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coveted for all people.

only seen from afar.

of these little ones," in Jesus' own words.

who hold aloft the torch after we have let it fall!

Religion in Stamps

The Bible of the "H.M.S. Bounty" changes a feuding, blood-soaked island into a peaceful Paradise!

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ITCAIRN ISLAND, a small British colony far out in the South Pacific, has issued a set of two stamps to honor the erection of a new government school on the island.

Pictured on one stamp is the school building. On the other Pitcairn has honored its first "school," and for many years its only one, a small English Bible that was the ship's Bible on "H.M.S. Bounty." Thereby lies one of the most remarkable stories about the Bible ever told.

The unusual story behind Pitcairn's settlement has become rather well known because of the book, "Mutiny on the Bounty."

It was in 1787 that members of the crew of His Majesty's armed transport, "The Bounty," were driven to mutiny by the cruelty of their master, the notorious Captain Bligh. Under the leadership of Fletcher Christian, the mutineers seized control of the ship, set the hated captain adrift in an open boat, and made for the tropical isle of Tahiti.

There they fell in love with attractive native girls, married, and would probably have settled down to live. But news reached them that the British Admiralty, having heard of the mutiny, was determined to capture the rebellious crew and hang everyone of them as an example

Desperate, they decided to set out for Pitcairn, a small uninhabitated isle, the westernmost of the South Sea Islands, situated almost halfway between Australia and the coast of South America. After arriving at this remote spot, they sank the "Bounty" to hide all evidence of their crime and settled down. It proved a good hiding place. For years the world lost sight of them

It would be happy to record that the ten crew members and their families lived a happy, idyllic existence in this distant retreat. Such was far from the case, however. Boredom overcame the men, and drinking, quarreling and debauchery became their daily pursuit. Soon there was a violent falling out and a murder was committed. The situation on the island got out of hand. Every man went about armed and there were more killings. After a while only two of the ten men were left alive, Edward Young and Alexander Smith, the colony's leader, Fletcher



The Pitcairn Islands' stamp showing the Bounty Bible.

Christian, and the others having all met violent deaths.

Among the possessions of the two survivors was the only reading matter on the island, the ship's Bible which had been brought ashore before the "Bounty" sank. Smith, who could scarcely write his own name, set out to teach himself to read from the Bible, with Young's help.

Soon Young died and Smith found himself the only adult protector of a group of terrified women and small children. Laboriously, he continued his task of spelling out the Bible, verse by verse, mastering its words and teaching them to the children who clustered about.

In 1887, one hundred years after Pitcairn was settled, a missionary ship from the United States anchored in Bounty Bay and sent a party ashore. Imagine their astonishment when, instead of the heathen Polynesians they had expected to find, they were met by leaders of a devout English-speaking Christian colony. Here were a group of Christians, identified with no other body in the world, and having no formal ritual of worship. Yet they knew the Bible word for word, and in their simple island community practiced Christianity in a beautiful way.

Alexander Smith had taught well from the Bible in his aging years. That one book had changed a raging, feuding, blood-soaked island into a peaceful Paradise! Where has greater testimony ever been given to the power of the Bible?

Pitcairn is a happy, progressive colony, holding an honored place in the British Commonwealth, no longer quite as remote as it once was-as witness the fact that it now issues its own postage stamps. It is fitting that Pitcairn has paid tribute to the book that meant so much in its history, the Bounty Bible.

FRONT COVER

Dr. and Mrs. William Boutwell, our medical missionaries, are shown on the front cover with little Patience shortly after their arrival in the Cameroons, Africa. Patience, the daughter of a Cameroons mission teacher, first appeared on the front cover of the March 27, 1952 issue of the "Baptist Herald," smiling brightly as she was squatting in an open carton that bore her

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June 4-7—Central Saskatchewan and Alberta Association at Golden Prairie, Sask. Prof. Herbert Hiller and Rev. Karl Korella, Speakers.

June 8-14-Northern North Dakota Young People's Assembly at Camp Bentley, Drake, North Dakota. Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens (June 9-14), Speakers.

June 10-13-Manitoba Triunion and Association at Minitonas, Manitoba. Rev. E. P. Wahl and Rev. R. Schilke, Speakers.

June 11-14—Alberta Association at Trochu, Alberta. Prof. Herbert Hiller, Speaker.

June 15-20-Minnesota Young People's Camp at Camp Induhapi, Minnesota. Miss Berneice Westerman, Guest Speaker.

June 16-21—Southern Conference Young People's Encampment at Latham Springs, Texas. Dr. Leslie Chaffee and Dr. Frank H. Woyke (June 20-21), Speakers.

June 18-21-Central Dakota Association at Hebron, North Dakota, Rev. E. P. Wahl, Speaker.

June 17-21-Iowa Junior Camp at Clear Lake, Iowa. Miss Ruth Bathauer and Miss Berneice Westerman (June 21 Only), Speakers.

June 18-21—Central Conference at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan. Dr. George A. Lang, Rev. E. J. Baumgartner and Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens, Speakers.

June 18-21-Northern North Dakota Association at Fessenden, North Dakota. Prof. Hugo Lueck and Mrs. Walter W. Grosser, Speakers.

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Editorial L

Footsteps of the Future

F YOU WILL put your ear far enough down to the earth, you will

hear the rhythmic patter of little feet. That is symbolic of the

Christian's concern for little children. That is the Christian's

How concerned the Lord Jesus Christ was over the fact that

awareness of the footsteps of the future. Children's Day on Sunday,

June 14, makes us sensitive to the needs and joys of children and

people might shut their hearts to the wonderful love of children or

be unaware of their enriching presence or fail to hear the little foot-

steps approaching the open gates to the future! He rebuked his dis-

ciples for their blindness which they showed in the presence of chil-

dren. He passed severe judgment on those who might be a stumbling-

block to a child. He experienced his greatest joys in the presence of

children and found in them the example of spiritual virtues which he

anyone of us so long as there are children at hand. How complete and

guileless is their trust in others! What a picture of sincerity and

simplicity is their love! How their eyes sparkle with the wonder of

life and of beauty! These are spiritual values that every child with

divine innocence portrays before us. This is the gate that is open to

everyone into the Kingdom of Heaven if you will "become like one

so long as there are children who will embody them in their lives

and characters. God has chosen human lives to be the channels of

his blessing and truth. The glow of his Spirit is seen in the living soul

of every life. The span of our days is brief, but the beauty of our

pilgrimage cannot give us any certainty that these spiritual and moral

values for which we have striven will abide unless we see them

embodied in the lives of those who live after us. Thank God for those

possibilities for greater attainments and for more effective Christian

living. Children are the best evidence that improvements can be made

and progress can be attained in the work of God's Kingdom. That is

the joy of Children's Day, watching the children perform in the pro-

gram and recite their pieces and in them see the hope of the future in

the ministry of the church and in the work of our denomination. They

will reach heights of service which those of us who are older have

ities as Jesus did! Hear the footsteps of the future, as they tramp

across the platform and eagerly render their pieces. Give joyously to

the chapel building fund and thank God for every little child!

Let us then set the child in the midst of the Children's Day festiv-

There is then hope for the future so long as children show the

It is also important to remember that human values are abiding

Jesus reminded us that the Kingdom of Heaven is not far from

gives us a new vision of their unfolding possibilities.

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The Cross of Christ

All who would enter the road of eternal life must bow at this Cross where the burden of sin is removed. Then as we lose ourselves in the Christ of the Cross, we gain the highest that the Almighty God can give!

By the REV. BERNARD R. FRITZKE of McLaughlin, South Dakota

N CHRISTIAN CIRCLES it is a common thing to hear mention made of the Cross of Christ. Ministers refer to it often, and many Christian hymns and Gospel songs make mention of it. Very frequently it is used as a symbol, rather than to represent the literal, physical cross upon which Christ died. We sing, "In the cross of Christ I glory," yet that is not what we mean literally. If we would, it would be a form of idol worship. We have reference, rather, to Christ himself and that work which he performed upon that

CHRIST'S SACRIFICE

There are thousands or millions of pictures, wall plaques and lapel buttons bearing the image of the cross. All these are insignificant in themselves, except as they reflect back to that great sacrifice at Calvary where the Son of God died for the sins of the world. There is no merit in these miniature crosses which we so often see, nor in the pictures or cross wall plaques, and not even in the two pieces of wood upon which the Son of man died. But there is merit in the Christ who died upon that Cross. The Cross is only the symbol of the CHRIST who there poured out his life for us.

God, because of his holy, righteous and just nature, cannot and will not tolerate sin. He demands payment for it. However, the price is so great that any ordinary human being is not able to pay for his own sins, though he suffer forever in hell for them. Only one could pay the price for sin and that One was Christ. By giving his life for us as a willing sacrifice for sin upon the cross, he did pay for sin.

The price he paid was great enough to cover all sins of all time. Even though this is true, yet this payment for sins by Christ applies only to those who in faith personally request his payment for their sins. Man's fellowship with God has been restored. Praise be unto this Christ of the Cross!

God has seen fit to place men into a material world, with a material body limited by time and space. However, life itself is not material, but spiritual. Therefore the roads, highways and foot paths, on which we travel in our power of God (1 Cor. 1:18).



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physical body, take meaning only as they add to the spiritual path that we take in life.

In this earthly life of time and space, we are so to journey in the spirit, that in the hereafter we will arrive at that place where all men want to go. All men want to go to heaven, but comparatively few are on the right road, says the Master. Why? The reason is that the many have not heeded the cross, that spiritual road sign which directs men to the only entrance to the straight and narrow way. That way is the only way to heaven. Jesus said, "I am the door" (John 10:9), and again, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6).

Despite the fact that faithful Christians, and especially ministers. invite, advise, admonish and plead with people to enter the way of eternal life by way of the Cross, they do not listen. They try to find another way and there is none. We can thank God for Christ who, through his word, points us to the Cross by which we must pass if we would enter into life eternal. Even though the preaching of this Cross is foolishness to them who perish, yet to those of us who are saved, it is the

The Cross stands out, not only as a road sign to the way of life, but also as a place of forgiveness. All who would enter the road of eternal life must bow at the Cross. It is here where our burden of sin is removed, and where we receive complete forgiveness for our souls. For those of us who have tasted this, how great the peace! How relieved the soul!

However, there is one requirement. We must bow our spirits humbly before him, acknowledging that we are helpless sinners, needing God's grace. This sounds simple and easy, and when experienced it is sweet, but many souls are too proud for this. When brought face to face with Christ, they harden their hearts, will not confess their sins and therefore do not enter into life eternal. They want to get to heaven, but will not bow to him who is the door and the only door to

A SYMBOL OF FORGIVENESS

Truly, the Cross is the place of mercy. Here our wonderful Lord even prayed the Father to forgive his enemies. Do we also have such a spirit of forgiveness? So often these days we find Christian brethren out of fellowship with one another. The feeling of dislike becomes so great that they do not even speak to one another or even greet each other, yet they claim to have fellowship with the Christ of the

It might be in place here to note what Jesus had to say about an unforgiving spirit. In Matthew 6:15 we read, "If ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your father forgive your trespasses." This is a very serious word and worthy of consideration. The Cross is the place of forgiveness and all who walk in the way of the Cross must walk with a forgiving spirit. Not only are we to forgive once, twice or even seven times, but "seventy times seven," according to the Master (Matt. 18:22b).

The Christian life glitters with glorious promises. Some are realized in this life, and many are still to be realized in eternity. Yet Christ would not have people following him in this life for personal gain only. He promises, not

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The Gospel of Divine Promise

The third of a trilogy of messages on the Gospel of Christ by the vicemoderator of the General Conference

By the REV. PAUL WENGEL of Brooklyn, New York

N JAPAN the deceased loved ones are always laid to rest with their heads to the north. The living therefore consider this position unlucky and invariably sleep with their heads to the east or south. This is so important to many that on journeys they carry a compass so as to get their bearings at bedtime

We may not be concerned about the way we are laid at death, but we are, or should be, concerned about the direction we are heading while alive. In this the Word of God does not leave us in the dark. We have a Gospel of Divine Promise and it is "Good News."

CHILDREN OF GOD

This Gospel is an essential part of the message we bring to a sinning and dying world. The materialistic world in which we live causes the faith of men in the promises of God to be often sorely tested. A young man, fresh out of his biology class in high school, came to his pastor with his doubts and newly found belief, or disbelief.

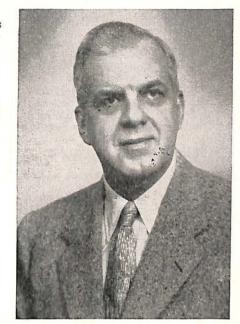
"Do you think that I am any different than a bug?" he queried. It is hard to answer that in an unequivocal negative.

When people came and said, "Am I any different than a monkey?" it was easy to answer, "No, you're not, as long as you have only a monkey's faith," or shall we say, "Or are only a monkey's son."

However, if you are a child of God. that is different. "They who are moved by the spirit of God, are the sons (and daughters) of God" (Romans 8:14). It is true that we are little more than the vertebrates below us until we become new creatures through faith in God and Christ (2 Cor. 5:17).

The great question today is not, "What lies on the other side of the Iron Curtain or Bamboo Curtain?" but rather, "What lies on the other side of the curtain that God himself has drawn before the eyes of man?" Thus to him and his Gospel of Divine Promise alone can we turn. (Isa. 54: 10: Numbers 23:19; Heb. 10:23.)

"For he is faithful that promised." That is a good place to begin this Gospel. Often in the Old Testament, faith in the promises of God took a



Rev. Paul Wengel

very materialistic and earthly turn. See the beginning of Job and the arguments of his well-meaning but foolish friends. See the struggles and the delusions of the Psalmist (Ps. 73, 128) or the nationalistic dreams of the Hebrew people. (Genesis 12:3; 17:1-22.)

To understand God's promises to his people, it is necessary to note the inspired clarification given by the Apostle Paul. (Romans 4:1-16; Gal. 3:16.) The New Testament offers to us a realistic and divine Gospel that tells of the Son of God who "had no place to lay his head," who incurred the enmity of men and a cross, and who taught that God "makes his sun to shine on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and unjust." The coming days or years of the world hold only the promise of trouble (tribulation or affliction-Weymouth-John 16:33). But he promises the means to overcome (Romans 8:28-30; 1 John

SPIRITUAL ASSURANCES

There is the promise of solution for unsolved riddles. Only the very young and the very foolish have "all the answers." It is a presumption for a human being to hang out a shingle saying, "Knows all! Sees all!" The suring and enabling factor in the life wisest are the most humble.

The Apostle Paul is our spokesman: "We now see through a glass, darkly" (1 Cor. 13:12). Weymouth translates, "For the present we see things as in a mirror, and are puzzled." "We know in part" (bit by bit), confesses Paul, but he also enjoins the belief that "then we shall see face to face." "Now I know in part," he says, "but then shall I know even as also I am known." What a Gospel is this that promises!

"God knows the way, he holds the key, He guides us with unerring hand; Sometime with tearless eyes we'll see:

Yes, there, sometime, we'll understand.'

Then there is the precious promise of Christ's return. We have the Master's assurance (Matt. 16:27; 25:31-33; John 14:1-3). It was St. Paul's great hope, first an immediate hope (2 Cor. 5:1-4; 1 Thess. 4:17). Yet though the fulfillment was delayed, his was a faith not dependent upon the imminent return of Christ (1 Thess. 5:10). In his instructions regarding the Lord's Supper, he makes the coming of the Lord an ever-present hope (1 Cor. 11:26).

There has been much conflict and discussion as to the "how" or "when" but ever and anon the humbled disciple has been turned from the area of reason to the celestial realms of faith and trust in his promise. Some there are who even deny the whole proposition. That is not new as we may see by Holy Writ (2 Peter 3:4.

CHRIST'S RETURN

In a chaotic world, like the one in which we live, the promise of a new world seems fantastic and certainly humanly impossible. Yet that is just what God promises (Rev. 11:15, 21:1 ff). Whether it is to come as a tremendous cataclysm (2 Peter 3:10) or gradually, yet just as powerfully (Matt. 13:31-33), is left for sincere Bible students to ponder. There is no doubt, however, that it was in the mind of Christ when he taught his disciples to pray, "Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Sometimes men have overemphasized the promise of Christ's coming to the exclusion of his presence (Matt. 28:20). His presence is the most as-

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The Ndu Chapel Is Dedicated

The thrilling story of the rapid completion of the Ndu Baptist Chapel in the Cameroons, Africa, ahead of schedule, and of the dedication service attended by 973 people!

By the REV. G. BEN LAWRENCE of Victoria Station, Cameroons

HE ANNUAL Missionary Conference in December 1952 decided that our first real assignment was to complete the Ndu Chapel which had stood for some time with the walls half completed.

The natives and even some of the missionaries semed skeptical when we arrived on January 3, 1953. We talked of completing the building by February 1st, but to the African this seemed an impossibility after having taken so long to build that which had been completed.

EVERYBODY WORKING

Sunday, after church, Missionary Fred Holzimmer called the Church Building Committee together and put a real "fire" under them. After much discussion, the members decided that everyone would give one week's free labor at eight hours per day. Many people still doubted that the church would be completed in such a short time, but Dedication Sunday was set for February 1st.

Monday morning at 7:00 A.M. all were thrilled! About 20 skilled workmen came as well as many women, children and laborers, to give their time and labor for God. The carpenters began at once to cut the rafters and assemble them on the ground even before the walls were up. This amazed many since they were sure they would not fit when put in place. The masons once again began the seemingly endless task of adding stone after stone to the massive walls.

By the end of the second day, they had completed enough of the wall so that the carpenters could lift the huge rafters into place. Everyone would stop their various tasks, when the carpenters were ready, and come to help lift it into position. Some would lift from the ground while others braced it with long poles and still others stood on the walls and pulled with ropes. Whenever they slid a rafter into position, all would shout.

"PUTTA PUTTA"

The women and children did their share of the work, too. Some carried zinc and timbers about one-eighth of a mile from the mission station up the hill to the church. Some handed stone to the masons as they laid the walls.

DONORS OF THE NDU CHAPEL

The building of the Ndu Baptist Chapel was made possible by the generous contributions of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Schroeder, formerly of Lorraine, Kans., and now living in Tucson, Arizona. The Ndu Chapel is a memorial to their missionary zeal and devotion! EDITOR.

Some carried food and water to the men as they worked. And some mixed "putta putta." This is an interesting sight to see, as it is unique to Africa.

Here in Africa much building is done with mud ("putta putta") because of the particularly good cohesive and adhesive qualities of most of the soil in this area. The qualities of this mud are so good that you can plaster with it and then paint it the same as we do our own plaster at home.

This mud, or "putta putta," as we call it, is mixed with the feet of the

African. They pile up a mound of soil and hollow it out in the middle and pour in a quantity of water. Then three or four of them (in this case, women) grab each other by the shoulders and step into the pile and begin to move their feet. They sing or chant and move their feet in rhythm and thus mix the soil and water.

FINISHING TOUCHES

On the fourth day of work there were enough rafters in place to put some zinc on the roof. The head carpenter made all the preparations to put the first zinc sheet into place and everyone had to stop work and watch it being applied. Again everyone shouted! They said of the roof, "The head for God he house go holler plenty." They said this because the church was placed on a high hill and could be seen from any direction and also because the galvanized iron sheets glitter in the sunlight.

The original plan was to hold the first service in the new church on the (Continued on Page 16)



Cameroons natives tug away at a huge saw in cutting down a giant tree in the African jungle for lumber to be used in the many building projects of our Cameroons Baptist Mission.



An out-of-door Church Conference of native Christians in session (left), and Evangelist Efase Luma preaching to this large Christian conference at Kumbe Balue in the Kumba field (right).

A Cameroons Church Conference

First impressions received by a new missionary of a native Church Conference with its interesting things of "country fashion"

By MRS. MARGIE LOU LAWRENCE of Victoria Station, Cameroons



HE SUN was shining brightly as we left hot and humid Victoria to attend the Native Coastal Church Conference at Muea, near Soppo, on Sunday. March 8, 1953.

As we drove along the motor road, we passed several groups of women marching along and singing joyously in their native language. Each group was attired in a similar uniform dress with matching turban-white with pink, blue or black trim; black trimmed with white and even a startling fuchsia shade that you saw at a first glance. Yes, the motor road was really decorated with gala colors and festive music.

EIGHT CHOIRS

We parked the motor alongside the road at Buea and walked in between rows of tumble-down huts to where the meeting was to take place. Before us stood row after row of benches under a canopy of palm oil branches which served as a protection from the hot African sun. At the very front was a speaker's table with chairs surrounding it for the guests, speakers and missionaries. On either side were several benches in groups facing each

This puzzled me! Why would you want to face your fellow-Christian and turn your back on the speaker? My puzzlement was soon ended as in marched, not only one but eight choirs and seated themselves facing one another. Their entrance was a cheerful

side by side to the rhythm of a native song, even after walking miles to attend this event.

Now it looked as if our meeting was to begin. After the hustle and bustle of last minute arrangements, one of the evangelists gave a short introduction and then asked the Muea Choir to present its number. After introducing the new missionaries and guests, a short message was given by the Rev. Edwin Michelson. The Soppo Choir and the various others rendered forth with their native songs interspersed with messages and announcements.

Each choir seemingly tried to outdo the other! Some of the music was the same over and over, changed only by the variation of a pianissimo in one phrase and a crescendo into a fortissimo in the next passage. We really enjoyed these flourishes of expression, although we were not familiar with their native tongue.

MANY MESSAGES

Reports and messages were given by the various evangelists and church teachers as to membership, baptisms and offerings for the native coastal churches during the past year. As the reports came and went, many of the natives shifted positions trying to find a more comfortable posture. I could see that many a bench was too short adequately to seat its "cargo."

One of the messages that really held our attention was on "The Evils of

and energetic one as they marched Polygamy" given by an evangelist. He pointed out that a plurality of wives would give you "plenty palaver" (lots of trouble) and if you buy clothes for one-you must buy clothes for the other wife or wives! If you do notthere will be trouble! His message was a very convincing one to me (which is not hard to understand), and I think most of the African Christians would agree with him, but there are those Africans who have been brought up in such an environment and find it difficult to break away from their "country fashion." We would covet your prayers on this item, especially that they might learn to walk in the "Christian fashion" in-

AFRICAN STYLE

After many announcements and remarks, our meeting ended with choirs on all sides raising their voices in competition with one another. As I glanced down at my program sheet I read this: "LET ALL THINGS BE DONE DE-CENTLY AND IN ORDER" (1 Cor. 14:40). Well, maybe it wasn't quite "in order" but the Lord is leading the African and the African is learning.

Although it wasn't as orderly as our conferences at home, doesn't a child usually spread cereal all over his face before he gets it into his mouth? Yes, our native Christians in Africa are working for the Lord and they make mistakes, just as we do. God bless them and help the missionaries to be good advisers to them

Building and Planting at the Leper Camp

An amazing missionary program is now being carried out on 2800 acres of land at the Bamenda New Hope Settlement by our Cameroons missionaries

A Compilation of Recent Reports Received from Africa

A T BAMENDA New Hope Settlement in the Cameroons we have been literally laying foundations, not only the spiritual and medical foundations, but also structural foundations. Since the arrival of the Schneiders in March 1952, they have tried to follow the Biblical warning to build on stone and

foundation completed. Materials for the walls are being collected.

The Clinic has its foundation under

The Machine Shed has its foundation completed. A temporary shed serves as storage at the present.

The Doctor's Home has on the spot



Gilbert and Mildred Schneider and their son Evan (with their cook boy at the right) in their unfinished house at the Bamenda New Hope Settlement.

tunate that stone is plentiful. However, sand is more difficult to obtain.

We have been granted 2800 acres of land and of these acres 900 are set aside for building purposes while the rest serve our agricultural schemes. The next paragraphs deal with the accomplishments on the 900 acre area.

The Schneider Kitchen is completed and the Schneiders live in it the best they can. It is crowded.

The Schneider Home has its walls completed and was ready for occupancy by March 31, 1953.

The Reddig Kitchen has been completed and Miss Reddig occupies it as her emergency home.

The Reddig Home is under construction and should be ready for occupancy by the end of April.

Leper Homes, 17 in all at present. are made of local blocks or in local style. They house the 47 lepers we have in the settlement this day. Almost all of these homes we took over from former dwellers on these acres and compensation has been paid through Government.

not on shifting sand. It is quite for- all of the stones needed to build foundations and walls. Construction will have to wait to the middle of 1953.

> Six New Leper Homes are under consideration. The site has been cleared and the making of blocks is

The Administration Building has its in progress. Stones are being collected for the foundation.

The Hospital Foundation has its stones ready at the site.

There have been other foundations laid in addition to these buildings. A network of roads has been staked out and is now beginning to form its graceful pattern. Four acres of coffee have been planted as the beginning of a large plantation. Nine thousand eucalyptus trees have been planted out for firewood in future years. A large garden and nursery have been started to supply our fellow-workers and ourselves with fresh vegetables, tree seedlings, and other fruit starts. The cattle have been brought down from Warwar and have become excellent laborers for us by keeping the grass cut. We appreciate the milk and meat they pro-

Speaking in general, it can be reported that the settlement land is one beehive of activities going on all over the acres all of the time. The craftsmanship in construction is above criticism. Planning appears to be sound. Cost cannot be discussed until the financial records have been studied in cooperation with Missionary Schnei-

Laura Reddig is doing noble work among the 47 lepers. It is not an easy assignment. The love of Christ must drive one to see glory in it. It behooves us to be concerned about the doctor for his place. Government cannot long tolerate the present arrange-

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The leper stalls at the Bamenda New Hope Settlement, Cameroons, where several lepers are having their feet treated and bandaged.

A Precious Cargo for the Cameroons

The amazing story of assorting tens of thousands of White Cross supplies, sent to headquarters by our Women's Societies and churches, and now nearing the Cameroons in a two-ton shipment

By DR. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER of Forest Park, Illinois

A PRECIOUS CARGO of White Cross supplies, weighing 3946 pounds, will soon reach its destination at the seaport of Victoria, Africa.

It represents the love gifts of thousands of our North American Baptist women who have contributed the supplies. It symbolizes the managerial genius of Miss Gretchen Remmler of the Forest Park headquarters office who planned her own "assembly line" to prepare and to pack the tens of thousands of articles for shipment to the Cameroons. But, most of all, it tells the story of another miracle of God, when the little things we lay on God's altar of service become the mighty deeds in his Kingdom.

BUSY MARTHA HANDS

When you want to get something done, tell it to a woman! That is certainly true when the doctor or the nurses of the Banso Baptist Hospital in the Cameroons want surgical supplies, bandages or other needed articles. They send their requests to the officers of the Woman's Missionary Union and the announcement is made in the "Broadcast." Then the fingers of the Martha hands everywhere begin to work, and the cartons, boxes and packages of all sundry shapes and sizes begin to arrive at Forest Park. It is estimated that as many as 50 to 80 of these cartons packed with supplies and goods have arrived during the last two or three weeks from our Woman's Missionary Societies.

Miss Remmler's job, besides all the other things she has to do in the ministry of relief and as secretary for the Rev. R. Schilke, is to get the shipment ready for Africa. Everything must be sorted and in order. The thousands of items have to be counted. Detailed records must be kept for the customs officials. The bales and the boxes which are carefully lined with oil paper to resist the moisture of sea and tropics have to be packed tightly with due regard for shaking and rat-

tling which might cause damage in transit. The bandages must be rolled according to instructions from the

A few figures will soon show the mountainous job that faced Miss Remmler which she tackled with fearlessness and amazing efficiency.

15,653 ROLLED BANDAGES

The shipment contained a grand total of 15,653 rolled bandages, large and small (some too large, some too small, some too soft, but the correction is being made by our kind Forest Park women under the leadership of Mrs. Gertrude Seegmiller). These bandages, placed end to end, would stretch over 25 long miles! Almost 2,000 hotelsized soap bars will be welcomed in the Cameroons when the supplies arrive. A great many medicine bottles with droppers, each one wrapped separately, are on their way, almost 400 in number. It is interesting to note that there are 71 metal spoons and 64 plastic spoons in the supplies. Eightythree cleaning rags are listed, 157 towels, 102 washcloths, 1111 pieces of feedbag goods, 73 pieces unbleached muslin and flannel in lengths from one to ten yards.

The White Cross supplies featured, besides the rolled bandages, 360 baby blankets, 20 large blankets, 918 hospital gowns of all sizes, several hundred diapers, 338 cotton flannel cot sheets, about 3800 bundles gauze compresses, 2300 bundles of cotton squares (each bundle containing from 5 to 25 pieces), 285 muslin wrappers of assorted sizes, all kinds of mattress covers, bed sheets and pillows. Several hundred packages of absorbent cotton were included besides hot water bottles, rubber gloves, syringes, rubber sheeting, many bolts of surgical gauze and cheese cloth, 192 reels of adhesive tape of assorted widths, cans of Band Aid, 78 bottles and hand brushes, three boxes weighing 41 pounds of sample medicines. Believe it or not, there were also 255 corks, 1783 typewriter



Miss Gretchen Remmler of the Forest Parl Headquarters supervises the preparation of a bale of blankets, etc., with Horace carefully following the instructions.

ribbon cans, and, last but not least, an alarm clock in the shipment.

Three of the 17 large cases were filled with school supplies for the many missionary schools of ours in the Camerons. These included blackboard erasers, rulers, pencils, packages of crayon, Scotch tape, musilage, gummed labels, etc. An entire case of 123 pounds was filled with notions, of which a substantial part had been contributed by Mr. Albert Johns of Oak Park, Illinois. This had a variety of items such as safety pins, sewing needles, pins, snap fasteners, hooks and eyes-many dozens in gross; more than 800 spools of sewing threadblack, white and assorted colors; 800 skeins of silk floss, elastic, 429 bolts of bias tape and rick rack, 26 combs and 14 pairs of scissors.

ODDS AND ENDS

Other odds and ends in the entire shipment were 31 bags of old buttons weighing 78 pounds, 181 used dress patterns, 633 bundles of cotton blocks. 52 balls of crochet cotton and knitting wool. A stack of eleven bales with these tightly compressed goods besides the 17 cases was piled high in the headquarters office before the shipment was sent off. It has been estimated after a fairly careful check that Miss Remmler counted and recorded more than 8000 items besides the 15,563 rolled bandages in this entire shipment.

Doctor Chaffee assures us that the shipments reach the Banso Baptist Hospital in good condition. Missionary Edwin Michelson will meet the cargo in Victoria some time late in

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Closing Days of Another C. T. I. Year

Report of the commencement exercises of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, held from April 5 to 9, 1953

By the REV. E. P. WAHL, President

HE BACCALAUREATE Service on Sunday afternoon, April 5, opened the special days of festivity for the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta. From April 7 to 9 the meetings and closing exercises took place. Again our hearts were thrilled in welcoming so many of our friends from far and near for the closing events. From across the border we had visitors from Washington, Montana and California attending.

Members of the Board of Trustees, holding their annual session on April 10, also took part in some of the closing exercises. We were honored in having our moderator of the General Conference, Mr. Walter W. Grosser. and the chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Arthur Schwerin, in our midst during these days.

A special feature on our closing program was the presence of the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens, our missionaries to the Cameroons home on furlough. Everybody enjoyed their messages and fellowship. The Rev. Edgar J. Bailey, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Edmonton, was the baccalaureate speaker. The Rev. Lewis B. Berndt of Portland, Ore., brought the commencement address. These men of God were a great blessing to the large audiences whom they were permitted to address.

The annual school play was given on Tuesday evening, April 7, to an audience of about 1200. The sacred con-

cert on April 8 was again a highlight and 9 were held at the school chapel of the many closing events. People from far and near enjoyed the presentations by the large student chorus, the CTI Choristers and the Ladies' and Men's Choirs of the school.

In the procession of the commencement service the board of trustees and our general workers took part. All these meetings were held in the Alberta College Auditorium which offers room for more than 1400 people. The sessions during the days on April 8

which was always filled to capacity. Here we were honored to hear our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens; our executive secretary, Dr. Frank H. Woyke; our General Conference moderator, Mr. Walter W. Grosser; and others.

We bring praises unto the Lord for all those who added to the blessings of the days and for his mercy in having given us again such a splendid successful school year.



The Christian Training Institute orchestra, Edmonton, Alberta, with Mr. Robert Neske, director, at the left, standing.

THE CROSS OF CHRIST

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only a crown, but a cross. If we would wear a crown, then we must bear a cross. Jesus does not deceive his followers. He tells of both the joyous and the difficult aspects of following him. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Matt. 16:24).

What is our cross? All that we must bear and suffer for the cause of Christ! Then what does he mean by "deny himself"? This means to subject our own desires and our own will to the will of the Father. It means to put under our old nature, making our thoughts, desires and actions conform to the wishes of Christ our Lord. In so doing, we lose ourselves in Christ's

"Far be it from me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Galatians 6:14.

We are no longer striving and working that we might become great, to be seen of men or have luxuries untold. but that Christ might be honored, his Gospel sent forth and souls saved. Denying ourselves means to surrender first consideration to Christ, rather than self, in all our thinking and doing. Such a surrender is essential. Christ will take nothing less, for if he does not have first place, we are not worthy of him (Matt. 10:38).

Is that request too great? Are the demands too high? Not at all! He asks

us for all and expects it, but as we thus lose our lives in Christ, we find them. We surrender our whole lives to him in faith, and he makes more of us than we could ever have made of ourselves. We can't see what he will do with us, but we trust him-and he uses us more abundantly than we ever dreamed of. Yes, the Cross is the place of self-denial, that self-denial for Jesus' sake which is indeed the making and the finding of the highest life at-

The Cross cost Christ everything. He surrendered completely to the Father's will. We too must surrender everything to him. But as we thus lose ourselves in the Christ of the Cross, we gain the highest that the Almighty God can give! Hallelujah for

AT THE LEPER CAMP

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ment of accidental visits of our Banso doctor.

This first year has indeed been a challenging one and we can already see the fruit of our labors in many respects. Our prayer is always that with all the pressing essential duties which must be attended, we do not lose sight of that vision which first brought us to this Africa—the vision of a field ripe unto harvest. May our Heavenly Father continue to test our purposes, cleanse them, strengthen them, glorify them and accept our full service.

NEW MEMBER PACKET

Arrangements have been made to send a North American Baptist Packet for new members to every church without any charge. These are for distribution by the pastors among the new members who are received into our churches by baptism or among those who come by letter if they are not too well acquainted with our denominational work. These packets contain a brief greeting from the Secretaries at Forest Park, Ill., some information about our publications and subscription prices, and a few facts about the location of our denominationtal institutions. It also contains a copy of "New We Are 55," a Constitution of the General Conference, and several of the latest leaflets about our mission fields. Remember, these are free. Send us your request by letting us know how many you can use or would like to have on hand. Write to Headquarters, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois.

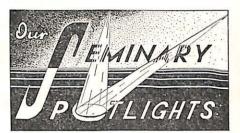
GOSPEL OF PROMISE

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of a Christian (Gal. 2:20). Missionaries, pastors, teachers and the humblest occupant of the pew would not know how to carry on without faith in this promise. Miraculous experiences have millions of times accentuated the truth of this Gospel of promise, "Lo, I am with you always"; "As your day, so shall your strength be"; "I will never leave you or forsake you." This is good news, indeed!

This would not be a satisfactory message on the subject if the promise of the perfected life were omitted. Paul makes no undue claims for himself; he is aware of every human shortcoming (Phil 3:12). With John, he knows that even the saints have sins to confess (1 John 1:9).

In spite of our best achievement, there is always something better and higher (1 John 3:2). Only Paul could



SEMINARY IMPRESSIONS By PROF. HUGO LUECK

HE SEMINARY Spotlights bring news of what is happening at the Seminary. Usually special events are reported, such as special speakers, visitors and social gatherings. But all such events are exceptional, something out of the ordinary. The real events at the Seminary are the daily tasks and duties performed in the classrooms, the library, the president's office, the studies of the faculty and of the students. But such events are taken for granted and do not easily lend themselves for writing.

As I am in my first year of teaching at the Seminary, I am still a newcomer and may be permitted to give a few impressions. Our denomination has two religious training institutions, the one is our Bible School or Christian Training Institute at Edmonton, Alberta in Canada, and the other is our Seminary at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. After having worked for three and a half school years at the former, I am now coming to know the Seminary. It is my candid opinion that both places are good schools, both from the scholarly as also from the spiritual point of view.

The Seminary is one of the main centers of our denomination, for it is the spiritual home of our future ministers. The spiritual atmosphere which the students breathe here is our own and best suited for our churches. Just

as I always recommended our Seminary to our young people at the CTI in Edmonton, so now I also say: Our Seminary at Sioux Falls is the best place of training for our own churches and our denomination. Every student at Sioux Falls belongs from the first days of his theological training to our big family, feels at home and is happy in our work and will fit better into that work which the Lord has entrusted to him, and therefore will do better work than men trained at other

In the daily chapel periods a variety of speakers, approved men of God, share their experiences with the students. Special meetings with our general secretaries bring the latest events of our home and foreign mission.

There is also a happy social life at the Seminary. Recently we held a Seminary Family dinner to which the families of the faculty and of the students were invited. My impressions would be incomplete without mentioning the ladies, the good wives of the professors. They are the busiest of all, as far as attending meetings is concerned. They gather monthly as Seminary Guild (wives of students and professors), as Faculty Meeting (the wives of the professors of both schools, the Seminary and Sioux Falls College). as the Ministers' Wives Association of the city, and as Ladies' Missionary Society of the church, besides the regular church meetings on Sundays and weekdays.

At the present time, we are preparing and working for the greatest event of the Seminary life, the Commencement Exercises. (Held on May 17 and to be reported in a later issue.) May God crown all the efforts of another school year with his heavenly blessing. Let us also pray for our graduating students that they be led to those places of labor which God wants them

boast, in the best sense of the word, at the end of his life. He had done his best but was conscious of a higher hope. His was a great expectation (2 Timothy 4:7-8) and so rightfully may be ours.

A PRECIOUS CARGO

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June or early in July. This is our second shipment in this year 1953. We anticipate that as many as four such shipments will have to be sent during the year if the supply keeps on coming in as it has been during the last three months. This is probably the largest amount of White Cross supplies sent to the Cameroons at one time. As the result of Miss Remmler's fine work in itemizing all the goods and also because of the good reputation of our Cameroons Baptist Mission, we hope

that the supplies will be cleared at the customs office without duty.

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

For months to come these goods and supplies will serve their purpose at the Banso Baptist Hospital and in our schools as they extend the ministry for the Gospel of Christ by our missionaries. Every item that has been given and sent in the Name of Christ will help to make the Savior known to these people of the Cameroons. It is God's way of performing his wondrous miracles today, touching the hearts of people to give and sacrifice in love, calling on others to go and witness for him as missionaries, and then providing for every need at the Banso Hospital and on our various mission fields in the Cameroons. You can be assured that God's blessing is upon this precious cargo of White Cross supplies now nearing Africa.

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- The Youth Choir of the Immanuel Church, New York, N. Y., rendered John Stainer's cantata, "The Crucifixion," before a large appreciative audience on Sunday evening, March 29. On Sunday evening, April 19, the CBY sponsored the showing of the film, "Banderilla," portraying the persecution of Protestant work in Spain. Evangelistic meetings were held at the church by the Rev. Herman Palfenier, denominational evangelist, from Easter Sunday, April 5, to Friday evening, April 17. The Rev. A. Husmann is pastor of the Immanuel Church.
- The Rev. Donald Lang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Lang of the Faith Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn., will be leaving with his family in June for the mission field in the southern part of Chile. The Rev. and Mrs. Donald Lang and their little daughter will serve as missionaries of the Independent Bible Baptist Mission Church. Mr. Lang first experienced the missionary call while in the service of the United States Army. He is a nephew of Dr. George A. Lang, president of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Da-
- The Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Schroeder of Anaheim, Calif., wish to thank their many friends who remembered them with cards and letters of congratulation on the occasion of Mr. Schroeder's 85th birthday on April 7th and their 55th wedding anniversary on May 21st. A special book of remem-

YOUNG PEOPLE AT DAKOTA CONFERENCE, JUNE 27 and 28.

Your Dakota Conference officers have planned a program with a challenge for you. Plan to be at Bismarck, June 27 and 28. Saturday at 2:00 P.M. the annual business meeting will be held. Highlight of our young people's program will be a banquet at 5:30 P.M. Special music and a panel discussion of interest to all CBY groups will be presented. Immediately following the men's meeting on Saturday evening, a youth fellowship is planned. On Sunday afternoon we will be privileged to have Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens with us in our mission centered service.

brance with congratulations in several hundred letters from friends was edited by Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Grosser of Oak Park, Ill., and presented to them. Mrs. Irma Grosser is the oldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Schroeder.

- The Trinity Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., of which the Rev. Richard Grenz is pastor, has reported that the excavation for its new edifice was recently begun. A sketch of the finished church appears on the 1953 programs for Children's Day. On Palm Sunday the church choir of about 25 members presented the cantata, "The Passion of Christ," directed by Rubin Herrmann. The reporter, Betty Wiese, added that "the members of this young church covet the prayers of all our people for the building program as well as for the other activities of the
- On Easter Sunday evening, April 5, the Rev. Henry Smuland, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church, Sheffield, Iowa, had the joy of baptizing eleven persons on confession of their faith in Christ as Redeemer. Following the baptism these and one other person, who came by letter, were received into the fellowship of the church. "The service closed with further fellowship around the Lord's Table," as reported by Warren Schoepf, church clerk, "commemorating Christ's substitutionary death as well as his glorious resurrection, knowing that, because he lives, we too shall live."
- On Sunday evening, April 26, the Rev. Robert Schreiber, pastor of the Temple Church of Lodi, Calif., baptizer twelve children and adults on confession of their faith in Christ. The first issue of "The Temple Visitor," a monthly, four-page, mimeographed news bulletin, appeared in May 1953. "Rose Sunday" was observed by the church on May 17 with a thousand roses on display in the sanctuary, with the church choir singing, "Jesus, Rose of Sharon." Average attendance for the first three months of the year was 244 for the morning services and 156 for the evening services.
- On Sunday morning, April 26, the Rev. Henry Pfeifer, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alta., baptized 15 converts on confession of their faith in Christ at a most impressive service. On Sunday evening, May

3, these 15 persons and 18 others, who came into the church by transfer of letter, were given the hand of fellowship by the pastor. Among these 33 new members were many immigrants from Germany, including the Rev. and Mrs. Gerhardt Gebauer and their family of three daughters. The Rev. Gerhardt Gebauer is a brother of the Rev. Paul Gebauer, field superintedent of our Cameroons Baptist Mission.

- The First Baptist Church of Mott, N. Dak., has extended a call to Mr. Le-Roy Schauer of Aberdeen, S. Dak., a 1953 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The church was organized with 30 charter members on March 28, 1953, and reports about the new church building have appeared in the "Baptist Herald." The church will be recognized at the Dakota Conference in June 1953. Its members were formerly identified with the Baptist Church of New Leipzig, N. Dak., of which the Rev. Emil Becker is the pastor. Mr. Schauer is already on the field in Mott as the first pastor of this new Baptist Church.
- Miss Martha Remus of Forest Park, Ill., has been rendering part-time seccretarial work for the Woman's Missionary Union at the headquarters office since the 1952 General Conference. Because of other pressing duties, she had to bring her work to a close in April 1953. Miss Remus is also the superintendent of the Beginner Department in the Forest Park Sunday School. Since April Miss Christina Begemann, a student at the Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago, Ill., has been doing part-time office work for the Woman's Missionary Union. She is a student from Bad Oeynhausen, Germany, who is preparing for fulltime Christian service. At present she is a member of the Forest Park Baptist Church.
- On Monday evening, March 2nd, the members and friends of the Ebenezer Church, Vancouver, British Columbia, gathered for a special program to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Felberg. The program under the direction of Mr. E. Nelner featured recitations, choir selections, other musical numbers and congratulations on behalf of the church by Mr. G. Smith. One of the two daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Felberg, Ingeborg, and her husband, Vaughn Bukmaster, had motored from Fresno, Calif., to take part in the celebration. On Sunday, March 8, Dr. Felberg had the privilege of baptizing two converts and on Sunday, April 12, he baptized six converts. The Rev. Daniel Fuchs, denominational evangelist, had conducted special meetings in the church with accompanying blessing in February.

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YOUTH COMPASS TOPICS

June 7, 1953-"Talents on Trial" Rev. J. R. Kruegel, Junction City, Kansas.

June 14, 1953—"Come to the Banquet" by Rev. Adolph Braun, Emery, South Dakota.

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE UNION

By Mr. E. Ralph Kletke.

"From Boston to Baltimore, along the industrial East coast." This is the setting for the majority of CBY's and Sunday Schools in the Atlantic Conference Union. The hard working corps of officers is the nerve center of all local conference activities. The president of the Atlantic Conference Union is Don Middleton. His co-workers recognize Don as a literal human dynamo of energy. Don is employed at business and attends the evening school of Business Administration at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dan Pfeiffer, the level-headed vicepresident, is also a Penn student, taking courses in Architectural Engineering. Miss Norma Soebels of New York City is the efficient secretary. Norma is presently majoring in psychology at Hunter College, New York. The hard working treasurer is Dan Nicolai. Dan is engaged in studies at the College of Pharmacy of Columbia University.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE AND RALLY

May 22 signaled the advent of a profitable weekend at the Evangel Church in Newark, New Jersey. The fourth Christian Workers' Conference was combined with the Spring Rally with Miss Ruth Bathauer, the Conference Union Children's Worker, as the guest instructor at the class sessions.

At the Spring Rally the winners of the Sunday School attendance contest were announced: the Calvary Church, Bethlehem, Pa., and the Fellowship Church of Passaic, New Jersey. The Fellowship Church had the remarkable increase of 90 percent.

CAMP PLANNING

On June 20 and 21 the young people will hold their "advance" retreat at Camp Hope, Hope, New Jersey. This affair promises to create much interest for the summer assembly to be held at Camp Hope from August 17 to 24. The popular camp dean will be the Rev. A. Husmann of New York City. Our Cameroons missionary, Miss Berneice Westerman, will join several Atlantic Conference pastors on the faculty.

The following items help us to feel the "pulse" of some of the local CBY's and Sunday Schools.

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE CHURCH

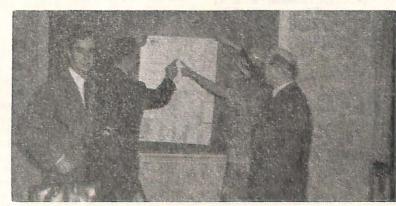
Because of a growing Sunday School, the Pilgrim Church of Philadelphia is in the preliminary planning stages for a Christian Education building.

One of the areas of service for the Pilgrim CBY is to take charge of the program at the Brotherhood Mission once a month.

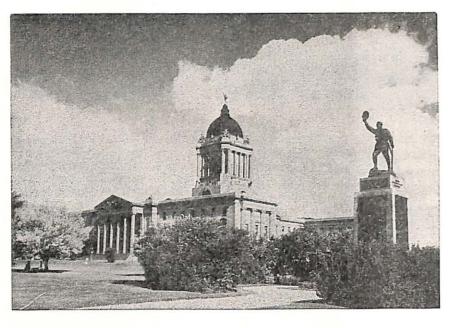
The Fleischmann CBY, Philadelphia, holds a monthly neighborhood Youth Rally featuring Christian films.

Over half of the Sunday School classes of the Immanuel and Second German Churches of New York City are held in German. Many of the Sunday School scholars participating in

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Atlantic Conference leaders looking for Camp Hope in New Jersey, the site of their 1953 summer assembly Left to right: Don Middleton, Dan Pfeiffer, Norma Soebel and Rev. A.



Of Men and of Angels

A Prize-winning Christian Novel by LON WOODRUM

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SYNOPSIS

To Steve Glen, home meant his foster parents, Phoebe and Jason Gray, and the little town of Gold Springs, California. After years of army service, battle-weary and frustrated, Steve decided to return. Before long, he met Dian Lockwood, with whom he had gone to high school, and her rich father. He soon saw Jenny Grant, the preacher's daughter, a sweet and sincere girl, as he knew. At his home he met the new orphan boy, Dick Reubens, who had come to live with the Jasons. On the wall was the motto, "God Is Love." That was the spirit of the home! At first, Steve did not want to go to church, but a strange impulse prompted him to go one Sunday morning. He was blessed and went again and again. The sermons by Dr. Grant as well as the example of his parents and the reading of the Bible brought him to a profound experience of faith in Christ and trust in God. He told Dr. Grant of his plans to enter the ministry. He also told Dian that he was now engaged to Jenny Grant.

CHAPTER NINE

THOUGHT you spoke very well at vespers, Steve," said Phoebe Gray, as we arrived home after the service.

"You don't know how much I feel the need of words like yours."

Jenny came into the kitchen, "May I help in any way, Mrs. Gray?" she asked.

We had invited the Grants over for dinner after the evening service; and as usual in no time at all Phoebe prepared a tasty meal for us.

At the table Allan Grant said, "I know what it is like preaching that first sermon. I haven't the faintest idea how a young minister gets through the first five years of his ministry, to say nothing of his first sermon. Unless it's the grace of God."

"You discourage me."

"Steve, my boy," he said, "if you can be discouraged in this work the sooner you find it out the better."

Jenny spoke up. "You never seem dismayed at the job, Dad."

"Hmmm. That's one of the tough things about this work," Dr. Grant said smiling. "You have to act as if you're having a beautiful time whether you are or not!"

"It's not like I thought it would be," I said.

"It's tricky, in a way," said Grant. "It looks simple and easy enough to those who hear you, and they seldom realize what you are going through. It doesn't look like work, but it is work. But listen, Steve. Don't ever let anybody tell you the ministry is without compensation. It's a good work. you." And you never can tell what's happening when you are preaching. I remember having a very hard time

seemed to run out on me, and I closed almost despondently. After the service a man came to tell me he had been on his way to kill himself, but had stopped in the church, just in passing. You never know."

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Jason Gray said, "With all that's been said about ministers and the ministry, I still think you could justify your existence, almost from a viewpoint of service, just by marrying the living and burying the dead."

"You don't quite mean that, Jason," said Grant putting an appreciative look on him. "But what every church needs is more members like you."

We had finished the meal when Dick came in. He had disappeared just before we sat down at the table.

"Where have you been, Dick?" asked Phoebe.

"Just walking around," answered Dick.

"Come, sit here," said Phoebe.

"I don't want anything to eat. I had supper."

"You have eaten?"

"Uhuh. With Tony Granite. He happened to run into me on the street, and asked me to eat with him at the café. We had fried chicken. He's a swell guy."

The silence that fell in the room was heavy. Dick sensed our thoughts and cried suddenly, "Okay, I know you're all against him. But I don't care. I like him."

With that he turned and walked out. Jenny and I washed the dishes. That sort of job had never had a special appeal to me, but it seemed all right now, standing close to Jenny, lovely in her flowered apron. "You know," I said, "it does really matter with whom you engage in the simple tasks of life."

Jenny smiled. "It's good to hear you say that, Steve.'

The dishes finished, Jenny and I went for a drive. We were well out of town in the direction of the Sierras when we found a place to park. Jenny put her head on my shoulder.

"Some day," she murmured, "you'll be a great minister."

"Suppose I'm just an ordinary, small-town preacher?"

"Being a small-town preacher doesn't mean being ordinary. Do you think my father is ordinary?"

"You know my answer to that. You know, darling, I think a minister's wife has to have more quality with less reward than most any person in the

"You know what my reward shall be?" She stirred until she could look into my eyes. "Serving God and honoring the man I love. When you're up there preaching I'll be up there with

I held her close to my heart with an aching ecstacy in me, knowing that ours was not to be a mere carnal tryst, with a message once; the words or union, but a mating of living spirits.

cram an eternity into a brief span of time. As I look back now, I know we did. There is such a thing as real love in the world.

Suddenly the cream-colored convertible whizzed past us and the occupants turned to wave. They drove on up the road and turned around stopping abreast of us.

"Nice weather," grinned Tony. "Hello," said Dian.

Jenny and I returned their greetings, but I was not in a mood to talk with them. Tony said, "I hear you're turning sky-pilot, fella."

"Minister," said Dian behind Tony. "Thanks, Dian," I muttered.

"Here's hoping the collections are good," laughed Tony, who was driving Dian's car, pressing the gas and shooting away quickly.

"I had heard they were running around together," said Jenny.

"They're both twenty-one," I said. "Do you know what?"

"Sure. You're the prettiest girl in California."

"You don't know all the girls in California, and am I glad."

"Are you glad, Jenny?"

"Yes, I am."

She was in my arms again and her mouth was warm. Time stood still and my heart sang in indescribable tender-

I said, "I hear something from Lohengrin!'

She stirred in my arms. "But, Steve-'

"You'll look like a duchess coming down the aisle on your father's arm, with me standing waiting for you."

"But, Steve, you have to go to school before-'

She hesitated and I said, "I know, and I haven't enough money left over after serving Uncle Sam to take care of both of us while I go. But if I leave you around unmarried someone is liable to ask you-"

"You don't have to worry, Steve. You're the only one for me."

"Are you sure?"

"Dead sure. You know, Steve, love can wait but infatuation can't."

"Mine can wait, Jenny, if it's waiting for you."

She kissed me quietly. "And mine can wait for you, Steve.'

"I'll never get over loving you, Jenny."

"Please don't! Don't ever," she whispered, close in my arms.

It was a Saturday in November, a beautiful sunny day. I was in my room in a small hotel in Los Angeles, my books scattered about preparatory to doing some reading for one of my courses at the seminary. I had been attending the classes now for over two months and was enjoying every minute of it.

The course in the Harmony of the Gospels, for instance, was a fascinat-

I sensed a feeling, too, that you can ing study. The beauty and the downto-earth practicality of Jesus' teachings was dawning on me with a flood of light. I was continually amazed that I should have lived in a home where the Bible was read daily, yet never realized what a Book it was.

It sat down at my desk, picked up the morning paper, when suddenly the phone rang and a pleasant voice asked,

My mind groped to place the speaker as I said, "Yes."

"You sound glum, Steve. What happened?"

'Who is this-Dian?"

"Uhuh. I'm down in the lobby."

"I'll be right down," I said. Her call had surprised me.

She came forward as I left the elevator. Her blonde hair was held in place with a tiny veil; her dress was an expensive blue wool. In every way she was attractive, perhaps more so than usual.

"I came down to see Hollywood," she said, advancing and extending her hand. "Naturally I had to look you up, Steve."

"That was awfully kind of you, Dian."

I had two feelings, I think, one of pleasure, the other of uneasiness. Looking back I can see that my sense of loyalty to Jenny was being disturbed by Dian's personality. The phychologists could explain it. A girl like Dian does not walk through the world without making vibrations on the masculine make-up. You couldn't be unaware of her assets, unless you were abnormal. She was not only good-looking: she symbolized prosperity. There is a glitter to wealth that no person of small means can ecsape. I do not think that Dian's wealth greatly influenced me, but the knowledge of it did not detract from her attractiveness. Dian and I sat in the hotel lobby. She was full of verve, as usual, and in her pleasantly modulated voice she talked to me about everyone in Gold Springs. There wasn't much big news to tell of course, but to me all the small talk was interesting and pretty important.

We hadn't talked long until Dian

said, "Jenny is fine." "That's good," I said. "I heard from her the other day."

"She's charming as ever," said Dian. I smiled at that, but couldn't think of anything to say

Dian added, "She should make a splendid preacher's wife, with the training she's had in the parsonage.

That nettled my masculine pride. "She isn't merely somebody who will be useful to me in my work."

She looked at me in a level way. "I hope you will both be very happy, Steve.'

The way she said it softened me seemed quite sincere. But I remem- showed.

bered the night we had kissed in the Lockwood home. Something in her eves told me that she still felt the same way. A slight frustration began moving in on me.

"I'm staying at the Ambassador Hotel," said Dian. "I guess I'll go home tomorrow. Funny how you can be lonely among so many people, isn't it?"

"That's where you usually get the loneliest," I said.

"Well, I wanted to see you," she said, and got to her feet, and I rose, too. She looked at me with her gray eyes and there was something appealing about her. She put out her hand. I took it; then she turned and walked away. There was a proud sadness about her shoulders as she moved toward the lobby door. And something caused me to walk after her.

"Dian, look. Couldn't we have dinner together tonight?"

You know how it is. Usually a man is too forward or too prudish.

Dian turned. There was a smile on her face. "Funny, Steve. I was thinking of the same thing. But a woman hates to ask a man."

My car seemed out of place among the expensive ones parked in front of the Ambassador Hotel when I picked her up. She was at the curb waiting. The doorman looked surprised as he opened the door of my second-hand car to allow Dian, wearing a sable stole, to get in.

We sat, later, in Mike Lyman's a few tables away from a group of radio stars. The soft light fingering Dian's golden coiffure, deepened the gray in her eyes. But Jenny's face kept intruding. Dian's look on me was bright; she was gay and charming. I hadn't been living in the world without finding out a few facts; so I faced the facts. I'd better get Dian back to her hotel. For I was in love with Jenny, and Dian was beautiful. Besides she was aggressive.

"You'll make a nice-looking minister, Steve," she said.

I concentrated on wiping my mouth with my napkin. "That's kind of you. But it will take more than that to make a minister.'

"Do my compliments offend you?" she demanded.

I was embarrassed. "Don't be silly!" I managed so say.

There was a struggle within her I knew. I wasn't sure that she really cared for me, but I was certain the disturbing factor was her ego. After all, she was Dian Lockwood. She had brushed off some of the nicest fellows in and around Gold Springs as if they were annoying insects. Now she had favored an ex-soldier who had decided on the ministry as his lifework-and toward her, and I felt as though I'd the latter had chosen a preacher's been too aloof toward her, for she daughter. Dian's pride was hit and it

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Somehow I was more than embarrassed over Dian. I felt sorry for her. I had never imagined myself feeling sorry for this princess of the Lockwood estate. Maybe she really loves me, I thought, and that gave my ego a lift. But there was still something else I had to face. Deep inside myself I knew that Dian did appeal to me, signaled me to come closer, made me feel like I was liable to lose something. All right, so I was human as the next person. And Dian wasn't the kind of woman you could just shrug off and walk away from, whistling carelessly. But Dian perhaps sensed the situation and said, "Will you take me to my hotel, Steve?"

En route to the Ambassador she said quietly, "Please don't think I'm a fool, will you, Steve?"

"A fool? For what?"

"For crowding you. Running after you. Men don't like women who do that."

"But—you haven't run after me."

"More than I ever did after any man. It's always been the other way around with me. I hope you'll forgive me."

"There's nothing to forgive, Dian. You're a wonderful girl. Please, let us be friends."

She turned and flashed a bright smile at me. "Check, Steve. Friends." My car stopped in front of the Ambassador and I got out and opened

APRIL CONTRIBUTIONS—NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

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Conferences	April, 1953	April, 1952	April, 1951
Atlantic	\$ 4,687.26	\$ 2,523.21	\$ 3,336.51
Central		11,774.01	13,522.10
Dakota	0.504.00	8,000.83	8,814.95
Eastern		4,204.80	3,356.98
Northern		4,383.95	3,224.64
Northwestern		6,787.47	4,642.75
Pacific		8,569.51	5,867.88
Southern		854.34	1,351.44
Southwestern		6,208.77	3,370.24
Total Contributions	\$76,479.63	\$53,306.89	\$47,487.49
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For the month of April, 1953	\$ 68,961.72	\$ 7,517.91	\$ 76,479.63
For the month of April, 1952		6,339.75	53,306.89
For the month of April, 1951	41,688.18	5,799.31	47,487.49

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Same as for the month of April.

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April 1, 1952 to April 30, 1953\$546,743	.00 \$ 93,477.38 \$640,220.58
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her door. A faint tinge of perfume haunted me as she carelessly kissed her fingers, then put them to my cheek.

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"Good-bye, Steve." She walked swiftly away.

I drove slowly back to my hotel. That night I wrote Jenny a long letter. (To Be Continued)

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fourth Sunday of January and have Dedication Sunday on the first of February, but the work went so quickly that they were able to have their first service on the third Sunday. Only the tower remained to be finished. This took a little longer, since the stone had to be laid more carefully and the workmen did not relish working thirty feet above the ground.

As before, the carpenters had the rafters for the tower cut and a large cross ready for mounting on top of the tower roof. Everyone had to stop work as the carpenters put the cross into position and again they shouted.

Saturday, January 31st, the last of the zincs were applied and the grounds cleaned up while the masons put the finishing touches on the stone cross on the front of the tower. The work was finished, but the men seemed reluctant to leave. They just stood and looked!

DEDICATION SUNDAY

The next morning was February 1st—Dedication Sunday. The people came but attired in different clothing than during the week. They now had on their brightest and best clothes for the big celebration. Not everyone who came had worked on the church by any means, but everyone was joining in the celebration.

Everyone sang and marched around the church and then into the church to their seats. Immediately we saw one big error in the church building. As big as it was for Africa, it wasn't big enough. The Church Teacher's count of those present was 973. Not everyone came because they loved God—many came out of curiosity, but all heard the Gospel message that day.

Everyone was thankful for the speedy completion of God's House. Many could not understand how it was possible. Actually the solution was easy. God prompted the hearts of two peoples—the people of Ndu Church who gave of their labor, and primarily a consecrated Baptist couple at home who so freely gave of their money that this church might be possible.

An even greater thrill was given to all when the following Sunday a similar crowd came to listen to the Gospel message. Pray that this might continue in order that they might not only listen to the Gospel but receive it.



Northwestern Conference

Father-Son Banquet Is Held by the Baptist Church of Parkersburg, Iowa

An event of unusual interest stirred the Baptist Church of Parkersburg, Iowa, when 91 men and boys met for the first annual Father-Son Banquet on Friday evening, March 27th. About 20 ladies of the Sunshine Society of the church won the applause of all present with their beautifully decorated tables and well served baked ham dinner.

The interesting program was presided over by Mr. R. H. Mulder. The main address and chalenge was given by Professor William A. Lang of the State Teachers' College, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Other speakers were Alvin Lindaman, president of the sponsoring Men's Brotherhood; Earl A. Schunk, mayor of Parkersburg; and the Rev. R. C. MacCormack, pastor. George Lubberts, a charter member of the Church, who is a father, grandfather and great-grandfather spoke to the boys on, "What a Father Can Expect From a Son." The response was given by Wendall Abkes, a student at Iowa State College, on "What a Son Can Expect From His Father."

Music was by the church male quartet made up of Harold Freeseman, Wilbur Husinga, Alvin Lindaman and William Heerts. A piano solo was rendered by George Thorne. This was a meeting of spiritual power and purpose and we praise the Lord for his blessing on our church family!

Ronald C. MacCormack, Pastor.

Southern Conference

Inspirational Easter Services at the Central Baptist Church of Waco, Texas

On Saturday afternoon preceding Easter Sunday, the Elementary Departments of the Sunday School of Central Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt on the church grounds. Supt. Llewellyn Lippert and his staff of teachers and workers were in charge of this annual event for our younger folk.

The activities of Easter day began with a sunrise breakfast and inspirational service in Comeron Park sponsored by the young people of our church. The Rev. Louis R. Johnson brought a message at the morning worship hour on "Resurrection Realities" after which the hand of church fellowship was extended to two converts

who were baptized on the previous Sunday night and who participated in the Lord's Supper which was administered at the close of the service.

As a fitting climax to this glorious Easter day, the choir presented the cantata, 'Our Living Lord.' This choir of thirty voices is directed by Mrs. Louis R. Johnson, wife of the pastor, with Mrs. R. E. Engelbrecht at the organ. Solo parts in the cantata were sung by Miss Betty Lou Gossen and Mrs. John Massierer, Jr., soprano; Mrs. Harry Lampert and Mrs. Lawrence Kraemer, contralto; Fred Hoeffner and James Gossen, bass; Rev. Louis Johnson and Glenwood Arnold, tenor; and Oliver Thomson, baritone.

We are grateful to the choir for the inspiration which their music added to our Easter program as well as to the services of the church as we meet from Sunday to Sunday to worship our Lord and Savior.

Mrs. Ernest Steindam, Reporter.

Men's Brotherhood and Women's Group of Southern Conference Hold Banquets in Waco

On Friday evening, March 27, the Southern Conference Men's Brotherhood met at the Kliff Klub in Waco, Texas, for food, fellowship and inspiration. Mr. R. E. Engelbrecht, president of the Southern Conference Brotherhood, presided as toastmaster, presenting guests from Baylor University and the Cottonwood Church who provided music to add to the festive occasion. The Rev. J. K. Warkentin, who recently moved from California to Texas to become pastor of the Crawford Church for the second time, was the banquet speaker and brought a challenging message.

Simultaneous with this "get-together" of the men, the ladies met in the Fellowship Hall of Central Baptist Church of Waco for a banquet over



Christian, Co-educational, Liberal Arts College. Teaching, Pre-Medical, Pre-Nursing, Pre-Theological, Pre-Engineering, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities, Fine Arts, Business Administration. Write PRESIDENT WM. M. MCREERY FOR LITERATURE which Mrs. Louis R. Johnson, wife of our pastor, presided. She used an oppropriate Scripture verse to introduce each number on the program rendered by ladies from our churches in Cottonwood, Gatesville, Crawford and Dallas as well as our own church. Mrs. Paul Hutchinson of the Dallas Church spoke on Woman's Place in Christian Service."

Our thanks go to Mrs. Charles Marstaller, Jr., president of the Southern Conference Woman's Missionary Union, for arranging this enjoyable program and fellowship hour for the ladies

Mrs. Ernest Steindam, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference

Ninety-two Voice Choir Renders a Sacred Concert at Hope, Kansas

On Sunday evening, March 22, a mass choir of our Kansas churches rendered a sacred concert at the Hope High School Auditorium, Hope. Kansas. This choir of 92 voices was composed of choir members of the following churches: Marion, Strassburg, Mt. Zion, Durham, Ebenezer and the First Dickinson County Church. It was under the direction of Prof. Herbert Richert, director of music at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas.

The mixed choir sang eleven sacred numbers, and two anthems were sung by the men's group. This concert was appreciated by a capacity crowd. It was also a stimulating experience for the singers to sing in a large choir under the able direction of Prof. Richert. An offering of \$112.00 was received. Part of it used to defray expenses and the remained sent to head quarters for missionary purposes. Tentative plans are for a similar musical festival next year.

H. Schauer, Reporter.

Southwestern Conference Ministers' Institute Is Held at Baptist Church, Lorraine, Kansas

The ministers of the Southwestern Conference met for their Institute at Lorraine, Kans., from April 7 to 9. The two guest speakers were Dr. George A. Lang, president of our seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., and the Rev. W. S. Argow of Erie, Pennsylvania. Dr. George Lang brought us four expositions: "Christ the Life, the Pattern, the Goal, and the Source of the Power of the Christian," from the book of Philippians. The Rev. W. S. Argow shared some of his experiences with us on such topics as the "Devotional Life of the Pastor, Visitation. Sermonizing, and the Pastor in the

Devotions and quiet periods were led by fellow-pastors. Time was given for discussion and questions. Our hearts were blessed and our lives filled as we fellowshiped together and sat under the preaching of the Word.

In the business session the following officers were elected: president, G. W. Blackburn; vice-president, Herbert Schauer; secretary-treasurer, Norman Berkan.

Norman Berkan, Reporter.

Three Wedding Anniversaries Are Celebrated by the Strassburg Baptist Church of Kansas

Sunday, March 15, marked the golden wedding anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Stenzel and Mr. and Mrs. David Propp and the silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stenzel of the Strassburg Baptist Church near Marion, Kansas. Over 300 relatives and friends gathered at the Strassburg Church on Sunday evening in observance of this happy occasion and to extend their good wishes to these fine couples.

Mrs. S. S. Klassen of Newton, Kans., played a prelude of favorite hymns and wedding songs while the guests assembled in the sanctuary of the

Northern Conference

Thirtieth Anniversary Program of the Woman's Missionary Society, Nokomis, Sask., Canada

With grateful hearts we of the Woman's Mission Society, Nokomis, Sask., Canada, look back upon 30 years and praise God for his bountiful blessings and grace toward us. It was on Feb. 16, 1923 that this society was organized under the leadership of Mrs. John Schroeder with nine members of whom four are still living, including Mrs. Schroeder.

In honor of this anniversary, our society held a program on Easter Mon-



Mr. and Mrs. Karl Stenzel (left to right) and Mr. and Mrs. David Propp of the Strassburg Baptist Church near Marion, Kansas, who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stenzel (right) who observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

church for a program arranged by the day evening, April 6, to a well filled children of the three couples. At the altar there was a profusion of flowers and gifts by friends and relatives. Mrs. Roland Stenzel, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Stenzel, presided over the program. Milton Stenzel, who had attended Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stenzel at their wedding 25 years ago, led in devotions.

A brief history, highlighting some outstanding events in the married life of each of the couples had been written by Mrs. Harvey Kruse, and it was read by Lawrence Hewitt, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stenzel. After Mr. Hewitt had read the introduction describing the couple's wedding in 1903 and the first chapter which was dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Propp, Miss Neva Stenzel sang "Through the Years.". The second chapter was dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Stenzel, and following it Harvey Kruse sang, "Together Life's Pathway We Tread." The final chapter was for Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stenzel, and it was followed by "O Promise Me," sung by Neva Stenzel. Miss Donna Stenzel accompanied both singers at the piano. Rev. L. B. Hinz, pastor of the church, spoke fitting words, and in behalf of the families invited all guests to the church parlors for the reception.

Leonard B. Hinz, Pastor.

auditorium. Four of the women opened the program with songs, Scripture reading and prayer. The president, Mrs. Robert Jaster, then welcomed everyone. The president also asked the two living charter members to give us a few words about our organization and our meetings in the past years. Both were presented with a lovely carnation corsage, commemorating their many blessed years in the work of the Lord.

Our program consisted of two group songs; a peom, "Will I Pray?"; a ladies' trio; a German dialogue, "Die Allmacht Gottes"; a hymn dramatization, "Have Thine Own Way"; a ladies' quartet; and a few words by our minister, Rev. R. Jaster. Our offering amounted to \$68 which went toward the building fund of our church.

During this past year our society met for eleven meetings. Our membership is now 19 women. After the business part of our meetings, we have readings, songs, poems, etc., which often bring us many blessings. We also read the "Broadcast" and learn many things about our missionaries and their work in the Cameroons, etc.

It is our prayer that we may continue in the work which the Master has bade us do for many years to come. May others pray with us that we may

be faithful in his work and that we may be real witnesses for Christ! Mrs. John Richter and Mrs. R. Jaster, Reporters.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Circle, Temple Church, Leduc, Alberta

On Thursday evening, March 26, the Woman's Mission Circle of the Temple Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta, held its 25th anniversary program in the church. The program was under the leadership of our president, Mrs. John Adam, and included two duets; Scripture reading by Mrs. Schatz, our pastor's wife; a dialogue entitled, "The Fifty Dollar Bill"; a monologue, "Others With Me"; a stewardship pageant play and a German poem.

A memorial service was held for 17 ladies who have gone to glory in the past 25 years. As their names were read, a red rose was placed in a vase in loving memory of each one, while Mrs. Don Lounsbery sang "Beyond the Sunset." The secretary, Mrs. John Brown, and treasurer, Mrs. W. Halsmieth, read reports of the work done by this organization, stating that the money taken in was used for mission work in foreign fields and also at home, not forgetting the mission to the poor.

In January 1928 this Ladies' Mission Circle was organized by Mrs. Philip Daum with ten women present. Presidents through the years have been: Mrs. Philip Daum, Mrs. C. B. Thole, Mrs. Erich Gutsche, Mrs. Kuhn, Mrs. H. Schatz, Mrs. Adam Huber, and Mrs. Adam who is our present president. Two members are still working with us who were among the first to join: Mrs. L. Roth, a member on the honor roll, and Mrs. H. Bolhman, an active member. These ladies were presented with corsages.

We now have 33 active members and eight members on the honor roll. During 1952 there were 216 visitations made to the sick. The average attendance at each meeting was 23 members. We were able to help the missionary cause in many places, such as support for Miss Ida Forsch, surgical supplies for Banso Hospital, 15 folding chairs for the new church on the Bull Reserve, Memorial Fund for the late Rev. Harold Lee of the Baptist Indian School at Whitehorse, money and sheets for the new leper settlement, Bethany Home for Children in Wetaskiwin, Haven of Rest at Medicine Hat, broadcast time for the Chirstian Training Institute in Edmonton, support for the Indian work on the Montana Reserve and support for mis-

sionary, Mrs. Ruby Dridiger. We have also undertaken to pay the Bible School expenses for an African boy or girl for one year. Mr. and Mrs. Huber, Mr. and Mrs. Zumwald and Mr. and Mrs. Bohlman have respectively taken on the support of one student, the cost being \$60.00 for each student for one year.

At the close of the program lunch was served in the church basement to all present, where the visiting presidents brought brief messages. The offering of the evening amounted to \$127, which will be used for missions.

Mrs. John Brown, Secretary.

Reception for Rev. and Mrs. Erich Gutsche by Grace Church, Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada

On Sunday evening, April 5, the Grace Baptist Church of Medicine Hat, Alta., held a reception for its new pastor and wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Erich Gutsche. The program was under the leadership of the Rev. R. Milbrandt, who had been our temporary pastor since November 1952 when the Rev. and Mrs. R. Rapske and their children left to take up the pastorate of the Northside Baptist Church in Hutchinson, Minn., and to continue his studies at Bethel College in St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Rev. G. J. Thiessen of Hilda Alta., read the Scripture lesson and brought words of welcome to our new pastor and his wife. Words of welcome were also spoken by the deacon, Mr. Boschee; by Mr. J. Butz for the Sunday School; by Mr. J. Enslen in behalf of the Junior Church and Junior Sunday School; also Caroline Hermann representing the CBY; then Mrs. Zeitner representing the Woman's Missionary Society who also presented them with some flowers.

More words of welcome were spoken by the presidents of the various choirs: Mr. L. Mein for the mixed choir; Mr. J. Enslen for the male choir; Mrs. V Martin of the Ladies' Choir, and Mr. B. Oehlke, representing the German Choir. Each choir participated in the program. A male quartet and a German mixed quartet also rendered special numbers.

Words of welcome were also spoken by the Rev. D. Davies of the First Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Gutsche responded with words of thanks for the kindness shown by the church, expressing their desire to labor with the church in witnessing for the Lord and Savior. After the program everyone assembled in the church basement for refreshments and friendly fellowship. Alice Huber, Reporter.

Pacific Conference

Special Programs Held by the Central Church of Portland, Oregon

The Central Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., was happy to surprise its beloved pastor, the Rev. Lewis B. Berndt, on his birthday on Feb. 25, with words of sincere thanks and appreciation for his ministry among us and with a gift. Then we adjourned to the lower church parlors and enjoyed a lovely birthday cake and a time of happy fellowship.

It was our privilege to have our Cameroons missionaries, the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens, with us on March 22. They gave us a very interesting report of their work in the Cameroons and also showed pictures of the mission field in the evening service.

We had an inspiring Good Friday service. The choir sang "The Seven Last Words of Jesus" under the direction of Mrs. Mabel Krombein. Mrs. Lila Timm was organist. After a wonderful sermon by our pastor, in a spirit of humility and gratitude we met at



The choir of the Victoria Ave. Baptist Church, Chilliwack, British Columbia, with Mr. Helmut Blessin, director, at center, front row; Marlene Ratke, pianist, fourth from right, front row.

the Lord's Table for the communion service.

We pray that God may bless both Mr. and Mrs. Berndt for many years to come and that we may work together for the glory of the Lord in the furtherance of his work.

Esther M. Schmitke, Reporter.

Birthday Surprise, Baptismal Service and Missionary Society Program at Paul, Idaho

On Sunday, March 29, the Baptist Church of Paul, Idaho, gave its pastor, the Rev. John Broeder, a birthday surprise after the close of the evening's service. After the pastor had greeted the people, while they were leaving the church, one of the members approached him and said that he wanted to talk with him. He led the pastor into the annex where the group was assembled and greeted him with the chorus, "Happy Birthday." Mr. David Kraus then spoke a few words of cheer to the pastor and then all were served ice cream and cake. A birthday cake was baked by one of the ladies of the church and given to the pastor to take home. Then also the pastor's family was remembered with a food shower which was greatly appreciated. The pastor responded with thanks for the occasion. May God richly bless the church for its thoughtfulness!

On Easter Sunday it was the privilege of the pastor to enter the baptismal waters with four candidates. These were received into the fellowship of the church the following Sunday at the communion service. May these experiences encourage us to greater efforts for our Master!

On Sunday, April 19, the Woman's Missionary Society gave its annual program under the direction of its president, Mrs. John Broeder. It con-

NOTICE TO REPORTERS!

Please send your reports promptly and keep them BRIEF. Space for the many reports received is especially limited during the summer months. sisted of readings, duets, a play, "The Lord Hath Need of Me," and several songs by the society.

Reporter.

Baptismal Service, Easter Programs & Missionary Anniversary at Chilliwack, British Columbia

We, of the Victoria Avenue Baptist Church at Chilliwack, British Columbia, rejoice over the continued blessings of God in our midst. It was certainly by divine inspiration from the blessed Head of the church, our Lord Jesus, that our people were led to venture forth in faith on January 21, when they unanimously adopted a resolution to become self-supporting as of April 1st. Organized only about eight years ago, it is with great joy that we are now learning to take our first steps forward and upward "on our own.'

Our revival meetings held from March 1 to 13 with the Rev. D. Fuchs, our evangelist, proved a blessing, and resulted in stirring the baptismal waters for the second time in three months on March 29, when our pastor, the Rev. F. W. Bartel, was privileged to baptize a young mother and seven promising young people into Jesus' death.

Thereupon, on Easter Sunday, April 5, the hand of fellowship was extended to eleven members, bringing our membership up to 150. At the evening service our Church Choir of 28 voices, capably directed by Mr. Helmut Blessin,, rendered the Easter cantata. "Christ is Victor," by Chas. Francis Lane before a well filled church.

On April 6 our Woman's Missionary Society gave its annual program, at which the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Ahrens, our beloved missionaries from the Cameroons, served as guest speakers. They challenged all hearts verbally and with impressive picture slides of our mission field in Africa. An Easter missionary offering of \$87.92 was laid on the altar.

F. W. Bartel, Pastor.

Eastern Conference

Fathers' and Sons' Banquet at Andrews Street Baptist Church, Rochester, New York

We of the Men's Brotherhood of the Andrews Street Church, Rochester, N. Y., have been active in various ways. We are donating our services to the finishing of a room in the parsonage for the pastor's study. We also provided the program for a recent Sunday's evening service.

A most enjoyable highlight was the Fathers' and Sons' Banquet which was held on Saturday, March 21, in the church's dining hall. The women of the church prepared and served a most delicious meal. A very interesting program was presented under the able guidance of the president, Mr. W. Neuffer. It consisted of group singing, a solo by Guy Avery, a young member of our group, and two numbers by a male quartet. Our pastor, the Rev. Arthur Weisser, spoke well chosen words of welcome to all present. He also stated that this was the first time he was able to bring a son to a Fathers' and Sons' Banquet, but that his son had come down with the measles to spoil this joy.

Herbert Berndt, Jr., spoke in behalf of the sons present. The Humane Society of Rochester presented a fine part in the program with a film on "Animal Life." They also had on display many live animals such as dogs, cats, geese, mice, rats and others. It was certainly different from any former programs. The benediction was spoken by the Rev. O. E. Krueger.

Our aim as men of our church is to be a real standby and a help in any service we may be able to render to God, our church and our neighborhood. Wm. M. Morrison, Secretary.

Dakota Conference

Anniversary Program of the Woman's Missionary Society, Calvary Church, Billings, Montana

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Calvary Baptist Church, Billings, Mont., is thankful to our heavenly Father for the rich blessings bestowed upon us, in that we have been able to have a part in the work of our Lord.

We have visited the sick. The needy were given clothing, both here in the homeland and overseas. We have helped with the leper work in the Cameroons. We have remembered our Indian Mission Field in Canada. White Cross bandages and squares were made and sent to the Banso Hospital in the Cameroons, Africa.

For Christmas, hand towels were sent to the Children's Home at St. Joseph, Mich., and a sum of money was sent to the Old People's Home at Bismarck, N. Dak., to help them purchase a deep freeze for the home. We have redecorated the church kitchen and furnished drapes for the dining room and Sunday School classrooms of our church

Birthday cards are sent to the missionaries to assure them of our prayers



Seven converts who were baptized on Rev. Harold E. Weiss Faster Sunday by the Northside Baptist (right), pastor of Falls, South Dakota ght), pastor of the South Dakota. Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

for them. At the present time we have for them. At the present time we have greater desire is 19 members. Our greater desire is 19 members win souls for the Lord. 19 members win souls for the Lord. The annual program of our society given consisted which was recently given consisted which was recently all the ladies and which was possible by our minister of several trios.

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Each member has a mite box which we collect twice a year. The money we collect twice a year our church is used for missions have 21 members is used for We have attendance at the average kitchen fund. We nave 21 members at the average at year was 17 and the average attendance at the and the average attendance at the and the past year was 17. We meetings for the young students' are happy for the us and for their wives who have joined us and for their half and inspiration.

wives who have joined as and for their help and inspiration. held our annual help and inspiration. Held our annual on April 12th we not the Same on April 12th church. The same program in our at the Plum Creek program was given at the Plum Creek program was given at the Plum Creek, south of Emery, on Baptist Church, south of Emery, on the part evening. the next evening.

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In March we officers president; Mrs.
the following Grenz, president; Mrs.
Mrs. Richard vice-president; Mrs.
Elmer Harms, vice-president; and Mrs. Elmer Harms, vice-president; Mrs. George A. Lang, secretary; and Mrs.

John Plucker, treasurer.

Thus we are trying Trinity and our Lord's work here at Continue to lead desire is that we may continue to lead Lord's work here at continue to labor desire is that we may greater most

desire is that we may greater measure for Christ in even a greater measure durig the coming year.

Mrs. George A. Lang, Secretary.

A Climax to Spring Activities on Easter at Northside Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

THE BAPTIST HERALD

Easter had a blessed climax for early spring activities at the Northside Baptist Church in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., when seven new converts followed the Lord in the obedience of baptism. Our pastor, the Rev. Harold E. Weiss, baptized the converts.

The activities began with our annual Family Night on February 27th. The ladies of the Sylvia Mission Circle prepared a delicious supper, and the young people served. It was also a welcome home for Missionary Berneice Westerman. The program of the evening consisted of several musical selections by ElDean Kohrs from the Seminary accompanied by Helen Lohse from Sioux Falls College. Mr. H. Nelson, superintendent of the Sunday School; Darlene Hartman, president of the CBY; and Louise Westerman, president of the Sylvia Mission Circle, responded by giving reports of the different phases of work.

Berneice Westerman presented the church with a Communion cloth which she had brought from Africa, and the church and Sunday School presented her with a lovely Bible. Miss Westerman's appropriate topic for the evening was, "An African Family."

On February 8th we began our Sunday School contest in the form of a Stratosphere Flight, which continued for ten weeks. A goal was set that our Sunday School reach 100 in attendance by the first Sunday in April. This goal was attained one week early with the attendance of 102, and on the following Sunday with 101. Rigid qualifications for this contest were: lesson preparation, offering, bringing Bible, visitors, and new members.

"Christian Growth" meetings were held from March 9 through March 15. The Rev. Roy W. Seibel from Emery, S. Dak., was the speaker. Many attended these meetings and were greatly blessed.

The young people presented the play, "My Son Lives," on March 31st, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who heard it. Wes Gerber from the Seminary and Miss Doris Bruns from Sioux Falls College have been counselling the young people this year, and have done a splendid job.

On Easter Sunday a special offering was taken for the Building Fund, and each one gave sacrificially. Our church is still in need of repairs. Last fall the front of the church was renovated, and in the past months new window casings and wallboard have been added to improve the appearance of the sanctuary.

On Easter Sunday afternoon members and friends of the church traveled to Chancellor, S. Dak., where we conducted a baptismal service for seven individuals, including a mother of 62 years, her daughter and son-in-law. and granddaughter. That evening the choir gave an Easter cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," after which we had our communion service and extended the hand of fellowship to those who had been baptized in the afternoon.

Louise C. Westerman, Reporter.

Easter Services and Baptism of Six Converts at Aberdeen, South Dakota

Since the turn of the year, activities in the Calvary Baptist Church, Aberdeen, S. Dak., have been numerous. At the very outset of the year, our church was spiritually strengthened by the Week of Prayer meetings in which we were able to participate. This spiritual fervor was not lost during the successive weeks, but instead mounted with each new activity that entered into our church calendar. Easter Sunday was the highlight of our church year thus far, but we trust that as the weeks continue to come and go, new avenues of service and greater portions of joy will be ours as we seek to serve him.

The pastor, the Rev. Chris Weintz, conducted a Leadership Training Course during the month of March. Twelve persons successfully completed the requirements of the course.

The CBY of the Johannesthal Baptist Church invited our choir to present its Easter cantata at their church on Palm Sunday evening. Following the delicious chicken dinner which was served for the choir, the choir presented its cantata.

We were happy that the Ashley Baptist Church choir accepted our invitation to come down on Good Friday evening to present an Easter cantata. The church and all the visiting friends who attended the service were richly blessed by their ministry in song.

Easter Sunday will long be remembered by us as a day of spiritual blessing. Sunrise services were conducted on Easter Sunday. The pastor spoke on the topic, "He Is Not Here."

At the Easter morning worship service the message had as its topic, "He Is Not Here! He Is Risen." At 11 o'clock, a formal dedication service was conducted for the baptistry which was installed last winter. Mr. LeRoy Schauer, senior student at the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, gave the dedicatory address and pronounced the dedicatory prayer.

Following the dedication ceremony, the baptismal service was conducted. This was the first occasion for our new baptistry to be used. Six candidates were lowered into the watery grave, following the example of their Lord. On the succeeding Sunday all six persons were given the hand of fellowship of the church.

An Easter cantata entitled, "The Lord Liveth," compiled and directed by the pastor, was presented on Easter Sunday evening. The choir was assisted at the piano by Mrs. M. Schrenk.

The various departments of our church have been active. The Ladies' Missionary Society has been busily engaged in both local and missionary enterprises. Their last project was the making of baptismal robes which were first used on Easter Sunday. The CBY of the church has grown from the original six who formerly attended the meetings to the present 30 who now attend. Their latest project was the purchasing of a piano for the church basement.

Chris Weintz, Pastor.



The Rev. Chris Weintz, pastor of the Calvary Church, Aberdeen. S. Dak., and six converts whom he baptized on Easter Sunday (left); and the choir of the church (right) that rendered an Easter cantata directed by the pastor.

Ministry of the Ashley Choir of Easter Sunday Highlights North Dakota During the Easter Holidays

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing" (Psalm 100:1 and 2). The mixed choir of the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. Dak., has been active this past year rendering its ministry in song.

On Good Friday evening the choir presented a program of Easter music at the Calvary Baptist Church in Aberdeen, South Dakota. On Easter Sunday evening, April 5, they gave the same program in the Ashley Baptist Church and the following Monday evening again at the Berlin Baptist Church near Fredonia, North Dakota.

Members of the choir as shown in the accompanying picture (from left to right) are-back row: Mrs. Elroy Walker, Norma Klein, Marion Schauer, Mrs. Ed Schauer, Wayne Fischer, Ray Hoffman, Emil Delzer, Andrew Schauer, Edward Schauer, Carl Fischer. Front row: Pauline Weber, Florence Ley, Carol Bertsch, Betty Schauer, Mrs. H. Heupel, Mrs. Albert Bertsch, Mrs. Emil Delzer, Mrs. O. Weber, Eunice Steinwandt, Estella Reich, accompanist; MrMs. Carl Fischer, director.

Estella Reich, Reporter.

at the Baptist Church of Plevna, Montana

As the Plevna Baptist CBY and church at Plewna, Mont., can truly say that Easter Sunday was a mountaintop experience for us. The church was crowded to capacity as our pastor, the Rev. G. Beutler, brought the morning message on the text, "He is not here, for he is risen," and the mixed chorus sang an inspiring anthem. The missionary offering amounted to \$216.

In the afternoon the CBY presented its Easter program under the able and consecrated leadership of our president, Wilmer Huber. Besides the various special numbers in song and music, our Ladies' Chorus sang, "He Lives," and our mixed chorus sang, "Let Mount Zion Rejoice" and "He Lives,

A four-act play entitled, "The Living Presence," showed how the friends who walked and talked with Jesus would like to help us salve our modern day problems of sorrow, the power of evil and hate, choosing our life's vocation, and persecution for Christ's sake. Mr. Beutler spoke challenging words on "The Risen Lord," and our offering amounted to \$108 but from our treasury we raised the sum to \$175 and designated it for our Cameroons Crusade of the Dakota Conference. Anna Bechtold, Reporter.



Choir of the Baptist Church of Ashley, North Dakota, with Mrs. Carl Fischer, director, at extreme right (front row).

Highlights of the Northern North Dakota Association at Fessenden from June 18 to 21

General Theme: "The Mind of Christ in You."

Text: Philippians 2:5.

Song Leader, Rev. John Engel. The program on the opening day on Thursday, June 18, will feature the

work and materials of Sunday Schools. The guest speaker at the service on that Thursday evening, will be Professor Hugo Lueck of Sioux Falls,

The program of the Woman's Missionary Union will be held on Friday afternoon, June 19, from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. with Mrs. Walter W. Grosser of Forest Park, Ill., as guest speaker. At the Laymen's Rally to be held on that same evening, the speaker will be Dr. G. Holstein of Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Central Conference at Ebenezer Church, Detroit, Michigan from June 18-21.

The Central Conference will be held at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, 21001 Moross Rd., at Harper, Detroit, Mich., from June 18 to 21.

Theme: "The Day is at Hand." Major Message Themes:

"Spiritual Implications of Bible Prophecy'

"Teachings of Jesus of Second Coming"

"Drama of the End Time" "Human Factors at End of the

"Missions in the Light of Bible

Prophecy" "Judgment of God in Light of Bible Prophecy."

Guest speakers: Missionaries Earl and Lois Ahrens of the Cameroons, Africa; Dr. George A. Lang of Sioux Falls, S. Dak .: Rev. E. J. Baumgartner of Cleveland, Ohio; and Rev. H. Sugden, Bible teacher for the Friday sessions

E. Arthur McAsh, Pastor.

Inspirational services are planned for Sunday morning and afternoon, June 21, with a missionary meeting and youth rally. Professor Lueck will be the speaker at these services.

The Fessenden Baptist Church welcomes all delegates and friends of the Northern North Dakota Association to these meetings.

Vernon Link, Host Pastor.

The Rev. Albert Jesser Is Ordained by Baptist Church, Underwood, North Dakota

Upon the invitation of the First Baptist Church of Underwood, N. Dak., the churches of Bismarck, Beulah, Mc-Clusky, Mercer, Turtle Lake, Underwood, and Washburn gathered in Underwood on April 6 for the purpose of forming a council to consider the possible ordination of Mr. Albert Jesser, a spiritual son of the church.

The pastor of the church, Rev. Fred Knalson, called the meeting to order. The council organized itself with Rev.

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Emanuel Broeckel as chairman and Rev. Edward Kary as secretary. Mr. Knalson then presented the candidate. who is at present a student at Northwestern Bible School in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mr. Jesser then proceeded statement concerning his conversion experience; his call to the Christian to give to the council his prepared ministry and a very detailed and comprehensive statement concerning his doctrinal views. After the council had satisfied itself through various questions concerning all three phases of this statement, it withdrew for further consideration in private session.

The council expressed itself as entirely satisfied in every way and advised the church to proceed with the planned ordination service. The council felt, however, that because of the

MANITOBA TRI UNION AND 25th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY AT MINITONAS, June 12 to 15.

The Manitoba Association and Tri Union will convene with the First Baptist Church, Minitonas, Man., from June 10 to 13. Our general mission secretary, Rev. R. Schilke, and the CTI president, Rev. E. P. Wahl, will be the guest speakers. Immediately following the Vereinigung, from June 14 to 15, the Minitonas Church will observe its 25th anniversary. The following ministers who in some way had an active part in the church's history expect to be here for the occasion: E. P. Wahl, A. Kujath, A. Milner, R. Schilke, W. Stein and J. B. Kornalewski.

The First Baptist Church of Minitonas extends a cordial invitation to all of our churches in the Manitoba Vereinigung as well as our neighboring churches in Saskatchewan.



(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. DAVID LESCHERT of Kelowna, British Columbia

Mr. David Leschert of Kelowna, British Columbia, was born on May 23, 1915 in Wetaskiwin, Alberta. He was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Leschert. David lived in Wetaskiwin until 1949 when he came to Kelowna with his parents.

He accepted the good Shepherd as his

He accepted the good Shepherd as his Savior when he was ten years of age. He was baptized in 1925 and joined the Pleasant Prairie Church of Alberta. He was very active in the church, and especially was he fond of music. His favorite hymns were "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" and "Good Night Here and Good Morning Up

There." Both hymns were sung at his funeral service.

He took sick in 1951 and had a major operation performed. He seemed to rally quickly, but he took sick again in 1952 from which he did not recover. He spent the last weeks of his life here in the hospital in Kelowna and then in Westminster. He uffered much but went on to be with the Lord on March 3rd, at the age of 37 years. He leaves to mourn his aged parents; three brothers: Fred, Paul and Reinhold; and three sisters: Mrs. Littman, Mrs. Donnely, and Rose at home. May the Lord comfort the bereaved! To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

Grace Baptist Church. Kelowna, B. C., Canada

J. B. KORNALEWSKI, Pastor.

youthfulness of the candidate, he should make every effort to continue his formal education and urged him to attend our seminary in Sioux Falls,

if at all possible. Mr. Jesser stated that such were his intentions.

The Rev. Fred Knalson was in charge of the ordination. The Rev. Emanuel Broeckel read to us from the Word of God and led us in prayer. The Male Chorus of the Underwood Church sang two numbers and Mrs. Fred Knalson sang a solo. The Rev. Alfred Bibelheimer brought a most fitting message based on the words in 2 Tim. 2:15.

Mr. Knalson offered the ordination prayer with the laying on of hands by all pastors who were present. The Rev. Daniel Klein gave the charge to the candidate. The Rev. Ernest Lautt gave the charge to the church and the Rev. Fred Alf welcomed him into the ranks of Baptist ministers. The service was brought to a close with prayer and benediction by the Rev. Albert Jesser.

Edward Kary, Reporter.

CBY and HERALD NEWS

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the Scripture Memory Program recite their verses in German.

In the Immanuel CBY several meetings a year are conducted in German. Here the leader translates the "Youth Compass" programs into the German language. Since the end of World War II these two churches have been a veritable haven for D.P.'s and refugees from the German speaking areas of

MR. GOTTFRIED HEIN of Kelowna, British Columbia.

Mr. Gottfried Hein of Kelowna, British Mr. Gottfried Hein of Refowlia, British Columbia, was born in Borodina, Bessarabia, May 5, 1888. In 1913 as a young man of 25 he emigrated to Canada and homesteaded at Coronation. Eleven years later he moved to Beiseker and farmed until his retirement at Kelowna in 1945.

June 4, 1953

Shortly after his arrival in Canada, deeply convicted of the Holy Spirit, he surrendered in faith to Christ. He humbly yielded to the Savior's words. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved," and entered the watery grave. The Rev. D. Bienert baptized him in 1916. The Richdale Baptist Church extended the hand of fellowship to him. He remained faithful and unwaveringly served his Lord.

On July 29, 1917 he was united in marriage with Emma Harsch. For 36 years they were permitted to live together happily. A son was born to this union. He died in infancy. A daughter, Frida, was adopted who brought much joy into the home.

On March 25 he came from Kelowna to attend the funeral of his brother Reinhold, who died unexpectedly of a heart attack at who died unexpectedly of a heart attack at Hanna. Before returning to Kelowna, he visited relatives in Carbon. He became seriously ill here, and died Good Friday, April 3, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon of heart failure. He reached the age of 64 years, 10 months and 28 days, when he stepped from time into eternity.

At the funeral service in the Carbon Baptist Church the Rev. A. Kujath of Kelowna spoke in the German language from Psalm 116:15. The undersigned brought words of comfort in the language of the land from Rev. 14:13. A number of appropriate carrier were sung by various propriate songs were sung by various groups. Interment took place in the Freudental Cemetery southwest of Carbon.

His wife, Emma; his daughter, Mrs. Roy His wife, Emma; his daughter, wis hoy Schulz of Kelowna; two grandchildren; four brothers: Ben of Heinz Creek, Karl of Ono-way, Daniel of Lodi; Leonard; and one sister of Europe, besides a great number of relatives and friends mourn his death.

Bridgeland Baptist Church, Calgary, Alberta ERVIN J. FAUL, Minister.

MRS. MARGARET ALBUS RODACKER of Germantown Community, North Dakota.

Mrs. Margaret Albus Rodacker of the Germantown Community, N. Dak., was born on Dec. 14, 1901. Her life on this earth ended instantly when she became the victim of an automobile accident on Feb. 26, 1953. Her span of time in this realm was 51 years, 2 months and 12 days. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Albus who lived in the Carrington community, and it was there that she grew to adulthood along with her five brothers and one sister.

On Dec. 8, 1926 she was united in marriage to Wm. Rodacker of the Germantown community, and moved then to Germantown where the couple lived out their 26 years of wedded life. The couple became the foster parents of three children of Mr. Rodacker's brother: Mr. Roy Rodacker, Butler, N. Dak.; Margy (Mrs. James Watson), Portland, Ore.; Betty (Mrs. Gene Melby), Manfred, North Dakota.

Meiby), Manired, North Dakota.

Besides her husband, foster children and grandchildren, she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Lena Albus of Carrington; three brothers: John of Carrington, N. Dak.; Marvin of Portland, Ore.; and Russell of Glendale, Calif.; and many other relatives and friends. Preceding her in death were her father, C. H. Albus; her borthers: Harvey and Paul.

Many fond memories of her will linger in the hearts of her family and friends. To me as her pastor, one memory that will linger is that of having seen her in the prayermeeting in this church just the evening before her death, and having heard her last words here of prayer for her church and the unsaved souls of this community. She had found the Lord as her personal Savior in her youth and was baptized by the Rev. Albert Ittermann, then of Carrington. We could wish her here to of Carrington. We could wish her here to cheer and to give joy to all who fellowship with us, but we rest in the confidence that she has gone to be forever with her Lord.

Germantown Baptist Church, Cathay, North Dakota

ELMER BUENNING, Pastor.

MRS. CHRISTINA GUNST of Medina, North Dakota.

Funeral services for Mrs Christina Gunst widow of the late George Gunst, were held at the Medina Auditorium, Medina, N. Dak., on Wednesday afternoon, April 15. The Rev. Paul Galambos, pastor of the Streeter and Medina Baptist Churches, and the Rev. B. W. Krentz, superintendent of the Baptist Home for the Aged, Bismarck, N. Dak., were Home for the Aged, Bismarck, N. Dak., Wele in charge. Mr. Galambos spoke in the Ger-man language and Mrs. Krentz in English. The Rev. J. C. Gunst, Forest Park, Ill., son of the deceased, read the Scripture lesson. Miss Virginia Martel played a program of music as the friends gathered at and left the auditorium.

the auditorium.

Mr. Galambos sang, "In the Garden Alone." Mr. Krentz and Mr. Galambos sang, "Da ist Ruh' für die Müden," accompanied by Miss Martel. A group of women composed of Mrs. William Bitz, Mrs. Paul Galambos, Mrs. E. L. Schneider, Mrs. Willie Heim, Mrs. Gust Martel, Mrs. F. Grenz, Mrs. Jacob Hochhalter and Mrs. John Lutz sang, "Ich habe nun den Grund gefunden," accompanied by Miss Martel.

Burial was made in the Medina Cemetery Burial was made in the Medina Cemetery, Pallbearers were five grandsons: Raymond Oster, James Oster, Archie Oster, Clayton Stolz, Larry Gunst und Reinhold Enzminger, husband of one of the granddaughters. All of the nine children were in attendance except Gideon Gunst.

Mrs. Gunst was born January 5, 1871, in South Russia. She attended school in South Russia. Miss Stattler and Mr. Gunst were married in South Russia and in 1906 they and their four children came to the Medina community in North Dakota taking up a homestead northeast of Medina. They farmed there until 1932 when they retired and moved into Medina. Mr. Gunst died on June 5, 1943.

Mrs. Gunst accepted the Lord Jesus as Mrs. Gunst accepted the Lord Jesus as her Savior in special meetings stortly after coming to America. She was baptized by the Rev. J. J. Lippert in the Bismarck Baptist Church in July, 1934 and became a member of the Baptist Church in Medina. She passed on to her heavenly home on April 10, 1953, at the age of 82 years, 3 months, and 5 days.

months, and 5 days.

Mrs. Gunst went to the Baptist Home in December, 1952. She died in a Bismarck Hospital Friday, April 10, having been a patient since February 16, Surving are nine children: Mrs. Emil Oster and Adam Gunst, Jamestown, N. Dak.; Benjamin Gunst, Medina, N. Dak.; Mrs. Katie Praegitzer, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Elizabeth Beck, Glasgow, Mont.; Mrs. Leah Stolz, Detroit Lakes, Minn.; August Gunst, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Rev. J. C. Gunst, Forest Park, Ill.; Gideon Gunst, Stockton, Calif.; 45 Ill.; Gideon Gunst, Stockton, Calif.; 45 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Jacob Stattler, Reedley, Califor-nia. Three children preceded their mother in death.

Medina, North Dakota

THE FAMILY.

MR. ARTHUR H. BERNHARDT of Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Arthur Henry Bernhardt of Buffalo, N. Y., died here at his home in Buffalo on Wednesday evening, March 18, 1953, just short less than one month of being 68 years of age. His death came unexpectedly. For of age. His death came unexpectedly. For a man his age he was strong, very active and apparently in good health, having made many plans for the future, waiting for spring to come, and with bright hope "for a busy and happy summer." Brother Bernhardt died while he was preparing to continue to live usefully.

He was born in Buffalo, N. Y., on April 9, 1885 and lived here all his life, enjoying a good reputation among a wide circle of friends in the community: as a faithful and expert workman and a Christian neighbor. Brother Bernhardt experienced more than the average in heartaches and sorrows, yet he kept the secret how to accept what comes, and as he put it: "Find the way how to handle the situation."

Mr. Bernhardt was married twice: first, to Catherine Heinz, who bore him a daugther and died. The daughter, Hilda, died in her youth in 1941. His second marriage was to Irma Pusch on May 11, 1922. They were married by the late Rev. Peter Brunner. Five children were born to the couple. Janice Louise, the first born, died as an infant. In his immediate family he

is survived by his widow; four sons: Arthur Allen, Robert Earl, Donald Lawrence and David Ralph; and five grandchildren.

During the ministry of the Rev. Peter Brunner and the Christian influence of his wife, Arthur Bernhardt was converted and confessed Christ, was baptized into the fellowship of the High Street Baptist Church, now Temple Church, and remained a faithful member to the end, serving in various ways, including many years as sponsor of a Boy Scouts troop.

The memorial service was held on Saturday afternoon, March 21, from his former home, where we gathered around the casket and paid him our tribute of affection and laid the body away in its resting-place in faith that.

'God calls our loved ones, but we lose

not wholly
What he has given;
They live on earth in thought and
and deed, as truly As in heaven.

Temple Baptist Church, Buffalo, New York

G. E. FRIEDENBERG, Minister.

MR. THEODORE MENCHINGER, JR., of Benton Harbor, Michigan.

A most rejuvenating Florida vacation enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Menchinger, Sr., of Benton Harbor, Mich., was destined by the permissive will of Divine Providence to be abruptly changed into the greatest tragedy and sorrow in the experience of their lives caused by the sudden accidental death of their only son, Theoaccidental death of their only son, Theodore, Jr. Returning from their vacation on Feb. 21st, Mr. and Mrs. Menchinger were happily welcomed home by their two beloved children, Donna and Theodore, Jr., when the considers Cod in Management of the considers of the consideration whom the omniscient God in his foreknowl-edge had spared for a few hours of most enjoyable fellowship.

enjoyable fellowship.

Theodore, Jr., had a pre-arranged appointment and so he bade his beloved parents and sister farewell for the evening, not realizing that it was destined to be his last on earth. That night, in company with two of his friends, he met with an automobile accident, that resulted in instant death, transplanting him into the presence of his Lord. Both his friends were hospitalized but have since recovered from their injuries and have been spared for an opinjuries and have been spared for an op-poprtunity to prepare to meet their God, an eventuality that Theodore had prepared himself for in 1947.

Although Theodore's life span was of short duration, having been born on Oc-tober 4, 1934, and went to be with his Lord short dutation, laving beth both on or tober 4, 1934, and went to be with his Lord on Feb. 22, 1953, it was nevertheless a most active life in many respects. In 1952 he graduated from the Eau Claire High School, having merited the acclaim of being the outstanding athlete of the year. His athletic ability as an outstanding basketball player and baseball pitcher, coupled with a most winsome smile, made him the hero of his classmates and he was idolized by the younger children of the Eau Claire school. Baseball sccouts interviewed him as a possible candidate for professional baseball, having had a try-out with the Detroit Tigers in the fall of 1952, who expressed vital interest in his further development as a possible player on their team.

In June 1947, Theodore, Jr., accepted the

In June 1947, Theodore, Jr., accepted the Lord as his personal Savior, was baptized by the undersigned and received into the fellowship of the Clay Street Baptist Church.

Church.

The unprecedented attendance of 800 persons at his funeral, which included the High School student body and teachers of Eau Claire, together with the large floral tribute, were tangible proof of the esteem and love he enjoyed by the community. Duets by Mrs. Irma Rhode and Mrs. Noreen Griffiths, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "Beyond the Sunset," added greatly to the benediction at the graveside. His sudden and unexpected death is being mourned by his beloved parents; sister, Donna; and a large relationship as well as a host of friends. A brother and sister preceded him large relationship as well as a host of friends. A brother and sister preceded him in death in their infancy. We, as a church, covet the prayers of God's people in behalf of the deeply bereaved parents. May they be comforted with an accelerated interest in heaven for "where your treasure is, there will not be also." (Mett Coll) will your heart be also" (Matt. 6:21).

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