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NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE



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A Good Beginning with God

Looking Into the Future Compel Them to Come In! Canada's New Prime Minister

- "The Defender", Wichita, Kans., died last March from the Standard Oil November 13. Two weeks before he Company. It is located at 1300 Harhad returned home from his office and told his wife that he "had the flu" and Members of the Graham team and ofthat he was so worn out he could not fee staff contributed \$30,000 toward fight it and was going to die. After a the cost of the building. Graham anfew days in bed he returned to his nounced that seven men are being work but had to give it up. He d'ed added to the Association's board of disuddenly while being raised in his bed. Dr. Winrod was a Baptist minister whose controversial writings obtained him a very wide influence.
- Pastor Will'am Fetler, otherwise known as Basil Malof, who built the Baptist Tabernacle at St. Petersburg, Russia, and the Baptist Temple church in Riga, Latvia, died recently. He was Latvian in origin. For several years after his training he went to Russia for evangelical work and founded the Russ'an Missionary Society, now known as the Slavic and Baltic Mission. For many years he had been living in the western part of the United States in semi-retirement.
- A spokesman for the White House has confirmed that President Eisenhower has decided to proclaim the first Wednesday in October each year as a national day of prayer. The President will try to enlist the cooperation of religious leaders of all faiths so that the day will be marked by appropriate observances. Congress adopted a joint resolution in 1952 calling upon the President to proclaim a "day other than Sunday" each year as a national day of prayer for peace. The lawmakers left it up to the Chief Executive to select the day.
- The first record album to feature exclusively the hymns of Charles Weslev has been produced by the Protestant Radio and Television Center. Atlanta, Georgia. The 250th anniversary of Charles Wesley's birth was celebrated in 1957, and the album was produced in connection with the observance. Charles Wesley was born December 18, 1707, lived in England, and wrote about 6,500 hymns. He was the brother of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. The hymns in the album are sung by the Chancel Choir of First Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas, under the direction of Dr. Glen R. Johnson, director. A portion of the album is devoted to a "Charles Wesley Hymn Service," featuring hymns woven together with appropriate narration.
- Evangelist B'lly Graham dedicated a new headquarters building in Minneapolis, Minn., in mid-November "to the glory of God," and renewed his pledge to "use every means possible to reach people for Jesus Christ." The four-story office building with 40,000

• Dr. Gerald B. Winrod, editor of square feet of space was purchased men Place in downtown Minneapol's. rectors, with five more to be named early in 1958. The board then will number 20 and will enable Graham to devote all of his time to preaching. Graham will retire as board chairman. Two hundred Protestant leaders from th'rty-five countries gathered December 28 - January 8 in the new African nation of Ghana to discuss Madras (India) in 1938; Whitby (Cancurrent developments in the mission—ada) in 1947; and Willingen (Gerary activities of the Christian many) in 1952.

churches. The occasion was the Assembly of the International Missionery Council, held at the University of Ghana. The Assembly, which meets quadrennially, is the governing body of the Council. Present were the delegates and consultants from the 35 missionary or national Christian councils who constitute the membership of the I.M.C. The Ghana meeting followed in the tradition of a number of famous world - wide missionary conferences. The I.M.C. itself was organized as a result of one of these conferences the Edinburgh Conference of 1910. Other conferences held under I. M. C. auspices include Jerusalem in 1928;

#### Baptist **Briefs**

Spanish Broadcasts. "La Hora Bap- "statewide fellowship" of Southern tista," a weekly Baptist Hour radio program in Spanish, is being produced by the Radio and Television Commiss'on of the Southern Convention beginning January 1, 1958, according to Director Paul M. Stevens. The format of the new series is similar to the Baptist Hour, the Commission's English program currently being broadcast on 451 stations around the world.

e Baptist Radio Preacher. Thirty years of continuous religious broadcasting was the occasion for an anniversary dinner November 15 at the Prince George Hotel in New York honoring Dr. William Ayer who for the past 8 years has been conducting the Marching Truth Broadcast over WABC and other stations in the nation. For fourteen years Dr. Aver was pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of New York whose morning and evening services each Sunday are aired over a local sta-

O Baptist Leader. Dr. F. Townley Lord has expressed his purpose to retire from the pastorate of the Bloomsbury church, London, England, at the end of July, 1958 when he will have completed nearly 29 years of service there. He has accepted an invitation to join the staff of Furman University in the United States for special lectures until the end of January, 1959. After that he w'll conduct preaching mission here for several months and then return to London.

O Southern Baptists in 29 States. Indiana is expected to become the 29th state to have a convention of Southern Baptist churches. The decision to organize was made at the third annual

Baptists in the state. It came after the 97 delegates had heard a report from a special committee assigned to study the need for such an organization. For several years Southern Baptists in Kentucky and Illinois have sponsored the work here. One factor contributing to the growth of the denomination's churches and the increasing sentiment for expansion in Indiana has been the influx of workers from the south seeking employment in the state's industrial centers.

-The Christian Century

o 50th Wedding Anniversary. Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Lewis recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, and were entertained at a Baptist ministers luncheon in the Baptist Building at Washington, D. C. Dr. Lewis was formerly secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, working in many European countries. He has served the Baptist World Alliance both as associate secretary and general secretary. Dr. and Mrs. Lewis are now retired and reside at the Cavalier Hotel, 3500 Fourteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

@ Baptists of Burlingame. In Burlingame, Cal'fornia, an internationallyminded congregation is taking steps toward the adoption of the Jordan village of Rafideyeh, 70 miles north of Jerusalem. Dr. Cecil G. Osborne, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Burlingame, said arrangements have been made to administer the village of 2,-500 through the Anglican Church of Jerusalem. The initial cost of the adopt on will be about \$1,600, which

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## Editorial.

#### Round a Radiant Light

 $\overline{A}$  SONG OF FAITH and joy will become very precious to many of us during the course of this year 1958. It is well known to those of our people who are familiar with the German hymnal, "Die Glaubensharfe". It is now being sung fervently by those congregations using the new "North American Hymnal". This fine translation by Rev. Paul Wengel, under the title, "Like Children Round a Radiant Light", will be the theme song at the 32nd General Conference at Edmonton, Alberta.

The picture of the hymn portrays the Word of God at the center with children gathered around the Word to hear the truths to be revealed to them. The hymn contains a prayer for an open heart and ear "to all who now confess the need of thee, our Savior dear". It presents God's promise that no truth will be concealed from those who have a spiritual longing to be edified. It closes with a request for God's benediction to be with us from the sunset of today "until that blissful dawning day of thine eternity". All of this is pictured beautifully by "children round a radiant light".

That is also a glorious theme for the year 1958! If this Word of God is at the center of our lives and hearts, then it will be a guiding light throughout the year. Its truths will illumine our pathway ahead of us. From its pages will shine forth the heavenly wisdom that we need to solve the problems which will confront us. We shall need to "follow the gleam" and to "walk in the light" if we want this edifying, wonderful fellowship with our Lord and Savior.

That will also be the paramount purpose of our General Conference in Edmonton, Alberta, from July 21 to 27. What does God have to say to us as North American Baptists through his Word? What are the tasks still to be completed in the work of his Kingdom? To what fields does he want us to go with the Gospel message? These questions will receive definite answers at our Conference sessions if

> "Like children round a radiant light We gather here, O Lord, To hear what to our hearts there might Be spoken from thy Word."

Throughout this year 1958 we shall be eager to feel God's touch of benediction upon us, to see his glory revealed to us, and to hear his words of approval spoken to us. Like Lydia of old, who attended to the things of God which were spoken of Paul, we must seek the fellowship of God's people and open our hearts and homes to Christian friends. We must seek out opportunities for service to others in Christ's Name. We must be responsive to every Macedonian call. We must clasp hands with others in the work of Christ that needs to be

There is a marvelous glow in this "fellowship of kindred minds" in our churches and at conference sessions. "Like children round a radiant light", we are edified and blessed by that central glory. As we honor Christ as Lord and Muster and give all glory to him, he will flood our souls with the light of his joy and peace and make of every day throughout 1958 a blessed, victorious pilgrimage, hand in hand with him!

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—Luoma Photo "Treat the things present as if they were not, and live like an heir of heaven's invisible but substantial joys. Higher and better things are in store for thee."

## LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

Here is a message from the pen of "the prince of preachers" that is perhaps even more timely today than when Spurgeon preached it more than half a century ago. We need today to turn our eyes away from the things that are seen and temporal to that which is unseen and eternal.

"We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen, . . . for the things which are not seen are eternal (2 Cor. 4:18).

#### By Charles Haddon Spurgeon

(Reprinted from "The Evangelical Christian")

THE TEXT WEARS THE SHAPE of I a double paradox. Things that can be seen are, naturally, the things to be looked at. What should a man look at but what he can see? And yet the apostle tells us not to look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen.

How can things invisible be looked at? That again is a paradox. How can you look at what you cannot see? This is only one paradox of the Christian life, and the riddle lies rather in the words than in the sense. We shall soon discover that there is no contradiction or incongruity, no difficulty whatever.

#### THINGS WHICH ARE SEEN

First, let us look at what can be seen, and ask what are we to understand by th's protest: "We look not at the things which are seen"?

It means lightly esteeming both present joy and present sorrow, as if they were not worth looking at. The present is so soon to be over that Paul does not care to look at it. There is so little of it, and it lasts such a brief time, that he does not even deign to give it a glance, he looks not at it. Here he is persecuted, despised, forsaken.

"It will not last long," saith he. "It is but a pin's prick; it will soon be over, and I shall be with the goodly fellowship above, and behold my Master's face." He will not look at it. He ignores it. Thus it behooves us to do if surrounded with trials, troubles, present sorrows: we should not think so much of them as to fix our attention, to rivet our gaze on them.

Rather let us treat them with indifference, and say: "It is really a very small matter whether I am in wealth or in poverty, in health or in sickness; whether I am enjoying comforts or whether I am robbed of them. The

present will be so soon gone that I do not care to look at it."

I am like a man who stays at an hostelry for a night while he is on a journey. Is the room uncomfortable? When the morning breaks it is of no use making a complaint, and so he merely chron'cles the fact, and hastens on. He says to himself: "Never mind. I am up and away directly; it is of no use fretting about trifles."

If a person is going a long distance in a railway carriage, he may be a little particular as to where he shall sit to see the country, and as to which



Charles Haddon Spurgeon of London, England, who has been called "one of God's greatest gifts to the world and God's greatest gift to the Baptist denomination."

way he likes to ride; but if it is only a short stage, he does not think about it. He does not greatly care in whose company he may be, it is only for a few minutes; he is hardly in before he is out again, it is a matter

#### Not Worth Thinking About!

That is how the apostle regarded it. He reckoned that the present joys and present sorrows were so soon to be over that they were to him a matter of indifference, not even worth casting his eye that way to see what they

"Doth Jesus bid me go to Rome?" says the apostle. "Then I do not look to see whether I shall be housed in Nero's hall or caged in Nero's dungeon. It is for so short a while that if I can serve my Master better in the dungeon than I can in the palace, so let it be. My casual lot shall be my well-contented choice. It shall be a matter, if not of cool indifference, yet still of calm serenity, for it will be soon over, and gone into history. A whole eternity lies beyond, and therefore a short temporality dwindles into an insignificant trifle."

What a blessed philosophy this is which teaches us not even to look at passing transient troubles, but to fix our gaze on eternal triumphs.

#### THINGS WHICH ARE NOT SEEN

Now for a few minutes let us address ourselves to the second point looking at the things which are not seen. How can we do that? Well, first, realize them by faith. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and in the judgment, and in life everlasting, according to the teaching of the Word of God. Try to look at these thingsto look at them as present facts.

Some will never do so. They will tell you that they could not see them if

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they tried; but that is just what we, who have been taught of God so to look at the things which are not seen, can palpably d'scern. Oh, to look bevond death to "the home over there," beyond the swelling flood, where souls that were loved of God from before the foundation of the world are safe with

A soldier, some time ago, was in the valley of Jehoshaphat, where according to tradition, the feet of the Messiah will rest in the day of judgment, and he sat on a stone and said: "And shall we all be present? I will sit here in that day." And there, absorbed with the thought, he looked up to the sky, and so distinctly d'd he realize the majestic vision of the day of judgment, that he fell to the ground in amazement, oblivious of everything that was transpiring around him.

#### CITY OF THE BLEST

Ah, if all of us were living in the light of the day of the Lord, what trifles these ebbs and flows, these ups and downs of passing c'rcumstances, would seem! Realize heaven, brothers and sisters—the heaven of the perfect manhood after the resurrection-the heaven where we see the Beloved's face, and day and night extol him for ever.

Oh, what is it to be poor? What is it to be sick? What would it be to go through a thousand deaths if we may but at last behold his glory, world without end?

The Christian learns to look on these things with the eye of delight. Is it not to you, my dear brother in Christ, a delight to see God? I should not like to go to any place where I could not see my God. Yet he is not seen. Is it not a delicious thing to look forward to the heaven that is above—to the city of the blest?

When the Lord indulges our faith with a view of that eternal joy-and some of us have known what it is-it has been too much for our weak capacity. We can laugh in our sleep when we dream of heaven, and we can sit down in the midst of pain and sorrow and feel as if we could not have more joy than we possess, because our souls have looked on the pinnacles of our Father's palace, and seen the gleaming radiance of the twelve bejewelled foundations of the eternal city where there is a house for us!

#### HEAVENLY RICHES

The poor girl who goes home from this joyous place of worship to her own little cheerless room would feel miserable indeed if she looked at the shady side of her condition; but she says: "My Lord is in this room," and the place glows as if it were made of slabs of gold. She settles down and begins to think of the heaven that is hers. and she sees herself to be a King's daughter, a true princess, for she possesses in the gloryland a crown that no head can wear but hers, and there is a mansion provided for her which none can tenant but herself; happy, there-

#### The New Church

Read by MRS. G. W. RUTSCH at the Dedication of the Willow Rancho Baptist Church, Sacramento, California

Here ground was broken that there might arise

A house of God that points men to the skies.

Here is that house, made ready, all prepared

To care for people thronging to its doors:

To honor God, not heeding man's app'ause.

Here are the people, faulty sons of men,

But knowing where a peace and help are found

Within this house, on this new holy ground.

Here is the Christ, whom ages have acclaimed.

Who waiting stands with open arms of love.

And draws men to the Father's heart above.

This is a new place, a new community. Here is the future — all unspent and

Beckening our lives to serve the highest good,

To witness to the Christ as true men

Grant us great faithfulness, O Lord cur God,

That we shall render here true ministry

That all may know the Christ, who sets men free;

That this new church, in new com-

Shall leaven all the bread of daily life, And make for unity instead of strife;

That seeking for the good of all mankind

We here shall know approval of the Lord.

And nearer bring the Kingdom of our God.

-Edward E. Chipman

fore, she well may be. O beloved friends, learn to look at these things with intense delight because they are ours in reversion now, and are soon to be ours in possession.

On the other hand, if you are not converted, I would urge you to look upon the eternal future-for it is eternol-with an intense dread; for without Christ what is there for you among the things which are not seen, and are eternal, but that which will make you wring your hands for poignant grief, and gnash your teeth for bitter self-reproach if you are resolved to I've and to die as you now are? You see not yet the future state

#### CHARLES HADDON SPURGEON

June 19, 1834 - Jan. 31, 1892

At 16 years of age, young Spurgeon began preaching in England, and at 19 he had attracted so much attention that he was invited to become pastor of the New Park Street Chapel in London. His preaching attracted such crowds that it became necessary to build the great Metropolitan Tabernacle, where he labored the rest of his life. Although the Tabernacle seated 6,500, it was always crowded. His sermons were syndicated and read all over the world. Like all great preachers, he was simple, direct, earnest. The common people heard him gladly. One can imag ne what a radio and television audience he would command, if he were alive today.

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of woe, but like all the unseen things it is eternal. There can be no termination to the misery of an immortal soul when once banished from God.

#### CHRIST'S GLORIOUS APPEARING

By looking into the things which are not seen, Paul doubtless meant that he looked to them with hope. To his view the harvest was ripe, and he was eager to reap it. I invite all believers to be looking with ardent hope for the things that are eternal. Long for the bright appearing of the Lord. Long for your translation unto the city of glory. Exrect it; watch for it. It is on the way.

Dear friend, look toward heaven. Look toward eternal things. Pursue them with consecrated mind. You must look right on to the end of the race for the prize. The runner does not cast a glance to the right or to the left, or to the flowers which bespangle the pathway, but he keeps his eye on the prize, and that helps him to run. He stretches every nerve to reach the end, and win the prize.

Have an eye always on eternity. Keep your thoughts upon that. Eat and drink as for eternity, remembering that what you eat and drink perisheth, and he that eats will perish too. See that thou pursuest with all thy might things spiritual. As for things transient, commit them to God's providence. Do thy best to honor God in the use of this world's currency, but make it not thy wealth.

I fin'sh with this. Treat the things present as if they were not, and live thou like an heir of heaven's invisible but substantial joys. Higher and better things are in store for thee. God bless thee by his Holy Spirit with blessed foretastes of the hereafter. Amen.



Gwata, a leper who traveled from one medicine man to another for 10 years, is now at the New Hope Settlement with casts joining both legs during his skin grafting proce-dure, eagerly reading his Bible.

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ful member of society again.

the faith.

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support themselves.

tious cases of leprosy requiring segre-

gation. And it is especially suited to

the care of severe cases needing sur-

gery, special medications, or physical

therapy and vocational training that

will help an individual become a use-

vears. This extended period gives an

excellent opportunity for soul win-

ning, and, more than that, for nurtur-

ing and establishing new converts in

reaching out to bring every leprosy

patient under treatment. Neither space

nor money is available to gather many

thousands of sick people in the central

settlement. Needless segregation also

makes the return home after years of

Last year twelve young Christian

graduates of the Cameroons elemen-

tary schools were sent for a nine

month training course in Nigeria. They learned how to diagnose and treat lep-

rosy. They were taught simple first

aid and sanitation principles. These

men now man leprosy clinics in stra-

tegic villages radiating in all directions

Non-infectious cases of leprosy are

in the majority. Those who live with-

in five or ten miles of a clinic walk in

twice weekly for treatment. They con-

tinue to live near their family and

LEPROSY CLINICS

clinics initially present has rapidly dis-

appeared. In one town a clinic has ex-

isted for more than a year. During a

visit the local chieftain commented,

The fear-induced opposition to these

The second step has now begun,

Treatment lasts from two to five

TS LEPROSY still a killer? Can it be ing and operating expenses, it was an L cured? What can be done to prevent its spread? Is control d'fficult? How does leprosy work tie in with evangelism?

More than a quarter of a century before sweating men armed with cutlasses and shovels carved the first motorable road from the rain forests of the Cameroons up thousands of feet into the Bamenda highlands, young Gwata was attending vernacular school in the village of Bali. In those days there was no cure for leprosy, but for ten years Gwata traveled from one medicine man to another. Leprosy was due to some form of curse or witchcraft according to common belief.

Once he even made an arduous 300m'le trek to the capital city of Duala in the French territory, but in those days the most that could be offered by of segregation. To the single such haven in Bamenda Province, Gwata resignedly returned in 1936, entering as one of the first occupants. His disease continued to spread through his skin and nerves in spite of painful da'ly injections of chaulmoogra oil that were later tried. Active marks of his disease were still present when Laura Reddig began the new treatment with Dapsone

#### NEW HOPE SETTLEMENT

The present picture is a hopeful one. If treatment begins early enough, the disease can be arrested while the individual is still perfectly healthy. No longer is treatment limited to providing domiciliary care. Following the pattern of public health projects in Ind'a and Nigeria, a program is now under way in the Cameroons, not only to cure the individual but to eradicate leprosy from the country.

The first step toward this end has been the establishment of the main leprosy center, Bamenda New Hope Settlement. Although the government provided the land and grants for build-

## COMPEL THEM TO COME IN!

The marvelous story of the New Hope Settlement and Leprosy Clinics in the Cameroons, Africa

By DR. KENNETH W. JONES of Portland, Ore.

Former Medical Missionary at the Settlement

"When the work began, we were act of faith when the mission and the churches at home accepted the responsibility of providing a doctor, a The Settlement serves two functions. It provides for the treatment of infec-

> That a man's abilities are not solely determined by his years of book learning is evidenced by the responsible work these leprosy assistants carry on in villages days away from a qualified doctor. At times it does become a matter of "some's better than none." Eventually each assistant can serve two or three clinics. It is easier for a healthy man to travel than for the sick to walk to him.

> Just now the medical supervision for such expansion is limited. Dr. Eugene Stockdale is carrying on alone at New Hope Settlement which by itself could be a full time job for several doctors. In addition there are emergencies that occur among the surrounding thousands of un-doctored people. Usually these are carried in

> There was the night when a townbound lorry skidded at the foot of the hill. Its open back was packed tight with sixty singing passengers. Bulging sacks of corn and coffee beans, brittle calabashes of red palm oil, baskets of chickens, and human beings alike were spewed forth, torn, and fractured. Tired after her long journey to Africa, Delores Henne was initiated by helping set up an emergency hospital for thirty of the wounded.

#### VISIT TO THE HOSPITAL

Let us make a visit to New Hope Settlement some morning. The rising sun cuts coldly through spirals of smoke filtering up through the grass rooftops of the patients' cabins. The stillness is broken by a rhythmical throbbing as corn is pulverized in heavy wooden motors. The penetrating staccato of an African log drum

afraid. We thought your medicine was a trick to take people's money. Now we see wonderful things! These men had faces like animals a year ago. Now they look like human beings

by the ones and twos.

nev. Others take two to five hours. The Mbem Clinic is more than six hours away by motor travel and then two to three more hours of climbing by foot. But first there must be brief rounds at the hospital. Many of the patients are there simply to rest. This gives deep ulcerations on their feet a chance to heal. Today we may find one pa-

announces the new day by call ng pa-

starting introduces a foreign sound.

supplies for a visit to one of the clin-

The hoarse coughing of an engine

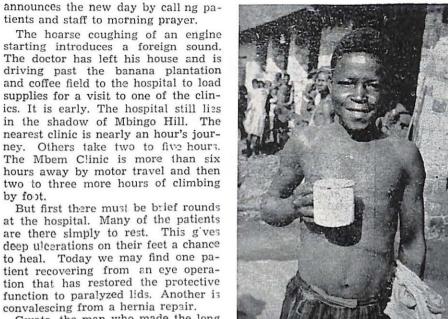
tients and staff to morning prayer.

convalescing from a hernia repair. Gwata, the man who made the long journey to Duala and waited over thirty years for a doctor who could help him, was in the hospital many months undergoing multiple skin grafts to cover raw areas on his feet. He was baptized over 28 years ago and leads the patients in hymn singing and prayer. At last, he begins to look forward to seeing his family again.

tient recovering from an eye opera-

At any one time, several patients will be suffering from the more common complications of leprosy. There are the acutely swollen, painful nerves; and the high fevers of leprae react on during which time new crops of skin nodules often appear. Infected and even gangrenous fingers and toes are frequent occurrences. Rarely a patient will have a dangerous allergic reaction to Dapsone. This may resemble the dermatitis of a penicillin reaction or show up as high fever and arthritic pains. Death may even result, especially if cortisone is not available,

One patient developed such a violent case of hepatitis that it caused the hospital to be opened ahead of schedule. Mrs. Gilbert Schneider was



One of the leprosy children at the treatment center, waiting for his Dapsone pills. Each patient has to bring his own cup and water.

cruit even an illiterate night watchman for ward duty. The patient made a near miraculous return to health. Perhaps it is significant that his name is Lazarus!

#### A TRIP BY "LANDROVER"

Problems such as these tax the resources of the most expert. They emphasize the need for frequent visits by the doctor to the distant clinics. Even so, he cannot be at two or three places

There will hardly be room for another passenger. The Landrover is already filled with the extra drum of petrol, a trekking box, a box of bandages and one of medicines, the laboratory technician, the motor boy, a patient returning home, the mail runner who is hitching a ride, and the doctor. But if you will squeeze in-in Africa there is always room for just one more-and the nurse at that time and had to re- jolt along, you will find there is no

mud on the road this time of year.

Grassy patches have a brown tinge, heralding the dry season. Red dust sucks up into the cab and eddies over the tail gate turning the passengers into light skinned ghosts and powdering their hair a peculiar auburn shade. A trickle of sweat runs down, leaving a black streak and giving away the disguise.

Today's clinic is fairly typical. The unused mud house provided by the local people clings to a hillside overlooking the neat, whitewashed buildings of a Cathol'c school. There is no evangelical church in the area. Patients line three walls of the small, dark. pleasantly cool room. After a song, the leprosy assistant brings a Gospel message in the language of the people before he gives out the pills. The doctor makes progress notes and examines those who are diagnostic problems. Usually it is easy to tell if a person has leprosy. In early or unusual cases it takes careful study to differentiate it from other d'seases.

#### THE GOSPEL'S POWER

A number of patients have believed in Jesus as Savior since beginning to come for treatment. One shriveled old man had seemed too limited in understanding and too old to change his ways. But let us never underestimate the power of God! Today this man wants to testify to a new found Friend. "I glad plenty. Now if I be well, I go be inside Jesus' hand. If I die, still I go be inside Jesus' hand."

A pleasant younger man has an evelid paralysis that makes him look always on the verge of tears. He too is glad to know Jesus. But he has a problem. What, he wonders, will the church do with him? Will he be accepted and baptized? The difficulty is that he had two wives before he heard the way of salvation. Now that he has received Jesus into h's life, he does not want to send either wife back to her pagan home to be wed adulterously to another man. Nor does he want to send his children away.

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A group of the leprosy assistants of the New Hope Settlement (left) gathered by the "Landrover," preparing for a trip to one of the leprosy clinics, shown in action at the right.



—United Press Photo
Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker and his wife of Canada,
Loth of whom are faithful members of a Baptist Church in
the Baptist Federation of Canada.

## CANADA'S NEW PRIME MINISTER and ILLUSTRIOUS BAPTIST

John G. Diefenbaker is a fine example of high-minded citizenship, of commendable public leadership and of active membership in a Baptist Church

By DR. T. B. McDORMAND

General Secretary-Treasurer, Baptist Federation of Canada

WHEN JOHN GEORGE DIEFEN- triumph, attained at the age of 61, was a well-earned one for a morally earold on a prairie farm in North Sas- nest prairie lawyer who for many katchewan, he read a biography of Sir W.lfred Laurier, distinguished Liberal statesman of Canada. Completing it, John turned to his surprised father, and said, "Some day I want to be Premier of Canada."

Late in June of last year, following a sensational overthrow of the wellentrenched Liberal Government, John Diefenbaker had his childhood ambition realized as he took the oath of office as Canada's Prime Minister. This

years was the only Conservative member in Canada's House of Commons from the C.C.F. Province of Saskatchewan, and who won the respect and admiration of all parties in the Commons by his diligence, ability and personal charm.

Pr'me Minister Diefenbaker is the third Baptist to head a Canadian Government — the Honorable Alexander McKenzie and Sir Charles Tupper, son of a Maritime Baptist pastor, being the

cther two. Mrs. Diefenbaker, daughter of a Baptist pastor, met John when both were children in the Sunday School of First Baptist Church, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Olive's father, Rev. C. B. Freeman, was the pastor, and John's father was the Sunday School superintendent. Thus the depth of their "Baptist roots" can readily be estimated. The first Mrs. John Diefenbaker was baptized into the membership of the First Baptist Church at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, only a few years before her death.

John Diefenbaker was born at Neustadt, Ontario, in 1895, and lived in this town for the first eight years of his life. Thus, h's early Sunday School days were spent actively in a North American Baptist Church in Neustadt.

#### CHRISTIAN IDEALS

On June 9, 1957, the day before the crucial election which brought the Conservative party to power, the Diefenbakers worshiped quietly in the Prince Albert Church. On the next Sunday morning they were seen at worship in the First Baptist Church, Ottawa, where they will spend most of their time during his term in office. When the Prince Albert Church was remodelled some years ago, it was Mr. Diefenbaker's large single gift which made a complete new set of pews possib'e. Such a record of quiet loyalty to the church of his fathers made it singularly fitting that Mr. Diefenbaker should receive h's first honorary Doctor of Laws from Baptist McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, in

In his CBC broadcast to the Canadian people on June 22, 1957, the new Prime Minister said, "We have been favored of God's bounty as perhaps no



-United Press Photo Canadian Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker (left) and Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, Premier of Ghana, Africa (near the Cameroons, Africa) enjoy a hearty laugh together at the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference held in London, England.

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## Student Exchanges with Baptists of Germany

The Dramatic Story of Berndt Kuhn by Prof. Roy Seibel of Sioux Falls. South Dakota

"I HAVE given my life to the task of Hamburg. After a short time, Mr. go to America where he could study I of bringing the Gospel to the youth of Germany." This was the way in which Bernd Kuhn, foreign exchange student attending our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., expressed his life's purpose. In stating his reasons for studying at the North American Baptist Seminary he declared, "I have come seeking to learn more of your American program of Christian Education and evangelism.'

Mr. Kuhn is the second student coming from the Hamburg-Horn Seminary in Hamburg, Germany, since the program of student exchange between the Hamburg Seminary and our own North American Baptist Seminary was first instituted in 1955. Mr. George Selinger was the first student sent from Germany in 1955.

#### PROMOTING WORLD FELLOWSHIP

Three students have gone from our Seminary to study at the Hamburg-Horn Seminary in Germany. Harold Lang and Leslie Zilkie represented our institution in the two previous years. John Binder is studying in Europe at the present time.

The program was designed to foster a larger world fellowship and understanding among Baptist brethren. Over a period of ten years we will have trained ten representatives from both sides of the Atlantic who will be able to interpret the other's program and thereby help to strengthen the spirit-

The purpose of the student exchange is dramatically personalized in the life and work of Bernd Kuhn. In one short decade he emerged as a disillusioned youth from the ranks of the shattered Hitler youth organization to become a seminary student with the clear purpose in life of serving Christ among the youth of Europe.

#### BITTER WAR YEARS

As a youth of sixteen, Mr. Kuhn fought to hold the city of Danzig for Hitler. Although his mother was a Baptist, he blindly followed the political ideologies of his leaders and felt no need for God or religion. Clinging to the city until all overland routes were cut off, he was forced to flee by

There followed a bitter year whose memory is lost in a tangled maze of confusion and emptiness. The sullen dullness of the fleeing refugees was punctuated only by the cries of the long stream of wounded soldiers. The constant presence of death finally brought the shocked youth to face the awfulness of an eternity without God or hope.

It was in this confused state of mind that he finally turned from wandering in the war-torn countryside to the city

group of Christian young people who there that he met God face to face and found a new purpose in living.

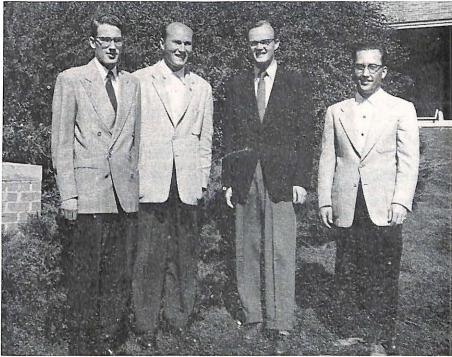
#### CALL OF CHRIST

The call of Christ to Christian service came to him slowly over a period of the next few years, for it was so difficult to hear the Master's voice above that of h's chosen career in chemistry. While working as an apprentice chemist for three years, the call to Christian service grew stronger as he became Musing over these experiences and op-

Kuhn made the acquaintance of a further and learn more about the youth programs conducted by the churches invited him to attend the evangelistic of America. This dream came to sudmeetings they were conducting. It was den reality when he was selected to come to the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, as a foreign exchange student. Arriving in Sioux Falls in September, 1957, he immed ately began his studies in earnest.

#### STUDIES IN AMERICA

Three months of investigation and research have rapidly slipped away since he first began his work here. more deeply involved in youth work portunities, he can now begin to crys-



American and German Exchange Students enjoy a reunion on the campus of the North
American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Left to right: Harold F. Lang, 1955-1955; Leslie Zilkie, 1956-1957; Berndt Kuhn of Germany,
now studying at our seminary; John Binder, who is an exchange student at present
at Hamburg, Germany.

struggle, he turned his back upon his mulate some conclusions to his study. career to follow wherever Christ would lead.

The vision of armies of disillusioned youth marching out of a shattered past into a godless tomorrow of despair never left his memory and served as a compelling power to drive him on in reeking to reach them for Christ.

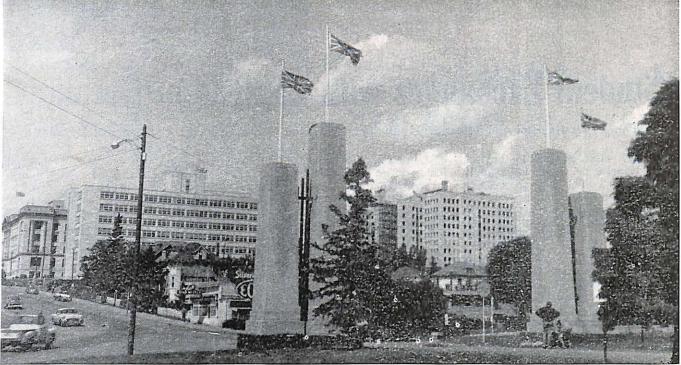
Upon the advice of Dr. H. Luckey, president of the Hamburg-Horn Seminary, Mr. Kuhn spent one year as an assistant director of a home for fifty to sixty working youth in the city of Hanover, Germany. From there he went to the Seminary where he graduated after four years of study.

Slowly a dream began to materialize in his heart that some day he would

and summer camps. After a bitter soul ta'lize certain impressions and to for-Mr. Kuhn sums up his feelings when he states, "I most deeply appreciate the opportunity that has been mine to study a cross-sectional life of the churches of America, both in the rural and urban areas. I can better understand their problems and appreciate their great ministry.

> The program of Christian Education has made a deep impress on on Mr. Kuhn as he declares, "I am greatly impressed by the careful designing of a total church program that recognizes the needs of all ages. Here in America you realize that the future of the church is in the children and the youth. Unfortunately, in Germany the

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A view of the Alberta Government buildings as seen from the main entrance to the grounds of the Alberta Provincial Legislative Capitol with the four flags waving their welcome to visitors.

## Conference Arrangements in Edmonton

Make Your Plans Soon for the General Conference - Edmonton, Alberta July 21 to 27, 1958 By REV. J. C. GUNST, Promotional Secretary

MORE THAN 2,000 North American Baptists are expected in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, from July 21 to 27, 1958. The special occasion will be the 32nd General Conference for North American Baptists. Make your plans now to be at this great Conference!

Plan your vacation or holiday in such a way so as to include the General Conference in Edmonton this year. In fact, it will be more than a trip to Edmonton to the General Conference. You have read of the double package tour that is being suggested to our people. (Oct. 31, 1957 Issue). In addition to the spiritually inspiring days at the Conference in Edmonton, we recommend that you plan a trip to the majestic and beautiful Canadian Rockies following the Conference.

#### CANADIAN HOSPITALITY

The General Conference Arrangements Committee has prepared an tinerary whereby in a vacation period of two weeks, you can attend the General Conference in the city of Edmonton followed by a scheduled tour to the Canadian Rockies immediately after the close of the Conference sessions. Nowhere else can you combine a vacation with spiritual enrichment at a great conference and a tour into God's beautiful natural resources for relaxation and inspiration such as is offered here.

Come to Alberta and enjoy grand Canadian hospitality! The city of Edmonton, as such, is easily reached by train, by automobile, or by plane. Edmonton is a sizable modern city with a good many modern and comfortable hotels. Here are ultra-modern restaurants where delicious foods are served. of the city. There will be parking for It is a great city as a shopping center, particularly attractive to people from the United States. You will find a great many motels and auto-courts which are modern and inviting.

The city has beautiful parks and many opportunities for sightseeing which will be of great interest to you. Edmonton is a city of churches. You will want to see the University of Alberta with the attractive medical center situated on a very lovely campus.

For the Conference meeting place something new under the sun has happened for North American Baptists. For the first time in the history of our more than 100 year old denominational fellowship, services can be held and conference business transacted in a most adequate, spacious, as well as beautiful auditorium. Our delegates and visitors will meet in the four and a half million dollar Alberta Jubilee Auditorium near the lovely university campus. The auditorium is easily reached by public transportation or automobile from the downtown section

BANQUET SPEAKER

Prof. Walter W. Wessel, professor of Bible at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., will be the speaker at the General Conference banquet on Saturday evening, July 26, 1958. This banquet to be held in the ballroom of the Macdonald Hotel with overflow room for 1100 persons will be one of the thrilling highlights of the Conference.

more than a thousand cars.

It is exceedingly important that those attending the General Conference sessions should carefully follow the registration procedure.

Make your reservations early to secure suitable accommodations. Registration blanks for the General Conference are available through your pastor, also through the church clerk where there is no pastor at a church. When registration blanks are not available in your church, write to the North American Baptist Headquarters, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois. Reservation blanks will be mailed to you with information.

Plan and act early to fill out the registration blank and send the registration blank to the Conference Registrar. Mrs. William Link, 11528-92nd Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. You must enclose your \$2.00 registration fee to secure your reservations. Fill in carefully every question or space for information on the blank. Be specific as to the lodging accommodations which vou desire.

#### TRAVEL INFORMATION

All modes of travel will take you to Edmonton. Many of our people will want to travel by train. Arrangements have been made with the Milwaukee Railroad offic als for train service from Chicago to Edmonton. Leaving at the Union Station in Chicago on July 19th at 1:00 P.M., our people will have a guided tour.

The first stopover will be at St. Paul, Minn., where additional delegates and visitors may join the trip, leaving St.

Paul at 8:10 P.M. for Winnipeg, Manitoba. On Sunday morning, July 20th, at 10:00 A.M., the Conference travelers will board the Canadian National "Continental" train arriving at Edmonton at 6:00 A.M., Monday morning, July 21st.

Those planning to travel by train will make use of the train reservation blank provided in the prepared leaflet about travelling to the General Conference. This leaflet is being made available free of charge to our pastors or church clerks. Be sure to make your train reservations early or at least by March 1st. Send your reservations directly to the Milwaukee Railroad, Mr. Wm. Van Buren, 516 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago 6, Illinois. This trip by train will prove to be a relaxing, enjoyable and a happy experience. Those travelling together from Chicago to Edmonton will be in special coaches or Pullman cars assigned to them.

#### GOING BY AUTO

Many excellent highways lead to Edmonton. On a good road map you will soon see that main highways in Canada leading into Edmonton are all hard surface roads. Please note: all auto tourists who plan a trip to Canada must have proper identification credentials for the car. Each owner of a vehicle must provide this identifica-

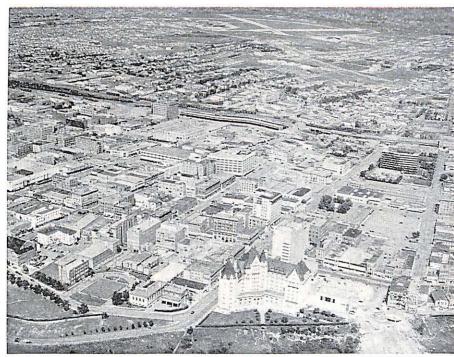
The province of Alberta, where the General Conference will be held, requires from each motorist a "Financial Responsibility Card". This card must be secured in advance of the trip from your Auto Insurance Company. If you plan to travel in other provinces in Canada, it addition to Alberta, it will be well to inquire with your Insurance Company whether or not other provinces require a "Financial Responsibility Card". Additional information along this line will be made available to your pastor.

#### PLANE TRAVEL

The following is brief general information regarding plane travel. Please contact your local air lines ticket office for further details. Plane service from Chicago to Edmonton is best on the Northwest Airlines. Sample schedule: Leave Chicago at 3:30 P.M., arriving at Edmonton at 9:45 P.M. Six hours flying time. Round trip fare is \$196.00. This is a direct flight with one stop at Minneapolis, Minn.

Airline service from Vancouver, B.C., to Edmonton. Trans-Canada Airlines. There are three direct flights daily. Round trip fare is \$88.10. Flying time is approximately three hours.

Airline service from Toronto to Edmonton. Trans-Canada Airlines, four flights daily. Sample schedule: Leave 12:45 midnight; arrive in Edmonton at 7:15 A.M. Round trip fare, \$237.60. Tourist flights are also available on all three airlines. For further information contact your local airlines ticket



The city of Edmonton, Alberta, with the Macdonald Hotel in the foreground, which will be the Headquarters' Hotel during the General Conference sessions, July 21 to 27, 1958.

#### VACATION TOUR

After a week of spiritual exuberance in genuine Christian fellowship in Edmonton at the Conference, the exodus for delegates and visitors be-

gins westward. Do plan to take that four-day vacation tour to the Canadian Rockies. This trip promises to be exciting as well as thrilling, as we behold God's wondrous work in the majestic

#### LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS IN EDMONTON

#### During the General Conference, July 21-27, 1937

Secure a Conference Announcement with complete listing of accommodations from your pastor or write to 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois. Most of the hotels listed below have some more reasonably priced rooms without bath.

After filling in the request form page, send it with \$2.00 for your registration fee to Mrs. William Link, 11528 - 92nd Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

#### THE MacDONALD (Headquarters Hotel)

Double Rooms-\$12.00 to \$12.50

Single Rooms—\$8.00

#### CECIL HOTEL

Single — \$4.00 Double - \$6.00

#### GATEWAY HOTEL

Single - \$5.00 to \$5.50 Double - \$5.00 to \$7.00

#### MAYFAIR HOTEL

Single - \$7.00 to \$8.00 Double - \$8.00 to \$9.00

#### ROYAL GEORGE HOTEL

Single - \$5.00

Double - \$6.00 to \$7.50

#### CORONA HOTEL

Single — \$5.50 to \$6.00 Double \_\_ \$7.50 to \$9.00

#### KING EDWARD HOTEL

Single — \$5.00 to \$7.00

#### Double-\$6.00 to \$7.50

PARK HOTEL

Single — \$5.50 Double — \$7.50 to \$8.00

#### MOTELS - AUTO COURTS

A list of Motel accommodations is available from your pastor. These must be made directly with the Motel Management.

#### DORMITORY ACCOMMODATIONS

CHRISTIAN TRAINING INSTITUTE

#### ALBERTA COLLEGE DORMITORY

son per day.

Dormitory space — \$1.50 per per- Dormitory space — \$1.50 per person per day.



—Photo by M. L. Leuschner The Legislative Building of the province of Alberta, Canada, from the steps of which one

and awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies.

Here is natural beauty and scenic magnificence the like of which cannot be seen anywhere else in the world. The vacation tour begins by train, leaving Edmonton on Monday, July 29, at 6:30 A.M. Upon arriving at Jasper Park early in the afternoon the same day, tourists change to sightseeing buses. The first stop will be the beautiful Jasper Lodge. From that moment on, the exciting tour will be underway.

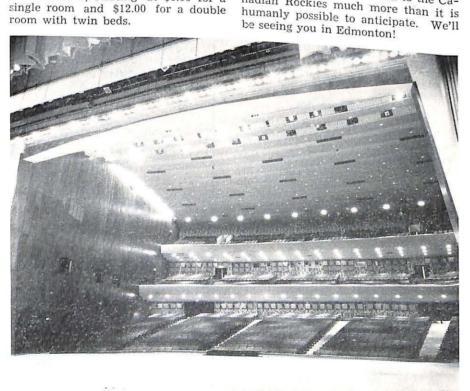
All Conference guests signing up for the tour will receive in one "Vacation Package" reservations on the train, sightseeing buses, and places of lodging at hotels as well as meal reservations. There isn't a thing that you will have to worry about or plan for. A guide will be on hand to follow through with the arrangements. After the trip in the Canadian Rockies, the train will be waiting to take passengers on to Calgary. Tourists who wish to return to Edmonton, where their automobile will be waiting for them, may do so by train or bus without delay in Calgary. Delegates and visitors continuing east and those returning to the United States continue on the same train, arriving at St. Paul, Minn., Saturday morning, August 2nd, and at Chicago Union Station, that same afternoon at 2:55 P.M. These will be four days of travel and adventure of delightful experience to be remembered as long as you live.

#### LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS

Many of our delegates and visitors will want to stay at the Headquarters Hotel, the Macdonald. This hotel has 500 modern guest rooms. The beautiful, spacious hotel is centrally located in downtown Edmonton, high on the banks of the North Saskatchewan Riv-

er overlooking the city and surrounding area. Guests will enjoy the handy underground garage and surface park-

In the spacious and attractive cafeteria, which is air conditioned, and in the elegant dining room, excellent lunches and dinners are available. You will find spacious lobbies and corridors and many other attractive features in and near the hotel. Rooms are available, starting at \$8.00 for a single room and \$12.00 for a double room with twin beds.



—Alberta Government Photograph out upon the 2600 seats on the lower floor and in the two balconies.

COMPEL THEM! (Continued from Page 7)

Gcd's guidance must be continually sought if the medical work is to have true spiritual value. It must contribute to the establishment of the self-sustaining indigenous church and not become an isolated charitable activity. Production line methods must be avoided. As the medical program expands, workers can be so occupied with the tremendous physical problems that they do not have time to work with the often greater mental and spiritual problems. The result may be healthy human bodies that are empty packages, devoid of the Spirit of God. We must not lose the large view of the Kingdom nor a sense of urgency in proclaiming the Gospel.

The growth of a clinic depends on the effort and concern of the leprosy assistant. If the curse of leprosy is to be wiped out, every infectious case must be taken out of circulation. This requires a highways-and-hedges tactic-going into every village and exrmin'ng every person. No longer can we be content to sit and wait for the sick to come to us. Preferably this work would be done by teams consisting of a doctor, a nurse, a laboratory technician and a leprosy assistant.

With few workers in a vast field, this is next to impossible at present. Yet the assistants can do much if they have a real love for their people. One young man with no formal training at all has brought in nearly two hundred persons for examination and treatment. This has meant trekking over rugged terrain, sometimes more than 75 miles a week.

#### NEED FOR ASSISTANTS

It is often difficult for the doctor to leave the settlement in spite of the pressing need for clinic visitation. The most severe and time consuming cases are in the central settlement. But from the government point of view, the care of such individuals is of secondary importance. Wide deployment of even the present limited manpower and resources in clinics and case-finding surveys will have greater, overall results in the control of leprosy.

A parallel in the evangel stic work is to be found here. Often mission compounds have become comfortable, expensive and permanent settlements. The strength and time of the missionary is dissipated simply in maintaining the status quo - roofs to be repaired, reports to be filled out, and continued min'stry in an area where churches have been well established for decades. Mobility is lost and "mission" becomes a misnomer. The Big View of the field is lost. A request for help in a new, unevangelized area is not a challenge to be accepted but a threat to be avoided.

There will always be more work than workers and more called than are chosen. Only the Lord can lead us cor-



The new Baptist Chapel and missionaries' house for Rev. and Mrs. R. Neuman on the Muscowpetung Indian Reserve of Saskatchewan, replacing the first building destroyed

## Muscowpetung Indian Victories

Report of an Evangelistic Campaign on the Muscowpetung Reserve of Saskatchewan

by REV. R. NEUMAN, Missionary

paign among our Indian friends to Christ. has recently closed. Eight decisions for Christ were recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life. All ages of Indians responded to the pleading of the Holy Spirit under the fervent preaching of the Rev. Henry Schumacher of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, on the Muscowpetung Reserve of Saskatchewan. God honored and blessed his precious Word.

A man, his wife and ten-year-old daughter were the first of the eight Indians to come to the altar, to repent of their sins and to turn their lives over to Jesus Christ. A terrific battle took place in the life of the husband before he broke loose from the clutch of Satan. What a glorious picture it was when the Light of Jesus came in! His I'tt'e ten-year-o'd daughter sat beside her father, wiping away the tears from his cheeks as he pealed forth his testi-

Mr. Noel Crowe testifies that he was born a Roman Catholic but that he rever received a blessing in that church. Then he tried Jehovah's Witnesses but found no light and satisfaction in their teaching. "Now," he said, as he stood before many people, "I have the light, the true light of Jesus in my heart". Brother Crowe's soul burns with a passion for his own dear people. Realizing that most of his years are behind him, he is pressing forward with God. Having led his sons in the way of drunkenness and sin, he regrets the life that he lived

WONDERFUL evangelistic cam- and is now bent on trying to win them

During the first week of the campaign, we had a very fine attendance. The weather was lovely. For the second week, God sent us snow. Then came the flu. With this combination. our attendance was cut drastically. We wondered what it all meant. The meeting continued, as we left all to God through prayer.

The singing was good, and a wonderful spirit prevailed throughout the two weeks. The object lessons by Mr. Schumacher were "tops" and captivated the minds and hearts of the youngsters as well as the adults. The messages burned in our hearts. Many people prayed. God heard and answered. We thank God for his goodness and blessings.

We thank our headquarters at Forest Park, Ill., for making this campaign possible from the financial standpoint and we are anticipating other such campaigns in the future. We tried to evaluate the cost and the results of the campaign. The cost was easy to add up in dollars, but regarding the spiritual blessings, they were innumerable.

We would not forget to thank the mission-minded church of Edenwold, Sask., which has supported and shared in this ministry. Pray for our new converts among the Indians. In closing, I want to make an appeal to all our readers to continue to support in prayer and with your gifts the worthy cause of Christ among the Indians.

rectly From him comes the urgent command, applicable alike to med'cal and evangelistic work. "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city

and bring hither the poor, the maimed, and the halt and the blind. Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in" (Luke 14:21 and 23).

Please note the list of hotels, dormi-

tor es, and some private homes. All reservations for lodging in hotels, dor-

mitories and homes must be made

through the Conference Registrar,

Reservations for motels and auto

courts must be made by you by con-

tacting the management directly.

Please notify the registrar of the Gen-

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ccurt where you will be staying and

how many people will be in your par-

ty. Please study the list of motels and

auto courts carefully where the names

and addresses of the proprietors are

ATTRACTIVE EATING PLACES

are plentiful in Edmonton. You can

secure moderately priced meals in at-

tractive coffee shops or restaurants.

More expensive dinners can be had in

the many inviting hotel dining rooms

or restaurants in downtown places or

outlying areas. Special breakfasts,

luncheons, and the Conference Ban-

quet are planned by the various or-

gan zations and Arrangements Com-

The banquet on Saturday night will

be held in the inviting and beautiful

banquet room of The Macdonald Ho-

tel. The banquet has always been a

spiritual highlight at our conference.

This year it will be no exception, to be

sure. Tickets for these special lunch-

eons and for the banquet will be on

You will enjoy the trip to Alberta, to

the General Conference and to the Ca-

nadian Rockies much more than it is

sale upon arrival in Edmonton.

Restaurants and other eating places

Mrs. William Link.

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

#### INTRODUCTION

What a beautiful thought for the New Year! Read the following article. May we use it as a challenge to us to dedicate ourselves to God during the

#### FOR THE PEOPLE HAD A MIND TO WORK

#### By Mrs. Arthur Weisser of Rochester, N. Y.

President of the Eastern Conference W. M. U.

At one time I was in a girls' organization which had as its motto: "I'll be glad to!" Each time a girl was asked to do some service or duty, she answered, "I'll be glad to". That was a progressive group, and much good was done by those girls.

Attitude plays such a large part in our way of living. You meet people who are radiant, no matter what task they have to do. The task may be a very menial one, but the attitude of the person doing it can make that task a joyful experience.

Haven't you met the type of person who joyfully works in the kitchen or dining room at a church dinner but who would be most unhappy if placed on the platform to take part in a service or program? The person who feels at home conducting a church program may be "all thumbs" in the kitchen. Our talents are varied, but our attitude toward doing work could be more important than our talent. A person with 2 percent talent may have 98 percent enthusiasm and the task gets done!

We miss so many opportunities by saying, "Oh, I can't possibly do that!" or "I haven't the time!" We don't know whether we can do something until we try or prove that we can't. It has been said so many times, "Ask a busy person to do it and it will be done". How often that proves true, for there are those who take opportunities offered and thereby receive the joy of accomplishment for services rendered.

If I were to choose a text for this little talk it would be, "for the people had a mind to work", taken from Nehemiah 4:6. Nehemiah stirred the wills of the people and changed their attitudes so that they felt like working to build. So often we find it more true to say, "For the people had a mind to shirk". It is easier to leave it to Johnny or Mary to do! How much we lose by not doing our part! This cannot be measured!

You have felt the peaceful satisfaction that comes after a good day. As you close your eyes just before going (Continued on Page 24)

## We the Women SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION

By REV. G. K. ZIMMERMAN, General Secretary

year are still very vivid to us at this time of the year, as we seek ways and means to fulfill our commitments for 1958. There is so much which we desire for our Sunday Schools to improve, to strengthen and to make more effective our teaching ministry that a very careful analysis of objectives is in order at the very outset of the new

Complacency brings about much disccuragement for any organization, including the Sunday School, but this need not happen to your school if the spirit of the commission of Christ captures your Sunday School leaders and teachers. Christ has charged us with the duty to teach his message and to bring into his Kingdom ALL people. Sunday School workers must grasp the challenging charge of Christ to be faithful as witnesses.

#### MEASURING EFFECTIVENESS

Each year we send a "Sunday School Achievement Questionnaire" to all of our schools in order that the progress of your school may be measured. This year we made these questionnaires available in December with the suggestion that you use your January or February meeting of the teachers and officers of your Sunday School to evaluate your achievements. It would also be helpful to invite other members of your church, besides the Sunday School staff, to share in this evaluation because it will present an opportunity to assemble suggestions for a more effective approach to your school

Sunday School leaders are keenly aware of the fact that definite goals

THE RESOLUTIONS for the new and objectives challenge the entire school. The Sunday School Union has made available the Sunday School Standard, which contains ten worthy goals, to all of our schools. Additional copies of the Standard can be secured from our office.

Sunday Schools which adopt this Standard with a commitment by the staff more fully to achieve these goals will unveil new possibilities for Christ in their church and community. We would like to draw your attention to a few of the goals of the Standard, since not all of these can be considered in this brief article.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL STANDARD

The goal of "A Growing School" has led many to strive only toward getting new pupils. An outreach for new pup is is a timely need, but equally as important is the FOLLOW UP work to retain those whom we have enrolled in the school. The loss of Sunday School pupils is often not recognized because the records for following up absentees is inefficient. The Standard requires that the Sunday School maintain an adequate record system, including a follow-up program.

The Judson Record System for the Sunday School, recommended by the Sunday School Union, contains excellent suggestions for a practical followup program. Copies of the manual, "How to Use the Judson Record System," are available from the Roger Williams Press at 25 cents per copy.

Another goal from the Standard which needs to be re-emphasized is "A Baptist School." The lack of emphasis of our Baptist distinctives is

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Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, general secretary of the Sunday School Union, interprets and discusses the Sunday School Standard at a session of the Christian Leaders' Conference

## What's Happening

- The First Baptist Church of Ellin- Beginning with Sunday, January wood, Kansas, has extended a call to 5th, and continuing for six weeks, the Dak., pastor of the Church Extension project at the South Canyon Bapt'st Church. He has accepted the call and announced that he would begin his ministry in Ellinwood on Feb. 2nd, succeeding Rev. Elmer C. Strauss, director of "God's Volunteers" at present. Mr. Brenner has served the Rapid City church since its beginning in 1953.
- Evangelistic meetings were held at the Forest Baptist Church, Munson. Pa., from Oct. 20 to 25 with Rev. Frank Veninga, pastor of the Temple Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa., as the evangelist. The attendance was very encouraging. Several conversions were recorded and God's children were revived. Rev. George Zinz, Sr., pastor of the church, reported that "Brother Veninga is a faithful man of God and a good preacher who brings the Word of God for sinners and saints alike".
- Miss Florence Miller expected to leave San Francisco, Calif., on Jan. 7th for Kobe, Japan, on the "SS California Bear" and for the mission field at Ise, Japan. She has been in the United States on her furlough since December, 1956. Rev. and Mrs. Fred G. Moore and their family sailed for Japan on December 5th on the "SS Tar Heel Mariner". They will be stationed in Kyoto for some time learning the Japanese language. An article about the Moores appeared in the November 28, 1957 issue of the "Baptist Herald".
- The Male Chorus of the Oak Street Baptist Church, Burlington, Iowa, presented the musical composition, "The Music of Bethlehem," on Sunday morning, Dec. 8. Mr. Herman Schulz serves as director of the chorus and Mrs. Herbert Wittkamp as organist. Officers of the group are Carl Schulz, president: Victor Siems, vice-president; and Walter Siems, secretarytreasurer. On Thursday, Dec. 12, the young people presented the play, "The Search for the Christ-child." Rev. Emanuel Wolff is pastor of the church.
- The Faith Baptist Church of West New York, New Jersey, has extended a call to Rev. Robert Fuchs of Detroit, Mich., the assistant pastor of the Conner Baptist Church with its Ridgemont Mission in Detroit. He has been the assistant to Rev. Otto Patz'a in this church since 1955. Mr. Fuchs has given a favorable response to the call and announced that he will begin his pastorate in the Faith Church of West New York, New Jersey, on Sunday, February 2nd. He will succeed Rev. Herbert J. Freeman, now pastor of the Central Church of Hamden, Conn.

- Colonial Village Baptist Church, Lansing, Mich., is holding a series of instruction classes at 10:00 A.M. for all "new Christians" who were saved during the past year. Several Sunday School teachers are participating in the classes in addition to the pastor, Rev. Aaron Buhler. Recently a popular series of messages on "The Return of Christ" was completed by Mr. Buhler. The Sunday evening attendance reached the encouraging high of 267 on a Sunday evening in November.
- The First Baptist Church of Baileyville, Ill., held a Missionary Rally from Nov. 1 to 3 with Rev. and Mrs. Russell Honeywell, missionaries in the Philippine Islands, bringing inspiring messages and a skit on the life and customs of people on the field. Several improvements have also been made in the church building recently, as reported by Mrs. Elizabeth Renkema, such as two new furnaces and rest rooms, a new Wurlitzer organ and the installation of a set of Vibra chimes and tower amplifier as a memorial by a member of the church to her husband. Rev. Harold Sanders is pastor of the church.
- The headquarters staff at Forest Park, Ill., helped Mr. Fred A. Grosser of River Forest, Ill., the denominational treasurer, to celebrate his birthday on November 27. Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, extended congratulations to Mr. Grosser and led in a brief devotional service. Mr. Grosser has been the denominational treasurer for 15 years since 1942. He has been a member of the Forest Park Baptist Church since 1895 and has served as the moderator, a deacon, Sunday School teacher, and superintendent in the church. Mrs. Grosser joined the headquarters staff in her husband's birthday celebration.
- @ Rev. Ben Zimmerman, formerly pastor of the North American Baptist churches at Randolph, Minn., and New Britain, Conn., and a brother of Rev. G. K. Zimmerman of Forest Park, has accepted the position of Associate Executive Secretary of the South Dakota Hosp'tal and Home Association with offices in Spearfish, S. Dak. He will

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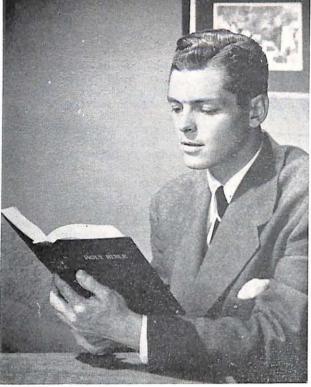
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serve as the chaplain-administrator of the Dorsett Home in Spearfish and serve as assistant to Dr. Arthur A. Schade, executive secretary of this organization. For the past three years Mr. Zimmerman has been the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Viborg, S. Dak., and of the Turkey Valley Church of Irene, S. Dakota.

- O During the last two weeks of November revival meetings were held at the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Vancouver, British Columbia. The Word of God was clearly proclaimed by the evangelist, Rev. Daniel Fuchs. Prior to the meetings, visitation contacts were made in the community by "God's Volunteers" and it was rewarding to have an average of 271 people attending the meetings. "God's spirit was felt and prayers were answered in a wonderful way," as reported by Mrs. Eugen Lueck. "We rejoice over the 28 persons who accepted Christ as their personal Savior and also for those who dedicated their lives anew". Dr. A. S. Felberg is pastor of the church.
- A reception for North American Baptist students in the Chicago area was held on Friday evening, Dec. 6, at the Forest Park headquarters. The program and reception were sponsored by the C. B. Y. Fellowship with Rev. L. Bienert, general secretary, in charge. About 35 students, office and general secretaries and their wives attended. A panel of the general secretaries and Miss Ruth Bathauer presented several phases of our denominational enterprise as a feature of the program. Some games were played and refreshments were served, affording an opportunity for delightful fellowship in which all who were present participated.
- Gospel meetings were held by the First Baptist Church, Randolph, Minn., from Oct. 28 to Nov. 8 with Rev. Bernard Fritzke of West Fargo, N. Dak., serving as evangelist. Several decisions were made for Christ. Recently the pastor, Rev. Bert Itterman, had an article of his appear in the local paper giving his Christian views and observations on the liquor traffic just before a local option election. On November 27, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Sukut, missionaries in Japan, and the family were at the church for a program. Dr. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., spent Sunday, Dec. 1st, with the church bringing messages and showing missionary films. The Baptist Day of Prayer was observed by the Women on Dec. 6 with Mrs. Bert Itterman in charge of the program. Mrs. Elmer Miller is president of the society.
- "A Family Night Christmas Program" was presented by the Women's Missionary Guild at the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Ill., on Sunday evening, Dec. 8. The play, "No Room for Mary", directed by Mrs. Frank H. Woyke, was presented by 6

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-A. Devaney. Inc David Gardner felt the call of God to study for the ministry,

#### CHAPTER ONE

As BARRY CARTER climbed the steps to his room at the dormitory, his feet dragged wearily. His examination that morning had proved a trying ordeal and it had left him exhausted. Too late he realized how much valuable time he had wasted when he should have been studying for the finals.

He shut the door with a bang and threw himself across the bed.

"Well, that's over, thank the Lord!" he ejaculated as he ran his fingers through his brown hair.

"I wonder if you really do thank Him?" asked his roommate, David Gardner

"Thank who?" Barry queried as he yawned luxuriously.

"The Lord."

"Great guns!" emitted Barry disgustedly. "I forgot I had a preacher for a roommate now."

David smiled as he stretched himself on his own bed and looked across at Barry. David was slim and of medium height, with black hair, lean brown face and serious dark eyes.

"That was a rotten trick you played on me, deciding to become a preacher." Barry remarked morosely. "I'd like to choke that old scarecrow who talked you into it?

"No one talked me into it, fellow. I've told you that. I decided that for myself," David replied.

"I just can't imagine you, of all people, becoming a long-coated sissy, reading Scripture to a lot of gossipy old women."

"Is that your idea of a preacher?" asked David with a twinkle in his eye. "Just about," admitted Barry. "I just can't get used to the idea of you studying for the ministry. You've upset everything. I'm going to be so lone-

## The TORCH BEARER

By Sallie Lee Bell

The heart-throbbing story of young people, wrapped up in the world and themselves, who find serenity and joy in Christ.

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what to do." "What do you mean, 'being lonesome without me'? We'll still be pals, even if I am going to be a preacher."

"Wouldn't I make a swell pal for a parson?" scoffed Barry. "You'd lose your reputation if you kept running

arcund with me." "Perhaps I might make a man out of the wild college youth," David said with a faint smile.

"Not a chance! If that's what you've got in the back of your head, get it cut. I've got other plans and they do not include religion.'

"How did you make out with your exams?" David asked, changing the subject.

"I think I missed flunking by two commas and a question mark. It would break Dad's heart if I didn't make the grade. He's counting on me coming home the conquering hero and setting the town on its ear.'

They lapsed into silence while Barry lay with his eyes half closed, relaxed and spent after the gruelling ordeal of the morning. David's dark eyes were fixed on Barry's strong handsome face, the heavy brows, the thick unruly hair, the firm chin and the full lips with that absurd upward tilt at the corners which made his smile so boy-

They had been friends all their lives and David had worsh'pped Barry, When they were children David had been rather frail and timid but he had toddled valiantly after Barry as Barry arrogantly led the way in their childish exploits. As they grew older, this childish adoration had given place to a warm friendship. They were inseparable. During their college life their friendship had become a byword among the other students.

It had always been Barry who was some without you that I won't know the leader and David who followed,

even though Barry often led them into trouble. Barry had developed a bad case of flu and while he was ill and, as he stated it disgustedly to David, no longer able to look after him, David had gone to a revival meeting and had accepted Christ as his Savior.

This had changed David's entire outlook on life and not long afterwards he felt the call of God to study for the ministry. The change in David and the fact that he had wandered alone into a path which Barry refused to follow, upset Barry completely. He felt that David had somehow played a trick upon him when he was helpless to prevent it.

"You've gone and spoiled everything," Barry exploded when David had told him what he planned to do. "No law partnership for us now," he added gloomily.

It had been their plan to study law together and to practice law as part-

"I'm sorry about that law partnership," David said. "But we can work together just the same," and he smiled whimsically. "Only instead of both being at the same end of the game, I'll be at one end and you at the other." "How?"

"I'll be trying to keep people out of trouble and you'll be there to help them out if they get in, in spite of me."

Barry only snorted his contempt at this effort at humor.

Presently Barry got up and sat on the side of the bed and looked out of the window. The close-clipped grass shone with a silvery sheen in the brilliant light of the afternoon sun. Boys and girls were drifting in groups across the campus, bright flecks of color flashing from their clothes against the green. Barry turned to David with a crooked smile.

"I don't suppose the future parson

will take part in the closing festivities,

"Some of them," David replied.

"But not any such 'debauching frivolities' as we indulged in last year." "No."

"Aw, come on, David. Be a good sport and have one last fing before you tie yourself up and be straight-laced for life," Barry urged.

"You talk as if I were going to prison for life." David remarked laughing. "That's about what it looks like to me," Barry replied glumly.

David sighed. "I wish I could make you understand that it's a service I'm going to try to render and not a punishment I'm going to endure-and that being a preacher of the Gospel is a man-sized job."

"It can't be done, so don't try. To my mind, it's a job for siss'es or worn-out old duds who never could have done a decent day's work in their lives. I just think you've gone looney and that some day you'll wake up and find out what a fool you've been."

"Some day you'll find out how wrong you are about the whole business," David prophesied.

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Barry and David stood on the platform as the train drew into the station while their eyes eagerly scanned the familiar scene.

"The old place looks just the same," Barry remarked.

On the other side of the gate waiting for the passengers to come through, there was a scattered crowd. Barry looked them over and then he saw Cicily. She wore a hat with the brim tilted back like a halo over her redgold hair. Her dress of some filmy green material emphasized the creamy clearness of her skin. Her blue eyes were fastened upon Barry with a speculative gaze.

"Cicily!" Barry cried as he hastened toward her. "This is a surprise. I never expected to see you here."

She smiled provocatively as she extended her hand.

"Don't flatter yourself that I came here to meet you," she replied. "Why, I-I was hoping you were,"

he answered, abashed. Funny, he thought, how he had let Cicily slip so completely from his

thoughts. He had not realized how absolutely captivating she was. "Your self-assurance is very amus-

ing, Mr. Carter," she said with mock formality. "Why should you think I would come here to meet you? Would it be to ask you why you never answered my last heart-broken letter?"

"Oh-er-I can explain that, Cicily," he began, but she interrupted him with a wave of her hand.

"Don't bother. This is no time nor place for explanations. I came here to see Roy off. He's going to New York for a few weeks."

#### THE TORCH BEARER

This novel tells a vital and compelling story of lives in conflict—both spiritual and physical. On the one hand are Barry and Cicily, wrapped up in the world and themselves on the other hand are Dale and David whose love for each other is only eclipsed by their love for their Savior. Here Christian fiction at its inspiring bestwith a heart-searching message and a soaring and heart lifting finale. It will appear for the next six months in the "Baptist

Herald".

Mrs. Sallie Lee Bell, the author, was the Second Prize Winner in Zondervan's \$10.000 International Christian Fiction Contest, "Intil the Day Break". She also wrote "Marcel Armand." the story of old New Orleans. She is the possessor of a strong, spiritual Christian testimony. Her home is in New Orleans, Louisiana.

"Oh. Rov." Barry remarked glumly as the gay mood vanished. "So Roy is still the old faithful, is he?"

"Yes, surprisingly so," she replied with a graceful shrug.

"Not surprising at all," he contradicted as his eyes lingered on her soft lips, her lovely face and her faultless complexion. "Not surprising at all. But what a lucky break for me that he's on his way to New York. I shall do my best to make you forget Roy."

"That will be impossible," she countered. "Roy is a very faithful correspondent. He promised to write every day."

"You're not going to have time to read those letters, my dear," he informed her. "This is going to be a very busy summer for you, I promise you."

Just then David joined them, Cicily extended both her hands to him.

"Hello, David," she said with a charming smile. "It's so good to have you back home again."

"H'm! That's more than she said to me,' Barry commented in aggrieved

"You didn't deserve it," she retorted. "If you boys will let me, I'll drive you home."

They got in the car and Cicily drove slowly, at David's request. As they passed down the tree-shaded street. his eyes lingered on each well-known landmark.

Barry was silent while Cicily and David did the talking. He realized more forcibly than ever, as he looked at her lovely profile, how desirable she was. How could he have let a whole year pass without answering her letter? How could he have forgotten the budding romance which his college career had cut short?

He was sure that she had loved him when they had been in high school together, for she had made no secret of her preference for him, in spite of Roy Farlan's wealth and his manifest adoration of her. Too late he recalled the real reason why he had never answered that letter of Cicily's. He had had one violent flirtation after another. He had been too busy living life to the fullest and cramming in a few hours now and then with study, to find time for a correspondence which had grown

tedious. Cicily was far away and her image had grown dim and that youthful love affair was dead and forgotten.

Now he realized that what he had cast aside was the thing he most desired. It did not seem possible that this slim lovely girl was the same little lanky Cicily he had known. He noted her perfect poise, her cool ignoring of his own rather bewildered self.

When they came to David's home and dropped him off, Barry, for the first time in his life, was glad to eliminate him from the scene.

"Don't you think you've punished me enough?" he asked as they drove

She cast a furtive glance at him and a smile played about her full red lips. "I wasn't trying to punish you. I

was enjoying myself with David." "H'm! Evidently. And leaving me

out of the picture entirely." "Don't you deserve to be left out?" Her blue eyes flashed with a sudden

"Cicily, I'm terribly sorry about the letters," he said contritely. "I never intended to let you down like that."

"That's comforting," she remarked, "but not very flattering. I'd rather be let down than to just be forgotten."

"Did you really care whether or not I let you down, Cicily?" he asked. Impulsively he put his hand over hers that lay upon the wheel.

"Do you want to wreck the car?" she asked as she shook his hand off. "What does it matter now whether or not I cared? If I did, I've gotten over it, so let's forget it.'

"I'm not going to forget it," he declared. "You did care and I'm going to make you care again."

"The college graduate starting out to conquer the world and beginning with me!" She laughed softly. "How typical you are! Too bad that I'm the first object of conquest, for I'm afraid you'll find me a little difficult."

"Are you engaged to Roy Farlan?" he asked with a quick, apprehens've glance.

"Then I repeat what I said. I'm going to make you care again." She gave him a long glance, then

turned her attention to the road ahead. "I'm afraid there's one thing you failed to learn at college," she said slowly.

"What's that?"

"That love can't be put on and off like your cap and gown. Haven't you ever heard the old saying that there's nothing deader than a dead love?"

The car drew to a stop in front of his home before he could reply. His mother was standing on the front porch waiting for them.

"I've brought your wayward son home to you," she called to Mrs. Carter and waved to her.

"Thanks, my dear," Mrs. Carter replied. "Won't you come in?"

"Not today," Cicily replied.

"Thanks for the lift," Barry said as (Continued on Page 22)

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## Sunday School Lessons

#### A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: January 19, 1958

#### Theme: FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Scripture: Acts 2:42-47; Rom. 15:1-9a THE CENTRAL THOUGHT: Our

love to God is measured in terms of

our love toward his children.

INTRODUCTION: Long ago one of God's saints sa'd, "No man is an island unto himself." What we are, we are in relationship with others. The evil man does not merely harm himself; he is also a menace to society. Therefore, for the protection of others he must often be put in prison. Neither is the good man good only to himself. His goodness was discovered because so many of his fellowmen experienced his love and charity.

The church is not an end in itself. It is not noted primarily for its building, or its constitution and creed, or for its smooth - running organization. The church is primarily a channel of love and service in the proclamation of the salvation of Jesus Christ. If the church is to make an impact on the world, as it did after Pentecost, then the world must be given an opportunity to discover the goodness of the church. The wor'd has heard of "The Church's One Foundation, Jesus Christ," It has heard of "The Church's Power, the Holy Spirit." Now it wants to see "The Church's Life," how the Christians live with one another.

#### I. THE CHURCH AND WORSHIP. Acts 2:42.

The key to the worship service of the early church is found in the word, "steadfastly." None of the other elements of worship can accomplish much without it. It implies constancy, perseverance, stability, firmness and loyalty.

- (a) Steadfast in doctrine. Some may think that it was easy for the early church to bel'eve because they had received their doctrine direct from the apostles, who had received it first-hand from the Lord Jesus himself. But seeing is not always believing. Some saw and still doubted (Matt. 28:17).
- (b) Steadfast in fellowship. Fellowship is one of the most beautiful and most meaningful words in the New Testament. The fellowsh'p of the saints is the highest type of fellowship because it includes the fellowship of Christ himself
- (c) Steadfast in prayer. It was not only the need of prayer which the church felt, but the love of prayer which kept them close to God.
- II. THE CHURCH AND MATERIAL-ISM. Acts 2:43-47.

The first Christians looked upon materialism as a bare necessity, not as a

goal. Everyone received as much as he needed - not as much as he wanted. When our wants outweigh our needs, there is danger of selfishness creeping in. Perhaps this type of communal life did not last long because some were too lazy to work for their daily needs and others demanded more than their daily needs. We lose favor with God and with the people when pride and selfishness take the place of love and humility.

#### III. THE CHURCH AND SPIRITUAL ATTITUDES. Romans 15:1-9.

Christianity begins with new beliefs; but unless our new-found faith changes our attitudes, our beliefs will do us no good. No longer are we to look upon our neighbor as someone who can serve us, but whom we can serve. The weak and wayward become our concern-not our source of criticism and gossip. Our fellowman, no matter who or what he may be, becomes the object of our love and mercy. Christ comes to our mind again and again as we seek to follow him and obey him, for we no longer look through our own eyes, but through the eyes of Christ.

#### A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: January 26, 1958

#### Theme: ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH

Scripture: Rom. 12:3-8; 1 Tim. 3:1-10

THE CENTRAL TRUTH: If, in the beginning. God brought order out of chaos in his physical creation, how much more does he expect orderliness in the creation of his church!

INTRODUCTION: Frequently it has been our experience to come in contact with people who claim to be Christ'ans, but who will not commit themselves to any church or denomination. One of their excuses is that they do not believe in organized religion. Strange though it may seem, their logical and orderly nature leads them to accept organization in all other fields-family, community, business and government. Why, of all other agencies, should the church be d'sorganized? Even criminals see the advantage of organized

Naturally, organization puts some limits on individual initiative in promoting projects and plans. We often feel hampered because our good intentions and ideas must go through the

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proper channels before they can go into operation. So much time and effort are lost. We think the church board is ignorant of the fact that "the King's business requireth haste!" (1 Sam. 21: 8). Someone said that a committee of three always works best when one member is sick and the other is absent. The ideal, of course, would be a good balance of action and patience.

On the other hand, how foolish it would be for a hundred members to go in as many different directions, each intent on his own particular task without any consideration for the work of anyone else. One of the primary functions of the church is to teach us how to live together, how to plan together, how to work together in the Kingdom

#### I. THE CHURCH AND THE OR-GANIZATION OF OUR TAL-ENTS. Romans 12:3-8.

Paul takes it for granted that everyone has some talent. The important thing is to see it in its proper perspective. Do not think that it is so important that it genders pride in yourself; neither think of it disparagingly and display a false humility. The apostle recommends the acceptance of our talent and then soberly, by the grace of God, to find the true estimate of our talent. Therefore, before you try to sing, be sure that God has given you a talent for singing, and before you speak, consider whether God has given you the gift of speech.

In spite of our differences, the church can organize our talents by cooperation and so develop the spirit of unity. The coordination of our body is controlled by the central nervous system. So, too, the church can unify all its efforts by the central controlling power of the Holy Spirit. We do not think of the members of our body as being better or worse, but different. The members of the church ought to be looked upon in the same way.

#### II. THE CHURCH AND THE OR-GANIZATION OF OFFICERS. 1 Tim. 3:1-10.

The quality of the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ is largely dependent on the quality of the leadership. Paul in careful to point out in detail what the qualifications of the ministers and deacons should be. He seems to stress the character of the leaders more than their talent. A noted minister stated it in this way: "Some men are able, but not stable; some are stable but not

Certainly we agree that a good balance of talent, education, training and character is necessary for ideal Christian leadership. The responsibility which the Holy Spirit has given you as a guardian, whether it be as a minister, teacher, deacon or trustee, should not be taken lightly. The church is the most sacred and most valuable institut'on on earth, for which the most valuable and sacred life was sacrificedthe life of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.





Tom Bull, chief of the Indian Bull Reserve near Wetaskiwin, Alberta, and his family (left) in front of the Benke Memorial Chapel. At the right Joe White and his wife and grandchildren return home after worshiping in the Baptist church (background).

### Great Days for the Alberta Indians

Reports of Special Meetings on the Bull, Montana, and Samson Reserves of Alberta

by MR. LEONARD MAIER, Missionary

CUNDAY, October 27, was a great and memorable day for our Indian friends of Alberta and also for us as missionaries. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, a real friend of the Indian people, had come for a visit, and was the guest speaker at three services on three different reserves. For days afterwards our people spoke about it, and a common remark was, "Dr. Leuschner has not forgotten us!"

#### BULL RESERVE

For the morning service we were happy to have Dr. Leuschner at the Bull Reserve. We had our Harvest and Mission Festival program, and the children rendered their recitations and songs very well. Dr. Leuschner was very pleased to hear the Indian children recite and sing. Our hearts were then blessed and challenged as we listened attentively to the message brought by him. We were pleased to have a fine attendance of seventy which was our record attendance since Sept. 1st, when we began our Sunday School register.

After the service, we all enjoyed a grand lunch which the Indian people had supplied as a "Lunch of Thanks" and appreciation to Dr. Leuschner for coming again to visit them. We were happy to have Mr. J. Hufnagel, miss'onary on the Montana Reserve, with us for this service.

#### MONTANA AND SAMSON RESERVES

After lunch and a fine time of fellowship, Dr. Leuschner and we went to join Brother Hufnagel for a service at the Montana Reserve Chapel. God blessed our hearts again at this service. Dr. Leuschner was delighted to see another new and modern public

school here, erected near the other school.

For the evening service, we gathered again for a service in the Samson Hall on the Samson Reserve. We had a rather small audience, but God was present and our hearts were challenged as we saw films on God's work in Japan and among our Indian folk.

We are very happy to report that we are finishing our Benke Memorial Chapel in the inside from our offerings from our Indian people. Already we have put in a new ceiling of 16 x 32 feet, white tile. Now that our people see what a great difference it makes. they are giving even more funds so that we may now finish the walls with a coat of paint and with four feet of plywood around the bottom of the walls. The Indians experience great joy in doing something themselves.

#### MISSIONARY NIGHT

On November 24 the young people from the Montana and Bull Reserve were happy to help the missionaries in an Indian Night at the Calvary Baptist Church of Wetaskiwin, Alberta. We are so happy that our young people are willing and even anxious to get out and to do something for God.

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persons. Mrs. D. B. Granzow, Guild president, presided. On Sunday evening, Dec. 15, the combined choirs of the church rendered a program of church mus'c directed by Mr. Alfred Schultz. The Junior Choir directed by Mrs. Rubin Kern also sang several numbers. The Sunday School Christmas program was held on Sunday evening, Dec. 22, with Harold B. Johns, superintendent, in charge. The Thanksgiv-

ing missionary offering received on November 28 for the denominational enterprise amounted to \$1.612.50. Rev. Rubin Kern is pastor of the church.

- The First Baptist Church of McIntosh, S. Dak., held a birthday dinner and program on Sunday, Oct. 13, to celebrate the 80th birthday of Rev. Otto Lohse, a former pastor of the church. He and his wife reside in the community less than a block from the church. Gifts were presented to Mr. Lohse in behalf of the church by Rev. Walter Klempel, pastor. Mrs. Mary E. Klempel of Lambert, Montana, read a fitting poem. A beautiful birthday cake with two Bible verses decorated on it had been baked for the occasion by Mrs. John Arnold. Several members of the church brought reminiscenses of years ago. Mr. Lohse served the McIntosh Church as its pastor from 1935 to 1938 and from 1944 to 1947. One of the Lohse daughters is Miss Helen Lohse, Spanish-American missionary in the San Luis Valley, of Colorado.
- From Oct. 6 to Nov. 8, Rev. and Mrs. Walter Sukut, missionaries in Japan now at home on furlough, traveled extensively in visiting our churches and reviewing God's blessings on the Japan mission fild for the inspiration of our congregations. They spoke in churches in California, Montana, Nebraska, Colorado, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and North and South Dakota. They spent their Christmas holidays in Napoleon, N. Dak., at the home of Mr. Sukut. In January Mr. Sukut is continuing his studies at the University of Minnesota in Minnepolis and at the Bethel Seminary, St. Paul. Minn. This will be for the semester from January 6 to March 20, 1958.



#### Atlantic Conference

#### Baptist Thanksgiving Roll Call at Boston, Massachusetts

The Rock Hill Baptist Church, Boston, Mass., held its Thanksgiving Roll Call on Wednesday evening, Nov. 13, starting with a catered supper. Our speaker of the evening was Rev. Edwin T. Clemens, pastor of the nearby Congregational Church. He showed beautiful and interesting slides of a personal trip to the Holy Land, at the same time giving a fine spiritual message in connection with his visit. Our goal for the evening was to receive a cash offering of \$600. The result was \$676.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 24th, we had the joy of hearing eight people confess their belief in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, and then seeing them follow Christ in baptism. They are Mr. and Mrs. Ellery Thompson, Arthur and Margaret Thompson, Mrs. Virginia Ryder, Susan Ryder, Barry Morlock, Mrs. Rachel Samson. We then listened to a fine message by our pastor, Rev. A. Theodore Ekholm, on "What Shall I Render Unto the Lord?" We praise God for his goodness to us. Tillie Atwater, Reporter

#### Northwestern Conference

#### Special Sunday Evenings, Bethany Church, Milwaukee, Wis.

Laymen's Sunday was observed by the Bethany Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis., on Oct. 20 with the program presented by the men of the church. Inspiring were the songs of the male quartet and the testimonies on the themes: "What It Means to be a Christian", "Why I Tithe", "Family Bible Reading and Prayer in My Home" and "A Man's Greatest Joy Comes from Serving His Savior".

Another event in our church has been the series of three Family Fellowships held this past autumn. The program included a supper, separate study groups for children and adults, and a united cloring worship service. The adult group used the film strips on evangelism, accompanied by discustions led by our pastor, Rev. Wilmer Quiring.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 17, Mrs. Ayako Hino of Japan spoke to us. She is an instructor at the Baptist Girls' School in Yokohama, Japan. During the fe'llowship period which followed, the Mary and Martha Class served rereshments.

Laura Weihe, Reporter

#### Rev. L. Prast Receives Welcome to Watertown, Wisconsin

A large number of members and friends of the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Wis., extended a we'come to their new pastor, Rev. Laurence R.

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Prast, his wife and their two daughters, Sylvia and Brenda, on Sunday evening, Nov. 17. Rev. Carl Nowack, pastor of the Ebenezer Moravian Church, welcomed Mr. Prast in behalf of the Watertown M'nisterial Association. A welcome to the city was extended by Claire Congdon, city manager.

Several officers of the church and presidents of the church organizations also welcomed them and pledged their cooperation to the Prasts in the work of the congregation. Rev. Rudolph Woyke, pastor of the Temple Church, Milwaukee, Wis., brought words of challenge on the theme, "Building Together". He also welcomed Mr. Prast into the Wisconsin Baptist Fellowship. Rev. C. Bleedorn of the Oconomowoc Baptist Church pronounced the benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. Prast expressed their appreciation for the pantry shower, the redecoration of the parsonage and the friendly welcome extended to them. They also expressed their dedication to the aim of the church, "The Salvation of Lost Souls".

Mrs. Edgar Goetsch, Reporter

#### Thanksgiving Festival at Zion Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

For our annual Thanksgiving Fest-val, the Zion Baptist Church of Milwaukee, Wis., was beautifully decorated with fall flowers, fruits, and vegetables. In the morning Rev. John Wessel challenged us to come to Christ. In the afternoon Rev. John Kroeker, our pastor, brought one of his inspiring chalk drawings and talks on "Why



Women of the Central Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, Edmonton, Alta., who have been members from 30 to 49 years. Left to right: Mrs. A. Albert, Mrs. G. Buckles, Mrs. A. Rudolph, Mrs. M. Falkenberg, Mrs. G. Benke, and Mrs. D. Grunert. We Should Be Thankful". The offering was \$2000 of which one-fourth went to missions.

We praise our Lord for the blessings he has bestowed on us in the past. The Lord has led new members to strengthen the ranks of his work in our church. Our young people had a rally to which young people came from as far away as Canada. Dr. Martin L. Leuschner as guest speaker challenged them to serve our Savior.

Our choirs favored us with two Sunday evenings of special music. A Baptist Choir from Chicago and our mixed choir combined and brought us special messages in song, poems and testimonies. The men's chorus also reminded us in song, poetry, and testimony of the years of joyful service.

Mrs. Bruno Ziegler, Reporter

#### Northern Conference

#### Women's Programs at Central Church, Edmonton, Alberta

On Sunday, Oct. 27, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Central Baptist Church of Edmonton, Alberta, held its annual program featuring musical numbers, a White Cross play entitled, "First Things First", and a message by the guest speaker, Miss Ida Forsch, Cameroons missionary. Our society is steadily growing, and during the past year we were able to raise \$1050.

On Nov. 7 we observed the 50th anniversary of our denominational Woman's Union. The tea table was laid with an heirloom cloth and was centered with a cake in the shape of an open Bible, beautifully decorated by Mrs. Bert Wolfe. Surrounding the oake were six candles representing. The Historical Background, Publications, White Cross, Relief Work, Scholarship Fund, and our Local Society.

Our president, Mrs. Herbert Hiller, congratulated the 14 ladies who have been members of our society from 20 to 49 years. Mrs. Minnie Falkenberg, the only charter member, gave an interesting report how it was organized and about the work at that time. Following the program, an anniversary ten was served to more than 100 women.

Mrs. Wm. Sass, Secretary

#### Saskatchewan Association at Faith Church, Regina

The conference of the Saskatchewan Association was held at the Faith Baptist Church in Regina, October 21 to 23. Rev. Richard Schilke, general mission secretary, brought a series of challenging messages entitled, "Our Need of the Holy Spirit," "Our Partnership with Christ," and "Our Charge to Look upon the Fields." He also brought a report on the work of our denomination at home and abroad. Rev. Russell Hughes of the South Africa General Mission brought an inspiring series of messages on the tabernacle, which were made more vivid

by a miniature tabernacle displayed at the front of the church. We were also privileged to have Rev. P. Daum, Northern Conference worker, with us.

The main item of business was the merging of the Tri-Union with the Association. Officers elected were as follows: Rev. Oscar Fritzke, moderator; Mr. Bill Bonnie, vice-moderator; Mr. Carl Hollerbaum, secretary; Mr. R. Ziolkowski, treasurer; Rev. John Wollenberg, camp director; Mr. Chalmers Wirth, youth director; Rev. E. Thiessen, Sunday School director; Rev. R. Grabke, music director. Mr. Henry Fenske was elected to the Mission Committee. A committee of five was elected to obtain further information regarding a new camp site.

Nokomis was the best represented church at the Association with eight delegates present. Although we were few in number, we felt the Lord's Presence with us and received many

Miss Frances Mantay, Reporter

#### Southwestern Conference

#### Harvest and Mission Festival at Shattuck, Oklahoma

Sunday, Nov. 3, was our annual Harvest and Mission day at the Ebenezer Church of Shattuck, Oklahoma. Our pastor, Rev. LeRoy Schauer, brought a fitting message, speaking on "The Challenge of Missions for North American Baptists." A fellowship dinner followed the morning service. At 2:00 P.M. the Sunday School presented a short program which included a Church Extension film of work in Canada and the United States. At 7:30 P.M. we again gathered for a service. After another inspiring message by our pastor, we were privileged to view missionary sl'des of our Japanese and Canadian Indian fields.

We were blessed in having Missionary Minnie Kuhn with us for an evening service while she was visiting the Oklahoma churches. In the past months a Junior Sunday School department and a Junior CBYF were organized. We thank our Heavenly Father for his blessings and his great love to us and we are looking to him to fulfill all our needs.

Mrs. Rinehart Klein, Reporter

#### Dakota Conference

#### Spiritual Challenges for Baptist Church, McLaughlin, S. Dak.

Some months ago work began at the First Baptist Church, McLaughlin, S. Dak., to enlarge the church basement. This task is now nearing completion. The new addition will be the kitchen and dining room, and will also be used for Sunday School classes. Most of the work has been done by church members.

Rev. Irwin Schmuland of Goodrich, N. Dak., brought two weeks of inspirational messages recently. Two young sirls accepted Christ as Savior, and the Word was sown to many hearts who are without Christ.

Harvest Mission Sunday was observed on Nov. 10 with Rev. M. L. Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., as speaker. He gave wonderful messages in the morning and evening, and we also thank God for the bountiful offering of \$1225.22. He continued his services from Monday through Friday, giving instructions on "When Do Teachers Teach", a short sermon every evening and colored pictures of our missionary work in Japan, Indians in Canada, Lepers in Africa and Church Extension. It was a great blessing to have him in our church and it has challenged us anew to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature"

Mrs. Argo Brockel, Reporter

#### Golden Wedding Anniversary, Calvary Church, Aberdeen, S. D.

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bender of Aberdeen, S. Dak., was observed with open house at the home on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1, and in the Calvary Baptist Church that evening.

The honored couple have nine children living and all were present. Members of the family and several close friends took part in the program of music, words of praise, and testimonies under the leadership of their son Reuben. In response, the parents praised God for his loving care and mercies. With fitting words Mrs. Thomas Lutz, president of the Ladies' Mission Society, presented a gift to the honored couple in behalf of the society of which Mrs. Bender is a charter member. The pastor presented a gift from the church and reminded all of the beauty and sacredness of the marriage vows.

Martin Bender and Fredericka Schnabel were married Dec. 3, 1907 in the Castle Church near Venturia, N. Dak. They resided on a farm near Zeeland until 1946, when they came to Aberdeen and later became loyal members of the Calvary Church.

Thomas Lutz, Pastor

#### Spiritual Blessings and Harvest Festival, Sidney, Montana

From Sept. 23 to Oct. 7 we of the First Baptist Church of Sidney, Montana, had cottage prayer meetings and house-to-house visitation which were interchanged each evening as our final preparation for our evangelistic meetings. Our meetings were held Oct. 8 to 20 with Rev. Floyd Dalzell and family serving us as our evangelistic team. Under the faithful ministry of Brother Dalzell the church experienced a great spiritual awakening. We saw a number of souls making decisions for Christ.

Christ.

On Nov. 3, Rev. Henry Lang of Napoleon, N. Dak., brought the morning message. In the evening of this same Sunday, and the following Monday evening, Nov. 4th, we had the privilege of having Rev. Walter Sukut and his family, missionaries to Japan, with

On Nov. 17th we celebrated our Harvest and Mission Festival with Dr. Martin L. Leuschner as our guest speaker. With much thanksgiving and praise to our God, Dr. Leuschner reminded us of God's greatness. This day

was glorious with decorations by the young people, a timely message, a fellowship dinner after the morning service, and a challenge from our mission fields as we viewed the fields on the screen. The response by the people with another mission offering of \$271.—26 on this occasion was an indication of a continued concern for our missionaries and their splendid work on the mission fields.

Jacob Ehman, Pastor

#### Pacific Conference

#### Sessions of Oregon Association at Stafford Church

The Oregon Association met at the Stafford Baptist Church from Nov. 7-"The Importance of the Local Church" was our theme. Dr. Frank Woyke and Dr. and Mrs. Paul Gebauer were special speakers and guests of the Association fellowship. Dr. Woyke brought the keynote address on the topic, "Christ, the Head of the Local Church." He also gave a denominational report and spoke in behalf of the Baptist Men's Fellowship at the Friday evening service. Dr. Gebauer spoke on the topics, "Growth of the Local Church in Africa", "Denominational Missionary Report", and "Youth and Mrs. Gebauer was the Missions." speaker for the Women's Missionary Union program Friday evening.

Prayer Clinic themes were presented by Rev. John Broeder, "Prayer in the Local Church," and by Rev. George Breitkreuz, "The Home and the Local Church." A panel discussion was held on the topic, "Missionary Education in the Local Church." Those on the panel were Rev. Robert Penner, chairman; Dr. Frank Woyke, Dr. Paul Gebauer, and Mr. Earl Marks.

The officers of the Oregon Association were moderator, Rev. Ervin Gerli'z; vice-moderator, Rev. Henry Barnet: secretary-treasurer, Rev. Everett Barker; and host pastor, Rev. Ervin Gerlitz. The new officers for the year 1957-1958 are: moderator, Rev. Henry Barnet; vice-moderator, Rev. Everett Barker; secretary-treasurer, Rev. George Breitkreuz; and dean of the Oregon Baptist League, Rev. Everett Barker.

Robert F. Penner, Reporter

#### Central Conference

#### Christian Crusade Meetings at Center Line, Michigan

The First Baptist Church of Centerline, Michigan, was privileged to have Rev. John Kroeker of the Zion Baptict Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with the congregation for a Christian Crusade beginning October 20 and running through November 1st.

Mr. Kroeker gave a chalk talk before each evening message, and these were exceptionally effective and inspiring. Then, "beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto us in all the scriptures the things concerning Christ." We were indeed blessed by his ministry among us and

will long remember the sp'ritual feasts from the Word that he spread before

We have recently purchased and dedicated a tract of six acres of land in northeast Center Line as the site for a new church home. We hope to launch our building program in the very near future. We have outgrown our present church home even before it was completed. We are praising God for the rich blessings which he is continually bestowing upon us.

Ruby R. Smith, Reporter

#### Cornerstone Exercises, Napier Parkview Church, Benton Harbor

Sunday, Nov. 17th, was another "red letter day" for the Clay Street Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, Michigan, when between 450 and 500 people were on hand to witness the laying of the cornerstone of our new church, which will be known as the Napier Parkview Baptist Church. It is located in Fairplain with frontage on both Napier and Chippewa. Of modern functionalism, it will be of low trim design with a spire extending 85 feet skyward.

Dr. Frank Woyke, executive secretary, was guest speaker. He complimented the congregation for investing "a real sum" in building its house of God "because today Christians are judged by the world for the type of churches they build." He stressed the fact that Christians are co-laborers with God and therefore should consider it a privilege to be building God's house. Members are donating onethird of the labor on the new \$325,000 Cornerstone laving rites building. were held both outside and in the new building, the framework of which is now completely under cover.

The program began with a song service, and music by the adult and youth choirs. Rev. A. F. Runtz gave the opening prayer, and Rev. Stanley Watts the dedicatory prayer. The cornerstone of the new edifice was a gift of Mrs. Bertha Hoover of Windsor, Ontario, mother of the pastor, Rev. William Hoover. Otto Wesner made and donated the brass box, which held the documents, and articles which went into the cornerstone. Sunday's ceremonies ended with the adult and youth choirs singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Rev. William Hoover stated that it is hoped to have the building ready for dedication by June 1958.

Mrs. Dan Bittner, Reporter

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#### THE TORCH BEARER

(Continued from Page 17) he got his bags out of the car. "You'll be seeing a lot of me from now on."

"How thrilling!" Cicily mocked as she drove away.

Barry put down his bags and took his mother in his arms.

"How good it is to be at home again!" he exclaimed as he kissed her.

"It's good to have you home again, son," she answered happily as she followed him into the house.

During the warm afternoon he was content to sit on the cool shaded porch and talk with his mother until Mr. Carter came home. Barry had never realized before how proud his father was of his only son and a new feeling of comradeship brought a glow to his heart as they sat and talked together. A twinge of conscience bothered him as he remembered how near he had come to failure in those finals.

"So David's going to study for the ministry," his father remarked.

"Yes. He put one over on me when I was down with the flu. I haven't gotten over it yet. It was a mean trick."

"Why Barry!" his mother exclaimed. You shouldn't feel that way about it. You ought to feel glad."

"Why should I? It upset all our plans. How do his parents feel about it? They wanted him to study law."

"They're quite pleased about it. So is Dale."

"Dale! H'm. She would be."

Funny he had not thought about Dale. And Dav'd had never mentioned her since he had first told Barry of his intention to become a preacher. He had always just taken Dale for granted. She had tagged around with them when they had played together as children, always unobtrusive, but eagerly taking part in the games which they allowed her to join. Always, from the beginning, she had shown her preference for David. Perhaps it was because David was more patient with her, perhaps because his personality seemed to fill her own need, even at that early age. At any rate, she and David had gone together all through the years, drifting into an engagement before David left for college.

"Dale said it was the thing she had always hoped and prayed for," said Mrs Carter

"To think of old David being prayed over by a lot of women. What a joke!" Barry exclaimed.

"Barry!" cried his mother in pained reproof. "It isn't a joke."

"I'm sorry, Mother," he said, "but this thing has hit me pretty hard."

"I wish something could hit you hard enough to make you do what David has done," she said earnestly.

"You don't really mean that, do you, Mother?" he asked in surprise.

"Of course I do. Nothing could please me better than for my son to be a minister."

"What about you, Dad?" Barry asked, turning to his father with a quizzical smile. He knew that his father's views were much like his own as far as religion was concerned.

"I'll be satisfied to have a first class lawyer in the family," and he winked at Barry. "You've decided to be one, haven't you?"

"Yes, but it won't be the same without David."

That night as he unpacked his bags, Barry removed Cicily's picture and put it on the dresser.

When he got into bed he lay looking at the picture before he turned off the bed light.

"So there's nothing deader than a dead love, is there?" he remarked. "Well, let the old corpse lie. He'd only be a pale old ghost anyway. I'll kick him out and start all over again. There's another old saying that I remember: 'where there's a will, there's a way.' You're going to know what that really means, my sweet, before this summer is over."

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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION

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largely due to the use of Sunday School lesson materials which leave cut, or treat inadequately, important Bapt'st teachings such as baptism, Lord's Supper, church doctrine, church and state, soul competency, and the believer's responsibility toward the church. The Sunday School Union is making available, upon request, the findings of the Sunday School Lesson Committee which can give proper guidance to our churches to select materials which help to uphold the convictions of our faith.

The goal of evangelism needs constant re-emphasis because leading souls to acknowledge Christ as Lord and Savior remains as one of the primary objectives in our Sunday School ministry. We suggest that you set aside time in your Sunday School staff meetings periodically to evaluate your school by measuring your achievement of all the goals of the Sunday School Standard

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 5-10-Week of Prayer being observed by many North American Baptist churches.

Jan. 26 - Feb. 2-"Youth Week" sponsored by the Commissioned Baptist Youth Fellowship. Theme: "Victory Through Faith." Watch for "Youth Issue" on Jan. 23, 1958. Feb. 2 (Sunday)-Baptist World Al-

liance Sunday. Communion offering for the work of the Baptist World Alliance.

#### STUDENT EXCHANGES

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emphasis is only with the adults."

Mr. Kuhn already is drawing up plans and programs of Christian Education and Youth Work which he hopes to carry out after he returns to Germany from his studies in America.

After his experiences in America he has become more keenly aware of an enlarged concept of evangelism which begins early in life by reaching the children in the Sunday School and embraces every department of the church.

Since the war, the great evangelistic movements in Germany have been carried on largely by the youth in their evangelistic campaigns. It is interesting to note that they have a plan similar to our "God's Volunteers." However, in their program every member of the team takes his turn at preaching. Emphasis is placed on short skits which portray contemporary problems in the Christian life.

Mr. Kuhn is eager to study theology in the 1958 semester. Since he is acquainted only with the European scholars, he welcomes the opportunity to understand the views of the theologians on this side of the Atlantic. He feels that fundamental to all programs of youth work and evangelism is a clear concept of the teachings of the Bible

Plans for the summer months are still uncertain. He is eager to attend our conferences and camps in order to come into vital touch with our work. Tentative plans include the Baptist World Youth Congress to be held at Toronto, Canada, June 27 to July 2, 1958, and our General Conference at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, in July.

Upon the completion of his studies and deputation work in America, he plans to devote his full time to youth work in Germany where already he has received a call to become a regional youth director.

#### BAPTIST BRIEFS

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will be used for road and street repairs, water pipelines and sanitation work. Villagers of the once model community will share one-fifth of the cost. Some 800 members of the Burlingame congregation plan to make annual contributions of money and clothing to the people of Rafideyeh.



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

#### MR. LOUIS L. ROLFS of Lorraine, Kansas

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Mr. Louis L. Rolfs was born in Lorraine,
Kansas, on Sept. 28, 1895 and passed away
suddenly while on a hunting trip in Barton
County, Kansas, on Oct. 25, 1957. He was
62. At the age of 16 he became a Christian,
was baptized by the Rev. Samuel Blum and
joined the First Baptist Church of Lorraine,
Kansas. He was a member for 45 Years.
During the years 1918-19, Mr. Rolfs served
in World War I.

On Sept. 24, 1919, he married Margaret
P. Schulz at Bushton, Kansas. This happy
union was blessed with 2 children: Mrs.
Walter Hildebrand and Louis J. Rolfs, both
of Lorraine. These, with their mother, now
mourn the loss of a loving husband and
father. Also surviving are two sisters, five
brothers and 7 grandchildren.
Funeral services were held at the First
Baptist Church of Lorraine on Oct. 28, 1957.
Mr. Walter Schmidt read Scripture and led
in prayer. The pastor brought words of
comfort from Job 1:21. Burial was in the
Lorraine Baptist Cemetery.
First Baptist Church
Lorraine Kansas
HAROLD W. GIESEKE, Pastor

#### MR. HEIT V. HUISINGA of Parkersburg, Iowa

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Mr. Heit V. Huisinga of Parkersburg,
Iowa, was born on Sept. 13, 1894, in Aplington, Iowa. His conversion, and later also
his Christian life, were an influence upon
others that helped them to decide to follow
Christ as their Savior. He was baptized on
Dec. 20, 1925 by Rev. George Ehrhorn, and
united with the Calvary Baptist Church in
Parkersburg, of which he was a revered and
faithful member. He served his Lord faithfully, and the church as trustee and deacon.

faithful member. He served his Lord faithfully, and the church as trustee and deacon. He was senior deacon at the time of his homegoing.

On March 27, 1923, he was united in marriage with Martha Blume. Their home was blessed with one son. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Martha; his son, Wilbur and family: 2 grandchildren, 2 brothers: Herman and Claus; 3 sisters: Mrs. Tina Kramer, Mrs. Lambert Kramer, Mrs. Ed Feldick; and his aged mother, Mrs. Anna Huisinga; and a host of relatives and friends. He attained the age of 63 years. 2 months He attained the age of 63 years, 2 months and 16 days.

Calvary Baptist Church

Parkersburg, Iowa RAYMOND F. DICKAU, Pastor

#### MRS. CHRISTINA KOENIG of Underwood, North Dakota

Mrs. Christina Koenig of Underwood, N. Dak., was born on Dec. 1, 1883 at Parkston, S. Dak. She went to be with the Lord on Nov. 2, 1957 in the Bismarck Hospital where she had been for a number of days. She attained the age of 73 years, 11 months and

Shortly after her marriage to Jacob Koenig on Nov. 27, 1902 at Parkston, the young couple moved to North Dakota and home-steaded east of Underwood. The following year when Underwood was formed, the family moved to Underwood where Mr. Goenig opened an elevator, implement and grocery store with his brothers. Mrs. Koenig accepted Christ as Savior in 1900 and was baptized by Rev. L. Wiesle and united with the Baptist Church of Parkston. S. Dak. She was a charter member of the First Baptist Church. Underwood, N. Dak, She leaves to mourn her homegoing: 4

#### FAITH

It is the road, the chart, The wafer and the wine; Who lives by faith Shall find life good And clutch the things divine.

Christ and his Word shall be Their sustenance till breath Who lives by faith Shall never taste of death.

-John Richard Moreland

sons: Ferdinand, Reuben and Ezra of Underwood and Paul of Grafton; 2 daughters: Ruth (Mrs. Jacob Bender), Tacoma, Wash., and Leona (Mrs. Walter Fuchs), Dickinson, N. Dak.; and 12 grandchildren.
First Baptist Church
Underwood, North Dakota
RICHARD A. GRENZ, Pastor

#### MR. E. EARL TRAVER of Clifton, New Jersey

Mr. E. Earl Traver of Clifton, N. J., was born Sept. 13, 1901, in Brooklyn, N. Y., and died suddenly while on his return from Virginia Beach, Va. He found Christ as his Savior at the early age of 13 years, being baptized by Rev. W. J. Zirbes, then pastor baptized by Rev. W. J. Zirbes, then pastor of the Second German Baptist Church of Brooklyn, now Evergreen Baptist Church. He was an active member of the Fellowship Baptist Church of Passaic, N. J., and more recently of the Madison Ave. Baptist Church of Paterson, N. J. He was married to Miss Olga M. Conrad on May 9, 1923. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Olga, and one sister, Mrs. Edna Traver Anwyl. He was deeply devoted in his quiet way, serving in many

Edna Traver Anwyl. He was deeply de-voted in his quiet way, serving in many capacities for our denomination. For sev-eral years he was treasurer for the Bradley Beach Cottage, owned by the Baptist Young People's Union of New York and Vicinity, and served for two years in the office at Forest Park, Ill.

His funeral service was conducted with the use of his own well-marked Bible which showed his close walk with his heavenly

ather. Brooklyn, New York. Submitted by Mrs. Edna Anwyl

#### REV. E. R. LENGEFELD of Chicago, Illinois

of Chicago, Illinois

Rev. Edmund R. Lengefeld of Chicago, Ill., was born in Kassel, Germany, Sept. 3, 1891. He came to America with his parents as a child, settling in Texas. He heard God's call to the Christian ministry in his youth, and trained for the Lord's work at the Rochester Baptist Seminary, Rochester, N. Y. In later years he took additional study courses at Baylor University and Northern Seminary. He was pastor of the Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas, and for 15 years he served the Englewood Baptist Church of Chicago. He was a vigorous messenger of the Gospel and a faithful pastor who was loved by his people. Following the Englewood pastorate, he accepted the charge to become the superintendent of the Central Baptist Home for the Aged in Chicago. He did much for the Home as an efficient, ardent worker. He served the home for approximately 15 years.

The earthly end of our brother's pilgrimage came rather unexpectedly on Nov. 16,

age came rather unexpectedly on Nov. 16, 1957, after being in St. Elizabeth's Hospital 1957, after being in St. Elizabeth's Hospital for 12 hours. To mourn his departure, he leaves his wife; three sons: John of Wheaton, Ill.; Douglas of Escondito, Calif.; Hartzel of Berkeley, Ill.; and one daughter: Doris Kaysen of Springfield, Pa. The funeral service was conducted at the Forest Park Baptist Church on Nov. 19, 1957.

Forest Park Baptist Church
Forest Park Illinois

Forest Park, Illinois, RUBIN KERN, Pastor

#### MRS. GEORGE W. ZINZ of Winburne, Pa.

of Winburne, Pa.

Mrs. George Zinz, Sr., nee Schotsch, of Winburne, Pa., was born Feb. 5, 1887 in Transylvania, Austria-Hungary, and died on Nov. 14, 1957 in the Philipsburg State Hospital. She came to the United States in the spring of 1907. In November 1907 at Ellwood City, Pa., she was married to Rev. George W. Zinz. They would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary nine days after her death. Mrs. Zinz was a devoted Christian wife, mother, worker in voted Christian wife, mother, worker in the churches and the Woman's Missionary Societies. She was loved dearly by all who

knew her.

Surviving her, in addition to her husband, are 7 daughters: Catherine (Mrs. Walter Schindler) of Detroit, Mich.; Sara (Mrs. George Haggerty) of Pittsburgh, Pa.: Anna (Mrs. Al Behall) of Akron, Ohio; Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert Hargrove) of Greentown, Ohio; Louise (Mrs. William Deval) of Akron, Ohio; and Ruth (Mrs. Carl Hahn) of Erie, Pa.; two sons: George W. Zinz, Jr., Chaplain Major with the United States Army, Fort Dix, N. J.; and Albert C. Zinz at Winburne; and 13 grandchildren. burne; and 13 grandchildren.

The funeral service was held on Nov. 17, 1957, at the Forest Baptist Church, with 4 pastors taking part in the service: Henry Rieger, Eugene Abbott, Lee Jeffords and Richard Shanklin.

Forest Baptist Church

Winburne, Pa.

The Bereaved Husband and Children

#### CANADA'S PRIME MINISTER

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people in all history; but let us never forget how great the responsibility that belongs to this bounty. We must accept this responsibility as a national trust. We must administer that trust wisely and well if we are to be worthy of our stewardship."

This humble recognition of divine sovereignty was evident also in Mr. Diefenbaker's election-night broadcast when he called upon Almighty God to guide and to strengthen him in the heavy responsibilities which the election results were likely to lay upon him.

A non-smoker and teetotaller, Prime Minister Diefenbaker will stand for the people of Canada-and especially for her youth - as a fine example of highminded citizenship and of commendable public leadership. prayers of all Christian people should bear him up as he faces immense tasks in our turbulent and restless world. It is of interest to mention, in passing, that the Prime Minister's official residence in Ottawa was built by a great Baptist layman, Mr. Gordon Edwards, and was his home for many years.

Further insight into Mr. Diefenbaker's sturdy independence of character and judgment is found in a remarkable court case in British Columbia some five or six years ago. A fearful train wreck had occurred near Canoe River, B. C., resulting in the death of scores of army personnel on a special train which was in collision with a regular train. A youthful, inexperienced railway telegraph operator was blamed for the tragedy, being accused of having misread a wire of instruc-

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tions for the passing of the two trains. or of having relayed the instructions incorrectly. ,

Mr. Diefenbaker, one of the great criminal lawyers of Canada, was convinced of the possibility that the boy was being made a "cover-up" for a With his customary "higher - up." burning passion for justice, Mr. Diefenbaker offered to defend the young telegrapher, and if necessary, without a fee. He proved that the fault was "higher-up", and secured the honorable discharge of his client-defenseless until "Honest John" (as he is popularly called in the West) came to his rescue.

#### WORLD PROMINENCE

John Diefenbaker has leaped into world prominence and leadership very suddenly, but he does so out of many years of experience as an able and conscientious parliamentarian and as a keen student of world affairs. His training, his spirit and his dedication fit him for illustrious service to his country and to the whole world. The breadth of his sympathies and his judicious spirit are well reflected in his statement at the Commonwealth Prime

Min'sters' Conference in London (July 1957). He said, "It will be my privilege to tell them (the Prime Ministers) that we want to continue to stand together as a family, for richer or for poorer, for better or for worse, in good times or in bad times, in success or in adversity, but, by God's grace, in friendship and harmony with all the world, and especially the United States of America."

His fellow-Baptists will wish Prime Minister Diefenbaker well in all that he seeks to do for Canada and for the world of nations. They will rejoice when he rejoices, and share his burden of frustration and disappointment at other times. They know that "no man is sufficient for these things", and that only by divine grace and guidance can he be upheld and enabled to accomplish things, both great and good.

As one who has spent week-ends in his Prince Albert home in years long past, and who had the privilege of officiating at the marriage of his daughter in 1957 in Toronto, it gives me much pleasure to commend Mr. Diefenbaker to all who read the pages of the "Baptist Herald," both in Canada and the United States.

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to sleep, you think over the accomplishments of the day, and say to yourself, "It has been a good day and now I can sleep peacefully, knowing that I am in the Father's will". God grant that as each of us faces the new dawn, we will take every opportunity to serve him well. He has made us to be his stewards!

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