is of God by faith" (Philippians 3:9), which seeks to know and to do God's will, which always goes about doing good to others in the spirit of Christ, which is the outward expression of a heart that is clean and a life that has been redeemed by the grace of God. Only as this light of God's righteousness shines into the darkness of today's world through individuals, who have known "the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus," will a nation be exalted of God for a true leading role in world affairs.

Christians everywhere CAN and MUST do something about this present state of affairs. They must be heavily burdened with concern over the evil that has crept into high places of civic leadership. By prayer, by public influence, by witnessing boldly for the truth, by throwing their support to right causes and honest Christian men, they must be the embodiment of the righteousness of God that exalteth

This was the spirit of the prophets of old! This was the action for God which was shown so boldly by Peter and John in the early 3734 Payne Ave., Cleveland 14, Ohio days of the Christian Church. A man of God who today follows in Martin L. Leuschner, D.D., Editor their footsteps is Senator Charles W. Tobey of New Hampshire, a Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, Business Baptist by faith, a Christian statesman by profession, a humble servant of Christ by consecration. Both in his utterances during the Senate Crime Committee hearings as well as in his public addresses, Senator Tobey has trumpeted forth a stirring call: "Rise up, Christian men and women! Churches wake up! across America!"

Senator Tobey is God's man of the hour when he speaks with this fervent challenge: "What we need—what we must have—is a revival of the application of the life and teachings of the Master of men. Until that virtue lives in America again, I tremble for America's future. Up in New England we had a poet. His name was John Greenleaf Whittier. He was a great man, a Quaker, and he wrote some wonderful things in poetry. In one poem, called 'Problems,' he commented on the ills of the nation and he closed with this couplet: 'But solution

As Senator Tobey said: "There is the answer!" That is the need of our day. This the righteousness that alone can exalt a nation and which America must have, not only to stand at the head of the nations of the world, but to stand with God at her side, ever making her



Vol. 29

No. 14

July 5, 1951

Cover, "A Grandstand View of Mt. Rainier"
Harold M. Lambert
"In the Course of Human Events" 2
Editorial, "Righteousness Exalteth a Nation"
"Beware of Thieves" Rev. B. W. Krentz 4
"The Unique Claims of Jesus Christ" Dr. John Leypoldt
"Canada, Here We Come!" Rev. William Sturhahn 6
"A Ministry to Juvenile Delinquents" Miss Christine Harr
"The Christ of Exodus and Revelation" Miss Florence Elliott
"Fall Upon Your Knees" Mary Shaw Raynes
Laymen's Conference Program at Green Lake
Family Page11
What's Happening12
C.B.Y. and S.S. Herald News
"Our Mission from Soppo to Ndu" Berneice Westerman14
Changes of Address
May Contributions
Reports from the Field18
Obituaries
Baptist Life Association (Advertisement) 24

Manager

-::-

THE BAPTIST HERALD is a publication of the North American Baptist General Conference with headquarters at 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Ill. It also maintains an active membership in the Associated Church Press.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE: \$3.00 a year to any address in the United States or Canada —\$2.50 a year for churches under the Club Plan—\$3.50 a year to foreign countries.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Three weeks notice required for change of address. When ordering a change, please furnish an address stencil impression from a recent issue if you can.

ADVERTISING RATES: \$2.00 per inch, single column, 21/4 inches wide.

ALL EDITORIAL correspondence is to be ALL EDITORIAL Correspondence is to be addressed to the Rev. Martin L. Leuschner, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois. ALL BUSINESS correspondence is to be addressed to the Roger Williams Press, 3734 Payne Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio.

Entered as second-class matter January 9, 1923, at the post office at Cleveland, Ohio, under the act of March 3, 1879.

(Printed in U.S A.)



In this beautiful colonial building known as Independence Hall in Philadelphia, Pa., the most historic spot in the United States, the Declaration of Independence was signed by men of Christian principles. America needs to return to the faith of its earliest founders if God is to bless this republic of ours!

"The thief cometh not but for to steal and to kill and to destroy." —JOHN 10:10

LESUS ALWAYS taught vital truths in the simplest, every-day terms. In these two verses of John 10:9-10 he sets forth two truths. They deal with the abundant life, how to obtain it or through which media it may be entered into, and the safe way of abiding in that life. "I am the door" sums up the whole theology of his sermon.

In the words that follow are set forth the many essentials of this happy life: fellowship, security, satisfaction and joy. In this, the sheep are perfectly secure so long as they stay within the fold with the shepherd's body stretched across the threshold. He "giveth his life for the sheep," both for life-giving and security

One would think that all danger has now been eliminated. No harm can befall us; the odds are all in favor of the flock. Would to God that this were true! However, there are still dangers to God's elect. The THIEF

# Beware of Thieves!

The slyest, most dangerous thief, and America's Public Enemy No. One is the subtle voice of the liquor traffic. God help our people and nation to beware!

----

#### By the Rev. B. W. KRENTZ of Fargo, North Dakota

is still to be reckoned with. "The thief cometh . . . ."

Jesus was not unaware of this danger and inserts in this message of salvation and security a note of stern warning. "The thief cometh . . . to steal, and to kill and to destroy." He may come with his true voice which is not very dangerous to those who "know the shepherd's voice," but in far more deceptive ways he comes in unfamiliar voices which are confusing, misleading and dangerous.

The slyest, most dangerous thief, and America's Public Enemy Number One is the subtle voice of the liquor traffic. This thief of spiritual and moral values, integrity of home and community life, enters in, not through the door, but through whatever means he can find. "The thief cometh," to be sure, and his purpose is clear ... "to steal and to kill and to destroy." And he is getting in to do his terrible work!

#### THIEF IN THE CHURCH

God-given spiritual values will be yours to enjoy so long as they are zealously guarded against this thief. "And be not drunk with wine, wherein the 'Spirit' will run the danger of losing his 'joy' of the abundant life." Having entered in by way of the door, we have attained the right to be in the Presence of God. "No man cometh unto the Father but by me" (John 14:6). We have been given, through grace, "life more abundantly" (John

It is not the drunkard who is in danger of losing his spiritual joy. He is out! But it is the one who lets the thief come in now and then who is victimized and loses his fine sense of evaluation of spiritual life and moral values. No church was spiritually enriched by a member who was even a moderate drinker, for the first thing lost is the fervor of a spiritual life.

C. Aubrey Hearn, associate editor and member of the Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention, quotes Dr. Arthur J. Barton: "No person can use alcohol, even in the mildest form, and retain a keen-edged spiritual purpose and a warm-hearted, responsive spiritual interest." Certainly not! They were lost to the thief who comes "to steal, to kill and to destroy." No church member and no

member of our Commissioned Youth group can afford to play "hide and seek" with liquor and maintain his status quo with the Holy Spirit.

#### THIEF IN THE HOME

Another of our fine spiritual and moral values is found in the happy fellowship of kindred minds. "I am the door of the sheep . . . by me, if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture" (John 10:7 and 9). That is true! "Pasture" means not only food and drink, but also fellowship of the table, the Lord's table as well as the daily fare in the home. Minors are not allowed in taverns. They have the right to be protected from being robbed of the happy fellowship at the home table. In the church this is observed. "If we walk in the light as he is in the light we have fellowship one with another" (John 1:7. But let us be on the watch to do the truth in the home. Especially is this true of a mixed home.

Our commissioned youth should be very much in prayer when choosing a partner in founding a home. He or she who makes no scruples about a glass or two of beer or a cocktail now and then may become the media of entry for the thief who comes to steal and to kill and to destroy. Let no one, especially "teen agers" say that such is permissable to a happy fellowship in home life and adds to the atmesphere. That is how many American homes are robbed of the home's finest asset, fellowship and home life. Every young teen-age indulger is a potential addict of liquor in later years. The thief comes on soft, well padded feet and sneaks into every home off-guard, Beware of the thief who cometh not but for to steal and to kill and to de-

#### WATCH AND PRAY

Let no lamb of Christ's flock think that after the wedding he or she will change! The thief is not that easily shaken. "I am the door" . . . "the thief cometh." Watch carefully over your home, present or future, for the stealthy sneaking thief that wants to kill and destroy everything Christ gave to the home. He may catch up

(Continued on Page 16)

# The Unique Claims of Jesus Christ

An Exposition of John 5:17-47

by DR. JOHN LEYPOLDT of Milwaukee. Wisconsin

N THE WONDERFUL discourse that follows the healing of the cripple at Bethesda, we have the unique claims of Jesus expressed in simple but bold language. We cannot fathom the depth of his claims, but they fill us with awe and reverence for the Son of God.

#### RELATIONSHIP TO GOD

When the Jews began persecuting Jesus for his act of mercy on the Sabbath, he said: "My Father is always working" (that is, on Sabbaths and all days) "and I also must not stop doing good." By doing good on the Sabbath, Jesus was only following his Father's example who works unceasingly, whether it is the first or the seventh day of the week. The tides rise and fall, and the plants grow on the Sabbath as on other days. The Father is always doing good. Why should not the Son do the same?

This claim of Jesus, however, aroused the hostility of the Jews even more because he was making himself equal with God. Their understanding was the right one. Someone has said: "There it not the shadow of a doubt that Jesus did here claim absolute equality with the Father." If he is the Son of God, he must be equal in nature with God. This seeming blasphemy prompted them to attempt to kill him. (John 7:1, 19, 25; 8:37, 40, 59 and other passages.)

Jesus is not acting independently. "The Son cannot do anything of himself, except what he sees the Father doing, for whatever he does, that the Son does also." Christ's action is in harmony with the will of God. God's action is the pattern for his own action. They are one in will and work. "The Father loves the Son, and shows him everything that he himself is doing," that is to say, all thing's pertain to the work of redemption.

The Jews saw the healing of the cripple, but God would do still greater works through Christ that would cause them to wonder. These greater works are raising the dead and judging mankind. God raises the dead (1 Sam. 2:6; Rom. 4:17). This power has been delegated to the Son. Could Jesus have claimed any greater power for himself than this?

The Father has also delegated all judgment to the Son. The entire work of judging mankind has been committed to the Son, the human and divine Mediator. The following pas-

cause the Father loves the Son, he wants the world to honor the Son as they honor the Father. (See Phil.

The Son represents and reveals the Father. They are not two rival Gods. They are one in character, will and action. Therefore, the honor belongs to both.

#### THE SPIRITUAL RESURRECTION

Jesus again has something of great importance to say. Anyone who listens to his message and believes in God as the One who has sent Jesus Christ into the world has eternal life. Faith is the condition and beginning of eternal life. The word "life" occurs eighteen times in the fifth and sixth chapters of this gospel. It is one of the great words in this wonderful

Life means more than conscious existence. It means a new life, a spiritual life, the highest quality of life, a Christlike life, a life of fellowship with the Father and his Son Jesus Christ. It is a present possession. "Hath eternal life." It is something present and future. One has left the realm of spiritual death and entered the realm of spiritual life.

Again Jesus emphasizes the importance of the spiritual resurrection. "The hour is coming and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear shall live." Men in their natural condition are dead in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1, 5). But when they hear the voice of authority and obey it, they will experience a spiritual resurrection now. "The Father hath life in himself," but this life he shares with the Son.

Not only has he given him life but also authority to pronounce judgment Greek neither "son" nor "man" has because he is "a son of man." In the the article Because Christ is human as well as divine, he can sympathize with man. The work of redemption and of judgment is performed by him.

#### THE PHYSICAL RESURRECTION

Jesus looks into the future and refers to a bodily resurrection. There are those who have done good and those who have practised evil. The other life is a continuation of this life. The good will come forth to a resurrection of life, the evil to a resurrection of judgment. Jesus taught us in various parables the solemn truth of

sages clearly prove this: Matthew 25: separation of the good from the evil; 31-46; Acts 17:31; 2 Cor. 5:10. Be- not extinction but separation. Our deeds here will determine our destiny there (John 5:29; Acts 24:15).

> After Jesus had spoken in the most sublime terms of his authority and power, he now speaks of his absolute dependence upon God. "I can of my own self do nothing." His acts do not spring from self. He seeks not his own but the Father's will. Therefore his judgment is just. His will was buried in the Father's will (Matt.

> Christ is not his own witness. If he were, he could be accused of selfishness and unreliability. But another gives evidence concerning him and he knows that the evidence he offers is true. It is the Father who witnesses concerning him (John 5:37;

#### CHRIST'S TESTIMONY

The Jews sent a deputation to John the Baptist and he was a witness to the truth. He spoke of the Messiah. But Christ did not need the testimony of man. However, they needed the Baptist's testimony that they might be saved, if they believed John's message. This man of God was a burning and shining lamp. He was not the light but only a lamp. John's light was a derived light, a borrowed brightness. At first, he was very popular. They rejoiced a while in his light. But when he attacked their national pride and self-righteousness, they turned away from him.

Christ could say: "The testimony which I have is greater than that of John," His works, that is, his miracles and other manifestations of divine authority bore witness to the fact that the Father has sent him and that he was to finish the task assigned to him by God. "The Father who sent me has himself borne testimony concerning me" (Matt. 3:17; 17:5). The Jews never heard his voice nor did they ever see his form (John 1:18). They did not have God's Word dwelling in them. Moses and the prophets wrote of the Sent One but they didn't receive him as the Messiah.

#### TESTIMONY OF OLD TESTAMENT

The Jews searched the Scriptures for eternal life, but they missed HIM who is life. The Rabbis said: "He who acquires the words of the law, acquires for himself eternal life." They adhered so strictly to the letter of the

(Continued on Page 22)

# Canada, Here We Come!

There are intricate problems but also many joys in helping Baptists of Germany immigrate into Canada with the overwhelming proof of Christ's abiding love in us

By the REV. WILLIAM STURHAHN of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Immigration Director for the Baptist World Alliance

--::-

HE EXPERIENCED forester knows that it takes courage and planning to transplant an old tree into a new environment. He also realizes that a certain number of trees will never take root in new soil.

To transplant individuals and families out of Poland, Russia and other Slavic countries into our Canadian living and culture is an infinitely greater task than transplanting trees. Only the Transportation Companies can approach immigration from the strictly business point of view. It requires compassion, but above all, planning and organization.

The Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee responded to the plight of our Volksdeutsche brethren. Dr. W. O. Lewis made recommendations and preparations. Following the great gathering of Baptists at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1950, Dr. R. Paul Caudill, chairman, had his Relief Committee approve and authorize the establishment of B. W. A. Immigration Service in Winnipeg, Manitoba. That Baptists of the world through these brethren should show such love and compassion to the German-speaking Baptists of Continental Europe is overwhelming proof of Christ's love abiding in us.

#### IMMIGRATION FACILITIES

Much preliminary work had been done before B. W. A. Immigration took over. Mass labor movements of Polish veterans and D.P.'s had been carried out through government agencies. Immigration of close relatives is in full swing among Volksdeutsche and other people from Western Europe. The key to our successful Volksdeutsche program rests undeniably with the organization of the Canadian Christian Council for Resettlement of Refugees (Outside of I. R. O.).

The Baptist World Alliance is stepping into these established facilities. Volksdeutsche were admissable to Canada, but the I. R. O., the only available organization for the overseas processing of proposed immigrants, would not accept Volksdeutsche in their camps. Quick action was necessary to overcome this serious obstacle. A group of leading men

groups organized the Canadian Christian Council for Resettlement of Refugees, established camp facilities and even chartered a special boat, "The Beaverbrae," from the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company.

Dr. T. O. F. Herzer, a Christian gentleman with a great heart for immigrants, wisely and safely guided this undertaking through government and other technical difficulties, and is still the untiring helmsman of the C.C.C.R.R. The German Baptist Immigration and Colonization Society was represented by the one who throughout the years has kept the interest in immigration alive in our Baptist Churches — Mr. Hermann Streuber. Mr. Streuber is now in Germany as representative of the BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE IM-MIGRATION.

The writer was appointed to handle the Canadian end of our great task. From the Winnipeg office we have sent appeals to most Baptist churches in Eastern and Western Canada.

#### GOAL OF 150,000

The Canadian government is very much concerned that immigration of



Rev. William Sturhahn of Winnipeg, Manitoba, immigration secretary for the Baptist World Alliance serving in Canada.

of interested Volksdeutsche church farm settlers, laborers, domestics, lumber and mine laborers, tradesmen and technicians be speeded up and increased. There is no limit set on the number of people who can come over. The goal of 150,000 has been set, but it will not be reached unless tremendous efforts are put forth for 1951. The significant thing about this figure is that the government believes that this many people can safely be integrated into our Canadian economy.

The government is trying to eliminate as much "red tape" as possible. Let me tell you a little of our work in Canada. Every immigrant must be sponsored with the guarantee that labor, housing and transportation cost is available. Most of our people were very happy to take up brother or sister or parents or even uncles and aunts with their families. This matter of sponsoring an immigrant might appear simple on the surface, but having helped many of them to fill out papers and to secure documentary proof of their statements, I want to emphasize that the work done by relatives, friends and pastors is filled with human interest stories which could fill a book.

#### BAPTIST QUOTA

A farmer had but recently bought his land, when his brother with family, and cousin with family of six appealed that he help them to come over. He had no cash money and little income, but he mortgaged his house and farm to get the money for the transportation. In his case, as in great majority of similar cases, the debt was repaid by appreciative immigrants from their first earnings. It has happened that a brother or other relative simply refused to pay back, because "you are rich, and I am poor." In some communities there are few farmers who have not sponsored one or more immigrant families.

With the opening of our Baptist World Alliance Immigration office in Winnipeg, we are now concentrating on bringing those members of the household of faith, who have no connection with Canada. We have to produce the same guarantee as in the case of close relatives, only it is done with less trouble and less papers.

The Department of Labor at Ottawa has given to us as Baptist World Alliance Immigration the quota of 150 family units to bring over as farm laborers and domestics. This is a simplified method, and must be applied to those many people who have no relatives or friends to call them to Canada. Here is our biggest job! We have set the goal to find 150 farmers or homeowners who are willing to offer employment and housing to an immigrant family.

Full-time employment is not necessary, so long as the farmer or the co-operative efforts of the congregation are willing to assist the laborer in finding a job in the lumber camps or elsewhere during the off-season winter months. There are no long applications to fill out—just a simple questionnaire, which is endorsed by the pastor under our official stamp, then forwarded to the representative of the Labor Department in each provincial capital. Then I forward to Brother Streuber in Germany the number of families or single units which we can place here. He interviews such applicants in Germany who qualify, then presents them to the representative of the Labor Department in Germany, has them processed, and placed on the next ship to Canada.

Here we send each family to its destination. The transportation costs are advanced by the Bapist World Alliance Immigration, and will be paid back by the immigrants from their first wages. We need the full co-operation and willing help of all pastors and members. Sponsors usually do not volunteer; they have to be solicited.

#### DIFFICULT CASES

Although the response has been excellent, there are many hardshell cases. Farmers need men, to be sure, but they need men who can handle their machinery. A farmer is quite touchy on that point. His machines are his pride, but also his biggest investment. He cannot afford to take a chance with an inexperienced hand. What's more, it may cost somebody's limb or life, as nearly happened to a farmer whose inexperienced man had left the guard off the power-take-off on his big Model D. It took one wrong step to get his trouser legs caught in the revolving shaft, have him thrown off balance, and rip overalls and shirt off him so completely that he got up without clothes. He thanked God that he was not killed.

Or take farmer D. in Alberta who in one week had the repair bill for an overturned truck and a twisted plow, because his over-anxious man would not listen to the voice of caution. But both of these farmers are Christian gentlemen, who were willing to try again with an immigrant farm laborer. What's more—accidents can happen to the experienced.



A Baptist labor family that has recently emigrated to Canada from Germany, Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Fandrich and children, shown at Winnipeg with the Rev. Wm. Sturhahn (right) before going to the farm of Mr. Sam Hoffman at Morris, Manitoba.

We fared not so well with the farmer's wife, who needed domestic help badly, and to whom I was introduced. She listened in silence to my praises of good immigrant Baptist girls. When I was certain that I had her signature for a domestic, she let loose a barrage of fire under which I withered. She had had experience with two domestics from Europe. Both of them should have been sent back on the first boat. They were lazy, stubborn and outright brazen. It turned out that she had had two Catholic girls who had come over as domestics, but who only knew that fire was used at the end of a cigarette.

As a whole, our immigrant farm laborers are careful, willing to learn, and hard workers; above all, they are fine fellows and women. Knowing Canadian farm life and working conditions through years of experience, we recommend our laborers unreservedly. Nobody can guarantee satisfaction, but we are trying to make careful selections to fit individuals into their own job. Skilled tradesmen have unlimited opportunities in any part of the country. The proof of our inadequacy in this great Samaritan work is in the many letters which plead for help in coming to Canada, but to which we must give a negative advice.

The Canadian winter can be rough and cruel to its people. Only the physically and mentally fit can survive and get to the top. The aged, the sick, the cripples cannot be happy unless they are under full care of relatives. It seems hard boiled to have to tell people over sixty that they are better off where they are, than in the coal yards of the Canadian city, or the woods of Ontario, or the mines of the merciless North.

The same applies to so-called "white collar jobs." Teachers, clerks, merchants and salesmen will get along if they possess a working knowledge of the English language.

Pastors come into this group. A visiting pastor from Germany, who spent five months traveling and lecturing in our vast country, wrote in his German publication: "You Baptist pastors stay where you are, if you feel that God has called you into the ministry. You will not find the mission fields in Canada that you have in Germany." We are inclined to agree unless a pastor can completely readjust himself to new people, culture, and customs and languages. But even then the congregations are small. the territory is wide, the salaries are low, and the cost of living is high.

#### WHITE COLLAR JOBS

He can preach his good heart out in his own tongue, but he will soon discover that a good number of children and young' people in his audience only sit in the pews because they were taken to church—they don't understand much! He can be stubborn, and simply insist that they will have to learn to understand him, or that they do not want to understand, but he cannot do mission work. At the best, he can prevent a rapid decline in membership, but seldom build a congregation, and never lead the young ones to the saving knowledge of Christ. With increased numbers of German-speaking immigrants, we do need more pastors and mission workers, but they must be bi-lingual, Even immigrant children prefer to speak and listen to English after several years of schooling. These are cold, hard facts for the prospective immi-(Continued on Page 23)

# A Ministry to Juvenile Delinquents

The story of a missionary ministry and of God's open door of service by MISS CHRISTINE HARR of Lodi, Calif., a member of the First Baptist Church of that city

----

A LMOST THREE YARS have passed since the door was closed to me to finish the studies which I had begun in the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Calif., due to the serious illness of my mother. However, the Lord never closes a door to us without opening another one for us "to serve him."

So in August, 1948, I started to help Miss Mabel Allen with her Christian Endeavor work at the Preston Industrial School for delinquent boys at Ione, California. She has been doing this kind of work for more than twenty years. I fell in love with this work. Later on, it developed into Sunday School and morning worship services.

As a teacher I find a continuous challenge every Sunday in presenting the Word of God simply and truthfully so that the boy who enters the classroom might understand that Christ paid the price for his sins. These boys come to us from all walks of life. They have been pushed from pillar to post. Finally, when they get caught in a misdemeanor the law has to do something about them. Most of them do not know anything about Christ or the church.

They ask all kinds of questions. Why does God allow these things to take place if he is all powerful? How can we know with certainty that there is a hereafter? We need the guidance of the Holy Spirit continually to speak the right words.

Often all races are represented in the classroom, as well as all denominations. Among them are some Jewish boys, who usually know a lot about the Law of Moses but not about Christ, but they make good Sunday School pupils. The lessons are prepared and memory work done, for which the pupils get credit. Every once in a while an evening of fun is held during which home-prepared foods and sweets are distributed. Our Sunday School meets at 8:30 A.M.

The morning worship is conducted by our chaplain. Here I serve as pianist, playing also on the accordion and singing in the chapel trio every afternoon. Christian Endeavor meetings are conducted by Miss Allen with outside groups coming to us from the various churches. Often our own Baptist Churches at Lodi or Elk Grove are the guests of the afternoon, bringing the music and message.

These boys come to the school from nearly every state in the United States. They come to California, get ceasing." It also reminds Christ's suffering for us being death on the cross of Calvary.



Miss Christine Harr (right) in the chapel of the Preston School for Boys at Ione, Calif., and Mrs. Bertha Wolff (left) with the picture of Christ which she painted and presented to the school. Both of the young women are members of the First Baptist Church, Lodi, California.

into trouble, and the law takes over. They are turned over to the youth authorities, who in turn assign them to this school. Consequently we may have the boy only for one or two weeks. Some stay longer, until they can be deported back to their home state and parents.

Some years ago a good friend left some money to the Christian Endeavor work at Preston to be used for a good cause. It was decided to place a memorial in the chapel, which should be an inspiration to all who enter its doors for our services. The writer suggested the painting of "Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane." But where could we get anything large enough for the chapel?

The suggestion was made that possibly Mrs. Bertha Meyers Wolff of Lodi could do it since she is a very fine artist. She consented to do the work and painted a beautiful picture which is four by five feet in size and adorns our chapel, as you can see by the picture. It is now a continuous reminder for us to "pray without ceasing." It also reminds us of Christ's suffering for us before his death on the cross of Ch.

### THE CHRIST OF EXODUS AND REVELATION

\*

By MISS FLORENCE ELLIOTT of Lincoln, Nebraska, a Member of the Carroll Avenue Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas

\*\*

WE AS BIBLE SCHOOL students listened more closely as our beloved guest lecturer, a Louisiana Highlander whom the Lord had greatly used among his own people, spoke words to this effect: "The Lord has given me something from his Word that I would like to pass on to you, because I believe it will be a real blessing to you. It just came to me one day while I was meditating and fellowshipping with him."

He knew we had just been revelling in the great truths about the tabernacle, and that everything in it spoke of the Lord Jesus Christ. Even the arrangement of the furniture, in a straight line from North to South and from East to West, formed a cross. He called this to our attention and then, with Bible in hand, he said, "Now, will you turn with me to the first chapter of Revelation, beginning at verse 12." When we had found the place, he went on.

"If our beloved Lord himself were stretched out on that cross, as it is in the tabernacle, his head would be at the mercy seat. 'His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire' (Rev. 1:14). Also notice the last phrase of verse 16: 'And his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.'

"His feet would be at the brazen altar. 'And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace (verse 15a), and his voice as the sound of many waters' (verse 15b). Could this refer to the laver?

"The seven golden candlesticks which are the seven churches (see verse 20) would be at his right hand. However, the Son of man is spoken of as being 'in the midst of the seven candlesticks' in Revelation 1:13. Now in verse 20, we learn that 'the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.' Isn't it precious to know that the Lord is always 'in the midst' where his children are gathered together?

"Carrying the analogy even further,

right hand seven stars.' We learn in verse 20 also that 'the seven stars are the angels (or messengers) of the seven churches.' This may refer to the ones who were preaching the gospel in the churches. However, we cannot be certain, since there are differences of opinion on this. Nevertheless, these stars must be something

verse 16a says: 'And he had in his

precious which the Lord is holding in his right hand, and they are 'of the seven churches.' Kept—by the power of God. Isn't that precious to your heart?"

When he had finished showing us this wonderful truth—the Christ of Exodus the same as the Christ of the Revelation—I felt perfectly ready for verse 17: "And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not: I am the first and the last," and verse 18, "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

#### THE THINGS WE'VE DONE FOR JESUS

By MRS. KURT KNEBEL of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

This world is so important! And we fasten all our care upon the things that happen here, the trials we must bear. We worry and we wonder, "What will other people say?" And we seldom get a blessing. We're too busy with Today . . .!

But what about Tomorrow, when our Savior we must face, and we have to give account of how we ran this earthly race? Will the things that captivate our hearts, and keep us quite enthralled, be the things we'll want to talk of when to heaven we are called?

Yes, we're busy, oh, so busy; but let's take a moment's prayer, to put ourselves beneath God's will, and be submissive there. For when we're called to meet him, we may take before the Throne the things we've done for Jesus—nothing else—just that alone!

#### GRANT EYES TO SEE By DR. HERMAN VON BERGE

The heavens declare thy glory!
Lord, open thou mine ear,
That in thy works I may not fail
Thy voice to hear.
And as thy greatness and thy pow'r
They to mine eyes reveal,
May I as to my heart they speak,
Thy Presence feel.

The beauty of the lilies,
The song-bird in the tree
Of all thy goodness and thy care
Would speak to me.
Lord, as amid thy works I stand,
Draw thou in mercy near,
And grant me opened eyes to see
And ears to hear.

# "Fall Upon Your Knees"

A Personal Testimony by MARY SHAW RAYNES of St. Joseph, Michigan

"Fall Upon Your Knees!" How this command troubled me during my first few years in Christ! I heard different speakers say that only as we prayed on bended knee would we show our sincerity for Christ. Others said we must either stand or kneel to be in the proper attitude for prayer. I attended mid-week services where all who could, were asked to kneel as prayers were said, but in those meetings I felt completely outside the group, and it worried me. Due to an unfortunate condition in my spine and left hip, it is impossible for me to kneel, so although I really fought it, a terrible doubt assailed me.

In October of 1950, Dr. Morris Peterson was invited to speak in a two-week period of evangelistic meetings at our church. Prayer services were held each night before the meetings, and at the few I was privileged to attend I saw no one kneel, yet God was very definitely in those circles and the prayers were answered in especially blessed ways. Somehow my doubts began to dissolve.

In late November, when the slippery traveling came, I began a session of more than three months shut in alone with the Lord. Then only did it become really clear that we must truly kneel, in spirit, but our physical position, while praying, matters not one bit. So many of my prayers during those three months have been gloriously answered!

Then for the first time in more than three months, I attended a mid-week service. God was surely there and it my soul to be bowed in submission the will of my Lord! I want to be my knees," spiritually, ALWAYS!

was a blessed service. The pastor asked all, who could, to kneel for the prayer period. For just the briefest moment a lump came into my throat but, although I still felt they had shut me out as they knelt, I knew God had not shut me out, so I prayed in silence and knew my prayers were heard. I could almost hear my precious Lord speak and say: "Child, if your heart is fervently bowed in prayer, it matters not whether your knees be bended."

Matthew and Mark both tell us that Jesus fell on his face when he prayed his desperate prayer in Gethsemane. Only Luke says he knelt in that prayer. John, the beloved disciple, merely states that he went to the garden to pray. The great FACT is, He was ALONE with his Heavenly Father! In his great Sermon on the Mount, Jesus himself said:

"And when thou prayest, enter thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly" (Matt. 6:6).

Yes, I shall do most of my praying in secret with my Lord as my only audience, but knowing the sincerity of my prayers he will answer them in his wisdom and according to his will. I wish I might so live a life of silent prayer that the answer to my prayers might speak loud and long for Christ Jesus my Lord! Though my body must be weak and unbending, I want my soul to be bowed in submission to the will of my Lord! I want to be "on my knees," spiritually, ALWAYS!

# God's Judgments and Mercies

By MR. JOHN C. LOTZ of Richmond Hill, N. Y., a member of the Ridgewood Baptist Church

### 1. THE STORY OF NOAH AS RELATED IN THE PERSONAL PRONOUN

I was one of the tenth generation of man of the lineage of Seth, the third son of Adam and Eve.

When my father (Lamech) was born, Adam was still living. My father died five years before the flood,

My grandfather (Methuselah) was the oldest man that ever lived. He died just prior to the flood and thus was spared the terrible judgment.

Of my great grandfather (Enoch), it was said that he walked with God. Enoch never met death. The record states that God took him.

Although the sin of Adam and Eve

in the beautiful Garden of Eden resulted in severe punishment to them and all generations to follow, and especially so the sin of Cain, their first son who because of envy killed his younger brother Abel, it was their third son, Seth, who called upon the name of the Lord. Even his generations did not entirely live the godly life, in that many intermarried with the members of Cain's generations and lost their identity as the children of God. It became so that God finally pronounced judgment upon all the people of the earth.

God commissioned me to warn the people to repent. God also showed me (Continued on Page 17)

# Laymen's Conference Program at Green Lake

Conference Dates from Saturday, July 28, through Friday, August 3

#### SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 28

7:30 P.M. Informal Fellowship starting with a devotional period and program to be conducted by the Twin Cities group. (St. Paul and Minneapolis.)

#### SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 29

9:30 A.M. Sunday School. The C.B.Y. and Sunday School Union in charge. Walter Pankratz of Chicago presiding. Speaker—Alfred E. Brachlow of Minneapolis.

10:45 A.M. Morning Worship. Presiding—Henry Holzimmer of Detroit, Mich. Message—Rev. Fred Ferris of Lorraine, Kansas. Special music—Miss Joyce Pankratz of Chicago, Illinois. Arthur Thom of Detroit, Michigan.

#### MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY Daily Schedule

8:00 A.M. Breakfast 9:00-9:30 A.M. Devotions 9:30-10:30 A.M. Panel Presentation 10:30-10:45 A.M. Musical Interlude 10:45-11:30 A.M. Bible Study

11:45 A.M. Lunch
The afternoon is free for recreational activities

6:00 P.M. Dinner

7:30-8:45 P.M. Evening meeting. Testimonies

8:45 P.M. Bedtime—Snackery Activ-

#### SPECIAL FEATURES

Bible Teacher—Each morning, Monday through Friday. Dr. Abraham J. Harms—Formerly of Burns Ave. Church, Detroit, and at present of the Woodlawn Church, Chicago, Illinois.

Musical Director—Arthur Thom of Detroit. Using North American Baptist and Baptist Assembly special talent.

Devotional Leaders

Monday, Harry E. Wichtel of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Tuesday—Harry Geis of O'Keene, Oklahoma. Wednesday — Louis Dreyer of

Parkersburg, Iowa.
Thursday—H. P. Donner of Cleve-

land, Ohio.
Friday—Arthur Lloyd Potts of Detroit, Michigan.

Panel Presentations

Monday — "Our Denomination Progress and Objectives." By our Secretaries and Leaders.

Tuesday—"The Objectives of a Laymen's Organization." Presiding—Ted Hirsch of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

1. "Locally" by Walter Pankratz of Chicago, Illinois. 2. "In District Conference" by Edwin H. Marklein of Brooklyn, New York. 3. "Nationally" by Roland E. Ross of Forest Park, Illinois.

Wednesday—"Christian Stewardship or Communism." Presiding—Walter W. Grosser of Forest Park, Illinois. Panel Members—Herbert Stabbert of Anaheim, Calif.; Edward J. Russell, Sr., of Detroit, Michigan.

Thursday—"The Future of the Church Lies in the Women." Presiding—Mrs. Walter Pankratz of Chicago, Illinois. Panel Members—Mrs. Stanley Ernst of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Albert Reddig of Cathay, N. Dak.; Mrs. Vernon C. Heckman of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Friday—"What's On Your Mind?"
An Open Forum for presentation and discussion of suggestions, plans and problems.
Presiding—Stanley Ernst of Detroit, Michigan.

#### EVENING SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Monday—Speaker Mr. Joe Arnold, Pure Oil Company Executive. Personal Testimony. Presiding—Walter W. Grosser of Forest Park, Illinois.

Tuesday — Denominational Mission Night. Presiding—Rev. Richard Schilke, General Sec'y. Speaker —Missionary Gilbert Schneider. Testimony—Ernest Hildebrand of Stafford, Kansas.

Wednesday—Speaker, Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa, Japanese pastor of the prominent First Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois. Testimony—Dr. Harold Seedorf of Temple, Texas. Presiding—Wilbert Neuffer of Rochester, New York.

Thursday—Special "Talent Night" program being prepared and presented by the Detroit group.

Friday—Speaker, Dr. Abraham J.
Harms of the Hyde Park Baptist
Church of Chicago and Conference Bible Teacher. Testimony—
W. B. Marsteller of Waco, Texas.
Presiding—Alfred E. Brachlow
of Minneapolis.

#### \*\*

#### RECREATIONAL PROGRAM

Each afternoon will be free for the enjoyment of conference guests. There are golf, tennis, swimming, shuffle-board, croquet, volley ball, horse shoe, baseball, boating, ping pong, and other facilities and equipment available.

A planned recreational program is being prepared by Robert Biesanz of Minneapolis, Minn., as chairman and Norman L. Wolfe as co-chairman.



#### VACATION

From the din where men are toiling, Wearied would I flee,
For a spell of quiet dreaming,
By the soothing sea;
Where the ceaseless tides are swelling,
And the breakers roll;
Where the boundless deep is speaking
Strangely to my soul.

Tho' I cling with warm devotion
To the friends I own,
Give me, too, the hours of dreaming,
When I'm all alone.
Let me break away a season
From the haunts of men
And become at nature's bosom
Nature's child again.

"I will weave threads of joy and radiance into the fabric of daily life."

—HOMER H. ELLIOTT.

#### THE LORD HAS NEED OF YOU

There comes a call as in days of yore: Who will my servant be? Who will come this day and who will say:

Here am I, Lord, send me!

Let not the thought dwell in your

That your gifts are all too few. Whatever may your talents be, The Lord has need of you.

He needs the word that you can speak,
The toil that you can share.
Come, let the Master count on you
The cross for him to bear.

Oh, heed his call, ye who love the Lord,

And let the answer be
Of the great and small, of us one
and all:
Here am I, Lord, send me!

"Count up all the crowns of Caesar, and for the honest helpful service of man are they worth one summer cabbage?"

—DOUGLAS JERROLD.

#### ONLY A STEP

Only a step twixt joy and sorrow, Only a step twixt weal and woe; Laughter today, but oh, tomorrow Bitter the tears of grief may flow. Pleasures of earth are soon aflight; Fleeting the day, and then—the night.

Only a step, and gone forever Vigor and strength of manhood's day; Vision and hope of life's endeavor

Fade like a dream, and pass away. All is a faint and fleeting breath, Only a step twixt life and death.

Only a step twixt earth and heaven, Only a step twixt faith and sight; Only a step, and we are given Welcome to yonder mansions bright. Only a step, where'er we roam, To our eternal, heav'nly home.

"Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people."

-SIDNEY DAVISON.

#### THESE THREE

In God we trust, though oft his ways We cannot understand;
In him we trust, though evil seem To reign on every hand.
For though unseen, a hand divine Through earth's confusion guides;
We lift our eyes unto the hills,
And faith abides.

He is our hope. Though him we oft In human weakness fail, Yet truth and justice over wrong

#### THE AUTHOR

Dr. Herman von Berge of Dayton, Ohio, is the author of all the poems which appear on the "Family Page" of this issue. They are Lorenz Publ. Co.'s Copyright and used by permission. He is a frequent and welcome contributor to our publications.

Shall in the end prevail.

And though the way to nobler heights
Some cloud so often hides,
We know God sits upon his throne,
And hope abides.

And oh, to know, whatever else
May wither and decay,
The greatest of God's gifts divine
Shall never pass away.
For those united heart to heart
Not even death divides;
The greatest of these three is love,
And love abides.

"Will God's world be redeemed if all Christians work no harder than I?"

—JAMES A. SIMONS.

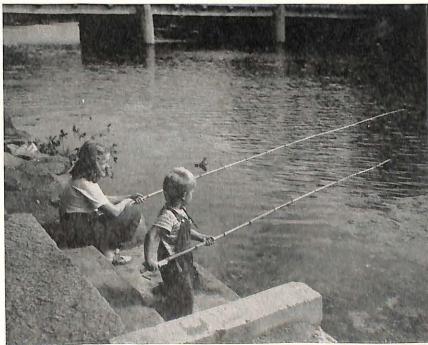
#### TRUE GREATNESS

Oft I look in admiration
At the things that others do,
And I marvel at the talents
Given to the favored few.
It must be a wondrous feeling
With such powers to be blessed,
And to tower head and shoulders
Over all the rest.

Oft I catch myself comparing
That by which my fellows shine,
With the little I can offer,
And those modest gifts of mine.
Oh, how then the limitations
Of my talents I deplore!
How I wish my contributions
Might amount to more!

But while in life's mighty chorus
Mine be not the place in front,
And to those more nobly gifted
Be assigned the solo stunt:
There is something more than
greatness:

May I meet its sterner test And, my task be e'er so humble, Do my little best.



-Photo by Myslis

With the end of school days, it is time again for another fishing adventure down on the banks of the old river.



Officers and directors of BAPTIST MEN, laymen's organization that was launched at the Green Lake Retreat in August 1950.

# HHAT'S HAPPENING

- Some time ago the Rev. Harold Fischer resigned as pastor of the Baptist Church of Bison, Kansas. He has enrolled in the California Baptist Seminary of Southern California. The church has been prayerfully considering a successor to Mr. Fischer for several months. Mr. Fischer served as pastor of the Bison church from 1946 to 1951.
- on June 7 the Rev. Jothan G. Benke, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., received his Bachelor of Arts degree from nearby Northwestern College. The guest speaker at the service on Sunday morning, May 27, was the Rev. Richard Schilke, general missionary secretary. Mr. Benke preached on the striking theme, "Mildewed Religion," on Sunday morning, May 20.
- On Sunday, May 27, the Rev. Henry R. Schroeder, pastor of the East Side Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill., had the joy of baptizing six adults, including a man and his wife, a mother and her daughter, the husband of one of the church's members and a bride-tobe. This was the second baptismal service of the year which was a great encouragement to the church and to the pastor.
- On Sunday, May 13, the young people of Group No. 2 of the Commissioned Baptist Youth in the First Baptist Church of Elk Grove, Calif., presented the play, "The Lost Church," and dedicated it to Christian mothers. The play was most inspirational and well received by the large audience, as reported by Arlene Baldwin. A brief message was brought at the close by the pastor of the church, the Rev. W. W. Knauf.
- On Sunday evening, May 13, the Rev. E. S. Fenske, pastor of the Herreid Baptist Church of Herreid, S. Dak., and its several mission stations, had the joy of baptizing six young people on confession of their faith in Christ. These converts were received into the fellowship of the church at the communion service that followed. This was the second baptismal service held this year at the Herreid church.
- On Saturday afternoon, June 23, Miss Helen Appel and Mr. Paul Laube of Philadelphia, Pa., from the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church of that city, were married at the Baptist

- ther of the bride, and the Rev. Henry Laube, an uncle of the bridegroom, officiating. Mr. Paul Laube was formerly a member of the Calvary Baptist Church, Bethlehem, Pa. Both Mr. and Mrs. Laube are studying at the Eastern Baptist Seminary of Phila-
- The Ebenezer Baptist Church near Wessington Springs, S. Dak., has extended a call to Mr. Walter Sukut of Napoleon, N. Dak., a member of the 1951 graduating class of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Mr. Sukut has responded favorably and hoped to begin his pastorate at Wessington Springs following his marriage to Miss Barbara Huntley on June 7 and his ordination into the Christian ministry on June 3. He has succeeded the Rev. O. W. Brenner at the Wessington Springs Church.
- Dr. John Leypoldt of Milwaukee, Wis., recently resigned as pastor of the Bethany Church of the city which he has served since 1946. His resignation will take effect in August. The General Council of the denomination has named Dr. Leypoldt the denominational supply and interim pastor who will be available to our churches after September 1st. He will not receive any salary from the denomination for these services but will be merely recommended to the churches by the secretarial staff with all financial obligations to be borne by the church.
- Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hildebrand, who have been in the Cameroons of Africa on special assignment for the past eight months, arrived home in Stafford, Kans., on Monday, May 28. Mr. Hildebrand contributed his time without salary and served as special building contractor and supervisor for our Cameroons Baptist Mission. They went by plane from Africa to the United States. He was able to report about his Cameroons experiences at the Kansas young people's camp early in June and at his home church of Stafford. A brief article by Mr. Hildebrand will appear in a forthcoming issue of the HERALD.
- The Spring Concert of the mixed choir of the Foster Ave. Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., was held on Sunday afternoon, May 20. Mr. Herbert P. Pankratz served as choir di-Temple with Dr. William Appel, fa- rector with Winston Johnson as or-

ganist and Marilyn Mueller as pianist. Several selections by Bach and delseche delssohn were rendered as well as a number of the pasnumber of Negro spirituals. The pastor Power of Negro spirituals. tor, Rev. Robert Schreiber, opened and concert with Scripture reading out-invocation. This is always an out-standing over standing event and musical treat which Chicago's Foster Ave. Church, and is well is well attended by members and friends of

From April 28 to May 4 a week meetings of visitation evangelistic meetings were held at the Fourth Street with tist Church of Alpena, Mich., the Barrel of the Rev. Arthur R. Weisser of the Temple Co. Temple Church, Lodi, Calif., serving as the work as the visitation evangelist, under the auspiece as the visitation evangelist, under the auspices of the General Council of the denomination denomination. About 16 young people and colors ple and adults assisted in the accepted tion program. Four adults accepted the Christ as Companies and adults assisted in the companies accepted the companies and adults accepted the companies and adults assisted in the companies and adults as a companies and adults are companies and adults as a companies and adults are companies Christ as Savior. As a result of the meetings the meetings, the group of personal workers decided ers decided to continue with this ministry once istry once a month under the direction of the tion of the pastor, the Rev. Richard

- A budget of \$11,610 for the ensuing year 100 ing year, 1951-1952, was adopted by the State the State Park Baptist Church, meetoria, Ill., at its annual business than a ing on May 2. ing on May 9th. This is more than a thousand thousand the total thousand dollars higher than the film, "Assassin of Youth," was Sunday evening and the film, was shown the film, shown on the film, shown on the film, shown on the film, was shown the sunday evening and the film, was shown the sunday evening the film, was shown the sunday evening the film. Sunday evening, May 27, under the auspices of the sunday auspices of auspices of the Youth Conservation Veninga, Crusade. The Rev. Frank Howard pastor, has announced that Couler and Church, will Corley of the State Park Church, will enter our S enter our Seminary in Sioux theolog-Dak., this Fall to begin his minical training ical training for the Christian ministry
- Chaplain George W. Zinz, Jr., the pastor of the Immanuel pleave Church of Milwaukee, Wis., past nine of absence has a set this past nast of absence, has spent this past He months at East months at Fort Devons, at two ministers to about 600 soldiers about Sunday Sunday morning services with about one-half of the one-half of them Negro soldiers the others whith the others whites. Captain over-scheduled for " scheduled for "some destination phably seas" in Arrange destination seas" in August which will probably take him to the take him to the Orient. Mrs. the and daughter are with him on Army post Army post. She is the secretary of the Missionery Co. the Missionary Guild composed of the military personnel on the post. Monthly meetings are held by the Guild and flowers provided for the services.

Mr. and Mrs. Erich Kuhn of Anaheim, Calif., returned to their missionary field at St. Paul, Ark., on May 27 following a vacation trip of about four weeks to Southern California. They are members of the Bethel Baptist Church of Anaheim. They have been ministering to the people and mission churches in two communities in the heart of the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas for the past two years. Mrs. Kuhn is the sister of Professor R. P. Jeschke of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The Kuhns are residing about 35 miles from the Ozark Bible Institute of Arkansas, of which the Rev. North E. West, formerly of Kenosha, Wis., is the dean.

- At the annual meeting of the Cleveland Baptist Association of Cleveland, Ohio, on May 7, a signal honor was bestowed upon four men, of whom Mr. H P Donner of the White Avenue Church was one. A gold medal was presented to him, making him "A Knight of the Kingdom of God." The following inscription is on the Medal: "Mr. Henry Paul Donner, Knight of the Kingdom of God. For Distinguished Service by the Cleveland Baptist Association." Mr. Donner has served the Association in several ways. He was president of the old Baptist City Mission Society in 1918 and 1919; also moderator of the Baptist Association in 1918.
- In May a mission was organized by the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta, in the southern part of the city near the Christian Training Institute. This new church has been named the McKernan Baptist Church for the area in which it is located. The General Council approved the sum of \$12,000 from the denominational Advance Program for the purchase of the necessary property for this church to be used also for C.T.I. facilities. The Rev. Otto Schmidt of Berkeley, Calif., has been called as pastor of this church who will also serve on the faculty of the Christian Training Institute. Mr. Schmidt is a Canadian by birth who had some of his training for the ministry at our Seminary in Rochester, New York. He served as pastor of the Baptist Church of Fessenden, N. Dak., for several years. He is married to the former Eunice Ontjes of Aplington, Iowa. He has responded favorably to the call of this Edmonton Church and of the C.T.I. for this important ministry in the Canadian city.
- The Carroll Ave. Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, observed its 60th anniversary on Sunday, June 17, with Dr. Ralph E. Powell of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as guest speaker. On Sunday evening, April 29, about 30 students of the Dallas Evangelical Seminary

(Continued on Page 23)

# C.B.Y. and S.S.U. HERALD NEWS

#### YOUTH COMPASS TOPICS

July 8-MY SYMPHONY, Rev. Walter Marchand, Franklin, Indiana.

July 15—"IT'S A GREAT DAY" (Bible Quiz), Rev. Willy Muller, Lauderdale Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

#### GO TO CAMP

MRS. HENRY SMULAND

I thought about it-pro and con, Whether to go to camp or non, Had never gone, tho' oft I'd heard To "Go to Camp" was the last word.

I went reluctantly because "So sure of a sad time," I was. You'd never guess that it turned out My whole idea's inside out.

To "Go to Camp!" I never knew That it could make my life anew--Rededicated, and aflame, To never be again the same.

Concerning Christ Who died for me. And showed me there that I could be A happy Christian, without doubt: Took Camp to bring these things about.

Now, "Go to Camp," I'm saying too, E'en if in doubt as what to do, For every year it proves anew That what I'm telling you is true.



-Photo by Eva Luoma Springtime and summer are happy days for young people with pleasant plans for "just being together," especially in God's great out-of-doors!

#### SERVICE MEN'S SCAVENGER HUNT

The current issue of "Youth Compass" gives you an excellent idea of how you may help the boys in your church who are in the service of their country. On page 62 Miss Lois Grosser has suggested how you may combine a C.B.Y. social with an evening of service for your Service Men.

#### SLACKING IS PROHIBITED

Does your C.B.Y. officially disband for the summer? Even if you do not have regular meetings, plan something for your youth during the summer months. A picnic, a hike, outdoor worship services, weiner roasts and splash parties can help to keep the interest of the young people during the summer months. Always plan some devotional service with singing, a short message, testimonies and prayer whenever your young people get together. These times will give you an opportunity to get some of your friends acquainted with the youth of the church, with their activities and with your Christ.

#### YOUTH WEEK IN JULY?

It is possible to have Youth Week in July if you haven't observed it as yet. Although Youth Week was officially held January 28-February 4, our church in Cottonwood, Texas observed it from April 8-15. You can make your plans now to have Youth Week at a time when it is most profitable to your group. Outlines of activities for Youth Week are still available at headquarters, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

#### LEADERS' RETREAT, GREEN LAKE

Have you made your reservation for lodging for the Leaders' Retreat at Green Lake, Wisconsin July 27, 28, 29? It is time to make your final plans now. Information may be secured from Rev. J. C. Gunst, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. A very worthwhile program has been planned for all Council Members of the C.B.Y. and S.S. Union. Our C.B.Y. presidents and Sunday School superintendents have also received invitations.

#### D.V.B.S. REPORTS

Return postal report cards about our Vacation Bible Schools have been sent to all pastors. As soon as your Vacation School is over, please send the requested information to Mr. Gunst. In 1950, 114 churches reported D.V.B.S.'s held in their communities.



Delegates and friends from the Cameroons Baptist Churches welcome each other with Christian joy at the Kaka Conference held at Koffa.

# Our Mission from Soppo to Ndu

The real challenge which has come to me in Africa has been to see the struggle that these people have in trying to overcome fears that are so rampant in this land. Pray much that these Africans might know Christ!

#### By MISS BERNEICE WESTERMAN of Soppo, the Cameroons

VER and over again I realize how very little one at home can visualize the things which occur in a land so remote as Africa is from America. Names and places seem so unreal until one has the opportunity of knowing the person or visiting the place.

The two things which have amazed me most in Africa have been that the grasslands are mountainous and not level prairie as I had expected them to be from the name, and the long winding roads with a deep precipice on one edge. I wondered why the "Baptist Herald" had never had to publish the news of some missionary losing his or her life by a motor accident because of such conditions. I also realize that God seems to protect missionaries in a very special way und I am convinced that he guides those who drive under such dangerous conditions.

#### AFRICA'S BEAUTY

After I was convinced that I could do nothing constructive or helpful by being concerned on this trip to Ndu, I sat back to enjoy the long stretch of the Soppo Road which led eventually to Ndu. The coastal road was banked on either side by many trees, vines, shrubs and flowers. Each curve was similar and yet different. I think that there is no scene quite as exquisite as

a palm tree or two outlined against a 26 pounds of extra flesh (elephandeep blue African sky with a few white, fluffy, cumulus clouds in the background.

When we were approximately two hundred miles from home, the scene seemed to change very suddenly and distinctly. The beautiful, tall trees disappeared almost completely, and those that we did see were small and sickly in comparison. It looked as if the mountains has only recently made a trip to the local barber and ordered a "crew cut." Yes, we had entered what I had often heard called "the grasslands." Truly, it is a land where the grass grows, but not on the level ground because there is hardly any land out here that can be called "a plain."

We stopped at Bamenda, about 280 miles from Soppo, on the second day of traveling for our noon meal. There was no restaurant where we could order a meal, so we had to get out our "chop-box" (the box that we had packed with our food before we left) and prepare our own meal. The motor was checked, the food was put away, the dishes were washed and we were again ready to continue our journey to the next station, Banso. Myrtle Weeldreyer and Dr. Chaffee were surprised to have us walk into "Surgery." they were just finishing a dressing on a patient from which they had taken

tiasis). I have forgotten the patient's name but will refer to him as "Sango" which is the title given to a man, much as we use the term, "Mister"

#### OUR BANSO HOSPITAL

I was at Banso for several days and I think that I really got a small glimpse of what happens at "Our Hospital." Dr. Chaffee was gone from Banso for about two days while I was there to hold a Clinic at our Belo Station. The day on which he came back, I was in the ward when he was checking each of the patients.

He was talking to the patient next to "Sango" and had his back turned on this friend. Sango was unable to wait any longer, so he began to tug at Dr. Chaffee's trouser leg to attract his attention. When the doctor turned to look at him, Sango's face glowed with happiness and he began to clap his hands for the joy of having Dr. Chaffee back again.

I could only stand and look; for in witnessing such a scene one almost feels that you are intruding, and yet I thanked God that I was able to be there at that moment. I also thank God for giving us such a fine coworker out here in this land. To me this was the finest testimony any individual could give a missionary!

If you visit our hospital at Banso, you might wonder why all the seemingly healthy people are about, but I soon found out that they were relatives who stay to cook "chop" (food) for those who are ill. There are not enough African nurses to have dieticians, too, so the relatives take over unless the patient is on a special diet.

On "out-patient" day, which seems to be every day, one can see patients standing or sitting in a line waiting for their turn to see the doctor. All of them seem to be content to wait hours for medical advice.

Yes, the sick of body must be cared for, but what of those who are sick of soul? What arrangements are made for them? At 8:00 in the morning the hospital staff meets for devotions with either Dr. Chaffee or a nurse in charge. Then the African nurses in turn go to their wards to have devotions with the patients while the church teacher speaks to the relatives and the "outpatients" who stand outside of the hospital in a group.

#### MY VISIT TO NDU

Then we left Banso to go to "Cold Ndu." I was warned that Africa can get cold but I couldn't believe that it would be THAT COLD. Well, next time I shall take my heaviest clothing and some extra blankets to withstand the temperature!

I shall never forget Ndu. It was my first meeting place for the School Managers' Conference, where I learned many of the difficulties that the other managers have faced, but most of all I shall remember the first time I was ever on horseback. I can say very frankly that the first two days on a horse were awful, and by the third and fourth day I had either become numb or had learned to go up and down with the horse instead of meeting the horse coming up as I was going down!

Our trip back to the coast was one of those experiences that "can happen at any time in Africa." Almost in the middle of our return trip we came to a bridge which had collapsed under the weight of an overloaded five-ton truck. No, we didn't detour because there is only one road in this land and behind us was a condemned bridge which hindered us from retracing our route. The only solution was to wait until a new bridge could be built.

We spent days in "Bush," away from any white people and Mission stations, with our work waiting. Our "chop" boxes came in handy again because the only things we could obtain from the natives were a few coconuts and cabbages. With our varied European diet, this would hardly have been sufficient for our needs. We were grateful when the last board was placed on the bridge and the first motor was permitted to cross to the other side.

When we returned to Soppo Station, I heard these words many times, "Welcome," and almost in the very

same breath, "How du you like the grasslands?" My answer was, "I like Soppo better right now, because this is where my work is, and you are the people I know the best."

#### A GLIMPSE OF SOPPO

Even with its rainy days, there are challenges here at Soppo that come to us in so many different ways. Come along with me to a young people's meeting. Sure, the faces are dark, but listen since they are singing a well known hymn in the English language, "Hallelujah, What a Savior." Then we join in a prayer for guidance and preparation for the service which is

The leader has just read from John 17. You know the passage in which Christ prays so earnestly for his followers. How can we miss the challenge of the statement just made: "Jesus was the greatest Teacher who lived because he lived what he taught, especially in his prayer life."

Now we are asked to spend the rest of our service in prayer for these four special things:

- 1. A young lad, Jacob, who is a leper and must be at a leper colony.
- 2. Soppo Christians that they might live as God would have them live, and that the church might go forward.
- 3. The school children who were on a month's holiday.
- 4. The world conditions and especially the Korean War.

The service was climaxed with the hymn which we all love, "What a Friend We have in Jesus." You might be interested in knowing that the offering was designated for some young person who is worthy of being trained to work in this land so that he can use it to get his training.

Now come along with me to the woman's meeting. It's every Wednes-



An African mother of the Cameroons, Amina Kwiati, and her six month old twins, Alima and Alimata.

day afternoon. Ah, such hearty singing, and that tune-sure I know it now for it is the favorite-"Gott ist die Liebe"-but the words sound so very strange since, of course, it is in Duala — "Loba le ndolo." The group is growing every week and they seem to be launching out into something new at almost every meeting.

#### SPECIAL MEETINGS

One week they had heard of three of their group who were sick, so they gave of their means in order that those could have sufficient in their time of



Headmaster Peter Fomunyam rewards outstanding pupils of our Baptist mission school at Belo in the Cameroons with "scholarships of one year's paid-up fees."

#### A NOTICE TO ALL MISSION CHURCHES AND PASTORS

In view of our denominational missionary program and the necessary financial responsibility involved, we of the General Missionary Committee recommend the following:

- 1. That each Conference Mission Committee, missionary worker, mission pastor and mission church re-study their missionary contributions in the light of their financial requests made upon the General Missionary
- 2. That the local conference encourage the mission pastors to give Scriptural instruction on stewardship to the mission churches they serve.
- 3. That each church member conscientiously give according to his ability as God prospers him, the suggested goal being ten percent or
- 4. That each mission church strive to become self-supporting, so that fertile fields may be evangelized.
- 5. That this should be published in the BAPTIST HERALD and DER SENDBOTE.

two of their group would be responsible to clean and to prepare the church for the Sunday services. With a regular devotional period, possibly a flannelgraph lesson, a season of prayer and another hymn, the women go on their way home having received more spiritual food and blessings.

But wait a moment! There is the church bell again. It seems to ring almost every afternoon. What can it be now? Oh, yes, they did announce the Inquirer's Class which was to meet on Monday and Thursday of every week, and now they are all being warned that they have but one short hour to arrive in time for class. Again we see the missionary and the evangelist in charge of the very helpful instruction that every person receives before they can be baptized and become a member of any of our churches.

The only morning when the church bell does not ring at 6:00 A.M. to wake us for morning prayers is Sunday. On that morning it is rung at 7:30 A.M. so that people can get up and come to Sunday School, church service and young people's meeting. All three services are held in the morning, which means that there are services from 9:00 o'clock until 12:00 o'clock on Sundays. Then in the evening there is a Vesper Service which is a special service for the young people of the church.

#### CONQUERORS THROUGH CHRIST

The real challenge which has come to me has been to see the struggle that these people have in trying to overcome the fears that are so rampant in this land. For you and me such a common thing as a cold or possibly an infected sore would be treated and forgotten. But out here many of those things are attributed to "Juju" or evil spirits.

You may remark, "How very

need. Another week they decided that the saddest part of all is that those who deal with Juju such as the witch doctors and medicine men use these as their means to an end. When they are able by putting certain things within the food to cause illnesses similar to what we know as tuberculosis, we begin to realize that Satan is far more shrewd in his dealings than we have ever realized. With this inborn fear within these people. Satan is able to do so much more and truly those who deal with him must deal wisely and yet surely to have victory.

> Pray much that these Africans might know Christ and the peace that comes by knowing him personally. Again I say, pray much that these might know freedom from fear, darkness and Juju.

#### BEWARE OF THIEVES

(Continued from Page 4)

with his victim on the highway, in the factory or office, or even in the home. He has killed and destroyed more present more dead drunks (alcoholics) in the United States than the citizenry of North and South Dakota combined; more problem drinkers than the population of any of our largest cities. Each one of them fell victim to the sneaking thief, silently, slowly but surely.

The most fertile and the easiest ground for any thief to enter is the community through its activities. Our schools, from Junior High on up, are fields of special interest for the thief. Many are the heart rending reports that could be given. They are too well-known and too painful to have it's that way at home. The whole famescaped notice of most people in every community.

How can we be on guard? In the first place, recognize him, no matter so is the Church. A thief had broken under what disguise and with what in and stolen and killed and destroyed. foolish!" Yes, to you it might be, but life. Every thief is a law breaker of ware of thieves!"

God and man. "Thou shalt not!" This thief, liquor traffic, is the slickest and most cunning of all thieves. He even hides behind the law which he never intends to keep. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that puttest thy bottle to him and maketh him drunken" (Hab. 2:15). That is God's law and man's moral code. You'll know this sort of destroyer of God's law. Recognize him!

Then expose him without consideration. He may be your friend and neighbor, but for your soul's sake, for your church's sake, for God's sake in Christ, the great Shepherd of the flock, treat the thief as an enemy of Christ and the church and the souls of little lambs and you.

Then, lastly, "let him that standeth take heed lest he fall" is the way God's word advises in 1st Corinthians 10:12. No one is safe from a thief unless necessary steps are taken. What are they? A good door! "I am the door." "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber" (John 10:1). Beware of the thief that wants to enter outside of the scope of Christ. He will try to rob.

Stay within the fold, inside the door . . Christ. Then stay in close range of the shepherd's voice. "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hands" (John 10:27-28). No amount of legislation will stop a man from losing his soul. The hearing and heeding of the shepherd's voice will.

We have laws for those outside the fold, and Christians are called upon to enact and carry out such laws. Woe to the Christian who fails his community, his church, his home, his soul and his Christ in this. He has let down on the vigil. Let him beware of the

Evangelist Barker tells the followlives than you think. There are at ing. He found a boy sitting on the curbstone with a half inflated football in his hands, as it was getting dark:

"What's the matter, sonny?" he

"Nothing," was the answer.

"Why don't you go home then?"

"Did you ever play football, Mister?" "I certainly did," said Barker.

"Well, then, Mister, you will understand when I say my daddy is 'offside' and that's why I don't want to go home. You see when a fellow is 'offside' the whole team is penalized and everybody in the grandstand who's rooting for the team is penalized. And ily's penalized 'cause my daddy's off-

Surely! So is the Sunday School; excuse he tries to find entry into your God help our people and nation to "be-

#### SUMMER CONFERENCES

July 4-8 Northern Conference at Mc-Dermot Ave. Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Rev. W. J. Luebeck, Dr. Martin Leuschner and Mrs. William L. Schoeffel, Speakers.

July 9-15 Pacific Northwest Young People's Assembly at Ross Point, East of Spokane, Washington. Rev. J. C. Gunst, Rev. Gilbert Schneider, Missionary, Speakers.

July 9-15 Saskatchewan Tri - Union Assembly at Echo Lake, Sask. Rev. Herman Palfenier, Guest Speaker.

July 9-15 Central Sask, and Alberta Assembly at Elk Water Lake, Near Medicine Hat, Alberta. Dr. Martin L. Leuschner, Guest Speaker.

July 11-15 Southern Conference, Hurnville Baptist Church, Henrietta. Texas. Rev. Richard Schilke and Mrs. Walter Stein, Speakers.

July 16-22 Junior Camp-Alberta Assembly at Sylvan Lake, Alberta.

July 18-24 Manitoba Young People's Assembly at Lake Dauphin Camp, Manitoba. Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Speakers.

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Mr. Lawrence Bienert Cathay, North Dakota

Mr. Adolph Braun

Emery, South Dakota

Cedar Falls, Iowa

Rev. G. Ittermann 348 N. Summit Ave. Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Rev. Berthold Jacksteit 310 S. Lemon Street Anaheim, Calif.

Rev. Howard Johnson 510 College Street

Rev. A. F. Kostanowski 1217 Hilborn Ave.

Erie, Pa.

Rev. Richard Mikolon 501 E. Fifth Street

Erie, Pa.

Rev. George W. Neubert 676 W. Court Beatrice, Nebraska

Rev. Gilbert Schneider 101 Main Street Dallas, Oregon

Rev. C. E. Schoenleber 220 N. 29th Avenue Yakima, Washington

Rev. Albert Stelter c/o Mr. Harry Grose 949 Dominion Street Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada

#### GOD'S JUDGMENT AND MERCIES

(Continued from Page 9)

and became a preacher and a builder. My message of repentance or judgment was laughed at, however, and the people who saw my workmen building the strange structure of safety had nothing but ridicule for them. Nevertheless. my faith in God's commission to me did not falter and I continued for 120 years to preach and to build.

When the job was done and no sign of repentance shown, my preaching ceased and I obeyed God's commandment to bring into the Ark of Safety pairs of animals and birds and finally moved into it with my wife, my three sons and their wives. This was in the 600th year, the second month and the 17th day of my life. Seven days later the great flood started and lasted a total of 150 days. During that time all mankind, animals and birds which were not in the ark perished.

After this great flood had subsided and dry land was seen again, my family and all the living creatures went forth from the ark. I made a thankoffering unto God for his wonderful deliverance

God made a covenant with me and for all generations to follow that never should the people and the earth be again destroyed by water, and God established as a token of his covenant the rainbow, something new in the sky above us. I have enjoyed seeing this beautiful rainbow so many times

a plan of safety. I accepted the call during my sojourn on this earth since the flood and am happy in God's promise that the rainbow will ever be a token of his mercy in judgment.

#### 2. BUT WHY RECITE ANCIENT HISTORY?

Jesus Christ, when talking to his disciples about "the times to come," compared them to the times of Noah (Matt. 24:37-39 and Luke 17:26-27).

Paul wrote to Timothy that "all scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

The writer to the Hebrew Christians mentioned Noah as a man of faith in his long life as preacher and builder (Heb. 11:7).

Peter, in his two letters, reminds the Christians of the flood because of man's disobedience and of Noah, the preacher of righteousness (1 Peter 3: 20; 2 Peter 2:5).

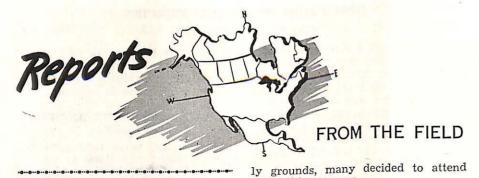
Are we nearing "the times to come" that Jesus spoke of? Whether these times are near or far, it behooves each of us at all times to heed Paul's admonitions: "Be ye reconciled to God" (2 Cor. 5:20).

"God always leaves an unfinished task on the workbench of the world." -WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE.

#### MAY CONTRIBUTIONS — NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

GENTE	THE COMPERED OF		
Conferences	May, 1951	May, 1950	May, 1949
Atlantic	\$ 2,232.19	\$ 2,352.17	\$ 1,261.84
Eastern	1,474.49	958.07	2,427.88
Central	4,342.44	4,660.98	4,833.69
Northwestern		4,676.52	2,181.02
Southwestern	1,601.13	913.72	2,800.03
Southern	298.93	3,449.22	789.83
Pacific	4,204.20	7,887.06	8,736.87
Northern	1,198.92	1,896.84	3,480.52
Dakota	3,996.28	6,621.81	6,241.97
Totals for All Purposes Less Non-budget items	\$24,149.16 2,295.98	\$33,416.39 8,248.79	\$32,753.63 1,222.23
For Denominational Budg	get\$21,853.18	\$25,167.60	\$31,531.42
BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS	RECEIVED		
For the month of May	, 1951	\$21	,853.18
For the month of May	, 1950	25,167.60	
For the month of May	, 1949		,531.42
BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS	FOR THE EISCAL Y	EAR	
April 1, 1951 to May		\$63	541 36
	31, 1950	58	735 19
April 1, 1949 to May			
			,000.21
BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS	RECEIVED FOR TH	E TRIENNIUM	
August 1, 1949 to May	31, 1951	\$695	,175.28
1			

August 1, 1948 to May 31, 1950 ...... 762,553.10



camp this summer.

Our project for this year, \$500 for

the Banso Hospital, is coming along well, and we hope that through the

efforts of all we might go over the top.

Many thanks go to the Immanuel Church of not only for the fine rally

programs, but also for the delicious

Atlantic Conference

by the King's Daughters Society

The traditional Mother's Day serv-

ice was conducted by the King's Daughters Society of the First Baptist Church, Jamesburg, N. J., at the evening worship hour on Sunday, May 13. Members of the society participated in the removal reading to the society participated in the society parti

ticipated in the responsive reading of Scriptures, prayer and appropriate music in tribute to mothers. A duet,

When Mother Prayed," was sung by

Miss Lillian Epp and Mrs. Alice Cott-

rell. A solo, "My Mother's Savior," was rendered by Miss Audrey Whitlock, a member of the C.B.Y. Two

other girls of the C.B.Y. served as

ushers for the evening.

Jean R. Schroeder, Secretary.

meals served throughout the rally.

Mother's Day Service

at Jamesburg, New Jersey

#### Northwestern Conference

#### Concert by the Junior Choir of the Baptist Church, Holloway, Minnesota

On Sunday evening, May 13, the Junior Choir of the Holloway Baptist Church Choir of Holloway, Minn., presented a concert consisting of numbers that have been sung during the brief year and a quarter of its ministry. The occasion was a double celebration of Mother's Day and dedication of new white choir surplices which were made for the choir by the Woman's Mission Circle of the church.

It has been the joy of the director, Mrs. E. J. Buenning, to try to develop both the musical ability and the spiritual strength of the children in the choir. During the course of the year some selections were especially appreciated by both choir and congregation and these were included in the program. There were also readings and special group selections.

As pastor of this church, I am also very appreciative of the fine work that is being done by Mrs. Allen Smith, our director of the Scripture Memory Program. I feel that God has found her faithful in this ministry and she has been able to encourage several of the children to keep on and to advance in Scripture memorization.

Elmer Buenning, Reporter.

#### Wisconsin Youth Rally at the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kenosha, Wis.

This year's rally of the Wisconsin Commissioned Youth and Sunday School Union was held in Kenosha on April 21 and 22. The inspirational theme was "Conquerors Through Christ" and the motto was Philippians 4:13. Mr. Max White from the Kenosha church led the song services on both Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday evening the Temple Church of Milwaukee had the devotions and the Rev. R. Schilke of Forest Park, Ill., brought the message. Later in the evening the Kenosha group supplied the recreation.

The speaker for the Sunday morning worship service was the Rev. J. F. Conner of Pound, Wisconsin. Miss Ruby Salzman gave a report on the Cameroons at the afternoon service, and also gave the evening message. The afternoon and evening devotions were given by the C.B.Y. groups of Pound and Bethany.

A trip to Center Lake to inspect Camp Shagbark was taken on Sunday afternoon. After seeing the love-

#### Southwestern Conference

#### Mother's Day Program Presented by the Dorcas Society of Creston, Nebraska

The Dorcas Society of Creston, Neb., entertained the Woman's Missionary Societies of the churches of Creston, also friends and relatives of the Society members, at Mother's Day program on Friday evening, May 11th.

Mrs. John Broeder, president of the Dorcas Society, had charge of the following program. The opening song was followed by words of welcome.

Mrs. Milton Scheffler, the Society's vice-president, read the Scripture lesson, and the pastor, the Rev. John Broeder, led in prayer. A duet, "Nobody Knows But Mother," was rendered by Mrs. Kenneth Paul and Mrs. Hilmer Settje. A reading, "Mothers," was given by Mrs. Adolph Prang. A girls' chorus rendered the beautiful selection, "O How Sweet the Name of Mother," followed by a reading, "A Mother's Prayer," by Mrs. Perle Scheffler.

The main feature of the program was a pantomime depicting the "Seven Stages of Womanhood." The setting of these stages was portrayed in a large frame with an appropriate selection of song or reading for each stage which was as follows: Infancy, pre-school, school girl, teen age, bride, motherhood, and grandmother. The pantomime was followed by a violin solo by Ilene Hamburger and a reading, "The Loveliest Mother," by Mrs. Darold Mohrman. The program was closed with song and prayer.

#### Upon entering the church, each mother was presented with an artificial sweet pea corsage, made by a few members of the King's Daughters.

The Rev. V. J. Hammond, pastor, gave an inspiring and challenging message on "The Christian Mother." On the pulpit were several beautiful arrangements of flowers for the occasion. A special bouquet was given by the Woman's Missionary Society in memory of the mothers who have gone to be with the Lord. Another bouquet was presented by the Parent-Teacher Association of the Bible School, also honoring these mothers. A pretty basket of flowers was given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Firestine in

memory of Mr. Firestine's mother.
Thus, we concluded this sperial day for mother with a feeling of much gratitude in our hearts for that gift of a Christian mother!

Ann F. Luquer, Reporter.

#### ATTENTION, REPORTERS!

All reports to be eligible for publication must be sent within one month after the event and should be limited, if possible, to 250 words.

No annual reports of church societies or reports of wedding anniversaries, except for golden wedding anniversaries, can be

Send all reports to the editor at Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.

#### Mrs. John Broeder, Reporter. The Christian Workers' Conference Held at the Shell Creek Church of Nebraska

"Workers Together With Him" was the theme of the two Christian Workers' Conferences recently held in the Southwestern Conference area. Two conferences were held for the convenience of our widely scattered churches. From April 9 to 10, the Shell Creek Baptist Church of Columbus, Neb., was host to one of the conferences, a report of which has already been published.

From April 12 to 13, the second Christian Workers' Conference was held at the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene, Okla. The Zion Church was host with people from the Durham, Ellinwood, and Strassburg churches of Kansas, Bessie, Corn, Gotebo, Loyal, Ingersoll, and Shattuck churches of Oklahoma.

The meetings were opened with devotions led by Mr. Elmer Fisher, Mr. Archie Dehn, Mr. Dick Gocken, Mr. Kenneth Reiswig. We were privileged to have the Rev. J. C. Gunst to conduct the C.B.Y. clinics. The Rev. L. H. Smith conducted the clinic on "A Growing Bible and Evangelistic School." The Rev. J. Kroeker had the clinic, "A Baptist and Missionary School." The Rev. Theo. Dons conducted the clinic, "A Grade and Church Going School" and the Rev. O. Ringering led "A Leader Trained and Planned School.'

Many important facts were brought to us concerning S.S.U. and C.B.Y. work and we were reminded again and again of the all important factor -prayer in our work as we strive to seek out the lost and tell them of our loving Savior. At both conferences and in between some of the clinic meetings, Mr. Gunst led a forum. He chose members of the audience to serve on the panel and questions were asked by the audience.

We were also privileged to have the Rev. Edwin Miller of Cleveland, Ohio, in our midst. He brought a stirring' evangelistic sermon at the close of the Oklahoma Christian Workers' Conference.

Evelyn Meyer, Reporter.

#### Southern Conference

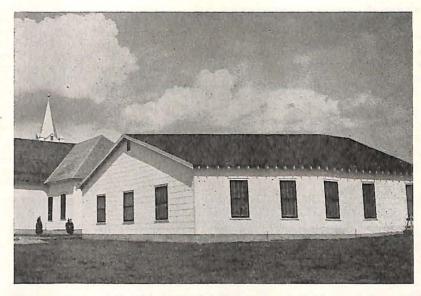
#### **Dedication of New Annex** and Hammond Organ at Canaan Church, Crawford, Texas

Monday evening, May 21st, was a time of rejoicing and praising the Lord for improvements which the Lord has permitted us to make at the Canaan Baptist Church of Crawford, Texas. Recently we purchased a new Electronic Hammond Organ and also constructed a new church annex which were dedicated to the service of our

Lord on this evening.
All the churches in our Southern Conference were invited and quite a number of our friends from our neighboring churches attended. A very impressive dedication service was held with the Rev. Arthur Schulz, our pastor, in charge. At first an organ recital was presented by Doris Engelbrecht, followed by a rousing song service in which both instruments were used, organ and piano, with the Rev. Walter G. Gummelt as song leader. Scripture reading was by Rev. Kenneth Nelson and Rev. John Vanderbeck led in prayer. The Rev. Roy Seibel gave the dedicatory prayer for the organ, and Dr. M. L. Leuschner delivered the dedicatory sermon and offered the dedicatory prayer for the annex just before entering the new building for refreshments.

We are thankful to the Lord for these improvements which will enhance and strengthen us in his service. The organ adds greatly to the beauty and enrichment of our church services and the annex will be used for various occasions.

The annex is a 40 by 60 foot structure, with a modern kitchen, pastor's study room, rest rooms, and a very spacious dining room with tables and chairs and a seating capacity of 160 or more. The annex was built by members of our church and a large labor bill was saved. Material and all the modern conveniences in the new annex, and organ cost approximately \$10,000. Members of the church contributed generously and only a very small debt remains to be paid. What a wonderful work can be done when members of a church work together for the honor and glory of God! H. J. Engelbrecht, Church Clerk.



The new Annex of the Canaan Baptist Church, Crawford, Texas, costing about \$8000 which was recently dedicated as a place for the church's social gatherings and for conference meals.

#### Eastern Conference

#### Four North American Baptist Pastors Take Part in Ground Breaking Services, Erie, Pa.

The ground-breaking ceremonies for the construction of the basement facilities of the new church edifice for the Church of Faith in Erie, Pa., were held on Saturday afternoon, May 5th. The location of the new church is on the west side of the city at Ninth Street on Hilborn Ave. (address is 906-908). The Rev. A. F. Kostanowski's residence is located at 1217 Hilborn Ave., Erie 2, Pennsylvania.

The new congregation is an outgrowth of a Sunday Bible School that has been meeting regularly in a near-by public school building for more than twenty-five years. This construction is the first move toward the acquisition of complete facilities for

the new church. Mr. Kostanowski, pastor, announces that it is intended to apply for official membership with our North American Baptist General Conference in the near future.

In the accompanying picture are, left to right: Rev. Reuben A. Houseal, pastor of the Central Church in Erie, who delivered the dedicatory address while ground was being broken; Dr. A. U. Gesler, Lutheran minister and president of the Erie Ministerial Association; Rev. W. S. Argow, active-retired North American Baptist minister, a former pastor of Central Baptist Church; Mr. John F. Jeffrey, United Presbyterian layman and president of the Erie Council of Churches; Rev. A. F. Kostanowski, pastor of the new Baptist Church of Faith (holding shovel); Rev. Richard A. Mikolon, the new pastor of our Open Bible Tabernacle; and Rev. C. A. Smith, who is superintendent of the Erie City Mis-

Reuben A. Houseal, Reporter.



Ground is broken at Erie, Pa., for the new edifice of the Church of Faith at Erie, Pa., with four North American Baptist ministers and other religious leaders of the city taking part in the ceremony.

#### New Pastor, New Members and New Orchestra at Bethel Church, Missoula, Montana

The Bethel Baptist Church of Missoula, Mont., has extended a call to the Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Lodi, Calif., and has received a favorable answer. Mr. Schroeder has been serving as interim pastor since March 11, 1951. He is now our pastor in full-

people attended our three services. The sermon of our pastor, the Rev. P. G. Neumann, entitled, "Easter Triumph," lifted, blessed and inspired us. Then, in the evening after our Baptist Training groups had met from 6:30 P. M. until 7:20 P.M., we had another service in which those who had recently come to the Lord were baptized. Our eyes became moist when one night a man of 81 years followed the Lord in baptism. So great is the harvest of souls that on the last Sunday evening of every month the baptismal waters of our church are stirred as young and old, after



Thirteen of the 14 new members recently received into the fellowship of the Bethel Baptist Church, Missoula, Mont., by the Rev. G. P. Schroeder (right), the newly called pastor

May was a busy and blessed month in our Missoula church. On Sunday, May 6th, a baptismal service was held with six candidates baptized on confession of their faith in Christ. On May 13th, Mother's Day, the hand of fellowship was extended to fourteen new members. Five of these came to us through baptism, eight by letter, and one by merit of personal testimony. The communion was served to these new members and all other members of the church.

A string orchestra composed of nine pieces has been organized and serves at the evening services with our pastor as director. The newly organized Junior choir rendered two selections at the evening service on May 27th. Our Commissioned Baptist Youth has purchased a mimeograph machine and is helping publish the church bulletin. Mrs. Edward E. Junkert, Reporter.

#### Continued Progress and God's Bountiful Blessings at Baptist Church, Costa Mesa, Calif.

When God performs his wonders, should we be silent? When he displays his wonderful works to the children of men here in Costa Mesa, Calif., can we hesitate in praising No, never! Hear it then, ye who are of the house of the Lord! The Living Christ continues to be with us and is drawing all types of men to him: doctors, businessmen, housewives, and mothers, the laborer with his burden, and the youth in his

So great was his favor upon us that

having made a good profession of faith, follow their Lord in baptism.

Our choir under the leadership of Dr. Robert Henning with Mrs. Robert Henning at the organ rendered a beautiful cantata in the evening service. Both the male chorus and our choir enrich the services and bring us closer to the Lord. The mid-week services continue to attract many as our pastor leads us in expositional Bible studies. At the present we are studying the book of Ephesians.

In July 1950 our Lord allowed us to dedicate the Educational Unit of our church, but our Sunday School has grown so fast that this building which can accommodate between 300 to 400 children is filled and overflowing. We need more room and so our eyes are upon the Lord again for speeyes are upon the Lora again for special help. This time we are praying that he will enable us to begin with the construction of our sanctuary. Our faith has been strengthened as our pasters brought us a series of measurement. tor brought us a series of messages on faith, fifteen in all. In his preaching we have "Seen the Invisible." We shall believe "The Incredable." "Do the Impossible."

Mrs. Wm. H. Kroesch, Reporter.

#### Northern Conference

#### Tri-Union Sunday Is Observed by Manitoba Churches at the Morris Baptist Church

Tri-Union Sunday was something on Easter Sunday morning alone 1276 new for us in Manitoba, Canada. In

essence, it was to be promotional, and the effort on a recent Sunday at Morris, Manitoba, was an extraordinary success. We were fortunate in having as guest teachers the Rev. E. P. Wahl. president of our C.T.I. at Edmonton, Alta., and the Rev. Hugo Lueck, our conference missionary and Bible

Sunday School was the opening session on April 29th. Each of the superintendents of the different churches was asked to make a brief contribution to the program. This was done in the form of greetings from their individual churches. The Rev. William Sturhahn was in charge of the service that followed and Mr. Wahl brought the message basing his text on Col. 3:17.

The afternoon was in charge of the Rev. F. Ohlmann. Mr. Sturhahn presented our assemblies, such as the time for them, the need of them and the high objective for which we strive through them. Two class discussions followed on Sunday School work led by the Rev. H. Lueck and "Youth-Work" led by the Rev. E. P. Wahl. Many of the present day problems were discussed

The Rev. A. J. Milner was in charge of the evening song festival. Four choirs besides the two mass choirs contributed to the program of praise. Special thanks are due the brethren Sturhahn and Schirrmacher for the work and time they put into preparing the two mass choirs for this special occasion. The Rev. Hugo Lucck brought a fine sermon on Micah 6:8. Ida Hoffman, Secretary.

#### Dakota Conference

#### Birthday Program of the Woman's Mission Circle, Baptist Church, Chancellor, S. Dak.

The Woman's Mission Circle of the Baptist Church of Chancellor, S. Dak., recently met for its regular monthly business meeting. This was our annual Birthday Month, when we take up a special offering. We extended an invitation to our husbands and families for an evening of fellowship.

A very appropriate and fine program and social hour were given by the program committee of the month. The meeting was opened with songs, following the theme, "Ideals of a Christian Home." Special numbers, both vocal and instrumental, were rendered. "The Ideals of a Christian Home" were brought out in topics, readings and poems.

After a short business session, we were asked to go to the church basement for a social hour. Four tables were beautifully decorated to represent the different seasons of the year. All those present were asked to be seated at the table representing the season in which their birthdays fall. The toastmistress then called for two numbers from each group. While the refreshments were being prepared, everyone took part in a Bible Quiz. What a wonderful privilege it is to enjoy such Christian fellowship!

Mrs. Wesley Johnson, Secretary.

#### The Trinity Baptist Church Is Organized in Sioux Falls, South Dakota

July 5, 1951

For some time it has been on the hearts of our people to establish another North American Baptist Conference church in Sioux Falls, S. Dak. This would serve as a "Home Church" for many of our people who have moved into the city and also for our Seminary family. The General Missionary Committee therefore appointed Mr. Lawrence Bienert, Seminary graduate of 1951, to work with Dr. George A. Lang in organizing such a church.

Development of this work was encouraged by a special committee appointed by the General Missionary Society. After a meeting of the leaders of this new group with the Rev. Walter Stein, secretary of the Dakota Conference Missionary Committee, and the Rev. B. F. Taylor, pastor of the Northside Baptist Church, contacts were made with North American Baptist people who live in Sioux Falls, but who are members of no specific church here.

On November 19, 1950, our first worship service was held in the new Seminary chapel. Our hearts were thrilled because of the many who showed their interest by attending this service. Regular Sunday morning worship services have been conducted since then with an average attendance of about 70 persons. On January 14, 1951, a Sunday School was organized with an enrollment of 47. Mr. Alvin Bleeker did a fine work of helping organize the Sunday School and serving as temporary Sunday School superintendent,

After two months of services, a meeting was called for all those interested in organizing a new North American Baptist Conference church and becoming charter members of the same. There were 36 persons who indicated their desire to become charter members and requested that the sec-retary pro tem write for their church

Under the direction of the officers of the Dakota Missionary Committee the church was organized at the afternoon service of March 4, 1951. The members joined hands thereby showing "that we herewith unite in fellowship together with the intent and for the purpose of organizing a new Baptist church of the North American Baptist Conference in the city of Sioux Falls, S. Dak." The new church has been named, "The Trinity Baptist Conference in the city of Sioux Falls, S. Dak." tist Church of Sioux Falls, S. Dak." At a later business meeting the con-

stitution was adopted and officers were elected. The following were elected to office: moderator, Dr. George Lang; deacons, Messrs. Ben Wiese, Ernest Zimbelman, Okko De-Boer; deaconesses, Mrs. R. P. Jeschke, Mrs. J. E. Plucker; trustees, Messrs. John E. Plucker, Alvin Bleeker, Prof. R. P. Jeschke; church clerk, Mrs. E. A. Zimbelman; financial secretary, Mrs. Alvin Bleeker; treasurer, Mr. John E. Plucker; Sunday School superintendent, Mr. Ben Wiese; chief usher, Mr. Harold Lang; music committee, Dr. R. E. Powell, Miss Sena



Mr. Lawrence Bienert (left), pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., during the past year with the church's first deacons: (right to left) Mr. Ben Wiese, Mr. Okko DeBoer and Mr. Ernest Zimbelman.

Plucker and Miss Helen Lohse.

Under God's help this church is meeting the needs of our people here in Sioux Falls, and will continue to minister to those who will be moving into the city in the years to come. We appreciate the fine interest shown and help given by the students from the Seminary and Sioux Falls College. It has been a real privilege and blessing to work with these fine people and I know that the Lord will bless all efforts put forth in his Name!

Lawrence Bienert, Reporter.

#### Central Conference

#### Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Sauer of Chicago, Illinois

On Saturday evening, April 28th, Mr. and Mrs. William Sauer, old-time members of the East Side Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., had the unusual joy of observing their Golden Wedding anniversary.

Because they wanted to acknowledge the fact that it is only by the grace of God that they were able to celebrate this day, they met again in the church where they had spoken

their vows 50 years ago. The ceremony was re-enacted as nearly as possible as it had been performed in 1901. The entire bridal party was present with the exception of one man. Of course, the minister, the Rev. S. Heintz, who performed the ceremony at that time, has also gone to be with his Lord many years ago.

It was a very colorful scene as they marched down the aisle to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March as they had done 50 years ago and then renewed the vows they had made so long ago. The music and songs, too, of 50 years ago touched everybody's heart, and all seemed to be transported to an altogether different world.

After the ceremony about 80 special guests enjoyed a sumptious wedding dinner in the church parlors, and again there were the usual reminiscences of olden days, songs, talks and congratulations. As a concluding number some moving picture films that had been taken of the East Side Church picnics of 25 or 30 years ago were shown. Many of the people were amused to see themselves as young people again. Many things have changed during these passing years, but the faithfulness of God has never

Henry R. Schroeder, Pastor.



Mr. and Mrs. William Sauer of the East Side Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill., on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary with the bridal party of 50 years ago on both sides, of them and the present pastor, Rev. Henry R. Schroeder, just behind them.

#### God's Blessing Upon the Pastorate of Rev. Lester Harnish at Detroit, Mich.

The leadership and pastorate of the Rev. J. Lester Harnish at the Bethel Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich., has undeniably been an era of successful and thrilling triumphs spiritually and physically for the Bethel Church. In recognizing the sacrificial service and prayerful concern of our pastor, we can see with our eyes and feel in our hearts the splendid measure of accomplishment that has been enjoyed as a church and a people.

The past three years have seen wise and helpful physical improvements in the relocation and integration of the church offices, the equipping and establishing of a fine nursery and cradle roll room, and the increasing of the beauty and the efficiency of the church along many lines. Guided by Mr. Harnish we have caught a new sense of need for the far-flung outposts of missionary endeavor, and have adopted three new missionaries as our spiritual and financial concern. Five young people have also commenced training for full-time Christian work in this period.

The inspiration and establishing of a Group System for increased church fellowship and concern has been nurtured by the pastor, while a splendid and finely-programed Radio Broadcast has been sent into the Detroit area over station WJBK. This radio venture has continued for 18 months and found adequate and generous support from the membership. Such an outreach has created a new interest in the evening services which have been termed the Miracle Meetings, due to the wonderful attendance and unique and attractive programs.

A steady increase, both in the general and missionary budgets, has resulted in the church's largest budget in its history-\$70,000 for 1951. The treasurer's record from May, 1948 to April 30, 1951 reveals total church receipts of approximately \$187,000, of which \$92,000 was for missionary purposes. Vacation Bible Schools each Summer under Mr. Harnish's leadership have reached an all-time high of attendance and enthusiasm. The past three years have witnessed 258 additions to Bethel Church, resulting in Bethel's highest membership of 938.

In the Fall of 1950 a full-time assistant pastor, the Rev. Ted Place, was added to the staff. In the interim Mr. Place will be assuming preaching and program responsibilities in cooperation with the pulpit supply and the Pastoral Candidate Committees. This tremendous task has been broad in its accomplishment, for Mr. Harnish has also found time to be extremely concerned for city-wide work in serving as both chairman and vice-chairman of the Missions Committee of the Detroit Baptist Missionary Society. The record of the years is a noble one, and Bethel Church can be justly proud of its pastor and its past in the person of Rev. J. Lester Harnish. May God continue to use him mightily as he takes up new and tremendous labors in the Baptist Temple of Los Angeles, Calif., on July 1st!

Ted Place, Jr., Reporter.

#### The Chicago C.B.Y. Gospel Team Visits Several Baptist Churches in Iowa

Gospel and Promotional Team returned from a wonderful weekend of meetings in that grand farming country of Iowa. It was at the invitation of the Rev. Wm. Jeschke of Sumner, Iowa, that this trip was first considered. However, as the idea spread to two other churches in the northeast corner of the state, we were invited to make it a three-way stop.

We left Chicago in a steady downpour of rain and not too many miles later crossed the mighty Mississippi River, then at flood stages. Miserable though the weather may have been, yet in our hearts beamed a heavenly sunshine. This venture, we knew, was being made with the Lord's blessing.

In Sheffield, Iowa, we were graciously received by the Rev. Henry Smuland and his family at whose hands we were refreshed and made ready for the Saturday night Youth Rally. We truly enjoyed an evening of rare blessings as we fellowshiped with these fine people, many of whom had negotiated many a treacherous mile of muddy roads. Their enthusiasm for the Lord and his work was evidenced by the wonderful spirit which prevailed, bringing forth joyful singing and testimonies of praise.

The First Baptist Church of Sumner, Iowa, certainly rolled out the welcome mat for us on Sunday morning. We greatly rejoiced in seeing the Rev. Wm. Jeschke and other familiar faces once again, and in a real spirit of Christian fellowship we spent a blessed Sunday morning together. Then, true to the custom of a gracious small town church, we all gathered around a most appetizing dinner table and rejoiced in the company of God's children. That afternoon, at the suggestion of Mr. Jeschke, it was our pleasure also to conduct a short service at a nearby County Home for the Poor.

In Elgin, Iowa, some of us made the acquaintance of the Rev. Arthur Ittermann, pastor of the Elgin Baptist Church, for the first time. Again we felt that there was a firm understanding and unity in our efforts to further the Lord's work among our young people and to instill in each heart the interest of our denominational missionary work. Although nearly at the limit of our physical endurance, nevertheless, we had a very inspirational service that evening. The atmosphere was friendliness itself and the auditorium soon resounded with singing and joyful testimonies. In addition to all these blessings, we especially praise God for the outpouring of his Spirit upon us in that two persons were won to Christ.

Each of the churches we visited showed much interest in our Chicago Area C.B.Y. program along with our Banso Hospital missionary project. Their very generous contributions to help us in our effort were most thankfully received and will soon be used to honor and to glorify the Name of the Lord

Wilbur E. Reich, Reporter.

#### THE CLAIMS OF CHRIST

(Continued from Page 5)

law that they didn't recognize Christ Recently the Chicagoland C.B.Y. as the Messiah. Augustine said: "The New Testament is hidden in the Old: the Old Testament lies open in the new." There is a Messianic element in the Old Testament but they didn't come to Christ for eternal life (Luke

> Jesus said: "I am not receiving honor from men." He repels the reproach some may have made: "You are seeking glory from men because you demand that they believe on you." But Christ knew that they didn't have the love of God in their hearts. If they had loved God, they would have loved his Son. He was the image of his Father, and came in his Father's name, but they wouldn't receive him. "If another comes in his own name, him you will receive." What a prophecy! (Matt. 24:5.)

We are told that there have been sixty-four pretended or false Messiahs since Christ's time. They were seeking their own glory. They craved human applause. Instead of seeking glory from God, they made gods of one another. They ruled God out.

Jesus said: "Do not imagine that I shall accuse you to the Father. Moses is your accuser on whom you build your hopes." Jesus claimed that neither now nor hereafter will he accuse them. Moses as the representative of the law, in whom they trusted, will accuse them because they didn't fulfill the law. "Moses will speak for me against you."

The law will condemn them. Moses will not be their defender but their accuser. "For if you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me." Moses prophesied about the coming Messiah. Had they believed his words, they would have believed him who was the fulfilment of prophecy (Deut. 18:18). "And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself" (Luke 24:27).

The Jews, however, did not believe Moses' writings. (See Luke 16:29, 31.) By their actions they didn't believe their lawgiver. They gave him lip service but actually they didn't follow him. Belief in Moses was necessary to belief in Christ. It was easier to believe in Moses than in Christ. But they showed lack of faith in their great leader of the Old Testament, how could one expect them to have faith in the Messiah of the New Testa-

We are more privileged than the Jews of Jesus' day. We have the New Testament, the Christian Church and almost two thousand years of church history. For us Christ is the Son of God, the Savior of the world and mankind's only hope!

#### CANADA, WE COME!

July 5, 1951

(Continued from Page 7)

grant, and sometimes a little difficult to grasp.

The other side of this human drama develops in Germany-not to mention the anxiety, excitements, disappointments and surprises—all mixed up of those who in their visions and dreams can see the shores of the promised land. These things are evident, but they cannot adequately be recorded.

Canadian immigration regulations are fairly rigid. Political examinations screen out radical Communists or Nazis. Health examination eliminates all T.B. cases and other serious diseases. Border line health cases can be called up for review. If the Canadian sponsor gives full guarantee that the immigrant will not become a public burden, the latter is usually admitted.

The Baptist World Alliance has its own representative in Germany. The Rev. Mr. Schatz works in Munich for immigration to the U.S.A. Mr. H. Streuber has his office at Stuttgart. He has organized the set-up for the Baptist immigration to Canada. He must make careful selections for the Canadian applications. Misfits might defeat our future work of placing more immigrants. The people must want to emigrate. They apply-hundreds, yes, thousands of them-single men and women, married couples with small and large families, young and old, the sick and the strong. How would you make the selections? We are dealing with human souls who plead and weep; much sympathy and firm wisdom are needed.

Here is a position for a married couple with two or three children. The family is there-exactly to fill the bill-but with them is grandfather, who cannot possibly be left behind alone. Back to Canada flashes the inquiry: "Would farmer P. accept the grandfather with the family?" The reply was returned: "If unavoidable, O.K."

The majority of positions are for single young people as farm laborers or domestics. This often means separation of families. Will mother let her oldest daughter go alone across the big ocean? She remembers the years of separation and frightful experiences during their flight from Russia. How she searched through Germany from north to south during the chaos and confusion of post war years! She finally found her, and vowed never to leave her child again. Now she faces the decision again. To be sure, as soon as the girl has arrived in Canada, she can apply for the immigration of her parents. But there is always the ghost of being rejected.

ing new conflict. Russian soldiers ers. Canada, here we come!



(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.)

#### MR. ARTHUR AFFOLDER of Millet, Alberta.

Mr. Arthur Affolder of Millet, Alberta, was born on June 16, 1910, at Millet, Alberta. He grew up and received his edu-cation in the Wiesenthal community. From his early boyhood until the time of his death, he made the Wiesenthal Baptist Church his home church.

On November 14, 1941 he was united in marriage to Miss Lydia Tiede. They lived happily together for ten short years on the farm in this community. Mr. Affolder was suddenly taken from our midst through a tractor accident on May 12, 1951, having reached the age of 40 years, 10 months and 26 days. His mother and father preceded him to the land beyond.

He leaves to mourn his passing his loving wife; one sister, Mrs. Alice Keibel of Endeing, Alberta; and two brothers: Dave of Millet and Louis of Leduc, Alberta. We pray that the Lord may sustain and comfort those who are left behind.

Not now, but in the coming years, It may be in the better land, We'll read the meaning of our tears, And there, sometime, we'll understand.

We'll know why clouds instead of sun Were over many a cherished plan; Why song has ceased when scarce begun; 'Tis there, sometime, we'll understand.

God knows the way, he holds the key, He guides us with unerring hand; Sometime with tearless eyes we'll see; Yes, there, up there, we'll understand. Wiesenthal Baptist Church, Millet, Alberta

E. A. HOFFMANN, Pastor.

#### MRS. ROY HOWARD of Lodi, California.

Mrs. Adeline Howard, nee Bender, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Bender of Lodi, Calif., and the beloved wife of Mr. Roy Howard, was born on Sept. 29, 1912 Hebron, North Dakota. In 1919 she came Lodi, Calif., with her parents and here

ing tears she lets her girl go, and

Happy is the family which can go

them to the official of the Department

of Labor, who examines them for fit-

ness for the labor positions. Then

they have to pass the necessary immi-

gration examination. Those who are

accepted, receive their visa and are

placed on the boat for Canada. Final

preparations are quickly made. There

are usually few. They have no house

or land to sell, sometimes a few be-

longings or a little furniture. Bed-

ding, clothes and other personal goods

are quickly packed in boxes or suit-

cases. The "Beaverbrae" sails. They

bid farewell to a country in which

they were never at home, a country

waits for the first letter, and hopes!

she received her basic education and her religious training both in the home and in the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church. In 1931 she joined hands in holy wedlock with Mr. Roy Howard, her now bereaved husband. Two children were born unto them, a son and a daughter.

Mrs. Howard met death in a mysterious and undetermined manner, her body being discovered several days after her disappearance. She reached the age of 39 years.

She is survived by her husband, Mr. Roy Howard of Oakland, Calif.; two children:
Marilyn and Robert Eugene; her loving
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Bender, all
of Lodi, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Martha
Ruhl, of Los Angeles, Calif.; two brothers:
Ted Bender of Lodi and Arthur Bender of
Stockton Calif. Stockton, Calif.; two aunts: Katie M. Bender of Lodi, Calif., and Margaret Schuh of Medicine Hat, Alta.; one uncle, Mr. Gottlieb Stiger of Hebron, North Dakota. Besides these, she leaves many friends. A memorial service was conducted at Lodi, Calif., officiated by the Rev. G. G. Rauser, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

First Baptist Church. Lodi, California

G. G. RAUSER, Pastor.

#### MRS. JACOB MELZER of Shattuck, Okla

Mrs. Jacob Melzer, the former Mary Katherine Herber, of Shattuck, Okla., daughter of Jacob and Katherine Herber of Rudic, Russia, brought to this country at the age of nine years to the home of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Herber, now residing in Higgins, Texas, passed away on the old home place on May 17, 1951 at the age of 53 years. She was born Nov. 4, 1897. She was baptized in 1914 by the Rev. Julius Ehrhorn and became a member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Her home was blessed by her faith in the Lord and she was ever delighted to be in fellowship with others in work for her Savior.

She was married to Mr. Jacob Melzer on February 23, 1923. The home was blessed with three children: two daughters, Elsie, Mrs. Albert Pshigoda, and Alice, Mrs. Sam Mrs. Albert Psnigoda, and Alice, Mrs. Sam Pshigoda; and one son, Norman, of the home. Al of them live in Shattuck, Okla-homa. There are three grandchildren. She also leaves four sisters: Mrs. Kate Sell, Higgins, Texas; Mrs. Mollie Blau, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Marie Grace, Pampa, Texas; and Mrs. Grace Schout, Palo Alto, Calif.; besides two brothers: Box Coorte Herber besides two brothers: Rev. George Herber, Pierce, Neb.; and Mr. Jake Herber, Grimes, California. Besides these and her aunt. Mrs. Mary Herber, there are a host of friends who mourn her departure.

Ebenezer Baptist Church,

OLIVER K. RINGERING, Pastor.

#### might march over Western Germany WHAT'S HAPPENING over night. They could never escape. (Continued from Page 13) They would be killed or expelled to conducted the service with Professor Siberia. With heavy heart and chok-

Lewis Johnson of the faculty bringing the message. On the following Sunday evening students from the Baylor University School of Nursing and Coltogether. Our representative presents lege of Dentistry were in charge. Dr. Jack Walker of the Southern Baptist Hospital in Nigeria was the speaker. The pastor, Rev. Harold W. Gieseke, is bringing a series of expository sermons on 1st Samuel at the Sunday morning services which are arousing a great deal of interest. Mr. Walter Dingfield of Tacoma, Wash., a student at the Dallas Seminary, is teaching the Young People's Class in the Sunday School. From June 7 to 15 the Vacation Bible School convened with Mrs. L. S. Elliott serving as superintendent, assisted by Mr. Edwin Kern, one of the two North Amerwhich was overcrowded and where ican Baptist Seminary students workthey would always have been stranging in the Southern Conference area for the summer months.

