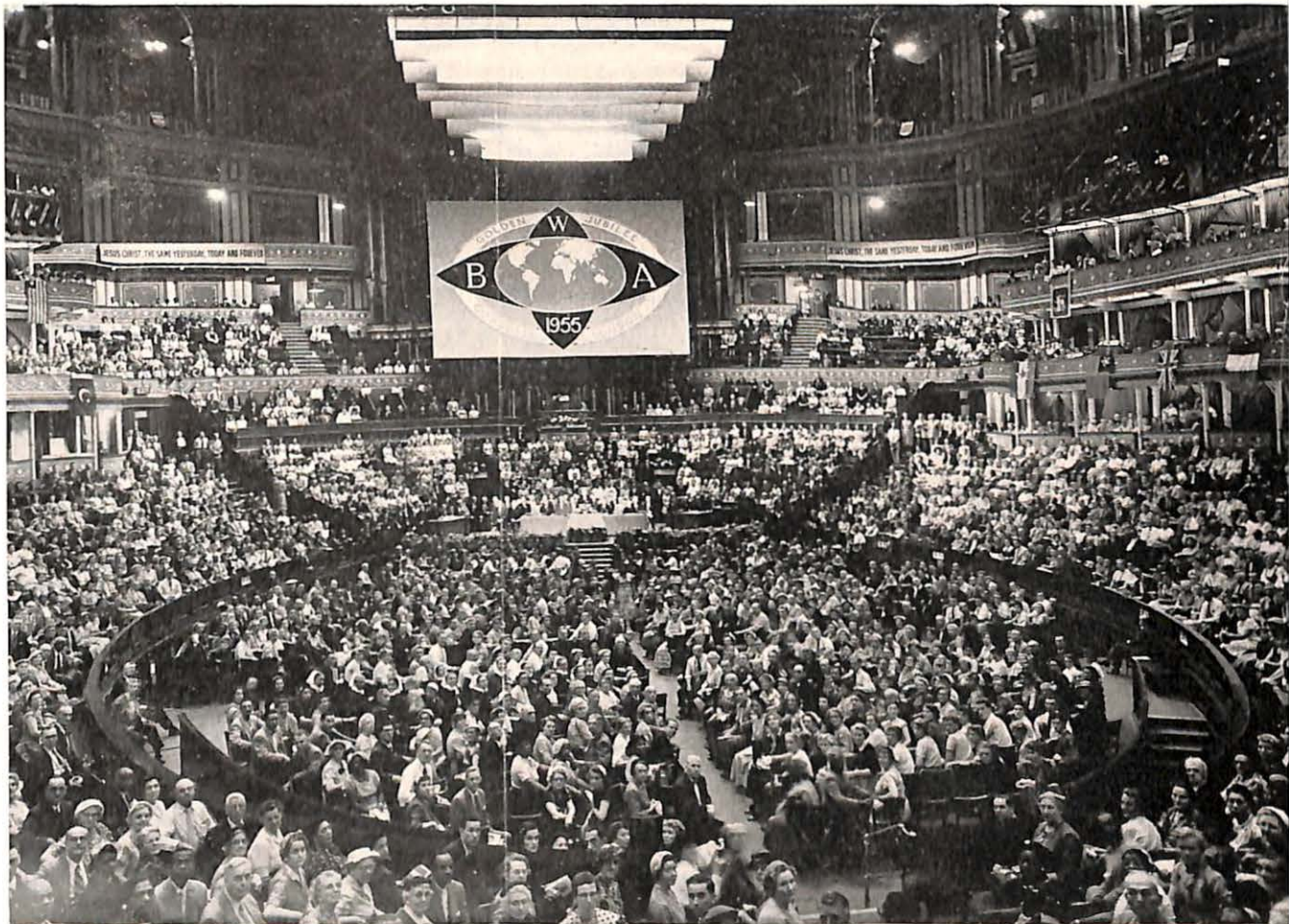


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March of Events

● Lutheran ministers who serve the deaf reported recently that worship services for more than 8,000 deaf and hard of hearing persons are held each month in 250 cities of the United States and Canada. Twenty-nine Lutheran ministers especially trained to preach silently to the deaf met for their annual conference in Detroit, Michigan. They also serve as chaplains in 34 states and eleven city schools for the deaf. Chapels are maintained for the deaf in 17 cities.

● On an aging three-story brick building in Chicago there is a sign which reads: "Let all guests be received as Christ." And most of the guests received in this house are ex-convicts and parolees. The building is a Protestant Episcopal Mission, named "St Leonard House," after a sixteenth-century Frenchman who cared for ex-prisoners. The chaplain at the Cook County Jail in Chicago has long tried to help released prisoners, turned out of jail with only 20 cents and the same clothes they had been wearing for some six months as prisoners. Now, they can stay at St. Leonard House for several weeks, until they have found jobs and accumulated enough to begin life anew. Men with families are usually taken care of, but the great gap in prison rehabilitation work is the man with no family or home.

● Miss Jennie Culbertson Powers was honored at services in Westside Presbyterian Church, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., as she rounded out eighty years of perfect attendance at its Sunday School. Church officials said this may be an equalled record of continuous attendance. Miss Powers, a chipper lady of 84, was presented with a large stack of congratulatory letters topped off with a telegram from President Eisenhower. The President wired, "Your example is an inspiration to your fellow church members, and to others in your Germantown community and elsewhere. With all who honor you I join in warm felicitations."

● The International Training College of the Salvation Army is at Denmark Hill, on the outskirts of London. The splendid buildings, a memorial to General Booth, were the work of the great English architect, Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, the designer of the beautiful Liverpool Anglican cathedral. The purpose of the college is to produce that unique type of Christian servant known as an officer of the Salvation Army, "ministering to the district where he lives by offering salvation

through Christ, serving the community by being on call at any time, willing to gird himself with towel and basin to interpret the mind of God in language which all can understand." Here are young Salvationists from France, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, and Sweden—mill hands and university graduates, civil servants and miners, analytical chemists and farm laborers, all of one mind and purpose.

● Mrs. William A. Sunday, widow of Evangelist Billy Sunday, who has steadfastly refused for more than a score of years to release screen rights to the colorful revivalist's life story, announced that she has now changed her mind. Last August 19th at an elaborate press conference, "Ma" Sun-

Baptist Briefs

● **United Bible Societies** have appointed a Baptist minister, E. H. Robertson, now assistant head of religious broadcasting for B.B.C., London, to the post of research secretary, beginning in May, 1956. His primary duty will be to promote the use of the Bible in the churches.

● **Evangelist Billy Graham** has received an invitation to conduct a full-scale crusade in New York City in September, 1956. The Protestant Council of the City issued the invitation. Madison Square Garden was packed last March when Dr. Graham made his first appearance there.

● **Baptist Youth Fellowship**, national organization of the American Baptist Convention, with 400,000 members, raised \$32,000 during the past twelve months for the "Share Our Surplus" relief project, launched the "Timothians" (a fellowship of those entering church vocations), and voted to form groups called "Prayer, Inc." The annual sessions attracted 700 young Baptists to Green Lake, Wisconsin, in June.

● **Thirteen Indonesians from Moslem families** were among the 23 persons who became Christians at Semarang, Java, during the first eight months of mission work by Southern Baptists at that station. Ninety per cent of the population of Indonesia is Islamic but of the 13 converts, only four found opposition from their families. The

day, "looking remarkably younger than her 86 years," revealed that she now believes that "films can be used of God for His glory" and that she has okayed motion picture rights to "The Billy Sunday Story." Mrs. Sunday said that Lee Thomas, an ordained Southern Baptist minister and evangelist, would form a Billy Sunday Sunday Film Memorial to administer the film program, and Great Commission Films, Hollywood religious picture producers, will make the picture. Mr. Thomas said selection of an actor to play the role of Sunday would begin soon, with shooting scheduled to begin next spring. Billy Sunday, born on a farm near Ames, Iowa, quit a baseball-playing job with the old Chicago White Stockings to enter the ministry and become a noted evangelist. At the height of his career more than one million persons heard him preach during a 10-week revival in New York City, and it was estimated that he was instrumental in the conversion of more than 100,000 persons.

fourth Baptist church under Southern Baptist auspices in Indonesia was organized in Djakarta May 1 with 42 members.

● **The new Baptist Center** in downtown Tel Aviv, Israel, was destroyed by police with battering rams March 1 under a municipal order. Within two weeks, this Center was to have been opened for reading, recreation, Bible study, and worship. It cost \$5,000 to prepare. It is believed that pressure from the Orthodox Rabbinate frightened the owner of the building, who had made the space available to the mission of Southern Baptists, and he cancelled his contract. When the missionary insisted upon occupying the Center, it was demolished. The issue is being taken to the Israeli Supreme Court.

● **Swedish Baptists**, though numerically small in a country where the state church is the Lutheran Church, look to the future with optimism. Dr. Erik Ruden, general secretary of the Swedish Baptist Union, talked of future plans by the 35,000 Baptists in his country, while in the United States for a visit. The general secretary attended sessions of the Southern and American Baptist Conventions and visited the headquarters of both Conventions and several seminaries. Sweden, according to Dr. Ruden, is a little larger than California. With a population of 7,000,000, one in every 200 persons is a Baptist.

Editorial

The Lord of the Harvest!

BECAUSE Jesus Christ is the Master of life, he is also the Lord of the harvest. He is the Alpha and Omega, for by him the seed of truth is sown into men's hearts and through him every good fulfillment of life is realized. Every spiritual blessing not only has its source in Christ, by whom "all things consist" (Colossians 1:17), but it also represents the consummation in a human life of his grace and power as the One who is called majestically in Matthew 9:38 "the Lord of the harvest."

And why shouldn't he be? Our God is Master of the elements of all of nature. In Colossians 1:16 we read that "by him (Christ) were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible." He could still the tempest on the sea and give orders to the winds. His miracles showed his mastery over the realm of nature. "In him we live and move and have our being." Every harvest that we have gathered with our hands and machinery is the culmination of growth and development in which the divine Creator and Sustainer has had a mighty and all-important hand! Without him and his blessing, the harvest would have been impossible!

So it follows that as God shares the joys of his harvest with us, he also entrusts us with further responsibilities. We are more than hired servants of his in his harvest fields. We can do more than merely enjoy the fruits of the field. God has called us to be co-laborers with him in his harvest work. That means partnership with him in the great task of bringing in the sheaves. He dignifies us with a high and noble calling of being responsible for the harvest for which he, through the Spirit, has given the increase. We are to pray earnestly for laborers. We are to be faithful workers in God's husbandry. We are to go forth and be his witnesses, radiantly and consistently.

Only the Lord of the harvest can make such demands on us. For as the Apostle Paul has pointed out, "Neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth." God is a wise Master Builder. Jesus Christ has laid the all important foundation. We have been bought with a great price, the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, in our redemption. Every harvest reminds us of the great debt which we owe our Christ. As Lord of the harvest he makes the carrying out of his will the motivating power in our lives!

Then our greatest share in the harvest is our spiritual response of prayer and praise to God! We are so dependent on him and he has done so much for us in love and grace, that we cannot begin to thank him enough for all of his goodness and tender mercies. The harvest belongs to him in the last analysis. He has given the increase. He is the Source of all that lives.

But the Lord's work is magnified by those thankful souls who through their earnest prayers and eager praise stand alongside their God as his co-laborers, as his faithful children. In thanksgiving to their God they see that "the harvest truly is plenteous" and acknowledge anew that he is indeed "the Lord of the harvest."

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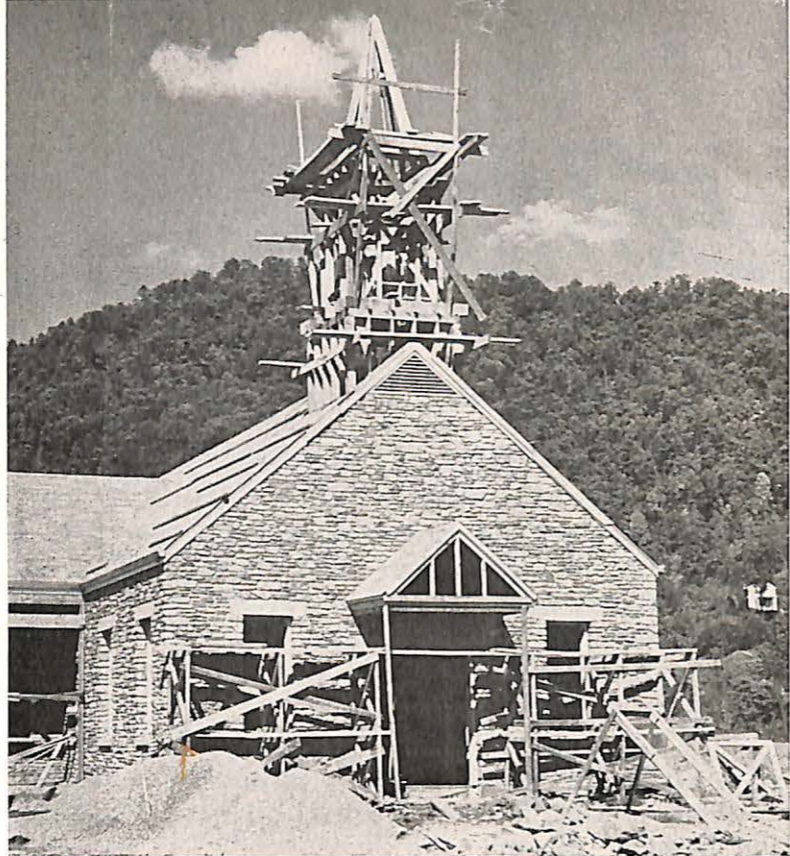
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Building in the Spirit!

"In whom (Christ) ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit" (Ephesians 2:22)

General Conference Message on Church Extension by the REV. JOHN WOBIG of Trinity Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon



—Eva Luoma Photo

EVERY GENERATION is obligated to another generation. In the program of any church or denomination each generation should leave it better than it found it. The religious instinct in man is fundamental and eternal. Churches are being built in increasing numbers throughout our land today. In practically every village there stands a church as an enduring testimony to the immortal instinct of religion in the human heart.

The building of churches is a capital investment. It is the concept that giving is not a payment for services rendered, but an opportunity for grace to the giver and an investment that brings spiritual life to our posterity for years to come. The open door into many unchurched residential areas beckons. Such areas demand house to house visitation with a church nearby. We cannot afford to be a little people, rendering little service and making little gifts for the Lord's cause. We must build! We must build new churches, and build them in the Spirit.

THE SUPREME BUILDER

The Apostle Paul in his letter to the Ephesians speaks in the first chapter of Christ as the Head of the Church and over all things in the Church. Then he goes on to show in 2:1-10 how the Spirit's work applies the benefits of Christ's work in us. This breaks down the wall of partition of Jew and Gentile and unites the two into one Church as an institution. This Church as an institution, whether called "one body," "one commonwealth," "one household" or "one temple," finds expression in "each several building" or particular

church, and the leading idea of its mission is to become "an habitation of God through the Spirit."

This was typified in the Tabernacle and Temple. The Tabernacle was a tent, or movable house of God, to serve only while Israel was on the road. But the significant thing about it is found in Exodus 40:33-34. We read there that it was not completed until God moved in. So we find the same pertinent fact about the Temple. (See 1 Kings 6:37-38 and 8:10-11). When each part was complete in itself, then God moved in.

So also the Church that Jesus instituted. Every stone was prepared separately and made a living stone by personal regeneration, repentance and faith. These living stones were organized into a body, with ordinances, and the Gospel work committed unto them. But thus finished as a composite structure and fitly joined together, it was vacant. It needed the

habitation of the eternal Spirit, and on Pentecost, God, the Spirit, moved in. Thus the Church was accredited as the executive of her absent Lord. It states that "every man on that day was baptized into the church".

No man received the gift to go off on a tangent or to glorify himself, but for the edification and up-building of the Church. So the words, "in the Spirit," denote the agency engaged in building the house of God. With one chief cornerstone to rest upon, and one Spirit to inspire and control them, the apostles and prophets laid their foundation, and the Church was builded together for an habitation of God. The Holy Spirit is the Supreme Builder, as he is the supreme Witness to Jesus Christ. (See John 15:26-27).

BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

Jesus clearly states in the Gospel of John that the Spirit would show us things to come. Our Extension Program will have power with God only as prompted and infilled by the Spirit of God.

THE SPIRIT MUST PROMPT THE PLANS. The first thing in any plan must be a vision. We must see the fields ripe unto harvest and people in those fields as the man from Macedonia saying, "Come over and help us." As individual churches launched out into unchurched areas and established missions and churches we were led to see the need of concerted action in bringing the Gospel to those in many other newly populated communities. This in turn led us to take Conference action in devising ways and means to establish new missions and churches. It led us to appoint extension workers, conduct canvasses,

enlist other workers, outline a program and secure definite projects and blueprints of fields to be reached for Christ. We have seen the Spirit's leading in this.

THE SPIRIT MUST ASSIST IN THE PREPARATIONS. Times of great undertakings should be praying times. It is as the Spirit takes these prayers of his people and presents them to the great Intercessor that they are made acceptable and effectual. And people have been praying and need to pray even more fervently for this work.

Another preparation is illumination. We need to search the Scriptures to learn how the early church carried out its great missionary enterprise. We must study the great population trends and migrations of people to search out these unchurched centers. We need enlightenment of the Spirit himself to guide us as we go forth to build. Consecration must also be included in the preparations. Not only those who plan the extension program and those who have been called to work, but all of us must set ourselves apart for the work that the Spirit is calling us to do.

IMPORTANT NEEDS

PROVISIONS MUST BE ACQUIRED THROUGH THE AID OF THE SPIRIT. Workers are needed. We must pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth these workers. Money is needed. We must give over and above our regular giving. Someone said, "Money is tainted." Yes, doubly so. 'Taint mine and 'taint yours! It is the Lord's.

This reminds me of the two rowdies who held up a Negro woman and demanded, "Your money or your life." "Take my life," she said, "I'm saving my money for old age." Too often such is the case with our savings. We die and leave our money for others to quarrel over. Why not give the Lord the benefits?

Tools are needed. No workman goes to work without tools, and good tools. The building of new churches will also demand new equipment, Bibles, lesson helps, and volunteer workers and teachers. Let the evidence of the Spirit be seen in us. Open your hearts to him. Allow him to control your lives and to use you as instruments in supplying these provisions.

THE SPIRIT MUST GIVE US A PASSION. To be successful in our church Extension Program we must possess a passion for prayer and for lost souls. New people move into our cities and neighborhoods every day. They will probably not be there three days before the groceryman, paper boy, dairyman, and even the politician will have hunted them up. Yet they can be there for years before a Christian will call on them and seek to win them for Christ and his Church.

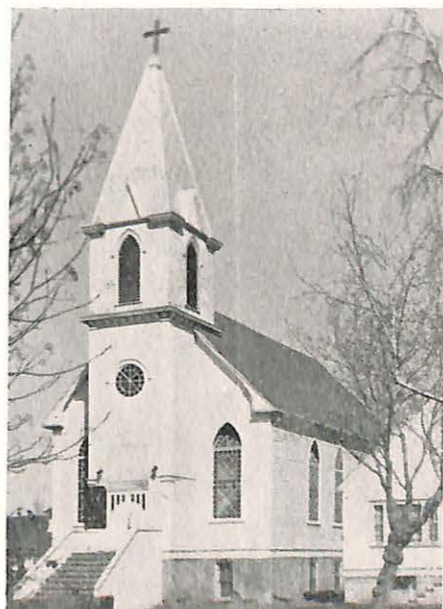


The Immanuel Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, composed largely of German refugees and immigrants, has received financial assistance from the denomination's Church Extension Fund.

With the hymn writer let us say, "Give us a passion for souls, dear Lord, a passion to save the lost; O that thy love were by all adored, and welcomed at any cost. Though there are dangers untold and stern confronting me in the way, willingly still would I go, not turn, but trust thee for grace each day. How shall this passion for souls be mine? Lord, make thou the answer clear; help me to throw out the old life-line to those who are struggling near. Jesus, I long, I long to be winning men who are lost, and constantly sinning; O may this hour be one of beginning, the story of pardon to tell."

SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS

THERE IS THE BLESSING of knowing that we shall build unto the Lord missions and churches that will



The Immanuel Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alta., which has received grants and loans from the Church Extension Fund.

be an honor to our Christian profession. David said, "How shall I dwell in a house of cedar, and the Lord dwell in tabernacles." Are we as concerned about the habitat of God through the Spirit as we are about our own beautiful homes? There will also be the blessing of reaching homes and lives with the Gospel of salvation and then teach and train them in the nurture of the Lord. To have had a share in that will be a blessing already here and now.

Finally, there will be the blessing of seeing again in heaven the contributions that we made. We shall see them in the form of repentant sinners washed white through the blood of the Lamb and able to greet them there because of our missionary endeavor here upon earth.

Some years ago a ship came upon an old helpless wreck in the Southern Seas. The crew of the vessel, discovering it, wondered if there might still be anyone on board. A party volunteered to go and see. They pulled up to the wreck and climbed on board. Silence reigned on the deck. Death seemed to hold helm. But down in the cabin, wrapped in garments that once covered a stalwart frame they found the shrunken shriveled remnant of a man still alive.

They put strong arms about him, took him on their own vessel, gave him a stimulant, and then saw his shrunken lips begin to move, as they caught the words that came hissing through his bare teeth, "There is still another man there."

It is that spirit which the missionary idea must always beget, saying first and last and all the time: "There is still another man there." That spirit will make our venture successful. I lay this worthy cause at your hearts door. What has and what will your response be?

loan of a dollar, until "the welfare check comes on the fifteenth," the warm satisfaction of a cup of coffee and a cookie in the missionary's kitchen, the shoulder on which to cry, the fascinating club handiwork, or the excitement of special mission meetings.

But the Slough of Despond for every Pliable comes when the talk turns to the burden of sin, and the efficacy of the blood of Christ alone, and the impotency of the feminine "salvadora." Then suddenly Pliable is absent from the meetings for awhile, or the children "have to take a bath" at that time (a usual excuse), or no one is apparently at home when the missionary comes to call. Poor Pliable!!

HOPEFUL'S WITNESS

The young Hopeful, who formerly had been called Hopeless, came valiantly and fearlessly out of the jumble of Vanity Fair to accompany Christiano. Whenever I think of the background of such a one, I think of our young Hopeful of Del Norte; a high school girl who bears a boy's name, wears boys rough clothing, and seems at first glance to be utterly unreachable. Yet this past Easter she was baptized, although her parents had forbidden it.

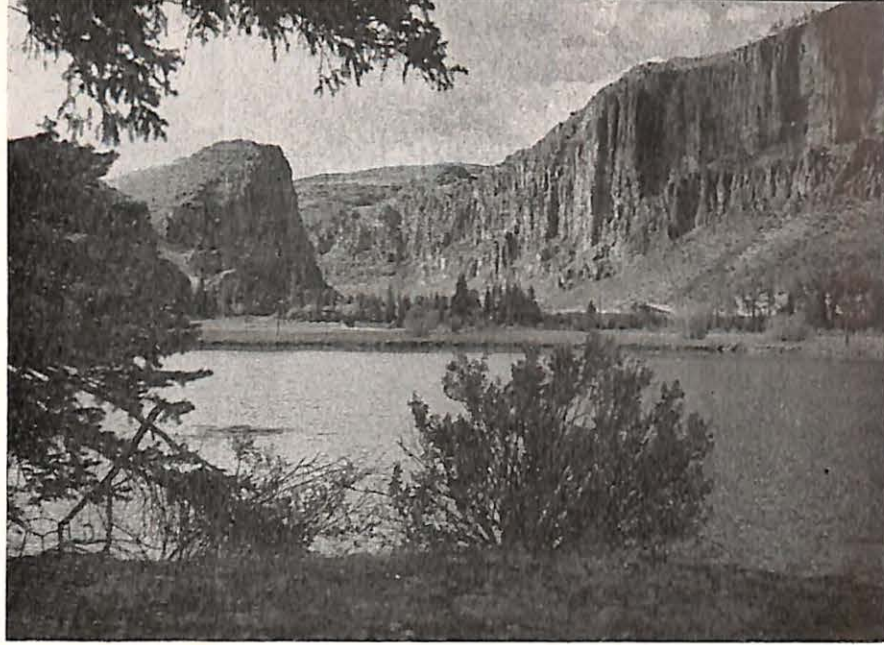
Her Christian witness, both at home and at school, is a challenge and an encouragement to all of us. She comes to our meetings out of a jumble of incredible poverty and filth, beer bottles and crucifixes, foul language and rosaries. But she comes, and she pays strict attention, and often surprises us with her observations. Thank God for the young ones, Full-of-Hope!

THE TRAGEDY OF IGNORANCE

The very brisk lad, named Ignorance, cut a trim figure as we placed him on the flannel board. But his contention that a good and perfect life would get him into the Celestial City was just as wrong then as it is now. Yet the majority of the Spanish people in the Valley believe that by works are they saved—not by grace—and we see evidences of it on every hand.

Not long ago the clean-cut, high school brother of one of my little Monte Vista primaries, was arrested. He's the town's football hero, and as nice a lad as one might meet anywhere. But he had been hurt by an angry Anglo-Saxon chum in the most vulnerable place of all, when the chum called him "a dirty Mexican." The hero had retaliated by slapping him across the face.

So the Anglo parents had ordered the arrest of the Spaniard, and the judge had fined the Spanish parents fifty dollars! Up sparang the Spanish boy, his Catholic medallion, on the cord around his neck, tossing every which way, as he shouted at the judge, "You'll never see me in this court because of drunk driving, or because



Wagon Wheel Gap in the San Luis Valley with the Rio Grande in the foreground.

of theft, or because I don't pay my bills. But you'll see me here whenever anyone calls me a dirty Mexican, because I'll slap his face every time."

Good works? Yes, up to a certain point. But they fail one even on this earth, and never begin to prepare one for the Celestial City, as the utterly amazed Ignorance finally found out.

SHEPHERDS ON ERROR HILL

We stood with the kindly Shepherds on Error Hill, and looked down beyond the steep precipice where lay the bodies of those who had thought that they were on their way to the Celestial City, only to be insidiously led by error's way to their eternal deaths. I thought of the many who had died in exactly such a fashion since I have been here in the Valley.

Outstanding in my mind was the young woman of Del Norte whose untimely death had caught her still trusting in an impotent, feminine savior, in prayers for the dead, in the



The beautiful columbine is the Colorado state flower

worship of God through departed saints, and in the confession of sin to an earthly priest. There are hundreds of others here right now, who are stumbling blindly along on Error's Hill, in the wake of blind leaders, bound for that same precipice and an equally eternal death.

But it is so difficult to break the handclasp between them and their leaders, as we are trying to do in the case of a young married couple in Center. These are following a cult which does away with the belief in the existence of an eternal punishment, and to them it is a far more acceptable teaching than that which we Baptists hold.

But why? Could it be because the wife has four illegitimate children scattered in homes throughout the Valley, together with one more of this marriage, and is trying to give away the two small ones who are still left? Or is it because of the murderous hate which she bears toward her own mother because of her own illegitimate birth and that of her eight half-brothers and sisters?

AT THE CROSS

It's a common enough situation here. Yet such need to know the love of God and his forgiveness more than anyone else, so that they might stand together at the Cross, and say, like Cristiana:

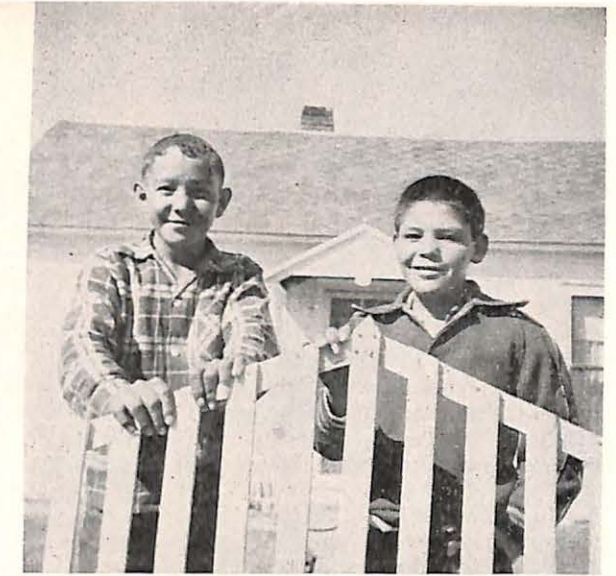
"Thus far did I come laden with my sin;
Nor could aught ease the grief that I was in,
Till I came hither; what a place is this!
Must here be the beginning of my bliss?
Must here the burden fall from off my back?
Must here the strings that bound it to me crack?
Blest cross! Blest sepulchre! Blest rather be
The Man that there was put to shame for me!"

—John Bunyan.

Pages from "Pilgrim's Progress" in the San Luis Valley

Glimpses of Christian Pilgrims in our Spanish-American Mission field

By MISS FLORENCE EISELE, Missionary



Like characters in John Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," these Spanish-American lads of Center, Col., stand at "the wicket gate."

NO DOUBT, you are well acquainted with your treasured copy of John Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress." But supposing you were to pick it up tonight and see printed on the cover these words, "El progreso del Peregrino."

Upon opening it, you would find a burdened MEXICAN pilgrim, named Christiano, fleeing from the wrath to come, with a broad brimmed sombrero pushed back from his round, perspiring, dark face, and typical huaraches on his feet. His indignant wife and crying children would be hearing him shout, "Vida! Vida! Vida eterna!" as he runs toward the lighted gate, with his fingers in his ears.

JOHN BUNYAN'S PEOPLE

Early last year we taught the lessons of that story in all our clubs for boys and girls in the San Luis Valley of Colorado, using colorful flannel-graph figures, and a lengthy film strip printed in Spanish. We learned about Flexible and Obstinado who followed Cristiano up to a certain point, but went no farther, and of Ignorancia who came on to the Narrow Way by means of a little side road from the Country of Conceit.



A Spanish-American Christian mother and her daughter with her Bible (left) are among God's Pilgrims in the San Luis Valley of Colorado, and (right) 12 year-old Dorothy Suazo is busy in the kitchen of her adobe home with the sink that has just been installed behind her.

We were frightened by the Giant Desperacion, until we learned about the Key of God's Promises. We loved Buena Voluntad who opened the Wicket Gate, and Evangelio who was so instructive, and Los Pastores on the mountains with their sheep, and the heart melting beauty of La Tierra de Beulah and the indescribable beauty of El Cielo, as the gates were flung wide to admit Cristiano and Esperanza.

How like the people of today are those interesting characters in that beloved story! As I work among my brown people, I sometimes see in their lives an interesting parallel to the ones which John Bunyan dreamed up; parallels which you, too, may enjoy seeing.

CHRISTIANA AND FAITHFUL

For instance, a chunky, brown mother in Center makes a good "Cristiana," because she knows what it was like to flee toward the Light, with the burden of sin on her back, crying, "Vida! Vida eterna!" while her Roman Catholic parents and a dozen other relatives called, "Come back, Loca, come back!"

But she persisted, past the Slough of Despond, 'round Mount Sinai,

through the Wicket Gate, the Interpreter's House and on to the Cross, where her burden fell down and her voice was lifted in joyous praise to her "Salvador." (Not, as her parents had taught her to believe, to a feminine Salvadora.) Her voice is still raised in all of our meetings, in her favorite Spanish song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," which she sings from memory, since she has never learned to read.

I see the gay, sweet Faithful, swinging along alone over the dark, lonely stretches, and yet still able to comfort himself by repeating aloud, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow . . ." until the heavenly words comforted even another Pilgrim walking behind him. He's like the young, chubby teenager of Monte Vista who had been saved during the days when the Youngs were our Valley missionaries.

In between their leaving and our coming, when there was little work done among the Spanish here, she still retained her gay "faithfulness" and her Bible reading, until now she definitely wants to be baptized. Her "Valley of the Shadow" includes a regularly beastly-drunk father, a one-room house for six persons, and the settlement. Yet now, even her younger stigma which always accompanies those who live in Lariat, the Spanish sister is also ready for baptism.

POOR PLIABLE

Pity the poor, vacillating Pliable, leaving the City of Destruction for such a short time, going along with his neighbor, Christiano, for what might be found in it for himself alone; the crown of glory, the angelic company, the shining garment, the surcease of tears and sorrow; which things, he admitted, "ravished his heart."

But pity more the poor Spanish Pliables who attend our meetings, or worse still, send their children alone to them, for what there is in it for themselves in this present world, such as the gift of clothing or blankets, the

Our Muscowpetung Indian Mission

By REV. and MRS. PHILIP GRABKE of Edenwold, Saskatchewan, Canada,
Indian Missionaries

TODAY the Muscowpetung Indian Chapel on the Muscopetung Reserve in Saskatchewan, Canada, stands as a tribute to the God of Elijah who still lives and answers prayer. Many Catholics and others have often boasted to the missionaries that the Baptist people would never be able to build a church on this reserve. Had not many a previous worker been forced from the field?

One Indian once said, "Oh, for one who would be willing to stick it out!"

We thank God that after speaking with the government officials in Ottawa and with the prayer support of hundreds of Christian friends, we were able to see the fruits of our labors in the establishment of a Baptist Mission on the Muscowpetung Indian Reservation.

BAPTIST CHAPEL

The chapel is situated on a hill with trees in the background. It can be seen from a great distance. We trust that it will be as a beacon throwing forth the Light of the glorious Gospel guiding many to the true Light.

Our first service in the basement of the chapel was held on May 15. At that time the superstructure had not been erected. As each Sunday rolled around, we prayed as Elijah prayed, "that it rain not," and it did not rain! We heated the basement with two small heaters, and at the first service 56 Indians gathered to worship the Lord.

We were pleased to note that our Indian friends worshiped God in a more reverent manner in comparison with the services in their homes. We are grateful to the Nokomis Baptist Church for passing on to us their former pulpit. Our prayer is that as God's

Word goes forth from this pulpit each Sunday, many souls will turn to Christ.

BUILDING PROGRAM

Mr. Edwin Rumble, a Christian contractor, of the Edenwold Baptist Church is in charge of the building program. Mr. Rumble is being assisted by contributed labor from the Baptist churches of Saskatchewan and also by the Indians themselves. Miss Margaret Gambler, a former student of the Christian Training Institute at Edmonton, Alta., has been a great help to Mrs. Grabke in preparing the meals for the laborers. Miss Gambler is the daughter of former Chief John Gambler.

The shingles are on and the windows are in. However, the chapel is far from completed. Nothing has been done to the interior. We are on a four-year building plan, and we can build only as the finances permit. We are indeed thankful that we can use the basement to accommodate the people and that we need not fear weather conditions anymore.

During the morning worship service the Sunday School department is looked after by the missionary's wife in their two-room shack. We are looking forward to the time when we will be able to use the church and the parsonage which is attached to the church building.

CORNERSTONE LAYING

Sunday afternoon, July 3rd, was a Red Letter Day on the Muscowpetung Indian Reservation. Approximately 400 people (both Indians and whites) gathered to witness the laying of the cornerstone. Representatives from our neighboring churches of the Saskatchewan Association expressed their

congratulations and the former Chief, John Gambler, of the Muscowpetung Reserve expressed gratitude on behalf of his people to all who made this mission church possible. Rev. R. Jaster of the Victoria Avenue Baptist Church of Regina brought a very fitting message and challenged the hearts of the listeners that Jesus Christ is the Chief Cornerstone. The Davin and Edenwold Band assisted with special numbers, and refreshments were served by the Edenwold Ladies' Society.

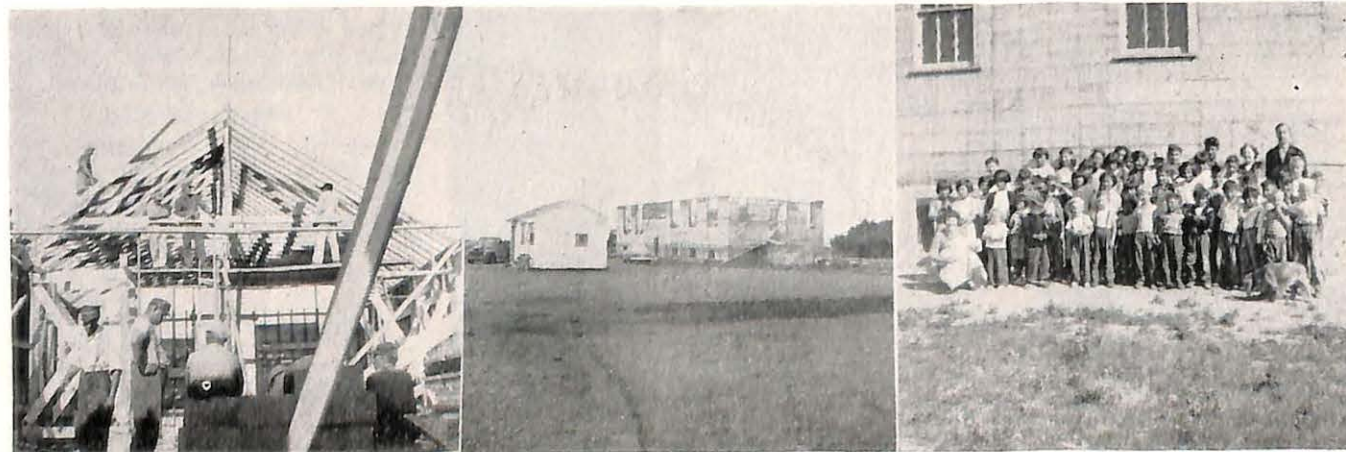
The hour of decision has arrived for many individuals on the Muscowpetung Indian Reservation. To choose the gods which their forefathers worshiped, or the god of images (Roman Catholicism), or the one True God, the Lord Jesus Christ, is a decision which confronts these Indian people. For many this choice has been difficult, but praise be to God for those who have been willing to take their cross and to follow Christ, their Lord and Savior, regardless of the cost.

SPIRITUAL VICTORIES

Is there a hunger for the things of the Lord? Would you be willing to walk up and down hills for eight miles to come to worship service? One elderly Indian lady, Mrs. Gambler, walked eight miles on a number of different occasions when the boys refused to find the horses and hitch them to the wagon. Yes, there is a genuine seeking after the things of God.

Not only did this Indian woman come herself, but she also brought some of her grandchildren with her. Our mid-week prayer meetings have been held in the home of this elderly lady and it has proven a real spiritual

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The new Baptist Chapel on the Muscowpetung Indian Reserve of Saskatchewan under construction (left and center). In the center picture the small house of the missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Grabke, can be seen alongside the chapel. The Vacation Bible School group with Indians and whites held on the Reserve is shown at the right.

The Baptist Jubilee Congress in London



Observations by North American Baptists Who Attended the Congress from July 16 to 22, 1955



The speakers' table at the opening session of the Baptist Congress in London, England, on Saturday afternoon, July 16th.

Left to right: Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Henry Cook of England; Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. F. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance; Dr. Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury; and others.

The Colorful Baptist Congress at London

By MISS ELOISE FISCHER of Ashley, North Dakota

"BLEST BE THE TIE that binds our hearts in Christian love." So rang the words of Fawcett's hymn throughout Royal Albert Hall in London, England, at the final general assembly. As delegates from every continent joined hands in this immense circular hall and sang with fervor and zest in their native tongues, it made our unity in Christ more realistic and complete.

At the conference sessions, several speakers needed an interpreter, while other conference participants added a more colorful aspect by being attired in their native costumes. Many delegates were duly impressed with massive Royal Albert Hall. In the interior, flags from the nations represented were displayed, and as a scenic platform backdrop, a huge emblem bearing the Congress symbol was hung.

Despite the large number of visitors in London at the time the Congress sessions convened, meal and lodging accommodations were adequately provided for. Buffet luncheons could be obtained at the Hall which proved very convenient for those who lived at a greater distance.

Everyone in attendance understood the universal language — MUSIC — which is the common understanding of all humanity. The varied musical selections which were rendered by the Atlanta Baptist Association Choir of Atlanta, Ga., proved to be one of the highlights of the Congress. The choir from Georgia was comprised of 35 churches, and had harp, kettle drum, trumpet, trombone, and organ accompaniment. The narrative illustrations, colorful choir robes and lighting effects added much to the musical renditions.

Many extensive and regional exhibits were displayed at Westminster

Central Hall. One could get a glimpse of worldwide Baptist Life which was inter-related to the Congress theme, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and today and forever." They were displayed in fine principal sequences: The Changing World, The Abiding

Gospel, The Enduring Church, and The Continuing Faith. In connection with the exhibition, films were frequently shown depicting the various aspects of Baptist enterprises.

The challenging testimonies of the young people from all parts of the globe left within me a deep and lasting impression and a greater desire for service to him who reigneth over all mankind.

Observations of the Jubilee Congress

By MR. E. C. QUADE of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, a Member of the Immanuel Baptist Church

AS I WAS SEATED in beautiful Royal Albert Hall for the opening meeting of the Baptist Congress on Saturday afternoon and observed the delegates being seated, I realized that here were Baptists who had come together from the far corners of the earth to the land where centuries ago the first Baptist church was organized on European soil and where the seeds of the kind of a Gospel which we hold dear were sown by Bunyan, Carey, Spurgeon and others who suffered persecution and martyrdom for their faith.

Here too the Baptist World Alliance was organized fifty years ago. As we witnessed the Roll Call of the Nations at the Saturday evening meeting, we rejoiced in the thought that through the B.W.A. we as Baptists of the approximately sixty nations represented are bound together in the love of and devotion to our Lord and Savior who came to seek and to save the lost of all nations and of every color of skin.

Under the able leadership of the president, Dr. F. Townley Lord, and with the assistance of the past president, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, the Congress sessions were well and promptly carried through and the seating

capacity was just about adequate for the accommodation of the approximate 8500 delegates registered.

The acoustics too were in such order that the speakers could be heard in any part of the great auditorium. Several of the speakers on the program during the week of the Congress referred to the meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, of the heads of the four leading nations during that same week and many prayers were offered to the end that a greater measure of peace and justice to mankind might accrue therefrom.

The testimonies which were given by the representatives of the countries where Baptists are supporting missions and schools were challenging and the urgency of their appeals must certainly have convinced every delegate present that we need to support and undergird their labors with our giving and our prayers.

The special music at the evening sessions which was rendered by the Atlanta Baptist Association Choir of seventy voices and the London massed choir added much in beauty and inspiration to the meetings, and the presentation of the pageant, "And There Is Another Country," on Wednesday evening which depicted the

growth of the Baptist Alliance by nations was excellent with its special lighting and the carrying of torches by those who participated.

The closing rally at the Arsenal Football Stadium was a fitting climax to this wonderful convention as the Rev. Billy Graham challenged that great throng of approximately fifty

thousand to surrender their lives to the Christ and accept salvation.

Truly, the Congress has been a mountaintop experience for me and surely for all who attended! May God grant that the coming of Christ's Kingdom may be hastened as the influences which we experienced are motivated in our lives.

Opening Roll Call at the Congress

By MISS ROSANN RADEL of Parkston, South Dakota

THE JUBILEE CONGRESS of the Baptist World Alliance which was held at Royal Albert Hall in London, England, was officially opened on Saturday afternoon, July 16, 1955. The roll call of approximately 60 nations began in the first session that afternoon and finished in the second session the same evening. It was reported at this time that there were 8,000 registered delegates accounted for, with more expected to register later.

This was the beginning of a great week of fellowship and rededication of representatives of the world's total of 21 million Baptists. The Roll Call was very interesting, for we received

egate brought his or her greeting. It also was very interesting to note the different types of dress worn by those from other lands, many of which were very colorful and beautiful costumes.

We are glad to be able to report that we had nine delegates present from the Soviet Union of Russia. This was the first time since 1928 that any Russian Christians were able to attend one of our World Alliance meetings. They reported as to having 500,000 Baptists in Russia and that 20% of these are young people. The United States was very well represented with 3,447 delegates. Our North American Baptists numbered



The Russian Baptist delegation from the Soviet Union at the sessions of the Baptist Jubilee Congress in London, England, with Rev. J. I. Zhidkov, president of the All-Soviet Council of Evangelical Christian Baptists fourth from the right.

a glimpse into each country through the duly appointed delegates who gave their response, telling us in a few words of the number of Baptists and of their main interests in their home churches.

Our Congress theme was greatly stressed, chosen from Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and today and forever." Christian believers in every part of each nation do have this mutual knowledge, regardless of color or creed. We felt this to be especially true as each del-

about 100, this being a good number for some countries merely had three or four delegates.

We found delegates present from all parts of Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia and America, all having one thing in common, rejoicing because of the Christian tie which binds us all as one happy family, showing no difference regardless of costumes, creed or color. This was a grand opening for a great week of Christian fellowship!

An Inspiring Congress for Pastors

By REV. HERMAN KUHL of Union City, N. J., Pastor of the Willow Ave. Baptist Church, Hoboken, New Jersey.

IT WAS A HIGHLIGHT of a lifetime to be in London, England, for the Baptist Jubilee Congress. Being a pastor of small churches can have an effect on a person. One needs to go and see the larger aspect of Christ's work, and the Congress really did this for me. Just standing in line almost half a block long and slowly edging into Central Hall for registration and the receiving of one's packet and pin showed me that this Congress was something huge and immense.

Here one began to fellowship and to know from where the folks around us were. The greetings, the calls of recognition, this good-natured joshing, the pushing ahead, and finally getting a view of the Hall with its missionary exhibits, changing money at the bank showed us that this was no ordinary "get-together."

Going over to Royal Albert Hall and finding a place to sit and listen to speaker after speaker, white and black and brown and all shades between ivory and mahogany, left the impression that here was something great, noble, soul-stirring, Christlike. Here was the cream of the Baptist fellowship of the whole wide world, and every single blessed soul was a brother and sister in Christ to me.

The color of their skin and the name of their country did not matter. One thing did matter: every one of us had identified himself with Christ and Christ's cause, and with the Bible, the Book which tells us all about him. As I faced those thousands there in the big Hall, and the impact of these realizations stole into my inner consciousness, I was overwhelmed and tears rolled down my face.

As one faced the giant insignia of the B.W.A. and the great text or theme of the Congress, "Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, today, and forever," one knew that one could never be the same person again. The impact of the various messages and personalities from so many angles made this Congress the highlight of a lifetime. (Personally, it was the fulfillment of a desire to see and hear the men and women who lead our Baptist fellowship.)

It was one big week of solid and sustained Baptist fellowship, singing, thinking, praying, preaching, testifying, and reviewing of our missionary outreach into at least 60 nations of the earth. It was practically impossible to attend all the sessions, since so many meetings were going on at the same time.

The Congress met in 14 main sessions with other meetings scheduled

on a continental basis on Thursday afternoon. On Friday afternoon, sectional meetings were devoted to conferences of Missionaries and Board Secretaries. It was in this conference that our own superintendent of missions, Dr. Paul Gebauer, spoke on "Re-appraising our Missionary Attitudes." Also on this afternoon such conferences were held as: Bible Study and Sunday School Work (Rev. J. C. Gunst led in prayer in this conference); Baptist Historians and Librarians; Radio and Television; and Baptist Deaconesses.

But the 14th session met in the Arsenal Football Stadium of London. This last meeting of the B.W.A. Congress was the climax of the week of sessions with a great address by Billy Graham, evangelist. Baptists need not retreat before traditions of other communions, for God has made a great people of them, and has given them great leaders and a great cause. The primary principles of the Baptist faith need to be asserted in this present hour.

The Pageant of Baptist History

By MISS NORMA BRAUN of Baltimore, Maryland

THE PAGEANT, "And There's Another Country," given on Wednesday evening, July 20, at the Royal Albert Hall of London, England, was one of the highlights of the Baptist World Congress for me and for many of the visitors. It was a vivid portrayal of the Baptist movement from the cradle up to this 20th century. The colorful costumes worn by the players and the musical selections are memories which will stay with us for years to come.

We were reminded of the courage and faithfulness of our noble forefathers who suffered for their beliefs and convictions. How thankful we should be for their courage to stand up for them at all times!

During the 16th century, these reformers arose and challenged the authority of the church of that time. They risked excommunication and even death because of their courageous stand, and in spite of this they publicly proclaimed the principles which are basic to our Baptist faith.

Most of us know all the great stories of individual heroes. Out of this great honor roll we were given a glimpse into the lives of two leaders, heroes of these early days: John Bunyan and Roger Williams.

As the centuries passed, we saw how the Baptist churches learned the value of working together in large groups, yet the trials and difficulties continued. The churches grew in number and influence, but the freedom that we Baptists seek was still denied in many countries. In spite of



The North American Baptist exhibit at the Baptist World Congress in London, England, showing a Cameroons Baptist Chapel. This is the same chapel constructed by Mr. Erich H. F. Arnold for the General Conference in Waco, Texas.

all the difficulties, we saw how missionaries went forth to the different parts of the world and how Baptists at last achieved world status.

After watching this story of our faith unfold during a period of 400 years, we were spectators at the formation of the Baptist World Alliance, and afterwards we saw something of

its services to a world torn by wars and by rumors of wars.

In the final scene all of these Baptist forefathers of ours who had laid the ground-work for our faith, came again and stood before us, the Baptists of this 20th century. This truly was impressive for it seemed as if we were given the call to take up the work which they had begun, and for us to carry it on as faithfully and courageously as they had done at the beginning.

Closing Rally at Arsenal Stadium

By MR. HERBERT HOEMKE of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, a Member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church

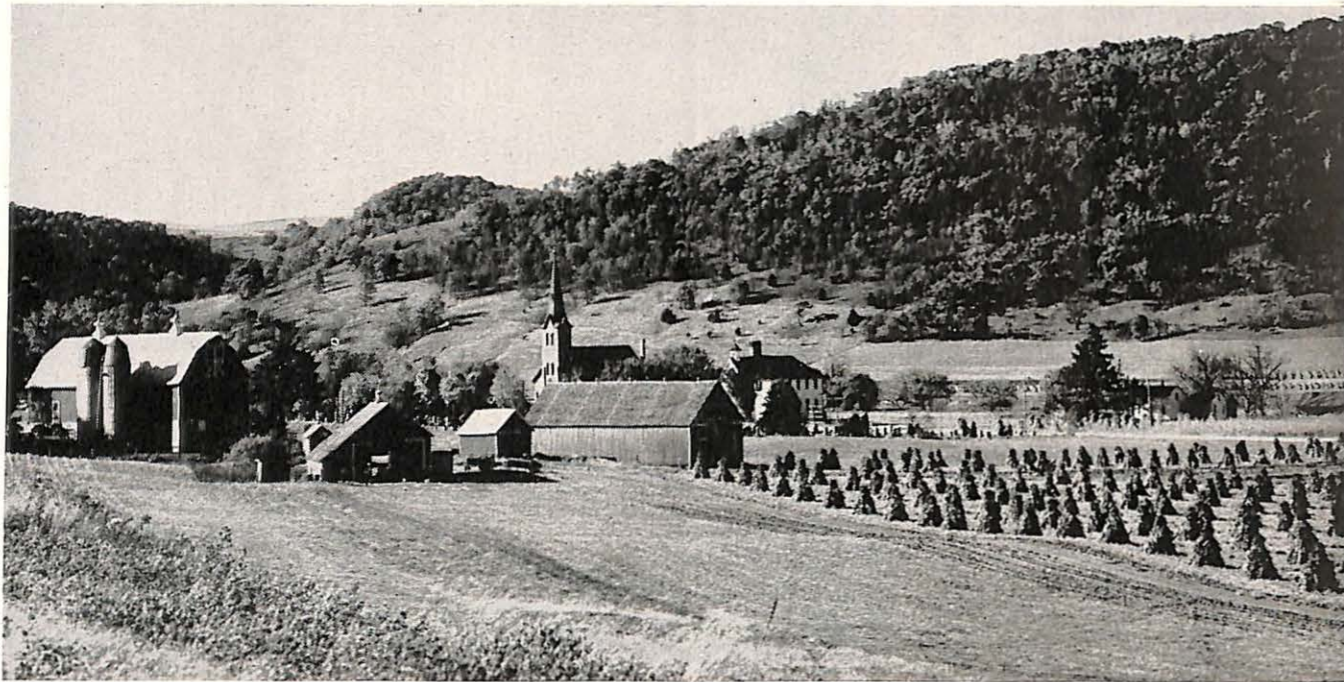
EVEN IN THIS twentieth century a miracle is wrought by God's hand. Such was the experience of thousands upon thousands that attended the closing Rally of the Baptist Congress in London, England, on Friday night, July 22nd. What a privilege it is to praise the Lord when God's people from every corner of the globe raise their voices and sing in a mass choir, 50,000 strong, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Some things we don't understand, as when a brother from Russia prays in his native tongue, and yet over this vast audience there was a fellowship and communion with God.

It was a joy to listen to the president-elect of the Baptist World Alliance, Rev. Theodore Adams, of Richmond, Va., stress the importance of missions in our day. Rev. Erik Ruden of Sweden brought a message, "Truth Is Immortal." His words were to stand for the truth and be faithful, surely, a vital and timely message for the day in which we live.

A real treat was the singing of the National Baptist Convention Sextet, truly a glory song as only our colored friends can render, "All I Want Up In Heaven Is Just To Behold His Face." With a splendid song leader, and the help of the massed Salvation Army Band, we all were singing that glorious hymn of praise that has been sung at every Baptist World Alliance Congress, "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun Doth His Successive Journeys Run."

Billy Graham delivered his Coronation Address, "Crown Him Lord of All," and presented a challenge to everyone that was present, and all who love the Lord of lords and King of kings. The following inspiring points were the keynote words of his message: 1. to crown him Lord of all; 2. that we do everything with eternity's value in view; 3. that we keep our evangelistic fervor; 4. that we retain a proper balance; 5. that we retain a sense of urgency; and 6. that

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"The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works. All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee. Thou openest thine hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works" (Psalm 145:9-10, 16-17).



Vignettes of Church History

By DONALD G. DAVIS, Ph.D.

18. EARLY CHRISTOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

During the third century philosophical and speculative Greek Christian leaders wrestled with the problem of how Jesus Christ could have been both human and divine. Controversial answers to this question involved the problem of the nature of God himself.

The Gnostic answer was that Christ was wholly deity and that his apparently physical body was only a misty apparition. At the other extreme were the Monarchians, who were divided into two groups. The so-called Dynamic Monarchians held that Jesus was a man who, because of his sensitivity and consecration to God, was elevated to a position of relative divinity at his baptism. This was sometimes called "Adoptionism." Here was an emphasis on the unity of God and the humanity of Christ.

The Modal Monarchians likewise emphasized the unity of God, but in a different way. They looked upon God as one—a strong unity—and held that in his creating activity he showed himself as the Father, in his redeeming work as Son, and in his sanctifying office as the Holy Spirit. They did not hesitate to use the Greek word, *prosopon*, a face or mask to il-

lustrate from the classical drama, in which a single actor took several parts by using different masks, how God could at various times be Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They definitely did not think in terms of three persons in one Godhead.

The early Christians simply took the Scripture statements of Christ's deity and humanity as axiomatic

A Thought Starter

By REV. RONALD C. MacCORMACK, Parkersburg, Iowa

A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

To forget self is to be of greatest value to others. This goal is not easy to attain. It is far more common to defend self-pride, to indulge in self-pity, to be oversensitive and long and easily hurt. It is the aim of many to get everything possible for themselves, even if they have to walk over others to do it. Quite thoughtlessly, it is possible to drift into the evil of making an idol out of self; then the next step is to offer everything to the pleasure of that idol.

Selfishness is at the root of all vice. Someone has noticed that the "I" of the famous pronoun is at the center of the word "sin".

There is a refreshing story of a small boy who was asked to donate

truths and did not seek to explain them—but not so the philosophical Greeks. The fact is that the doctrine of the Trinity goes beyond human reason and becomes a matter of faith. How can the one God (Deut. 6:4) be reconciled with the Trinity? Not by human reason! By faith we understand that the three Persons in the Godhead have divine attributes and yet are a unity. To attempt to explain the Trinity is to become involved in useless speculations. We can know from God's Word that Christ was man—"was in all points tempted as we are," and was God—"yet without sin." (Hebrews 4:15) Cairns, 110-12; Newman, I, 197-202; Walker, 72-74.

blood to his sister who was ill. He consented without question, but became very quiet and meditative. At the close of the transfusion he was told to sit up. "But don't I have to die?" he replied. Then it dawned on those around that no one had told the boy that he wouldn't have to give all his blood to his sister. The point is that he was willing and ready, however, to die for her. He had fully resigned his life, in that decision, for the benefit of another. A high degree of self-abandonment always precedes true service to others.

Here we are reminded of Christ, who sacrificed himself willingly on the Cross for the redemption of all who came to him by faith.

ENGAGEMENTS

Dr. Frank H. Woyke

- Oct. 6 (Thursday)—Reception for Rev. M. Vanderbeck, Humboldt Park Church, Chicago, Illinois.
- Oct. 10-11—Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.
- Oct. 16 (Sunday)—Mission Festival, Ventura, North Dakota.
- Oct. 25-27—General Commission on Chaplains, Washington, D. C.

Rev. R. Schilke

- Oct. 5 (Wednesday)—West Fargo, North Dakota.
- Oct. 9 (Sunday)—Mission Festival, Goodrich, North Dakota.
- Oct. 16 (Sunday)—75th Anniversary, Ebenezer Church, Elmo, Kansas.
- Oct. 17-18—Kansas Association at Ebenezer Church, Elmo, Kans.
- Oct. 19-23—Bible and Missionary Conference, Corn, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. C. Gunst

- Oct. 9 (Sunday)—State Park Church, Peoria, Illinois.
- Oct. 16 (Sunday)—Calvary Church, Billings, Montana.
- Oct. 19-23—Pacific Northwest Association at Tacoma, Wash.

Rev. L. Bienert

- Oct. 9 (Sunday A.M.)—Whitemouth, Manitoba, Canada.

Rev. G. K. Zimmerman

- Oct. 9 (Sunday A.M.)—Emmanuel Church, Morris, Man., Canada.

Dr. M. L. Leuschner

- Oct. 9-12—Mission Festival and Leadership Training Course, Odessa, Washington.
- Oct. 16 (Sunday P.M.)—Foster Ave. Church, Chicago, Illinois.
- Oct. 22-23—Wisconsin CBY Rally at North Freedom, Wisconsin.

MANITOBA CHRISTIAN WORKERS' CONFERENCE

Rev. L. Bienert, Rev. G. K. Zimmerman and Miss Ruth Bathauer, Guest Speakers.

- Oct. 4-5—First Baptist Church, Minnetonka, Man.
- Oct. 7-8—McDermot Avenue Church, Winnipeg, Man.

CONFERENCE DATES

- Oct. 2-4—South Dakota Association at Plum Creek Church, Rev. R. Schilke, Denominational Representative.
- Oct. 4-6—Oklahoma Association at Shattuck, Okla. Prof. Herbert Hiller, Denominational Representative.
- Oct. 17-19—Kansas Association at Ebenezer Church, Elmo, Kansas. Rev. R. Schilke, Denominational Representative.
- Oct. 19-23—Pacific Northwest Association at Calvary Church, Tacoma, Wash. Rev. J. C. Gunst, Denominational Representative.

The Cross, My Constant Guide

By ROLAND E. ROSS,
Who Went to His Heavenly Home on August 1, 1955

At a distance I see a tall thin spire,
Which must rise from a chapel below.
And the cross that graces its very tip
Is my constant guide toward the way I go.

Over hill and through vale I wend my way,
Which at times is smooth, though more often rough;
And when I would falter as I weary grow
I look at the cross and gain strength enough—

To continue my journey toward the goal beyond,
To travel for him of whom I am fond,
To travel the way which he has shown,
And not complain, or with travel pains groan.

For I know that when to the goal I come,
My long journey is ended, and I'll be at home,
With loved ones who have long since been there,
And our heavenly Home together we'll share.

But best of all, my Master I'll see,
Jesus, who served man in Galilee;
His glory with God I shall then behold,
And see the great wonders that his Book has told.

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Miss Geraldine Glasenapp of the Bethany Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., another missionary-appointee for the Cameroons, Africa, who was commissioned for missionary service during the Waco General Conference.

We...the Women

By MRS. THOMAS D. LUTZ of Aberdeen, South Dakota, President

INTRODUCTION

PHILADELPHIA, the "City of Brotherly Love", is the home town of Mrs. Peter Pfeiffer, 2728 Auburn St., Erie, Pa. That is where she was born and reared and went to school. First, she attended the Fleischmann Memorial Church and later the Pilgrim Church where she accepted Christ as her Savior and became a member of the church family when she was twelve years old. This church has offered her many opportunities to serve Christ and to grow in Christian stature.

She would love to pay tribute to many individuals who contributed much to her Christian experience through this article, but she is afraid the list would be too lengthy. She is grateful for a Christian home with devout parents, a loving brother and two sisters.

In her home church she also found the "one and only" in her life, with whom she works side by side in the service of the King. She writes, "God was good to us and made our lives complete in that he gave us a loving daughter to brighten our home. When Natalie was only two weeks old, Peter, my husband, left for the Seminary at Rochester, New York, to prepare himself for greater service. The years have gone by all too quickly with many rich experiences."

Natalie now has one year of college behind her, having chosen Keuka College for Women in New York State, a Baptist related college, to prepare herself for the future.

In the ministry there is never a dull moment. Mrs. Pfeiffer is the pastor's wife at the Central Baptist Church, Erie, Pa. Experiences are many and varied and at times there aren't enough hours in a day to do the work, but Mrs. Pfeiffer feels the work of the church is the greatest opportunity and privilege.

As for leisure time? She enjoys making hooked rugs and that would be her hobby if time would allow. She has boxes and boxes of woolen materials ready to be "hooked", but she asks, "How can I find time now that I have become secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the North American Baptists to add to my many duties as a pastor's wife?"

We are happy to present our newly elected secretary, Mrs. Peter Pfeiffer, not only in the picture, but also with a challenge to us as WOMEN on this page.



Mrs. Peter Pfeiffer of Erie, Pa., secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of our denomination.

FRIENDS OF JESUS

By MRS. PETER PFEIFFER.

"Love One Another" was the theme of the Cooperative Vacation Church School held in our community in Erie, Pa. The Scripture background was taken from John 15:14, "You are my friends if . . ." The areas covered in part were: We can be Jesus' friends if we are ready to do our share, by seeing good in others and by being a good friend in need, caring for others.

To say it was a privilege to teach the course would be an understatement, but more than that I became aware of a very important truth. Am I as a teacher living up to this simple, yet vital theme? Many times adults find it easy to teach a truth to children but find it very difficult to practice their own teaching.

Everywhere we go we hear criticisms heaped upon the church. There is not enough spirituality, too many social functions, churches of today do not attract and hold the youth. Among the accusers are those outside the church as well as those inside the fellowship. Pastors, teachers and parents have been searching diligently for a satisfactory answer.

Many years ago, someone said, "The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world." That means mothers,

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women everywhere! Can it be that the hand that rocks the cradle of our day has become lax and indifferent in our Christian duty? Have we become too busy to take time for family devotions, family counseling? Instead of looking about for an outside solution, may we point an accusing finger at ourselves and accept the challenge of Jesus when he said, "You are my friends if . . ." if we are willing to be a living example to our children in our homes, in our churches and in our community. The bold fact remains, that children copy the actions of adults.

How comforting it is regularly to attend worship services with all loved ones present and accounted for. Can we feel smug and secure as we read statistics that tell us there are thousands upon thousands who never feel the need for worship? "You are my friends if . . ." if you are concerned about the spiritual needs of others. We cannot blame the church if we, who make up the church, fall far short of perfection in our Christian living.

Loving one another is still the most effective way of righting the wrongs in the world. If we love one another and are concerned about the welfare of the lost souls, we will take a Sunday School class that needs help badly. We will visit the sick and shut-in friends. We will pray for one another, and we will share in the responsibility of our church program.

Women of our denomination! God has richly blessed us during the last triennium because there have been many willing hands to do the work. There is still much to be done as we face the years before us. Do we want to be friends of Jesus? If so, we must see to it that the criticisms hurled at the church subside and gradually are transformed into commendations, because "We the Women" are Jesus' friends and we do love one another and are concerned for those who are lost in sin and are motivated by fear and superstition.

C.B.Y. Fellowship

By REV. LAWRENCE BIENERT, General Secretary

AT OUR EXECUTIVE MEETING in Waco, Texas, on June 11th we decided to choose a new theme, theme song, and Scripture verse for each year. These are chosen after prayerful consideration, keeping in mind that we want to present a challenge to all of our young people. Christ has given us various commissions.

We pray that you will accept this new theme as a challenge from the Lord. Make it your daily prayer and desire. Memorize the Scripture verse and apply it to your life. Sing the theme song until the truth of the words grip your heart and soul. What has been chosen as our theme, theme song, and Scripture verse? I will let our vice-president, Miss Betty Meister, and our president, Mr. Herman Balka, tell you about them.



Miss Betty Meister, CBYF vice-president, and a member of the Foster Ave. Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois.

THEME: "STRIVE TO WIN"

By BETTY MEISTER of Chicago, Ill.

Recently when a Japanese war-bride was asked what struck her as different about American women, her answer was, "Competition." She did not know how to cope with it for in Japan competition in getting a husband and buying clothing was all eliminated by custom and family tradition.

No, STRIVE to WIN is nothing new to the average American. We live it

in business, sports, school, society, in every area of our lives. We base our economic system upon competition, claiming that it produces only the best merchandise and service. Why then do we think we may gain something worthwhile in our spiritual lives without putting forth some effort?

This is why we felt that STRIVE TO WIN would be a good theme for our CBYF. As Christians we must "strive to win" in our spiritual lives daily through Bible study and prayer to overcome Satan and the temptations he presents to us. If we are faithful daily, we will be the victors and therefore will be able to rejoice in that day when we see Christ, for we will not have striven in vain.

We also want to STRIVE TO WIN other souls for Christ. Soul winning is not an easy job. Many excuses come to our minds when we are faced with the challenge. Therefore, let us, first of all, be willing, consecrated, separated Christians pressing on for the prize which we will receive from our Lord if we strive to bring more souls into his harvest.

THE SONG:

"TURN OUR EYES UPON JESUS"
By HERMAN BALKA of Dallas, Texas.

STRIVE TO WIN is a theme with a double meaning. First, strive to win others to Christ, and second, strive to win in the Christian life!

Bearing this in mind, our CBYF theme song chosen for the coming year is "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus." You see, the key to victory in the Christian life and in leading others to Christ lies in a person. And that person is the Lord Jesus himself!

God's Word says, "But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 15:57). It is only when we get our eyes off the circumstances that surround us and get our eyes on him that we can gain the victory.

SCRIPTURE VERSE: "PHILIPPIANS 2:16"

By HERMAN BALKA of Dallas, Texas.

The verse chosen is Philippians 2:16, "Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither labored in vain."

It is only as we daily feast on his Word that we can have the spiritual strength to carry us through to victory. Psalm 119:9 says, "Wherewith-



Mr. Herman Balka, CBYF president, a member of the Carroll Ave. Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

all shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word."

So as we look forward to the start of a new triennium, let us all turn our eyes upon Jesus who alone can supply the victory! Let us daily hold forth the Word of life in our lives and in the lives of others! And young people, above all, . . . let us STRIVE TO WIN!!

BAPTIST RALLY, LONDON

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we be filled with the Spirit from above.

This great Rally closed with the consecration song, "In Full and Glad Surrender, I Give Myself to Thee." God grant that we have this passion for our fellowmen and be obedient to the command that Jesus gave us "to go out into all the world and preach and teach the Gospel to every creature." The tens of thousands poured out of the Stadium with a song in their hearts as well as on their lips.

An article in "The London Daily News" the next day best describes the thousands leaving the closing meeting.

"Crowds singing hymns jammed roads near Arsenal Football Stadium last night after 50,000 people had listened to Billy Graham at the closing of the Jubilee Congress of the World Baptist Alliance. The hymn singing drowned police loud speakers used to direct the crowds. Queues waited up to two hours for trains. Said a police official, 'The best tempered crowd we have ever dealt with'."

We praise God for being able to participate in this great event, and we pray that this testimony to London and the whole world will inspire all of us to be a more effective witness in service for our Lord and Master.



Sunday School Lessons

A LESSON PLAN

Date: October 16, 1955

Theme: JOHN BAPTIZES JESUS

SCRIPTURE: Luke 3:2b-8a, 15-22.

PURPOSE: To teach the meaning of Jesus' baptism for our own lives.

GETTING STARTED: A retired minister, rich in years of faithful, dedicated service, was asked what he considered to be the greatest accomplishment of the ministry. He thought for a few moments and, then, naming a prominent young pastor whose ministry was being blessed of God to an unusual degree, he said, "The greatest thing I ever did was to lead that young man to Christ."

Every life has its high moments; but none ranks higher in importance than that moment which finds us leading someone to accept Christ as Savior and Lord and dedicating his life to Christian service. Whether John realized the full importance of what he was doing when he baptized Jesus is doubtful; but there's no question about it that that simple act was the greatest thing he ever did. For to have been privileged to baptize the Son of God and thus to send him forth on his public ministry was accomplishment enough for a million lives and glory enough to last through all the years of eternity.

I. HOW DID JOHN COME TO BE CHOSEN FOR THIS HIGH PRIVILEGE OF BAPTIZING JESUS?

1. There was the call of God: for God had chosen John to be a special instrument, had given him a message for the people, and had sent him to prepare the way for the Lord (Luke 1:15-17; 3: 2b, 4, 16).

2. There was the influence and training of devout parents who dedicated their son to the service of God and brought him up in a rich spiritual atmosphere (Lk. 1:67-80).

3. There was John's own spirit of dedication, so that through rigid spiritual discipline he made himself a fit instrument for God to use (Luke 3:2b; Matt. 4:14).

II. WHY DID JESUS WANT TO BE BAPTIZED OF JOHN?

1. He didn't need John's baptism; for it was a baptism of repentance. And since Jesus was without sin, he did not need to repent.

2. Jesus recognized in John's movement the hand of God and therefore wanted to identify himself with it and place approval on it (Matt. 3:13-15).

3. He wanted to identify himself with the sins of men and bear testimony to the fact that their sins rested on him as the Sin-Bearer.

4. He wanted to teach his followers a lesson in obedience, since baptism after repentance and faith is a part of the commandment of God (Mk. 16:16).

5. Therefore, out of obedience, every believer ought to be baptized on the confession of his faith, since such is the plan and commandment of Christ.

III. WHAT DID JESUS' BAPTISM MEAN TO HIM?

1. It confirmed his inner assurance that he was the Son of God and that the way he had chosen was indeed his Father's will for him (Luke 3:22b).

2. It released new powers in him that up to this time had lain dormant and apparently unused (Luke 3:22a).

3. It was the springboard from which he was launched out on his public ministry.

4. Thus baptism for us ought to strengthen within us the assurance of our salvation and send us forth to live and work for Christ.

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A LESSON PLAN

Date: October 23, 1955

Theme: STRUGGLE IN THE WILDERNESS

SCRIPTURE: Luke 4:1-15.

PURPOSE: To help us come victoriously through life's manifold temptations.

GETTING STARTED: How often we voice the complaint, "Why does God permit so many trials and temptations to come to his children? Why all the wilderness experiences through which Christians must go, especially those among them who are in dead earnest about their faith and life?" The answer is not easy; nor can we give a full one; but this is at least a part of the answer: a) This world in which we live is a wilderness—a paradise turned into a wilderness by sin—in which sin has its sway and Satan is always on the prowl to mislead men and take them captive; b) we are men

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afflicted with a basic blight, a tragic waywardness, an Adamic nature that never fully dies, an original sin that makes us hanker for the evil, reject the good and turn away from God; c) We are creatures so made that we attain unto real character and true worth only through suffering, and discipline and sacrifices. But whatever the full answer might be, this much is certain. Jesus, too, walked the way of temptation—and came out victoriously! And because he won the victory, we can have the assurance that we, too, can and shall overcome; for he will be with us and help us on to victory!

I. WHENCE COME TEMPTATIONS?

1. Some temptations and testings are sent to us by God in order to test and strengthen our character, even as Jesus was led into the wilderness, there to be tempted (4:1).

2. Some are put in our way by none other than Satan, for he is ever eager to mislead those who could serve God wholeheartedly (4:2).

3. Some come from our environment—the evil world and adulterous generation in which we live.

4. Some come through our own waywardness and hankering after sin.

II. WHITHER WOULD TEMPTATIONS LEAD US?

In his wilderness experience Jesus faced the three basic temptations we have to face:

1. To indulge our physical nature and appetites, to seek nothing but the fulfillment of our own desires and lose ourselves in carnal pleasures (4:3);

2. To compromise—a little here, a little there—our basic convictions, our faith, our standards, our allegiance to God, all for the purpose of gaining some immediate, personal end (4:5-7);

3. To gain our ends by taking the easy way out—the way of show, of popularity, of cleverness, of spectacular demonstrations—instead of the way of the cross, of self-surrender and sacrifice (4:9-11).

III. WHERE CAN STRENGTH TO OVERCOME TEMPTATIONS BE FOUND?

1. In looking to God and relying utterly upon him, his faithfulness, his love, his promises (4:4).

2. In disciplining ourselves to stand uncompromisingly for God, his Word, his law, his absolute standards (4:8).

3. In holding to the realization that only the way of the Cross leads to life and victory and that only through testings and temptations is God able to lead us on to "higher ground" (4:12).

What's Happening

● Rev. and Mrs. Robert Cook of the Calvary Baptist Church, Bethlehem, Pa., became the parents of a baby girl, Susan Elizabeth, on August 9th. The infant was born with a congenital heart and died on August 14th. Private funeral services were held on August 17th. Interment was at the Nisky Hill Cemetery.

● The First Baptist Church of Chancellor, South Dakota, has announced that its pastor, Rev. Arthur Beaty, has presented his resignation to the church and has accepted the call to another field. He and his family have already moved to the new church which will be served by Mr. Beaty. He was pastor of the Chancellor Church since 1952.

● Dr. William J. Appel, former Church Extension worker, has been called to the Covenant Church of Detroit, Mich., as the minister of membership. He and his wife are already in Detroit, where Dr. Appel is rendering an appreciated ministry as assistant to the Covenant Church's pastor, Dr. W. R. Cole. Mr. Appel was the denominational Church Extension pastor for three years.

● The State Park Baptist Church of Peoria, Ill., held its Vacation Bible School in June with an average attendance of 67 children. Mrs. Fred Smith served as superintendent, assisted by a staff of 14 teachers and workers. Bible verses and songs were learned daily. An inspirational closing program was presented, as reported by Lydia E. Vinz. Rev. Edgar B. Wesner is pastor of the church.

● In August the Baptist Church of McIntosh, South Dakota, dedicated its new \$22,000 parsonage with a large audience participating in the festivities. Professor Herbert Hiller of the North American Baptist Seminary faculty brought the dedication message. The parsonage was built at a total cost of \$12,000 with much contributed labor by men of the church. Rev. and Mrs. Walter Klempel and family are now enjoying the fine facilities of the new parsonage.

● The Baptist Church of Washburn, North Dakota, has extended a call to Rev. Otto Fiesel of Sidney, Montana, to which he has responded favorably. Mr. Fiesel has been pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana, since 1942. He is beginning his ministry at Washburn on October 15th. Rev. Frederick Alf, pastor of the Washburn Church since 1951, re-

signed shortly after the General Conference in Waco, Texas, and is awaiting God's leading as to another field of service.

● The Baptist Church of Bison, South Dakota, has extended a call to Mr. Edwin Voigt of Avon, S. Dak., a 1955 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary. He has been on the field throughout the summer months as a mission worker. The Bison church was formerly served by Rev. Herbert Vetter of Isabel, South Dakota, who will continue his pastorate at this church. Mr. Voigt has accepted the call of the Bison Church and is continuing his ministry on the field in a full time capacity.

● The Grace Baptist Church of Racine, Wisconsin, held its largest Vacation Bible School in its history with an enrollment of 210. This year a day camping program was begun for the Junior-High levels. Under the leadership of the Rev. D. Raymond Parry, the church continues to push forward in all areas. A Sunday School bus has been secured in order to reach a new community six miles northeast of the city. Over twenty new families have been related to the church because of the bus.

● The Baptist Church of Eureka, South Dakota, has extended a call to Rev. Adolf Reeh of Stonington, Illinois, to which he has responded favorably. He will begin his pastorate in Eureka on October 1st, succeeding the Rev. Albert Krombein, now of Anamoose, N. Dak. Mr. Reeh formerly served several of our North American Baptist Churches such as Yorkton, Sask.; Goodrich, N. Dak.; and LaSalle, Colorado, before taking over the pastorate of an American Baptist Church. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Reeh into the fellowship that has been so dear and familiar to them!

● Mr. George Selinger of Hamburg, Germany, a student for the past three years at the German Baptist Seminary in Hamburg, is now studying at the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as an exchange student. He visited at the Forest Park headquarters office recently on his way to Sioux Falls, after having spent some time in New York City and Detroit, Mich. The American exchange student who is now at the Baptist Seminary in Hamburg, Germany, is Mr. Harold F. Lang, son of Dr. and Mrs. George A. Lang of Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

● There were many delegates and familiar faces to be greeted at the Eastern Conference sessions held at the Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., from Sept. 1 to 4. But it was with unusual joy that the conference welcomed Dr. O. E. Krueger of Rochester, N. Y., into its midst. He is recuperating slowly but definitely from his recent critical illness and major operation. He participated in the early Conference sessions with prayer and exchange of greetings before returning to Rochester. He sends his heartiest greetings to all "Baptist Herald" readers!

● The Oak Street Baptist Church of Burlington, Iowa, honored Rev. and Mrs. George W. Lang, missionary-appointees for the Cameroons mission field, on Sunday, Sept. 18. Mrs. Lang is the former Miss Lenora Meilahn of the Burlington Church. After the evening service, a reception in their honor was held in the Social Hall at which the pastor, Rev. Emanuel Wolff, in the name of the church presented the Langs with a love offering to purchase equipment for their new house in the Cameroons. The Langs and their son Danny are now scheduled to leave for Africa in December 1955.

● Rev. John Walkup, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of George, Iowa, since 1953, recently resigned and brought his ministry there to a close on August 15. He and his family have relocated in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Word has also been received that Mr. Walkup has accepted the position of executive director of the St. Paul Council of Evangelical Churches, a new organization. The Council directs the work of the St. Paul Christian Center and sponsors the High School Fellowship Clubs. It carried out a Gospel tent project at the Minnesota State Fair this past summer. This fall the Council is beginning a Released Time project in the city schools.

● The following notice about the Central Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, appeared in the "Oregon Journal" on July 2, 1955: "On June 21st the Central Church members of Portland voted to sell their property to the Evangel Church of the city for \$30,000 and authorized this distribution of the proceeds: Immanuel Church, Portland, \$12,500; Villa Ridge Church, Portland, \$2000; Gencullen Church, Portland, \$2000; Portland Home for the Aged, \$3900; North American Baptist Youth Camp, \$3000 and piano; denominational headquarters, Forest Park, Ill., \$1000; and mission trust fund \$4000. Although the congregation has disbanded, the official group will remain intact to distribute the remainder of the assets after it is certain that all obligations have been met."

Our Denomination in ACTION

Southwestern Conference

Meetings of the Women's Missionary Union of the Southwestern Conference at Columbus

On Friday noon, August 12, the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southwestern Conference met for its annual luncheon and business meeting at the First Baptist Church of Columbus, Nebraska. About 80 women attended.

During the business sessions the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. O. K. Ringering, Shattuck, Okla.; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Jacob Ehman, Bessie, Okla.; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Harold Gieseke, Lorraine, Kansas; secretary, Mrs. J. R. Kruegel, Junction City, Kansas; assistant secretary, Mrs. Adam Moser, LaSalle, Colo.; treasurer, Mrs. Harve Fritzeimer, Stafford, Kansas. After the business sessions, Miss Helen Lohse gave an interesting account of her work with the Spanish women at Center, Colorado.

The Friday evening service of the conference sessions was Women's Night, the WMU having charge of the service. Special music for this service was provided by the Shell Creek Society. Rev. George Henderson led in a dedicatory prayer after the officers for the new year were presented. The speaker of the evening, Mrs. Alma Henderson, challenged our hearts to go forth and possess the Cameroons for Christ. A fine offering was taken, amounting to \$108.29, which was designated for our Woman's Union projects.

Mrs. J. R. Kreugel, Secretary

Pacific Conference

Young People Present New Bulletin Board to Victoria Ave. Church, Chilliwack, B. C.

Young people of the Victoria Ave. Baptist Church of Chilliwack, British Columbia, recently made and erected a church sign board as one of their projects. Responsible for the construction were Rev. G. Beutler, Erwin Schinkel, John Enns, and Clarence Fishbook. Fred Grapentine, Mr. Beutler, Gracien Beutler, Willie Schultz, and Denton Warm helped to erect the sign. All work was done voluntarily.

The aim of the young people in undertaking this "sign board" project was to draw attention to the church services at the Victoria Avenue Baptist Church, corner of Victoria and Cook, in Chilliwack and to make strangers welcome.

Mildred Bresch, Reporter.

Ordination of Rev. Fred G. Moore at the Villa Ridge Church, Portland, Oregon

At the call of the Villa Ridge Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., an ordination council comprised of 19 ministers and lay delegates from seven churches of the Oregon Association, met at the Villa Ridge Church on July 14. The council was called to order, after which Rev. Frank Friesen, pastor of the local church, read the Scripture passage.

The permanent officers of the council were duly appointed as follows: Rev. John Wobig moderator; Rev. Henry Barnet, clerk. The candidate, Fred G. Moore, was presented to the council by Rev. Frank Friesen. Mr. Moore gave clear and satisfactory statements concerning his conversion, call to the ministry and doctrinal views. After a period of questioning, the council declared itself fully satisfied with the candidate.

The ordination service was held on Sunday afternoon, July 17, at the Villa Ridge Baptist Church. A welcome was given by the host pastor and special music was provided by the church. Mr. Vernon Chausse led the song service. The Scripture reading and prayer were given by Rev. Ervin Gerlitz. The ordination sermon was based upon Jeremiah 1 and was given by Rev. Robert Penner. The ordination prayer was given by Rev. Frank Friesen, and Rev. Henry Barnet welcomed Mr. Moore into the ministry. The charge to the candidate was given by Rev. Eldon Seibold and the charge to the church by Rev. Wardin. After the singing of a hymn, the Rev. Fred Moore dismissed the service with the benediction.

Rev. and Mrs. Fred G. Moore are accepted candidates for missionary work in Japan under the Japan Gospel Fellowship. After a period of deputation work, they plan to sail to Japan. May the Lord bless their ministry and give them much joy as they serve him!

Henry W. Barnet, Clerk.



Rev. G. Beutler points with pride to the new bulletin board for the Victoria Ave. Church, Chilliwack, B. C., presented by the young people.

Voyage Log of Zenith Avenue Vacation Bible School Santa Ana Heights, California

We of the Zenith Ave. Baptist Vacation Bible School at Santa Ana Heights, Calif., set sail with the theme "Sailing with Christ," Christ being our Pilot and Rev. Fred David our skipper. The call to come aboard we heard August 8, 1955.

On our first day out the Senior officers, bearing the gift stripes of salvation from our Pilot, were assigned to their departments. Senior officer, Mrs. Lillian David, was assigned to the Nursery Department with eight enlisted. Senior officer, Mrs. Elaine Bartel, was assigned to the Kindergarten Department with twelve enlisted. Senior officer, Mrs. Ruth Wilson, was assigned to the Primary Department No. 1 with eleven enlisted. Senior officer, Mrs. Velma Allen, was assigned to the Primary Department No. 2 with 13 enlisted. Senior officer, Mrs. Francis Snell, was assigned to the Junior Department with eleven enlisted and our Skipper, Rev. Fred David, took over the Intermediate Department with five enlisted.

First, we sang "The Sailors Song" which was our theme song. Our next step was to pledge allegiance to our American Flag, also our Christian Flag and the Holy Bible. We had our morning prayer and offerings were received from the officers and crew to help with the expense of our voyage. The call to worship, Psalm 95:1-6, was read, and stories were told to us of other Senior officers (missionaries) in foreign lands carrying our Pilot's message to those lost on the sea of life. Each officer then took her crew to their own department.

As we sailed along on the Sea of God's Word, we gathered many treasures to store up in our hearts for future use. From day to day new sailors came aboard to help man our ship and to learn of the treasures our Pilot has to offer.

As we pulled into port on August 19, we discovered we had a crew of 68 and our donations had been \$36.13. As the last sailor went ashore and the gangplank was brought aboard, the prayer of the skipper and each Senior officer was that "Our Pilot" would say, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

Lois Burbank, Logkeeper.

Vacation School at Startup, Washington, With 83 Pupils Goes "Sailing With Christ"

It was comparatively "smooth sailing" for the "USS Startup" during its ten-day voyage from June 6 to 17 at Startup, Washington. With Rev. W. Dingfield as the skipper of the ship, the Vacation Bible School at Startup concentrated on the Word of God as we took the popular theme of "Sailing with Christ."

Although 83 pupils "enlisted" for the excursion, the average daily crew amounted to 68 sailors. They were divided into the four sections, Pre-school, Primary, Juniors, and Inter-

mediates, with an even amount of pupils in each.

Each day an offering was taken for missions, thus enabling the boys and girls to give toward our designated project, our Japanese work. Several missionary stories were given during the two weeks. The offerings amounted to \$50.00. On the closing night the offering of \$36.88 went for the expenses of the cruise.

Assisting the skipper, who also taught, were the following: First mates: Mrs. Elmer Sherman, Mrs. Adolf Hieb, and Mrs. W. Dingfield; second mates: Mrs. Art Akers, Mrs. Gus Schalo, Mrs. Anna Murry, Mrs. Esther Crain, Mrs. Alice Witte, Miss Florence Rappuhn, and Miss Audrey Brokofsky.

A dedication service was held prior to the school at the evening service, and a luncheon for the staff after the school of two weeks was held at the parsonage. Several young people accepted the Lord Jesus as their Savior. We enjoyed "sailing with Christ."

W. Dingfield, Pastor.

Southern Conference

Farewell Services for Rev. and Mrs. E. Kraemer and Family at Gatesville, Texas

Farewell services for the Rev. Edwin Kraemer and family, whose work with the Bethel Heights Baptist Church, Gatesville, Texas, terminated on July 31, were held on Thursday night, August 4. Representatives of the various organizations of the church gave expression of appreciation of the pastor's work during his 3½ years of ministry. Mr. Fred Koch was in charge.

The representatives who spoke were: Mr. Rhenold Schaub, deacon; Miss Nora Gebert, church clerk; Mr. Adolph Schoenewolf, Sunday School superintendent; Mr. Roy Kipphen, Brotherhood; Mrs. Roy Kipphen, Woman's Missionary Society; Mr. Karl Wiegand, Training Union. Various others spoke and then Rev. Howard Schenk of the Cottonwood Church brought a fitting message for the occasion. Mrs. Schenk and the Clifton Kraemers were also present.

The church presented Brother Kraemer with an electric clock and Mrs. Kraemer with a fountain pen as remembrances. The Kraemers have moved to San Antonio where they will teach school and do mission work.

Edwin Kraemer, Reporter.

Summer Activities and Visit by Dr. Charles Koller at Central Church, Waco, Texas

A fine playlet entitled, "Church Bells," was presented by the Family Altar Group on Sunday, June 5th, before the evening service at the Central Baptist Church, Waco, Texas. Mrs. Charles Marstaller, Jr., was the director and those in the cast were Major and Mrs. Ken T. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. Springfield, Mrs. Vernon Ekru, Mr.



Children and teachers of the Vacation Bible School at Startup, Wash., line up with flags before their march into the church.

Llewellyn Lippert, and Tommy Kittlitz. A number of our General Conference guests were here already and enjoyed the play immensely.

On Friday evening, June 24, Mrs. Ernest Steindam, who departed for England to attend the Baptist World Congress in London, was honored with a "This is Your Life," skit by the members of the Homebuilders Sunday School Class. This skit was enacted with Major Ken T. Jones as narrator. Messrs. Ernest and R. J. Steindam, Carlton Springfield, and Mesdames R. J. Steindam, J. N. Kittlitz, Tommy Lampert, and J. J. Lippert were the principals of the honoree's life story. The refreshment table was centered with a cake, carrying out a three-fold theme, that of a belated birthday, the dates "1949-1955" for Mrs. Steindam's years as class teacher, and a bon voyage scene. An orchid corsage, leather passport case, a knotty pine Kodachrome slide rack, and a book of "This is Your Life," were presented to the honoree.

A number of our members attended the short session of the Southern Conference held in connection with the Young People's Encampment at Latham Springs, from July 11 to 16. The theme of our conference was, "The King's Business Requests Haste."

In the absence of our pastor, Rev. Louis R. Johnson, and family, who were on vacation, we were privileged to have as guest speakers Dr. Harry A. Marko, a Christian Jew; Dr. E. S. Hutcherson of Baylor University; Rev. J. E. Roth, Ken Sloan, John Luebeck, and Dr. Chas. W. Koller, president of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago. Dr. Koller spoke in our church on Wednesday evening, August 17th. He recalled that this is the 50th anniversary of his baptism into our church, as well as twelve others who were baptized at the same time. Among those were Mrs. J. N. Kittlitz, Miss Martha Scherwitz, Ernest and R. J. Steindam, who still are members of our church.

Dr. Koller brought the commencement address at Baylor University's summer exercises. Dr. Koller, a 1923 graduate of Baylor, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws during the commencement. Congratulations, Dr. Koller! Dr. W. R. White, president of Baylor, honored Dr. Koller during the traditional Presidential Dinner preceding the commencement exercises.

Dr. Koller's mother, Mrs. Mary Koller, a beloved member of our church, who recently celebrated her 80th birthday, proudly welcomed her honored son home for this happy occasion. Dr. Koller is always glad to be back home, among friends and relatives, and just enjoy being "Charlie."

Blessings innumerable have been ours in the past and we look forward to God's continued blessings on our church and his work here.

Mrs. J. N. Kittlitz, Reporter.

Inspirational Sessions of the Abbreviated Southern Conference at Latham Springs Encampment

The Southern Conference met at the Latham Springs Encampment Grounds, Aquilla, Texas, on July 11 and 12 for a short session prior to the CBY Encampment. "The King's Business Requests Haste," 1 Sam. 21:8, was chosen as conference theme. The opening service on Monday evening was led by the moderator, Mr. J. N. Kittlitz of Waco, and the message was given by our missionary to the Cameroons, Rev. George Henderson.

The Tuesday morning session was opened with a devotional period led by Mr. John Luebeck of Waco and closed with a message from Luke 14: 16-24 by Rev. Eldon G. Schroeder of Kyle. Business was transacted and new officers were elected as follows: vice-moderator, Rev. Howard Schenk, Cottonwood; recording secretary, Rev. Joe Bob Alexander, Crawford; statistical secretary, Mr. Edward Schmeltekopf, Elm Creek. Two were elected to the Mission Committee: layman, one year term, Mr. Henry Berkoltz, Dallas; minister, three-year term, Rev. Douglas Gallagher, Dallas; general council representatives (3-year term), layman, Mr. Edgar Bieber, Mowata, Ia.; minister, Rev. Eldon G. Schroeder, Kyle. Rev. Louis R. Johnson of Waco was elected to serve as Conference Mission secretary.

In his report to the conference Mr. Johnson spoke about the progress of our newest home mission work as a denomination, the Spanish-American Mission at Rio Grande City, Texas. The secretary stated in his report, "The most forward step taken during the year was the beginning of our Spanish - American Mission work at Rio Grande City, Texas, with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Castro as our missionaries.

The work has had an auspicious beginning and has been signally blessed of God. The latest report from the field indicates that 56 souls have been saved, with 35 attending Sunday School and the Sunday morning service; 58 attending the Sunday night service; and 47 attending midweek prayer service.

"At present services are being conducted in a home provided rent-free by a Christian businessman. It serves as living quarters for the Castros, and services are conducted on a large screened porch. Chairs have been purchased so that about 70 people can be seated. A reed organ provided by the Mowata Church furnishes music."

The Woman's Missionary Union met to conduct their business and to elect new officers. Mrs. J. J. Lippert of Waco was elected to serve as president for the coming year. The Baptist Men also met and during their business session elected Mr. Walter Gummelt, Sr., of Cottonwood as president. Our short but inspirational Southern Conference concluded with a fine missionary message by Mrs. George Henderson.

Eldon G. Schroeder, Reporter.



Rev. Edward Kopf (right), pastor of the First Baptist Church, Appleton, Minn., and 15 young people whom he recently baptized.

Northwestern Conference

Baptism of 15 Converts and Recent Activities at Baptist Church, Appleton, Minnesota

On Sunday, July 17, the First Baptist Church of Appleton, Minn., was filled with members and friends who had gathered to witness the first baptismal service in our new church. It was a thrilling experience for all as 15 young people and adults followed their Lord into the waters of baptism. During the baptismal service various musical selections were presented by Patricia Ulstad, Jeanine Smith, and Ronald Giese. After the baptismal service Mrs. John Keller sang, "I'll Walk With God."

The Lord's Supper was observed after the baptism at which time the hand of fellowship was extended to those who had been baptized. Most

of these converts made their decision for Christ during evangelistic meetings which were held in our church with Rev. Herman Lohr of Corona, S. Dak., as evangelist. During the past months the pastor conducted a class on the meaning of church membership for the candidates.

The Kingdom Builders, a newly organized fellowship of young adults, has been attempting to increase missionary interest in our church by a series of special mission programs presented on the first Sunday of each month. Thus far three such programs have been presented covering the general missionary program of our denomination, the Spanish-American fields, and the Indian fields of Alberta.

The annual service of installation for CBY officers was held on Sunday evening, August 7. This unusual and impressive service was centered around the theme of climbing a ladder toward a more successful CBY. A step ladder was decorated with tin foil and tissue paper and was used as a place for the candles which were lighted by the new officers. Each rung represented one step in our progress as Christian young people. The steps on the ladder were prayer, study, inspiration, prepare, and witness. Although our CBY is smaller now than it has been for several years, since many of the older young people have left Appleton for college and to seek work in larger cities, we feel that this group has been challenged anew to work for Christ and to be a very useful part of our church.

Edward Kopf, Pastor.

Farewell Reception for Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman at Milwaukee's Temple Baptist Church

On Sunday afternoon, July 31st, the members and friends of the Temple Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., held a farewell reception for Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Zimmerman. It was with regret that the church released this beloved pastor for denominational work at Forest Park, Illinois. Mr. Zimmerman is now the general secretary of the Sunday School Union for the North American Baptist General Conference.

For a little over four years Mr. Zimmerman did a marvelous piece of work for the church. Many new members were received into the fellowship and new methods were instituted, both in the Sunday School and the church. He also helped organize a Boy Scout Troop, which meets regularly in the Church Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Zimmerman was active in the Missions Circles despite the fact that she was mother of three small boys.

All of these sentiments were expressed by the various organizations of the church at this farewell. The Social Committee relieved a warm afternoon with cooling refreshments after the program. We are going to miss the Zimmerman family but our loss is another's gain and since they are continuing with the "Master's work" we ask God's blessings on them.

Mrs. Walter Nasgowitz, Reporter

Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Kaiser of Kenosha, Wisconsin

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Kaiser of Kenosha, Wis., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 31st. They were married in Germany on August 4, 1905 and had been members of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Kenosha since coming to this country in 1913.

They were honored on Sunday morning, July 31, with appropriate remarks made by the pastor, Rev. E. W. Klatt, and after the service



Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Kaiser of Kenosha, Wisconsin, at their golden wedding anniversary when they were honored by the Immanuel Baptist Church.

their only child, Mrs. Dan Behr, her husband and their three children, Melvin, Elayne and Janice, arranged for a dinner in the basement auditorium for about 200 guests.

A program followed at which their grandson was master of ceremonies. This included solos on the violin and vibra-harp and a trio by the grandchildren. A humorous skit brought forth much laughter and a poem, "This Is Your Life," was read, written by a former and now deceased pastor, Rev. W. R. Rueckheim and Mrs. Dan Behr. The various events of their lives were illustrated with miniatures on a display table that held pots of gold at the end of a rainbow from which streamers led to each event.

Words of congratulation were brought by two former pastors, Rev. A. G. Schlesinger and Rev. Wm. Schoeffel. A pleasant surprise was a visit from a niece who flew in from New York and that of a nephew from Missouri. Following the dinner the couple welcomed friends at an open house at their home.

Mrs. Kaiser had faithfully served the Woman's Missionary Society as president for many years and taught in Sunday School while Mr. Kaiser served as deacon, Sunday School superintendent and trustee, choosing as their life motto the words of Paul from 1 Corinthians 15:58.

Mrs. Dan Behr, Reporter

Northern Conference

Vacation Bible School of the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta, Canada

From August 1 to 6 the First Baptist Church near Leduc, Alberta, was the scene of much activity. A most successful Vacation Bible School was held with 66 boys and girls enrolled. The average attendance was 62 and 50 children had perfect attendance.

The theme of our course was "Marching On." Hazel Sonnenberg, Elaine Bienert and Velva Moskoskie taught the Beginners on "God's World and God's Word." Mrs. O. Jabs, Gloria Kern and Joan Roth showed the Primary children how to belong to God's family and to live in it. Mrs. Hannah Grunwald and Lois Radis instructed the Juniors how Christians are to use their time and talents. Rev. J. C. Kraenzler and Mrs. Ruth Hammer answered many of the "Why's Relative to God's Nature" which the young people asked. Mrs. J. C. Kraenzler was the director of the school. A daily missionary offering which was designated for the Japan Missions was received.

On Sunday evening, Aug. 7, a fine program was rendered, showing what has been accomplished by eager children and faithful teachers.

J. C. Kraenzler, Pastor

Ordination of Rev. Wesley Gerber of Billings, Montana, at Camrose, Alberta, Canada

In response to the request of the Bethany Baptist Church, Camrose, Alta., 18 pastors and delegates gathered on August 19 for the examination of Mr. Wesley Gerber of Billings, Montana, formerly of Camrose. Rev. H. Schatz, evangelist of the Northern Conference, and Rev. Reinhold Neuman, missionary to the Indians in Alberta, were also present as delegates. Rev. E. P. Wahl of Edmonton was chosen as the chairman and Rev. G. J. Thiessen as the secretary of the council.

The meeting was opened by Rev. Fred Schimke, pastor of the local church. Rev. E. P. Wahl, as the chairman, called on the candidate to give his testimony as to his conversion, call into the ministry and points of faith. This Brother Gerber did in a very efficient and touching manner. The doctrinal statement was given in a very clear and satisfactory way.

The ordination service was held the same night with Rev. Fred Schimke opening the meeting. Rev. G. Thiessen read from the Word of God. A solo, "Let Me Walk With Thee," reminded us that a servant of God must follow his Master. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. E. P. Wahl on "God's Relentless Call to Spread the Gospel," based on Jonah 3:2. Rev. J. C. Kraenzler led in the ordination prayer, while fellow-ministers laid their hands on Brother Gerber, thus setting him apart to the Gospel ministry.



Vacation Bible School children and teachers of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Link of Camrose followed with a duet, "All on the Altar." The charge to the candidate was given by Rev. R. Neuman based on Acts 20:24-28, while Rev. Karl Korrella gave the charge to the church. Rev. H. Pfeifer welcomed Rev. Wesley Gerber into the fellowship of ministers. The words of the hymn, "O Jesus, I Have Promised," was a fitting close to this wonderful ordination service. Rev. W. Gerber led in prayer and closed with the benediction. He is the new pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Billings, Montana.

G. J. Thiessen, Reporter

Vacation Bible School at Faith Church, Regina, Sask., With 140 Children

A successful Vacation Bible School was held with an enrollment of 140 children for two weeks at the Faith Baptist Church, Regina, Sask. The theme of the school was "Sailing With Christ" and was introduced in the city by means of a float. The float consisted of a red and white boat drawn by a car of matching colors. In the sail boat were sea cadets distributing balloons and notices regarding the school to the hundreds of children that followed the parade. Leading the procession were sea cadets and majorettes marching to band music.

Sixteen teachers conducted the Vacation School which concluded with a packed church for the closing program. Rev. Richard Grabke was superintendent of the school. Faith Baptist Sunday School was also

awarded the Sunday School Banner of 1955 by the Saskatchewan Baptist Tri-Union as the most aggressive and successful Sunday School in 1955. The award was made by Rev. E. Thiessen as vice-president of the Tri Union to the secretary of the Faith Baptist Sunday School, Miss Joan Lindsay.

Tilly Mueller, Reporter

Dakota Conference

A Surprise Party Shower for Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Zepik at Plevna, Montana

It was to have been a meeting with the deacon at the First Baptist Church of Plevna, Montana. We did meet the deacon but also all the rest of the church folks. It was a surprise planned by the C.B.Y. with the object of helping the minister's family who had just arrived to stock their pantry with the necessary supplies. Mr. Ed. Burkle, C.B.Y. president, ushered the Rev. R. H. Zepik and his family to the crowded church basement.

After a short program the pastor and his family were to see all that was to be found in the cartons and parcels on the overloaded table. Virtually everything from soup to nuts was found, including fresh meats. After a month of living in Plevna, the supply has not diminished in the pantry. We are very grateful to the members and friends of the Plevna Church for this fine meeting with the deacon.

R. H. Zepik and family.



Children and teachers of the Vacation Bible School held by the Faith Baptist Church, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Farewell Reception for Rev. and Mrs. Roy Seibel and Family at Emery, South Dakota

Sunday, August 23, was Rev. Roy Seibel's last Sunday as the pastor of the Emery Baptist Church, Emery, S. Dak. In the morning he baptized eight candidates, four children and four adults. After the baptismal ceremony, these were received into the church along with a young couple who joined the church by letter.

In the evening the church had a farewell for Rev. and Mrs. Roy Seibel and family. Each organization of the church took part, giving instrumental or musical numbers or words of farewell and then the Seibels were presented with a love offering and gifts.

During the four years that the Seibels have been with us, the church has grown spiritually and in numbers; 58 members were added to the church by baptism and 15 by letter. A Baptist Men's group was organized and Training Union Hour with classes for all ages was started. Mrs. Seibel directed the church choir, played the organ and helped in many ways. We as a church will miss the Seibels, but we wish them God's blessings in their new work with the Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Mrs. Herman Bleeker, Reporter



Rev. A. J. Fischer (right), pastor of the Baptist Church, Linton, N. Dak., and deacons of the church and the building committee at the ground breaking exercises for the new parsonage.

Ground Breaking Exercises for the New Baptist Parsonage at Linton, North Dakota

A very impressive ground breaking service was held on Sunday evening, August 21st, on the grounds next to the First Baptist Church of Linton, N. Dak., where the new parsonage is being erected. The old parsonage was sold and has been moved to its new location.

A large host of members and friends of the church were in attendance. Mrs. Gottlieb Kremer led the song service, and all joined in singing choruses and songs of praise. The pastor, Rev. A. J. Fischer, read Isa. 40:18-31, and directed several appropriate words based on Eph. 2:10, where we read, "We are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus."

**WANTED,
A LADY CHURCH WORKER**
Wanted: by the McDermot Ave. Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Man., Canada, a full-time lady church worker. Must be able to speak both English and German. If interested, write giving full particulars, to Rev. H. J. Waltreit, 829 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg 3, Man., Canada.

Following this introductory service, the actual ground breaking ceremony took place, with Mr. Jacob Kist, the senior deacon of the church, turning the first shovel full of dirt, at approximately the spot where the kitchen and dining room of the new home will be located. Mr. Kist reminisced somewhat and concluded with some very encouraging remarks. In turn, then, Deacons Ed. Kiemele, Jacob Baumiller and Wm. Weber each turned a shovel of dirt and made fitting remarks. Following these, Trustees Jacob Kiemele and Martin Walther took their turn and spoke briefly. Trustee George Huber was not present. The two additional members of the Building Committee, other

encouraging remark, "With the help of God, we shall soon have a new parsonage." Other contractors are Ray Juhola for the electrical work, and Gottlieb Kremer for the heating and plumbing.

The outdoor part of the service was concluded with prayer, led by Mr. Kist and Mr. Weber. The entire congregation then went into the church sanctuary, where a short time was spent in song and testimony. The new structure is expected to be completed within 90 to 100 days (Nov. 30). In the meantime, the pastor and family are living in their "old home" on its new location. We as a church are confident that God will bless this undertaking, and we do ask his leading and guidance all the way. May we remember it is his house we are building!

Gottlieb Kremer, Church Clerk

Reception for New Pastor and Organ and Piano Dedication at Plevna, Montana

On Sunday, July 3, Rev. R. H. Zepik, our new pastor, and his family arrived to take over their duties at the First Baptist Church of Plevna, Montana. The Sunday School under Mr. Ervin Huber's leadership dispensed with the regular class periods to hear the guest speaker of the day, Rev. E. Oster of Hettinger, N. Dak., and Rev. R. H. Zepik. Paulette Pfeife from the Primary Department thrilled us with a solo.

The morning service was led by Mr. T. Kusler. The church was filled to overflowing with people present from Billings and Miles City, Montana, and Hettinger and Ashley, N. Dak. Special music was given by the choir. Rev. R. H. Zepik spoke on "Seeking the Kingdom of God."

The ladies of the church served a delicious chicken dinner in the dining room to all who were present. Mr. T. Kusler was in charge of the afternoon service at which Rev. E. Oster brought the message. Greetings were extended to the pastor's family by the Sunday School, C.B.Y., Ladies' Aid, Mission Circle and the church. Mr. Oster spoke for the Crystal Springs Assembly.

On Sunday, July 10, the Plevna Baptist Church dedicated a new piano and an electric Baldwin organ. The project was begun by the C.B.Y. and received such enthusiastic support that all were surprised that it was completed so quickly. The special music for the service was provided by the organists of the church, Mrs. Irene Huber and Miss Burnette Folmer. The choir and a ladies trio provided the messages in song.

Mr. T. Kusler gave a report of the project and its completion. The free-will contributions to the fund were as high as \$100 per family, which showed the interest in it. The dedication offering was just under \$300 and was sufficient to pay completely for the two instruments and have a surplus in the fund. The \$2000 project was possible because the people had a heart to give.

Ervin Huber, Reporter

OUR MOSCOWPETUNG INDIAN MISSION

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time of refreshing to see many of the Indians crying out to the Lord in prayer. Great spiritual victories have been accomplished on our knees before the throne of God's grace and mercy. Seeing the young children going around singing Gospel songs and some of them saying their prayers before bedtime is truly a sight about which we can say, "Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised."

We wish this were true of each home but it is sad to say that there is a real spiritual need in the homes and hearts of many. Much has been done and yet there is so much to do. Your prayer support would be greatly appreciated by the missionaries. A letter stating that you are praying for the work would be encouraging.

A Channel of Thankfulness to
God can be your
GIFT TO THE CHURCH
EXTENSION FUND

Mr. James Piegan, a young Catholic father, has recently accepted Christ as Lord and Savior. Mr. Piegan is an accomplished organist and is now assisting in this capacity. God has been very good to us and has answered many prayers concerning the work.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A Vacation Bible School was held with success for the fourth consecutive summer on the Muscowpetung Reserve. The enrollment this year reached 57, and our attendance averaged close to 50. The children enjoyed devotional periods, memory work, chorus singing, handiwork, sports, and lunch.

Miss Marlene Rumble from our Edenwold Church assisted with the Primary Department. Mrs. H. Ollenber, a white lady who was saved during our meeting last fall, brought her four children and also assisted. Miss Norma Cappel, one of our Indian girls, cared for the Kindergarten while the older children were taught by Mrs. Philip Grabke. Missionary Phil Grabke directed the singing, memory drills, devotional periods and sports each day.

Many white friends joined our Indian people at the closing program on the following Sunday. Lunch and ice cream were served. Much rejoicing was expressed when five young children made their decisions for Christ to end a blessed week with the Lord.

OBITUARY

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

**MR. GOTTLIEB HEINLE
of New Leipzig, North Dakota.**

Mr. Gottlieb Heinle of New Leipzig, N. Dak., a son of Philip and Julia Heinle, was born in Morton County, North Dakota, on March 7, 1889, and died of leukemia on August 22, 1955 at the age of 66 years, 5 months, and 15 days. He was married to Louise Diede on February 8, 1912.

Mr. Heinle was converted to the Christian faith in his youth and was baptized upon confession of his faith in Christ in the year 1940 by the Rev. Edmund Mittelstedt and united with the Hebron Baptist Church. Later he had his membership transferred to the New Leipzig Church whereof he was a member at the time of his departure from this world. The funeral service was conducted on August 26, Rev. C. H. Seecamp, pastor of the Hebron Baptist Church, assisted the local pastor.

Those who are left to mourn the departure of our brother are: his wife; two daughters: Mrs. August Magstadt and Mrs. Willard Iblings and their husbands; two grandsons; and a nephew, Theodore D. Heinle, who is considered as the son of the family, because he lived with them for twelve years. There are also six brothers and one sister. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

New Leipzig, North Dakota
EMIL BECKER, Pastor.

**MR. JOHN O. EDZARDS
of Emery, South Dakota**

Mr. John O. Edzards of Emery, S. Dak., was born October 21, 1877 and passed away on August 20, 1955 at the age of 77 years, 9 months, and 20 days. He was born at Grundy Center, Iowa, and died at Alondra Hospital, Los Angeles, California. As a child he moved to South Dakota with his parents.

He was united in marriage on June 6, 1907 to Grace Buseman of Canistota, South Dakota, who preceded him in death on March 23, 1945. To this union there were born three sons and three daughters. One of the sons died in infancy. In early manhood he accepted the Lord as his personal Savior. Upon baptism he became a member of the First Baptist Church of Emery which he attended as long as his health permitted.

He is survived by two sons: Clarence Edzards of Stover, Mo.; and Fred W. Edzards of Emery, S. Dak.; three daughters: Dorothy E. Wahl of Inglewood, Calif.; Helen E. Peters of Eugene, Oregon; and Esther Olson of Chico, California; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters: Mrs. George Klock of Emery, S. Dak.; and Mrs. Frank Dobrovlny of Ransomville, N. Y.; and two brothers: Fred Edzards of Mitchell, S. Dak.; and Richard Edzards of Emery, S. Dak.

First Baptist Church,
Emery, South Dakota
ROY W. SEIBEL, Pastor.

**MISSIONARY PICTURE
PACKET**

Four new pictures of our missionaries are available for the MISSIONARY PACKET—Rev. George W. Lang, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Kern, and Geraldine Glasenapp. The Missionary Packet with these latest pictures is available at \$1.00, postpaid.

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7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Ill.

**MR. JAMES BILETER
of Portland, Oregon.**

Mr. James Bileter of Portland, Oregon, was born at Bischofzell, Switzerland, on Jan. 9, 1862 and died at Portland, Oregon, on Aug. 23, 1955, at the age of 93 years, 7 months and 14 days. It was in the year of 1881 that he came to America, settling first in Kansas and a year later near Bethany, Oregon, spending the rest of his life near or in Portland. His closing years were spent at the Baptist Home for the Aged. On Sept. 23, 1890 he was united in marriage to Rosa Hager, to which union there were born nine children, three of whom preceded him in death.

Mr. Bileter was converted to the Christian faith when he was yet in Switzerland at the age of 13 and baptized by the Rev. Julius Harnish, becoming a member of the Baptist Church. When he came to America he first joined the First Baptist Church of Portland and not long thereafter when the First German Baptist Church, now Trinity, was organized he became a member of it and remained faithful until his passing. He served the Trinity Baptist Church as its clerk for 44 years, as treasurer for 17 years, and also as organist, choir director and Sunday School superintendent. He loved his Savior dearly and served him loyally. He was most faithful in his church attendance, having attended services the Sunday before he died.

He leaves to mourn his departure his now sorrowing widow, Rosa Bileter; six children, the three sons: David, William and Calvin; and three daughters: Mrs. Naomi Kuhl, Mrs. Martha Faucette and Mrs. Marguerite Sherwood; also two sisters, Mrs. Anna Elmer and Mrs. Martha Elmer; nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren, besides a large host of relatives and friends.

May the bereaved find comfort and strength in the God of all comfort and in the hope of life eternal in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Trinity Baptist Church,
Portland, Oregon

JOHN WOBIG, Pastor.

**REV. HILKO SWYTER
of Canton, Ohio.**

Rev. Hilko Swyter of Canton, Ohio, was born January 10, 1877 in Bremen, Germany, and died in Canton, August 5, 1955, at the age of 78 years, 6 months, 25 days.

With the Swyter family, he came to the United States and settled in Aplington, Iowa, at the age of 15 years. Here he and his brother Peter engaged as watchmakers; a few years later also as photographers, and Hilko also as a barber. All of these activities could not keep him from preparing for the ministry to which he felt called.

Shortly after, he went to the Rochester, N. Y., seminary to study for the ministry. The Second Baptist Church there gave him a call to become their minister following his studies. In less than two years his health failed him and he had to return home to Aplington. After recovery he accepted a call from the Second Baptist Church at Baltimore, Md. Here he was ordained and also married to Miss Clara A. Mateikat on May 17, 1911.

After his charge in Baltimore, he served the following churches: before, Rochester, N. Y.; after, Jersey City, N. J.; Canton, Ohio; George, Ia.; and again Canton, O., where he finally retired and spent much of his time in watch and clock repairing and supply preaching.

Surviving are his widow Clara A. Swyter; three daughters: Ruth, Mrs. Murray Boyer, Watertown, N. Y.; Hilda, Mrs. Charles Basler, Phoenix, Ariz.; and Esther, Mrs. Robert Colaner, Canton, Ohio; two grandsons; two sisters, Miss Minnie Swyter and Lena, Mrs. Martin M. Vust; two brothers, P. M. Swyter of George, and Rev. Carl Swyter at Steamboat Rock, Ia.

The funeral took place Monday, August 8th, from the funeral home at the North Lawn Cemetery, Pastor Harold Germer officiating.

Canton, Ohio

P. M. SWYTER, Correspondent

Spice of Life

A man who was continually losing his collar button while dressing complained to his wife about it. With an ingenuity born of the use of hairpins, she told him to hold his collar button in his mouth. The next morning, she was startled by an unusual commotion.

"What's the matter?" she asked anxiously.

"I've swallowed the collar button," said the man.

"Well," responded his wife, "there's one comfort; for once in your life you know where it is."

"You'll fall," cautioned his mother as Tommy climbed up on the fence.

"No, I won't mamma; I won't fall," remonstrated Tommy—and at that moment tumbled down with more or less disastrous results. But the young man was nothing daunted.

Righting himself hastily, he turned to his mother and questioned:

"Did you see me jump?"

OUR CHURCH EXTENSION PROGRAM

- Goal—\$250,000.00 by July 21, 1956.
- Church Extension Emphasis Month—October.
- Fifteen Church Extension projects already begun — others should be started soon!

**Your Help Is Urgently Needed
in Prayers and Gifts!**

"I want a pint of gasoline," said the owner of the midget auto, "and a teaspoon of oil, please."

Service Station Attendant: "And shall I cough into the tires, sir?"

Mother: "Johnnie, dear, I was hoping you would be unselfish enough to give your little sister the largest piece of candy. Why, even that old hen will give all the nicest dainties to her little chicks and take only a tiny one once in a while for herself."

Johnnie (after watching the old hen a while): "Well, Mom, I'd do the same thing if it was worms."

Old Man (stepping into barber's chair): "Today is my ninety-fifth birthday."

Barber: "Congratulations! I hope I can give you a haircut on your hundredth birthday."

Old Man: "Maybe you can. You look pretty healthy."

Teacher (to his class): "Write a short composition on water."

One scholar wrote: "Water is a light-colored, wet liquid which turns dark when you wash in it."

"What was George Washington noted for?"

"His memory."

"What makes you think his memory was so great?"

"They erected a monument to it."

Judge: "You must have been in an awful hurry. Do you realize you were going over ninety miles an hour?"

Speeding Motorist: "Well, you see, Judge, everything I do, I do fast."

Judge: "That's good. Let's see how fast you can do sixty days!"

Christmas Program Material

CHRISTMAS TREASURY No. 66

It contains a large selection of helps including simple recitations for the youngest child, dialogues, tableau, short plays for older groups, and three graded songs. A Lorenz publication.

Price is 40 cents each.

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The selections are graded for Primary, Junior and Intermediate groups. This collection also contains various kinds of verse and dramatic materials. This is a Tullar-Meredith publication.

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It contains a large selection of recitations suitable for Primary and Beginners, also for young boys and girls. Tableau, drills, pantomimes, dramatized hymns, and musical features. This is a Rodeheaver Hall Mack publication. Price is 40 cents.

Christmas Plays

Such new plays as "Longing for Christmas," "To Hear the Angels Sing," "The Star Still Shines," "As We Forgive," "His Wonders to Perform," and others are available. Write to us telling us the type of play you wish and we shall gladly furnish details as to what is available.

A WATCHNIGHT PLAY—"MIRACLE AT MIDNIGHT"—has been written at the request of the C.B.Y.F. and is now available. The price is 30 cents per single copy or 25 cents per copy in lots of 10 or more.

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