

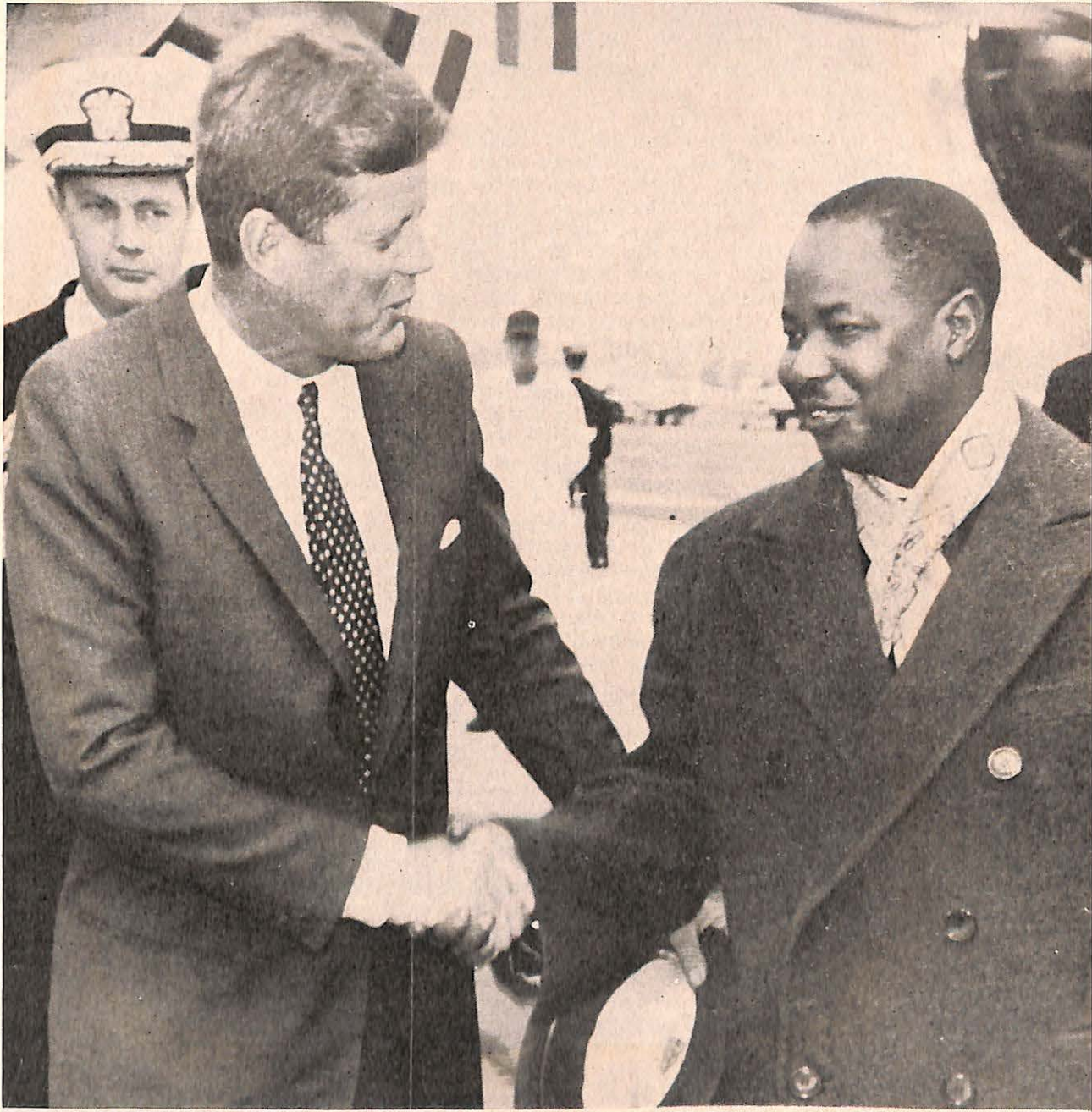
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# Christian Statesmanship

By William Richard Tolbert, Jr.  
Vice President of Liberia, Africa

AS STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL we have our respective individual talents given us by the Master, who expects us to put them to full use as we occupy ourselves awaiting his return. To be a good and faithful steward of the Gospel means to be imbued with unadulterated love. The need for help from "good Samaritans" is as great in our times as it was in the days of Christ.

It was love that prompted the Good Samaritan to bring relief to the man who had been woefully distressed by thieves as he was traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho. This road continues to be traversed, and weary, helpless travelers are still waylaid. The need for good-neighborly action in our intercourse with all men challenges us as never before.

It was love for mankind that caused the Father Almighty to give his only begotten Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to surrender his life for the world's redemption. It is this love that the world is in dire need of—love that will make a person sacrifice even his life for the saving of another, love that does not permit barriers in human relations, love that respects the dignity of man, and bridges the chasms of selfishness and bigotry.

It is the church's duty to continue to awaken the consciousness of the world to the need for possession of this essential ingredient. We must present the living Christ to the world in which evil extensively is to be found, not only by the giving of our money, or melodious songs, or bold testimonies and dynamic sermons, but also by magnifying him in our living.

Our sure weapon which does not fail is fervent prayer. Let us pray for the oppressed. Our hearts should run out for those ill-fated, distressed people who are being deprived of freedom and justice.

There are men and women holding the conviction, and they are not backward in declaring it, that the Christian faith is a "white man's religion" and unsuited for the African. This I know is totally false. Adequate stewardship of all Christians is demanded to reflect the image now needed to attract all men into the faith, irrespective of race, color or social condition.

Whatever the wind of change in Africa, there is definitely a great need for Christian missionaries on the continent. Wherever they are welcome they should be sent with the Good News, that men may hear the Word and, upon accepting Jesus Christ, be made whole.

May God give us courage, wisdom and strength to meet the challenges that confront us. As a free people governed by Christian principles, let us never be satisfied to live at ease until all others share with us the blessings that make men happy. Let us account for our stewardship to the end that all men shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

DR. WILLIAM RICHARD TOLBERT, JR.

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# MISSION NEWS AND NEEDS . . .

**EXTENSION BUILDERS IN MAY**  
Encouraging and exciting news is coming from the Holiday Park Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. In May the Church Extension Builders of the denomination will be giving to this project. Rev. Dale Chaddock, pastor, has written an interesting account of God's blessings upon this church, especially since the dedication of the new church. A full page report and a news item on the "What's Happening" page in this issue will warm your heart as you give towards this Church Extension project.

**DIRECTOR WALTER HOFFMAN.**  
"When the God's Volunteers team concludes its program on April 29th, we shall have visited 30 of our churches. Nineteen churches held extended services, and eleven were one night stands. The work on the fields has been different in so many ways. In the calling program, we followed through on canvassing, prospect calling and visitation of church members in addition to the many special services. To this task the team members of this year have given themselves without reservation. We thank God for such devotion and readiness to serve on the part of the team members."

**BAMENDA NEW HOPE SETTLEMENT**  
After swallowing Dapsone pills from 2½ to 9½ years, a group of 35 leprosy patients has spent a total of 174¼ years at the Settlement in West Cameroons, Africa. Would that we could award medals for the patience and steadfast hope which brought them to this victory. Let me introduce one of them to you. *Lucas* was the first leprosy patient to have his picture printed in the "Baptist Herald." Extremely thin, and with ugly nodules on his face, he looked as if T. L. C. (Tender Loving Care) in large doses was urgently essential. He found an abundant supply of uncles, brothers, mothers and sisters at the Settlement to make up for the family he never had. The magic of reading and writing became his cherished possessions, and because he had good hands, he received a full apprenticeship as a carpenter. He is now a graduate. Yes, the abundant life, which Jesus came to bring, now belongs to Lucas to enrich his future.

—Laura E. Reddig, Missionary

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# Editorial

## Now We Are 82

Sixty exciting pages, packed with missionary information in its 36,000 words, and illustrated with more than 70 pictures, tell the story of our missionary family, now serving Christ on four continents of the world, in the new book, "NOW WE ARE 82." This is more than a captivating volume selling at a very reasonable price (60c, single copies; 50c each for two or more copies) and available through your church or from our Forest Park headquarters office. It is the inspiring testimony of our North American Baptist General Conference, facing the crises and challenges of today's world. Secure your copy and catch the contagious spirit of its colorful pages.

God's people are marching forward! This is the story of our conference's missionary program. This volume appears in a succession of books which began only a few years ago with "Now We Are 22." Read the masterful introductory account of the Cameroons Mission Field by Dr. Paul Gebauer over three full pages. "Our present mission commitments in West Africa are the largest overseas investment in our entire denominational history," Dr. Gebauer states. "The future is upon us. Breast-deep our Cameroonians ford the currents, swim against the tides of a new paganism, against an organized godlessness. The future is theirs and yours: 'For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left' (Isaiah 54:3)."

You will hear the sound of God's marching orders throughout this book—missionary tasks, open doors for the Gospel, dedicated young people and zealous missionaries. You will hear the same echo in recent denominational decisions to appoint two teams of "God's Volunteers" for 1962-1963, to undertake new Church Extension projects, to raise the budget for our missionary and denominational purposes, and to be obedient to God's will and commission.

God's people are facing even greater objectives. As North American Baptists, our faces are set toward the challenges of the future. This is another stirring note in this book "Now We Are 82." Our objectives with the Baptist Jubilee program call for 100 North American Baptist missionaries to be in service for Christ by 1964. We are looking forward in an expectant faith to a million dollar budget by 1964. The Minneapolis General Conference adopted forward looking resolutions which the new Stewardship Committee hopes to carry out in the years ahead. With God all things are possible!

God's people recognize their greatness in dedication to God's program. In this volume you will see the glory and greatness of God's call to young people sending them forth into the dark places of the world to preach the Gospel of Christ. They are our missionaries who are "Spirit possessed." Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, editor of "Christianity Today," in his recent Convocation lectures at our Seminary, said that "a life that is not ruled by the Holy Spirit is beneath the dignity of the New Testament." Here are missionaries in the glory of the New Testament who are motivated and controlled by the Holy Spirit.

That is God's call to us to serve in his greatness in strange places of the world. "NOW WE ARE 82." This is more than an amazing title of a new book. It is the triumphant story of our denomination, dedicated to make Christ, the Savior, known to the world. Become acquainted with this thrilling story!

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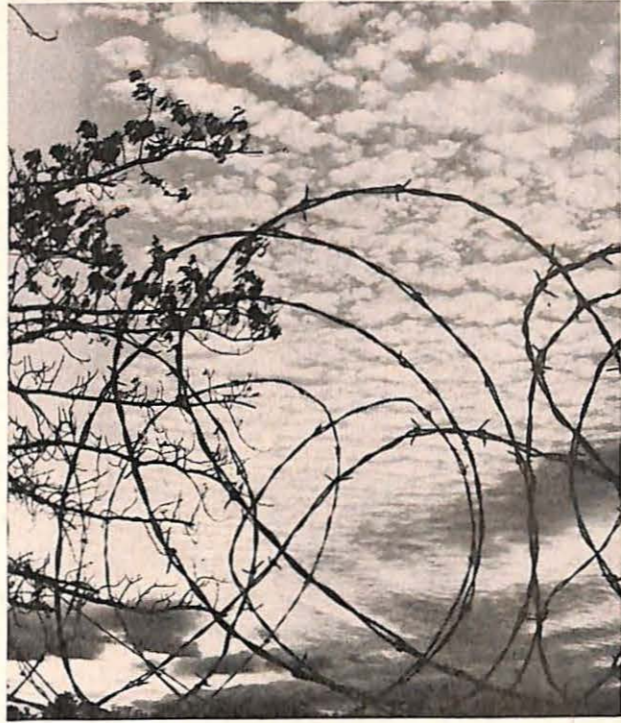
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The Seminary Convocation speaker  
deals with one of the most  
provocative world issues of today . . . .

## Is War Really Inevitable?

By Dr. Carl F. H. Henry of Washington, D. C.,  
Editor of "Christianity Today."



The proposed solutions of man for the abolition of war have lacked the realism of the biblical view of man and history (Photo by Harold M. Lambert).

RECENTLY the discussion or "The Hilltoppers," whose Sunday morning dialogue Dr. Carl F. H. Henry is privileged to lead just a few blocks from the nation's Capitol in Washington, D.C., turned on the topic, "Is War Really Inevitable?" Among class participants were a distinguished United States Senator, a retired military general, a research scientist in nuclear physics, and other dedicated laymen active in one or another phase of professional and business life.

Our discussion of war drove us to note that (1) the Bible holds out no hope for the abolition of war within the course of history as we know it (Ecclesiastes 3:8; Matthew 24:3 ff.), and that (2) the prophetic vision of an era of universal peace is grounded in Messianic expectation—that is, in the expectation of Jesus Christ's supernatural return to rule and to superimpose peace and justice upon the world (Isaiah 2:4, 46:9; Hosea 2:18).

While the Old Testament views peace as a supernatural blessing, it nowhere treats as a live question: how can war be eliminated? Rather it assumes that the sinfulness of man implies personal conflict and political conflict.

### THE BIBLE TEACHES . . .

The problem rather is: how avoid national destruction in time of war? The Scriptures inveigh against those who trust either in themselves alone or in alliances with great pagan powers with military know-how. Psalmist and prophet plead for confident trust in the superior power of God (Ps. 27:3, 46:9).

Even after the advent of Jesus Christ, the Bible does not hold out hope for the cessation of war, although the

teaching of the Sermon on the Mount is often appealed to by pacifists who seek the elimination of war through the abolition of resistance rather than the abolition of aggression. But both from the Gospels and from the Apocalypse, it is clear that the New Testament community of faith did not attach the expectation of permanent peace to the first advent of the Messiah and the Christian era. Jesus spoke not only of "rumors of war" but of "war" itself as among the developments that "must come to pass" before the end of this age and his return (Matthew 24:3 ff.).

John, the Apostle of Love, sees the tension of faith and unbelief so heightened in the Christian era that the terrors of war reach new and wholly unprecedented magnitudes. The opening of the second of the six seals in the Revelation unmasks the beast and the red horse whose rider is given "a great sword" and "power . . . to take peace from the earth" (Revelation 6:3 f.). In Revelation 13, moreover, the totalitarian beast-ruler not only gains such magnitude of power that nobody dares war against him ("who is able to make war with him?" 13:4), but he gains power "to make war with the saints, and to overcome them . . ." 13:7).

The abolition of war is the dream of modern man. As destructive power potential increases, war is said to be obsolete and unthinkable. But every earlier modern effort to eliminate war has failed, whether through a reliance on one major world power, a balance of power, league or federations of nations. Each of these proposed solutions has lacked the realism of the biblical view of man and history.

Is war then inevitable? And if so, in

what sense "inevitable"? Certainly, war is not one of the dimensions of the historical process necessitated simply on the basis of divine creation. When Jesus spoke of war as a *must*, he intended not its absolute inevitability, but its conditional inevitability, as also the indispensability of the new birth—"Ye *must* be born again"—likewise was not absolute (a necessity flowing from the divine creation of man) but contingent (a consequence of the fall of man). War is an inevitability of the sinful character of man.

It is true, of course, that the King James translation of James 4:1 ("From whence come wars and fightings among you?") creates a misimpression of direct relevance to the subject of war between political entities, since the context rather is that of personal or group conflict. But is the passage—with its emphasis on the root of discord—any less relevant to national and international problems in tracing the root of discord to "lusts that war in your members"? Human history is fallen history, and the root of evil is to be located in the unregenerate heart of man enslaved by Satan and seeking selfish goals by lawless means.

### CHURCH'S EVANGELISTIC CALL

There will be no peaceful co-existence in an unregenerate world. The more power sinful men accumulate, the more they will be tempted and prone to use it for immoral ends. War is an inevitability of fallen human history.

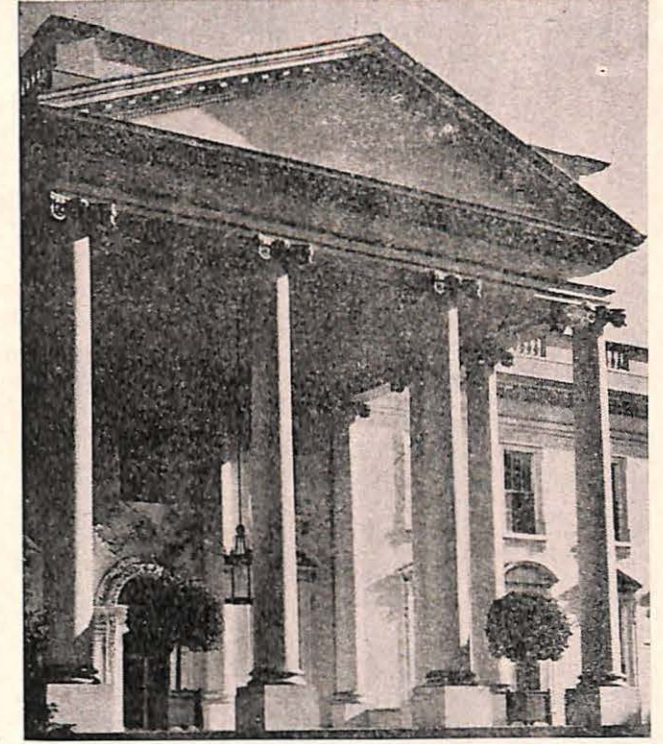
For modern scientists, war is neither unthinkable nor obsolete, nor can it be eliminated simply through fear of its consequences. Men who do not fear destruction by almighty God (Matthew

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Story of a luncheon given in  
honor of Ahmadou Ahidjo, President  
of the Federal Republic of Cameroon . . .

## You Are Invited to the White House!

By Mr. Edwin H. Marklein, Moderator of the North  
American Baptist General Conference.



The North Portico of the White House, Washington, D. C.

ONE EVENING during the month of February, my wife and I were sitting in our living room watching television. The program that captivated our attention and that of millions of other viewers was entitled, "A Tour Through the White House." We were very much impressed as Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy and Mr. Charles Collingwood conducted the tour through many of the more important rooms of this historic mansion. In fact, when the one hour program was over, we felt that we had actually been in the White House because of the detailed description and most interesting manner in which Mrs. Kennedy explained the tour.

### ENGRAVED INVITATION

Little did I realize that within a few weeks thereafter, I would be receiving an invitation from the President of the United States to be his luncheon guest at the White House on Tuesday, March 13, 1962. The luncheon was to be given in honor of his Excellency, the President of the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Ahmadou Ahidjo.

Many of my friends, when they heard that I had received the invitation, asked me, "How does it feel to receive an invitation from the President?" At first, when I read the beautifully engraved invitation, it seemed just like a dream. But when I realized that it was true, I felt very much honored, not only personally but for the high honor which was being given by recognition of our North American Baptist General Conference by the President of the United States. In all my exuberance, I immediately accepted by formally notifying the Social Secretary of the White House.

There were only nine days interven-

ing between the time I received the invitation and the day of the luncheon. Many thoughts ran through my mind during those days. Not knowing who would be there and just what would be the proper and acceptable way to conduct myself at an occasion of this kind, my mind was quite confused. The more I thought about it, the more I was convinced that I should act no differently than I would on any other occasion. This proved to be the right way.

Finally the day came. I arrived at the White House about twenty-five minutes ahead of schedule. This was an advantage because I was the first guest to arrive. This gave me an opportunity to observe many things at leisure. I was

escorted through the Diplomatic Entrance, showed my credentials and then was asked to go up the beautiful staircase which leads to the Diplomatic Reception Hall. There the Marine Band in their colorful red dress uniforms was playing.

I was briefed as to my table assignment. Then I was escorted into the Blue Room where all the guests were to assemble and meet each other. I was only in the Blue Room a very short time before I was talking with senators, congressmen, members of both President Kennedy's and President Ahidjo's Cabinet, assistant secretaries of the state and defence departments and many other government officials.

### STATE DINING TABLE

We were then alerted to march into the Red Room single file where we were introduced individually to President John F. Kennedy, President Ahmadou Ahidjo and Vice President Lyndon Johnson. After greeting and chatting briefly with these gentlemen, we entered the beautiful State Dining Room which we had not seen before. As I entered, for a moment, it almost took my breath away as my eyes wandered about this gorgeous room with its exquisite decorations.

The State Dining Table was beautifully set with the presidential china and very lovely flower decorations. For each guest there was a very high backed chair covered with gold cloth. At the far end of the State Dining Room over the fireplace there was a wonderful oil painting of President Abraham Lincoln. It really made one feel that it was good to be an American citizen.

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### FRONT COVER PICTURE

The front cover picture shows President John F. Kennedy of the United States greeting President Ahmadou Ahidjo of the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa as he arrived at the Washington Airport on Tuesday, March 13, to begin a visit of several days in the United States. A State Luncheon was held at the White House on March 13, honoring President Ahidjo. Quite a number of political and religious dignitaries were present at the luncheon, including Mr. Edwin H. Marklein, moderator of the North American Baptist General Conference. A colorful report about that occasion appears on this page. President Kennedy, age 44, told the 38 year old Ahidjo at the Washington Airport: "We are greatly impressed by you, one of the youngest presidents in the world." Mr. Ahidjo also visited New York City and was given a famous Ticker Tape Parade up Broadway on March 16.



Story of "the big day" and feast celebrating  
the goal of 1000 deliveries a year at  
the Banso Baptist Hospital, Africa . . . .

## The 1000th Delivery at Banso Hospital

By Miss Eleanor Weisenburger, Missionary Nurse in the Federal Republic of Cameroon, Africa

ON DECEMBER 8, 1961, at the Banso Baptist Hospital in the Federal Republic of Cameroon we reached our goal of one thousand deliveries a year for the first time. By December 31st we had 1070 deliveries with 1101 babies. There were two triplet deliveries and twenty-seven twins.

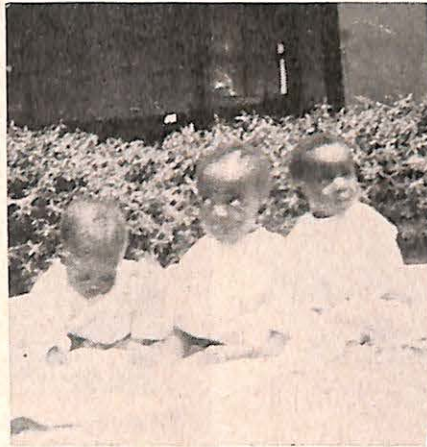
Several days before the 1000th delivery took place, I promised the pupil midwives and midwives that there would be a feast on the big day. I asked them to suggest some nurse's wife who cooks well and could be hired to prepare the food. The girls suggested rather sheepishly that they would be very happy to prepare the food themselves.

I consulted with the committee about amounts of food to buy and the list looked something like this: 12 cups of rice, two bottles of palm oil, native pepper, beef for six shillings (about 84c), a cock, agusi (squash seeds), bitter greens, dried crayfish, onions, fresh ripe tomatoes, and two tins of tomato sauce.

### CHOP PALAVER

When the night report was read on the morning of December 9th, the girls let out a loud cheer, for this would be the day of celebration. The two girls who had been chosen as cooks took over my kitchen for their day's task. By eleven o'clock in the morning fragrant aromas were coming from the kitchen.

At 5:30 p.m. our classroom in which all the girls had spent many hours of



Triplets born at the Maternity Center of the Banso Baptist Hospital.

hard study was turned into a dining hall. A special little table was set for the qualified midwives. While final preparations were being made, the girls joined in singing some of their favorite choruses. After a prayer of praise to God, Betty Mantay and I took our large ladles in hand to serve the mounds of white rice and delicious soup.

As we joined in the meal, Betty remarked, "This native chop is certainly delicious," but soon I noticed her sniffing and wiping tears. The soup was seasoned very mildly by African standards, but quite peppery by our

own. The girls sitting near us snickered quietly and then the snickers spread through the whole room as they laughed with Betty over her tears.

### 28-BED MATERNITY WARD

When the "chop palaver" was finished, Betty read Psalm 48 to direct our thoughts toward praise to God. This was followed by prayer and then some reminiscing on the growth of our maternity work. One of the midwives seated at the special table was Mrs. Lon, who was in charge of Banso Maternity when I first came here in 1950. She was a government midwife and served in other places for several years. She finally resigned from government service and has been back with us since 1958. Four of her five children were born here at the Banso Hospital.

The midwife who was lucky enough to have the 1000th delivery then led all of us to the Maternity Ward where the sleeping infant was snatched from her cot to join the circle of singers. The mother looked a bit bewildered, even though she had been warned about what would happen. She was presented with a gift for her baby and in response she asked the girls to name her baby. The little girl was named Joy. After a word of prayer with the Christian mother, the girls marched away happily, still singing.

### CHRIST'S FAITHFUL WITNESS

We must indeed say "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised." Among these 1000 women who had delivered during 1961 were Mohammedans, Catholics, Presbyterians, Baptists and pagans, rich and poor, literate and illiterate. All heard words of salvation daily during their stay at the hospital and at every attendance at prenatal clinic or well-baby clinic. All were made glad by the lovely layettes from Woman's Missionary Societies at home which are presented to them when they are discharged.

We look forward to the completion and furnishing of the new Maternity block with the gifts and offerings of Christian friends at home. With our two new classes of midwives that have been admitted for training this year, we now have fifty pupils in training. Eight of them will take their government examination the end of March and, if successful, will go to various posts throughout this land to serve their people and, we pray, to be faithful witnesses for Christ to the praise of God.

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Missionaries Eleanor Weisenburger and Ardice Ziolkowski with some of the national girls in training as nurses and midwives at the Banso Baptist Hospital.

Church Extension Builders will share  
in the ministry of this Church  
Extension Project in May 1962 . . . .

## Great Days at Holiday Park Church

By Rev. Dale Chaddock, Pastor of the Holiday Park Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

THE BEGINNING of a new church is always a thrilling experience. Our church, the Holiday Park Baptist Church of suburban Pittsburgh, Pa., actually began as a goal of the Union Baptist Church of Arnold, Pa., about four years ago. They had set the goal of starting a Branch Sunday school.

It took a year and a half before the answer to prayer came and this new developing area opened up as the place to start the new church. A new suburban community was under development just off the Parkway East, a main traffic route leading out of Pittsburgh, and about 12 miles from Arnold. An old country church, closed for years, was found in the area of the new community. The work was started here.

### PROSPECTS OF FIELD

The Church Extension Committee of the denomination was asked to look over the prospects of the new field. After a survey of the area by Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Church Extension agreed to make the new work an official Church Extension project. A very fine land site of five acres was purchased from the developer of the new community. In the fall of 1960 ground was broken for the new church. The Church Extension Committee extended a call to Rev. Dale Chaddock, pastor of the mother church, and he began his ministry full time on October 1, 1960.

The actual work on the new church building was not started until early in the winter, because of material delays. By acting as its own contractor and through hundreds of hours of donated labor, the church saved thousands of dollars in construction. The facilities include a chapel seating 160 persons, a departmentalized Sunday school for 175, and a three bedroom parsonage in the back wing of the building. With very little expense, this can later be changed into an additional Sunday school wing and auditorium overflow.

### DEDICATION SERVICES

An impressive dedication service was held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 26, 1961 with Rev. Daniel Fuchs as the speaker. Rev. Emanuel Wolff, Eastern District secretary, spoke at the morning service and also participated in the dedication service. There was an attendance of over 200.

Not only has the church experienced the blessing of the physical growth of a new building, but it also has seen growth in the number of persons it is

reaching with the Gospel. The Sunday school started with a handful of 8 or 10 pupils. This past fall the church engaged in a contest with four of our other Church Extension churches and came out the winner in having the largest percentage of increase, with an average Sunday school attendance during the contest of 102.

### VICTORY OVER SETBACKS

Even with a new church, there are some setbacks. We experienced this just at the close of the Sunday school contest. Two of our families moved away, and a nearby Army Nike Site was closed down, with a resulting loss in attendance of about 25 persons. We have regained this loss, however, and our av-

erage school attendance at present is again over 100. We have a very high percentage of children and young people in all of our services.

### MISSIONARY GOALS

gram is carried out faithfully with very good participation from the members. Every other week, ladies of the church go out by two's to visit and witness in the new homes. On the alternate weeks, couples and teams of men go out in the evening.

The church is also developing a zealous missionary program, even though we have a very heavy debt load. The young people hold a missionary study once a month. They use the mite boxes and are giving generously toward the Mission Project of the CBY Fellowship of the Eastern Conference.

The second Sunday of each month is Missionary Sunday in the Sunday



HOLIDAY PARK CHURCH, PITTSBURGH, PA.

The worshipful and attractive sanctuary of the new Holiday Park Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Photo by "The Daily Dispatch," New Kensington, Pa.)

We have also seen growth in persons accepting Christ as their personal Savior and a number of baptismal services. The membership of the church is now 55.

We have also a growing burden for the souls of others. Recently a 10 hour "Soul Winning Course" was held with "The Thousand for Christ" packets being used. An average attendance of 15 young people and adults took the course. A visitation and witnessing pro-

gram is also growing in its ac-

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A marvelous opportunity to spend your vacation in this "picturesque vacationland"...

## The Doorway to the Laymen's Family Conference

A conference for laymen and their families at Green Lake, Wisconsin, July 21-28, 1962.



The Judson Tower honoring the first Baptist missionary to Burma as seen from the formal flower garden at the American Baptist Assembly, Green Lake, Wisconsin. (Photo by M. L. Leuschner).

### WONDERFUL FELLOWSHIP AT GREEN LAKE

By Mr. H. H. Stabbert of Anaheim, California  
President of "Baptist Men."

I LOVE GREEN LAKE because it has given me an opportunity to be in constant touch with people who are in full agreement with and in possession of that great common denominator—CHRIST. This may sound like an idealistic statement, but after having had the privilege of attending two Laymen's Conferences, I can say most sincerely that this fellowship is what has impressed me the most.

There were no outside pressures and distractions to take my mind away from the many blessings that were in store for me. The program committee has again come up with a series of spiritual and recreational treats. All one has to do is to open his heart and mind to accept them, and his life will be greatly enriched as my life was. I hope that you will avail yourself of this opportunity and bring your family to the Laymen's Family Conference—July 21-28, 1962. I did by driving a distance of approximately 2,000 miles and have never been sorry!

### AN IDEAL VACATION

By Mr. Edward Meister of Chicago, Illinois

In your mind, what does an ideal vacation consist of?

I know it is true that not always can we choose the location, activity and company that are part of such a vacation, but we try and most of the time we are satisfied if we accomplish one or two of our objectives.

For me, the ideal vacation would provide for body, mind and soul. Coming closest to this ideal would be a week spent at our Laymen's Family Confer-

ence at Green Lake, Wisconsin. The Psalmist said: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God." This desire of the soul is met in a measure as we seek God in his Word and prayer, as well as by our own church.

But coming to Green Lake and having the opportunity of hearing the deep truths of Scripture expounded by men of God, as Dr. Abraham J. Harms, is as if a thirsty man comes upon a cool refreshing water. To mingle and have fellowship with our brethren from different areas of our country, who have varied occupations and daily pursuits, exchanging views concerning the challenges of this day and to listen to men like Dr. C. Emanuel Carlson, who stands at the political crossroads in the Capitol of our Nation, with knowledge of the prevailing thoughts of men in high places, is stimulating to the mind.

Lastly, but also of importance, there is something for the body. If you are looking for relaxation, where could you rest more serenely than in the natural beauty of Green Lake, with over 1,000 acres of forest and farm land? If you are inclined toward recreation, you may take advantage of the recreational program and facilities available.

Don't miss this opportunity for an Ideal Family Vacation that will amply provide for the body, mind and soul!

### COME TO GREEN LAKE

By Mr. R. E. Engelbrecht of Waco, Texas

It has been a happy privilege for Mrs. Engelbrecht and me to attend the past three Laymen's Conferences at Green Lake, Wisconsin, and we are looking forward with even greater anticipation to this year's conference.

Why go to the Laymen's Family Conference at Green Lake?

First of all, no place will afford you

a more restful, a more scenic, a more delightful spot for your vacation. Business in these days requires a terrific, unending energy to succeed. But the men who do big things are those who occasionally get away from the mass and find rest and recreation. However, rest and recreation are not enough for your vacation. A change of place is something, but brand-new scenes, re-furnished minds, replenished enthusiasm and renewed faith are more important. While you rest, your mind and soul too are refreshed. Therefore I urge you to COME TO GREEN LAKE.

Then consider the program, featuring such outstanding speakers as Dr. A. J. Harms, who will be the Bible teacher. Dr. Harms is on the faculty of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Other fine speakers will be Rev. David J. Draewell, pastor of the Parma Heights Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio; President Frank Veninga of the North American Baptist Seminary; Dr. C. Stanton Gallup of Plainfield, Connecticut, an outstanding Baptist layman; and our own beloved Dr. Martin L. Leuschner, promotional secretary.

One of the high moments, no doubt, will be when Dr. Paul Gebauer will present missions, and tell of the critical times we are experiencing in our African Mission Field. The joint session on Wednesday evening, with 1,000 other Baptist laymen meeting on the grounds will feature Dr. C. Emanuel Carlson, general secretary of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, as speaker.

Panel Discussions. These are always interesting and informative. Here is where everyone in attendance has an opportunity to ask questions and to benefit by the discussions on such topics as: Home and Family Life, Our Churches in Present World Conditions, Stewardship, etc.

"The greatest contribution which has been made to the education of American youth is the summer camp."

# Youth and Camping

By Rev. John Binder, Assistant General Secretary, Department of Christian Education.

WHY IS SO much money and effort put into Christian camping programs for youth? What lasting values are attained through them that are not reached through the public school or regular church program? All of us who have a part in the camping program must be able to give some valid answers to these questions.

The general shift in population from rural to urban areas greatly increases the need for good camps. This trend toward city living has brought with it a lot of artificial living. A great proportion of activity, in school and in ordinary life, lacks the living quality of direct, sincere, meaningful experience. We are pushed, rushed, and crowded; the pushing, crowding and rushing of youth in our schools have become almost a disease. Good camps can make an important contribution towards resolving these needs. The basic philosophy of camping is to help each child in his personal development, social relationships, emotional and spiritual growth.

### LIFE WITH CAMPERS

Camp staffs, comprising an increasing number of young teachers, live with campers 24 hours a day. The ratio of staff to campers is one to six or eight. In public schools teachers cope with 30 or more in a class. Most important is the relationship itself. There is something about sitting around a fire and having Bible or nature study together that breaks down barriers between adults and children. As one camp director put it, "I have been a teacher and principal all my life. At camp we get closer to youth in one summer than a teacher can get in several years at school."

How many American girls and boys have learned to make their beds, sweep, cook or wait on tables in summer camps?

How many have learned to swim, love nature and live outdoors at camps?

How many have gained spiritual insights and moral values through their contacts and experiences at camp?

Have not the health habits and mental health of many youngsters been enhanced through the guidance of capable counselors at camp?

It is for such reasons that the former president of Harvard, Charles W. Eliot, said, "The greatest contribution which has been made to the education of American youth is the summer

camp."

Evidence indicates that the informal setting of nature's own classroom is the best atmosphere for most effective learning. Camping utilizes the resources of the natural surroundings to contribute significantly to mental, physical, social and spiritual growth of individual campers. To youth the word "camping" suggests adventure and excitement—a different life which can be chosen for leisure time, something to do away from home or school and old familiar rounds.

Jesus, according to the Scriptures, also used the natural environment to great advantage for teaching eternal truths. He made use of every opportunity and aid at his disposal. He did not limit his teaching ministry within the church walls, or even the homes he visited, but he also—shall we say—conducted some camps. He went out of the house to the side of a sea and the people gathered around him by the multitudes. (The publicity committee didn't have much trouble getting the people out.)

Jesus stepped into a boat and, probably with the help of Peter or John at the oars, they rowed out a ways from shore. The throng was on the shore, the bright sun up above for light, the heavens as the roof, the hills as the walls, lakes like a mirror quilt at its maker's feet—what a perfect temple! He began to talk to them about a per-



Rev. John Binder, Assistant General Secretary, Department of Christian Education.

son who sows seed in the different soils. He talked about stony places, thorns and fruit. He talked about the good seed, the tares, the wheat and harvest time. He compared the Kingdom of heaven to a grain of mustard seed. He referred to the birds in tree branches, fire, pearls and treasures. He used the natural surroundings as vital aids to teach eternal truths.

Our church camping programs are still trying to do this and with a good measure of success. In the summer of 1961, we had 28 camps reported to us. (There were many others that never reported. We hope they will this year. Will you help us?) Out of 28, there were 10 Junior, 8 Junior High, and 10 Senior High camps. The attendance at all camps totalled 1,740 campers, plus 454 workers. There were 92 conversions, over 123 re-dedications and 21 dedications for "full-time" service. Was it worthwhile? I think these statistics speak for themselves.

### DYNAMIC JUNIOR CAMPING

Four out of the ten Junior camps used the new "Dynamic Junior Camping" program with notable success.

Rev. Orville H. Meth, the director of the Crystal Springs Junior Camp of North Dakota, reports the following:

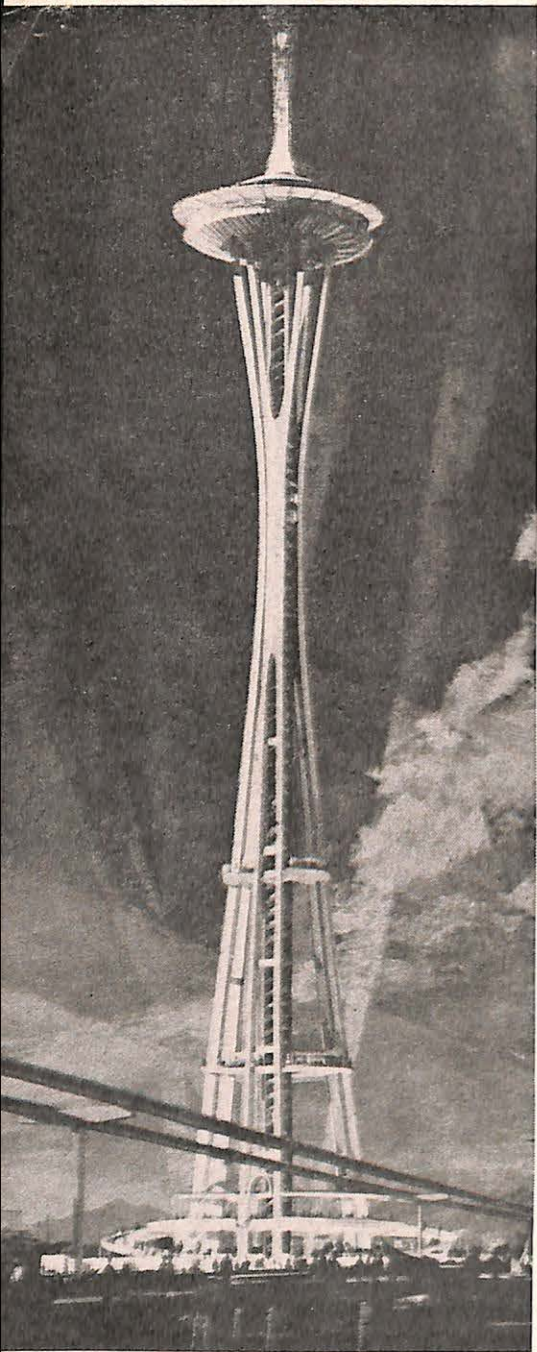
"When the tension of adjustment to a new program began to relax, everyone caught the spirit of the camp and enjoyed himself. The lesson of being 'God's Faithful Stewards' was well learned in the various phases of the Bible study and the well-rounded camping program. It ended with a feeling by campers and staff that it was a successful camping experiencing with the Lord Jesus Christ.

"The counselors favored the new 'Dynamic Junior Camping' program because they felt they could really get to know their campers and their needs. One counselor stated that she was amazed to witness the spiritual growth of her campers through the week in their devotional time as a living group."

Donald Richter, who was the director of our Wisconsin Junior Camp where they used the new "Dynamic Junior Camping" program says, "The camping program was strikingly successful. The camp staff approved the program for next year."

We hope all will have successful camps in 1962. If you have any questions or suggestions, please write to us and we will try to be of service to you.





The 600-foot Space Needle at the Seattle World's Fair, with its celestial observation deck and revolving restaurant.

**E**LABORATE PLANS are being realized to project human imagination into "The World of Century 21" as Seattle, Washington, anticipates the first space-age World's Fair, April 21 to October 21 of this year. The "Man in Space" theme of the Century 21 Exposition will unfold a glittering glimpse of life as it may be in the year 2000, with the most creative architects, scientists, designers, artists and builders joining talents and efforts.

**POSITIVE CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS**

This \$80,000,000 World's Fair, with its emphasis upon science, technology and other materialistic aspects of the

# Christian Witness in "Century 21"

Story of the first space-age World's Fair at Seattle, Washington.

By Rev. Mark A. Talney, American Bible Society Regional Secretary, Pacific Northwest (Reprinted from the Bible Society Record).

world of tomorrow, would by itself present a misleading prospect behind a facade of scientific wonders. The Creator and Sustainer of All is hardly to be ignored in our preoccupations with the ingenuity and self-reliance of man! In the midst of awesome wonders the Creator, Redeemer and Hope of mankind, as revealed in Christian faith and proclaimed by Christian Gospel, must be accorded his predominance.

It was to give a positive Christian answer to this concern that in June 1960 representatives of nineteen denominations and fourteen other Christian groups organized an agency, Christian Witness in Century 21, Inc., with the specific purpose of assuring Christian witness during this World's Fair.

**CHRISTIAN WITNESS PAVILION**

The program of the organization will be keyed to the theme, "Jesus Christ—the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever." Central to the program will be a Christian Witness Pavilion, dedicated to "citizens of Century 21."

This Witness Pavilion, with its laminated arches, will, as "the crown jewel of the fair," pay indispensable tribute to the Creator for his gracious gifts of mind, imagination, talent and spirit. With its majestic cross, fifty feet in height, the building will rouse the thoughts of the millions who visit the exposition to him who is the Redeemer and Hope of the world. The cost of the building and program will be \$175,000, with \$50,000 worth of additional decor made available by manufacturers.

**STAINED-GLASS ART**

International, prize-winning stained-glass art on the theme "Jesus Christ—Creator, Redeemer and Hope of the World" will adorn the chapel.

The Christian Witness Pavilion will have a child-care center staffed by personnel trained in Christian education; forceful displays on the themes of Creation and Redemption; a chapel for meditation and daily worship; an infor-

mation service providing materials about local church activities; presentation of outstanding religious music. A chaplain will be installed in a counseling room; the Pavilion will feature distribution of religious literature and—in particular—of Scripture portions.



MRS. LEMUEL PETERSEN

Chairman of the Children's Center Advisory Committee, Seattle World's Fair. Mrs. Melba Petersen is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Runtz, formerly of the Children's Home, St. Joseph, Mich. Her husband is the executive vice president of "Christian Witness in Century 21."

What activities will the American Bible Society undertake in this exceptional opportunity to enliven millions of people in Christian faith and practice, many of them unchurched? Aside from distribution of Scriptures, the Society has been granted not only its prominent display, with programs on the grounds, but also off-the-grounds emphasis in Greater Seattle using the theme, "The

Bible in Century 21."

With guidance by a local committee, cooperative plans are being laid for vigorous activities.

**CITY-WIDE BIBLE EMPHASIS**

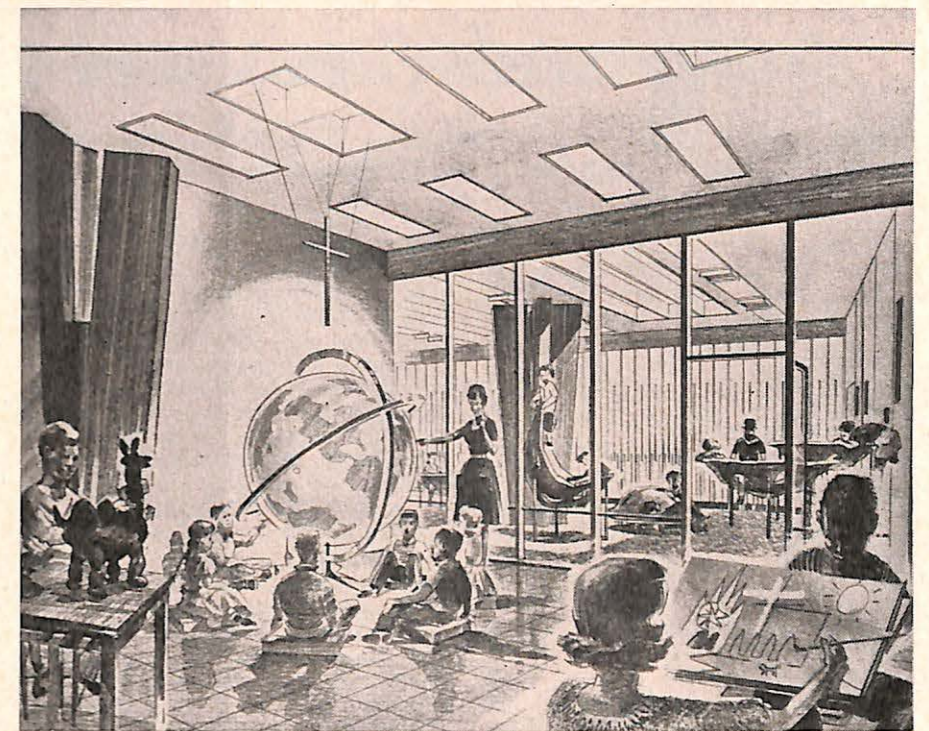
The off-the-site program sets aside May 14-20 for a city-wide Bible emphasis. The American Bible Society's own committee is enlisting the cooperation of Christian groups in various forms of observance, such as a Bible Hymn Festival, institutes on the use and understanding of the Bible, Bible breakfasts for laymen. Communication media—newspapers, radio and television—promise to call wide attention to panel discussions, films and carefully prepared releases. A Speakers' Bureau will enlist outstanding men and women to address colleges, schools, service and civic organizations on "The Bible in Century 21."

**THE CHILDREN'S CENTER**

The Children's Center in the Christian Pavilion, across from the Federal Science Pavilion, is an application of Christianity in service, and a demonstration of the significance of the Christian faith for the future. Within a two-hour span, children will encounter eternal truths and significant spiritual values. Through offering a service of child care, it is hoped that parents will discover the value of Christian nurture for their children.

Two-hour sessions will provide experiences in Christian living for the child. Major divisions of the program include:

- (1) An informal playtime in outdoor area containing large, creative play equipment and blocks.
- (2) Group time in the center room, where children will participate through stories, conversation, dramatic play, music, observation of nature, as the theme of the day is developed.



CHILDREN'S CENTER AT THE SEATTLE WORLD'S FAIR

The Children's Center of the Christian Witness Pavilion is dedicated to the children of today, the citizens of Century 21, highlighting the vital role of Christian nurture for our children who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

(3) Expression through various art and manipulative materials in the creative activities room.

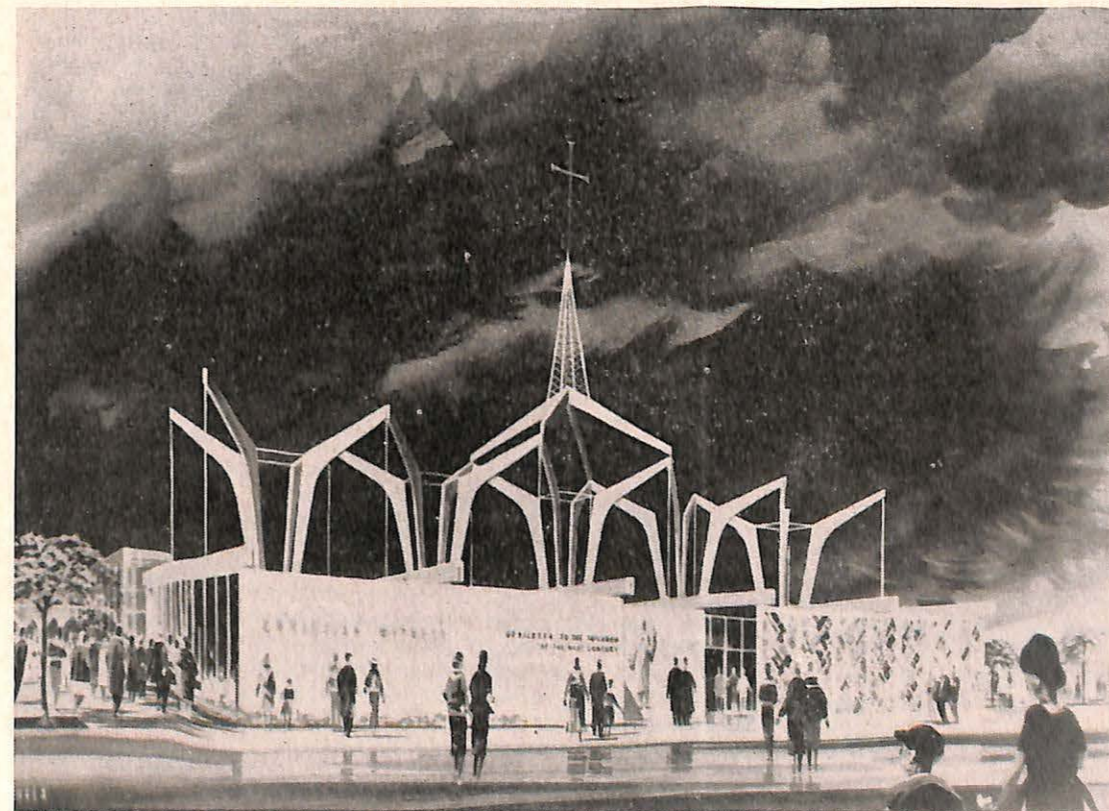
(4) A closing worship will draw the experiences of the session together and relate them to God, his love, and his plan.

**"GOD CARES FOR YOU"**

The theme, "GOD CARES FOR YOU," will emphasize the worth of each individual as a child of God, and expresses the basic philosophy of the Children's Center. Development will be

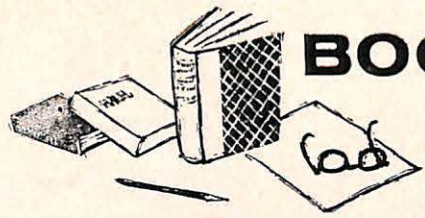
through sub-themes each day of the week: "God Cares for You" . . . "through Your Family" . . . "through Jesus" . . . "through His Wonderful World."

The committee's plans will also hearten revival of family worship and Bible study in the home, organization of Bible-study groups and enlistment of active laymen in programs of evangelistic distribution of Scriptures, witnessing for Christ, the Lord of the Ages.



**CHRISTIAN WITNESS PAVILION:** This is the inspiring Christian Witness Pavilion at the Seattle World's Fair. In native woods, with laminated arches culminating in a bold Christian cross, the Pavilion is dedicated to the citizens of Century 21. It is the official cooperative effort of 19 denominations and 14 Christian agencies. Estimated cost: \$175,000. Site: 5,000 square feet. The front facade features a stained glass panel on the theme, "Jesus Christ—the Same, Yesterday, Today and Forever."





# BOOK REVIEWS

All books can be ordered from the  
**ROGER WILLIAMS PRESS.**

**THE MINISTER'S MISSION** by C. E. Colton. Zondervan Publishing House—1961—223 pages—\$3.50.

(Reviewed by Rev. B. C. Schreiber).

The church is in grave danger when its minister loses his sense of mission. It is therefore wise for every minister of Jesus Christ to examine himself occasionally in order to make sure of the foundation whereon he stands. An annual survey of his ministerial responsibilities and his relationships—both human and divine—should be on the pastor's agenda. In the privacy of his study he should be willing to face himself, face his Lord and face his congregation.

"The Minister's Mission" is an aid to the pastor who is concerned about his responsibilities. It does not serve so much as a textbook with a new approach, but rather as a reminder to the minister of his ever-present problems. If there is anything in this treatment of ministerial ethics, it is probably the southern flavor and a pronounced Baptist point of view. This is to be expected, coming from a Southern Baptist pastor. Dr. Colton, who has spent more than 30 years as a minister and teacher, writes in a down-to-earth, readable, practical style. In his discussion of the minister and his Lord, his work, his preaching, his congregation and his personal life, he brings some fresh thoughts and common sense, and reminds the pastor anew of the basic concepts that will help him be a better servant of his Lord and his people. A careful and prayerful study of the book will help the minister to concentrate on his profession and prevent him from becoming professional.

**STEPS TO CRUCIFIXION** by Paul P. Fryhling. Zondervan Publishing House—1961—117 pages—\$1.95. (Reviewed by Rev. B. C. Schreiber).

One of the obvious differences between the cross of Christ and our cross is the fact that the cross of Christ was a planned cross. Jesus took deliberate steps to the cross. Our crosses often come upon us inadvertently. The truth is that many Christians are surprised to come upon a cross in the way, because they made deliberate steps to avoid it.

Paul P. Fryhling, minister of the First Covenant Church, Minneapolis, Minn., challenges the Christian by reminding him of his obligation to "take up his cross" and follow Christ. He makes the reader conscious of the full implications of this deliberate decision and action.

His view of Lent is interesting. He

refers to it as "infinite" rather than as a period of forty days. To think of Lent as a time for extra religious exercise to gain merit before God is a carry over from paganism. An attempt to earn merit is an insult to God's grace. Jesus Christ experienced a Lent of infinite duration. He was "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

"Steps To Crucifixion" is a timely and timeless story of the Atonement. It is inspiring because it is spiritual; it is Biblical because it is solely based on Scriptural truth; it is factual because the author does not mix fancy with the actual events; it is interesting because he assembles the facts in a unique and an exciting way; it is practical because it is related to the common man.

**COMMENTARY ON THE WHOLE BIBLE** by Matthew Henry. Zondervan Publishing House—1961—1986 pages—\$9.95. (Reviewed by Dr. George A. Lang).

"The greatest devotional commentary ever written" are the words of Dr. Wilbur Smith of Fuller Theological Seminary regarding this sound, spiritual exposition of the whole Bible.

Matthew Henry's *Commentary* is not new, for it has been used by pastors and Christian leaders for over 250 years. "Matthew Henry was born on October 18, 1662, the son of a well-known clergyman, Philip Henry, one of the group known as 'Dissenters.' Matthew Henry was ordained in the Presbyterian Church in 1687. He began his commentary in November 1704 and the first volume was published in 1708 with the remaining five volumes subsequently appearing." Thus it has had a long and useful history.

What is new is the appearance of this six volume commentary in one volume. It is an abbreviated edition but not a revision of the original. The exact words of Matthew Henry have been retained but the material has been substantially condensed. The thoughts of the author are thus preserved in his own words, but duplications and other expressions not affecting the sense of the exposition have been eliminated.

This stupendous task of editing the six volumes was undertaken and accomplished by Dr. Leslie F. Church. For some time he had been a member of the faculty of Richmond College, a Methodist school in England; was Connexional Editor for the Methodist Church of Great Britain and Ireland (Epworth Press) for 18 years, and was president of the Methodist Conference in 1943. The last four years before his death in January 1961 were devoted

to the work on Matthew Henry.

Naturally I did not read the entire commentary. However, I compared sections of this new volume with the six volumes which I and many ministers used extensively in the early years of our ministry. From portions of Genesis, the historical books, the prophets and the New Testament, it is to be noted that the sentences and paragraphs have been abbreviated without changing the meaning. Expressions and descriptions which are outmoded and therefore hard to understand today are omitted, thus making Matthew Henry's exposition more clear and understandable.

There are many commentaries on the market today dealing with archaeological and historical materials which need to be consulted in studying the Scriptures, but this devotional commentary makes a contribution all of its own, in imparting the warm, personal application of eternal truth for devout Christian living.

The pastor, Sunday school teacher and leader of services in the churches will receive much help, inspiration and spiritual instruction by reading this exposition. I personally recommend this volume to all and am pleased to see Matthew Henry's *Commentary* come out in a one volume form which makes it very useful for our day. I trust that it will find its way into the libraries of many churches and Christian leaders.

## INVITATION TO THE WHITE HOUSE

(Continued from page 5)

There are just too many details to be written here about the State Luncheon. Possibly I can sum it up by saying it was an experience that will remain with me during my entire life.

There were 39 guests at the luncheon which included President Ahidjo's entire Cabinet. Of the 39 guests, there were only four guests who were in no way connected with both governments. Besides myself, there was a representative of the United Presbyterian Church, the president of Associated Press and the president of the National Coffee Association.

As I was about to leave, Assistant Secretary of State G. Mennon Williams took me aside and asked me how long the North American Baptists had been in Cameroon. This gave me a real opportunity to tell him of our accomplishments. He was very much impressed and said that above all things, as he travelled through the continent of Africa, he had observed the wonderful work that missionaries had done for that continent over the many years. He said he wanted me to know that he appreciated what we as North American Baptists have done in the Federal Republic of Cameroon.

I trust that this report has been interesting, if for no other reason than to make you aware of the great challenge we have in continuing to bring the unsearchable riches of Christ to those in foreign countries who have not accepted him as their personal Savior.



## WHERE DOES OUR MONEY GO?

By Mrs. Henry Schmunk of  
Tacoma, Washington

### Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Union

Has your Missionary Society paid its dues of \$5.00 to our Woman's Missionary Union? If so, have you ever wondered where this money goes and what good it does? Perhaps we can tell you!

Did you know that this \$5.00 multiplied by the societies of all of our North American Baptist Conference churches does many things? Being a missionary society and mainly interested in missions, part of this money goes as a gift subscription of a magazine of our missionaries' choice to those serving in foreign as well as home fields. This is an added pleasure tie—between workers and us at home.

Each year the Scholarship and Gift Committee has tried to find a girl from one of our churches, who is studying to be a missionary, or one going as a nurse to our hospitals in the Cameroons. For this girl we have given a gift of money to her school to help pay

### IMPORTANT NOTICE ! ! ! ! WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

If you have had your election of officers and have not sent in the name of your president, please do so at once. Send this information to: WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, 7308 Madison Street, Forest Park, Illinois. These names are needed to keep our office records up to date.

some of her expenss. This money has sometimes also helped girls studying for other fields of Christian service. However, since there were no applications from girls who were planning to be in Christian training in the fall, scholarships were granted to two young men at the North American Baptist Seminary: Mr. George Black and Mr. William Keple. Scholarships were also granted to two students at the Christian Training Institute: Irmgaard Kuhtrieb and August Grymaloski.

In many societies, we know that the paper called "Broadcast" is read faithfully. Herein we find articles of a personal interest to our women from the missionaries on the field. Also our aims and goals, announcements, and spiritual challenges fill the pages for our reading. The editor is unpaid, but printing and paper cost money. Part of your \$5.00 dues goes to pay this and the "Broadcast" is sent to you for your use.

# From the Professor's Desk

By Dr. Ralph E. Powell, Professor, North American Baptist Seminary,  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Does Nels F. S. Ferre really say that Jesus was a sinner? If so, what does he mean by this?

In answering this question, it is important to understand that Ferre distinguishes between Christ and Jesus (although not as has been done in orthodox theology), and to neglect this distinction is to do injustice to him. Recognizing this consideration, one must admit that Ferre does speak of Jesus' sinfulness, for, according to him, sinfulness is involved in being truly human.

He considers Jesus really and fully one of us humans. Jesus "knew sin, in some sense, as a minimum but real experience within his own life; and at a maximum outside himself because of his supreme concern for men" (*The Humanity of Jesus*, p. 13). To say that Jesus was sinless would be to destroy his true humanity, Ferre states. "Sinlessness is a bloodless category, making an anemic savior. What matters is the reality of his struggles that he was in all things like us, and that victory is possible with God and is indeed a reality in Jesus' life" (*The Christian Understanding of God*, p. 201).

### FERRE'S ASSERTIONS

Ferre claims that only literalists can accept the claims of the Bible regarding Jesus' sinlessness. He himself rules them out as enthusiastic assertions of Bible writers who wrote in a mood of "unreflective piety." Elements which enter into Jesus' experience of sin include the drive to self, the anxieties, tensions and fears of his human nature. Jesus could never save us from sin unless he assumed it within himself. If we hide the true (sinful) humanity of Jesus, we thereby distort the true deity of Christ. Ferre even seems to indicate that certain New Testament passages rob Jesus of his humanity by presenting him as sinless. Without a sinful nature like ours, he insists, there is no true humanity or real Incarnation (*The Sun and the Umbrella*, pp. 28-30).

"Jesus was 'made sin,' however, not in the sense that God could ever sin, certainly not even in human form, but that the human nature of Jesus shared our whole history of alienation from God and the anxiety of it which is the root reality of sin. To remove Jesus from our sins categorically is to deny the Incarnation and to destroy its

In February the English and German Packets are put on sale. They cost you \$1.50 for the English Packet, and \$1.00 for the German Packet. These contain gems of program helps, suggestions for all types of meetings, organization material, spiritual food for thought, and so on. Yes, you help pay through your orders, but also part of your \$5.00 dues

reality and power."

Suggesting that it may even be proper to speak of Jesus as needing to be born again, Ferre advances the thought that the new birth was for Jesus the acceptance of the Incarnation.

Let us not fail to note, however, that our author emphatically states that Jesus was wondrously victorious over temptation. We all reverence his life, he avers, in the power of its inner purity. Although God himself "becomes sin" for our sake (assumes a sinful human nature) in order to save us, and lives with us, among us, in us and for us, as the eternal Son he is the sinless Christ and becomes conclusively and organically dominant in the human being Jesus. In such a man God won history's decisive victory by conquering sin, law and death, both in a particular life and in universal principle.

### HISTORY'S GREATEST MIRACLE

For Ferre the heart of the Christian faith involves the fact that a sinless God becomes sin for our sake, not that he sins, but that he cohabits a sinful nature, cleansing it, empowering it and making it new. Therefore, Christ in us is the hope of glory and we can all thereby be given the power to become sons of God. All this is clearly reminiscent of the mystical theory of Edward Irving, called the theory of gradually extirpated depravity.

The fact that the love of God could so invade and so pervade an ordinary human being, says Ferre, that through him God became conclusively known and effective in human life in history's greatest miracle.

Man's hope of redemption is dependent upon the true human nature of Jesus. Because Christ becomes victorious in Jesus, Christ becomes the hope of glory in us. His life is the solid hope for every human being, because it showed that we can likewise receive the love of God and can triumph unto death, and beyond, over sin's power.

It is hoped that this consideration of Ferre's often difficult theology satisfactorily answers the question regarding Jesus' sinfulness, why it is asserted, and what is meant by it in Ferre's thinking, which is a strange mixture of some warm evangelical elements and some very unorthodox elements and should therefore be read with careful discrimination!

helps to defray some of the cost. Again, the editors are not even \$1.00 a year women, but gladly give of their time and effort, free—and willingly.

Thus it is a privilege to be workers together for Christ. As women, we are happy to be able to spread the Gospel through the channels of our Woman's Missionary Union.



# MARCH OF EVENTS



● In spite of increasing pressures against them, the number of evangelicals in Spain continues to increase, and at present they have 242 places of worship. The figures are given in a report in *The British Weekly*, a non-denominational newspaper. The newspaper said that "although converts are invariably from amongst the irreligious, the established church (Roman Catholic) regards their work as an encroachment on its right."

● CHICAGO, ILL. (CNS)—Dr. Alan Redpath, pastor of the historic Moody Church in Chicago, Illinois, has resigned to accept a call to the Charlotte Chapel in Edinburgh, Scotland. He will leave in October to take the pulpit which has previously been filled by Dr. W. Graham Scroggie and Dr. J. Sidlow Baxter. Dr. Redpath came to Moody Church in 1953 from the Duke Street Baptist Church in London, England, and has become nationally known as a conference speaker with a deeper-life emphasis. He started the Mid-America Keswick at Moody Church and has written several books while in the United States.

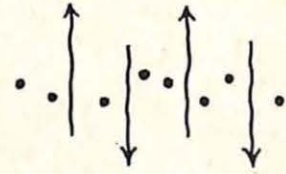
● CHICAGO, ILL. (CNS)—The week of May 6-13 has been designated as National Family Week by the National Sunday School Association in an effort to enlist new families and to help all families in their Christian development. This year's theme is "For Times Like These the Family Needs the Bible" and is in keeping with the Bible reading program sponsored by the National Association of Evangelicals. "We believe that Sunday school is a family affair and that everybody should become acquainted with its textbook, the Bible," said Dr. Clate A. Risley, executive secretary of the NSSA. "The Bible is the greatest book in the world, but in spite of this, it is the poorest taught book in the world."

● SEATTLE, WASH. (CNS)—Space-age science which gets top billing at the Century 21 Exposition here this summer will also be used as a tool for evangelism. This unusual boost for religion was conceived by a group of Seattle laymen who heard about the famed "Sermons from Science" lectures given by Dr. George E. Speake and invited him to give them at the world's fair. In its 350-seat theatre, fair-goers will be able to see demonstrations of amazing scientific feats used to illustrate the Gospel message. Mr. Davis estimates that during the three live science demonstrations and the ten film showings each day that they will be able to reach over half-a-million people. Among the many counsellors will be nuclear physicists and other scientists who can answer questions concerning science and the Christian faith.

● Billy Graham, evangelist, arriving in Miami, Fla., from South America where he conducted a month-long crusade, said that Protestant churches "are growing faster there than they are anywhere in the world." "Many American church members could not qualify for membership in Latin American churches," the evangelist said, explaining that members there cannot smoke or drink and "must devote a prescribed amount of time to daily prayer and attend church regularly." He said the Pentecostal churches are the most vigorous in South America because they require every lay member to preach on street corners.

● Five San Francisco Bay area theological schools are establishing a joint graduate study program leading to a doctor of theology degree. Participating in the program, known as the Graduate Theological Union, are the Church Divinity School of the Pacific (Episcopal), Berkeley Baptist Divinity School (American Baptist), Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary (United Lutheran), Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary (Southern Baptist), and San Francisco Theological Seminary (United Presbyterian). The program is said to be the first such venture in American theological education.  
—Christianity Today

## BAPTIST BRIEFS



● **Evangelism in Argentina.** Baptists in Argentina are planning a nationwide radio hookup for the near future. Details are being worked out by the Argentine Baptist Convention's radio evangelism board and the Argentine Baptist Mission's communications committee. The Mission is the organization of Southern Baptist missionaries in Argentina. The broadcast will be supervised by Missionary James O. Teel, Jr., promoter for the radio evangelism board.

● **The Secret Place.** This year marks the beginning of the 25th anniversary of the devotional booklet of the American Convention, *The Secret Place*. A special edition, the April-June issue, has been published. With the approval of the General Council and the American Baptist Publication Society, May 6 has been designated as Secret Place Sunday as a part of Family Life Week. The first quarterly issue was for April-June 1939, with a circulation of over 60,000. Now the circulation stands at about 500,000 copies per issue.

● **Seminary Opens in Poland.** The Baptist Theological Seminary in Warsaw, Poland began its first classes February 18. Zdzislaw Pawlik is director. An enrollment of 8 to 10 students was expected. The Seminary is meeting in the Administrative House of the new Baptist center directly in the heart of Warsaw. Alexander Kiroun, pastor of the Warsaw congregation, reports plans for a spring evangelization in March. He says that several new persons are in attendance at services in the chapel

each Sunday and that the visitors are predominantly Roman Catholics who came because they are "interested in the style of the building and in the order of worship." Many of them have returned several times.

● **Baptists in East Berlin.** The Evangelical Free Church Union, including Baptists in East Germany, plans a conference in Berlin May 11-13 to celebrate the beginning of Baptist work in the city, according to Gunter Lorenz, Baptist editor in East Berlin. Baptists report a total membership of 9,000 in Berlin, a 3rd of which is in the Eastern sector. There are approximately 30,000 Baptists in East Germany, and each of the 223 churches is expected to be represented at the conference. Its theme is "Romans 12 and the Church Today."—*The Watchman Examiner*.

● **Important Baptist Leaflet.** A leaflet on the issues involved in religion in the public schools will be produced by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. The committee in semi-annual session in Washington, D.C., instructed the executive director, Dr. C. Emanuel Carlson, to prepare a paper setting forth a Baptist "rationale" in an approach to the problem of Bible reading, prayer and religious programs in the public schools. The study will be reviewed by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs next October before it is published for general distribution. The issue of religion in the schools is coming into sharp national focus as two cases on the problem are considered by the United States Supreme Court. The Court will rule on a New York case involving a non-sectarian prayer approved by a school board and on a Pennsylvania case involving daily Bible reading in public schools.

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● On Sunday, March 18, Rev. Lawrence W. George, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Indiana, presented his resignation to the congregation and announced that it would be effective on June 17. He has served the Indianapolis church since 1956. He is awaiting God's guidance concerning his ministry in the days ahead.

● The Faith Baptist Church of Vernon, British Columbia, has extended a call to Rev. H. Schatz of Minitonas, Manitoba, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Minitonas since 1957. He has accepted the call and announced that he will begin his ministry in the Vernon church on June 1st, where he will succeed Rev. Fred H. Ohlmann, now pastor of the Zion Church, Drumheller, Alberta.

● Rev. and Mrs. Donald N. Miller of Watertown, Wis., have announced the birth of a daughter on March 7 who has been named Cheryl Ann. Mr. Miller is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Watertown. Rev. and Mrs. Curtis Haas of Pound, Wisconsin, have announced that a daughter was born to them on March 23 who has been named Michelle Donnette. Mr. Haas is pastor of the Pioneer Baptist Church of Pound.

● The Magnolia Baptist Church, Anaheim, Calif., held the ground breaking services for its new church sanctuary on Sunday morning, March 25. The total estimated cost of the new building is \$236,404. Rev. Kenneth Fischer, pastor, and church leaders took part in the festive and memorable exercises. From March 25 to 30 evangelistic services were held at the Magnolia Church with Rev. Aaron Buhler of Lodi, Calif., serving as the evangelist.

● Rev. Fred G. Moore, missionary in Ise, Japan, bade farewell to his family on Easter Sunday, April 22, as they left Yokohama, Japan, by ship for the United States. Then he boarded a plane and arrived in the United States on Monday, April 23, in time to be present at the annual session of the Board of Missions in Forest Park, Ill., from April 23 to 25. He is bringing a report about our Japan mission to the session of the Board of Missions.

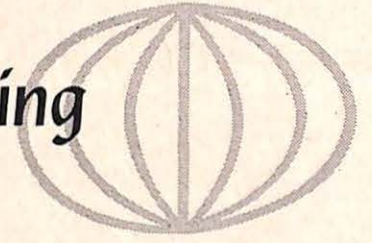
● The Board of Christian Education of the Temple Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., set an attendance goal of 600 for the Sunday school on April 1st. This was to be a birthday gift for the pastor from the church, Rev. Robert Schreiber, and a farewell gift for the Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Ben Willis, who has been transferred to Yuba City, Calif. His family is remaining in Lodi until the close of the school year.

● The Clinton Hill Baptist Church, Union, New Jersey, held its first annual World Vision Missionary Conference from March 21 to 25. Eight missionaries participated in the program, including Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, missionaries to Thailand under

the China Inland Mission Overseas Missionary Fellowship. On Thursday evening, April 19, Rev. John D. Fissel, pastor, baptized eight persons on confession of their faith in Christ. This service was held in the First Baptist Church of Hillside, New Jersey.

● On Sunday, March 4, Rev. Fred J. Knalson presented his resignation as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Mott, N. Dak., effective on April 1st.

## what's happening



He has served the church since 1960. Recently he has announced that he has accepted the call extended to him by the Bismark Home for the Aged, Bismark, N. Dak., to serve as its chaplain. He began his ministry at the Bismarck Home for the Aged in April. Mr. Knalson stated: "We feel that this is an avenue of service that I can render, and we thank the Lord for this opening." Rev. B. W. Krentz is serving as the superintendent of the Home.

● On Palm Sunday evening, April 15, the choir of the Holiday Park Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., presented the Easter cantata, "Halleluja, What a Saviour" by John Peterson. The church has purchased an electric Conn Organ at an unusual bargain. It has made a valuable contribution to the church services. A Valentine Youth Rally was held on Feb. 16 with 115 teenagers from the Holiday Park and Temple Churches of Pittsburgh and of the Union Church of Arnold, Pa., participating. The film, "Going Steady," was shown. Be sure to read the article about the Holiday Park Church on page 7 of this issue.

● The Second German Baptist Church of New York, N. Y., has extended a call to Rev. Daniel Kolke of Shattuck, Okla., pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church since 1961. He has responded favorably to the call and announced that he would begin his pastorate in the New York City church on May 6th, succeeding Rev. E. A. Hoffmann, now of Philadelphia, Pa. The Second Church of New York City, located in the area that has been characterized as "Hell's Kitchen," was served at one time by Professor Walter Rauschenbusch in his first pastorate. Mr. Kolke hopes to take post-graduate studies while serving as the minister of the Second German Baptist Church.

● On Sunday, March 25, Rev. Robert W. Cook of Bethlehem, Pa., presented his resignation to the Calvary Baptist Church which he has served as pas-

tor since 1951. He also announced that he has accepted the call extended to him by the Temple Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif., to become its minister of visitation effective in May. His resignation in Bethlehem, Pa., will take effect on April 25. The Los Angeles church is located in the downtown area at Pershing Square. Its pastor is Rev. John F. Crouthamel, at one time minister of the Fleischmann

Memorial Church of Philadelphia, Pa. The Temple Baptist Church of Los Angeles is a church of the American Baptist Convention.

● The Calvary Baptist Church, Parkersburg, Iowa had the joy of having Rev. I. H. Schmuland of Aberdeen, S. Dak., as instructor for a Sunday School Teachers' Training Course from February 26 to March 2. The course, "A Church Using Its Sunday School" by J. N. Barnette was taught. Articles from the "Baptist Herald" were also used. It was a very profitable course and was enjoyed by all. A number of the Sunday School teachers from the Aplington Baptist Church also attended. The weather was not too favorable and kept the attendance down. Fifteen persons completed the course and took the examinations. Rev. Raymond F. Dickau is pastor of the Parkersburg church.

● Rev. John Binder, assistant general secretary of the Department of Christian Education, is going on an extended tour to Beirut, Lebanon and the Holy Land in the interests of the 6th Baptist Youth World Congress to be held from July 15 to 23, 1963. Mr. Binder and five other Baptist youth leaders will leave April 28 via Pan American plane for Lebanon and on May 10 will leave for a visit of several days to the Holy Land. They will also visit two European countries prior to their return to New York City on May 15. The other youth leaders on the tour will be David Alexander, representing the Southern Baptists; David Evans, American Baptist Convention; L. A. Maxwell, National Baptists; Gunner Høglund, Baptist General Conference; and Bruce Neal, Baptist Federation of Canada. The youth leaders will be the guests of the plane companies on this trip. Mr. Binder has promised a series of articles for the denominational publications about the Baptist Youth Congress in Beirut, Lebanon and the special tour for Baptist youth groups to Lebanon and the Holy Land in 1963.



# The Shattered Wall

The tangled threads of human lives are woven together into a moving tapestry of emotion and drama.

By Sallie Lee Bell

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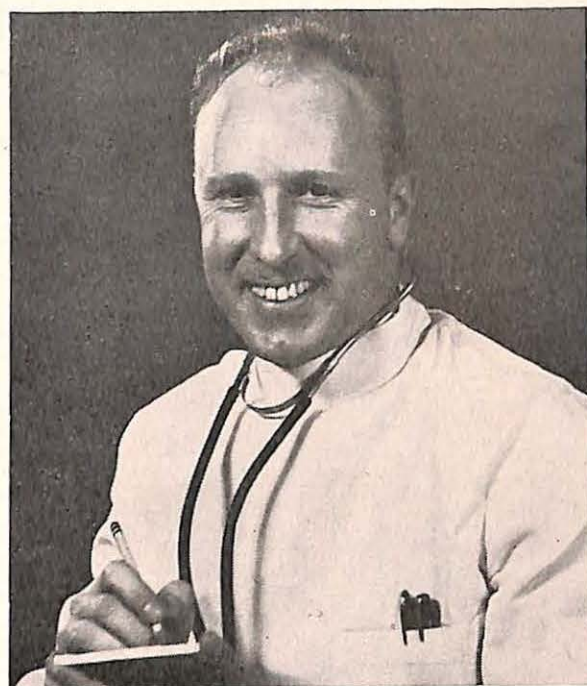
## SYNOPSIS

Dr. Harlan Rawlins, a young physician, was praised for his skill in performing a difficult operation. He was so busy with his profession that he could not be serious about any girl. He started dating Helen Warren, a very pretty nurse, even though she was going rather steady with Roger Edwards. But she assured him that there was nothing seriously between herself and Roger. However, the two men got into a fight over the girl. Mr. Edwards was struck down and was left unconscious. Dr. Rawlins decided to leave town. He abandoned his car and took a bus to the strange town, "River's End." He took an assumed name, Howard Ramsey, and got a job in a snack bar on the ferry boat. There he met a girl, Deidre Fleming, who lived in Westwego, across the river, and worked in the Sunset Cafe. He struck up a friendship with her and they had several dates together. She was bringing sunshine into his gloomy existence. One afternoon Harlan witnessed an accident in which a little girl was critically injured. Acting on impulse, he went to the girl's aid and applied a tourniquet, thus saving her life. He also went with the ambulance to Westwego where the doctor in charge was amazed at what had been done. The father of the child thanked Harlan profusely for having saved his daughter's life.

## CHAPTER NINE

ON THE WAY back he was so upset emotionally that he forgot that he had a date with Deidre. He remembered the thrill he felt as he held those instruments in his slender fingers. He was living again in the past, feeling the joy of achievement as he performed a successful piece of work. But now that the moment had passed and he was once more out of the dream life he had lived in for such a short time and back into the pit which he had dug for himself, his spirits sank to the depths. He was once more just plain Howard Ramsey, a living lie, a nonentity, a drifter on the stream of life, going nowhere, floating on that stream because he couldn't sink, with no end in sight but death and he didn't want that. He couldn't face that even though he didn't want to face life and to continue drifting aimlessly.

How he longed for the old life, the



—Photo by Harold M. Lambert

challenge of a difficult case, the determination to snatch a soul from death if it was in his power, the thrill of achievement when success had crowned his effort. It was agony to know that he would never know that life again. This brief experience had opened the wound and he was fighting all over again the battle that he had let lie during the time he had been enjoying Deidre's friendship. Just now she meant nothing to him. His love of his profession once more filled his whole soul and the thought that he had lost that profession by one foolish yielding to temper, plunged him into such a deep well of woe that he almost yielded to the impulse to jump overboard and end it all. But he knew that that would be only the beginning, not the end.

He wished that he could talk to someone and tell them the whole miserable story and ask them to help him. But what could they do? What could anyone do? There were only two things he could do and he didn't need anyone to tell him that. He'd either have to go back and confess that he had killed a man and stand trial, or he could spend the rest of his life existing from day to day in despondency and despair.

Either way led to suffering. Whether he went or stayed, his life, as far as his profession, was ended. In his present mood, he couldn't much care how soon his life ended. What lay beyond life couldn't be much worse than what lay ahead. He had heard of hell on earth. He felt that this was where he was just now. And he had put himself there.

HARLAN DIDN'T remember until the next day that he had failed to keep his date with Deidre. He waited impatiently until he was off from work, so that he could go to the cafe and explain why he had failed to keep the date.

The ferry traffic was unusually heavy that day and he was kept busy every trip, something unusual. The coke machine was in constant use. In the afternoon a man came in and wanted to buy a sandwich. Harlan's supply was almost exhausted and when the man came back for another, he had to tell him that there were no more.

The man looked rather seedy in his rumpled, much worn suit and he needed a hair cut, but he had a pleasant face and he lingered in the cabin.

"You got plenty of business today, haven't you?" he remarked.

"Yes, we have. I wondered what's the reason."

"There's a big lumber camp opening up north of here. Maybe that's where the people are going. That's where I'm going. Been out of work for so long that I'm down to rock bottom."

He drew nearer and gave Harlan a searching look.

"Haven't I seen you somewhere before? Your face sure looks familiar," he said. "Did you ever live in Harpersville?" For a moment Harlan's heart almost stopped beating. It had come, the thing he had feared. It was the fear that someone might recognize him and that this chance recognition might lead to disaster.

It seemed that he stood there for ages, when it was only for a few moments, with the stranger staring at him and waiting for his answer. He refused to tell the man the truth.

"No. I never heard of the place. Where is it?" he replied.

"Oh, it's quite a big town in the middle west. Funny you never heard of it. I lived there for a spell. Has a fine big hospital. I've got reason to know how fine it is, because it was where they took me after my accident. They sure treated me fine and those fellows who worked on me that night saved my

life. I'll never forget the young doctor who was the one who really did the work. I was bleeding from a busted blood vessel and he tied it up and set my leg. I meant to go back there before I left town and thank him again for what he did for me, but I had to leave with a crew and I didn't have time. But I'll never forget him. This old leg is as good as new, thanks to him. You remind me of him because you're his spittin' image. You could be twins. Gave me a shock when I first saw you. I thought I was seein' things. Thought you might be him. But no doctor would be sittin' behind a snack bar in this hick town."

"I hardly think he would," Harlan said, while he tried to keep his voice steady. "What was the doctor's name?"

"Rawlins. I'll never forget that name. He was so kind to me when I was suffering so. He'll make a name for himself some day, you can bet on that."

Harlan didn't answer. The ferry was approaching the landing and the man left. He had had a narrow escape, but he wondered if he would be able to escape the next time or if there would be a next time.

As he thought back into the past, he seemed to have a dim recollection of this man's case. He had handled so many accident cases in his early internship, that it was impossible to remember all of them. This man, however, had aroused his sympathy, for, though he was battered so badly and was suffering, he seemed so grateful for what was being done for him.

His memory went back again to that past he wished he could forget, the backbreaking work bending over bruised and battered bodies, the disappointment when one of the injured died on the operating table, the heartbreak of relatives who stood outside waiting for results, the feeling of inadequacy when he and those who worked with him failed, the weary body that he dragged to the elevator and to his room where he often fell across the bed without even undressing.

It was all so exhausting, those first years, so wearing upon his nervous energy, yet so satisfying when he had finished his work successfully, so rewarding when he had accomplished the thing he had set out to do. He had loved it passionately and now all the agony returned as memory again brought up the past.

The stranger had said that the doctor was sure to reach the top. What a mockery his words were now when he was at the bottom. That was what he had once thought, but now ambition seemed dead within him. He had no desire to take up the broken threads of his life and try to make something worth while from the wreck.

He was in a black mood when he went to dinner and even the sight of Deidre as she came to take his order failed to dispel the blackness.

She greeted him coolly and stood waiting for his order as if he had been a stranger.

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"You're angry with me," he said. "You should know that I wouldn't stand you up without a good reason. Will you let me explain?"

"I haven't time now. We're too busy," she told him.

"I don't care how busy you are. You're going to let me tell you why I didn't show up last night," he said as he looked at the menu and pretended to be selecting his meal. "A child was hit by a car near my rooming house and I worked with her, trying to save her life until the ambulance could get there. I had to come with the parents to the hospital. When I got back to my room, I was worn out and it was so late that I just couldn't think of anything but getting to bed. I'm sorry I stood you up, but that's the reason, so you can take it or leave it."

"Will you give me your order?" she asked when he had finished. She made no other comment.

He gave her his order and she left. He saw that the manager had been watching them and he thought that perhaps that was why she didn't respond to his apology.

Deidre had waited the evening before until it was too late to expect him, then she had gone to bed but she couldn't sleep. She thought that perhaps he was angry because she had rebuffed him when he had tried to kiss her and that he was no longer interested in her. If that was the reason, then it was better that he did stay away, for it was true what she had told him. She didn't want his careless kisses. She wanted his lips, but she wanted his desire to spring from love, not just to satisfy some whim or to do that which he thought was expected of him.

She had been attracted to him from the beginning, with his good looks, his polished manners and attractive personality and it was not long before she had fallen in love with him, but she knew that he wasn't in love with her. Perhaps there was someone in his past that he couldn't forget. She had seen a look of longing in his eyes when he had looked at her sometimes, yet she had also seen his resolute conquering of that longing when he had made some trivial remark and had turned his eyes from her. She wondered what the mystery of his past might be, for she felt that there was some mystery. She didn't believe that he had told her the truth about his past life and why he had left his home.

Perhaps she would never know. Perhaps she would never love her. The thought brought heartache, for she had her own troubles and her own despair and this would only be another added one if he should never love her, but she determined that she would enjoy his companionship and friendship as long as he gave it to her and she would try not to hope for more, but she knew that she would never give up hope.

An arresting thought came to her in these moments. The thought that if he should fall in love with her, she couldn't accept his love without admitting something that she dared not admit. She couldn't accept his love without telling him the truth and she couldn't do that. If she did, he would despise her.

When she returned with his order, the cool, distant look had left her eyes and there was the hint of a smile upon her lips. She looked so young and girlish with her hair in that long pageboy bob and she looked so adorably lovely that he longed to take her in his arms and kiss her, no matter how she might protest.

"Am I forgiven?" he asked as she placed his order before him.

She nodded and glanced hastily toward the manager's desk. He was talking to a customer, so she turned back to him and gave him a smile.

"I'll forgive you this time, but don't let it happen again," she added with pretended severity.

"Then you'll give me another chance? Good! How about your next day off?"

"I'll think about it," she conceded.

After he had eaten he went to the hospital to see the little girl. He found her much improved. The blood had given her renewed strength and she had come out of her coma. The concussion hadn't been too serious.

She stared at him as he followed the nurse in and stood by the bed. Her mother and father were both there and they greeted him cordially. The child's father came and stood beside him.

"Marjie, this is the young man who saved your life. Can you give him a smile?"

The child smiled obediently while her big blue eyes stared at him and he smiled down at her.

"I'm so glad that you're soon going to be well," he said. "You're a fortunate little girl, not to have been killed."

"The doctor said you saved her life by what you did," Mr. Barton told him. "We can never cease to be grateful. I hope you'll come and have dinner with us when Marjie gets back home."

"I'd be glad to," Harlan said. "I'd like to know Marjie better."

He stayed a little while longer, then he said he would be back again soon. On the way to his room his spirits were lifted a little from their gloom. He had been able to do this one thing even when he had been down in the depths. If he only had the opportunity to get back into the work he loved, to be nearby where he could at least assist sometimes in emergency! He'd be willing to scrub floors, to be an orderly in some hospital, if he could only be near the work he loved. He thought of applying for work in the hospital, small as it was, but his pride kept him from it, together with the thought that there could be no opening there. He'd have to drift on until he had the courage to strike out and hunt for something better.

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# sunday school lessons

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

### A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: May 6, 1962

Theme: CHRISTIANS IN A PAGAN SOCIETY

Scripture: 1 Peter 2:9-21

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** The desires of the flesh can be controlled only by the promptings of the Spirit.

**INTRODUCTION:** In the early history of the church, there was a distinct difference between Christianity and the world. The Christian was definitely a non-conformist and he had little difficulty in the distinction between right and wrong. There was some overlapping so far as the Jewish religion was concerned, but there was little confusion as to what to do about the pagan world. It was the difference between darkness and light with no compromising twilight zone.

Today Christianity is not so sure of itself. Young people in particular are continually asking questions as to what is right and what is wrong. It seems as if we are in the midst of a paganized Christianity or a Christian paganism, and that the color is more often grey than black or white.

**I. GOD'S CHOSEN GENERATION.** I Peter 2:9-10.

The Apostle Peter was writing to a small group of persecuted and despised Christians who were scattered all over the then known world. They often felt lonely and insignificant in comparison to the great Roman Empire. The names Peter chose for this group was to give them an indication of their worth and importance in the sight of God—"chosen generation," "royal priesthood," "holy nation," "peculiar people." These should still be the distinctive adjectives for God's people today. The greatest force is the fact that we are among those who obtained mercy—a colony of pardoned sinners in a world of sin.

**II. EARTH'S STRANGERS AND PILGRIMS.** I Peter 2:11-12.

A Christian is a person with a high and noble destiny. He is continually conscious of the fact that he is en route to something better. He does not think of earth as a place to "settle down" for time and eternity. During his journey he is also careful not to get involved with the things that would be harmful to his soul. The stain and weight of sin must be avoided. He is known as the great abstainer in fighting against the lusts of the flesh.

**III. SUBMISSION TO EARTHLY AUTHORITY.** I Peter 2:13-18.

The Christian must never forget

that, although he is a citizen of heaven, he is also a citizen of earth. Not all the laws of man are in conflict with the laws of God, and the Christian must be an example as a law-abiding citizen. Since he is governed by love, there should be no difficulty in honoring the civil authorities. The liberty we have in Christ does not give us the liberty to break man-made laws at will. The Roman government was certainly much better than no government at all.

**IV. CHRIST—THE CHRISTIAN'S EXAMPLE.** I Peter 2:19-21.

It is not our endurance and our wrongful suffering that save us. We are acceptable to God, not because these good works are the root of our salvation, but because they are the fruit of our salvation. Christ can only be our example in the real sense after we are born again. Before he becomes our example, he must first be our Savior.

#### Questions for Discussion:

1. Try to imagine the Roman world, the Communist world and the democratic world and discuss the difficulties a Christian may encounter in each.

2. In what way can it be said that Christians are "peculiar" today?

3. What is the difference between the lusts of the flesh and the normal desires of the flesh?

### A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: May 13, 1962

Theme: SUFFERING FOR CHRIST'S SAKE

Scripture: 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** If Christianity is to mean anything to us, then we must be willing to suffer and die for it when necessary.

**INTRODUCTION:** The first century Christians lived at a time when there was little respect for human life. In the words of G. A. Studdert-Kennedy: "For those were crude and cruel days, and human flesh was cheap." They were capable of inflicting all kinds of injustice without feeling squeamish about torture and death. Compassion, mercy and forgiveness in the minds of the Romans were thought of as being weak and contemptible. The Christian virtues, such as patience, long-suffering, meekness and love, as practiced by the followers of Jesus Christ, foredoomed them to suffer. It is strange that these Christ-like virtues should have brought out the worst in the enemies of Christianity rather than the best. Instead of provoking them to love and good

works (Heb. 10:24), it provoked them to greater evil. Obviously the Christians needed unusual courage in order to contend with these dangers.

**I. THE GLORIOUS MINORITY.** I Peter 4:12-13.

The epistles of Peter were written about the time of the reign of Nero. During this period, many Christians were executed on the orders of the emperor. The fear of this great persecution prompted Peter to write to the churches, warning them, strengthening them and confronting them with the hope that they would remain steadfast in the faith.

Suffering for the Christians should not be thought of as something unusual. Since Christ suffered and died for their redemption, their Christ-like nature will be revealed more clearly. It is difficult to be a small minority, but in the end it will be a victorious and a glorious minority.

**II. SUFFERING FOR CHRIST'S SAKE.** I Peter 4:14-19.

There is a great deal of suffering in the world, but it is not all suffering for Christ's sake. For some suffering is related to destruction, while for others it is related to redemption. Much of the world's suffering is the result of sin. Many suffer because of physical weaknesses and human frailties. Others suffer because they are victims of natural law that operates in the world.

If we are to suffer, then it is best to suffer as Christians, for this kind of suffering purifies, redeems and witnesses. It often has the power to win others for Jesus Christ. A weak and ineffectual church will not win the world. Therefore, when the trials and temptations come, a firm stand must be taken because judgment will begin with the Christians.

**III. SEEKING GOD'S SPIRIT IN SUFFERING.** I Peter 5:6-11.

A humble spirit is not found in abundance, nor is it easily acquired. It is under the hand of God that the Christian virtues are developed and perfected. Full submission to his will is therefore necessary if we are to be exalted by God. The temptation in time of suffering is to get out from under the hand of God, especially when it is very severe and prolonged. As we continue to cast our burdens on the Lord, we become more and more assured that we are not alone. When we surrender our cares to God, we become more aware of God's care for us.

#### Questions for Discussion:

1. What trials and temptations do

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# Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, Convocation Teacher

Report of the Convocation Held by the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., on March 13-14, 1962.

**DR. CARL F. H. HENRY**, of Washington, D. C., editor of "Christianity Today," captivated his Convocation audience at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., in his dual capacity as a profound teacher of biblical truths and as a discerning interpreter of today's world crises. It mattered little that the vicinity of Sioux Falls during the days of March 13 and 14 was in the icy grips of the winter's worst blizzard and storm. In the Seminary Chapel beside the sacred desk stood one of America's foremost evangelical thinkers who warmed the hearts and prodded the minds of his student and ministerial audience by his scintillating lectures on "The Gospel's Relevancy for Modern Life."

### SNOWBOUND SIOUX FALLS

In less than three weeks preceding the Convocation, 73 inches of snow had piled down on the Sioux Falls area. With another storm over the week end leaving clogged highways in its wake, cancellations were phoned in from every direction, more than 80 in number. A carload of Chicago pastors were stuck in Esterville, Iowa and never made it to Sioux Falls. Two preachers from Texas in their little "Volkswagen" arrived for the closing lectures. Plans had been made for the largest crowd in Convocation history, but this record was never established because of the storm.

On Tuesday afternoon, Dr. Henry described the "Principles of Christian Social Ethics" and dealt with "Christianity and Social Change." His message on Tuesday evening at the public service was a stirring presentation of "The Christian View of Work." On Wednesday morning he outlined the important virtues of the Christian life and depicted the philosophy of "Christian Personal Ethics."

### PROVOCATIVE SENTENCES

Many of his sentences will stand out like rugged mountain peaks in our thinking for years to come, such as "a life that is not ruled by the Holy Spirit is beneath the dignity of the New Testament"; "The Church of Christ should be more troubled and concerned that there are too few Christians in the world rather than over the fact that there are too many people in the world"; "The trouble with American education is that the student is exposed to as many competing god concepts as he has professors. Polytheism has penetrated American education"; and "Agape (love) is the string that holds all things together like a string of pearls. Pull out the string and all the pearls fall apart."

Dr. Henry revealed both his facile editor's pen and his passionate preach-



DR. HENRY AT THE SEMINARY

Left to right: President Frank Veninga, Dr. George A. Dunger, Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, Convocation Speaker; and Dr. Ralph E. Powell. (Photo by Roy Seibel).

er's heart. He analyzed the theology of Barth and Brunner and Reinhold Niebuhr and showed how John Dewey's evolutionary pragmatism had largely taken over modern education. Then he pleaded with his audience to show forth the spontaneous joy of the early Christians that was based on God's sovereignty and to be Spirit possessed in their witness for Christ. His listeners traveled with him to New Delhi, India to the World Council sessions; to Germany in his ministry and association with Billy Graham; to the halls of Congress in Washington, D. C., conferring with political leaders; and to the palaces of Burma where he with other religious leaders were royal guests of Burmese military generals.

### THE VOICE OF GOD

Dr. Henry is so profound at times that it is difficult to follow him, as he talks of Aristotle's philosophy, of the Christological basis of law and nature, of the Marxist motivation in Communist countries. Then suddenly his words become as simple and winsome and clear that any child can grasp the truth. Equally contrasting are his viewpoints. At times, Dr. Henry voices a gloomy challenge like that of an Old Testament prophet: "I share the conviction concerning the sickness of the churches of today. I am deeply concerned about the brokenness that exists today in the churches of America." Then he can blow the trumpet of stirring optimism and dynamic challenge for "the good life" that comes only through the crucifixion of the old nature and that centers the content of the life of Christian virtue in God's Spirit.

Dr. Henry fervently expounds his Christian theology in controlling and shaping important ideas. He believes that the Christian Church should march forward militantly in proclaiming these truths of Christ. He is constantly preparing his written treatises for books and magazines, interpreting the Gospel to others. (Three books are now in preparation. An article concerning his debate with Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr appeared in "Christian Herald" a few months ago). He is a world traveler, going with Billy Graham on his evangelistic crusades, preaching the Easter sermon at the Hollywood Bowl on April 22, and visiting mission fields around the globe.

At the Sioux Falls Convocation, we saw and heard Dr. Henry in all of these bright facets of his mind. But, above all else, we experienced an intimacy of fellowship with him as with humbleness of spirit and with a glowing radiance of dedication to Christ, he became the teacher imparting his faith that the Gospel of Christ has a throbbing and immediate relevancy for all modern life!

### IS WAR INEVITABLE?

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10:28) will not stop short of the destruction of their fellow men when convenient and serviceable. War is not ultimately necessary, but it is implicit in the nature of unregenerate man. If the Christian Church has a central message to the world then in respect to war and peace, it must involve here also the evangelistic call to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

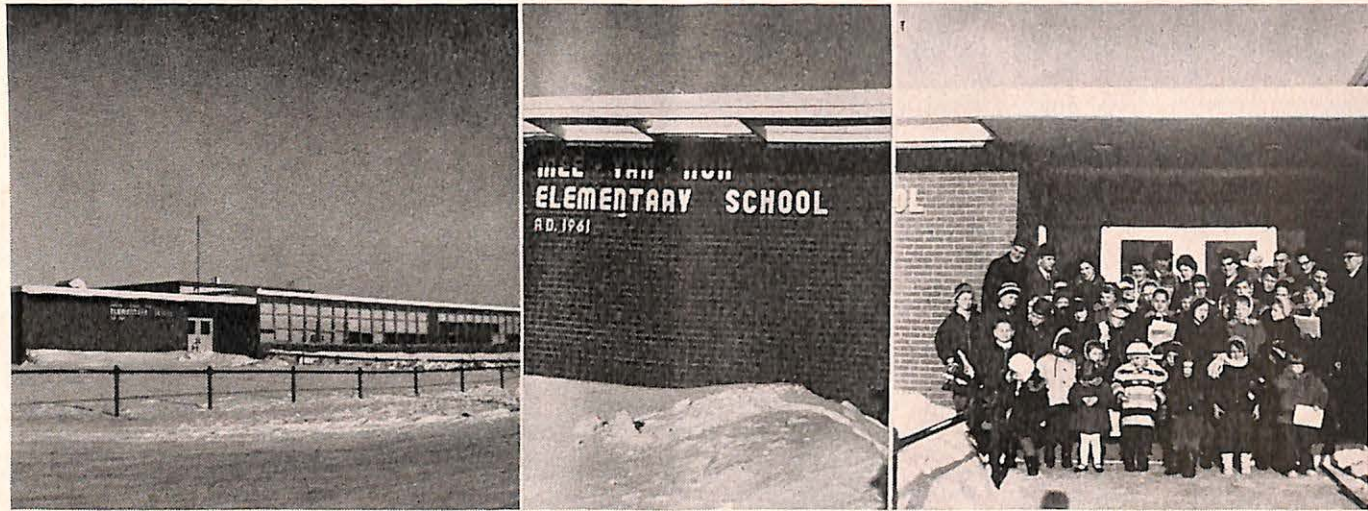
It is true that not all men can be expected to come to Christ—and for this reason the biblical vision of universal peace is aligned to the Second Advent, to Messiah's forcible subjugation of the forces of evil and the supernatural establishment of his Kingdom.

Are Christians then to view war as the worst of all evils in a sinful society? What then of the Christian's responsibility to his nation in wartime? Is love the only obligation—even if the supreme obligation of the Christian?

Has God instituted government as a means of preserving justice and order in a fallen society? If so, what is the nature of Christian obligation? What are the limits of that obligation? Is there a just war? Are we better "Red" than dead? What aspects of the Christian doctrine of God are specially germane to the modern tensions between war and peace? What is war? Is "cold war" any less repugnant to the Christian God than "hot war"?

These were some of the questions proposed for the next session of "The Hilltoppers" and for your study of God's Word!





The new Sunday School Mission (right) of the Central Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, is meeting in the Mee-Yah-Noh Elementary School (left) in the Killarney area of Edmonton.

## New Sunday School Mission, Edmonton

The story of the launching of a new Extension Sunday School by the Central Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta reported by Mrs. Jean Strauss.

OVER A YEAR AGO, the Central Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta purchased a church site of nine lots in a new area of our city. Seeing the open field in and around this new area, the matter of beginning a new Sunday school mission was discussed individually. At the beginning of October, 1961, in a Sunday School Teachers' and Officers' Meeting, this was discussed openly.

The new Mission would be under the affiliation of the Central Baptist Church and be held in a public school in the Killarney area. Steps were taken with the Edmonton School Board Council regarding the rental of the school for Sunday school sessions, and the same was granted to us for a small fee.

### SUCCESSFUL LAUNCHING

The recommendation was brought before the Church Board, and again before the church on Nov. 8, 1961 to have an Extension Sunday School in the new district. Workers were then authorized to proceed with the planning. The opening of our new work was planned for Nov. 19, 1961 at 10:45 A.M. as the Central Church Superintendent, Mr. Land and the assistant, Mr. Helmut Strauss, worked together to organize the same.

Our first step was to have invitation cards printed, stating our intentions, church affiliation, starting day and the program for the first Sunday school session.

On Friday, Nov. 17, seven of our Senior Sunday school members distributed the invitations at the several school gates in the area as the children were dismissed from class.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, twenty young people and children combed the area under planned supervision and distributed the invitation cards with a knock at each house door and a friendly personal invitation for Sunday morning. Mail boxes were used only when there was no reply at the door.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, at 10:45 A.M., Mr. Helmut Strauss, the appointed Branch Sunday School Superintendent, opened the new school with a singspiration period, the Bible lesson of the "Prodigal Son," a Flannelgraph story, object lesson and a film, "Noah and the Ark."

For the tiny tots attending, we were prepared with Bible stories, coloring pictures and lesson leaflets.

The Lord blessed our efforts and our hearts rejoiced when on the opening Sunday we had an attendance of 61 children and adults. We had two classes and an offering of \$5.30 was laid upon God's altar.

### VOLUNTEER WORKERS

Six volunteer workers from Central Church began the work of extending the Gospel message of salvation. As the enrollment of children and their interest in the Word increased, so did our need for more workers. The classes were broken down into smaller age groups, each class or department having at least two teachers, and more workers were transferred from Central Sunday school. Although the enrollment of students has greatly increased, our weekly attendance remains between 40 and 60. The work is supported by the weekly offerings as well as by the Central Sunday school treasury.

Already the new year has proven a special blessing. Following one morning

session, an eight-year-old boy deeply under conviction approached the teachers and asked to know more about this wonderful Savior, Jesus Christ. He was dealt with and victoriously accepted Christ as his Savior. He, as well as his brothers, are among the most faithful ones in attendance.

We also thank God for Christian friends who share with us these blessings and have donated money with which to purchase Bibles at a very reasonable cost for the children who do not have one of their own. Thus far, the number having received the Bibles is approximately 12.

### INTERESTING PROJECTS

As a project to maintain the interest of the children, points for bringing Bibles as well as new students to the Sunday school are being given each student and upon reaching a goal they will be given a prize.

Our plans for the following months include the personal home contact of each student and parent through visitation and the canvassing of the area.

Along with the work of the Sunday school, several of our young men have taken an interest in boys' work called the "Boys Ambassadors" held each Saturday afternoon. The program includes devotions, exercises, and projects such as making transistor radios. Some of them, coming from non-Christian homes, have been presented with the truth of the Gospel for the first time. The enrollment of boys has increased from four, attending the first session, to fifteen at the present time. Parents are very happy for this opportunity for their boys to keep their leisure time in Christian fellowship, and the boys are enjoying it as well.

## OUR DENOMINATION IN ACTION

### Eastern District

#### Chancel Furniture Dedicated, Cleveland's Hillcrest Church

On Sunday morning, March 4, the Hillcrest Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio held a beautiful and impressive dedication service for the new chancel furniture. These furnishings were presented in memory of devoted men and women whom the Lord used in a wonderful way in the service of his Kingdom as they worked in and through our church for many years.

The two chancel chairs were given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Linsz by their children and grandchildren, who are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bunch, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Linsz, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Linsz and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Linsz by their daughter, Mrs. Flora Dorod, and Mrs. Fred Linsz and Mrs. Clinton Ward of Detroit, Mich. The communion table was presented in memory of Mrs. Amy Vormelker by her children, who are: Mr. and Mrs. Phil. Vormelker, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Vormelker, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vormelker and Miss Rose Vormelker. The attractive chair cushions, table and pulpit scarves were presented in memory of Mrs. Bertha Land by a group of her dearest friends.

The pastor, Rev. Edward Kary, spoke on the subject: "Memories that Bless" (II Tim. 1:5) Mr. Herman Krause, chairman of the board of deacons, spoke the dedication prayer.

Edward Kary, Pastor

#### Echoes of Spring, Youth Banquet, Forest Park, Ill.

Although everyone had given up hope that Spring would ever come to Chicago, 127 Chicago area young people received a preview of Spring



BANQUET FOR CHICAGO YOUTH AND VICINITY

"Echoes of Spring Youth Banquet!" held at the Headquarters Building, Forest Park, Ill. with 127 Chicago area young people in attendance. The banquet theme was beautifully carried out in the spring decorations, rose arbor and sparkling fountain, shown at the right.



Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Hetzel of Erie, Pa., at their 50th wedding anniversary. Both have been members of the South Hills Baptist Church for many years.

at their annual youth banquet on Saturday evening, March 10. As they stepped out of the snow into the North American Baptist Headquarters building in Forest Park, Ill., "Suddenly It Was Spring." Through the rose arbor could be heard the tinkling of a fountain, and streamers from a multi-colored Maypole covered the ceiling. The gay Spring mood was further carried out by bird-cage centerpieces, and a huge flower decked bird-cage at one end of the banquet hall.

After a delicious roast beef dinner, Paul Meister led the group in several rousing songs. Our very able MC for the evening was Rev. Gary Schroeder, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bellwood, Ill. He and Rev. Richard Schroeder, pastor of the Forest Park Baptist Church, presented the lighter

side of the evening's entertainment. "Echoes of Spring" was the theme of the evening. We were very fortunate to have Howard and Dottie Marsh to sing for us and John Innes to play the piano. During "Musical Moments I" they brought us music on the lighter side. After a word of announcement from our leader, Howard Schoene, Mr. and Mrs. Marsch and Mr. Innes returned to thrill our hearts as they sang of our blessed Savior. Rev. Connie Salios, pastor of Glenbard Baptist Church, brought a brief devotional to conclude an evening which we will all long remember.

Dianne Schilke, Reporter

#### Golden Wedding Anniversary and Woman's Program, Erie, Pa.

South Hills Baptist Church, Erie, Pa., was the scene of a happy event on Sunday, March 4, when the children of Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Hetzel gathered to honor them with an "Open House" reception on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. As a token of esteem, the church presented them with yellow chrysanthemums and a dish garden, and the Women's Missionary Society gave them a large table lamp. Mr. Hetzel came from Austria in 1907 and has been a member of the church for 54 years while his wife arrived from Germany in 1910 and has been a member for 48 years. They are the parents of four children, three of whom are still living: Mathew Hetzel and Mrs. George Hartikainen of Erie, Pa., and Jake Hetzel of Oil City, Pa. They have six grandchildren. Mr. Hetzel is a retired painting contractor.

The Women's Missionary Society sponsored a "Guest Night" on March 8th. Members of the Evening Missionary Circle of South Hills Church and the Ladies' Missionary Society of our sister church, and the Open Bible Tabernacle, were guests. Various musical selections were presented by the ladies of South Hills Church. A table model of the Bansa Hospital, made by one of the women, was placed in view of all and inspired a generous offering for our Bansa Hospital work. An exchange student, Miss Turid Lein from Norway, spoke and showed slides of her native land.

Mrs. Robert R. Eichler, Reporter





Students in a Teacher Training Course at the McKernan Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, with Dr. B. Schalm (standing) serving as a co-teacher of the course, "The Book of Books."

### Children's Film Fellowship Fleischmann's Memorial Church

The Children's Film Fellowship program of the Fleischmann Memorial Church, Philadelphia, Pa., was designed to give the children of our church and community a Christian replacement to the Saturday movie matinee. We fill about 80 minutes of time. The program has one unusual aspect in that we have dolls to do all the announcing of the films. By electrical and mechanical devices, we move the dolls and scenes around to give life to the action. A tape is pre-recorded with all the voices and sound effects and accurate timing is set up to accomplish this. Two or three films are usually used, one dealing with how to live, another for entertainment, and the last one with a spiritual application.

To invite all the children to our Sunday school, we have a three minute story using the dolls with background and lighting effects to bring out the point in a short time. Each program is started with one minute of a patriotic song and Christian hymn. During this time, lights are changed on a standard holding American and Christian flags with a cross in front and a fan in the back to move the flags. The attendance for the past six months has been between 30 and 60 and the interest is growing.

George C. Doppler, Jr, Reporter

### 60th Anniversary of Baptist Church, Trenton, Illinois

The First Baptist Church of Trenton, Illinois observed its 60th anniversary on Sunday, March 11. An interesting historical sketch was given by Mr. G. H. Willeke, the oldest resident member with 59 years of faithful service

at our church. He paid tribute to the founders who had the faith and foresight to begin a Baptist church in Trenton. Mrs. Louis Giedinghagen of the St. Louis Park Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo., is the only living person who was a charter member. The adult choir sang, "Lead Me, Savior," at the morning service and "Amazing Grace" in the evening.

Greetings were read from Rev. Harold Gieseke, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., a son of the church; and Chaplain L. P. Albus, former pastor, who is now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J. All former pastors of the church are still living with the exception of the first pastor, Rev. Peter Brunner.

A stirring message was brought by Rev. W. G. Evans of Springfield, Illinois, on "God's Great Salvation." Mr. Evans, who was holding evangelistic services here from March 7th to 14th, spoke in the evening on "How Big Is Your God?" Dinner was served at the noon hour in the church basement to a large group. The tables were decorated with flowers, candles and a huge birthday cake with 60 candles for a centerpiece. Rev. J. R. Kruegel is our pastor.

Florence Ranz, Clerk

### Northern District

#### Leadership Training Program McKernan Church, Edmonton

Every Sunday morning from 9:45 a.m. until 10:50 a.m. at the McKernan Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alta., a special class session participates in teacher training. Approximately one half are Sunday school teachers and

the others prospective Sunday school teachers. This is the first year for this new venture of the Board of Christian Education. It was proposed that four courses be held between the months of September and June. Each course was to be completed in 8 one-hour sessions, an examination on the ninth Sunday, and in some of the courses an opportunity was to be given for practice teaching.

The first course was taught by Rev. Karl Korella. The textbook was Berkeley's, "You Can Teach." Ten pupils of the 15 enrolled completed the course. The second course was taught jointly by Rev. W. McLatchie and Dr. B. Schalm, both members of the teaching staff at the Christian Training Institute. They used the textbook, "The Book of Books," by Hester. Of the 13 who enrolled for the course, 9 completed it successfully. A third course now in progress is being taught by the pastor, Rev. A. Lamprecht. The subject matter is concerned with Christian doctrine. The fourth course in the series, to be taught by Rev. A. Rapske, will concern itself with administration. It is the long range goal of the Board to have every teacher in the Sunday school be a holder of a diploma. Those presently teaching will be given a period of four years in which to meet this basic requirement.

Arnold Rapske, Reporter

### Western District

#### Inspiring Meetings, First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif.

On Sunday, March 4, the First Baptist Church, Lodi, Calif., brought to a close two great weeks of Bible Conference and evangelistic meetings. They were unusual in many ways. The interest from the first Sunday morning service, Feb. 18, was keen. The faithfulness of our people in bringing their unsaved friends to the meetings was unsurpassed. Dr. S. Franklin Logsdon of Largo, Florida, led us in the Bible Conference. We had two sessions daily. The average morning attendance was 140 and 340 at the evening sessions.

Evangelist Crowell served as speaker for the second week. His inspired preaching thrilled the church. With those who were reached in their homes, more than 30 first time decisions for Christ were registered. The attendance by Wednesday of the second week climbed to 764. Our featured soloist, Rose Arzooonian of Fresno, Calif., sang her way into the hearts of the people. The local singing groups, under the direction of Emmanuel Dorheim, contributed much to the success of this effort.

A total of 40 members were received into the church in March. Nineteen of them were baptized, 17 came by testimony and 4 by transfer of letter. Our immediate goal, under the direction of the assistant pastor, Rev. Arthur Brust, is to reach 200 more new Sunday school scholars by Easter, thus bringing our enrollment to 1000. The church is also becoming enthused about our \$30,000 missionary budget for this year 1962. God has been gracious to us and we praise him for it.

Aaron Buhler, Pastor

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### Central District

#### Events, South Canyon Church, Rapid City, S. Dakota

The Men's Christian Fellowship of the South Canyon Baptist Church, Rapid City, S. Dak., recently elected its officers for the coming year: president, Alvin Auch; vice president, Everett Crooks; and secretary-treasurer, Jim Schlottman. We are thankful to the men of our church who have worked many evenings in building Sunday school classrooms in the church basement. They worked faithfully after laboring all day at their various jobs in preparing these classrooms.

The World Day of Prayer was observed by the Ladies' Mission Circle with Mrs. Harold Rhodes in charge of the program. Mrs. John Kwyzla, Jr., and her daughter sang a duet. The regular meeting of the Mission Circle was held on March 13 with Mrs. Eldon Odegaard, president, conducting the business meeting. Reports were given by the various leaders: Mrs. Harold Rhodes, program chairwoman; and Mrs. Fred La Plante, White Cross chairwoman. A work day was held at the church on March 20. Mrs. Fred La Plante presented the devotional for the evening, using the theme, "Growth."

Mrs. Fred La Plante, Reporter

#### Many Joys at Bethany Church, Hutchinson, Minn.

The people of the Bethany Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Minnesota have been a busy people with much rejoicing in the Lord as they completed the new educational wing to the church building. An occasion for rejoicing was Sunday evening, Feb. 25, when 17 converts entered the baptismal waters. This was a joint baptismal service with the Franklin Street Baptist Church with their pastor bringing the message. New members were taken into the respective churches the following Sunday. On Wednesday evening, Feb. 21, the church held its spring banquet. In spite of a snow storm, there was a capacity attendance, and everyone reported a wonderful time.

Last fall under the direction of Rev. Bert Itterman, pastor, a new singing group was organized known as the "Bethanaires." Its been a real thrill to the hearts of the people as they bring musical numbers each Sunday evening and on special occasions. Rev. Ralph Cooke of Sheffield, Iowa was with our church for meetings from March 4-11. The Holy Spirit worked forcefully in many hearts as Christians were challenged to victorious living. Several decisions for Christ were made.


Mrs. Henry Schott, Reporter

#### Recognition Council for Temple Church, Lemmon, S. Dak.

A Pastors' and Deacons' Clinic was conducted at the Temple Baptist Church, Lemmon, S. Dak., on Monday, Feb. 19. The area churches at Bison, Isabel, McLaughlin, and McIntosh, S. Dak.; Sidney and Plevna, Montana; Selfridge, New Leipzig, Mott and Hettinger, N. Dak.; were well represented.

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# Question 7

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## Obituary



#### MRS. BERTHA MUTH of Detroit, Michigan

Mrs. Bertha Muth, nee Hintz, of Detroit, Mich., was born on Oct. 26, 1887 in Korybueton, Poland. She died suddenly on Feb. 12, 1962 of a heart ailment. She had reached the age of 74 years. In 1912 she was married to Adolf Muth. In April 1926 they immigrated to Detroit, Mich., for their permanent residence. Their marriage was blessed with three children: a son, Kurt; and two daughters, Hildegard, (Mrs. A. Bandzmer), and Eleonore, (Mrs. E. Unruh), all living in Detroit. At the age of 13 she accepted the Lord Jesus as her personal Savior, was baptized in Briesen, West Prussia and became a member of the local Baptist church. Her regular attendance at every church service was a testimony of her great love for God's Word.

Her husband, three children and their families, and the whole congregation mourn the dear departed one. On Feb. 15th, funeral services were held at the Ridgmont Baptist Church. The text for the service was taken from I Cor. 5:1-10. Ridgmont Baptist Church, East Detroit, Michigan.

ERNST SAKOWSKI, Pastor

#### MR. WALTER MULLER of Victor, Iowa

Mr. Walter Muller of Victor, Iowa was born near Victor on March 26, 1893. Since his parents were active members of the Victor Baptist Church, he was guided at an early age in his faith in Christ. At the age of 14 years he professed his faith in Christ and was baptized. He remained a member of the Victor Baptist Church since that time.

During the past several months he has not been feeling well. He gradually became weaker and passed away on Feb. 27, 1962. He had attained the age of 68 years and 11 months. Four brothers and two sisters preceded him in death. He is survived by one brother, Louis Muller of Victor; and two sisters: Martha Muller and Adelaide Folkers, both of Victor. Numerous other relatives and friends will miss his departure from this life. "We know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is" (I John 3:2).

Victor, Iowa

FRED SCHMIDT, Pastor

### SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

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we have today that compare with those of the early Christians?

2. What relation does the Christian's suffering have with the suffering of Christ?

3. Discuss I Peter 4:18. Does this verse infer that our salvation is in constant jeopardy?

### FEBRUARY CONTRIBUTIONS—N.A.B. GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	Feb. 1962	Feb. 1961	Feb. 1960
Atlantic	\$ 5,691.25	\$ 3,904.99	\$ 3,293.27
Central	15,537.36	12,961.79	10,290.66
Dakota	7,992.20	7,418.39	4,389.06
Eastern	2,148.72	1,471.28	1,269.03
Northern	14,048.72	9,128.03	5,918.39
Northwestern	10,073.74	5,748.81	7,515.90
Pacific	5,804.08	4,903.12	9,231.52
Southern	204.14	161.43	710.46
Southwestern	4,915.51	1,985.64	3,427.61
Inter-Conference	3,323.40		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 69,739.12</b>	<b>\$ 47,683.48</b>	<b>\$ 46,045.90</b>

	Budget Contributions	Other Contributions	Denominational Bldg. Advance	Total Contributions
For the month of Feb., 1962	\$ 59,012.40	\$ 9,117.76	\$ 1,608.96	\$ 69,739.12
For the month of Feb., 1961	37,094.49	2,988.32	7,600.67	47,683.48
For the month of Feb., 1960	34,121.99	3,736.02	8,187.89	46,045.90

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

April 1, 1961 to Feb. 28, 1962	\$630,137.86	\$ 83,967.24	\$ 58,070.64	\$772,175.74
April 1, 1960 to Feb. 28, 1961	594,236.19	21,038.14	70,746.74	686,021.07
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## TEMPLE CHURCH, LEMMON

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In the afternoon, after the close of the clinic, a Recognition Council, comprised of representation from the above named churches, met for the purpose of recognizing the Temple Baptist Church of Lemmon, S. Dak., as a sister church in the Dakota Conference. The Council inquired into the historical doctrine of the church, its constitution and organization. Lemmon is a town of over 3000 inhabitants that has no other Baptist witness. The Council was well satisfied and recommended the acceptance of the church as a sister church in the North American Baptist Conference.

Rev. Herbert Vetter, Council moderator, was in charge of the evening recognition service. Rev. R. H. Zepik read the Scripture passage, and the recognition sermon was brought by Dr. Frank Woyke, executive secretary. His text, found in I Corinthians 3:6-12, was an inspiration to all present. The charge to the church was given by Rev. J. C. Gunst, and the Rev. Alfred Weisser led in the recognition prayer. Rev. Jerry Vilhauer is pastor of the Temple Church.

Walter H. Klempel, Reporter

## The South Texas and Louisiana Association Sessions

The South Texas and Louisiana Association met at the Greenvine Church, Burton, Texas, from Feb. 22-25. The Association themes was "Words of Eternal Life." (John 6:68). The opening message was brought by Rev.

Daniel Fuchs on "The Eternal Love of God." Other sermons brought by Rev. A. Sootzmann, Rev. R. Bennett, and Rev. G. Conway. Friday afternoon featured an open forum with Rev. D. Fuchs presiding.

There could have been no finer way to begin the days than with a devotional hour of songs, prayers and the appropriate messages of Mrs. J. Lengefeld and Mr. L. Sherrouse who led us into God's presence. Friday evening Mrs. B. Crawford spoke to the Woman's Missionary Union. Saturday evening Rev. W. Fox, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Brenham, spoke about the political and social conditions in America.

Our secretary-treasurer, Mr. John Lengefeld, was reelected. The host pas-

tor, Rev. R. Bennett, will serve as moderator next year. Mr. Fuchs spoke several times on Sunday. Our moderator, Rev. C. Mayforth, brought the message on "Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today, and Forever."

The warm welcome of the members of the Greenvine Church made our stay in Greenvine a very pleasant one. We thank our heavenly Father for the beautiful weather and his loving presence during these days which were filled with spiritual blessings.

Alex Sootzmann, Reporter

## HOLIDAY PARK CHURCH

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activities. Along with a growing Sunday school and morning worship service, because of the large numbers of children, we have started a Children's Church. The development of a fine 15 voice choir has added much to the services. We have a Junior and Senior Young People's Work on Sunday evenings.

On Wednesday evening we have our weekly Bible Study and prayer service. We also have a special time of prayer following our Sunday evening services and the church has recently seen some wonderful answers to prayer.

With the main body of the church made up of a small group of adults, the task ahead seems overwhelming at times, but the grace of God has always proved sufficient. Our tomorrows are as bright as the promises of his Word, and as we go forward in obedience we know he will continue to bless.

## 1962 SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT

Members of the Class of 1932 will celebrate their 30th anniversary and take part in the commencement exercises of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. on May 19 and 20, 1962.

**Seminary Banquet, Saturday, May 19**

Toastmaster, Rev. Wilfred Bloedow  
Speaker, Dr. Reuben P. Jeschke

**Sunday Morning, May 20, 10:45 A.M.  
Baccalaureate Service.**

Speaker, Rev. John E. Grygo

**Sunday Afternoon, May 20, 3:00 P.M.  
Commencement Service.**

Speaker, Dr. Frank H. Woyke