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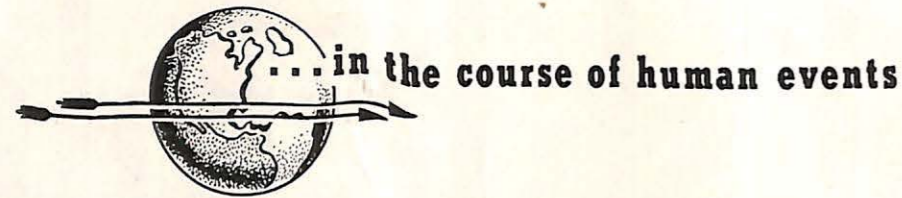
An Early Snow on the Mission Range of Montana

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● Construction has begun in Washington, D. C., on the first Mohammedan mosque to be built in the nation's capital. Contractors working on the job have no idea what the building will look like, because conservative Moslems have scruples against pictures.—Moody Monthly.

● In a letter to the Japanese municipal officials, General Matthew B. Ridgeway approves the Scripture distribution by the Pocket Testament League. "Their magnificent effort," he said, "can be measured by the fact that they have already distributed 7,000,000 Bibles to the Japanese people. The spreading of the Word of God is a most important undertaking."—The Watchman-Examiner.

● The Czech Parliament has passed a new law ordering the immediate dissolution of all religious, scientific and cultural societies on the grounds that "they are non-progressive." Interior Minister Vaclav Nosek told Parliament that "such pseudo-religious societies like Jehovah's Witnesses, the Salvation Army, and the International Bible Society have no place in our state." Property belonging to these groups will be taken over by the State.—The Watchman-Examiner.

● Hospitals are expected to be next on the list in Communist China's program of expropriating American missionary properties, according to reports in Chinese newspapers. A widespread Communist campaign has been started against "more than 200 hospitals in China that have received United States subsidies." One Shanghai newspaper charged that "United States imperialism has brought harm to Chinese life and thinking through these hospitals in the past 100 years."—United Evangelical Action.

● Relatives and others sharing in the estate of Edward John Dene, British school principal, recently received a final reminder of Mr. Dene's deep-seated hatred of atheism. At the opening of his will—which disposed of a \$56,000 estate—heirs discovered that any beneficiary who was an atheist, or openly professes disbelief in "God," forfeited all rights under the will. Persons belonging to any group that supports Communism were likewise disqualified as beneficiaries.—Moody Monthly.

● Six missionaries now are serving on foreign fields because of a farmer near Guckeen, Minnesota. Anton Pe-

tersen, who farms a half-section of land near the southern Minnesota border, provides their full support. In 1950, he gave \$12,000 to the work of the church. His story is interesting. For 52 years, he told delegates to a church convention, he could not spare a dime for the church and rarely took time off for Sunday services. He began to think differently, however, when he attended evangelistic meetings in his community. Mr. Petersen is not a Baptist; he is a member of the Lutheran Brethren Church of America.—The Watchman-Examiner.

● The Young Men's Christian Association in North America is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary this year. The first Y in America was established in November, 1851 in Montreal; the second in Boston, in December of the same year. As originally conceived in the mind of Sir George Williams and his associates, its ministry to young men was definitely evangelical, not forgetting Bible study, prayer and soul-saving in serving spirit, mind and body. Today, in many places, the YMCA has abandoned its evangelical character. In many places however, its original character is being maintained.—United Evangelical Action.

● A full-length evangelistic service was recently broadcast and televised from 7,500 feet above the city of Memphis, Tenn., by Billy Graham. The service took place in a four-engine Constellation while the huge ship cruised at three hundred miles an hour. Among the thirty-eight passengers were church and civic leaders of Memphis and representatives of the local newspaper, radio and television stations. Four seats were removed from the farther end of the plane to permit installation of a specially built pulpit for Dr. Graham. Organ music was provided from an organ mounted in the plane for the flight. Song Leader Cliff Barrows and Soloist George Beverly also participated in the service aloft.—Moody Monthly.

**CONFERENCES
ON EVANGELISM**

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ENGAGEMENTS

Rev. R. Schilke
Sept. 23 (Sunday Morning)—Grace Church, Chicago, Illinois.
Sept. 30 (Sunday)—Underwood, North Dakota.

Rev. J. C. Gunst
Sept. 21-23—Chicago Area Leaders' Retreat, Winona Lake, Indiana.
Sept. 28-30—Sunday School Week Conference, Aplington, Iowa.

Rev. M. L. Leuschner
Sept. 16 (Sunday)—Turtle Lake, North Dakota.
Sept. 17 (Monday)—Beulah, N. Dak.
Sept. 18 (Tuesday)—Washburn, North Dakota.
Sept. 23 (Sunday)—Hebron, N. Dak.
Sept. 30 (Sunday)—Dickinson County Church, Elmo, Kansas.

Rev. A. S. Felberg, Evangelist
Sept. 9-21—Ashley, North Dakota.

Rev. Herman Palfenier, Evangelist
Sept. 9-21—Gackle, North Dakota.



**VISITATION SCHEDULE
for Rev. Gilbert Schneider,
Camerouns Missionary.**

Sept. 13, Tuesday—Portland Avenue Chapel, Tacoma, Washington.

Sept. 14, Friday—Villa Ridge, Portland, Oregon.

Sept. 16, Sunday A.M.—Bethany, Portland, Oregon.

Sept. 16, Sunday P.M.—Immanuel, Portland, Oregon.



EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sept. 13-16—Atlantic Conference at Ridgewood Baptist Church, Ridgewood, New York. Rev. Richard Schilke, Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, Miss Esther Schultz, Missionary, Speakers.

Sept. 15-16—Michigan Tri-Church Rally at Beaver Baptist Church, Midland, Michigan. Rev. J. C. Gunst and Miss Esther Schultz, Missionary, Speakers.

Sunday, Sept. 16—60th Anniversary Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon. Dr. John Leypoldt, Guest Speaker.

Sept. 20-21—Session of the Program Committee for 1952 General Conference at Forest Park, Illinois. Rev. Robert Schreiber, Chairman.

Sept. 20-23—Nebraska and Colorado Association at LaSalle, Colorado. Prof. Herbert Hiller, Speaker.

Sept. 23-30—Sunday School Week in all churches.



CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Rev. Norman Berkan
Elmo, Kansas.

Rev. Norman Miller
Selfridge, North Dakota.

Editorial

Our Task Under God

THE GREEN LAKE conferences for ministers, laymen and young people were most successful in confronting them with the task that is ours under God. An inspiring total of more than 350 people attended these sessions at the Green Lake Assembly with 120 pastors there for the first week, 39 young people for the weekend Leaders' Retreat, and 220 laymen and their families during the second closing week. Colorful reports about these conferences are published in this issue.

A serious note with heart searching implications pervaded these days. The theme, "Our Task Under God," was constantly kept in the forefront of attention. In the stimulating expositions and messages, during the many hours for earnest prayer, and in the panel discussions and clinics, this task of ours under God of witnessing to the saving and redeeming power of the Gospel and of winning others to Christ as Savior was strongly underscored. It became the burden upon the hearts of the ministers. The young people took up this banner of truth with great fervor. The laymen resolved in their hearts to make it the deep concern of their churches at home.

This is the task that binds us together in fellowship. Evangelism lifts everyone out of the small orbit of our own lives and compels us to magnify the Lord Jesus Christ whom we introduce to others. Christ becomes the center of our purposes and activities and, because of that, he becomes the center of our fellowship. It was this keen awareness of our evangelistic task under God that helped to bind hearts and lives together in a closer fellowship at these conferences. That is a great blessing, indeed!

This is also a task that requires the fulness of God's power. It cannot be done in our own strength. It needs the dynamics of God's indwelling grace. The Holy Spirit must be in full control, illuminating and enabling the soul winner to carry out his divine responsibilities. The Pastors' Conference wrestled with this task of the Christian witness until the problem, that is often so elusive, was seen as the possible possession of every Christian if we are only willing to pay the price!

This task under God must always find us alert and aggressive for the Lord. We cannot relax in our fight against sin and indifference. We need to be awakened out of a sleep of lethargy and complacency. We must be on our toes, ready to do the Lord's bidding, redeeming time, prepared for every opportunity to witness and to serve. It was refreshing to learn that our pastors and laymen are eager and able to make many good suggestions and helpful contributions concerning how this work of God can best be carried on through our denomination to the glory of his Name!

In a few days the first of thirty-two Conferences on Evangelism will convene. These will be held in every part of our denominational territory in the United States and Canada. Prayerful preparations have been made for our people to receive inspiration and instruction for this task of ours under God. Get under the task with great concern and personal conviction!



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The imposing city of Jerusalem in Palestine (left) and shepherd fields around Bethlehem (right) with a lovely view of the Sea of Galilee (center) showing snow-capped Mt. Hermon in the distance.

My Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

The First of a Series of Two Articles by MRS. EVA GOODEN of Anaheim, California

EXCITED FEELINGS were mixed with questioning awe as the 47 passengers on the TWA plane caught the pilot's announcement, "There's Israel right down ahead of us!" "The HOLY LAND, the Holy Land," repeated one passenger after another. "There it is — isn't it beautiful!"

Within a matter of minutes we were flying low over the lovely green terrain, rolling hills and checkered fields of spring crops bursting up out of the warm earth, although it was only the middle of March. There on the seacoast of the blue, blue Mediterranean was the city of Tel Aviv (which also incorporates the ancient city of Jaffa) and just nine miles inland we landed at the Lydda airport, which is one of the most up-to-date airfields in the entire Middle East, and is the only airport capable of landing the large four-engined planes used by the international airlines.

It seemed utterly amazing to us that we had left New York City on Friday noon and here we were in the Holy Land on Monday morning, having spent twenty-four hours of that time in Rome as a stop-over. What a busy and full schedule was ahead of us for the ensuing week! Going through customs and exchanging American currency into Israeli pounds (and into other currency as we entered other foreign countries) required patience and more than a little concentration.

STATE OF ISRAEL

Our guides and drivers met us at Lydda, the airport, and were with us for the entire stay in Israel. We toured in a large bus plus one car and one station wagon—all American made vehicles, incidentally. Although Hebrew is the national language (because of Israel's past history during the last quarter century), English is spoken by many today in order to en-

courage goodwill through the tourist trade.

Driving to our first stop, Tel Aviv, we found the city to be a very fast moving, exhilarating place with streets entirely too narrow for the amount of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Cars weave in and out of traffic lanes, and pedestrians saunter across the streets in a most haphazard manner, while the honking of horns in a continuous highly pitched "beep-beep" reminded us of some of our big American cities during the five o'clock rush hour.

We were promptly escorted with great dignity to the office of the mayor and were properly welcomed by the town "clerk" (clerk) who had obviously been educated at Oxford. He gave us a short dissertation on the wonders of the new state while we, his weary audience, were trying to absorb his courteous introduction to Israel and its remarkable growth in the three years of its existence as the "State of Israel." Unfortunately, our short rations of sleep since leaving the United States made it difficult for us to appreciate all he said, until they revived us by treating our entire group to some delicious, sweet orange juice, so that we all agreed that we literally had had a good taste of the Holy Land from the start.

Only about 80 miles away lies the city of Haifa, the main seaport, which was one of the most beautiful cities we had the privilege of seeing. It is a thriving city of 150,000 (about half the size of Tel Aviv), and is a very

quiet place, since it is against the law to blow a horn on a car! Mt. Carmel is located here, and we felt our first ties with the Scriptures when we were reminded that it was here that Elijah lived while hiding from the King of Israel, while nearby this very place the 400 prophets of Baal were slain, and the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and licked up the water in the trench, as related in 1 Kings 18. Our tour group had a short devotional in the church located at the top of Mt. Carmel, called the Church of Elijah, which presumably marks the spot where the original cave was located.

PLAIN OF ESDRAELON

Driving along the Plain of Esdraelon (also called Valley of Jezreel) we found an agricultural area which formerly was malarial swamp land that has been drained and now put to good use. A short distance from the road was the town of Megiddo, referred to in the New Testament (Rev. 16:16) as Armageddon. Mt. Tabor rises up in the distance about 2,000 feet above sea level. The story in Matthew 17 refers to it as the Mount of Transfiguration, and in Judges 4 to 6 it is told that this is where the great event took place when Barak and Deborah gathered their men before the battle against Sisera.

In this area, also, we were reminded, the battle of Gideon with his three hundred men was fought. And, approaching the region of the Gilboa Mountains, was the town of Harod, the place of ancient historical significance where King Saul fought against the Philistines and then committed suicide. Here we visited a museum containing much of Jewish art and we saw many ancient coins dating back to the time of Christ when the shekel was a common piece of currency.

HOLY LAND VISITORS

Mrs. Eva Gooden, Mrs. Albert Steffins and Mr. Howard Green from Anaheim, Calif., composed part of the group which toured the Holy Land. They were delighted to become acquainted with Mr. Albert W. Strohschein of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, on this trip. It's a small world, after all!

We soon reached the quaint city of Nazareth which is predominantly an Arab town, the sixth largest in Israel, numbering about 20,000 people. This city, in contrast to the modern forty-year old Tel Aviv, has only one street that is suitable for vehicular traffic. All the other streets are just narrow dirt roads. The little, creamy-white buildings are of stone, closely crowded together, and are the typical Palestine buildings seen on so many of the pictures of Bible scenes which we are accustomed to seeing in our Sunday School papers or Bibles.

It was a wonderful experience to sleep in the city of Nazareth two nights and to walk up and down the streets where Jesus walked when he was a child. We saw the two churches which mark the places where the holy

family lived and where the carpenter shop was located. Both of these buildings have been built in more recent years, the previous churches having been destroyed and rebuilt two or three times in centuries past. However, one of the churches dates back to 1730, whereas the other was rebuilt in 1914 on the ruins of the church building of the 5th century.

Another landmark of great interest was Mary's well where the townspeople go to get their water. Here we saw women and younger girls carrying huge jugs of water balanced on the top of their heads, as they walked gracefully along the bumpy roads. The sewage system, also, is very antiquated. The water and refuse simply run down the middle of the street.

Driving to the Jordan River, we

came within a stone's throw of the Biblical site of Endor (recorded in 1 Samuel 28), now an abandoned Arab village. As we came to the Jordan River, we all were anxious to get samples of the water and the small smooth pebbles, as well as to take pictures. Nearly everyone had a camera and all of our people were busy every minute preparing to take just the right shot. I tried to get a small bottle of water and succeeded, but on our return to the hotel, promptly dropped it out of my pocket down onto the floor! However, we were able to bring some Jordan River water home from a large container, and so were adequately repaid for all our effort and trouble.

Driving along a short distance, we (Continued on Page 11)

Israel 1951 . . . Silver-tongued Miracle

By MR. ALBERT W. STROHSCHIEIN of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Following a Trip to Palestine

TO HAVE GONE forth to visit the Israel of 1951, and to return, is to have been honored with seeing an heroic and immortal people, for centuries homeless, persecuted and reviled, now emancipated and rising, vocal and Phoenix-like, from the ashes of the past, a new and glorious nation—a silver-tongued miracle.

CITY OF TEL AVIV

In a little more than a quarter of a century the Jewish people have made a tremendous achievement in Palestine. It was not surprising to hear the city clerk of Tel Aviv say when addressing our tourist group: "The site of our city in 1909 was a heap of sand dunes; but it was the only place which the Jews then could call home—the nucleus of 'own air'! Today the population of our flourishing and up-to-date city numbers 330,000." The growth of Tel Aviv is merely one symbol of the general transformation which is taking place.

At the end of the first World War, there were approximately fifty thousand Jews living in Palestine. In 1948, when the state of Israel came into being, there was slightly over half a million. Today, chiefly because of immigration during the past three years, the population of Israel is well over a million. This heterogeneous element, representing every social and economic level, and coming out of seventy different cultural and linguistic backgrounds in all quarters of the earth, intergrated into an active coherent human force displaying red-blooded patriotism and dynamic virility in striving toward a definite goal—a

homeland of justice and security for themselves—is one of the moving spectacles of our day.

"The land of milk and honey," after the dispersion reduced by the intruders into an eroded wasteland, is in process of being restored to charm and loveliness. Quietly, patiently, practically with their sweat and blood, the pioneers are turning back the desert, draining malarial swamplands, reclaiming to fertility seemingly uncultivable slopes, and terracing and afforesting denuded hills. Colonies and agricultural communities, in which almost every variant of co-operation is being tried, now number above six hundred. The orange plantations are among the best in the world.

ISRAEL'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Education and health are being achieved for the whole people. The Weizman Institute at Rehovoth, a well established group of scientific laboratories dealing with Palestine's technical problems of agriculture and industry, and the Rehovoth Agricultural Institute possess world-wide reputations. Racial tolerance and religious freedom have a good record. Extremes of wealth and poverty have thus far been avoided. Israel, the only genuine democracy in the entire Middle East, is defying ignorance, disease and poverty.

Everywhere in Israel the most thoughtful and loving care is given to children. In the homes children receive an outpouring of affection. In the schools, in addition to academic instruction, they learn trades and occupations which they later use. Or-

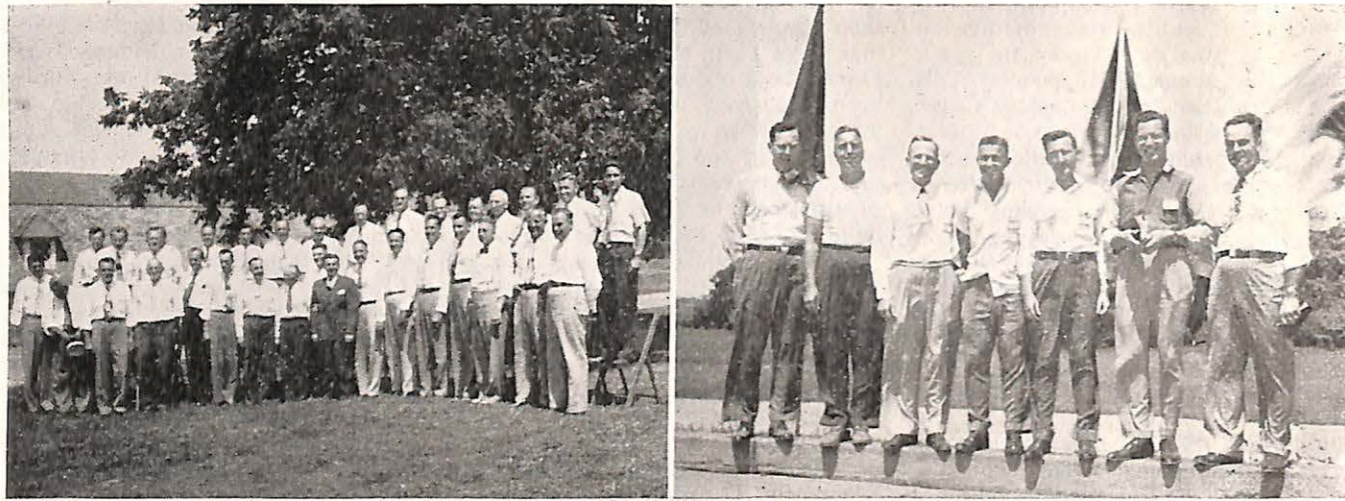
phans and uprooted children are given care, security, understanding, medical treatment, good food and wholesome surroundings, and are brought out into childhood carefree and alert. Youth Aliyah, a Youth Immigration movement, has brought home and educated some 50,000 children during the last fifteen years. Israel is thinking of tomorrow.

Israel's satisfaction in its accomplishments is qualified by concern at a constantly continuing accumulation of problems. Peace with its neighbors is by no means assured. Defense measures drain resources which are sorely needed for civilian affairs. Immigrants, entering at the rate of 200,000 a year, need land and homes and jobs. Israel is not self-sustaining. Imports exceed exports eight to one. Unbending religious orthodoxy has potentialities for a crusade which, if launched, may interfere with freedom of worship.

LET'S NOT FORGET THE JEW

Coincident with other momentous events, the return of the Jew to Palestine bears eloquent testimony to the accuracy of God's Word. Obviously, the stage is being set for final events. Israel's reestablishment also reminds us that our opportunity to be Christ's witnesses may be very brief.

In buying up our opportunities, let us not forget the Jew. Under the surface of his concern with material success, there is an obvious substrata of soul hunger which neither Zionism nor Judaism can satisfy. "Christ is the answer!"



The Ministers' Chorus directed by the Rev. Edmund Mittelstedt at the Green Lake Pastors' Conference (left) and an informal line-up of some of the ministers against the Assembly flags.

Left to right: Alex Elsesser, J. G. Benke, Arthur Schulz, Walter Gummelt, Herbert Schauer, Ervin Gerlitz and Raymond Dickau.

Pastors' Conference at Green Lake, Wis.

The days of July 21 to 27 at the Pastors' Conference were crowded with adventures of Christian fellowship and spiritual searching of hearts for the 120 ministers in attendance

Report by the REV. JOHN E. GRYGO of Chicago, Illinois

DAVID'S blessed words: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," have again demonstrated their worth. Many ministers come with anxious hearts to the Pastors' Conference, held at Green Lake, Wis., from July 21 to 27, wondering what the Lord had in store for them. But how pleasantly surprised were even the more optimistic brethren over the extraordinary manifestation of God's grace. How could it be otherwise?

"FACING OUR TASK"

The William Carey Abbey and the Long House became again our happy bachelor quarters. Men who have not seen each other for years had an opportunity to greet each other again. Those who have come recently into our fellowship made themselves liked and accepted.

The conference theme: "Facing Our Task Under God," was aptly chosen and admirably adhered to by the participants on the program, and the rest followed their example.

Our excellent Bible teacher, Dr. William Adams, president of the Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kans., again expounded the Word to us so masterly and beneficially. The letter to the Romans has now become even more precious to us, and the plan of salvation more sublime than ever.

Many of his pithy sayings will long

be remembered. Here are a few: "Atonement can't be explained. The Bible never explains it; it only declares it and we must accept it. The blood alone does not save; it is the life in the blood that saves. God does not always punish on the spot. People today can know God, if they want to. Hardening is always looked upon as punishment."

A rare treat was the Sunday evening message by Dr. J. Maurice Trimmer, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va., who spoke on "God's Law of Compensation." His main point was: A preacher's compensation is the preaching of the Gospel.

WEIGHTY WORDS

But our men are good, too. From their lips witty and weighty words have fallen in grand profusion. However, only several can be brought to our attention:

"The inner life makes ultimately the preacher. Jesus' preaching was not professional but powerful."—Rev. Daniel Fuchs.

"If there are icicles in the pew, there must be a polar bear in the pulpit."—Rev. William Hoover.

"Pastors and laymen will understand each other better, if they have more fellowship in the things of God."—Rev. Edwin Miller.

"Our veteran ministers have been true messengers of God; preaching

the Gospel of his redeeming love, incorporated in the sacrificial love of Christ on the cross."—Rev. Frank Veninga.

"We have too much outward piety. It is not our task, nor the denomination's task, it is God's task."—Rev. Paul Wengel.

"Our convention could have a three million dollar budget, if our people would be willing to give the tenth. We are raising now only two million, that is, for home and abroad."—Dr. Frank Woyke.

"Let us remember the other pastor is also called of God."—Rev. Paul Zoschke.

UPLIFTING SINGING

To hear ministers sing is a joyful experience. Solos were beautifully rendered. Quartets were highly appreciated. The men's chorus, under the magnificent leadership of the Rev. Edmund Mittelstedt, stirred even the slow and weary. The song services were truly uplifting. There never was a dearth of spirited song leaders. It will be a sad day for our people, when they will have forgotten the songs of the Lord.

The long book table, very invitingly arranged, was a constant center of attraction. The reason: Rev. E. J. Baumgartner had not placed "hands off" signs on the books. Yes, he even went so far as to encourage us to

Baptist Men at Green Lake

Report by MR. FRED W. GROSSER of Forest Park, Illinois

THE LAYMEN'S Conference, which was held from July 28 to August 4 at Green Lake, Wis., ended on August 4th, but like ripples in the water, the beneficial influences of that gathering will continue to spread in ever widening circles throughout our churches and denomination.

Those who attend will be remembering those joyful days for months to come—the beautiful surroundings, the recreational features, the rich, profitable addresses and discussions

men recognized the Laymen's Conference at Green Lake to be a real opportunity for a week's vacation with their families under ideal circumstances. Although publicized as a laymen's conference, 91 women and 66 children were in attendance.

People from distant places were there, from California, from New York, from Canada and from points in between. The registration list showed attendance by states, as follows: California, 3; Illinois, 39; Iowa, 10; Kansas, 4; Michigan, 79; Minnesota, 17;

read without buying and to buy without paying—at least, not then.

A very attractive picture gallery covered the bleak walls of the ground floor of the Abbey. It was indeed a photographer's paradise. Those numerous photographs told the remarkable story of our denomination at work. Besides these, two special features on the program won wide acclaim. They were the stereopticon missionary lecture by our missionary, the Rev. Gilbert Schneider of Camerouns, and the motion picture film about the 1952 General Conference in Philadelphia, Pa., by Dr. Martin L. Leuschner.

One evening was dedicated to "honoring our elderly ministers." Eleven of these "veterans of the faith" occupied the "glory seats"—the front row. The Rev. Henry Sellhorn held the place of honor. Being 84 years old, he could boast of having been in the ministry for 54 years.

DR. KUHN'S HOME GOING

It was during this memorable hour that everyone was painfully aware of the absence of our very much revered Dr. William Kuhn. Alas! no one realized that God was slowly taking him home. On the next day, Tuesday evening, Dr. Frank Woyke sadly announced the departure that afternoon of our highly esteemed brother in Christ. Never did the words of the Gospel song: "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wistful eye to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie," sound so other-worldly to us as during that short but impressive memorial service.

A solemn hush fell upon the great hall as everyone reverently bowed in silent prayer. Then, when Dr. Martin L. Leuschner, who for many years was privileged to labor so harmoniously with our former general secretary, gave praise to God for him, who was and is no more; yet, now enjoying the reward of his glorious Lord, whom he so sincerely and faithfully served, our hearts were made heavy, for we too had lost one who so richly blessed our lives.

How crowded were the days! Only a few hours were assigned for recreation. In-door and out-door sports were joyously indulged in. Small wonder then, that dinner time would be the merriest of the day. The meals were gratefully consumed. Pleasantries were freely exchanged. Choruses were cheerfully sung. Yes, even announcements from the authorities received proper attention.

SPIRITUAL CONCERN

What made this year's conference so outstanding, however, was the commendable fact that a deep spiritual concern for ourselves and our churches was visibly noticeable. Already before breakfast the brethren came to

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Some of the many people at the Laymen's Conference at Green Lake, Wis., hungrily wait for the Abbey's dining room doors to open at the lunch hour.

and the wonderful Christian fellowship. All were made possible at a financial cost so moderate that it would seem to be within the reach of almost anyone.

The total registration this year was 222, a fine increase over the first conference. For the majority this was their second experience. Evidently they enjoyed the first Laymen's Conference so much that they considered a second one worth-while. Surely, they together with those who attended for the first time will be anxiously awaiting information regarding the next one and will plan to be there.

It was interesting to note how many

LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE PICTURE

The large panoramic picture of the Laymen's Conference crowd at Green Lake, Wis., taken by Mr. Herman Siemund turned out exceptionally well. Orders for the same at \$1.50 each can be sent to Headquarters, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. All proceeds will be contributed by Mr. Siemund to the denominational missionary enterprise.

New York, 6; Ohio, 31; Oklahoma, 2; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 8; Texas, 5; Wisconsin, 13; South Dakota, 1; Canada, 3.

That those in attendance were not primarily interested in the recreational features was evidenced by the fine number present at all the meetings. Outstanding in this respect were the Bible studies, conducted by Dr. A. J. Harms, every session of which was fully attended. Dr. Harms, pastor of the Woodlawn Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., brought a series of Bible expositions on the book of James.

Much credit is due the officers and directors of Baptist men for initiating this movement in our denomination. The panel presentations, in which the issues of the day, problems of church and denomination were discussed were much too short. It is evident that our laymen are concerned with how best to promote God's Kingdom within our denomination and are desirous of having a part in its promotion.

Laymen's Conference at the Baptist Assembly

A Woman's Point of View About the Second Laymen's Conference Held from July 28 to August 4 by MRS. ADEL STABBERT of Anaheim, Calif.

WOMEN at a Laymen's Retreat? Yes, indeed! Children? Certainly—tots and teens and in-betweens! Men? Yes, the men were also there!

As you may have already surmised, this article is to deal with a woman's impressions of the Laymen's Retreat—a wonderful week of spiritual and physical refreshment.

Roll call on the first evening revealed the presence of over 200 representatives from Alberta, Canada, to Texas; from New York to California; and even from the Cameroons represented by Mr. George Henderson and the Rev. Gilbert Schneider.

GREEN LAKE'S BEAUTY

They say a woman's primary interest is men. That may account for our interest in the Laymen's Retreat. However, it goes farther than that. Our interest as women in things that are beautiful was satisfied with the indescribable beauty of Green Lake. How indebted we are to the American Baptists for the privilege of meeting on their Assembly grounds which are dedicated to "a closer walk with God!" Certainly, one could not help but feel the nearness of God in such a beautiful place. Here, completely away from the cares and distractions of the world, we were able to "walk with HIM" and "talk with HIM."

Since women are interested in things spiritual, the blessings we received from the meetings will long be cherished. The devotions led by various laymen were fitting beginnings for the days. At one of these we heard Mr. Ernest Hildebrand of Stafford, Kansas, tell of his experiences in the Cameroons as building supervisor. The very practical teachings found in the book of James were ably taught in his inimitable way by Dr. Abraham J. Harms of Chicago, Illinois. This was one of the highlights of the retreat. The Rev. Gilbert Schneider in a novel presentation gave us information about the Cameroons. We were told that the greatest need there today is trained native Christian workers. We also had in our evening meetings other inspirational guest speakers from the American Baptist Assembly.

A report such as this cannot begin to relate the many good things we heard. Perhaps a few choice quotations gleaned here and there may convey some of the thoughts expressed: "Men need God; God needs men" (Ted Hirsch); "God gives the very best to those who leave the choice to him,"

FACING OUR TASK UNDER GOD

By. MR. ALFRED BRACHLOW
of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Tune—"Christ Arose."

Facing our task under God,
North American Baptist laymen, rise;
Christ our Captain leads us on to
victory;

We shall conquer as we follow loyally
Ever on—watch and pray,
Never falter in the fray!

"A Christian is one whose life reminds people of Jesus Christ" (Dr. A. J. Harms); "Our family came to America to find gold, and we found God" (Jitsuo Morikawa); and "Use your religion or lose it" (Adam Yung).

LIVELY DISCUSSIONS

What woman doesn't relish a good lively discussion? The panel presentations were a popular part of the daily program. The women too were given an opportunity to participate in one of these. They proved to be so thought provoking and stimulating that much discussion ensued from the floor. Time alone limited this part of the program.

Dr. Harms expressed the value of panel discussions in saying that when two people exchange dollars, each still has a dollar; but when they exchange thoughts they have two thoughts. These discussions certainly resulted in an exchange of a wealth of thoughts.

Women love good music, hence our appreciation of the special music which Mr. Arthur Thom arranged for the meetings. His ability to scout for talent was evidenced by the fine vocal and instrumental music we enjoyed.

We also recognize and appreciate good leadership such as we found in Ted Hirsch, the capable president of "Baptist Men," Stanley Ernst, program chairman; Robert Biesanz, recreational committee chairman; Roland Ross, secretary; and others whose tireless efforts made the retreat a success.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

To stress only the spiritual would be only part of the picture. Christian fellowship and recreation also played a very important part. There were the "get acquainted" hour and the snackery activities after the evening meetings! There was the fellowship around the tables at meals! How pleasant to recall the evening swim and

the marshmallow roast and singspiration around the camp fire when we were thrilled to see the Northern Lights brighten the sky while we were singing! And shall we ever forget the gathering in the snackery the last evening for choruses and testimonies?

FEASTING ON MEMORIES

How we women love to feast on memories! Those of Green Lake are indelibly imprinted on our minds and souls as we return home to carry out the theme of the conference, "Facing our tasks under God."

Yes, there were women at the Laymen's Retreat.

The women advance
When the laymen retreat.
We share in their program!
We eat when they eat.

We sing when they sing;
We play when they play.
When they talk, we listen;
They hear what we say.

We are happy they asked us
To join their retreat.
And we think that our laymen
Just cannot be beat!

PASTORS' CONFERENCE

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gether and beseeched the Almighty God to bless their ministry. One brother cried: "O Lord, let us close the umbrella of self-righteousness, so that we might be drenched and refreshed from on high!" Others prayed for their churches, that the Lord would cleanse them from all worldliness and miserliness. Many pleaded with God for souls.

Again and again supplications would ascend in behalf of our ailing brethren at home. The names, John Kepl and Fred Lehr, could be heard frequently. And one late night, a group came together for a special consecration hour, during which the presence of the Lord was marvelously manifest. It is a welcome sign when ministers become signally disturbed in their souls!

Taking all the happy and blessed experiences into consideration, we are quite certain, that the sincere prayer of little Bobby, the son of one of our pastors, was graciously answered. He prayed thus: "O God, please have a good time with my daddy and the other ministers at Green Lake!" Indeed, it was good for us to have been there.

The First Youth Leaders' Retreat

Report About the Retreat at Green Lake, Wis., from July 27 to 29
by MISS ELLEN LEHR of Aplington, Iowa

ABOUT FIFTY Commissioned Youth and Sunday School Union leaders gathered in the Abbey area of the American Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, Wis., on Friday, July 27, for the first leaders' conference of this Union. Members of the General Conference Union executive committee and Miss Martha Leyppoldt, office assistant, planned the two-day program.

The week end conference opened on Friday evening with participants joining the North American Baptist pastors in the final meeting of their retreat. The Rev. Harold Gieseke, president of the General Conference Union, and Mr. Ralph Kletke, council representative at large, participated in the evening service. Following the service the young people were joined by the pastors for a campfire service. We felt the nearness of God as we sang choruses, heard the testimonies of three of the leaders present, and prayed for God's guidance in the work he has given us to do.

INSPIRATIONAL HOURS

Saturday was begun at the Cathedral in the Glen, a replica of Hopevale where the missionaries to the Philippines lost their lives at the hands of the Japanese soldiers. A spirit of quietness and meditation prevailed as we lifted our hearts to God in that early morning hour. Mr. Milton Lippert, vice-president of our General Conference Union, presided at the service, blending, in his very efficient way, each portion of the program with the theme of the service, "Living With God." Dr. M. L. Leuschner told us the story of Hopevale. Ramona Schacht and Joyce Casten favored us with musical numbers. We were directed in our thinking on our theme as Dave Nasgowitz of Milwaukee, Wis.; Adeline Zimbelman of Burlington, Iowa, and Jerry Osborn of Chicago, Ill., spoke on the subjects, "Begin With God," "Continue With God," and "Work With God."

Harold Gieseke presided at the Saturday morning sessions of the retreat. During the first part of the morning the members of the executive committee presented all aspects of the work of the General Conference Union. The duties of council representatives, along with suggestions for the accomplishment of these duties, were presented by Ellen Lehr, Northwestern Conference representative. Opportunity was given for questions from the group regarding the work presented.

We spent the remaining time speaking about the themes, "Serving Christ Through Our CBYs" and later, "Serving Christ Through Our Sunday Schools." Milton Lippert presided over the first session. Ways in which we serve him through our CBY Camps and our Youth Week services were given by Ellen Lehr. Mildred Wolfe, representative from the Central Conference, told us how we can serve him through the use of the "Youth Compass." Eldon Schroeder, president

Conference, was presented by Walter Stalker of Watertown, Wisconsin. Sunday School Week, another way of serving Christ, was pictured for us by Harold Johns of Forest Park, Illinois.

The leaders gathered at the Point facing Judson Tower after the evening service. Looking at the lighted cross we were conscious anew of all that was done for us at Calvary. After a brief time of singing songs and choruses we joined hands as each one prayed, thanking God for the bless-



Young people who attended the first Leaders' Retreat of the Commissioned Youth and Sunday School Union from July 27 to 29 at Green Lake, Wisconsin.

of the Kansas CBY, showed us how God can be served through the aid given from the CBY Handbook. "Serving Christ Through Rallies" was shown us by Emanuel Wolff.

ENLIGHTENING DISCUSSIONS

Walter Pankratz, past president of the General Conference Union, presided over the discussion of ways in which we can "Serve Christ Through Our Sunday Schools." Vernon Heckman, Sunday School representative from the Northwestern Conference, presented the Sunday School Standard and ways in which each one can serve through this channel. Ed Wolff, president of the Central Conference Commissioned Youth and Sunday School Union, spoke of the ways in which we can serve through Scripture Memory work and then through the Junior Camps. The Vacation Bible School as a means of service was given by Miss Marie Baudisch of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Another avenue of service and training, the Christian Workers'

experiences, and greater knowledge of his task for us attained in these days and asking him to guide us in our work for him.

SUNDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

Early Sunday morning we again gathered for an early service. This was our last meeting as a group of leaders. Here again, after a devotional message by Eldon Schroeder, we sought God in prayer and asked from him guidance in his work.

Some of the CY and SS Union leaders participated in the Sunday School hour of the Laymen's Conference. The members of the executive committee presented the Sunday School Standard, bringing to the attention of the laymen the importance of each of the ten points in the Standard.

The weekend conference proved very helpful to all the leaders present. With the CBY and Sunday School Standards as guides, each organization can and will go forward with Christ.

Schedule for Conferences on Evangelism

Information

About 32 Conferences to Be Held in September and October 1951



OUR DENOMINATIONAL program on EVANGELISM needs to be intensified if we are to reach our objective of 7000 baptisms and souls to be won for Christ by the time of our 1952 General Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This was the urgent note sounded at the recent Pastors' and Laymen's Conference in Green Lake, Wis., and it is also the spirit which has motivated the General Council to project the Fall program of at least thirty Conferences on Evangelism. We need to redeem the time that is before us!

During a period of about six weeks in September and October we hope to hold 32 Conferences on Evangelism in all areas of our denominational territory. The initial plans for these Conferences have been made by the General Council and the secretarial staff at Forest Park, Illinois. These leaders will continue to present and to promote these plans for our churches everywhere. But the real preparation for and carrying out of the plans for these Conferences must still be in the hands of our pastors and laymen. THIS IS OUR TASK TOGETHER!

Posters and leaflets with detailed information about the conferences and their programs have been sent to the churches. The following schedule for the conferences has been arranged.

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

1. Philadelphia Area

Place—Pilgrim Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dates—October 16-17, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Arthur McAsh, Pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan.

2. Newark, New Jersey

Place—Clinton Hill Church, Newark, New Jersey.

Date—Thursday, October 18, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Arthur McAsh of Detroit, Michigan.

3. New York City Area

Place—Second German Baptist Church, New York, New York.

Date—Friday, October 19, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Arthur McAsh of Detroit, Michigan.

4. New England Area

Place—King's Highway Baptist Church, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Date—Tuesday, October 23, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Arthur McAsh of Detroit, Michigan.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

5. Illinois Area

Place—Foster Avenue Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois.

Date—Tuesday, October 9, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Fred Ferris, Lorraine, Kansas.

6. Detroit Area

Place—Ebenezer Church, Detroit, Michigan.

Date—Wednesday, October 10, 1951
Guest Speaker—Rev. Fred Ferris, Lorraine, Kansas.

7. Northern Michigan Area

Place—Beaver Church, Midland, Michigan.

Date—Friday, October 12, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Fred Ferris, Lorraine, Kansas.

8. Ohio Churches (Vicinity)

Place—Shroyer Road Church, Dayton, Ohio.

Date—October 16 and 17, 1951.
Guest Speaker: Rev. Daniel Fuchs of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE

9. Northern North Dakota Area

Place—Harvey, North Dakota.

Date—October 9-10, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. C. H. Seecamp, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

10. Central Dakota Area

Place—Linton, North Dakota.

Date—October 11-12, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. C. H. Seecamp of Leduc, Alberta.

11. Montana and Western Dakota

Place—Plevna, Montana.

Date—October 16-17, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. J. C. Schweitzer, Pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church, Vancouver, B. C.

12. South Dakota Area

Place—Trinity Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Date—Friday, October 19, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. J. C. Schweitzer, of Vancouver, B. C.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

13. Ontario Area

Place—First Baptist Church, Arnprior, Ontario.

Date—October 9-10, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Pastor of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

14. Western New York Area

Place—Bethel Church, Buffalo, New York.

Date—Friday, October 12, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Daniel Fuchs of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

15. Saskatchewan Area

Place—Springside, Saskatchewan.

Date—October 10-11, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. John Wobig, Pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon.

16. Northern Alberta Area

Place—Central Church, Edmonton, Alberta.

Date—Friday, October 12, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. John Wobig of Portland, Oregon.

17. Southern Alberta Area

Place—Carbon, Alberta.

Date—October 15-16, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. John Wobig of Portland, Oregon.

18. Central Saskatchewan and Alberta

Place—Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Date—October 17-18, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. John Wobig of Portland, Oregon.

19. Manitoba Area

Place—McDermot Avenue Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Date—October 16-17, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. C. H. Seecamp, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

NORTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

20. Iowa Area

Place—Sheffield, Iowa.

Date—October 30-31, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Richard K. Mercer, Pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Newark, New Jersey.

21. Minnesota Area

Place—Riverview Church, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Date—Wednesday, October 3, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. G. E. Friedenberg, Pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Buffalo, New York.

22. Wisconsin Area

Place—Watertown, Wisconsin.

Date—October 4-5, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. G. E. Friedenberg of Buffalo, New York.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE

23. Southern California Area

Place—Bethel Church, Anaheim, California.

Date—September 25-26, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Schreiber, Pastor of the Foster Avenue Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois.

24. Central California Area

Place—Elk Grove, California.

Date—September 27-28, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Schreiber of Chicago, Illinois.

25. Oregon Area

Place—Trinity Church, Portland, Ore.

Date—Tuesday, October 2, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Schreiber of Chicago, Illinois.

26. British Columbia (Vicinity)

Place—Ebenezer Church, Vancouver British Columbia.

Date—October 4-5, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Schreiber of Chicago, Illinois.

27. Eastern Washington, Idaho and Montana

Place—First Baptist Church, Colfax, Washington.

Date—Tuesday, October 9, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Robert Schreiber of Chicago, Illinois.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

28. Northern Texas Area

Place—Cottonwood Church, Lorena, Texas.

Date—September 20-21, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. P. G. Neumann of Costa Mesa, California.

29. Southern Texas Association

Place—Greenvine Church, Burton, Texas.

Date—Sept. 24-25, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. P. G. Neumann of Costa Mesa, California.

SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

30. Oklahoma Area

Place—Immanuel Church, near Loyal, Oklahoma.

Date—September 18-19, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. P. G. Neumann of Costa Mesa, California.

31. Kansas Area

Place—Ellinwood, Kansas.

Date—October 23-24, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Richard K. Mercer, Pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Newark, New Jersey.

32. Nebraska-Colorado Area

Place—Beatrice, Nebraska.

Date—October 25-26, 1951.
Guest Speaker—Rev. Richard K. Mercer of Newark, New Jersey.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Any changes which have to be made in the schedule will be announced in the next issue of the HERALD.

MY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

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came into view of the lovely Sea of Galilee, now called Lake Tiberias, extending nine miles long and about seven miles across. Date palm trees as well as eucalyptus trees, which lined the edge of the lake, reminded those of us who were from Southern California, of our own state.

At the north end of the lake was Capernaum. Nothing remains except a few ruins of an old synagogue which marks the place where Jesus preached and came to live after he was rejected at Nazareth. It was near here, too, that Peter's wife's mother lived, and the hillside surrounding the lake in this vicinity was the place where the five thousand were fed.

Returning to Nazareth for the night, we had an opportunity to obtain some things of the local handcraft, such as a typical plough used in the rocky area—a miniature of the type of equipment needed in that rough terrain—as well as native laces and typical Arab headdress, inasmuch as Nazareth is almost one hundred percent Arab. Another nearby Arab town, the Biblical site of Cana of Galilee, was seen in the distance as we traveled along the road. It was here that Jesus performed his first miracle of the changing of water into wine (John 2).

MOHAMMEDAN MOSQUE

Returning to the seacoast of the Mediterranean, we stopped at the ancient town of Acre, famous in history as the stronghold of Richard the Lion-Hearted. Here we saw a Mohammedan mosque carpeted with Oriental rugs. We were required to remove our shoes before entering. There were no seats of any kind since in their mode of worship it is the custom to kneel down and touch the head to the floor. This was the first and only opportunity we had of seeing a place of worship such as this. This ancient, mixed Arab-Jewish village had many very narrow, winding streets across which one could jump and were lined with very small shops closely crowded together. They were no larger than a single garage and opened directly onto the little narrow streets.

Breads and pretzels are sold out in the open, and immediately adjacent are other shops where brooms are sold, perhaps a barber shop next to it, and ever so many items, all gather-

ing the dust of the road stirred up by the passersby. An unusual sight caught our attention along these streets in Acre. A number of men were sitting leisurely along the streets smoking opium bottle pipes. They did not appear to appreciate our attempts to take their picture, as we gathered from their unwelcome grunts. Acre is an important port and has been the scene of many battles but was never taken by the Jews and is an Arab town of 10,000 population today.

One of the festivals celebrated by the Jewish people during the time we spent in Israel is what is called Purim. It is a time of great joy and celebration. Children dress in various costumes and wear masks or paint their faces. We were interested to see the activities in the town and one of the ministers was such a close observer that it resulted in his getting a hole burned in the cuff of his trousers due to a firecracker accidentally thrown away by some youngster.

ISRAEL'S GROWTH

The next noon we met the mayor of Haifa who continued the celebration of Purim by treating our tour party to some coffee and sweet cakes called Haman's ears. We wondered why this strange name was used for such delicious cakes and were told that the Jewish people were so happy over the victory of Queen Esther that to this day they punish the villain Haman and eat his ears.

The mayor reviewed the events occurring in Israel the past three years, emphasizing the increased Jewish population from 600,000 to 1,300,000. The increase of more than 200,000 a year, more than half of whom are from Iraq, has been a great problem from the standpoint of housing, feeding and absorbing the immigrants. However, the mayor stated that the people are very confident that they will solve their problems with the help of their own people and the understanding of the world.

One of the members of our party, who was a Christian Jew, asked the blessing for our food in Hebrew, a typical prayer spoken by Hebrew children. He then repeated it in English for our benefit: "Blessed be the good King of the universe who has grown our bread from the ground."

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SPECIAL SUNDAYS ON EVANGELISM IN NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 4—Sunday of Prayer for Evangelistic Power.
All North American Baptist Churches are to unite in prayer for God's blessings upon our denominational evangelistic effort.

Sunday, November 11—Exchange Sunday

Every pastor will plan for an exchange with a neighboring minister, emphasizing the topic, "Every Baptist Church an Evangelistic Church."

Watch for Further Announcements About These Sundays in November!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● It has been announced that the Rev. Charles Lee has resigned as pastor of the Memorial Baptist Church of New Britain, Connecticut. His resignation became effective. Mr. Lee was serving the church during his studies at a nearby school. The church is seeking God's will regarding a new pastor.

● The Rev. Rubin Kern hoped to begin his ministry at the Forest Park Baptist Church of Forest Park, Ill., on Sunday, Sept. 9. He and his family have moved into the newly purchased Taylor Street, Oak Park, Illinois. Mr. Kern is succeeding the Rev. C. B. Nordland at the Forest Park Church.

● The Ebenezer Baptist Church of Elmo, Kansas, has extended a call to Mr. Norman Berkan, a 1951 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, in Southey, S. Dak., whose home is replied favorably to the call and is already on the field serving as its pastor. He has succeeded the Rev. William G. Trow, who is now in Utah.

● Mr. John N. Kittlitz and Mrs. F. Stoermer of the Central Baptist Church of Waco, Texas, sailed from Brownsville, Texas, on August 8 for a two-months vacation in Germany. Mr. Kittlitz will visit his Braunschweig, while Mrs. Stoermer visits her sister and two brothers in southern Germany.

● The Arthur Street Baptist Church of Spokane, Wash., has called Mr. Walter Berkan, a 1951 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as its pastor. Mr. Berkan's reply has been favorable. He will begin his pastorate in the church in September, succeeding the Rev. F. W. Bartel, now of Chilliwack, British Columbia. Mr. Berkan's home church is in Southey, Sask.

● The Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider of Dallas, Oregon, Cameroons missionaries now at home on furlough, have announced that a daughter was born to them on August 23rd. She has been named Mary Alice. Mr. Schneider hopes to enroll in the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School of Berkeley, Calif., this Fall for a semester of graduate studies. He will also visit some of our churches on a brief promotional tour.

● The Baptist Church of Turtle Lake, N. Dak., has extended a call to the Rev. Alfred Bibelheimer of Drake, N. Dak., to which he has responded favorably. Mr. Bibelheimer, who is a graduate of our Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., and who served as pastor of several North American churches, has been the minister of the Baptist Church in Drake for the past eight years. He will begin his pastorate in Turtle Lake on October 1st, succeeding the Rev. Fred Schmidt, now of Madison, South Dakota.

● The Rev. John F. Crouthamel has again resigned as pastor of the Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., and has terminated his pastorate there on Sunday, Sept. 2. He has accepted the call of the Baptist Church of Somerville, N. J., after certain satisfactory changes were made in the church's constitution. The Fleischmann Memorial Church has asked the Rev. Victor J. Hammond, formerly of Jamesburg, N. J., to serve as interim pastor for the next few weeks.

● On Sunday morning, Aug. 5, the Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Missoula, Mont., received 13 new members into the fellowship of the Bethel Baptist Church. The Sunday School attendance reached a high of 167 on that day. Among the guests in attendance were the Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Freeman of the Ebenezer Church of West New York, N. J., who were on a vacation trip. The King's Stewards Quartet of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., delighted a large audience with a fine program on July 31st.

● The Forest Baptist Church of Munson, Pa., held revival meetings from July 8 to 19 with Dr. A. S. Felberg as evangelist. Three persons made their confessions of faith in Christ and were baptized by the Rev. George W. Zinz, Sr., on Sunday, July 29. Eleven of the Protestant churches of Cooper Township held a union Vacation Bible School during the past summer. Mr. Zinz had the honor of serving as the school's dean. A total of 175 children attended the classes which were taught by twelve teachers.

● The General Missionary Committee has appointed Dr. John Leypoldt as interim evangelist from Oct. 1, 1951 to Dec. 31, 1951 to carry out the assignments of Dr. A. S. Felbert, former

evangelist who recently resigned in order to accept the call extended to him by the Ebenezer Church of Vancouver, B. C. Dr. Leypoldt has responded favorably to the request of the missionary committee. Since his resignation as pastor of the Bethany Church of Milwaukee, Wis., he is available to all of our churches for an interim or supply ministry.

● The First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., held a Vacation Bible School from June 11 to 20 with an enrollment of 44 children and an average attendance of 42. The pastor, the Rev. Jothan G. Benke, served as superintendent of the school. A demonstration program was held on Wednesday evening, June 20. At the communion service on Sunday morning, August 5, Mr. Benke had the privilege of welcoming the remaining five members of the Lebanon Baptist Church into the Watertown church.

● On Sunday evening, Aug. 5, the Rev. W. Miller, pastor of the Erin Ave. Church of Cleveland, Ohio, baptized two converts and received them into the fellowship of the church on Sunday, August 12. On Saturday, Aug. 11, at the Cleveland Youth for Christ meeting held in the City Mission, the Rev. Dale Chaddock of Victor, Iowa, who was visiting with the Millers, showed the film, "Regions Beyond." Evangelistic meetings will be held in the Erin Ave. Church from Sept. 24 to Oct. 3 with the Rev. Herman Mauch of Bluefield, W. Va., as evangelist.

● From June 21 to 24 a delegation of three pastors, the Reverends R. Milbrandt of Medicine Hat, Alta., Hugo Lueck of Edmonton, Alta., and John Wahl of Onoway, Alta., visited the mission field and church at Valley View, Alberta. Services were held with special features for the children. God's people were strengthened in their faith. The visiting group reported signs of encouraging promise in the Peace River district 300 miles north of Edmonton. At present, the Rev. and Mrs. Eldon Janzen are carrying on effectively in their ministry at the Valley View church.

● The Open Air Sunday evening services of Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., have attracted good sized crowds of people. They are held in a grove of trees, adjoining the

church. On Aug. 12 the featured singer was Judy Spain and her talented group from Los Angeles, California. Adora Norlander, the Swedish Nightingale, sang on Sunday evening, Aug. 19. Mr. Carl Witt as soloist and Mr. Don Witt, violinist, of the Ebenezer Church provided the music on Aug. 26 with the Rev. Fred Kendall of the Hebrew Mission bringing the message. The Rev. E. Arthur McAsh is pastor of the church.

● The 55th anniversary of the Baptist Church of Fessenden, N. Dak., was observed on Sunday, August 5, with festive gatherings and inspirational services. The Rev. Richard Schilke of Forest Park, Ill., was the guest speaker at the evening service. Former pastors who were in attendance and who took part in the program were the Reverends August Kraemer of Edmonton, Alta., Thomas Stoeri of St. Joseph, Mich., Otto Fiesel of Sidney, Montana, R. Sigmund of Bismarck, N. Dak., besides the Rev. John Broeder of Creston, Neb., a son of the church. The Rev. Vernon Link, pastor, was in charge of the program.

● The Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Hoffmann of Millet, Alberta, of the Wiesenthal Baptist Church have announced that a son was born to them on July 25 who has been named David Alan. This is their first child. The Rev. and Mrs. Norman Klann of the Second Baptist Church of Union City, N. J., have sent word that a son was born to them on June 27. He has been named David Alfred. This is their third child, a set of twins having been born to them five years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hirth of Chicago, Ill., who have been appointed as our first missionaries for Japan, have announced the birth of a daughter on August 9 who has been named Linda Lee. The family will sail for Japan early in November.

● The Immanuel Church of Kankakee, Ill., held a farewell reception for Miss Ruby Salzman, Cameroons missionary, on Sunday evening, Aug. 5. The program and reception were planned by the King's Daughters and Salzman Guild of the church. A poem in honor of Miss Salzman was read by Mrs. W. T. Edwards and a women's quintet sang "Anywhere With Jesus." Miss Alethea Kose of Chicago, Ill., was present and brought a brief message. Miss E. Ardice Ziolkowski, a missionary-nurse who since then has gone with Miss Salzman to Africa, was introduced. Ruby Salzman responded graciously to the many expressions of kindness from the church and pastor, the Rev. F. Y. Lower. A memorial offering for missions in honor of the late Dr. William Kuhn was received by the church following some comments by the Rev. M. L. Leuschner. Dr. Frank H. Woyke brought the closing prayer and benediction.

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

YOUTH COMPASS TOPICS

September 9—"IN MY OPINION" by Rev. Loyal A. Funk.
September 16—"NOW IT'S YOUR TURN" by Rev. Ronald C. MacCormack, Maywood, Illinois.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK—SEPTEMBER 23-30

This is the greatest opportunity for the Sunday School in the entire year. Superintendents, officers and teachers should make the most of this week. Superintendents should make good use of the materials sent out from the Conference Union office. Together with your ideas and plans, Sunday School Week will be a great success.

PASTORS AND CHURCH OFFICERS

We urge our church leaders to get behind Sunday School Week. Sunday School officers, teachers and scholars alike need your fervent prayers but also your counsel and loyal support. This week can be a great spiritual experience if we all work together in the spirit of Christ.

OUR FIRST LEADERS' RETREAT

Our first Leaders' Retreat at Green Lake was a great success in every way. Representative leaders were present from all but two of the nine conferences. Each leader made a significant contribution. We received our God-given responsibilities with joy.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE

In many local conferences our Sunday School workers and CBY leaders will plan and gather for an area Workers' Conference this Fall. Encourage the workers and leaders of your church to attend the Workers' Conference in your area. These conferences are most educational and inspirational as leaders share the entire local church program. Besides that there is always a new challenge presented.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STANDARD

Are you acquainted with the Sunday School Standard? Here are ten goals that will revitalize and put new spiritual dynamic into every Sunday School. Your officers and teachers are well acquainted with the details of the Standard. We suggest that you prayerfully support them in reaching these important spiritual goals. If you have not introduced the Standard in your Sunday School you are missing a great blessing.

BAPTIST YOUTH IN GERMANY

This past summer nine "tent camps" were arranged for and held. It is estimated that some 15,000 young people were brought in contact with the Word of God this summer. The director of youth work, Johannes Arndt, states, "Most of these young people were unsaved who are eager for a camp experience."



A Sunday School teacher in the Central Baptist Church of Erie, Pa., shows copies of the fine Sunday School story paper, SALUTE, to the boys in his class.

Withering Grass

A Christian Novel by BERNARD PALMER

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than a test of strength. Ernest and Karen left at the half and walked over to the Campus Coffee Shop.

"I had a telephone call last night," she told him when Ernest had given the dour waiter their order.

"From anyone I know?"

"I think so." Her eyes were queerly expressive but he could not be certain of what he saw. "They say he's your brother."

Ernest's heart fell within him. He might have known it. It was the same with everything; a place on the football or basketball squad, an A in solid geometry, a berth on the debating team, or—or a girl like Karen. He strove so desperately only to have it fall in Bert's lap.

"I-I suppose you're going with him tonight?"

"I hadn't planned on it."

"You should." In spite of himself bitterness crept into his tone. "He's the catch of the season."

"I'll take my fishing from a boat, thank you."

He reached out and touched the tips of her fingers tenderly. She did not draw away.

"I thought all the girls were victims of his brilliance and charms."

"Not all of them. I'm uneasy beside brilliance. I fit in better with the common herd."

"You ought to be right at home with me then."

"Oh, I am!"

"I think we're going to have to see a lot of each other." This time he enveloped her slender white hand in his and squeezed it significantly.

"I'm an awful bore, really."

"I'll risk it."

Indiana Christian Campus sprawled bleakly in the unseasonable October cold. The ivy that helped to camouflage the decaying exterior of the Administration Building and Collin's Hall, had begun to drop its cloak of green. Even the dormitory, usually the cheeriest place on the campus, slumbered in unaccustomed silence.

Ernest Henning walked rapidly along the deserted sidewalk, whistling snatches of some merry, undistinguishable tune.

Quietly he opened the door and stepped inside. Burt was sitting at the desk beneath the window, lost in an array of books. It would have been

difficult for a stranger to believe that two hours before he had been ripping the opposing line to shreds as he knifed through to break up plays or pulled out to run interference on end arounds.

"You played a good game this afternoon."

"I've played good football," he grunted, "but not today. We didn't even work up a sweat."

Ernest crossed over to the desk and fingered the books absent-mindedly, while Burt got up and walked to the dresser mirror tenderly running a finger along the narrow blue welt beneath his eye.

"It looks like one Normal Coyote had a little fight left in him."

"What, this?" he grinned. "I picked this up on Olsen's cleats. He couldn't get his big feet out of the way fast enough."

"You'll have a shiner in the morning."

"I wouldn't doubt it." Then, "I thought you were the guy who had to have the key to our room so you could get back up here right after the game and pound the books? What happened to you? Did you fall in a hole?"

The color began to creep up Ernest's neck and into his cheeks. "I-I got detained over at the coffee shop."

"I saw her in the stands with you today," Burt chided. "Boy, she's a knockout. I can't say I blame you."

"I heard you were interested in her," bitterness delicately edged his words.

"What do you mean?"

"What do I mean? Don't give me that stuff. I know you. You were trying to cut in on me."

"Oh, oh, the phone call," as though it had just occurred to him. "To tell you the truth, Ernie, I've been sorry I called her since I saw the two of you in the bleachers together. I didn't really care about going with her but some of the gang were having a steak fry and wanted me to get a girl and go along. I tried four or five, but they were all busy. So I called her up."

"So you called her up. A likely story. A very likely story." He meant to joke but his words were clipped and short.

"What're you howlin' about? She turned me down."

Ernie grinned. "That's right. She did, didn't she?"

Ernest and Karen were together often. Occasionally, when the weather was fit, they hiked up Signal Hill to roast wieners on its rocky crest. The crisp spring wind etched roses in her cheeks and played tricks with her soft blond hair until she seemed even prettier than before.

"You're beautiful tonight."

"Thank you, kind sir."

"I can't understand such a lovely creature as you going out with me."

"What brings on that kind of talk?"

"Nothing in particular. I was just thinking how much better you could be doing."

"For instance?"

"Burt."

There was a long silence. "Ernest," she began at last. "Why do you feel as you do towards Burt? It isn't like you. It isn't like you at all."

He could feel the color rising to his face. "I don't know that I feel so different toward him."

"Yes, you do. I can sense it every time you mention his name."

Ernest picked up a rock and threw it aimlessly toward the sky.

"I really don't feel so different toward him. I think a lot of Burt and he does of me. It's just that all my life I've had to take a back seat to him." He took a deep breath. "It was always Burt in high school and now here in college. As soon as he stepped onto the campus I practically ceased to exist."

"You must be exaggerating, Ernie."

"No, I'm not. You just watch it a few days for yourself. But," and his voice grew tense, "it isn't always going to be that way. Some day I'll show both Burt and the world that there are two Henning brothers instead of one!"

"Ernest, I know Burt doesn't feel he's any different than you are."

A train whistle echoed and re-echoed through the quiet little valley.

"Darling, I know that. And it isn't that I don't love him. We're probably closer than most brothers. You can call it pride or self-respect or jealousy, but I've just got to prove to myself and everyone else that I can stand alone."

Karen eyed him quizzically but said nothing. For several minutes they sat there, she leaning against a rugged oak and he sprawled on the grass beside her.

"Don't you feel detached from the noisy world, sitting up here watching the moonlight cut a golden swath across the valley?"

"My, but you're poetic. Do you feel this way often?"

"No, just when I'm in a place like this that's made for dreaming." The quietness of the night enveloped them and he spoke even softer. "Just think, we're up here alone—away from the

problems of life. We've left the ugliness and disappointments and sorrows way down there, swallowed by the gentle cloak of darkness."

"You are poetic." Karen sighed wistfully. "I can't help wishing it were true."

"But it can be. All we need is to stay here on our hill, just the two of us and let the world with its wickedness and sin pass us by."

They talked endlessly and grew closer together than ever before. Ernest told her of his plans for the church he would be ministering and how he would go about handling the host of problems that were so inseparably a part of the pastor's life. He told her of the boy he wanted to have some day, a lively little fellow who would get into mischief now and then.

"I know it's tough on preacher's kids," he went on. "But some of them turn out all right in spite of being under the eagle eye of a flock of old maids and doting mammas."

"You'll never get along talking about your congregation," she chided. "That's rule number one in the Pastor's Handbook."

"I've never seen that in the one I bought. But anyway, this is just an imaginary congregation. The real ones will be perfect."

"If you had a perfect church they wouldn't need you."

"I guess that's right at that. I know I'd feel awfully uncomfortable trying to minister to a sinless congregation, and with me the only sinner in the crowd." There was a long silence. "I've about talked you to death tonight," he said at last. "What about yourself? What are your dreams for the future?"

"Oh, I don't know. I've had a lot of dreams, but I guess I'm no different than other girls. We mostly dream about marriage and a home."

"Some of the girls at the dorm have laughed when I told them what I expected of my home. They say I'm due to be disappointed or an old maid—or both."

"I can feature you an old maid."

"Of course, my husband would be Christian. I think it's dangerous for a Christian girl even to accept dates with a fellow who isn't, for fear she might fall in love with him. I'd want my husband Christian and our home truly Christ-centered, just like the one in which I was raised. I think children should know what it's like to hear their daddy read from the Word of God and see him on his knees beside their mother in prayer."

"I can't imagine anything that would make a home happier or more peaceable."

"I wouldn't ever want the children to hear their daddy say a cross word to me or to hear me quarrel with him," she went on.

"I agree with you entirely," he smiled. "But what about a career?"

Don't you want to make your mark in the world?"

"The only career I want is to serve the Lord wherever He wants me, whether it's as a missionary to Africa or a mother in a Christian home. And, she added frankly, "I haven't had any indication that He wants me in any type of full-time work."

"I think the task you've just set out for yourself is something of full-time Christian service."

"I—" she was looking away into space. "I thought maybe you'll call me silly, too."

He shook his head. "I think you're very, very sensible, Karen."

They sat there, staring out across the twinkling valley and talking little while the moon completed its golden arc across the sky and dropped silently behind the hills.

III

Ernest and Karen's friendship wore well with the months, mellowing and enriching like some antique brooch grown more beautiful and precious with age. At first they saw each other sporadically, but as the months passed their dates increased until finally they came to spend most of their free time together.

Spring blossomed and before either of them quite realized it the school term was almost gone and they were caught in the maddening whirl of activity prior to graduation. It was difficult to slip away for a few minutes alone together and only on rare occasions did they manage it.

"We really shouldn't be here," Ernest said as he guided her toward the back of the little side street cafe that was better known for its solicitude than its cuisine. "But I'm glad we came."

"This has been a grand year, hasn't it, Ernest?" Karen said suddenly.

"It's been the most wonderful year I've ever known."

"You'll be going to Seminary in the fall." It was not a question but a statement of fact pushed from reluctant lips.

"If I get my Greek made up I will be," he grinned crookedly.

"If we hadn't spent so much time together you wouldn't have that condition in Greek."

"Burt didn't spend much time on his but he got an A. I think you picked the wrong Henning, my dear."

"You let me do my own picking, will you?"

He toyed absent-mindedly with his fork. "There's a good side to everything, I guess," he went on. "Now you and I can take the time this summer to do all those things we've been wanting to."

"Y—you'll be here this summer." In spite of herself her lower lips quivered. "But I won't."

(To Be Continued)



—Eva Luoma Photo

SYNOPSIS

The Rev. Ernest Henning had finally arrived! The greatest opportunity of his career was at hand, that of candidating in the big, influential church of Elba City. Always his illustrious younger brother had soared to heights in the spotlight ahead of him. If only Karen could have known the glory that now had come his way. Suddenly his mind was flooded with memories, meeting Karen at "an open house" party the first week of college. How vividly he remembered those days of many years ago!

CHAPTER TWO

KAREN'S open straight-forward manner, after the coy, affected sparring common to so many college girls, was refreshing indeed.

He was somewhat surprised at the number of times he managed to be with her the following week. Quite by chance he began to see her in the library now and then, or walking from one building to another between classes.

The following Sunday he took her to church and to a quaint little cafe for dinner. He could scarcely remember an afternoon so enjoyable, although it meant eating hamburgers for a week to pay the check.

On Wednesday night they attended prayer meeting together and on Saturday afternoon the opening football game. For once he was glad he hadn't played well enough to make the squad.

It was cold in the stadium and the game was one of those early season openers that provided more practice

We, the Women

News and Views of the National Woman's Missionary Union
By MRS. FLORENCE E. SCHOEFFEL, President

DIFFERENT—YET ALIKE!

It was a perfect morning, golden, sparkling; the lake a smooth mirror for the little water flies skimming along its surface. Yesterday those waters had been choppy, full of white caps; the wind had roared through the tops of the birch trees with an ominous rumble, and the gray, chill atmosphere had driven one indoors for comfort in the cozy cabin.

As I stood on the pier, drinking in the quiet and breath-taking beauty of that shining morning, the words of the Northern Conference theme flashed through my mind: "Behold, I make all things new!" The conference had ended a few days before, but the memories of inspiring messages on that wonderful theme and of Christian fellowship will enrich our lives for years to come.

Each of the six conferences which I, as your president, have been privileged to attend has been a memorable experience. Much could be said about the sessions in general, the themes, etc. But as women we are particularly interested in how our sisters in the other conferences conduct their annual meetings. Here are a few points

of comparison which may be of interest to you.

TIME. Most women's unions now hold their business session at a separate time from their program meetings. Several have it at a luncheon for women. One group is allotted an hour for business during the day while the laymen have their business session. Several groups still have the program immediately following the business on the same afternoon. Two of the conferences have an evening for the women's program meeting.

BUSINESS. In the conduct of the business we noted very little difference. Some conferences asked each society represented at the meeting to give a brief progress report. Other groups have the secretary give a summarized report of the work done, gathered from reports sent in by each local society. A total of 8000 sick calls were reported at the Northern Conference for the past year, representing an immeasurable amount of good cheer brought to those in need. Several groups have these reports mimeographed and passed out at the conference.

MEMORIAL SERVICE. In some conferences the Memorial Service con-

ducted by the women is a beautiful worship experience. Not all groups include such a service in their meeting.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

At some conferences this is an inspiring and challenging feature of the program, usually conducted by one of the visiting denominational representatives. It could well be adopted by those who do not include it in their program.

PROGRAM. We found a great variety in the types of programs presented. To some extent the time allotted accounted for this, but not altogether. It was surprising how much talent and variety could be packed into an hour and a half by one group. Special musical numbers, even a ministers' wives chorus, a reading, a dialog, besides the opening devotions and the guest speaker were included in this program. At several other conferences, there was only one special number and the regular opening worship service besides the guest speaker.

From my observation I would like to comment that those women's groups which put the greatest effort into preparing an interesting and varied program receive the greatest blessing. Speaking from experience, even the guest speaker will be inspired by listening to various talents presented, and will be challenged to make his or her talk the climax rather than the main feature of the program.

Different in some respects—yet alike in more are we, the women of various conferences. May God add his blessings to the conference sessions held this summer, and may the memories linger long in our minds and hearts!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Atlantic Conference, Sept. 13-16.

Place: Ridgewood Baptist Church, Brooklyn, New York.

Theme: "I Will Build My Church," Matthew 16:18.

(Reemphasis on the place of the church in God's Economy.)

Thursday Evening, Sept. 13

Address by Rev. Norman Klann, Union City, New Jersey.

Friday Afternoon, Sept. 14

Woman's Missionary Union Program.

Friday Evening, Sept. 14

Message by Miss Esther Schultz, Cameroons Missionary.

Saturday Evening, Sept. 15

6:30 P.M. Young People's Banquet.

Sunday, Sept. 16

Morning Service — Missionary Address by Rev. Richard Schilke. Afternoon (3:00 P.M.) — Closing Conference Rally.

JULY CONTRIBUTIONS—NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	July, 1951	July, 1950	July, 1949
Atlantic	\$ 970.78	\$ 2,368.83	\$ 1,446.72
Eastern	1,303.40	2,478.64	1,463.99
Central	5,677.14	5,605.70	7,053.71
Northwestern	6,377.00	5,374.29	7,247.33
Southwestern	1,458.52	2,350.56	5,273.48
Southern	957.05	1,631.38	1,613.22
Pacific	4,866.50	6,109.54	6,267.92
Northern	6,156.12	1,802.86	5,295.87
Dakota	4,780.37	5,172.36	6,697.32

Totals for All Purposes	\$32,546.88	\$32,894.16	\$42,359.56
Less Non-budget Items	6,410.95	8,927.61	2,014.70

Denominational Budget	\$26,135.93	\$23,966.55	\$40,344.86
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BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

For the month of July, 1951	\$26,135.93
For the month of July, 1950	23,966.55
For the month of July, 1949	40,344.86

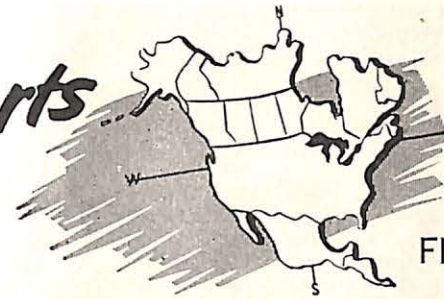
BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

April 1, 1951 to July 31, 1951	\$113,312.95
April 1, 1950 to July 31, 1950	106,554.37
April 1, 1949 to July 31, 1949	141,963.79

BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE TRIENNium

August 1, 1949 to July 31, 1951	\$744,946.87
August 1, 1948 to July 31, 1950	810,372.28
August 1, 1947 to July 31, 1949	921,046.02

Reports



FROM THE FIELD

Central Conference

Ordination Service and Missionary Homecoming at the Beaver Baptist Church of Michigan

With the months of June and July bringing warm summer breezes, the Lord again sent many a warm blessing to his people at the Beaver Baptist Church near Midland, Michigan. With Dr. Frank H. Woyke as guest speaker, our young people celebrated their annual anniversary in early June. Then, as result of our united labors in a week of Visitation Evangelism with the Rev. Arthur Weisser of Lodi, Calif., assisting us, four adults gave witness to their new-found faith in Christ by being obedient to him through the waters of baptism. Another was reinstated.

Our Vacation Bible School came next and the children climaxed their labors with an inspiring Sunday night program of recitations and songs. Other years their daily missionary offering was sent to Esther Schultz in the Cameroons, but this year their joy was doubled because she was with them in person to receive from their hands the nickels and dimes as their love offering to her. She responded with a message of encouragement and demonstrated African dress customs, including one of beads and shells which is the native wedding garment. This was Esther's first Sunday home (she is from the Beaver Church) and both in Sunday School and the worship service she received our welcome, together with substantial gifts. The accompanying picture shows Mr. Mageske, our deacon, presenting her with a \$100-check for a new wardrobe.

July 2nd was a rare day in the history of our church. Mr. Adolph Braun (also from Beaver) who graduated from our Seminary last Spring, returned to us to be ordained. This service was unique in all its phases, and for the home church was a thing of joy and beauty as our brother was "set apart for the work of the ministry." He is now pastor of the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, South Dakota.

Recently the Rev. Hugo Zepik of Ochre River, Manitoba, spent a Sunday with us and brought the messages at both the morning and evening services. We were happy to have him and his family associate with us once more. Several years ago he took one of our members to be his wife. All in all, we praise God for these refreshing breezes which have been ours.

Mrs. Paul Rinos, Reporter.

Ordination of Rev. Fred Holzimmer and Farewell Reception for Family at Detroit, Michigan

"Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

A vision of these fields, especially in the Cameroons, Africa, was the reason that the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer of Detroit, Mich., left their home for the hard work of preparing themselves for missionary service at the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, Illinois. It rejoiced the hearts of the members of his home church, the Burns Avenue Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., to be present at his ordination on the evening of July 6.

The Rev. S. Partridge of the Calvary Baptist Church gave the invocation and read the Scripture passage, after which Fred Holzimmer was presented by the church moderator, Mr. Henry Holzimmer, his brother. After a solo, "Lord Send Me There," sung by Arthur Thom, the Rev. C. M. Beerthuis of Holland, Mich., gave the ordination sermon. The charge to the candidate was given by the Rev. P. Sommers, the charge to the church by Rev. F. Wiley and the ordination prayer by Rev. S. H. Houbolt. This very impressive and blessed service



Miss Esther Schultz, Cameroons missionary, receiving the greetings from Mr. Mageske, deacon, in behalf of her home church, the Beaver Church of Michigan, and also a personal gift.

was closed with the presentation of the certificate and the Rev. Fred Holzimmer giving the benediction.

On the following Wednesday the church gave a farewell service for Fred and Dorothy Holzimmer and their daughters, Juanita and Miriam. After an inspirational message by the pastor, Dr. Dale Ihrrie, Miss Ruby Salzman, missionary from the Cameroons on furlough, gave an enlightening talk on the needs of the field. Mrs. Otto Ernst was then called upon to present the needs at home such as praying and giving for our missionary endeavors. The chairman of the board of deacons, Mr. Donald Ruegsegger, gave the official farewell for the church and presented the offering which was to be used for supplies and equipment essential on the mission field.

M. Wasko, Reporter.

Ordination Council for Mr. Adolph Braun at the Beaver Church, Midland, Michigan

Upon the invitation of the Beaver Baptist Church, Midland, Mich., pastors, delegates and friends gathered on July 2 to take into consideration the propriety of setting apart Mr. Adolph Braun to the work of the Gospel ministry.

The host pastor, Rev. F. W. Mashner, opened the meeting. A favorite hymn of the candidate which was very appropriate for the occasion was sung, "Is Your All On the Altar?" Rev. Wm. Suk of the Calvary Baptist Church, Midland, led in opening prayer. The council was organized with Rev. Richard A. Grenz of Alpena elected as moderator and Berthold Braun of Beaver, Clerk.

It was unanimously agreed that the Council question the candidate after the presentation of each of four statements concerning (1) his conversion, (2) call to the ministry and preparation for same, (3) doctrinal views, and (4) future intentions. However, the first two statements were so clearly and explicitly presented that the Council was much impressed and no questioning was necessitated. Mr. Braun has completed five years of study at the North American Baptist Seminary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The candidate reported his acceptance of the call from the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, S. Dak., which is a church of our denomination. He expressed his willingness to follow the Lord's guidance.

The candidate was requested to absent himself to give the Council opportunity for deliberation. The motion was made, supported, and unanimously carried to declare ourselves well satisfied with the candidate's statements regarding all four points and his ministry now and in the days to come. Furthermore, we unanimously recommended him to be set apart for the Gospel ministry and his church proceeded with the ordination service that same evening. Dr. Lang, president of our Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., brought the ordination address at the evening service.

Bert R. Braun, Clerk.

Enrollment of 241 at the Vacation Bible School, Bethel Church, Detroit, Michigan

Two wonderful weeks were thoroughly enjoyed by hosts of boys and girls during the annual Vacation Bible School of the Bethel Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich., between June 25 and July 6. Commencing with a thrilling rally on Saturday, June 23, the school swung into full operation the following Monday with a staff of 31 capable and efficient teachers, workers and helpers. With an enrollment of 241, the average attendance for the two weeks was 186. A real evidence of spiritual interest and concern was revealed in the many decisions made for Christ by the boys and girls who inquired the way of salvation of their own free will. We rejoice in this assurance and token of God's blessing as more than 25 definite decisions were recorded.

The annual "King for a Day" contest this year based the emphasis for award on the degree and efficiency of the daily work and attitude. The primary basis for awards was made for the memorization of Scripture verses. It was amazing and thrilling to see these scores of boys and girls learning entire chapters of Scripture and quoting them faultlessly. The results of hard work and the memorizing of more than 250 verses of Scripture won the "Queen's Crown" for Miss Margaret Coles, 14 year old. The runner-up, Sue Dailey, was close behind with almost 200 verses memorized. For the leading contestants in each department a gift of saving stamps was awarded and they became members of the Queen and her attendant enjoyed their thrilling reign as they recorded their voices, enjoyed a thrilling airplane trip over the city and a wonderful speedboat ride. A splendid cream and blue Roadmaster bicycle, fully equipped, was presented to our lovely queen and her runner-up will enjoy the spiritual blessings of a week at Lapeer Camp.

Theodore Place, Reporter.



Most of the 241 children enrolled at the Vacation Bible School at the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., along with the staff of 31 teachers and workers.

Eastern Conference

Vacation Bible School and Missionaries' Visit at Calvary Baptist Church, Killaloe, Ontario

The highlight of the Vacation Bible School term at the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe, Ontario, was the program presented to parents and friends on the closing day after a busy period of two weeks. Over 90 pupils were enrolled, the largest group ever to attend Vacation School classes, with nine teachers in charge.

The Primary group, numbering 32, deserves special mention for their part in the program. It was a real inspiration to listen to them. The pastor, Rev. C. R. Weisser, had high praise for the work and co-operation of the teachers, and stressed the need of greater assistance from the parents in raising the average attendance mark, which was 67 this year. The offerings amounted to \$52.14.

Our church also appreciated the visit of the Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson, Cameroons missionaries, to bring us the story of Africa and to put a burden on our hearts for the work out there. Truly, only time alone will show the results of their inspiring messages. Our prayer is that there may be those who will answer the call of the mission field and say, "Here am I, send me!"

Dorian Getz, Reporter.

Sessions of the Ontario Convention at the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe

On Thursday evening, June 21, Christian friends from the Arnprior, Lyndock and Sebastopol churches of Ontario motored to Killaloe where spiritual blessings awaited them with the convening of the Ontario convention. The local pastor, the Rev. C. R. Weisser, welcomed the delegates and visitors. A cordial response was given by the Rev. J. Kuehn. The evening

message on "The Three Cheers of the Gospel" was given by the Rev. H. Palfenier, guest speaker.

A devotional period was led alternately by the Lyndock and Arnprior young people. An address was given by Mr. Kuehn on Friday morning on "What Are We Fearing?" A quiet half hour of spiritual worship followed every morning after the business session, conducted by the Rev. H. Palfenier. We had the pleasure of hearing the denominational evangelist, the Rev. H. Palfenier, give an informative and inspirational account concerning his work. The message, "Remedy for Fear," followed by the Rev. Walter Schmidt. The Rev. C. R. Weisser led us in a memorial service for those who had passed away.

The Ladies' Aid of the local church rendered a fine program on Friday night. The guest speaker was Mrs. Walter Schmidt and she brought before us the fact that we are all chosen for a purpose. The societies of the different churches added to the program by rendering special numbers. On Saturday morning the CBY held its business session in connection with which there was the election of officers.

During the Sunday School period on Sunday morning different speakers participated. Mrs. J. Kuehn told a Bible story and the Rev. Walter Schmidt illustrated the lesson. The morning challenging message was brought by the Rev. H. Palfenier.

On Sunday afternoon the young people's program was opened by an enthusiastic song service led by Mr. Gerald Kuehl. We had the privilege of listening to the program given by various talented representatives of societies in Arnprior, Lyndock, Sebastopol and Killaloe. The special speaker for the afternoon session was the Rev. W. Schmidt.

The climax of the convention was reached at its close when the Rev. H. Palfenier addressed the evening audience centering around the topic of being safe amidst the storm.

Erva Weber, Reporter.



North American Baptist young people and their leaders at the Iowa Christian Life Camp held at the Baptist Assembly Grounds, Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Northwestern Conference

Farewell for Missionary to Africa by the First Baptist Church, George, Iowa

Sunday evening, July 1, was an important event for the First Baptist Church of George, Iowa, since it was the farewell occasion for Miss Janet Schneiderman, our missionary with the Sudan Interior Mission. The auditorium was packed with members and friends, some of whom came from our sister churches. Miss Schneiderman brought an interesting and inspiring farewell message.

The Rev. and Mrs. John Riemer dedicated a duet especially for Janet and the choir rendered a missionary hymn. Near the close of the service a token of appreciation was presented to Miss Schneiderman in the form of a man's wrist watch. In the words of our pastor, it was a man's watch because she is doing a man's work; dust-proof because dust is often present on trek; waterproof because in the tropical climate rain often comes in torrents and sometimes streams must be "risked."

A fine spirit of unity prevailed between the membership, the missionary and the pastor, which made us all feel well repaid for the effort expended. She goes forth rejoicing to win precious African souls for our Lord and on our behalf!

Kriene Schneiderman, Clerk.

Third Christian Life Camp Held for the Iowa Young People and Intermediates

About 90 Iowa CBYers, intermediates and pastors gathered at the Iowa Baptist Assembly grounds in Iowa Falls, Iowa, for the third annual Iowa CBY Christian Life Camp from June 10 to 16. Under the leadership of the camp dean, Rev. Dale Chaddock, a well rounded program of study, meditation, recreation and worship was carried on as the youth of Iowa and

Baileyville, Ill., fellowshipped together. The theme of the 1951 encampment was "Youth Marches On." Each evening our service was opened with the singing of our theme song, "The Banner of the Cross."

Guest speakers during our camping days included Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, missionaries to the Cameroons; Miss Ruth Bathauer, denominational children's worker; Dr. Ralph Powell, professor of our Seminary in Sioux Falls; Miss Bertha Lang, missionary, just returned from China; Chaplain Howard Blandau, of the Iowa Training School for Boys at Eldora. All of these speakers helped bring us into clearer view of the peak of the spiritual mountain we climbed during these days. We were blessed daily in our chapel services with such speakers as Rev. Merle Booth of Baileyville, Ill.; Dr. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Michelson, and Miss Ruth Bathauer.

Classes for CBYers were taught by the Reverends William Jeschke, Henry Smuland, Arthur Ittermann, Peter Pfeiffer, Herman Lohr and Ralph Powell. Miss Adeline Zimbelman assisted in the teaching of one of these classes also. For the first time in Iowa CBY history, provision was made for those of intermediate age. Intermediates were taught by Mrs. Edwin Michelson and Miss Ruth Bathauer. A number of those of intermediate age showed their interest in this section of the camping program.

A choir of girls sang at each of the evening services. Their messages in song, directed by the Reverends Merle Booth and Arthur Ittermann, added much to these tabernacle services.

Are you holding a colorful and golden
HARVEST AND MISSION FESTIVAL?
 Programs have been sent to the churches.
 Offerings for our missionary enterprise.

Each night we thought of those young people in the armed forces of our land as the choir sang the chorus, "God Bless Our Boys," and we were led in prayer for these young people. Opportunity was given for testimony, praise and prayer as the group gathered around the campfire or beneath the lighted cross after the evening tabernacle service. For the first time, our camp was closed with a communion service directed by Rev. C. Fred Lehr. Pastors served the communion to our campers.

At the business session on Friday morning the following officers were elected for the coming year: president, LaVonne Zimmerman, Baileyville; vice-president, Louise Chenette, Applington; secretary, Lois Koenigsberg, Sheffield; treasurer, Gerald Steen, Buffalo Center. Lois and Orva Koenigsberg will serve as co-editors of the CHRISTIAN CROSSROADS. Rev. Peter Pfeiffer, pastor of the Oak Street Baptist Church of Burlington, will serve as project promoter. The Iowa CBYers again adopted a \$2500 mission project which has been designated for the new building unit of the Banso Hospital. Rev. Henry Smuland will serve the Iowa CBYers as camp dean in the 1952 camp.

As an Iowa CBY we designated the following amounts from our missionary funds \$2500 for the Cameroons Bible School, our missionary project of the past year; \$250 for the Youth Service Plan; \$50 each for Miss Bertha Lang, Miss Margaret Lang, and Rev. and Mrs. Asaph Toibert. Again this year \$25 was allotted to send the YOUTH COMPASS to our youth in Germany and \$35 to send the YOUTH COMPASS to our missionaries.

As the Camp days came to a close, hearts were yielded more completely to the Master. Some came to know him as their personal Savior and Lord. Others gave their life to Christ for service. All felt closer to the Master, whom we love and whom we will strive to serve more ardently in the days ahead.

Mrs. Janice Jordan, Reporter.

The Baptist Church of Randolph, Minnesota, Observes Its Seventy-fifth Anniversary

The members and friends of the Randolph Baptist Church, Randolph, Minn., spent Sunday, July 8th, in an all-day observance of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the congregation. Former members and friends of the church from various cities in the state joined with us on this happy day.

Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, was the guest speaker for this occasion. The special music was furnished by the choir of the church, a male quartet, a ladies' quartet and a soloist. A decorative and aesthetic touch appropriate for the occasion was well in evidence both in the sanctuary where numerous bouquets of flowers and a banner bearing the inscription, "75th Anniversary" met the eye, and in the church dining room where a bountiful dinner was enjoyed by the congregation amidst carefully planned and prepared surroundings calling attention to the 75 years of God's blessings.

When God's people count their blessings over the years, they usually find more for which to be grateful despite sorrows and disappointments such as are common to us all. This spirit of thanks could be felt in both the morning and afternoon hours of worship which were marked by a glad participation and a deep seriousness. In a tangible way, thanks to God and faith in the future were expressed in a beautiful new rug which was recently laid in the center aisle of the church, leading from the entrance door to the worship center in the chancel. Thanks and faith were likewise expressed in a generous missionary offering which was received at the closing service of this celebration.

This day also marked the seventh anniversary of the ministry of the pastor, Rev. Ben Zimmerman, in the church.

Mrs. Ben Zimmerman, Reporter.



The Rev. and Mrs. Ben Zimmerman (right) at the 75th anniversary of the Baptist Church, Randolph, Minn., and the waitresses and cooks (left) who served the delicious meals for the anniversary guests.

Southwestern Conference

Reception by Baptist Church, Bison, Kansas, for Mr. and Mrs. Jack Block

The First Baptist Church of Bison, Kansas, has extended a call to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Block of San Jose, Calif., formerly of the Mennonite Brethren Conference. Mr. Block has been attending Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kansas, the past two years.

Mr. Block responded favorably and he and his family have already taken their places with us. A reception and pantry shower were held on June 10. An appetizing dinner was enjoyed by the entire congregation. In the afternoon an interesting program was rendered. Words of welcome were brought by the different departments of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Block gave a response, thanking the church for the wonderful reception and gifts. They also sang a duet, "No One Ever Cares For Me Like Jesus." Mr. and Mrs. Block have three children and we welcome them to our conference.

Church Clerk.

Dakota Conference

Baptismal Service and News Items from the Bethel Church, Harvey, North Dakota

The Northern North Dakota young people's camp had a wonderful attendance this year at Lake Bentley near Drake, N. Dak., from June 30 through July 6. The Rev. A. Buhler, pastor of our Bethel Church, Harvey, N. Dak., and dean of the assembly, was unable to attend all of the services because of the illness of the Buhler baby. Raymond Dean, who was fifteen months of age, passed away on July 6th. It pleased the Lord to relieve him of his physical suffering, for which we are very grateful as phy-

sicians were unable to give much relief for this condition.

On Sunday, July 8th, the churches of Martin, Cathay and Harvey, N. Dak., held a union baptismal service at Harvey at which time thirteen converts were baptized and given the hand of fellowship into the Bethel Baptist Church of Harvey.

In the absence of our minister and his family on their extended vacation, the Rev. Wm. Kahlert from New York took us on several interesting trips by showing us missionary pictures which he had taken during his work in this land and European countries. Those slides were educational as well as a blessing to many.

Mrs. J. O. Wahl, Clerk.

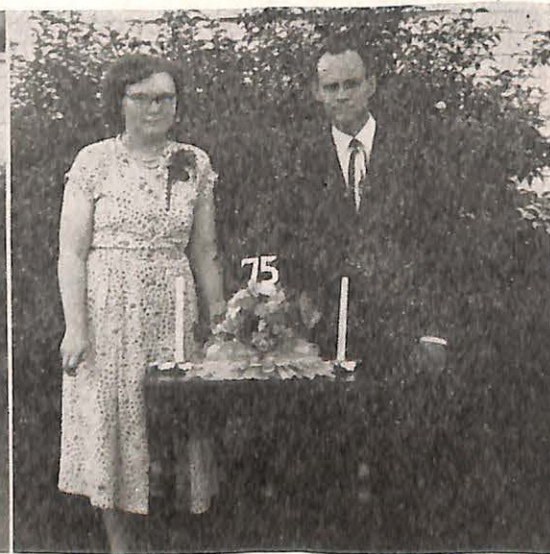
Evangelistic Meetings and Eight New Members Received at Underwood, North Dakota

The First Baptist Church of Underwood, N. Dak., had the joy recently of having two young men conduct four nights of evangelistic meetings. One of the young men in this party is a son of the church. He is Albert "Bob" Jessor, a recent convert to the Lord, having been saved only a year and a half ago and having gone to school for only one year. His friend and co-worker is Mr. Gerald "Red" Arnold.

In the Underwood campaign two persons were saved. From Underwood they went to Beulah for two nights and then to Garrison for two more nights. They then went to New York State to conclude their summer's work in Mr. Arnold's native state. The Underwood church was truly blessed with their ministry and we are glad to see one of "our boys" doing so well.

At a recent Sunday morning service, the Rev. Fred J. Knalson, pastor of the church, extended the hand of fellowship to eight new members. Four of them came into the church by baptism and four upon confession of faith. The membership of the Underwood church now stands at 110, having been 44 three and one-half years ago.

Fred J. Knalson, Pastor.



Vacation Bible School and Picnic of the Rosenfeld Church near Drake, North Dakota

The children of the Rosenfeld Baptist Church near Drake, N. Dak., had no Bible School for some time. So we praise God that it was possible to have one week this year with 23 children, who were eager to learn more of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our sessions opened each morning and afternoon with a period of devotion, led by the Rev. R. Stading. We also spent much time singing because the children were not familiar with many of our beautiful choruses.

The particular delight for the children was the noon hour with their lunches. They assembled around the tables in our church basement, listening quietly while each one said a prayer. Following their lunch they gathered outside for play. Mrs. Stading directed and taught the Beginners, while Mr. Stading was superintendent of the school and taught the Juniors.

In the evening of our closing day, June 29, a demonstration program was given to an eager audience. Each child contributed to the program with a glimpse of what had been learned. The children became better acquainted with the Bible and their Lord for the teachers have striven to show the plan of God's salvation that all might believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

On the following Wednesday, July 4, the Sunday School held a picnic and all had a fine time of fellowship and play. Worship service led by Mr. Stading was held at eleven o'clock after which we had our delicious picnic meal which was contributed by our willing women of the church. Ben Hauff, our Sunday School superintendent, along with the teachers had an exciting program planned for the afternoon, including interesting games and various races and prizes for all ages.

Many blessings have been shared with our members and their families in this church. We pray for God's continuing guidance among us for there is more work to be done for him!

Mrs. Reuben Stading, Reporter.

Receptions and Special Program by the Plum Creek Church of South Dakota

On Sunday evening, July 15, the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, S. Dak., was filled to capacity at the reception for its new pastor and his bride of June 23. The pastor, Rev. Adolph Braun, and his wife were welcomed by representatives of the various departments of the church: the three deacons of the church; the Sunday School superintendent; the presidents of the Senior Young People and the Junior Young People. Dr. George A. Lang, president of the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., was the main speaker. The Rev. John Wobig of Portland, Ore., was also present and spoke a few words. The pastor's wife was presented with a corsage of pink roses from the Ladies' Aid. The church



Children, teachers and Rev. Reuben Stading, pastor (right), of the Vacation Bible School at the Rosenfeld Church near Drake, North Dakota.

surprised the young couple with the presentation of a generous wedding gift of \$215.50. Lunch was served in the basement, after the service, to all who were present.

On the following Tuesday evening, the young people of the church gave the pastor and his wife a surprise food shower, at which they received a wonderful supply of canned foods.

On Sunday evening, July 22, the play, "The Challenge of The Cross," was presented at a neighboring church in Miltown by the Plum Creek young people. The theme of the program was "Friendship." Special music consisted of two vocal solos, a vocal duet and an accordion trio. Two recitations were also presented, and the program was ended with a sermonette by the Rev. Adolph Braun.

Fred Triebwasser, Reporter.



Pupils and teachers of the Vacation Bible School held by the Wiesenthal Baptist Church near Millet, Alberta.

Northern Conference

Two Weeks of Evangelistic Services at the First Baptist Church, Alberta

The First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta, enjoyed two weeks of God-inspired evangelistic services from

May 28 to June 10. The evangelist, Rev. E. Klein of Colfax, Wash., was used of God in our community as he visited in the homes, spoke to the women in the Woman's Missionary Union meeting, and clearly gave forth God's Word in all simplicity in the church auditorium.

The various choirs and members of this church as well as of the neighboring churches rendered special numbers in song. The Friday night meeting on June 8 was a special service in which anyone who wished to donate a message in song or music to God's glory was welcome to do so.

A number of persons accepted Christ as their personal Savior. God also revived his children, giving us a greater desire to live for him and to hold high the banner of the Cross.

Mrs. Martha Ohlmann, Reporter.

Vacation Bible School Held by the Wiesenthal Baptist Church Near Millet, Alberta

A very successful week of Vacation Bible School was held from July 9 to 31 at the Wiesenthal Baptist Church near Millet, Alberta. Thirty-five children were in attendance, both morning and afternoon of each day.

The kindergarten class, taught by Lois Wetter and Shirley Neuman, had as its topic, "Our Friendly Church," and as handiwork constructed a small model church. The Primary group, with Bernice Littman and Ella Pahl as instructors, were taught "This Is Our Church."

Verda Scheeler and Norman Ertman were in charge of the Juniors, choosing as their topic, "We Need Churches." Bandages were made to send to the Banso Hospital in the Cameroons. The Intermediates, under the leadership of Arlene Scheeler and Rev. E. A. Hoffman, studied the "Parables of Jesus." Leather wallets were the handwork project of this group.

On Sunday evening, July 15, an interesting and varied program was presented by the children and teachers, with parents and friends filling the main auditorium, in spite of the muddy roads. The offerings, taken each day and on Sunday, amounting to \$213, were designated for the Benke Memorial Chapel to be built on the Bull Reserve near Hobbena, Alberta.

Shirley Neuman, Reporter.

Southern Conference

Sessions of the Southern Conference Woman's Missionary Union at Hurnville, Texas

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Conference met for its annual meeting on Friday, July 13, in connection with the conference sessions held in Hurnville, Texas. Our business session was held on Friday morning with Mrs. Roy Seibel, president, presiding. At this time various phases of our work were discussed and a new pastor's wife was welcomed into our Union.

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. Roy Seibel, Waco, Texas; vice-president, Mrs. F. Armbruster, Greenvine, Texas; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Marvin Engelbrecht, Crawford, Texas. The song service and devotional at the afternoon meeting were led by Mesdames Lawrence Kraemer and Clara Monschke, respectively. Mrs. Roy Seibel, our president, and Mrs. E. J. Ruff, our host president, spoke cordial words of welcome.

The Efficiency Banner and Bible Reading pennant were awarded the Gatesville Society. The pennant for record attendance was awarded to the society at our Mowata Church in Louisiana and the pennant for giving was awarded to the Greenvine Society. Mrs. W. B. Marsteller, our council representative, made the awards.

Mrs. F. Armbruster of Greenvine, Texas, conducted a very impressive memorial service in memory of the seven women who had departed from our midst during the year. The program included two numbers by the women's chorus led by Mrs. Roy Seibel. The Hurnville Society presented

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an inspiring sermon in action, "The Call of the Cross."

We were happy to have our National Woman's Union vice-president, Mrs. Walter Stein of Ashley, N. Dak., bring an inspiring message based on Mary who gave her all to the Lord. The offering at this meeting amounted to \$66.70 and the union voted to send this amount together with \$169.70, totalling \$221.40, to our denomination to be designated as follows: one half to the Bansa Hospital and the other half to our mission in Japan.

Mrs. Marvin Engelbrecht, Reporter.

Young People's Sessions at the Southern Conference Held at the Hurnville Church

From July 11 to 15 the Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Union of the Southern Conference enjoyed the fellowship of the Christian people from all of our churches at the conference which was held at the Hurnville Baptist Church in Henrietta, Texas.

On Saturday afternoon, July 14, the annual business meeting was held under the direction of Rev. Walter G. Gummelt, president for the past year. The following officers were elected: president, Herman Balka of Dallas; vice-president and dean, Rev. H. John Vanderbeck of Kyle; assistant dean, Rev. Harold Gieseke of Dallas; secretary, Doris Engelbrecht of Crawford; treasurer, John Massier, Jr., of Cottonwood; council member, Milton Lip-

bert of Waco; dean of women, Hilda Tobert of Dallas; news editors, Ruth Arnold and Doris Helen Gummelt of Waco; and members at large, Dorothy Deiss of Greenvine, Karl Bieber of Mowata, La., and Don Moser of Hurnville.

The goal for our project which included supporting five native workers of the Cameroons was \$2150. We went about \$600 over our goal. We praise God for this and are thankful that all of our churches responded so well.

On Saturday evening we had a Youth Rally. Several musical numbers were rendered, and then Rev. Richard Schilke, secretary of the General Missionary Society from Forest Park, Ill., delivered an inspiring message, "Lovet Thou Me?" stressing the need of the power of God in our lives.

On Sunday afternoon the young people had a program consisting of musical numbers and the installation of officers led by Mr. Schilke. Jim Langley, seminary student of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, brought a challenging message stressing the need for each one to bring his life and plant it as a sacrifice to the Lord. For this year our young people adopted a project goal of \$3,000 which includes support of the Indian Mission Work in Canada and Leper Work in the Cameroons.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Rev. Richard Schilke who brought such inspiring messages at all times and Edwin Kern and LeRoy Schauer, students from the Seminary, for the wonderful and faithful services that they rendered. Our heartfelt gratitude is hereby expressed to the Rev. E. J. Ruff and his people of the Hurnville Baptist Church. Above all, we humbly acknowledge the rich spiritual blessings which our heavenly Father gave us at this year's conference.

Doris Engelbrecht, Secretary.

grandchildren, a brother and a sister in Germany and a host of relatives and friends. May God comfort the bereaved family!

Faith Baptist Church,
Minneapolis, Minnesota

LEWIS B. BERNDT, Pastor.

MR. WILLIAM F. BRENNER of Marion, Kansas.

Mr. William Frederick Brenner of Marion, Kans., was born Feb. 4, 1881 at Woodbine Kans., and departed July 23, 1951. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Brenner. Quick cancer caused his death. At the age of 21 he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized by the Rev. Henry Wedel and united with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church near Junction City, Kansas.

In 1912 he was united in marriage to Miss Ida Olsen. A son, Paul, was born to them but God saw fit to take the young mother out of the home while her son was still an infant. In 1919 he married Lillian T. Tieman, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Tiemann. This union was blessed with two children, Warren and Mildred.

The family lived on a farm until eight years ago when they moved to Hillsboro, Kansas. Six years ago they came to Marion where they joined the Emmanuel Baptist Church. Mr. Brenner served as deacon for several years.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Lillian; his son, Paul, of Hayward, Calif.; Warren of Medford, Ore.; Mrs. Mildred Friesen, missionary in Osaka, Japan; three grandchildren, four brothers, four sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the Emmanuel Baptist Church on Friday afternoon, July 27, and interment was in the Marion cemetery. The Rev. J. J. Kroeker was in charge of the service. The Ladies' Trio of the church sang, "It is Well With My Soul" and "Remember Me, Oh Mighty One." Mr. Otto Funk sang "My Heavenly Father Watches Over Me." Mr. Brenner had selected these songs himself. His son, Warren, was the only child of the family who could be present at his funeral.

Emmanuel Baptist Church,
Marion, Kansas

MRS. WILLIAM BRENNER, Correspondent.

MR. HAROLD ZUMMACH of Killaloe, Ontario.

On Wednesday morning, July 11, Mr. Harold Zummach of Killaloe, Ontario, answered the summons of his Lord to go and be with him. His departure was very sudden. He lived only about two hours after he was stricken. He departed from his loved ones, friends and co-workers in the midst of his activities.

Early in life he accepted Christ as his Savior and was baptized by the late Rev. L. Schoen. He was a faithful member of the Calvary Baptist Church where he served as treasurer for 35 years, as superintendent for 20 years, and an ardent lifelong member of the choir. He entered the furniture and funeral directing business in 1923. Through all those years he closed the lids over many a sightless eye and folded many a hand tenderly. Now, in his place someone else had to do these deeds of love, for he is in a happier land with his Redeemer in heaven above.

The funeral was held on Saturday, July 14th, on the day of his 37th wedding anniversary. In 1914 he was united in marriage to Martha Verch. This union was blessed with one son, Emery Delroy. He leaves to mourn his wife, son, daughter-in-law, grandson, Donald; five brothers and three sisters: Rev. Charles Zummach, Peoria, Ill.; John H. Killaloe; William, Newington; Alex. Hanover; Herbert, Pembroke; Mrs. John Chatsick (Minnie), Killaloe; Mrs. Christie Schimmens (Katie), Pembroke; and Mrs. Frank Strobel (Ethel), LaMolle, Ill., and a host of friends and relatives.

Because of his many years of civic office as counsellor, the places of business were closed and the members of the town council were honorary pallbearers. The service was held in the Calvary Baptist Church. The undersigned spoke words of comfort from 1 Thess. 5:2. May the Lord continue to bless and comfort those who mourn!

Calvary Baptist Church,
Killaloe, Ontario

CARL R. WEISSER, Pastor.

MRS. ANTONIA ORTHNER of Coral Gables, Florida.

Mrs. Antonia Orthner of Coral Gables, Florida, was born on January 17, 1858 in Sereth, Bukowina (Austria). She died July 12, 1951 in Coral Gables, Fla., at the age of 93 years, 5 months and 26 days. In 1881 she left the Roman Catholic Church and was baptized by the Rev. Ferdinand Massier. The next few years were filled with severe persecutions and many tribulations for Christ's sake.

In 1896 she came to America with her family and in the course of her sojourn here she was a faithful member in the following churches: Blue Mount and Dallas, Texas, to 1907, Tacoma, Wash., and Portland, Ore., to 1921; New York-Harlem, N. Y., to 1930; and Central Baptist Church, Miami, Florida. Mr. Rudolph Orthner, with whom she was happily married for 61 years, preceded her in death in 1940. Her wedded life was blessed with 13 children. Five died in their infancy and two preceded her at an advanced age: the Rev. Adolph Orthner, missionary in the Cameroons, and Dr. Walter Orthner of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

She is survived by two daughters and four sons: Adelaide, former missionary in Harlem, N. Y.; Victoria (Mrs. Robert D. Preiss), former missionary in St. Paul, Minn., and Forest Park, Ill.; and Joseph, all of Coral Gables, Fla.; Carl of Burlington, Iowa; Philip of Fenton, Mich.; and the undersigned. Besides these she leaves 15 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Coral Gables Memorial Park and three local pastors brought messages of comfort and of the blessed hope in Christ.

Evergreen Baptist Church,
Brooklyn, New York

FRANK ORTHNER, Correspondent.

MRS. ROSINA FREY of Hebron, North Dakota.

Mrs. Rosina Frey, nee Hirsch, of Hebron, N. Dak., was born in Johannesthal, South Russia, August 8, 1871 and died on Monday, July 23. In her maiden years Mrs. Frey came to this country with her parents and made her home in Scotland, South Dakota. There she was united in marriage to Mr. Fred Frey on October 30, 1893 with whom she lived until 1918 when her loving husband preceded her in death. Their happy and blessed marriage was blessed with eleven children of whom three are no longer living. In 1898 the Fred Freys moved to Glen Ullin, N. Dak., and in 1914 to Hebron, N. Dak., where Mr. and Mrs. Frey lived until their death.

As a young girl she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and in 1908 followed him in baptism and became a member of the Hebron Baptist Church. She loved her Savior and her church and remained true to Christ until he called her home. She was a loving mother and will be greatly missed. Mrs. Frey was sick for about a year and a half. She was tired of suffering and ever so ready to leave this world for her heavenly home.

She leaves to mourn her departure Mrs. Carl Mayer and Mrs. John Staiding, Mr. Theodore Frey, Theophil Frey and Arthur Frey of Hebron; Mrs. E. J. Albright of

Detroit Lakes, Minn.; Mrs. Albert Schafer of Underwood, N. Dak., and Mrs. Caroline Knutson of Fargo, N. Dak.; 35 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; two brothers: Rev. John Hirsch of Wishek, N. Dak., and Rev. Henry Hirsch of Hosmer, S. Dak., and many relatives and friends. May The God of all peace comfort all who mourn.

Hebron, North Dakota

C. T. REMPEL, Pastor.

MR. AUGUST SCHLINK of Lodi, California.

Mr. August Schlink of Lodi, Calif., was born in Thalen, Poland on Feb. 23, 1868. In 1888 he came to this country and made his first home in Detroit, Mich., where he lived for nine years. He moved to Beaver, Mich., and after seven years to Forest Park, Ill., where he spent 15 years. Later he moved to Colorado, and in 1919 he came to Lodi, Calif., where he was a resident ever since. He was engaged in the building trade as a local contractor.

On Oct. 10, 1896 he was united in marriage to Theresa Marklein, his now bereaved wife. Three children were born to them, one daughter and two sons. For over 54 years they were privileged by the grace of God to share the joys and cares of life with each other. Our departed brother accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior a short time before his death, but again and again he gave assurance of his faith in God. After a prolonged illness he was released from his suffering and departed in peace into the eternal resting place of the saints. He passed away July 17, 1951, at the age of 83 years, 4 months and 24 days.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mrs. Theresa Schlink; one daughter, Mrs. Alice Braumoeller of Daly City, Calif.; two sons, William E. Schlink of Stockton and Albert H. Schlink of Lodi; also four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

First Baptist Church,
Lodi, California

GUSTAVE G. RAUSER, Pastor.

MR. GOTTLIEB JESCHKE of Nokomis, Sask., Canada.

Mr. Gottlieb Jeschke was born Oct. 8, 1860 in Poland. In 1875 he moved to Russia with his parents. At the age of 16 years he accepted the Lord as his personal Savior and was baptized on confession of his faith by Rev. Karl Ondrau. In 1882 Mr. Jeschke was united in marriage to Augusta Dier. She predeceased him in 1904. This marriage was blessed with twelve children, seven sons and five daughters, of whom seven are still living.

In 1905 he was again united in marriage to Bertha Wanfried. This union was broken by death after only ten months of wedded life. Then in 1906 he was united in marriage to Wilhelmine Arndt. In Sept. 1920 with his wife and two youngest children he came to Canada, and lived at Drake and Nokomis, Saskatchewan. He joined the Nokomis Baptist Church and was a true and faithful member to the end of his life. For two years he lived at Niagara on the Lake, Ontario. In 1924 this marriage was again broken when his wife went to be with the Lord. In Oct. 1930 he married Pauline Laskowski and she passed on to be with the Lord in Sept. 1949.

Since 1949 he made his home with his daughter, Emelia Kriese in Drake, Saskatchewan. On July 3, 1951 he suffered a stroke and was brought to the Nokomis Hospital, where he passed away on July 13. He reached the age of 90 years, 9 months and 5 days.

He leaves to mourn four sons and three daughters, Reinhold of Anaheim, Calif.; Ernest of Waldheim, Sask.; David of Nokomis, Sask.; Karl of Lanigan, Sask.; Martha Bartel and Emelia Kriese of Drake, Sask.; Adina Ediger, Nokomis; three stepchildren: Mrs. Frank Huber, Serath, Sask.; Jacob Laskowski, Niagara on the Lake; Julius Laskowski, Rochester, N. Y.; 32 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. Several of his relatives are the Rev. Wm. H. Jeschke of Summer, Iowa and Prof. R. P. Jeschke of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The funeral was held at the Baptist Church in Nokomis on July 16. Rev. P. Schroeder of the Menonite Church spoke comforting words on the text, John 11:25.

and the undersigned spoke from Job 5:26. Nokomis, Saskatchewan, Canada

ROBERT JASTER, Pastor.

THE HEIN FAMILY of Calgary, Alberta.

Six members of the Hein family of Calgary, Alberta, three generations, were killed instantly on June 29 in a collision with a truck, in which the car was completely demolished. This accident occurred two miles east of Delia, Alberta, as the family was on their way to an evening service.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hein, members of the Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary, began their pilgrimage in Bessarabia, Russia, on February 8, 1884 and February 26, 1889 respectively. Mr. Hein reached the age of 67 years, 4 months and 20 days, and Mrs. Hein, nee Webber, 62 years, 4 months and 3 days. They were joined in marriage on October 10, 1909, and shared their joys and sorrows all these years. Nine children came to gladden the home. Three, however, preceded the parents in death.

In 1911 they emigrated from Russia, and finally, after tarrying in North Dakota for a brief time, settled in the Hanna, Alberta area. They reached the climax of life in 1914, when they yielded to the Lord Jesus Christ, and also followed their Lord into the watery grave. Rev. S. Bienert baptized them. They stand approved as tireless and faithful servants of God, and were active in the Castor Baptist Church, then the Hand Hills Church, and since 1941 the Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary, where at the time of his death he was first deacon.

Mr. Dan Hein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hein, was born October 5, 1913 at Castor. At his death he was 37 years, 8 months and 24 days old. Mrs. Dan Hein, nee Neubauer, was born September 26, 1911 in North Dakota, but came with her parents to Craigmyle in her childhood. At her death she was 39 years, 9 months and 3 days old. Both accepted Christ as personal Savior in 1931-32, under the faithful ministry of Rev. Albert Itermann, and were also baptized by him. They were joined in marriage on April 13, 1933, and were blessed with two sons. Both perished with the parents.

Leroy Larry, the older, was born December 7, 1934, and he made peace with God at the Sylvan Lake Baptist Assembly in 1948. The younger, Allen Leslie, was born August 24, 1940. Just a year ago he took Christ as Savior at a revival in Calgary. Both obeyed Christ's command and were baptized by the Rev. H. Schatz on May 20, 1951.

Five children of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hein, who are also the brothers and sisters of Dan Hein, and uncles and aunts of Leroy and Allen, mourn their homegoing: Marie Weinbender, Rochester, N. Y.; Dr. Sam Hein and Emil Hein, Edmonton, Alta.; Hilda Thompson, Edmonton, Violett Link, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.; two grandchildren, Richard and Connie, children of Emil Hein; six brothers and one sister of Sam Hein: Carl, Onoway, Alta.; Dan, Lodi, Calif.; Ben, Hines Creek, Alta.; Reinhold, Spondin, Alta.; Leonard, Germany; Gottfried, Kelowna, B. C.; Magdalena Reinhardt, Russia; three sisters of Mrs. Sam Hein: Christina Adolf, Hanna, Alta.; Caroline Schaber, Rutland, B. C.; Elizabeth of Europe; father and stepmother, brother, and sisters of Mrs. Dan Hein: Mr. and Mrs. Neubauer, Hanna, Alta.; Rudolf, Hanna; Lillie Fischer, Calgary, Alta.; Mrs. Emil Metzger, Carbon, Alta.; besides a host of other relatives and friends.

A total of 1500 people from far and near gathered in the open air at the Hanna Cemetery to pay their last respects. With all six coffins suspended over their resting places, the Rev. R. Milbrandt conducted the services and also brought a message from God's Word in the German language. The Rev. D. Seely of Craigmyle and the undersigned spoke briefly from God's Word in the English language. A number of fitting solos were rendered by various ones. Edward Link, son-in-law and brother-in-law of the deceased sang, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." May God comfort the bereaved with this eternal hope!

Bridgeland Baptist Church,
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

ERVIN J. FAUL, Pastor.

Obituary

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

MR. ABRAHAM RECK of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Abraham Reck of Minneapolis, Minn., was born on December 27, 1870 in Elizabeththal, South Russia, where he grew to manhood and was converted as a young man. He was baptized by the Rev. Johann Golbeck in 1891 in Michailowka, Russia. In 1894 he was married to Augusta Preuss to which union three children were born, Jacob and Marie of Minneapolis and Christine Fregin of Germany. In 1905 he moved to Germany where he joined the Baptist Church in Kullingen, Tirwalde. Later he moved to Eydtkuhnen, Stallupönen, where he was united with the Baptist church.

He came to America in 1927 settling in Minneapolis, Minn., where he became a member of the Faith Baptist Church. He was a true servant of the Lord Jesus Christ whom he loved dearly. He passed away on July 23 after a brief though fatal illness. He is survived by his three children, one daughter-in-law, one son-in-law, four grandchildren, four great-

Pacific Conference

Two Farewell Services at the Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon

After a pastorate of 13½ years with the Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., the Rev. and Mrs. Otto Roth felt called to go to another field of labor. On Sunday evening, May 13, the church gathered to express its appreciation and to wish the Roths, "God speed!"

Appreciation of the work done was expressed, not only in words, but with gifts from the different branches of the church and with a worthwhile gift of money from the entire group. After Mr. and Mrs. Roth had expressed their gratitude, all present shook hands with them and with many good wishes bade "Adieu" to them.

The Rev. and Mrs. Howard Roth of Portland who had anxiously awaited their traveling orders to the Cameroons of Africa received them early in June, so that the Immanuel Church made plans for another farewell. Mr. E. A. Marks, moderator, had charge of this meeting which took place on Sunday evening, June 17.

Here too there were expressions of thanks, verbal and concrete, for services given during the years of their membership in Immanuel Church. Howard was our gifted choir director, taught classes in the Bible School and during the last year was assistant to the pastor. Betty was a member of the choir, taught in the Primary Department and assisted in the Junior Baptist Youth Fellowship.

After a time of fellowship with messages, good wishes and prayers asking God's care and blessings, farewells were said. May the heavenly Father who called them into mission service bless Betty and Howard and give them many souls for their hire.

Jennie C. Hoelzer, Reporter.

Two Hundred Children at Vacation Bible School for Bethany Area of Oregon

The Vacation Bible School of the churches of the Bethany area near Portland, Ore., was held in the Bethany Baptist Church from July 2 to 13. The theme of the Bible School was "Faith." The school was sponsored by the Bethany Baptist, Bethany Methodist, Bethany Presbyterian and Emanuel Evangelical Reformed Church of Helvetia with Miss Helen Carlson of the Multnomah School of the Bible as general superintendent.

The course of study which was followed in all departments and adapted to the age levels of each department was the study of the Book of Genesis. All lessons and the very attractive workbooks were written by Miss Carlson. In the workbooks were illustrations for each of the lessons taught, a Bible verse for each lesson, appropriate work sheets, and words for the songs and choruses used in the school. The total enrollment for the school

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Song, "Here Am I, Send Me,"
by Dr. Herman von Berge.

Illustrated story of our mission to
Japan. "The Land of the Rising Sun."

Offering for Our Missionary
Enterprise.

Observance for a Sunday in Sep-
tember or October 1951.

was 208 with an average attendance of 140.

One of the chief aims of the Bible School was to present the Word in such a manner that the children would have an opportunity to accept Christ as their Savior. We praise the Lord that several professed to accept Christ as Savior and several more indicated they were assured of their personal salvation.

On the evening of July 13 the children presented a program at which time they gave a demonstration of all the things they had learned.

Mrs. Fred Schaer, Reporter.

Sessions of the Pacific Confer- ence Woman's Missionary Union at Salem, Oregon

Pacific Conference time at the Bethel Baptist Church in Salem, Ore., warmed our hearts as the brethren brought messages on "The Christian Life" stressing the necessity of "living in Christ." The city of Salem favored us with a temperature to correspond with our hearts reaching a high of 103 degrees.

We as a Woman's Missionary Union met on Friday, June 29, for our annual business meeting in conjunction with a luncheon at the Senator Hotel where 123 women assembled. After Mrs. F. E. Klein led in prayer, our president, Mrs. J. Wobig, introduced our missionary, Mrs. Gilbert Schneider and Mrs. G. G. Rauser, vice-president presented her with a corsage. Mrs. H. J. Wilcke was welcomed. Mrs. H. Hengstler led devotions. The election resulted as follows: president, Mrs. F. W. Bartel, Chilliwack, B. C.; vice-presidents, Mrs. P. G. Neumann, Costa Mesa, Calif., Mrs. R. Woyke, Salem, Ore., and Mrs. J. C. Schweitzer, Vancouver, B. C.; secretary, Mrs. H. Hengstler, Los Angeles, Calif.; treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Lippert, Paul, Idaho. Mrs. E. Wolff of the Salt Creek Church gave an excellent report on the National Woman's Union executive business meeting in Chicago. The session was closed with a few remarks about the Cameroons by our guest missionary.

Our evening program was presented to an overflowing audience. Our president, Mrs. Wobig, presided. Mrs. Rich of Bethany, Ore., favored us with a solo, "The Love of God." Mrs. J. C. Schweitzer led the memorial service. The speaker of the evening, Missionary Gilbert Schneider, showed 90 slides of our work in the Cameroons. The offering amounted to \$150. This plus the balance in our treasury will be given to our Bible School in the Cameroons to purchase books.

Mrs. F. W. Bartel, Secretary.

Sessions of the Pacific Conference at Bethel Baptist Church, Salem, Oregon

The annual Pacific Conference of North American Baptists convened at Salem, Ore., in the Bethel Baptist Church during the days of June 27 to July 1. A warm reception was registered by the thermometer, between 93 and 99 degrees, and this was surpassed only by the intensity of warmth and love of the Spirit which pervaded all the sessions from the start to the finish.

There was a good attendance at the meetings and always an overflow in the evening services. A unique feature of the opening night was the welcome given to the conference by the mayor of Salem. Every heart was stirred by his words when he indicated that the only truly effective forces against evil and delinquency are the influence of God's people in the community and the Word of God in the heart. Rev. B. Jacksteit of Anaheim, Calif., brought the opening message, in which he gave a clear, positive and challenging presentation of the conference theme, "The Christian Life" (2 Peter 3:18).

The Rev. Arthur Weisser of Lodi, Calif., moderator, led the business sessions with admirable tact and ability. The moderator for the coming year is Rev. H. J. Wilcke of Tacoma, Washington. The host church and pastor, Rev. R. Woyke, did all that was possible for the comfort and enjoyment of all the delegates and friends. Sumptuous breakfasts served at the church were especially delightful. Numbers from the local choir were much appreciated in the evening services and on the Lord's Day.

A missionary emphasis was felt in the conference by the presence of our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider of the Cameroons, West Africa. By both pictures and messages, they laid before our vision and our hearts that great mission field. Mr. Schneider was the speaker chosen for the Woman's Missionary program which is always one of the high points in the conference. Sunday services were held in the Waller Hall of the Willamette University. A youth banquet on Saturday evening brought together a host of young people from our various churches. All were challenged by a fitting message from a young man, Rev. Robert Penner, assistant pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland.

The great highlight of the conference was the series of messages given by Dr. R. E. Powell of our North American Baptist Seminary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. All were fed with the meat of God's Word as he spoke on the subject, "Life in Christ," found in Colossians 3:1-3. We have never had a better spiritual ministry at any conference. It is a source of thanksgiving to God to have a young man of such spiritual maturity, power and so true to God's Holy Word as a professor in our Seminary. Christ was truly magnified in every believing heart!

H. F. K. Hengstler, Reporter.