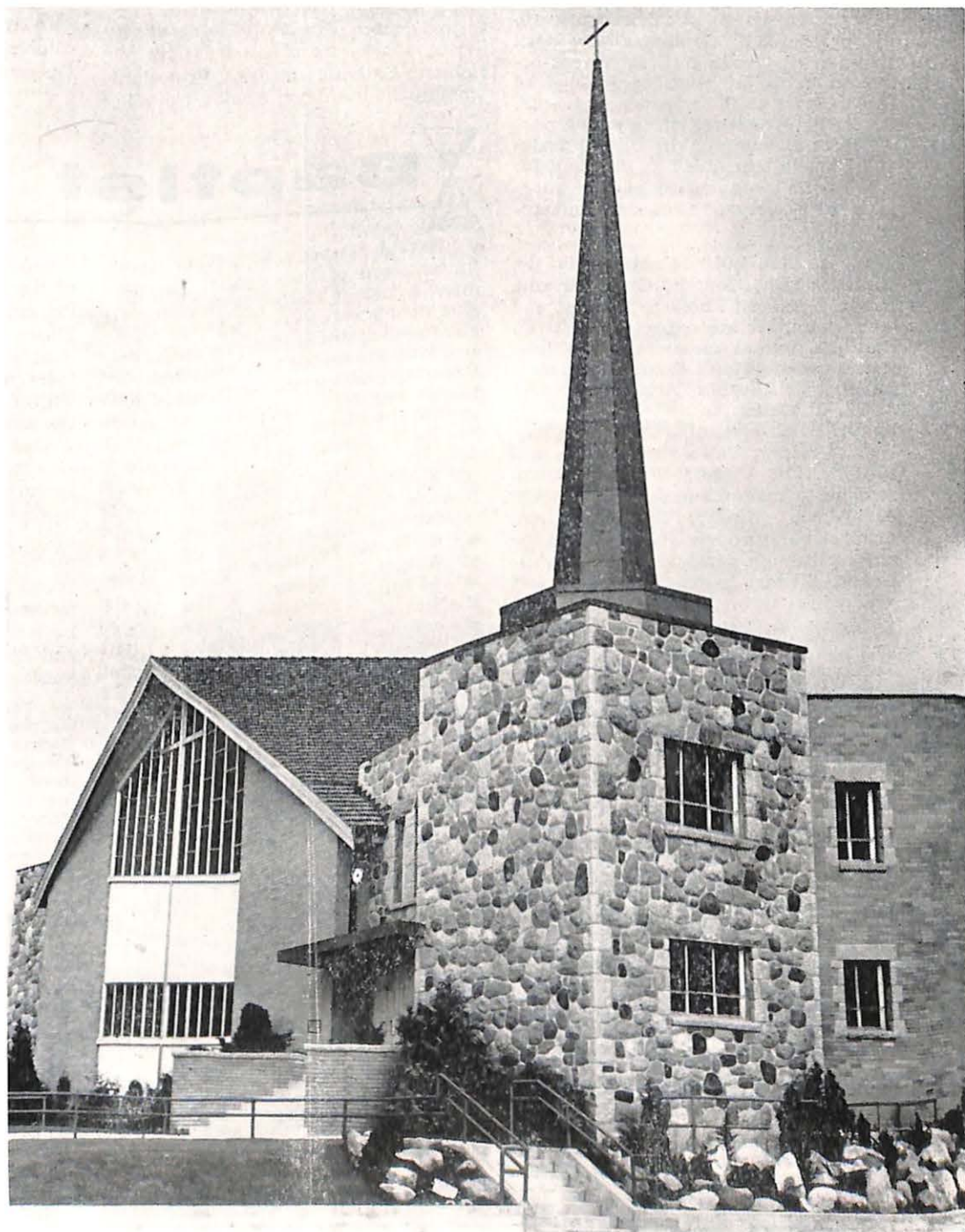


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NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

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Ebenezer Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia

March of Events

● Croft M. Pentz, an Assemblies of God minister to the deaf, has been in charge of a little-known phase of the Billy Graham New York Crusade. He and his co-workers have gathered in hundreds of deaf people and have translated Graham's sermons in the sign language for their benefit. More than 70 deaf people have gone forward to make "decisions" for Christ.

● Daniel A. Poling of Philadelphia, Pa., president of the world's Christian Endeavor Union, told some 3,000 young people in Portland, Oregon, that mass evangelism has played a vital part in the onward march of Christianity. He also praised Billy Graham's New York Crusade as "leading literally tens-of-thousands to an open acceptance of Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Dr. Poling was speaking to young people from all parts of the United States and Canada assembled in Portland for the biennial convention of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

● More than 1,000 delegates from the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Korea, Northern Rhodesia, Mexico and other countries are expected to attend the 20th annual convention of Christian Business Men's Committee International at Phoenix, Arizona, October 23-27, according to an announcement by Dr. T. E. McCully, CBMCI executive secretary. Convention theme will be "Men of Vision." Five workshop sessions at noon Thursday will discuss evangelism through administration, evangelism through meetings, evangelism through personal contact, evangelism through visual means, and evangelism through outside channels.

● Elton Trueblood, Quaker author and lecturer, told some 1,000 teachers and officers of adult Methodist Sunday School classes that "two striking developments of our times are the clusters of small prayer groups springing up across America and the great new Christian emphasis in our daily work." Dr. Trueblood said: "Religion is centered in prayer, and the small prayer fellowships being formed in neighborhoods, office buildings and industrial plants are enabling thousands of Americans to find a satisfactory religious experience for the first time. We may be on the frontier of a tremendous development," he said, "when Christianity's redemptive fellowship will be organized along vocational lines."

● Hungry-hearted Finlanders are getting spiritual help through the telephone ministry of a pastor in Helsinki, Finland. Dean Heimer Virkkunen placed an advertisement in newspapers, stating that "if you want to talk about your difficulties, please call 62-

17-02 between 5 and 6 P. M. on all week days." The response was so great that after a few weeks the dean had to engage 12 men and women from the congregation to help answer the phone. People called not only about religious questions but about social, ethical and economic problems. They were not asked to give their names, but many insisted on telling, so the anonymous calls were the starting point for personal counseling.

● There's no quarrel between Protestants and Roman Catholics in Wetzlar, important West German manufacturing center. The Protestant congregation shares its sanctuary with the Roman Catholic parish. Protestants worship in the nave, Roman Catholics

in the choir—at different hours. The arrangement goes back to the 16th century when the Reformation reached the Rhineland town. Protestants took over the cathedral but allowed Roman Catholics to continue to use it. Difficulties arose during the past century and the parties decided to divide the cathedral. Then a World War II bombing destroyed the choir, left only the nave intact. For some time both parishes used the nave, but the cathedral has now been restored and the old arrangement resumed.

● Temperatures of 90 degrees below zero are not able to chill the religious interest of men who are serving with Operation Deepfreeze, the U. S. Navy's

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Baptist Briefs

● **Harold Stassen's Son.** Glen Harold Stassen, son of Presidential Disarmament Assistant Harold E. Stassen, will give up his career as a nuclear physicist to enter the ministry. Young Stassen, who graduated last June from the University of Virginia with a Phi Beta Kappa key for scholarship, will enroll in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., in September. He decided to abandon his plans for graduate study in nuclear physics because he felt a "strong call" to the ministry of the Gospel of Christ.

● **B. W. A. President.** Dr. Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, has been released from the hospital where he received treatment following a heart attack on May 8. Physicians advised him to remain quiet throughout the summer, but gave permission for him to attend the meetings of the Baptist World Alliance executive committee at Hamilton, Canada, August 26-30. It is expected that he can resume full duties as pastor of First Church, Richmond, Va., this fall.

● **Evangelist Graham's Papers.** Evangelist Billy Graham has offered his personal letters, papers and sermons to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Duke K. McCall, seminary president, said the papers would be kept in a Billy Graham room in a new library to be built soon. They would "afford generations of future young ministers the opportunity to study the great Graham revivals of this era," he said. The papers include Mr. Graham's correspondence with the heads of many nations.

● **Australian Seminaries.** There are four Baptist theological institutions in

the Australian commonwealth, and all of them "show signs of vigorous life," Principal G. H. Morling of New South Wales Baptist College writes in "The Australian Baptist." "The oldest of them, in Victoria, has secured land within the precincts of the Melbourne University and is proceeding to erect a new college building. In Queensland where great distances have embarrassed the consecutive training of home missionaries, a start is being made in full time attendance at lectures. South Australia rejoices in the acquisition of a beautiful and commodious property. New South Wales has outgrown its present buildings and envisages removal to a more extensive site," the report summarizes.

● **Japanese Suicide Pilot.** A former Japanese suicide pilot in World War II, converted to Christianity by a missionary, was ordained a Baptist minister at Fort Worth, Texas, a few days ago. He is the Rev. Samuel I. Niwa. At his ordination he took the Christian name of Samuel because it sounded like his Japanese name, Isamu. Mr. Niwa, who became a suicide pilot when he was only 15, was an atheist working with Communists while attending a junior college at Osaka after the war. He said that one night he heard a Baptist missionary preaching and was converted. He was reared as a Shintoist when a boy, and his father ordered him out of the home when he became converted. But the missionary took him under his wing and the youth came to America for theological training. He says he will become a sign-language preacher, ministering to the deaf, probably in a mission in his home city of Osaka.

Editorial

OCTOBER'S OPPORTUNITIES

OPPORTUNITIES are God's priceless gifts. They are the open doors of service which no man can close. They are the means of giving practical expression to our Christian faith. They represent "the living stones" that go into the Temple of God. Opportunities of God, when seized by his children, are the introduction to greater blessings and increased joys of life.

The month of October ought to be outstanding for every North American Baptist with its offer of opportunities to serve God. Through your church they will clamor for your attention and command your support. Let these opportunities challenge you and serve as an exciting prelude to greater joys in your Christian service.

In October we are launching out on another Church Extension Program with a goal of \$50,000 for the year. Twenty-three new churches and fields have been assisted by Church Extension funds thus far. A great deal still needs to be done. There is an urgent call from many areas for a greater evangelistic outreach on our part. Your money given toward Church Extension will become spiritual investments that can only be described in hundredfold terms.

In October the team of "God's Volunteers" will begin its ministry of visitation evangelism in the vicinity of some of our churches. These six young members of "God's Volunteers" team are giving their time without remuneration for the next eight months. They are not supported by our denominational budget. An over and above the budget sum of \$7,500 must be raised by our church people. It is your opportunity to enlist as "God's Volunteers Prayer Partner" by remembering these young people in prayer and giving at least \$5.00 towards this ministry.

In October the program of OPERATION TFC is going "full steam ahead." This is a concerted effort of our young people to win a thousand persons for Christ before the days of the General Conference in 1958. Young and old alike should become acquainted with OPERATION TFC, with the Operation TFC packet and engage in this ministry. Here is an opportunity for an inspiring evangelistic effort by many young people in our churches.

In October our Canadian churches will celebrate Thanksgiving Day on the second Sunday and many churches south of the border will observe their Harvest and Mission Festival during the month. As we consider the bounteous harvest of the fields, so we also ought to lift our eyes upon the missionary harvest fields of the world. This is an opportunity of giving a faithful account of our stewardship before God, and of giving liberally in the happy awareness that "God loveth a cheerful giver."

In October many of our churches will observe World Communion Sunday, Laymen's Sunday, and Reformation Sunday. These are opportunities to become acquainted with the great religious movements of history, with the marvelous purposes of God in the affairs of life, and with the spiritual strength that is revealed in united programs under the banner of Christ. It is especially an opportunity for our Christian laymen to arise and to make their witness and strength felt.

"Many do with opportunities as children do at the seashore; they fill their little hands with sand, and then let the grains fall through, one by one, till all are gone" (T. Jones). Others use these opportunities zealously as gifts of God for the enhancement of his Kingdom and the joy of their own lives!

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Let Us Be Thankful!

Canada Observes
Thanksgiving Day on
Sunday, October 13, 1957

A MESSAGE FOR
ALL CHRISTIANS

By Rev. Bert Milner of Springside,
Sask., Canada



True Thanksgiving is not a matter of surpluses and feasting, but an emphasis on the essentials of praise to God, contentment in the life that God has provided, and thanksgiving for his bounty of blessings in Christ!

WE NOTE WITH interest that Thanksgiving Day in Canada must certainly have been an offshoot of the established custom observed annually in the United States. Although the day for the giving of thanks has been definitely established in the United States, no date for the observance of this day has been definitely set in Canada, even to the present time, according to sources referred to in the Library of Parliament at Ottawa.

Lower Canada had its first observance on Thursday, January 10, 1799, because of the victory over the enemy, France. Upper Canada observed its first "Thanksgiving" on June 18, 1816. But it was not until November 6, 1879 that Canada, as it then was, observed its first annual "Thanksgiving."

For the next forty years there was an annual observance in either October or November, and once in June. Eighteen observances were held during the month of October, anywhere from the 8th to the 31st of the month. Twenty-two "Thanksgivings" were observed in November, anywhere from the 3rd to the 28th of the month. The June date coincided with the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of Queen Victoria's reign on June 22, 1897. To the year 1908 Thursday was chosen for the observance of Thanksgiving Day, with the exception of 1880, when Wednesday was chosen.

Since 1908 Monday has been the day of observance of "Thanksgiving." Monday was decided on as the result of special representations of the business interests and commercial travelers of the land.

While doing some research on "Thanksgiving" in the Library of Parliament, Ottawa Ontario, this summer, I noted with interest the lively House of Commons debate of 1919, which centered around a day for the Thanksgiving observance. Until this time the date coincided either with harvest or the United States Thanksgiving date. There was a possibility that it might be on November 11, Armistice Day. The members of Parliament debated vigorously for and against the date of November 11.

But as November 11 would fall on any day of the week, it was finally decided to set a certain day of the week for the observance of "Thanksgiving." So we owe our thanks to the business interests and commercial travelers for swinging the balance in favor of Monday. Fathers could be with their families on the week-end, and Sunday would be a day of thanksgiving in the churches.

A November date was considered too late in the season and too near Christmas; therefore October was decided on in 1931. For a time the third Monday of October was observed. In recent years the second Monday has been observed as Thanksgiving Day. But whenever it is observed, it is always and only by the proclamation of the Governor-General of Canada, Canada's direct representative to the British throne.

LOVE NOT THE WORLD

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world" (I John 2:15a).

As Joshua commanded the children of Israel to take the stones from the Jordan river as a reminder of God's everlasting faithfulness when the question would be asked, "What mean ye by these stones?" (Joshua 4:6,21), so the question could well be put to us, "What mean ye by this Thanksgiving?" The answers would be varied.

But for the Christian, there is only one answer. And that answer is the

direct outgrowth of God's love to us in Christ Jesus, as experienced by every born-again believer. Therefore, I would plead urgently with every reader to get away from a merely materialistic emphasis this Thanksgiving Day.

For this purpose we would follow John's advice: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever" (I John 2:15-17).

As we turn our steps to the House of God, and enter the sanctuary of the holy and almighty God, who has bestowed his mercies upon us, and as we sit at his table, are we in truth able to say, "My love for the world and the things of the world has passed away." As we leave the House of the Lord, can we still say it?

TRUE THANKSGIVING

We have had a devastating summer in the province of Saskatchewan in this year 1957. From June 16 to August 12 we had 56 days of hail throughout the province. Only one day without hail! The crops and gardens have been pelted with stones ranging to the size of hen's eggs. Cattle were wounded. Pastures were blackened. Homes, stores and churches were damaged.

Prior to these storms the crops suffered from dry weather. And now frost threatens! Much of what remains of the crops is in swath, either already threshed by recent hail, beaten to the ground, or being soaked presently by rain. What do you think is going through the mind and soul of many a farmer in Saskatchewan?

The Lord has ways of taking care of surpluses. The Lord will see us through! I believe many of us have already arrived: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world." Have you? Our trust is in the heavenly Father.

What do we consider necessary to Thanksgiving?

Could we urge one another to enter God's House with the genuine spirit of thanksgiving? Paul knew in whatsoever state he was, therewith to be content. What are the essentials of life? Shall we try a measure of sacrifice? What do I consider necessary in the home, office, on the farm?

Could it be that we have spent money, the Lord's money, for "things" that clutter up the place and our lives as well? Freaks, antiques, luxuries! "Lord, I didn't think of you when I bought this!" We need Amos around! Is the turkey with trimmings (the American Thanksgiving equals a Canadian Christmas) a necessity? What couldn't the Church of Jesus Christ do with some of these good conse-



The Sunday morning service of the Baptist Union of Germany with 4500 persons in attendance, held in one of the largest halls in Hannover.

Baptist Union of Germany

AN ACCOUNT of the RECENT BAPTIST CONFERENCE SESSIONS

By Dr. W. J. Appel of Salzburg, Austria

THE 36TH GENERAL Conference of the Baptist Union (Union of Evangelical-Free Churches) of Germany, held in Hannover from August 17 to 21, 1957, was an interesting experience for us. The subject, "The Church of Christ According to the Scriptures," was given very careful and thorough consideration. The addresses were of longer duration than we are accustomed to at home in the United States. An hour to an hour and a quarter for a message was usual. There is a sincere desire here in Germany that the Evangelical Churches of the present conform to the early Church as revealed in the New Testament. A deep spirit of earnestness pervaded the conference sessions.

I was privileged at the closing session to convey the greetings of our North American Baptists, as requested by Dr. Frank H. Woyke, our execu-

tive secretary, and we were authorized to extend greetings in return to our churches at home. My wife, Betty, was also privileged to attend the women's session and there to convey greetings on the part of our denominational Woman's Missionary Union.

The attendance at the conference sessions was about 4,500 persons, 535 of whom were from the East Zone. Six years ago one person came out of the East Zone to attend the conference sessions. Three years ago about 300 persons came. This year's attendance was a remarkable increase. Their money, of course, is not acceptable in the West; so it was necessary for the conference to care for their financial needs. They were guests in the homes of the local Baptists. This was a rich experience for us and we appreciated it very much, gaining this insight into the life of our brethren in Germany.

crated dollars spent on things!

Please, don't let this spoil the appetite! Pastors and their libraries are not exempt. I repent. C. T. Studd was a man of "one Book," the Bible. And what of the fancy church buildings and furniture? Can we blame our missionaries? Thank God for their reminders to us.

It is time, high time, we have a

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A child of God should be a visible beatitude for joy and happiness, and a living doxology for gratitude and adoration.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

sale of non-essentials. All proceeds will go to Jesus Christ with thanksgiving! If a cyclone, a "Hazel," or an atomic bomb hit us, what would be essential? The so-called "things" or Jesus Christ and God and his Spirit? That is the test! How do we rate?

A letter which I received very recently, and which I shall treasure from a devout servant of God in our fellowship, has the answer, "Since I do not possess the Spirit but he possesses me, I shall leave him in full control." Further on in the same letter he wrote, "I need be the slave of nothing, absolutely nothing, if I am the slave of Christ." Dear reader, that is my deepest concern for myself. That is God's concern for both of us. To him be praise and thanksgiving!



A well groomed Canadian Mounted Police in front of the Parliament Building, Ottawa, Ontario, poses for the camera of Dr. M. L. Leuschner.



The worshipful sanctuary of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Vancouver, B. C., with its laminated arches giving a lofty appearance to the interior and with its rich Christian symbolism in the decorative panelling at the front. The large church choir with blue robes can be seen behind the Communion Table. Mr. Albert Sauer, choir director, is at the left, and Dr. A. S. Felberg, pastor, behind the pulpit at the right.

THE Sanctuary of God

The story of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia, which has provided for every modern day need of the growing church and Sunday School in its magnificent new edifice costing \$300,000 and with an amazing square footage in the building of 32,357 feet.

By Mr. Elmer D. Daum of Vancouver, B. C.

THE DECISION TO build a new church and the educational facilities is not always taken momentarily, nor is the building executed overnight. Such was the situation at the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia, where the pressing need of our Sunday School made the thought of a new building recur time and again in our minds and was forcibly presented by the officers of the church school for emphasis. It is significant that the first dollar presented to the building fund should have been by a Sunday School teacher.

Alternate action to effect the relief of the space problem was also considered, and particularly when the acquisition of suitable property seemed impossible. The Lord, however, led marvelously so that we could acquire the present land, practically opposite the old edifice, for the price of \$40,000. In addition, the ways of the Lord were evident in making possible the sale of the old church and thus fixing definitely the building possibility.

\$300,000 BUILDING

The obtaining of services in the personalities of three architects, who initially served us, was an answer to prayer in that their original and unique designing was made available to us. In this connection the thought consistently arose insofar as the new building was

concerned that it should serve most effectively the ministry of the church, and the projected possibilities of our fellowship's growth. Our architects, subsequently appointed, aided us immensely in achieving this end.

The Lord helped us in all our needs, and we were able to plan the coming of the financial obligations so that over a period of 27 months we were able to complete the new church, costing approximately \$300,000, and giving us a seating capacity of 800.

It is possible for a building to contribute much as a vehicle in the spiritual ministry and in an effective church program, although this is not always visualized by all. The fact that our constituency consists of bilingual members allows two meetings whether they be prayer groups or otherwise, to meet simultaneously in equally comfortable assembly rooms. Also the narthex of the church provides sufficient room to allow the people to go to and from the early morning services and not have the untenable crowded conditions, as was our experience before.

At various times our three choirs, or other musical rehearsals, can be held on the same evening without disturbing one another nor conflicting with the use of pianos. Choir rehearsals and other gatherings are not affected by weddings or other activities

utilizing the main sanctuary. Sunday School programs are now held without conflicting with the early church service. These things are made possible through the new facilities, and only a few are mentioned to show the gratifying space conditions. The total square footage of the church is 32,357.

MANY FINE FACILITIES

Our church is situated in a grove of cedar trees on the corner of Fraser Street and 53rd Avenue, and includes parking area for 78 cars. The exterior is finished in stone, brick and stucco. The whole structure is masonry, brick and stone construction with a hand-split, cedar shingle roof and a copper-covered, pencil type tower.

The main entrance steps are finished in terrazzo and the side entrance is in the form of a ramp which can be used by invalids and older people who can not negotiate the stairs. All steps are provided with rails as are all light wells. Flower boxes, shrubs, green lawns around the church and under the trees give the setting the characteristics so familiar to people who have seen the Pacific Northwest.

The entrance hall of the church is spacious with corrugated tile floor to aid in preventing moisture and dirt from being carried into the carpeted narthex. There are cloak room facilities and a bridal room provided off this hall. The entrance hall leads to the narthex which is separated from the main auditorium by a wall generously panelled with plate glass, and is also served with a public address system.

The floor is deeply carpeted in blue and the ceiling is plastered with blue acoustical plaster. The walls are finished, as is the sanctuary, with gray pumice blocks. This narthex with its umbrella stands, clothes racks and recessed lights has proved to be a blessing in that greetings and fellowship between members and friends can be patronized here, and the sound proofing prevents excessive disturbance to the worshippers already seated in the sanctuary.

A nursery is provided to the left of the main auditorium where again a public address system is installed. Carpeting and cedar panelled outside walls and acoustical plaster prevent excessive sound, and light oak, custom built cribs and a washroom are provided for the convenience of mothers. Electrical booster heating can be available here as well as in other parts of the building when deemed necessary.

THE WORSHIPFUL SANCTUARY

The sanctuary is finished in light oak which includes benches, frontal, Baldwin organ, lectern, communion table and chairs, pulpit and all panelling in front and back. The construction is dominated by the laminated arches, 41 feet in height, which are finished in light oak and give the interior a lofty appearance and with the yellow cedar wood ceiling making an

illusion of height, aided considerably by the vertical light oak decorative panelling in front, backed by brown nylon material.

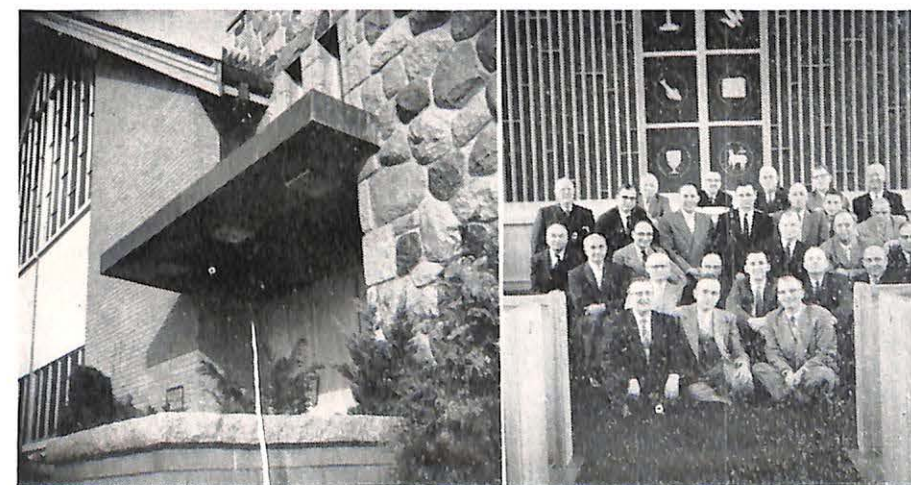
The front, with its divided chancel, also has a lighted cross of considerable size under which two sliding doors open upon the raised baptistry. On these doors are carved other symbols of the church: candle, dove, fish, Bible, cup and lamb. The window in the back has a large aluminum cross built in as well. The windows are all of stained glass, with the side windows consisting of irregular-shaped sizes of different colored glass, all fitted in aluminum sash. The heating system consists of hot water and is thermostatically controlled. The floor is covered with cork and the aisles and platform with royal red carpet.

A Hi-Fi public address system is installed with its fine adjustments preventing the recognition of its existence, yet allowing audibility to all parts of the sanctuary. In the features of the facilities, it was possible to introduce a more effective atmosphere of worship. Sound carriage is minimized by the materials used in the floor, walls and ceiling.

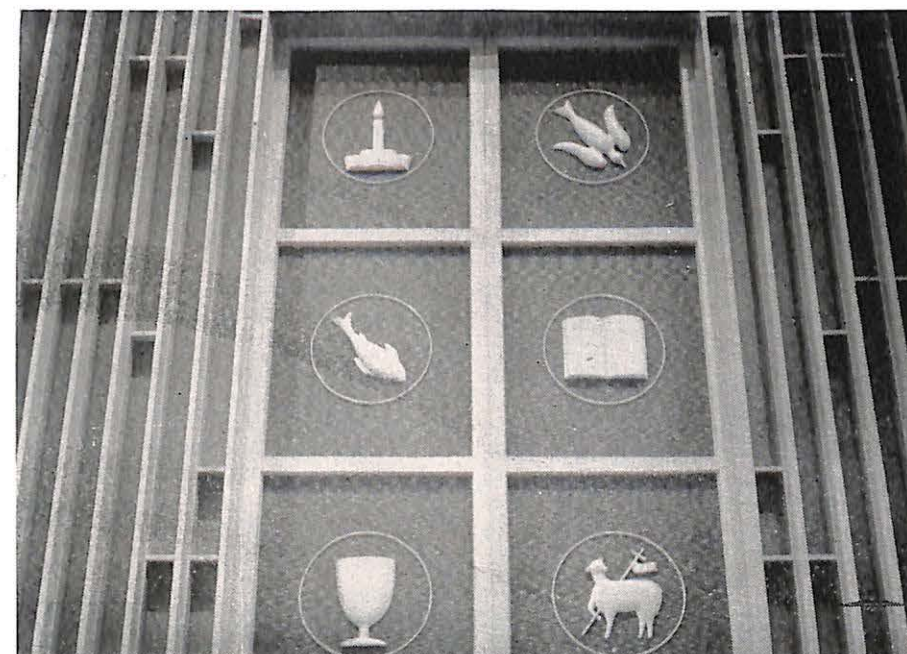
The dimming system controlled from a room off the balcony makes very effective the prayer time when lights are turned down, and also the preaching is aided in that special lighting around the pulpit and the dimming of main lights directs all attention to the preaching of the Word. The new organ and its chimes is not to be neglected in the mentioning of the ways the new church has contributed to our worship.

SPECIAL CHURCH ROOMS

To the right and back of the sanctuary is a church parlor overlooking a patio. Drapes, carpeting, fireplace and sofas make this room most frequently patronized. The fireplace allows a pleasant time as often enjoyed by the young people, women's groups and the Brotherhood. A grand piano assists in the meetings held and most organizations avail themselves of the parlor surroundings.



The striking front entrance into the Ebenezer Church of Vancouver, B. C. (left), and Pacific Northwest pastors (right) at their annual Ministers' Retreat in the sanctuary of the church with Dr. A. S. Felberg in front row (left).



The beautiful, sliding panel doors in front of the baptistry in the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver portraying the Christian symbols: the Light of the world (candle), Jesus Christ (symbolized by the fish), the cup of his shed blood, the Peace of God (dove), the Open Bible, and the Lamb of God "which taketh away the sin of the world."

Our women's groups are no longer worried by crowded conditions with meetings in homes, and the deacons and church advisory board are able to meet conveniently removed for undisturbed deliberation. A fully equipped kitchenette is provided next to the parlor for light refreshments.

A flower room, church office, choir assembly room and pastor's study are located off the hall leading to the parlor. Washrooms are provided here as well as on each floor of the church and on the lower and main floors are to be found in front and back of the church. The choir assembly room assists the choir ministry by providing sufficient space for lining up, cloak racks, gown room and music library file provisions. Entrance of the choir to the sanctuary is easily accomplished to a seating potential of 60 participants.

The finance committee is also able to do its work in the church office

which provides room for desk and office equipment for full time office personnel. The pastor's study is carpeted in fine wool rug and mahogany panelled walls and book shelves making it comparable with the best executive businessman's office, with drapes superbly chosen and sewn and thus adding the touch of completeness. A side entrance is used to allow those who frequent the pastor's study to find easy access for counsel with the minister.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Sunday School has benefitted most from our new building, making possible further departmentalization, reducing the size of classes and allowing for greater expansion. Two rooms off the baptistry used as assembly and class rooms, double as dressing rooms during baptismal services. Off the gallery of the church, a young people's room is provided for regular meetings and also used by the teen-age and young people's Sunday School department. Three other rooms are available for Sunday School here as well.

All Sunday School rooms can now accommodate tackboards, blackboards, teacher's desks and other shelves for the material and equipment necessary for effective teaching. In the basement of the church is located the Sunday School office. All other rooms, with the exception of the kitchen, are being used as assembly or class rooms by the Sunday School. All in all, thirty-two rooms are provided for church school use.

The large basement, which to the south side overlooks an extensive sloping green lawn excavation allowing the natural light to permeate the basement windows, is used when programs or films are being presented. A projec-

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How Urgent Is Church Extension?

The Launching of Another Church Extension Effort With a Goal of \$50,000

Announced by Rev. R. Schilke

TO KNOW something of the need, urgency and opportunity of Church Extension work, we need only to look around us and to take notice of the fast and unprecedented growth of the suburbs surrounding the many cities of our country. No one will take notice of the opportunity existing almost next door without first taking a good look around and engaging in a little survey of what is happening these days. The need for starting new churches is very vital for the growth of our fellowship, for the advancement of the missionary cause, and,

most of all, for the faithful proclamation of the Gospel of Christ to the salvation of men.

PRAYERFUL UNDERTAKING

To start new churches in our day takes a great deal more than wishful thinking. It requires sober reflecting and planning, prayerful undertaking and financial undergirding. A safe estimate would be that an initial capital investment of at least \$25,000 would be required for every new church in a growing community. We have to be content with much less than that.

Over the past few years our assistance, made available through the Church Extension fund, averaged only about \$10,000 for each Church Extension project.

Approximately \$225,000 have been raised for Church Extension funds over the past three years. In all, 23 projects have benefitted by these funds, resulting in 20 new churches with a total membership of over 1700 by the spring of this year. Any church that can triple its membership in three years is a live concern and brings glory and honor to God. Yet that, on the average, is the story of these new churches.

\$50,000 GOAL

A goal of \$50,000 has again been set for this year, 1957-1958. Not more than four or five new churches can be started with this amount. We should do much more! We should start at least ten new churches in the course of this year! The opportunities are there. Men and means are essentially needed. Will you have a vital part in the starting of new churches? Ask God and let him direct you as to what part you should have. Make your contribution count in the reaching of this goal so that the Cross of Christ may be planted in the hearts of men and churches may rise to the glory of God.

Lord add daily to the number who "worship in spirit and in truth" in our midst.

INDIANS SERVE CHRIST

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things he has done for all.

Seven of our Juniors were at the Sylvan Lake Bible Camp, and they enjoyed it very much. Thanks goes to the Sunday Schools and the people who sent in money to make it possible for them to go. One of these seven accepted the Lord during these days. Three Indian children from the Samson Reserve were also saved at camp. Mrs. Maier and I have also had the joy to teach at the Junior Camp at Sylvan Lake and God blessed us more than we can tell. It was a thrill and a real challenge to see twenty of the Juniors take their stand for the Lord and accept him as their Savior.

Our Vacation Bible School was held during the last week in August where we received great and wonderful blessings. Doris and Dorreen Rabbitt, two of our girls from the Reserve, served as teachers for the Primary Class. We are happy for the help these girls have given us. Mr. J. Hufnagel also assisted us during this week.

Indians Serve Their Great Chief!

Summer Activities on the Muscowpetung and Bull Reserves of Canada

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC ON INDIAN RESERVATION

By AL PETER, Superintendent of Faith Sunday School, Regina, Sask.

PICTURESQUE Quappelle Valley on the Muscowpetung Indian Reservation was the place chosen as the picnic grounds for the Faith Baptist Sunday School of Regina, Sask. At the invitation of our Indian friends, a joint Sunday School picnic was held on July 1st. Softball is a favorite sport of the Indians. The sports day started with an exciting game between Muscowpetung and Regina.

Following the game, "whites" and "reds" assembled together for a time of fellowship. Special numbers were rendered by both Sunday Schools. Mr. Pete Dubois (extreme right, front row, in picture), superintendent of the Muscowpetung Indian Sunday School, expressed words of welcome. A message was brought by the missionary, Rev. R. Neuman (front row, second from right). Relays, races and other games made this a real picnic for everyone. Of course, another game of softball was necessary. One win for Muscowpetung and one for Faith!

Everyone returned to their homes, happy and glad that they had come. We agreed with the words of Chief John Gambier, "We all can benefit from this kind of fellowship."

BIBLE SCHOOL FOR THE MUSCOWPETUNG INDIANS

By REV. R. NEUMAN of Edenwold, Sask., Indian Missionary

VACATION Bible School for 1957 is over at the Muscowpetung Indian Reserve, and we are not happy because it is over. That's right, it was so good and wonderful! God gave us grand weather, strength and grace, good teachers, the best of material and the Bible. We thank our God, for he is good!

The summer was so busy on the Reserve and, with outside engagements, we were not able to have more than one week of Vacation Bible School. Mrs. Harold Ollenberg of Avonhurst, Sask., was the Beginners' teacher. Miss Loretta Kurtz of Edenwold, Sask., was the primary teacher. Mrs. Neuman served for the Juniors and Mr. Neuman for the Intermediates. We had a total of 38 children enrolled and an average attendance of 30. The closing program was held Friday afternoon, at which a number of parents were present.

Brother Pete Dubois, our Indian Sunday School teacher for the adult class, made a speech, thanking the teachers, children and parents for the

fine job done. He also encouraged the children to put to use the things they had learned in their course, "The Beginning of All Things."

Staff, children and parents unite in praise and glory to God for being able to do these things through Christ who has strengthened us.

BULL RESERVE INDIANS OF ALBERTA

By MR. LEONARD MAIER of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Indian Missionary

GOD HAS BLESSED us with many good things at the Ben's Memorial Chapel on the Indian Bull Reserve of Alberta, Canada. The spring season was very busy with many activities by our Indian people. Our attendance at church has been most encouraging. On Easter Sunday we had a record attendance of 85 people. Our little chapel was full and God's Presence was felt by each worshipper. The Sunday School pupils presented recitations and songs, which were an inspiration to the parents. After a flange story on the "Meaning of Easter," the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed. It was a solemn occasion for our Indian Christians.

PRIZE WINNERS

On May 21 our three Protestant Indian Day Schools (Montana, Samson and Bull) gathered at the playground of the Bull Reserve for a track meet.

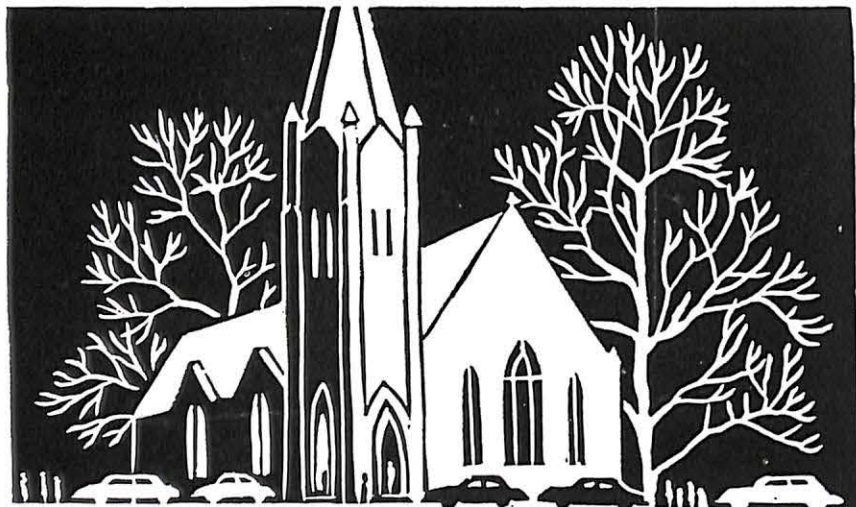
It was a new venture and was very well received. The parents were invited and with much pride they watched their children in the races and jumps.

Congratulations went to the Montana School for winning the cup by two points over the Bull Reserve School. Highest point prizes for individuals went to two Bull Reserve children: 1st prize to Louis Threefingers with 22 points; and 2nd prize to Jonathan Bull with 19 points. Devotions were led by Mr. J. Hufnagel, missionary on the Montana Reserve. Our Sunday School picnic was held on June 26. All present had a fine time of fellowship.

There has been a great deal of home building done on the Reserve this spring and summer. We are so happy to see some of our families move out of a little shack into lovely two, three or even four roomed homes. We are confident that Christ has changed the entire life of many of our people, for it can be seen in their homes.

Many of our people have done summer travelling. Mr. and Mrs. Joe White were pleased to go to Montana with their children. The Dan Deschamps visited many of their relatives and friends. Others have travelled to different parts of Alberta, Saskatchewan, and British Columbia, and we look forward when everyone will be home again and we shall have a chapel filled with worshippers, praising God for the good

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THE SANCTUARY OF GOD

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tion room and automatic screen facilitate film programs. A colored, stage, ceiling-lighting system and floor flood lights can be used in play presentation on the platform which is large enough to provide an impressive stage setting. A dressing room is situated to one side and stage curtains controlled from one side provide equipment in program presentation.

The lower auditorium, 50 by 100 feet, also doubles as a banquet hall sufficient to accommodate our membership at a church family meal. Tables have been provided and storage space is made underneath the platform to conserve space. The kitchen is fully modern and equipped with arborite top cabinets and other cupboards. Two new stoves allow the church as well as society groups to have suppers for inspirational times in fellowship around the tables.

TO GOD'S GLORY!

All this finery would be futile if it were provided for the membership's own aggrandizement or as an effort for selfish comfort. The erection of the

edifice has been and is a testimony to the neighborhood of what God's children can do through prayer and their gifts. A monument has been erected to God's glory, not only for present but also for future generations.

Recognition must be given to our pastor, Dr. A. S. Felberg, for his leadership, inspiration and guidance in effecting the planning and progress in the building construction. To Dr. Felberg goes all credit for the realities of the completed structure.

Special mention must also be made of the unselfish dedicated effort given by all members of the Building Committee, and in particular the executive with Dr. Albert S. Felberg, chairman; Mrs. Elmer Daum, secretary; Mr. A. Joe Klassen, building counsellor; Mr. Ben A. Wolfe, construction supervisor; and Mr. Albert O. Sauer, purchasing counsellor.

Ours is now the task to give out the invitation of the Gospel of Christ to come and avail themselves of those things provided. Many have already come, and the neighborhood has become alive to our purposes. May the



The Indian softball team from the Muscowpetung Reserve of Saskatchewan with Pete Dubois, Sunday School superintendent at the right (front row) and Missionary R. Neuman (2nd from right, front row).

\$100,000 Church in Missoula, Montana

**Story of the
Dedication of the Bethel Church's New Edifice, Missoula, Montana**
By Mrs. Geraldine Noland

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1957 was a memorable day for the Bethel Baptist Church of Missoula, Montana, for we dedicated our new church to the service of God. Our building is valued at \$100,000 but, because of consecrated Christians in our church, this beautiful edifice has cost only \$40,485.09. A top architect of the northwest designed

own entrance, and each classroom has draw curtains and a pleasing color scheme. Floor tile is installed throughout the building.

The main edifice is carpeted with beige-tone loop carpet and the nave walls are walnut panels. The sanctuary is panelled in blond mahogany, and the pews are blond. The choir has

Prior to its official organization, these few members met in various homes for fellowship. The Rev. Carl Bruckman, Rev. H. G. Bens and Rev. C. A. Gruhn ministered to this little group. Its first full time minister was Rev. F. Dobrovolsky. This church, which had such a small and humble beginning, has grown with increasing rapidity in its 37 years, and during this time it has built three church buildings.

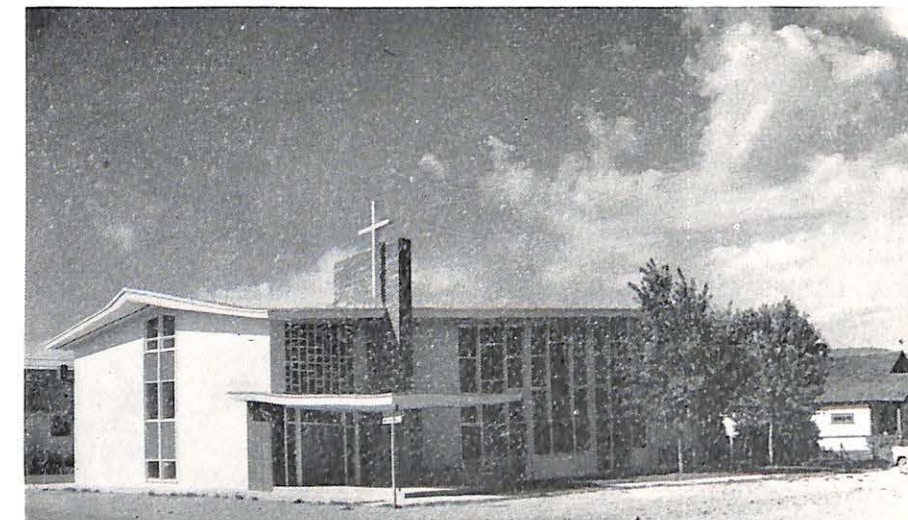
The first official name of the church was the German Baptist Church. At first, only German was spoken, but in a few years the English language was used in Sunday School and the young people's organization. Now almost all the services are conducted in the English language.

The following ministers have served this church: F. Dobrovolsky, 1925-1932; C. A. Gruhn, 1932-1936; E. Bibelheimer, 1936-1941; F. Alf, 1941-1947; J. C. Kraenzler, 1947-1950; G. P. Schroeder, 1950-1953; and C. T. Remple, 1954-.

TWO MITES

Two mites. It wasn't much to give—
Counted as money—such,
And yet our Lord was truly pleased
And said that she gave much.
Two mites. And yet she gave the most.
Rejoiced the Savior's heart.
She gave of her living—all she had,
The others? Just a part.
What are we giving to Jesus?
A portion mean and small?
Or will we give as the Widow,
"Here, Lord, take my all!"

—Lela Hudson Decker



The attractive new edifice of the Bethel Baptist Church, Missoula, Montana, showing the front entrance into the worshipful sanctuary.

our church and donated the architectural blueprints to us. Our own people worked 15,000 hours on the building, which saved us many thousands of dollars.

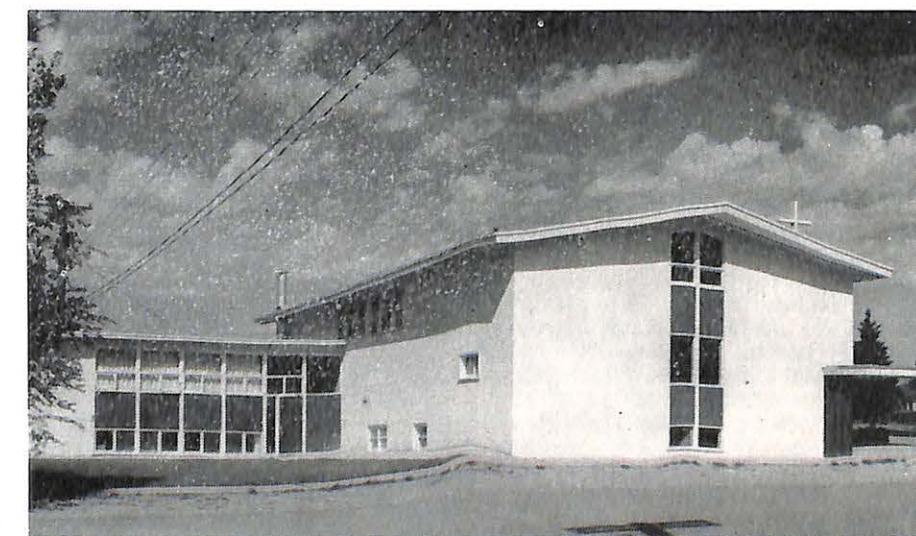
We held three worship services with our pastor, Rev. C. T. Remple in charge. We were privileged to have Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., as dedicatory speaker. Rev. E. Bibelheimer of Tacoma, Wash., a former pastor, was also a guest speaker. The afternoon service was followed by an Open House. Many ministers and friends from the community, as well as some from neighboring states, came to offer congratulations and to tour the building. Tea, coffee and cookies were served to everyone at the Open House. Approximately 600 people attended the three services. The total offerings were \$1,351.

WORSHIPFUL EDIFICE

Our church is in the same place as the former edifice, but the appearance is changed. The exterior is pink-brown stucco, redwood panels and brick. Above the front entrance is a window of multicolored glass. A large white cross stands in front of the chimney. The educational unit has its

walnut colored pews. The altar furniture is walnut with gold colored upholstery. The color scheme is very conducive to a worshipful attitude. There is a mothers' room, with sound-proof window. About 350 people can be seated including the balcony.

The Bethel Baptist Church was organized in 1925 with only 12 members.



A side and rear view of the newly dedicated building of Missoula's Bethel Baptist Church, showing the spacious and modern educational unit at the left.

60th Anniversary at Martin, N. Dak.

Report by Mrs. Betty Kessler

THE BAPTIST CHURCH of Martin, North Dakota, celebrated the 60th anniversary of the founding of the church on July 28th with Rev. Richard Schilke of Forest Park, Illinois, as guest speaker. His timely messages highlighted the morning and afternoon services and provided spiritual nourishment for the day's activities.

Other speakers included former pastors and wives, pastors of neighboring churches, and young people of the church who had entered the ministry or mission work. Among those who spoke in the Sunday School service were Mrs. Karl Gieser of Portland, Oregon; Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson of McLaughlin, S. Dak., and William Kepl of Grand Forks, N. Dak. Afternoon speakers were Rev. Otto Fiesel of Washburn, N. Dak.; and Mr. Henry Fenske of Regina, Sask., a son of one of the church's first pastors. Letters were read from the following members who were formerly associated with the church: Miss Esther Schultz, Rev. Fred Knalson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Krueger, Rev. G. G. Rauser, Mrs. John Kepl, and Rev. Otto Lohse. Greetings were given by the neighboring churches of Harvey, Anamoose, Rosenfeld, and the Mennonite Brethren church.

A display of photos showing groups and activities during the church's 60 years of existence drew much comment and attention during the fellowship luncheon. Rev. Lorenz Michelson of Spokane, Washington, and Rev. John Engel of Minot, North Dakota, were evening speakers. The music of the Children's Choir, Senior Choir, Men's Chorus; a German quartet, soloists, and a girl's trio added messages of praise and thanksgiving to God for his guidance in 60 years of church growth.

Thirteen pastors have served the Martin church and with their help extension work was done in the establishing of churches in Anamoose, Rosenfeld, Harvey, and the Berlin Station. Seven young people went into full time service and four more are presently training for such work. The past holds a great challenge for the future! May we strive to carry on his work with prayer and humbleness.

MY MORNING PRAYER

Lord, if the work I love so well
Lies by me all undone—
Help me to rest and know 'tis best
When thy dear will is done.
If wrongs to me from others come,
This too thou wilt atone;
So I will raise glad notes of praise!
For me—thy will be done!



The new edifice of the Temple Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alberta, with a seating capacity of 500. Rev. Walter Hoffman is pastor of the church.

Open the Gates of the Temple

**Dedication of the new edifice of the Temple Baptist Church,
Medicine Hat, Alberta**

Reported by Rev. Walter Hoffman, Pastor

WHEN WE THINK in terms of building a church, we so often think of the physical edifice and we forget what Christ said, "I will build my Church." It is therefore important that the Lord is in every part of his building program. The Temple Baptist Church of Medicine Hat, Alberta, looks back at its building program and thus can say that if it had not been for the Lord's blessing, we would have built in vain. The vision of those who led in the building of this church has been a challenge of faith to all of us.

April 17, 1955 was the beginning of this building program when the sod turning service took place. On July 31st we held the cornerstone laying exercises. On October 12th, 1955 an ecclesiastical council met to give recognition to the Temple Baptist Church as a North American Baptist Church. The

first worship service was conducted in the basement auditorium on Sunday, Aug. 28, 1955. The first service in the main auditorium was conducted on Sunday, Nov. 11, 1956, when the members witnessed a baptismal service. The new pews were installed and first used on Easter Sunday, April 21, 1957. Rev. R. Milbrandt was the pastor of the church during this building program.

On Sunday, June 9th, 1957 the members and friends of the Temple Baptist Church gathered for the dedication services. The guest speaker for this occasion was Dr. Frank H. Woyke of Forest Park, Ill. God's Word was opened unto us with praise and we were challenged to greater service for the Lord.

The Temple Baptist Church is located in a new district of the city of Medicine Hat. The challenge to reach those who know not Christ as their Savior is far reaching. We thank God for those who had the vision and for those who have given of their means as well as the many hours of donated labor on the part of many men. The Temple Baptist Church has a seating capacity of more than 500. We have very fine and spacious educational facilities. With God's blessing we shall strive to follow his command to go and preach and teach his Word to his honor and glory. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it" (Psalm 127:1a).

HARVEST AND MISSION FESTIVALS

Sunday School and
Church Programs in
October 1957

Recitation material and programs, to be used also as bulletin inserts, have been sent to churches.

OFFERINGS FOR OUR
DENOMINATIONAL
MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

'North American Hymnal' Is Wonderful!

Testimonials of Praise to the New Denominational Hymnal

"OUR NEW HYMNALS ARE MOST INSPIRING"

Mrs. Freda Cozad, Clerk of the Harbor Trinity Baptist Church, Costa Mesa, Calif.

Several months ago the Harbor Trinity Baptist Church, Costa Mesa, Calif., with Rev. William Acton as pastor, received the new "North American Hymnals" which we had ordered. We would like to take this opportunity to tell others how well pleased we are with these hymnals. A very large selection of hymns, most all of the favorites, both the new and the old, and many of the beautiful translations from the old German hymnals provide real inspiration for all who worship in our church. Many of the hymns are very suitable for solos, duets, and choir numbers.

Then, certainly, not the least in value is the responsive reading section composed of passages of Scripture well selected and arranged in very large, easy to read print. We are thankful for our new hymnals and heartily recommend their use to all of our churches.

"WE LIKE THE 'NORTH AMERICAN HYMNAL'"

By Mr. David F. Stangl, Choir Director Calvary Baptist Church Bethlehem, Pa.

It was some time ago that our church, the Calvary Baptist Church of Bethlehem, Pa., saw the need for a new hymnal. A committee had looked at several on the market, but none seemed to be satisfactory. Then the news came to us about the publishing of a denominational hymnal, the "North American Hymnal." It was our decision to wait and see what would be produced. Now we can say we're really glad that we waited.

There are three groups of songs which we found favorable in the new hymnal. First of all, those who knew the German favorites of years ago now have the good translations to sing again. Secondly, there are the favorites of all times. These are a necessary part of any hymnal. Thirdly, there are some grand new hymns. This makes for a very good over-all selection to meet the desires of all singing congregations. The first and third groups are being used by the Bethlehem Church Choir in their ministry during our morning worship services.

So we are glad to have this "North American Hymnal" with which to praise God. We're thankful to all those who had something to do with producing this fine hymnal. I'd recommend it to any church!

THIRD PLACE HONOR FOR OUR HYMNAL

At the Philadelphia Book Show, Philadelphia, Pa., sponsored by the Philadelphia Book Clinic, the "North American Hymnal" scored third place in the religious book field. The only criticism offered was, "Why no title on spine?" Otherwise the comment was, "Fine Book." This ought to be of great interest to all of our churches!

—Paul Wengel, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"THE HYMNALS PROVIDE A WELL BALANCED MUSICAL PROGRAM"

By Dick Van der Meade
Choir Director of the Magnolia Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif.

The Christian life within the church is stimulated to higher levels, first of all, by the studying of the Word of God, with the aid of a capable theologian; secondly, by the practice of communicating with God through prayer; and thirdly, by the use of God-inspired music.

We must admit that all people enjoy music of some sort or other. Sacred music is appreciated and accepted by the masses as a stimuli for advancement in their subconscious Christian faith. (I say subconscious because almost all people consider themselves Christians to some degree, if only by

the acceptance of living in a so-called Christian nation.) People are quieted by the soft refrain of an old-fashioned hymn, and are inspired by the chords sounded in a well-known evangelistic hymn. The "North American Hymnal" has in its contents, for the congregation, a well balanced musical program.

The hymnal selectors tried diligently to cover the entire needs of a church. Being a song leader and choir master, I can personally say that I appreciate the proper tools with which to work. As an aid to the pastor, song leader, and individual users, the pages are successfully catalogued by a "top of the page caption," suggesting the subject matter, such as "The Call and Acceptance of Christ" and "Adoration and Praise." Hymns for all occasions can easily be located with this help.

Realizing much time and effort has gone into the compiling of this book, I can only say to those who expended this time, effort and talent: "Many, many thanks."

AN UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIAL

From a Baptist Pastor
By Dr. Winthrop E. Robinson
Pastor of the Lake Harriet Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

I do want to thank you so much for the Hymnbook. I have been looking it through and like it as well as any I have seen for a long time. It is well bound, very well arranged and has a splendid selection of the grand old worship hymns as well as the more recent and popular Gospel Songs. Many of the more recent hymnbooks are very weak in the God-centered worship hymns and this one you gave me is strong there, which is a wonderful feature to me.

If what I said about the hymnal is useful to anyone, it is all right with me if it is used. I am very much impressed with the book. I especially like the good selection of true hymns, as I think I said before. Most hymnals have too few worship and adoration hymns in comparison to the number of Gospel songs. I like Gospel songs; we would not want to get along without them. But I also think we need to center our thoughts on praising and adoring our God because of Who he is and what he is as well as for what he does for us. In this day of self-centeredness, even in Christian circles, we need a greater emphasis away from self and centered in our wonderful Lord and gracious God.



—Photo by Roy Seibel

One hundred copies of the new "North American Hymnal" presented to the Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., by Mr. Joseph B. Klausmann of Newark, N. J., are dedicated to Christian service in the Seminary's chapel.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Dr. Frank H. Woyke

- Oct. 4—Investment Committee Session, Forest Park, Ill.
- Oct. 5—Loan Fund Committee Session, Forest Park, Ill.
- Oct. 7—Baptist Jubilee Joint Committee, New York, N. Y.
- Oct. 8-10—Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.
- Oct. 13 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, Durham, Kansas.
- Oct. 20 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, Ashley, N. Dak.

Rev. R. Schilke

- Oct. 13 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, Tyndall and Danzig, S. Dak.
- Oct. 20 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, Southey, Sask.

Rev. J. C. Gunst

- Oct. 6 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, New Leipzig, N. Dak.
- Oct. 7-11—Christian Workers' Conferences at Lehr, Carrington, Bismarck, Hettinger, N. Dak., and Sidney, Mont.
- Oct. 13 (Sunday)—Harvest and Mission Festival, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

Rev. G. K. Zimmerman

- Oct. 9—Iowa Association at Parkersburg, Iowa.

Dr. M. L. Leuschner

- Oct. 6 (Sunday) — Temple Church, Milwaukee, Wis.
- Oct. 8-10 — Baptist Public Affairs Conference, Washington, D. C.
- Oct. 14-20—Leadership Training Course, Grace Church, Kelowna, British Columbia.
- Oct. 21—Faith Church, Vernon, British Columbia.

What's your problem?

Answers by DR. RALPH E. POWELL, Professor at the North American Baptist Seminary. (Send all questions to him at 1605 S. Euclid Ave., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.)

What is wrong with the "social gospel?" Isn't it a part of Christ's teachings?

A lot depends upon how one uses the term "social gospel." Two extremes must be avoided. On the one hand, in the effort of social betterment the evangelistic message of individual salvation must not be lost or neglected. On the other hand, the stress on personal soul winning must not lose or neglect a Christian concern for the social needs of the individual or the community.

Properly conceived, redemption, as it is described in the Bible, includes the WHOLE man in the entire context of life. Body, soul and spirit, in the total situation, must be touched by the power of Christ's redemption. Therefore, we ought to have a passionate concern for both the saving of individual lost souls from sin through the death of Christ, and also the betterment of the moral and social conditions of the communities in which these persons live.

A Christian may have a most difficult time living for God's glory in situations where extremely unwholesome human interrelations exist, whether this involves acute problems of health, working conditions, economic status or living standards. And one cannot always be taken out of his neighborhood. It is usually very difficult to win people to Christ who are victims of unfair exploitation, or who come from broken homes and disreputable environments.

Of course, it is the genius of the

gospel to triumph over all these circumstances. Christ can lift men from all walks of life and save the underprivileged and unfortunate as well as the prosperous (often more so the former than the latter).

Nevertheless, the church does have a responsibility in the direction of correcting the abuses of society and applying Christian teaching to practical living, particularly alleviating the causes of injustices and inequalities. It must be remembered, however, that the primary task of the church is the evangelization of the world, which, nevertheless, cannot be divorced from a social application of Christ's transforming power.

The danger in the past has been to reduce the gospel to a social program, making the social teachings of Jesus the directions by which to remake the world and to build a perfect society on earth, bringing in the Kingdom of God by man's religious efforts. Commonly this was regarded as the heart of the Bible. Often coupled with a deprecation of orthodox doctrine, it particularly looked with an unappreciative eye at the supernaturalism of the New Testament, the vicarious atonement, and the redemption of individual sinners through the death of Christ. But this rather humanistic and evolutionary approach, fortunately, is largely outdated today.

Let us maintain a happy biblical balance that sees the saving of lost sinners wedded to a concern and effort for the transformation of society through Christ's saving gospel.

Rev. Herman Palfenier, Evangelist

- Sept. 25 - Oct. 6 — Pilgrim Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Oct. 13-20—Faith Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

"GOD'S VOLUNTEERS" ITINERARY

- Oct. 16-27—Trinity Church, Portland Oregon. Two members of the team with the director, Rev. Elmer Strauss.
- Oct. 16-27 — Glencullen Church, Portland, Oregon. Four members of the team.
- Oct. 27-Nov. 3—Glencullen Church, Portland, Oregon. The entire team of "God's Volunteers" and Rev. Elmer Strauss, Director.

OCTOBER CONFERENCES

- Oct. 7-9—Iowa Association at Parkersburg, Ia. Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, Guest Speaker.
- Oct. 14-16—Kansas Association at Stafford Kansas. Prof. Roy Seibel, Guest Speaker.
- Oct. 21-23 — Saskatchewan Association at Faith Church, Regina,

Sask. Rev. R. Schilke, Guest Speaker.

Oct. 31-Nov. 3—California Association at Anaheim, Calif. Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Guest Speaker.

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We the Women

By MRS. T. D. LUTZ, President
of the Woman's Missionary Union

TAKE TIME!

It was in the home of a missionary on a Sunday morning. There were guests coming. There was to be a special chapel service.

The missionary's wife was frying bacon. Their little daughter was very silent. Finally she placed her hand on her mother's hand and, as she looked up into her mother's eyes, she said, "Mother, tell me how to find Jesus. I want to be a Christian."

Mother turned out the fire, sat down and talked to her little girl. She explained how Jesus knocks on our heart's door and wants us to be sorry for our sins and to confess our sins. Jesus will then give us the joy and peace of salvation. She told her little one to tell Jesus all about it and to pray until she felt a peace in her heart.

The little girl disappeared, and all was quiet for a while. As mother finished the breakfast and prepared to go to church, she prayed silently for her little daughter.

Just before the morning services started, the oldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Castro of Rio Grande City, Texas, came to her daddy and told him that she had given her heart to Jesus. She was filled with emotion as she told him about it. She had gone to the little chapel and there, behind a little curtain, had wept tears of sorrow for her sins. There was now joy and peace in her heart.

Daddy knew she was young. Oh, so very young! But he also knew in her simple, childlike faith she had accepted Christ as her Savior. Yes, he still must nurture the little one, but it was the beginning of a new life in Christ.

Are we TAKING TIME? In season? Are we seeking first the things of the Spirit? What do we mean by SPIRITUAL LIFE? Could there be a better way than this?

Mrs. T. D. Lutz's Open Letter

Would you like to have your Woman's Missionary Union president meet with your society? I would be available to any society while I am en route from Toronto, Ontario, to Aberdeen, S. Dak., Nov. 7-15, 1957.

Mrs. T. D. Lutz,
516 Second St., N.
Aberdeen, S. Dak.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Your last chance to Register—Registration Fee \$2.00 for the Second Continental Assembly of the North American Woman's Union of the Baptist World Alliance—November 5-7, 1957. A list of hotels and rates will be sent with your registration card. We will meet at the Yorkminster Baptist Church, Yonge and Heath Streets, Toronto, Canada.

"God's Volunteers," 1957-1958

By Rev. J. C. Gunst, Promotional Secretary

GOD CONTINUES to be good to us. Again this year God has raised up a director and six fine young people for the "God's Volunteers" team.

All of us ought to be grateful to God for our second "God's Volunteers" team for 1957-1958. Those team members who served last year under the direction of our evangelist, Rev. Daniel Fuchs, were blessed of God in leading many to know Christ and to inspire still more people in the churches where they served to become soul winners.

Again this year, from Sept. 9 to Oct. 11, a team of six young people, under the direction of Rev. Elmer Strauss and the teaching ministry of a faculty of instructors from our Seminary and the Christian Training Institute, are being trained for five weeks at our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., after which time the team will serve in many of our churches during the next eight months.

TEAM MEMBERS

The team this year is composed of the following members: the director, Rev. Elmer Strauss; Miss Lily Boy-mook of Minnetonka, Manitoba; Miss Leona Hoffman of Ebenezer, Saskatchewan; Mr. LeRoy Kiemele of Linton, North Dakota; Miss Violet Rau of Sacramento, California; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Roehl of New Leipzig, North Dakota.

Although the six young people will serve these eight months without salary, for they are volunteers for God to lead souls to Christ, the team will have expenses for travelling from church to church, while visiting in communities where the churches are located and for other necessary incidentals.

It was felt by the members of the "God's Volunteers" committee that all of our people, even those in churches where the team will not serve, will want to have a vital part in the soul winning program of God's Volunteers. With that in mind, we invite all our

U. S. A.—Send registrations to Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Baylor University Union, Waco, Texas.

Canada—Mrs. C. W. Dengate, 190 St. George St., Toronto 5, Ontario.

Theme: "The Family Circle of God." Chairman: Mrs. Maurice B. Hodge. Speakers: Mrs. J. T. Ayorinde, Mrs. O. Hino, Mrs. George Martin, Mrs. Edgar Bates, and Dr. Margaret Apple-garth.

BE A "GOD'S VOLUNTEERS PRAYER PARTNER!"

people to become PRAYER PARTNERS for "God's Volunteers" program.

Opportunity is being given to enroll as a "God's Volunteers Prayer Partner" by filling in a prepared Prayer Partner form. If God so leads, opportunity is given for each individual to contribute \$5.00 (\$4, \$3, \$2, or even \$1.00), towards the expenses of "God's Volunteers" program. Where it is impossible for anyone to contribute any amount our people are still urged to fill out the Prayer Partner form and return it to the Forest Park office, thus indicating your willingness to pray for "God's Volunteers" team and the program of evangelism.

PRAYER PARTNERS

A letter has been sent to every pastor announcing the program and introducing the "God's Volunteers" team for this year. A supply of Prayer Partner forms has also been mailed to your pastor to be distributed among those interested in praying for and supporting "God's Volunteers." Please request a Prayer Partner form from your pastor. Fill in the form and return it to the Forest Park office.

All those who will enroll as Prayer Partners in "God's Volunteers" program and will make a contribution will receive an attractive PRAYER PARTNER Reminder Card. This card may be kept in the Bible or with daily devotional reading materials as a daily reminder to pray for the team and the larger soul winning program. The Prayer Partner form is also available by writing directly to the Forest Park office.

God has raised up an excellent team of consecrated, talented and trained workers. He has made them willing to volunteer their services for eight months in order that souls may come to God through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ by their witnessing. God will also make all of our people willing to become Prayer Partners in this special program of evangelism. Will you not ENROLL NOW as a Prayer Partner in "God's Volunteers" program?

\$100 CHECK

When the announcement was made earlier this summer at one of our conferences that a team was again going out as Volunteers, that additional funds are needed and that the least we all ought to do is help in their expenses, a man over 80 years of age wrote out a check for \$100 for "God's Volunteers" program. He is now a Prayer Partner in more than one sense of the word.

"But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word" (Acts 6:4).

What's Happening

• A baptismal service was held at the Wiesenthal Baptist Church, Millet, Alberta, on Sunday, August 11, with two converts baptized by the pastor Rev. Ernest A. Hoffmann. A Vacation Bible School was held by the church from July 8 to 12 with an average attendance of 35 children.

• The First Baptist Church of Buffalo Center, Iowa, dedicated its Sunday School addition and the decorated church sanctuary on Sunday September 29, with Rev. Carl Sentman of Mason City, Iowa, as guest speaker. On Sunday, September 8, the Sunday School received its offering for Rev. and Mrs. August Hirnboeck, Baptist missionaries in Austria whom they are supporting. Rev. W. J. Gerthe is pastor of the church.

• Rev. and Mrs. Walter Sukut, missionaries stationed at Kyoto, Japan, arrived with their two children on the Pacific Coast on August 29. For the present they will be staying with relatives in Sacramento, California. Their address is given elsewhere in this issue. They will spend some time in rest for the recovery of physical strength before doing any promotional work. They also hope to visit with Mr. Sukut's parents in Napoleon, North Dakota, in the near future.

• The Pilgrim Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Pa., observed its 83rd anniversary on September 28 with a dinner and church service, at which Rev. Herman Paffenier, denominational evangelist and a former pastor of the church, brought the anniversary message. He also conducted evangelistic meetings in the church from September 29 to October 6. Homecoming Sunday was held by the church on September 15 with Mr. E. Ralph Kletke in charge of the Sunday School program and Rev. W. C. Damrau, pastor, in charge of the church services.

• "The Atlantic Ambassadors" are a team of young people composed of the officers of the Atlantic Conference CBYF Fellowship who are visiting the churches throughout the Atlantic Conference area once a month on Sunday evenings. Their program consists of reports and plans for each of the CBYF projects and activities, interspersed with musical selections and climaxed with a message by Don Miller, second vice president. Miss Jeanne Nolte, president, is in charge of these programs. "The Atlantic Ambassadors" presented their first program at the Pilgrim Church of Philadelphia, Pa., on Sunday evening, September 22.

• Mr. Harold Sailer, a third year student at the Northwestern Colleges, Minneapolis, Minn., has served as assistant pastor in the Bridgeland Baptist Church, Calgary, Alta., during the summer months, rendering an appreciated service in the Sunday School, the youth groups and the Vacation Bible School. During the month of August Mr. Menno Neufeld of Clearbrook, B. C., instructed the various musical organizations of the church, preparing the choir, the orchestra and the band for a great oratorio presented on Sept. 1, 1957. Rev. Ervin J. Faul is the pastor.

• The Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, held its last services in the old church building at N.E. Morris Street and Rodney Avenue on Sunday, August 25. Thereafter the church services are being held in the chapel of the Baptist Home for the Aged, on N.E. 82nd Avenue. Prayer services are being conducted at the new location of the church at N.E. 83rd and Prescott Streets. The church is also continuing to hold its "branch" Sunday School and a morning service at the same address. Rev. Henry W. Barnet, pastor, has announced that plans are going ahead for a new church edifice to be constructed at N.E. 83rd and Prescott Streets of Portland.

• Rev. John Kimmel who served as pastor of the Glencullen Baptist Church Portland, Oregon, from 1947 to 1951, sailed on the "SS Britannic" on September 5 from New York to England to become the principal of the Irish Bible Institute at Drewstone House, Fordstown, Navan, County Meeth, Ireland. His son, John, accompanied him. Mrs. Kimmel will follow as soon as funds permit. The Bible Institute was established six years ago sponsored by World Missions to Children with home offices in San Jose, California. At present there are about 10 to 15 young people in the student body. Mr. Kimmel has done considerable preparatory work on the Institute's curriculum while still in the United States.

• Rev. Donald Scott McAlpine has accepted the call to become the first pastor of the American Baptist Church which has been established at Kaiserslautern, Germany. Mr. and Mrs. McAlpine were formerly members of the Ridgewood Baptist Church of Brooklyn, New York, where Mrs. McAlpine served as church missionary for a number of years. The Kaiserslautern Church was established by Baptist members of the Armed Forces

in the area with the interest and support of chaplains and Dr. Edwin A. Bell, representative of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in Europe. The church has provided a parsonage and a meeting place in the beautiful suburb of Dansenberg. The address of Mr. McAlpine is 14 Kolping Platz, Kaiserslautern, Germany.

• On Sunday afternoon, July 14, the members and friends of the Baptist Church, Ebenezer, Sask., gathered for the reception of their pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Wollenberg. The chairman for the service, Mr. Alvin Bohn, welcomed the neighboring churches. Words of welcome were voiced by representatives of the various organizations: Mrs. Paul Dreger, Womans Missionary Society; Mr. R. Bohn, Sunday School superintendent; Mr. Lloyd Hoffman, president of the men's organization; Mr. Arthur Patzer, president of the CBYF; Mr. Arlan Fandrey, representative of the Chorus Choir; Mr. Andy Dreger, on behalf of the Deacon Board. Rev. and Mrs. John Wollenberg expressed their hopes for a happy and memorable ministry with the church.

• On Sunday, July 14, the Baptist Churches of Parkston and Tripp, S. Dak., surprised their pastor and his wife Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Weisser, in observance of their 25th wedding anniversary. A chicken dinner was prepared by the ladies of the Parkston Church. The three tier wedding cake was made by Mrs. Alex Mehlhaff. At 2:00 p. m. the congregation met in the auditorium for the program with Miss Barbara Weisser presiding. Special music was rendered, and greetings were given by the presidents of the various organizations of the churches. Rev. Carl Weisser of Carlington, N. Dak., was the guest speaker. The churches presented their pastor and family with anniversary gifts. The Weissers responded with words of gratitude for the fine program.

• On Sunday evening, September 8, the guest speaker at the Zion Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., was Professor Hugo Lueck of the North American Baptist Seminary faculty. Throughout the summer months Rev. Edward Hornbacher, a former pastor in Canada and at present a student at the Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., was a member of the congregation and participated in Sunday School teaching and pulpit supply. On Saturday and Sunday, August 31 and September 1, the church was host to more than 80 German young people from beyond the confines of Milwaukee for an inspiring Youth Rally. Rev. John Kroeker, pastor of the church, and Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., brought the messages at the Saturday banquet and the Sunday services.

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Sunday School Records

By Miss Ruth Bathauer, Director of Children's Work

OUR OBJECTIVE in Sunday School work is to win men and women, boys and girls to a saving knowledge of Christ, and to provide opportunity for spiritual growth. In order that no one may slip through our fingers, it is important to have an adequate record system.

VALUE OF RECORDS

The only time records are important is when they reveal useful and helpful information.

For a pupil to receive the most from Bible study, he must be regular in attendance. Records may help to build regular attendance. Records will provide opportunity for you to compare your attendance with the Sunday School enrollment and even with the church membership. Records are important for an efficient grading system. Records can help you avoid losing an absentee because of inadequate information and ineffective follow-up work. Through a good record system, you may develop a list of the unchurched families of the pupils in your school.

Realizing the need for a record system which might be used in our churches, the General Sunday School Committee of the Sunday School Union went on record at its meeting last February to suggest the use of the Judson Record System.

To get the most out of the Judson Record System, it is important to have a good understanding of the complete system. Each teacher and officer should be well acquainted with it. The manual entitled, "How to Use the Judson Record System," is available from the Roger Williams Press for 25 cents. (See Advertisement).

There is also a Complete Examination Kit of the Judson Record system which you should have. The kit is

available free on request from the Roger Williams Press. For the small sum of 25 cents, you will have these two vital sources of information which will be of real help to you in becoming better acquainted with this fine record system. We would suggest that you secure this material and then present it to your church at your next local workers' conference.

A BETTER LOOK AT THE SYSTEM

At first glance the Judson Record System may seem too detailed for a small school. However, it is possible to use only a small portion of it. Some of the material you will use will include:

Permanent Record Card will provide important information for the leader. It should be kept up-to-date from the time the pupil enrolls in the Sunday School until his membership is terminated.

Follow-up Report is the form on which are recorded the names of visitors and pupils who are absent. This gives you a weekly picture of your visitors as well as the absentees.

Attendance Records are kept in a double pocket folder which provides an individual record for each pupil and separates the absentees from those present.

Department or Class Record provides a class or department summary of attendance at Sunday School, worship service, and the offering.

Secretary's Record Book for the Sunday Church School contains forms for recording attendance of the officers and teachers, and pupils of the Sunday School. It gives an over-all picture of progress.

Teacher's Personal Record of Pupil is for the teacher's use in maintaining

important information about each pupil. It is to help each teacher think of every pupil individually in terms of their needs, interests, ability, etc.

Antarctic expedition. A broadcast from Dr. Paul A. Siple, scientific leader of the International Geophysical Year exploration group which is now bedded down for the long Antarctic winter at Little America, said the men are having regular Sunday Bible lessons and hymn singing, followed by open discussion on selected topics. Dr. Siple sent the radio message to the Friendship Bible class at Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C. Prior to the Antarctic Expedition he was teacher of this Bible class. He first won fame 30 years ago as the Boy Scout selected to go to Antarctica with the initial expedition of the late Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd.

● The World Alliance of the YMCA, meeting in Kassel, Germany, learned that the YMCA work in 70 countries has advanced in the past two years and now has four million members. A committee on extension submitted more than 120 projects calling for men and money to strengthen existing movements throughout the world and to launch new associations, particularly in Africa. The Honorable Charles D. Sherman of Liberia was unanimously re-elected president of the World Alliance. He is the first native-born African to head an international Christian organization. James C. Donnel of the United States, was named one of the six vice-presidents. The YMCAs of the U. S. and Canada announced a "Building for Brotherhood" campaign with a goal of five million dollars to provide "seed money" to associations in 35 nations.

MARCH OF EVENTS RELIGIOUS NEWS

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Sunday School Lessons

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 13, 1957

Theme: MORAL STANDARDS IN A CHURCH

Scripture: I Cor. 5:6-13; 6:17-20

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: The body is the temple of God; not a den for unholy practices.

INTRODUCTION: Paul was not the kind of preacher who winked at sin in the church, evaded trouble or ignored moral issues. He did not believe in keeping things quiet for the sake of the reputation of the church, nor was he concerned about losing "face" in the community. Rigorous personal discipline was the rule for his life, and he expected the Church of Jesus to exercise discipline when it was necessary.

The goal of many churches today is respectability, tolerance and numbers, plus the drawing power of modern architecture. But the beauty of the temple structure is not necessarily an indication of the inner beauty of the worshippers. The beauty and purity of holiness must be evident in the lives of God's living temples. We can thank God for the privilege of visiting beautiful temples worthy of his Name, but the most difficult work is still building a body worthy of the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit.

I. THE CHURCH AND THE NEW PASSOVER. 1 Cor. 5:6-8.

Not all glorying is good. It is right to glory in freedom but absolutely wrong to glory in license. Sin is infectious. It must be treated and stopped at the source or, like leaven, it will soon permeate the entire dough. As part of the Passover Feast all the old leaven in the Jewish home had to be cast out before the unleavened bread was prepared. How much more should we as Christians purge our lives continually of all our old corruptible nature and serve Christ, our Passover!

II. THE CHURCH AND PURITY. I Cor. 5:9-13.

Paul is making clear a truth—that the Christian cannot help being in the world, but he is not of the world. Our work and associations often bring us into contact with fornicators, idolaters and all kinds of sinners. But to tolerate them in the house of God as members of the church is unthinkable. Paul commanded the church to take severe action because it would be fatal to the purity of the congregation to tolerate lax moral standards. They had recently been converted from paganism, and now they tolerated this

act of incest, which to Paul's mind was more pagan than paganism.

III. THE CHURCH AND DISCIPLINE. 1 Cor. 6:17-20.

The church and the minister are often criticized for meddling in the private affairs of the individual. It has developed an impersonal "hands off" policy which ignores action and discipline. So much emphasis is placed on leading and guiding the Christians that the voice of authority has been lost in the process.

Paul was not hesitant in speaking with the voice of authority. He did not waste words in generalizations. There is only one course open—flee fornication! It takes faith, resistance and all the will-power available to the Christian when he finds himself confronted with temptation. But the body is the temple of God, the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, the most priceless possession we have, and every act of faith and surrender, every effort of discipline gives God a worthier dwelling place for his glory.

A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: October 20, 1957

Theme: THE CHRISTIAN MINISTER

Scripture: I Cor. 9:1,2,13-23,26,27

THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: The minister of Jesus Christ has a heavenly call in order to supply a holy need, and he needs both divine and human support.

INTRODUCTION: It is often difficult for a minister to talk about himself. Of course, there are exceptions to every rule. We have all known of an occasional minister who has put himself on a pedestal and reminded everyone to "touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm" (1 Chron. 16:22). But a sincere, humble and courageous servant of the Lord will not hide behind any ministerial immunity. He realizes that he is human and has faults, failures and weaknesses, and is often the victim of temptation.

The Apostle Paul, however, and countless thousands throughout the history of the church have realized that

there is a time to stand up and to be counted among the ministers of the Lord. There is no need to be ashamed to give an honest estimate of his needs, of his rights, of his responsibilities and his goal.

The following is an extended outline in order to stimulate discussion, and to understand better the varied aspects of the ministry of God's servant.

I. THE MINISTER'S CLAIM. I Cor. 9:1,2.

The seal of the minister's apostleship is in the Lord. Although the experiences of the call differ, the reality remains the same. Whether it is knowing Christ in the flesh as the disciples, or seeing him on the Damascus Road, the results and evidences of apostleship are clear.

II. THE MINISTER'S SUPPORT. 1 Cor. 9:13-15.

Apostleship entitles a minister of the Lord to maintenance just as if he were a soldier, a vinedresser, a shepherd, a doctor, a lawyer, a carpenter or mechanic. The law recognizes such cases (Lev. 6:16, 26; 7:31-34; 10:12-15). But Paul would rather serve without remuneration than accept grudging support. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver, and the minister loveth a cheerful supporter.

III. THE MINISTER'S DIVINE COM-PULSION. 1 Cor. 9:16, 17.

The minister does not choose his profession simply to make a living. Like Paul he has no choice. Such a great responsibility is the result of a divine necessity. He would be unhappy, out of place and conscience-stricken if he did anything but preach the Gospel.

IV. THE MINISTER'S REWARD. 1 Cor. 9:18.

Freely translated, Paul would probably say that the reward of preaching the Gospel is preaching the Gospel. To the minister, serving the Lord is a reward in itself, and in many cases it was the only reward he ever received.

V. THE MINISTER'S ADAPTABILITY. 1 Cor. 9:19-23.

To accommodate and understand all manner of men does not imply that Paul compromised his moral and religious principles. Like Jesus he associated with publicans and sinners, not to become like them, but to win them to Christ. He was compromising in policy but uncompromising in principle.

VI. THE MINISTER'S DISCIPLINE. 1 Cor. 9:26, 27.

The minister of Jesus Christ must remember that the quality of his leadership depends largely on the quality of his example. Like a trained athlete, Paul kept his body and mind in fit condition so that after preaching to others he would not be disqualified for not living up to the rules.

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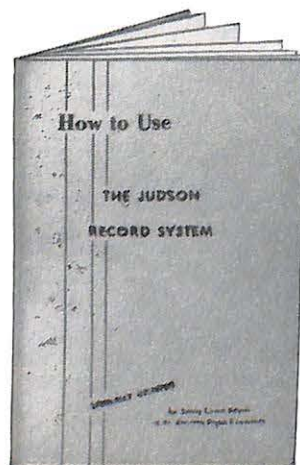
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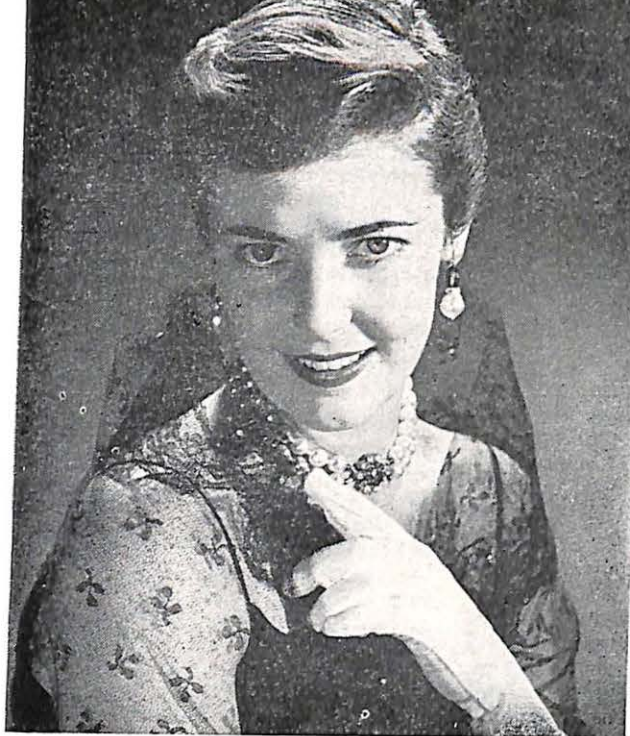
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Kathryn Greig was a woman of breath-taking beauty with a mysterious secret about a valuable emerald necklace.

The Emerald Necklace

By ELISE FRASER



A Christian mystery novel
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SYNOPSIS

When John Rowland slips his Bible into his pocket and walks out of the mission hall that November night in San Francisco, he begins a strange adventure. For out of the mist steps a woman of breath-taking beauty who calls his name and brings to his startled remembrance his lovely school classmate, Kathryn Greig. Kathryn turns over a valuable necklace to him. In the meantime, she is kidnapped by two thugs and taken to a hide-out. Soon thereafter, John Rowland falls into a trap set by Sabra, the maid of Kathryn, and the thugs force him to turn the valuable jewels over to them. After John Rowland and Kathryn Greig are released, John looks for clues of the kidnappers. At Won Long's jewelry shop he is put on the trail of Phillip Newhall, who is away in Yokohama. A cablegram is sent him. The answer comes back that the bracelet has been purchased by the merchant Taki Ali Meshad, seemingly in Persia. Then on California Street in San Francisco John Rowland sees Paul Ames, a former acquaintance, who hurries across the street not responding to the call of his name. At the hotel, where the two have rooms on the same floor, John finds the Ames' room open with the maid picking up papers that the wind had blown around. Then with great dismay the maid picks up a bird ornament with one wing broken off.

CHAPTER TWENTY

"LET ME SEE," John said, perhaps it could be mended."
The maid passed the ornament to him. John examined it. The wings were turquoise, the body pottery. He turned it over. On the base was printed MESHAD IRAN.

He was silent so long, staring at the object in his hands, that the maid said anxiously, "Is it of great value?"
"It can be mended," John replied.
He handed the broken ornament to her and she replaced it on the pile of papers.

The window was closed, the room restored to order. The maid moved toward the door. John could not remain, much as he longed to further examine the papers. He stepped into the hall and the maid pulled the door shut. John heard the lock click.

As he entered his own room the

telephone was ringing. It was the office. "We've been trying to get you for ten minutes," the clerk said. "There's a message here to phone Won Long at once."

In a moment John heard Won's excited voice. "The cable has come."
"Want to read it?" John asked.
"Better not," Won said cautiously.
"Okay, then. I'll be right over."

On the way out, John paused in front of the door next to his. Did Paul ever slip in unnoticed? Did he have another key, leaving his regular key at the office, making it appear that he was out? But still the maid said he had not been in for several days. John reached in his pocket and taking out a number of tracts began to sort them. He chose two, "You Cannot Escape God" and "What Shall it Profit a Man" and slipped them under the door of Paul's room.

When he reached the jeweler's, Won spread before him the cablegram. John read: BRACELET OTHER ANTIQUE JEWELS PURCHASED ENGLISH-MAN CALCUTTA.

"That doesn't tell us much," Won said.

"No." John stared at the message. Paul's American, not English, he thought. Still the merchant could make a mistake. Aloud he said, "It could mean Lockwood or Farningham or almost anyone."

"Not Farningham," Won returned. "He was too surprised when he saw the bracelet. Taken back, really."

John was disappointed. "Maybe this isn't a clue, after all. Maybe Lockwood had this second bracelet that his wife didn't know about."

Won grinned. "That's not likely."

John looked into Won's face then said, "Is there a chance that this diamond-emerald necklace has been a phony all along?"

Won spoke emphatically. "No, that's not possible. Mrs. Lockwood knows jewels too well. Didn't she spot the phony at once?"

John scratched his chin reflectively. "I've come on to something, Won." Won listened carefully as John told him of the papers he had found in Paul's room, the papers covered with jewel designs, and of the bird with the broken turquoise wing on the base of which were the words MESHAD IRAN.

"It's important," Won agreed. "The police should be told."

At his hotel, John approached the desk, determined to ask a number of questions about Paul Ames. But he had no sooner spoken than the clerk said hastily, apologetically, "Mr. Rowland, I'm very sorry but Mr. Ames has checked out."

"Yes. Just a few moments ago. I told him how important it was that you see him but he said to tell you he was sorry but his business could not be delayed."

John was stunned. To have watched and waited all this time and then to let Paul slip through his fingers. How foolish it was of him to leave the hotel for one moment. He should have constantly guarded Paul's door.

John took the elevator to his room. He would notify the police at once. Paul must not get away from San Francisco.

When the police left his room, John closed the door with a feeling of discouragement. They weren't too impressed with the evidence he had. An ornament from Meshad. World-wide travelers bought ornaments in all parts of the world. And as for the duplicate bracelets, maybe neither one was a genuine antique. But even if they were, what was so strange that there should be two alike? Or indeed, if

they were hand-designed, that they might differ slightly? Wasn't it agreed that that was the charm they had for collectors, no two alike?

What did the designs for jewelry signify? Weren't there lots of amateur jewelers these days? Wasn't it a hobby, like ceramics and other crafts? And as for the diamond-emerald necklace that turned out to be a phony, even Mrs. Lockwood may have been deceived. After all, a necklace of that kind, with genuine stones would be fabulous.

But Ames had been closely associated with Farningham, John had argued.

The officers shrugged. All the criminals in the kidnapping case had been rounded up. They had signed confessions from all of them. Paul Ames had not been implicated.

Still, John had insisted, Ames had been very close to Farningham. He had never been questioned. He should be found and at least questioned. And the secretiveness of his movements—wasn't that in itself significant? The police finally agreed to institute a search for Paul Ames that he might be questioned. But John could see that they did not consider it of vital importance.

It was William Shanigan, private detective, who traced Paul Ames to an obscure hotel on Mission near the Embarcadero. "I've a man at every entrance and exit," Shanigan reported. "Going in or out, we'll be sure to get him."

"My worry is that he may have left San Francisco," John said, then told Shanigan all the recent developments in the case. "I'm on my way to Mrs. Lockwood's apartment," John said. "If you get hold of Paul, you can reach me there."

It had been two days since John had seen Kathryn. Had she written her lawyer as yet? Eagerly John turned his steps toward the apartment on Nob Hill.

It was Kathryn who opened the door when he rang the bell at her apartment. He thought she looked pale. "Do you have any news?" she asked as soon as she had greeted him.

John wished that he could tell her that the necklace had been found. His tone was more cheerful than he felt. "We're on the trail, Kathryn, and I think we'll discover something worth while very soon. A private detective, William Shanigan, has found Paul's hiding place in the mission district."

Kathryn started, "Paul Ames?" Closing the door, she leaned against it, her eyes on John's face.

John's heart ached for her. "Are you all right, Kathryn?" he asked.

She seemed to recover herself. "Oh, yes." She moved to a chair and sat down. John pulled his chair close to hers. Briefly he summarized the latest events, the finding of the jewel sketches in Paul's room, the broken ornament with Meshad printed on the

base, Paul's elusive movements.

Kathryn listened intently. She did not know Paul was interested in jewels. Perhaps the sketches were not his. She seemed reluctant to believe any evidence against him.

"Neither you nor I would like to believe that Paul is involved in this. But we must face facts, Kathryn."

Kathryn nodded. She looked away as if thinking of something else, then said, "I am planning to go to England, John."

John jumped to his feet. "No!" The cry had come involuntarily. She must not go away. He could not part with her. She had become inexpressibly dear to him. He wanted the right to stand always by her side, to shield her from the world.

His eyes were on her face as she leaned wearily back, her head resting on the ebony carving of the antique Chinese chair, her hands lightly touching the grotesque dragons on either side. He was surprised afresh at her beauty, the loveliness of her features, the gold of her hair. The rich blue of the satin housecoat she was wearing contrasted sharply with the polished ebony of the chair.

He stepped toward her. "Kathryn . . ." his voice choked.

Again he thought he saw surprise in her eyes.

He stood looking down at her, saying flatly, "I don't want you to go to England."

She smiled, then said lightly, "And I do not want to go, my friend. But this web of circumstances must somehow be untangled. . . ." Abruptly, she broke off, then said softly,

Ah Love! could you and I with Him conspire

To grasp this sorry scheme of things entire,

Would not we shatter it to bits—and then,

Re-mould it nearer to the Heart's Desire!

In a moment she was on her feet, crossing the room with swift, graceful movements. She stood by the window, looking out on the lights of the Golden Gate bridge.

John was beside her now. The moment was a magic one. If he lived to be a hundred he would not forget the upsurging emotions of his heart and brain . . . the nearness of her . . . the dearthness of her . . . and he thought he understood . . . she would not involve him . . . she was determined to face it alone . . . but he would change that.

He spoke and his words carried heartfelt faith and conviction. "A more sure Word, Kathryn, is, 'Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.' Kathryn, I . . ." he stopped short as the peal of the doorbell sounded.

Reluctantly, John moved toward the door. He glanced toward Kathryn. She nodded and he opened the door. On

the threshold stood Paul Ames. Before John could recover his astonishment, Paul had brushed past him. Approaching Kathryn, he held out his hand saying, "Is this your necklace, Kathryn?"

John looked on in astonishment as Paul placed a mass of glittering green and white stones in Kathryn's hand. Swiftly she examined the necklace. When she looked up her face was radiant. "It is, Paul! It is my necklace! Oh, you have done a great thing, a wonderful thing to restore it to me! You will never know."

Paul shook his head. "No, it was a mean thing, a dastardly thing, that I did. But now, I have come to myself, I have returned to my Father to ask His forgiveness."

John started. "You are a Christian?" Paul nodded. "I saw myself for what I was and I hated what I saw. Is there no escape? I asked myself. Then I thought of Jesus. I do not fully understand it even now but I took Him at His word and came to Him and He has received me and washed away my guilt in His own precious blood."

John could not doubt that Paul had found salvation. "Praise His name!" he said.

"When did it happen, Paul?" Kathryn asked.

"Just today. I could not get away from that Gospel of John and from the tract John gave me, 'Four Things God Wants you to Know.' I tried to throw them away and countless times fished them out of the waste basket. When I returned to the Chancellor, I still had every intention of holding to my old ways, but under the door were two more tracts, 'What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul.' I turned to the Lord then and He has forgiven my sin."

"I, too, have found the peace which passes all understanding," Kathryn said. She glanced at the necklace in her hand. "This is indeed a miracle. Where did you find it, Paul?"

"In the cache where John hid it. Took it out. Put the phony in its place." Paul spoke succinctly, making no attempt to minimize his guilt.

"You had the phony?" Kathryn questioned, a puzzled expression on her face.

Paul nodded. "Made it in India. I copied a lot of your jewels. Sold them to a merchant Meshad."

"How did you do it, Paul?"

"I saw you wear different pieces from time to time. I'd sketch a bit each time, and then make up a duplicate, sometimes several. Sometimes the jewels were genuine, sometimes not. I got good prices for them all."

"How did you know where to find the necklace?" John asked, determined to find out just how and when Paul had taken the real necklace.

"I didn't," Paul answered. "I just put two and two together. Farningham had followed Kathryn to San Francisco to get the jewels . . ."

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Our Denomination in ACTION

Northern Conference

Vacation Bible School at First Church, Leduc, Alta.

A very fine Vacation Bible School was held at the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta, from July 8 to 12. The whole day was full of activity and excitement as the pupils went about their work in the various classes. The enrollment for the week was 61, with an average attendance of about 58 each day.

Those who helped in the teaching with assistants were as follows: Beginners, Misses Elaine Bienert, Gloria Kern and Elnor Roth; Primary, Mrs. Dennis Hammer and Joan Roth; Juniors, Mrs. Fred Sonnenberg and Miss Darline Hammer; Intermediates, Mr. Walter Kerber and Mrs. Rudolph Ohlmann. Mr. Kerber also served as the supervisor of the school.

Offerings were taken each day during the worship period, and this went to our Japan mission. The children set a goal of \$20, which they exceeded by the end of the week. The pupils and teachers prepared a very fine program for Friday evening, at which time the parents and friends could hear and see what the children had done and learned.

Mrs. Dennis Hammer, Reporter

Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration at Jansen, Sask.

Rev. E. J. Bonikowsky, one of our retired ministers and his wife of Kelowna, B. C., spent several summer months in Saskatchewan. During their stay in Jansen, Sask., the wedding of their youngest son took place as well as the dedication of our remodeled chapel, and their golden wedding anniversary. Rev. E. J. Bonikowsky was the first pastor of the church. Emigrating to Canada in 1927 he started the mission work among the farm folk of this district with the help of the General Conference.

The deacon of the church and a son of the couple had charge of the well arranged and varied anniversary program. I Samuel 7:12 was chosen by the local pastor, Rev. H. Herrmann, as the basis for his address.

The Lord blessed this union with 16 children. Six of the eleven living members of the family were present at the reception with their wives, husbands and families, having arrived to surprise the parents from Ontario; Winnipeg, Man.; and Regina, Sask. The three sons expressed their gratitude for the exemplary lives of their parents in a fitting way. To close the program, the "bride and groom" in a very touching manner expressed their deep appreciation.

H. Herrmann, Pastor



The Vacation Bible School group of the First Baptist Church, Leduc, Alberta.

Women's Missionary Society, Carbon, Alta., Holds Jubilee Program

For the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the denominational Woman's Missionary Union, several ladies from the Trochu and Zion Baptist Churches of Alberta were the guests of the Women's Missionary Society at Carbon, Alberta. A cake had been made in the form of an open Bible which was decorated in gold and yellow.

Mrs. Martha Neher and Mrs. Ella Bettcher were in charge of the program. The Trochu and Zion church ladies contributed several special numbers. Missionary Ida Forsch of the Cameroons spoke on African Women's Missionary meetings and their programs. The offering for missionary purposes in our conference amounted to \$40.71.

A tea table was arranged on the



Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bonikowsky of Kelowna, B. C., at their golden wedding anniversary celebration held at Jansen, Sask.

lawn parsonage. This was centered with a bouquet of garden flowers arranged by Mrs. Rose Gieck. A fine fellowship was enjoyed while tea was served.

Mrs. Sally Ohlhauser, Reporter

Ordination of Rev. R. Hoffman at Trochu, Alberta

The Trochu Baptist Church of Trochu, Alberta, called on sister churches to organize a council for the purpose of examining Brother Robert R. Hoffman as a candidate to be ordained into the Gospel ministry. The council met on July 18 with the following churches represented: Bridgeland and German Churches, Calgary; Carbon; Zion Church, Drumheller; East Olds, Olds; and Trochu. Other delegates on the council were Prof. Roy Seibel and the Northern Conference mission secretary. Upon examination of the candidate, the council recommended to the Trochu Church to proceed with the ordination service which was planned for that evening.

The following were the items of the ordination service: chairman, Rev. William Effa; song leader, Rev. H. A. Pohl; Scripture reading, Rev. W. Ertis; reading of Council minutes, Council Clerk; ordination message and prayer, Prof. Roy Seibel; charge to the candidate and welcome into the fellowship, Rev. Willy Muller; charge to the church, Rev. Walter Hoffman; special music was supplied by the mixed choir, ladies trio and male solo. Rev. Robert R. Hoffman led in the closing prayer and benediction.

Walter Hoffman, Clerk

Manitoba Youth Camp at Lake Nutimik, Man.

Over 100 Manitoba young people used the August long week-end to spend in Christian fellowship and Bible study at our Manitoba Youth Camp at Lake Nutimik. Mr. John Rogalski, director of youth activity for the Manitoba Tri-Union, was in charge of the three day activities. The two teachers, Rev. Karl Korella and Rev. Wm. Sturhahn, brought us many blessings through their presentations. The first subject was "The Christian in His Home Life." Then followed a discussion on "The Christian in Politics or Public Life."

On Sunday many visitors came and the little "chapel in the forest" was crowded to overflowing. Both teachers spoke on the subject, "The Christian and His Material Possessions." A brass band composed of members of three different churches presented an inspiring concert under the direction of Mr. Waldemar Rempel of Morris. The fourth topic dealt with "The Christian Among His Friends and Society." In closing, the McDermot Ave. German young people brought the stirring pre-

sentation "The Prodigal Son." Singing, testimonies and prayers around an open bonfire made us feel very near to God. Rev. John Kuehn served as camp president.

Dorothy Sturhahn, Reporter

Vacation School at Bridgeland Church, Calgary, Alta.

A wonderful time was experienced by the boys and girls at the Bridgeland Baptist Church, Calgary, Alberta, at our Vacation Bible School, July 29 to August 9. The theme "Journeying with Jesus" was carried out by singing our theme song, "I'm Walking With My Savior," and the song, "Step by Step."

Miss Myrtle Huber, Miss Bonnie Teske and Mrs. Luella Radke of "God's Volunteers" were our guest teachers. Mr. Harold Sailer, student of Northwestern College, Minneapolis Minn., was the director. Preparations were made by our superintendent, Mr. Walter Riske. Teachers were as follows: Beginners, Miss Bonnie Teske; Helper, Mrs. Art Biebrick; Primary, Mrs. Luella Radke; Juniors, Miss Myrtle Huber; Intermediates, Mr. Harold Sailer. Our daily offerings were given to a home project, the Union Gospel Mission, of this city.

The closing program was held on Friday evening when the children portrayed some of God's richest blessings. After the program, everyone proceeded to the lower auditorium where all the handwork was displayed for observation.

Mr. H. Sailer, Director

Atlantic Conference

Vacation School at Grace Church, Union City, N. J.

A successful Vacation Bible School was conducted at the Grace Baptist Church, Union City, N. J., from Aug. 5 to 16. The enrollment was 82 boys and girls with 15 staff members and the average attendance was 68. The teachers in charge of the various departments were: Rev. and Mrs. Donald G. Mostrom, Mrs. Marilyn Blake,



The teachers and children of the Vacation Bible School conducted by the Grace Baptist Church, Union City, New Jersey.



Children and teachers attending the Bridgeland Baptist Vacation Bible School, Calgary, Alberta.

Mrs. Marie Kumm, Mrs. Charlotte Kroll, Mrs. Doris Lee and Mrs. Margaret Fraley, assisted by the following helpers: Mrs. Helen Moore, Miss Elsie Wyrich, Mrs. Mary Swinburne Mrs. M. Franzson, Miss Carol Roberts, Miss Lois Roberts, and Miss Dorothy Reck. Several of our helpers were from Pilgrim Church, Jersey City. Mrs. Mary Johnson was director of the school and led in the devotions and singing.

God's blessings were evident in that 14 pupils made their decisions for Christ as Savior. Each day an offering was taken for missions which amounted to \$50 and is to be used for the children's work on our foreign mission fields. A fine closing program was rendered on Friday evening, Aug. 16th, at which time the children recited some memory work and sang songs and choruses, with a display of the handwork.

E. Wyrich, Reporter

Northwestern Conference

Mission Circle's Anniversary Program at Randolph, Minn.

The Mission Circle of the Randolph Baptist Church of Randolph, Minn., observed the 50th anniversary of our denominational Woman's Missionary

Union work on August 15 at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Ben Engler. Our president, Mrs. Elmer Miller, took charge of the meeting. Mrs. Paul Miller, our vice-president, led the devotional period based on Luke 8:22-25. A group of choruses were sung, after which a skit was presented showing the growth of our own local society.

Corsages were presented to our president, to the oldest member present, and to our pastor's wife, Mrs. Bert Itterman. Two tables were very attractively decorated resembling a small banquet. The centerpieces were the birthday cake with gold streamers and a lakeshore scene. The entire evening's activities were impressive which all of us will remember for a long time.

Mrs. Charles Engler Reporter

Pacific Conference

Missionary Rally at Bethany Church of Oregon

On Sunday afternoon, August 11th, the Bethany Baptist Church near Portland, Oregon, was host to all of the churches of the Oregon Association for a missionary rally. Our first honored guest, Rev. R. Schilke, spoke briefly from John 17:18 and then introduced Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Goodman who gave us a report of the work in the Warwar district of the Cameroons. Then Miss Florence Miller in Japanese costume told us of her work and challenged us to pray more earnestly for the mission in Japan.

A total of 149 pupils was enrolled in our Vacation Bible School which was held from June 17 to 28, with the Intermediate and Junior High departments meeting in the evening. There were 18 decisions for Christ. The school closed with a demonstration program and display of handwork.

On July 26, upon recommendation of the Council called to examine him, Mr. Don Rich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rich, was ordained to the Gospel ministry. Rev. Don Rich will begin his work as associate pastor of the Oak Street Baptist Church in Burlington, Iowa, in October.

Hulda H. Graf, Reporter

Vacation Bible School at Elk Grove, Calif.

Recently the First Baptist Church of Elk Grove, Calif., held its Vacation Bible School. Rev. W. W. Knauf served as director with a staff of 29 teachers and helpers. "Pioneering With Christ" was our inspirational theme which was enjoyed by a registration of 152 children. Our average attendance was 139.

A number of children went forward and surrendered their lives to Christ. How gracious God has been to have given us the wonderful opportunity to teach and have fellowship with these children.

Mrs. Ed Kammerer, Reporter



Mr. and Mrs. John Reiser of Washburn, N. Dak., cutting the large "wedding cake" at their golden wedding anniversary celebration.

News from Trinity Church of Portland, Oregon

In August the Trinity Baptist Church of Portland Oregon, was saddened to learn that their pastor, Dr. John Wobig, and his wife were injured in a very serious accident while on their way to a much deserved vacation. Dr. Wobig is suffering from a back injury but is recovering most satisfactorily. Mrs. Wobig was not hurt seriously but was bruised and suffered shock. Their nephew, who was traveling with them, was unhurt. Dr. Wobig will soon resume his place in the pulpit despite a rather extensive



The serving table at the Golden Anniversary Tea held by the Woman's Missionary Society of the West Center Street Baptist Church, Madison, South Dakota.

cast.

In a happier light, we are most pleased to announce that at last our church tower has been erected. With its completion, our church building plan will be finished.

We conducted our Vacation Bible School in June under the able direction of our Minister of Education, Rev. George Breitzkreuz. We feel it was most successful with an enrollment of 247 and an average attendance of 205, several of whom made their decisions for Christ.

Mrs. Victor D. Steinfeld, Reporter

Wedding at the Magnolia Church, Anaheim, Calif.

Miss Esther Leuschner and Mr. Erich Walter of Anaheim, Calif., were married Sunday, August 11, after the morning service at the new Magnolia Baptist Church of Anaheim. Dr. Berthold Jackseit and Rev. Kenneth Fischer officiated. The church was decorated with large baskets of white chrysanthemums, gladioli and potted palms. The bride wore an Alice blue chiffon afternoon dress with black velvet picture hat. A white orchid was pinned to her waist.

Miss Leuschner is the daughter of Mrs. Emma and the late Rev. Max Leuschner and the sister of Dr. Martin Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., and Paul Leuschner of Anaheim. Esther has been very active and faithful at the Bethel Baptist Church in Anaheim. She was church organist for many years. A shower in her honor was given at the church with 155 women present. Also a dinner was given honoring both Miss Leuschner and Mr. Walter.

On return from their honeymoon trip, the "new" Mr. and Mrs. Erich Walter will be in their new home at 546 S. Clementine St., Anaheim, Calif.

Mrs. H. E. Remland, Reporter

Dakota Conference

Women's Golden Anniversary Tea at Madison, S. Dak.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the West Center Baptist Church of Madison, South Dakota, held a Golden Anniversary Tea in the church parlors for the regular June meeting, inviting all the ladies of the church. Mrs. Arechuk, guest speaker, gave an in-



Mr. and Mrs. Claus Jurens of Avon, S. Dak., who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Aug. 6th with "open house" at the Avon Baptist Church.

spiring talk on the "Need for Great Women." Mrs. Lyle Fawbush rendered two solos and Mrs. Alden Jung, our president, gave an interesting report of the women's work of a century ago.

Our society has no charter members left. The two at the serving table were members of the church 50 years ago. Mrs. G. O. Kruger poured and Mrs. F. Frautschy was at the cake service. The serving table was centered with a gold centerpiece and candelabra. The linen cloth used was also over 50 years old.

Mrs. O. J. Schrepel, Reporter

Golden Wedding Anniversary at Avon, South Dakota

Mr. and Mrs. Claus Jurens of Avon, South Dakota, were honored on August 6th on their 50th wedding anniversary. A large group of relatives and friends attended the open house at the First Baptist Church of Avon. Appropriate program numbers by children and grandchildren of the family were given in the church auditorium which was decorated with floral gifts. Rev. Peter Wiens brought congratulations and a brief message. Following the program, the family was host at a reception in the church parlors.

Mr. and Mrs. Jurens were married near Ackley, Iowa, in 1907. They came to the Avon community in 1917. Since then, they have been active members in the church and Sunday School. At the present time Mr. Jurens is still actively serving as deacon.

The children were all present for the occasion. They are Miss Luella Jurens of San Diego, Calif.; Earl of Avon, S. Dak.; Mrs. Irwin Finck of Tyndall, S. Dak.; Mrs. Carl Bangert of Rapid City, S. Dak.; Mrs. Willis Engel, Long Beach, Calif.; and Mrs. Eldon Wirt, Parker S. Dak. We trust the Lord will give them many more years together in which to serve him.

Peter J. Wiens Pastor

Golding Wedding Anniversary at Washburn, North Dakota

In observance of their golden wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. John Reiser of Washburn N. Dak., were honored by their children with a program and open house reception at the Washburn Baptist Church on Aug. 11. About 200 guests came to congratulate them. The program included songs, readings and a history by the children and grandchildren. Rev. Otto Fiesel, the pastor, gave a sermonette based on 1 Samuel 7:12. Rev. E. Becker of New Leipzig, N. Dak., a friend of the family brought congratulations.

The beautifully decorated wedding cake was cut and served by nieces. Mrs. Pauline Hertz of Bismarck, and Mrs. Reuben Joecks of Hutchinson, Minn., sisters of the honored couple, poured at the serving table and grandchildren and nieces assisted with the serving. The children received guests and acted as ushers. Mrs. Orin Reiser was in charge of the guest book.

Mr. and Mrs. Reiser have six children: Susanna, Mrs. Ferdinand Koenig of Underwood, N. Dak.; Elsie, Mrs. Clifford Melick, Moscow, Iowa; Ruby, Mrs. Orrin Enockson, Washburn, N. Dak.; Elmer of Somerset, Mass.; Marvin and Orin of Washburn. There are 15 grandchildren, and all of the children and grandchildren were present for the occasion.

Mrs. Orrin Enockson, Reporter

DR. JOHN TWIDDLE

A man by the name John Twiddle
Was awarded a D.D. degree;
Didn't mind being called Mr. Twiddle,
But didn't like Twiddle D.D.
—Contributed by H. von Berge

WHAT'S HAPPENING NEWS

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• A book of 160 poems entitled "Memories in Verse" by Mrs. W. S. Jaeger of Salina, Kansas, has just been published by her children. This attractively bound book of 102 pages features the work of a lifetime with poems about her former pastors and churches, especially the Bethany Church of Kansas, and the Lebanon Church of Wisconsin, and her observations of the Christian life. It contains several fine translations of German songs and hymns. Several of the poems appeared originally in the "Baptist Herald." Two pages are devoted to her graphic account of "Dust Storms and Our Western Churches" written in 1935 for the "Baptist Herald." Another poem is entitled, "Blaze On, Baptist Herald." Copies of this inspirational book are available from the author at 905 Pontiac, Salina, Kansas at a nominal charge.

Obituary

(Obituaries are to be limited to about 150 words. A charge of five cents a line is made for all obituaries.)

MRS. MARY MUCHA of Munson, Pa.

Mrs. Mary Mucha, nee Sussek, of Munson, Pa., was born in Osterburg, East Prussia, Germany, March 12, 1895 and died on July 29, 1957 after several years of ailing health at the age of 62 years, 4 months and 17 days. She was married to Christ Mucha in 1912. On August 15, 1912 she followed the Lord in baptism and became a member of the Munson Baptist Church, now Forest Church.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Mucha is survived by these children: William at home; Mrs. Jarne (Mary) Lyle, Saxonburg, Pa.; Mrs. Paul (Freda) Spencer, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Walter, Williamsburg, N. Y.; and Alfred, Cheektowaga, N. Y.; the following brothers and sisters: Charles Sussek and George Sussek, both of New York City; John and Betty Stamm of Milwaukee, Wis.; Myra Sussek of California; and Harriet Westlund of Meskego, Wis.; and 11 grandchildren. The funeral service at the Forest Baptist Church was in charge of her pastor.

Forest Baptist Church, Munson, Pa.

GEORGE W. ZINZ, Sr., Pastor

MR. DONALD H. MEHLHAFF of Parkston, South Dakota

Donald H. Mehlhaff of Parkston, S. Dak., son of Henry and Rose Mehlhaff, was born on January 14, 1941 at Tripp, S. Dak. He was born again unto a living hope in the fall of 1950. The undersigned had the joy of baptizing him and receiving him into the fellowship of the Parkston Baptist Church, where he proved himself a faithful and helpful member. He was regular in attendance, reliable, a leader of young people as president of the group as well as in example.

Early Sunday evening, August 4, the Lord received Donald into the fuller life at the age of 16 years. A car-train crash was the direct cause of his youthful entry into the presence of his Master. One brother Erwin went on before him. Looking hopefully to the Great Reunion before the throne of grace, he leaves his beloved parents and two sisters: Laverna, Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. LaVerle (Violet) Thiesse of Ellsworth, Minn. The Lord bless and comfort his loved ones!

Parkston, South Dakota

ALFRED WEISSER, Pastor

MRS. MARIA WOLF of Fredonia, North Dakota

Mrs. Maria Wolf, nee Reichel, of Fredonia, N. Dak., was born November 8, 1876 in Brienn, Bessarabia, South Russia, and died August 7, 1957. In 1899 she came with her parents to North Dakota and lived in this area ever since. In November 1894 she was married to Mr. Fred Wolf. He died May 26, 1936. Her son, Gottlieb, also preceded her in death on Dec. 10, 1955. Her

four sons: Fred, Henry, Jake and Theodore, and two daughters: Katie (Mrs. John Jerke), and Mary (Mrs. Gideon Fry) sorrow over her homegoing.

Mother Wolf was the first of her family to find the Lord as her Savior in 1890, and was baptized by Rev. Domke in 1892. She was a faithful member of the Berlin Baptist Church ever since that time. She lived a life of prayer for her loved ones and her church, and her life was a testimony to the grace and power of the Lord Jesus Christ. The undersigned spoke on Romans 8:38-39. Rev. E. S. Fenske brought a German message, and Rev. G. K. Zimmerman assisted at the service.

Berlin Baptist Church, Fredonia, North Dakota

V. H. PRENDINGER, Pastor

MR. HENRY KRUEGER of Watertown, Wisconsin

Mr. Henry J. Krueger of Watertown, Wis., passed away at the Dodge County Hospital in Juneau after a brief illness on August 15 at the age of 84. He was a native of the town of Ashippun and was born on Sept. 4, 1872. He had lived in Watertown since 1941, and prior to that was a farmer in the town of Lebanon. At the age of 13 he accepted the Lord as his personal Savior and on March 8, 1885 was baptized by Rev. H. J. Mueller in Rock River. He became a member of the Lebanon Baptist Church and on June 10, 1951 united with the First Baptist Church of Watertown.

On Dec. 3, 1895 he was united in marriage to Freda Mueller. To this union four daughters and four sons were born. This happy marriage was dissolved by the death of his wife on Oct. 20, 1951. Surviving Mr. Krueger are three daughters: Mrs. Albert Kropf, Mrs. Ray Rabenhorst, Mrs. Arnold Krause; four sons: Arthur H., Alvin R., Henry J., and Laverne R.; 15 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wisconsin

J. G. BENKE, Pastor

MR. ADAM A. SCHUH of Napoleon, North Dakota

Mr. Adam A. Schuh of Napoleon N. Dak., was born at Lichtenfeld, South Russia, on June 3, 1889, and arrived in this country in 1901 with his parents where they settled at Parkston, S. Dak. At the age of 15, he accepted the Lord as his Savior, was baptized by Rev. H. G. Bens and received into the Parkston Baptist Church.

In July of 1912 he was married to Lydia Rueb and the Lord blessed this union with six children. Having homesteaded at American Falls, Idaho, he returned to Tyndall in 1927 where he served his Lord as deacon for many years. After his wife passed away, he was united in matrimony to Mrs. Lydia Zimmerman whereupon they made their home at Napoleon, N. Dak. While visiting at Avon, S. Dak., he became ill and was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital at Sioux City. After what seemed to be a successful operation, he went on to his heavenly reward on August 24, 1957.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lydia Schuh; and their six sons: Edward and Albert of Avon, S. Dak.; Rueben of Durango, Colo.; Harold and Wilfred of Norwalk, Calif. The funeral service was conducted at the Tyndall Baptist Church with Rev. Peter Wiens, Rev. Henry Lang and Rev. R. Herrmann participating.

RUBIN HERRMANN, Officiating Pastor

• Mr. Herman Siemund of Chicago, Ill., former General Conference photographer, has taken out a patent on a new moving picture screen idea which combines two 8-foot screens connected with a piece that is 16

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inches long. The screen is 6 feet high. He has used this ingenious screen in showing his three-dimensional or "wide screen" films, taken in Switzerland, Italy and Germany last summer, at the Lake View Kiwanis Club, the Central Baptist Home for the Aged, and elsewhere. The film is amplified 400 times its original size. Mr. Siemund now uses 4 lenses on his camera in order to get the cinerama effect. His photographic equipment for this colorful and effective photography is valued at \$5,000 to \$8,000 as reported in one of Chicago's newspapers. He is a member of the Grace Baptist Church of Chicago.

THE EMERALD NECKLACE

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"But you warned me..." Kathryn interposed.

"It was my one good impulse," Paul admitted. "But I couldn't resist the chance to beat Farningham at his own game. When I knew he didn't have it, I went out on my own."

"How did you know Kathryn didn't have the necklace with her?" John asked.

"Farn'ingham would have gotten it if she had. And then he wouldn't have stuck around. He would have flown back to India as fast as he could. The day after I bumped into you on the street, John, Farningham began to talk about you. I knew then you had something to do with the jewels."

"But did you know I had them?" John persisted.

Paul shook his head. "I just had a hunch. When I saw Sabra drive off that morning with you in the car, I knew you'd be gone for a long time. So I searched your room."

"How did you discover the cache?" John asked.

"There was a little dust on the floor near the cache and the screws which held the baseboard plate looked as if they had been loosened lately."

"But what made you think of it?" John asked.

"What made you think of it?" Paul countered.

"It seemed a good place."

"Ditto."

Kathryn held out her arm, drawing Paul's attention to the bracelet set with lapis lazuli. "Did you ever make a copy of this bracelet?"

"Yes," Paul said, "I made a copy of it and sold it."

"To Taki Ali in Meshed," John added.

Paul wheeled around. "How did you know?" he asked in astonishment.

"Won Long has the copy," John said.

"Here in San Francisco?" Paul groaned. "Be sure your sin will find you out."

"Yes, Paul, here in San Francisco. There was no escape. Even now your hotel in the mission is surrounded by secret police," John informed him.

"I'm thankful I came here first," Paul said.

"We are, too, Paul," Kathryn said. "You and I have both found the greatest Jewel of all, the 'Pearl of great price,' the Lord Jesus Christ."

"I'm on my way now to the police to clear this thing," Paul said.

"You know Farningham is in jail?" John asked.

"Yes, I know. Justice may be late but it is always sure."

Paul was about to leave the room when John said, "Say, Paul, that day on Grant Avenue. Did you know I was

"I was waiting for you at the hotel," John said grimly.

"I was sure of that," Paul returned.

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right behind you? I called your name?"

"Yes, I knew. I happened to glance back and saw you. I went through a shop there and out on another street. I knew you were after me."

"I was coming up Powell Street the day I checked out of the Chancellor. I saw you dash out of the hotel and hurry up toward Sutter. I darted into a doorway and waited until you were out of sight, then checked out. But I was afraid to leave town. Thought I'd stick around until things were quiet and then take a plane. I was going to take the necklace to pieces and sell it stone by stone."

John saw Kathryn shudder. He held out his hand to Paul "You have helped us solve a mystery, Paul, and prevent a tragedy. We are truly grateful."

When Paul left, John turned to Kathryn. "What do you plan to do now, Kathryn?"

Kathryn sighed. "Get the necklace to Won as soon as possible. And then send the money to England at once. Oh, John, to think I'm free! How marvelous. How wonderful."

"You can restore Howard's mother's account in full?"

"Oh, yes, there will be ample for that."

Kathryn was examining the necklace.

"By the way," John said, "what is that Egyptian scroll you spoke of? What does it say?"

Kathryn smiled. "Translating it freely it simply means that whoever has the necklace shall have her heart's desire."

"Ah! And your heart's desire is?"

"That's a secret . . . deep in my heart."

John turned and gazed out the window. "You will be rich," he said gloomily.

"Rich with the treasures of heaven."

"You won't need me now," John said.

"I'll need you more than ever, John."

John caught her shoulders, looking into her eyes, searching her face. What he saw there filled his heart with joy. "I love you, Kathryn. Could you . . . would you . . . ?"

"It's my heart's desire, John."

Putting a hand under her chin, John lifted it, then stooped and kissed her gently.

The necklace, a glittering mass of green and white stones, lay forgotten at her feet.

—The End—

Spice of Life

Teacher: "Robert, how is it you have not learned your lesson? It couldn't have been so hard to learn."

Bobby: "No, teacher, it wasn't because it was so hard to learn; it was because it was so easy to forget."

"And did you knit all this lovely jumper by yourself?" the teacher asked the little girl.

"Yes, teacher," replied the child. "That is, all except the hole you put your head through—that was there when I started!"

Two women, friends of long standing, boarded a plane. Just before the take-off, one of them was struck with a horrid thought. Hastily making her way into the pilot's compartment, she tapped the pilot firmly on the shoulder. "See here, young man," she commanded. "Don't you dare travel faster than the speed of sound! Emma and I have a lot to talk over on this trip."

"My dog took first prize at the cat show."

"How was that?"

"He took the cat."

Physician (to a rich patient): "You're all run down. I suggest that you lay off golf for a while and get a good rest at your office."

Native: "Sahib, I saw a lot of tiger tracks about a mile north of here."

Hunter: "Good! Which way is south!"

A recruit passed a captain without saluting. The captain stopped him and said, "Take a look at me. Do you attach any special significance to this uniform?"

The new soldier looked him over and replied, "Why, you lucky dog! You've got one that fits."

Roommate: "Wake up, Wake up!"

Sick Chum: "What for?"

Roommate: "It's time to take your sleeping pill."

He ordered two dozen roses to be sent to his beloved on her twenty-fourth birthday.

"A rose for every precious year of your life," his card read. Then, because the young fellow was one of his best customers, the florist threw in an extra dozen.

"I remember when I was a lad," said the old salt to Bobby, "I had to fight for my life with sixteen cannibals, and only one got away."

"But," objected Bobby, "last year you told me it was eight cannibals."

"Yes," he said easily, "but you were too young then to know the whole horrible truth."