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BUILD UP OUR LIVES

Father, we thank Thee this day For rest after labour— For the forest around, For the lake serene, For the peace of broad spaces, For song of birds and murmur of winds, For golden clouds in the evening calm, For silence under the stars:

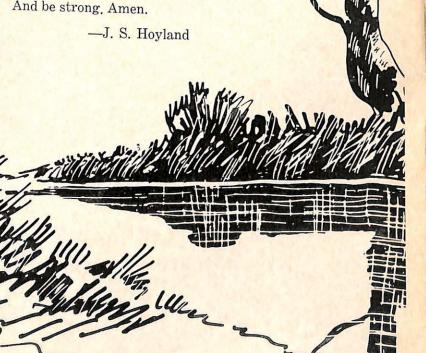
O, build up our lives in these simple unshakable things.

Give us always a secret source of quiet unharrassed power:

In the midst of the world's fierce turmoil, In all these inconsequent hurries that fill our lives with their clamour.

Give us hold on the forests and stars:

That beneath all activity Peace may abide,





SUMMER 1968!

What does summer mean to you? Summer can mean many things, depending upon who you are and what you do.

To a child, summer means school is out, unless he is taking summer classes. It means sleeping late, playing all day, swimming, outings, Vacation Bible School, family camping, club or church camping.

To young people it means graduation from high school or college. It means a summer job to help pay for another term of school, outdoor recreation, a summer tour overseas, a vacation by the lake or high in the mountains, a week at a camp as camper or staff member.

To adults, summer means stifling heat. It means air conditioners. It means the job is just the same, but the weather is changed. It means kids playing in the street, back doors slamming continuously all day long, kids underfoot in the home, dirt-smeared towels from dirty hands and faces, backyard suppers and picnics in the park.

Summer means a lot of things to a lot of different people. Summer could mean something different to you than it has ever meant before. Summer could mean participating in a week of church camp as a camper enjoying the out-of-doors, the fellowship with others, the Bible studies, the discussions together, the singing, the devotional and inspirational messages from God's Word, as well as the hiking, swimming, and other sports.

To many young people, summer has been something exceptional because it was at camp that they accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. Or because there they said, "Lord, I surrender my life to your will and will serve you wherever you want me." To some it becomes a time of spiritual insight. A time to reflect upon their commitment and relationship to their Lord.

The summer may mean something new and excitingly different to you, too, if you dedicate yourself to a week of service as a staff member in a church group. It may require sacrificing a week of wages, a week of vacation, or another worthy cause bidding for your involvement.

Whether you are director, pastor, teacher, counselor, cook or groundskeeper, you have at your disposal the opportunity to interact with young people in a deeper and more meaningful way than that which you find in most other situations. Though oftentimes physically and mentally demanding, a week of ministry in a camp setting can revive, remold and redirect your life in spiritual dimensions. As Christians we grow by giving our life and our love to Jesus Christ. We grow by sharing our faith with others.

Is summer going to be the same old schedule that it has been in summers past? Or is this summer going to be involving yourself in the church camp where you can learn, serve and grow? Is this summer going to be one where your entire perspective of life is going to be changed? Summer.....1968! What is it going to be?

> —Guest editorial by Rev. Bruce A Rich. Secretary of the Department of Christian Education and Director of Youth Ministry

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Dynamic Junior Camping

by Milton Zeeb

"And as Jesus continued to grow in body and mind, he grew also in the love of God and of those who knew him" (Luke 2:52, Phillips).

The director of a Dynamic Junior Camping program soon discovers these words to be significantly true. Junior camp is not a "free for all fun time." but it is a time of carefully planned learning and fun experiences. It includes serious times of contemplating God, His Word and the wonder of His creation in the world and the camper's place in that world.

ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES PLANNED

A sentence found on page eight of the handbook, Dynamic Junior Camping, summarizes the philosophy of the camp. "A junior camp is a group of organized activities planned. . . . " The camper lives with his or her counselor twenty-four hours a day, working, studying, playing and worshipping together. This gives the camper the opportunity to achieve satisfactory learning experiences that are filled with concrete meaning for his understanding, ability, and life. He finds that life does have a purpose and everything he does at camp proves that

The director of a Dynamic Junior Camp has the privilege and the responsibility of seeing that as many of the camp objectives are carried out as possible. The program must be adapted to each locale and situation which often will vary in physical environment from camp to camp. The program was written with this in mind and can be adapted to each camp setting. Above all else, the director must seriously believe in its local goal and effec-

The director's responsibility begins when the last summer camp ends. In other words, the Conference Camp Committee or official body should have the next year's camp director ready for appointment at the end of camp. In the fall of the year, the director must be in search of dedicated counselors. Contacts should be made without delay and commitments sought, so that the year's plan is known well in advance by director, counselor, and staff member. A sincere love for and relationship with Christ is essential for any camp staff member. This should be accompanied by love and understanding of juniors. The director should also be in search of program specialists who are talented in music, nature craft, creative activities and sports. These individuals serve in their designated area of ability only and assist the counselors by teaching these subjects at camp.

It is important that the director know approximately how many campers to expect. He can estimate this from the available attendance records of past years. A counselor is needed for every living group of five to seven girls or boys. The living groups should never exceed eight campers for best programming and full Christian influence of a counselor who is not overtaxed with responsibility.

Soon after the first of the new year, lesson material for the counselors and program specialists should be distributed. When they have had sufficient time to look over and review it, a meeting should be arranged in the spring of the year at some central location for training and question and answer time. (If this seems impractical or impossible, perhaps a meeting at the State Association or Conference sessions could be arranged.) By May definite responsibilities should be finalized and assigned. If there are individuals who cannot for some reason take on full duties they may be approached to serve as roving counselors or program specialist assistants.

Publicity is of prime importance for a successful camp. The best publicity is found in returning campers who

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are encouraged to talk to their friends about coming to camp with them. Soon after the first of the year, the director with the assistance of the registrar, should send a flyer to every participating church about "Planning For Camp This Summer." Give the dates, place and other enthusiastic information about camp itself.

At camp, direction of the total camp program is overseen by the director. The director serves as liaison between camper, counselor and staff. He should be aware of all camp problems and conditions. By meeting regularly with the staff he will be informed and through mutual concern the Spirit of God can work to the glory of Christ in the lives of all who are involved. When camp comes to a close, a time of evaluation is a must. The total teaching staff participates in this and suggestions are given for improvements as well as commendations for efforts made. Individuals who will be able to assist the following summer should be enlisted.

You will note that most of the responsibility for the Dynamic Junior Camp director comes before camp ever begins. The better the preparation, the better the camp.

A NEW CONCEPT

Dynamic Junior Camping is effective and meaningful, but only so when it is given a fair opportunity. We cannot cling to old camping habits and cliches. This is a program in which the freedom of the spirit of the individual camper is allowed expression and in which the freedom of the Holy Spirit is given opportunity to work. Camp is the time for teaching the Word and seeing the Word alive in the staff. The ministry of Jesus was a teaching and informative ministry and He commanded in Matthew 28:20, "teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. . . ." The majority of campers are those who need to be taught spiritual truths that are relative to their Christian experience. Through teaching the Word, the unsaved youth will be, by the convincing of the Holy Spirit, led to receive Christ. Are you concerned that the junior youth of your church and conference "grow in body and mind . . . also in the love of God and of those whom they know"? The director of a Dynamic Junior Camp has this wonderful privilege and duty to carry out.

Rev. Milton Zeeb is pastor of the Pilgrim Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He has been active in Dynamic Junior Camping since its inception. He participated in the pilot project in South Dakota in 1960, introduced Dynamic Junior Camping in Wisconsin in 1961, and served either as director or assistant director at Junior camps through 1966. This year he will be directing the Dynamic Junior Camp in the Atlantic Conference.

OPEN DIALOGUE

- LETTERS TO THE EDITOR -

GOD IS CALLING YOU

(Editors note: The following is a reprint of a letter that Dr. Dunger wrote to a prospective seminary student. It outlines some vital aspects of the Christian ministry.) Dear Bill:

Yesterday a copy of the letter our District Secretary wrote to you came to my attention. There is no doubt whatever regarding the seriousness and the far-reaching consequences of the decision you will have to make.

You believe God is calling you into His service. I am glad that you sense this call, though many other strong, alluring, even "rationally compelling" voices clamour for your attention. These voices may even come from the direction of Christian professions and impressive training centers which make Christian vocations more attractive than the "Call to the Christian Ministry." What are the most important things you should keep in mind?

I believe one of the most important facts in the Christian's life is the loving obedience in which the believer vields himself to God through Christ. This, of course, relates most intimately to an equally important matter. This can best be stated in a personal question: "How realistically can I know God's will for me and what am I going to DO about it?

In the light of these facts the call to Christian ministry must be considered from several different points of perspective.

1. Christian ministry in the Biblical sense always centers on God's glory and Christ's honor in His church, through the believer and, especially, through His workers.

2. Christian ministry, if it is to be performed in the sense of Christ, God's Son and greatest servant. must reach out to those who are lost reaching out in terms of proclamation and mission.

Thus, the servant of Christ always thinks of himself as one who is most closely related to Christ as his exalted Lord Whom he loyally serves as His representative and to His Church, His body on earth, to which he skillfully ministers in love and in faith. Do you see the difference of meaning between the verbs "serve" and "minister"?

Now, what does this have to do

with theological education? Much that is of great significance to the Christian minister and to the church:

1. Theological education and ministerial training, if it is to equip the called-one for MINISTRY, must be an outflow of the spiritual life of the churches because more than academic and institutional excellence is at stake, and

2. At stake are the sound spiritual growth, the intellectual development and the acquisition of ministerial skills of the student, the optimum conditions for this process being provided by spiritually responsible churches.

The Seminary, therefore, is far more than an academic institution! It is the spiritual-intellectual-moral heart of those churches which give their lifeblood for the purpose of spiritual growth of the believer, the equipment of the saints and the proclamation of Christ as Savior and Lord.

It seems to me that there are so few genuinely capable servants of Christ today. Perhaps the reason is that many theological schools have taught, and are still teaching, theology primarily from an academic and institutional viewpoint. They produce theological-philosophical minds rather than help the Holy Spirit to create Christ-committed hearts who CARE for His Church and, like Christ, give themselves in MINISTRY.

I can truthfully say that the theological education and ministerial training our students receive at our Seminary stem from loving, praying, sacrifically giving church members, churches and their pastors who care for Christ, His Church and a lost world, That makes our Seminary much more than another "theological school" in the purely academic sense. Our Seminary very closely meets the conditions outlined in the preceding paragraphs.

Our Seminary as an integral part of our Denomination demonstrates a very fortunate combination of academic excellence and spiritual realism. both springing from the intellectual awareness and the spiritual vitality of the churches which comprise the North American Baptist General Conference. As a corroborative evidence of this truth in another area of church life I can point to God's blessing upon (Continued on page 9)



by Pauline H. Todd

HE SQUATTED on his sleeping bag—chin in left hand, bug collection in right hand. Beside him rested his suitcase, crammed with clothes grimy with camp dust. As the homeward-bound church bus slowly chugged closer, his counselor strode over to say a last farewell, tousling the lad's sunstreaked hair.

As they laughed together, suddenly the young camper looked earnestly at his counselor and blurted, "You're the best Christian I ever knew. I'll never forget you!"

The counselor has never forgotten the lad either, nor his statement—a constant spur to careful Christian living.

CAMPING IS DANGEROUS

Camping has been cited as presenting the "ideal teaching situation." But, because of this ideal situation, one camping authority has said, "Camping is dangerous; you can teach a camper anything!"

This receptivity to learning on the part of campers has presented the churches with their strategic camping opportunity: winning youth for Christ and instructing them in Christian living. As campers are exposed to Christian truths lived before them, it is easy for them to "catch" Christ-likeness

All this serves to underscore the

importance of the counselor in Christian camping. The effectiveness of the religious emphasis in any camp is only as good as the consistency in Christian living of the staff. Each counselor must realize that his actions, attitudes, even voice inflections, have their part in demonstrating vital Christian living, or, unhappily, less than that.

COUNSELORS ARE HEROES

What kind of persons, then, are needed as counselors in Christian camps? Long lists have been made of the desired physical, emotional, social, and educational traits and skills. Probably one of the most important assets is the "ability to get up cheerfully in the mornings" (in spite of the night's interruptions, ranging from finding thistles in sleeping bags to calming a camper with nightmares). But all important in church camping are these religious qualifications of counselors:

The ideal Christian counselor:

- 1. Is able to "share God" with campers
- 2. Walks close to Christ and engages in daily devotions
- 3. Has ability to show Christian attitudes under stress
- 4. Understands camping experience as a ministry, a service to Christ and His children
- 5. Knows how to lead a camper to Christ, is sensitive to the leadings of the Holy Spirit in this work and is quick to see in everyday happenings opportunities to teach spiritual truths
- 6. Is faithful in preparation and participation in religious features of camp such as cabin devotions, Bible lessons, and worship periods.

Campers from junior through college are searching for heroes to worship. As they see exemplified traits they admire, they idealize these persons. What a privilege and responsibility it is for camp staff members to be used for Christ in this way—as ideals pointing young hearts to Christ.

GOD WORKS IN CAMP PROGRAMS

According to its camp philosophy, a church camp may use some or all of these religious program elements.

1. Bible study. In true decentralized camping, Bible study is spontaneous, growing out of the day's events. In more traditional camping, scheduled Bible classes are considered essential. Each year sees more publishers offering carefully planned curricula for such classes.

Campers enjoy a class outdoors. The atmosphere of the schoolroom and the lecture method of teaching should be avoided. As Bible truths are presented vividly by prepared teachers, much can be added to the spiritual impact of camping.

2. Chapel and vespers. It is a moment long remembered. Slowly behind the towering pines sinks the golden sun, reflected in the ripple of the

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lake. From the lips of worshiping campers comes almost spontaneously the words:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts! Heav'n and earth are full of Thee! Heav'n and earth are praising Thee, O Lord Most high!

Camp abounds with indigenous worship opportunities. The alert staff member will help campers to experience informal worship as they feel the velvety caterpillar, recognize constellations on a starry night, examine the symmetry of a fallen feather, or find rainbow colors in wild flowers—all evidences of the wisdom and skill of the Creator.

But well-planned formal worship services may provide moments of high inspiration. They may utilize drama, poetry, or a speaker who knows how to communicate with the age group.

Whether or not an invitation to commit his life to Christ should be offered the camper at such times depends on one's camp philosophy. If such "mass evangelistic methods" are used, they must be supplemented with careful personal counseling. This will help avoid statements like the one given at the camp's concluding fagot service by a cooperative convert: "I was saved every night this week!" Or the testimony of the bouncy young adolescent who declared, "The preacher saved me!" (Her actions during camp led the staff to believe that her salvation actually had been accomplished by someone other than the Lord.)

3. Private devotions. Campers are

often encouraged to form the habit of daily quiet-time, spending time alone in the woods each morning. Younger ages will need guidance as to what to read in the Bible and for whom to pray. Unassisted, most juniors run out of prayer topics in a hurry.

- 4. Cabin devotions. At the close of the day, pajama-clad campers perch on beds around their counselor—some of the most challenging moments of his day. Rapport should increase as days pass; confidences will flow; problems will be shared; spiritual challenges of the day discussed. Many a camper has made important decisions for Christ while praying with cabin mates and counselor at devotion time.
- 5. Personal counseling sessions. Every cabin counselor should schedule a time alone with each of his campers. This should not be like a dental appointment: "Meet me at 2:30 P.M., Wednesday, at the chapel door." Rather, there should be a naturalness about it: "How about taking me up the trail to see the bird's nest you were telling me about?" Then the counselor, heart prepared by prayer, and with his Bible well worn, can converse with his camper about his spiritual life. These moments can be among the most rewarding camp experiences for both camper and coun-
- 6. Mealtime graces. For many campers, thanking God for food in mealtime prayers is a new experience. This should not become perfunctory, but made meaningful by variety; some-

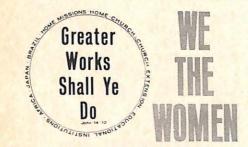
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NO COMPARTMENT FOR RELIGION

Though these listed program elements may be considered the religious emphasis of camp, the camp program must not become compartmentalized. This impression must be avoided: "Now that religion is taken care of by chapel and Bible class, we'll go to the lake and have some fun." In a successful Christian camp, religion permeates the entire camp structure. This excerpt pinpoints this truth:

When we speak of the integration of the spiritual and secular, we are not referring to a blending of the two elements, but rather an application of the spiritual to every area of life. Hallowed by recognition of the Creator of all good, archery and horsemanship, camperafts and swimming, and all other camp activities, are no longer secular. They are being enjoyed by Christians: Christian attitudes are employed in their use; spiritual principles are being lived through them . . . and through these activities Christ is attractively presented in a practical way. (Why Are We Camping? Chicago: National Sunday School Association, 1960, p. 17. Used by permission, NSSA, P.O. Box 685, Wheaton, Illinois 60188.)

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BY MRS. HERBERT HILLER, Woodside, New York, President Woman's Missionary Union

Since 1952 our WMU was permitted one officer as auditor at the annual Board of Missions sessions. We appreciated this for our women received insight into the scope and operation of our missionary program. At Detroit, the General Conference seated the first woman member on the Missions Board with voting privileges. Mrs. Delmar Wesseler will share some impressions of the recent sessions.

DARKNESS — LIGHT By Mrs. Delmar L. Wesseler

Even as Christ came many years ago "To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace" (Luke 1:79), our mission is to actively continue this task for Him today. Mrs. H. Hiller, the Board of

Missions representative from the WMU for this year, and I experienced many reasons for joy as well as reasons for deep concern during the Board of Missions sessions April 23-26.

We rejoice that in our own mission work we have many open doors of service. We seemingly cannot expand quickly enough to take advantage of all the opportunities. The people in Brazil are pleading for more missionaries, for they are eager to hear the true Word. The nationals in Cameroon and Mambila are anxious and eager to help so that we can expand our medical and evangelistic work. The African youth are so desirous for education that our schools have to screen and keep what they pray are the most deserving prospects. Japan's needs also are evident and urgent as Rev. Richard Mayforth so candidly brought to our attention during the meetings. Rev. Harold Lang's presence in the meetings also gave us insight into the situation in our African fields. Our own home missions are experiencing a breakthrough in Spanish American work along with conflicts and needs, but we are faced with depressing facts so evident now in our Indian work.

We do have reasons for joy as twelve appointees will be going out to replenish and expand our Short Term Missionary work in Cameroon. This work is presently staffed by fourteen volunteers of whom nine are returning home this year. These are financed by the Cameroonian government by their educational system. On the other hand, two families which applied for immediate missionary service cannot be sent because funds are not available to equip and send them.

Resignations were regretfully accepted from Rev. and Mrs. George Henderson and from Mrs. Norman Glewwe (former Barbara Stroh).

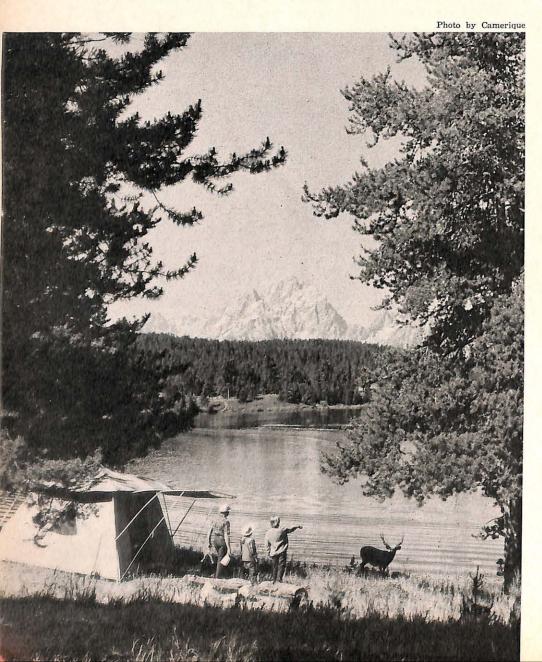
A multitude of business is reviewed and voted upon during these four day and evening sessions. The areas covered not only involve our foreign and home missions but also Church Extension, Evangelism, God's Volunteers, Mission-sided churches and the ever expanding program of missionary education in it's many facets.

We women are becoming endeared to Mrs. C. (Vi) Nelson in the capacity of Dr. Schilke's Secretary and our White Cross contact in Forest Park.

I believe that a renewed awareness of God's goodness toward us as a denomination was one of the results of these sessions. Most certainly we are grateful that God has challenged our beloved denomination by giving us these avenues of mission service. Let us continue in faith to support this phase of our mission in every possible way.

FAMILY CHURCH CAMPING

by Bob Raus



HE INCEPTION of the family camp idea for our church came about in a craft class when two mothers were overheard discussing summer plans for the next year. They wanted their families to vacation together, but there were problems that seemed to make it impossible. One mother turned to the recreation director and asked why the church could not provide a camping opportunity for families.

Later, after an informal survey, we learned that other families wanted this type of outdoor experience. There were some reasons among nearly all the families questioned: a desire to spend their vacation with Christian friends in a Christian atmosphere; a need for an economical week together away from their homes; and equally important, their desire for spiritual experiences as a family in God's outof-doors. These were sufficient reasons to look for a site and an acceptable date to conduct such a camp.

SITE, COST AND DATE SET

A camp site to meet family camping facilities. There had to be housing to care for family groups. (It is important that families live together during camp experiences.) Eating facilities had to be adequate to meet the dietary needs of young and old. Recreation opportunities had to be varied, and a safe waterfront area was essential. Good sanitary conditions and pure drinking water were vital to the welfare of the camp.

so that different age groups within the family paid different amounts (the adult paid \$15.00 while the primary child paid \$7.50). It was also arranged that the large families received special discounts. The maximum cost for any family would be \$60.00 regardless of how many were in the

With a suitable site, a date, and the cost of the camp determined, the first publicity was released. This was done early in January so that men would be able to request their vacations for the camp dates. By February 15 all the housing had been reserved, and a waiting list of families wishing to attend was quite long. Families received confirmation of their reservation and deposit as soon as the men had their vacation dates set. Nearly all the reservations were confirmed by March 15 when the first meeting of family campers was held.

PROGRAM GEARED TO THE FAMILY

Up to this point, there had been no program planned for the camp. This was an ideal situation. Five

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needs had to include several definite

The cost of the camp was arranged

months prior to camp time the camp-

ers were already committed to attend, and they could help in planning their own program. The first decision made by this group was the selection of their camp inspiration leader. In the weeks and months following, regular meetings of the families were held and the program for the camp was planned. Usually only the parents were involved in these planning meetings.

Several principles were determined upon which we based our program. These were: (1) the emphasis of the entire program would be geared to keeping the family unit together; (2) the only activities that were considered mandatory for all to attend were the inspirational and worship services, since this was "vacation" for nearly all the families; (3) there would not be a "lights out" time, but quiet would prevail in the camp at an appointed hour: (4) at certain hours during the day there would be periods of special activities for the children and youth which would permit parents to engage in activities of their own interests. With these guidelines in mind, the campers planned their program.

As the program planning developed, the leadership for the camp was enlisted, and other administrative matters were cared for. We enlisted a nurse who had had camping experience, and knew how to handle children and adults. Several "counselorsin-training" (young people preparing for camp leadership) were enlisted to handle many of the camp chores that younger campers themselves usually

Transportation to and from the camp would be provided by the campers themselves, since traveling on a bus would mean transferring luggage from cars to bus and would limit families in making individual side trips from the camp during the week.

We decided that all families would be in camp in time for dinner on Monday. As families arrived at the camp, they received cabin assignments and help in getting baggage to their cabins. The first evening at camp started with a hike around the camp property and ended with a worship experience around a campfire.

ACTIVITIES VARIED AND PLEASANT

There were no typical days at camp, since each day brought new and varied experiences. There was a basic schedule, however, that was uniform throughout the week. The day began for some of the fishermen before dawn, as they were out trying their luck in the stream or at a nearby lake. Right after breakfast, sealed envelopes were given to each family, and the family groups went to a quiet place away from other families to share together the Bible reading and thought-provoking comments contained in their en-

Early in the morning while it was still cool, the campers thirteen and older had a brief Bible study period led by the camp pastor, while the younger children were taken on nature hikes and were led to see spiritual truths through the world around them. The remainder of the morning was spent as the families wished. Planned activities for the children were continued through the morning if the parents wanted to be alone or if a group of parents wished to do something without their children.

After lunch a period of rest and relaxation was suggested, and each family was on its own. All types of activities were available to them. Swimming, boating, fishing, golfing on a nearby course, hiking, sight-seeing, carfts, low-organized games, reading, or just sitting around watching the children play occupied most of the afternoons.

If a family wanted to leave the camp for any reason, they were asked to sign out, stating where they were going and when they would return. If they were going to miss a meal, they could arrange to get a picnic lunch from the kitchen to take with

Group trips were arranged for all the campers to visit unusual scenic areas nearby. One of the groups left camp at 10:00 A.M. and returned just before dinner. While on the trip, they cooked their lunch over an open fire.

The evenings after dinner, just before dark, usually involved special events for family participation, such as rowboat races, relays, or organized games. Each day was climaxed around a campfire by a worship experience under the stars. Each family had their own devotions in their cabin just before going to bed. Needless to say, everyone regretted to see Saturday arrive, for it meant the end of a meaningful week.

FAMILIES STRENGTHENED AND CHANGED

The results of the camp were gratifying. There were many campers who found a new and closer relationship with God-and their families. For the first time several families started having devotions together. Fathers and mothers came to know each other and their own children better, and the children came to know their parents better. Many personal problems were worked out through prayer and the guidance of our camp pastor. The fellowship of our church was made stronger. Camperaft skills were learned. And there were many other results too numerous to mention

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our missionary enterprise. Here, too, developments literally exceed the phenomenal; they border on the miraculous. I have every good reason to believe that God's approval and favor rest upon us all because evangelism, missions and theological education center on MINISTRY. They flow from the heart of the local church through the hands of consecrated administrators to those who stand in spiritual

Please do not interpret my statements as belittling academic and scholarly excellence and the need for it, especially at a time when the sciences forge ahead with computerized speed. Like any modern, progressive institution we evaluate our performance and we constantly seek to improve upon past achievements. I believe our B.D. Graduates-and there are more than just a few-who have earned their master degrees from nationally and internationally recognized schools, and those who are working on their doctorates now, are a good proof for the academic soundness of our Seminary in terms of high caliber students, modern faculty and facilities.

This has turned out to be quite an "epistle." I felt I should write at length because here issues are at stake far too important to be treated lightly. Your decision and further course of action will have consequences for time and eternity. When the work of the Holy Spirit in the heart of a young person like you is evident, I know that generalizations and psychologically successful manipulation of data are not called for-which we would not wish to do anyway! I have tried to put first things first. It is my prayer that you will be an open and clean vessel which God can and will use for His honor and glory and that this be your life's happiness, joy and satisfaction.

Please write when you can. We are following our Master's example when we share with each other the gifts of

> In His matchless Name, George A. Dunger Registrar North American Baptist Seminary

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Youth Camp Challenge

by R. Thomas Harfst



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HANK YOU, Lord" was my prayer as I witnessed dozens of young people yielding their lives to Christ at a campfire service with missionary George Lang. They were coming from every direction so stirred by the Holy Spirit that the few workers were unable to handle the many seeking help. There are other memories from other years of senior campingtimes when few decisions were made for Christ publicly, but later victories that had their origin in camp were revealed through letters or conversa-

One week of senior camping provides the opportunity of working more hours with youth than a whole year of CBYF and Sunday school combined. With this in mind, the director prayerfully considers his responsibility to the Lord and to many young lives. He begins the year-long preparations necessary for developing a program, counselors and other workers. He must always keep in mind the general philosophy of evangelical camping: Guided and planned experiences in Christian living (spiritual growth, study, recreation, social contacts) in the out-

PRE-CAMP PREPARATION

Personnel. The camp board or committee is responsible for providing the governing policy for the camp and appointing the key personnel such as the director and the dean of men and dean of women. The director and deans are then responsible for securing counselors and the various other personnel needed. The director must be aware that not every interested youth worker is necessarily a good youth camp worker.

The Program. The director, deans and camp youth officers must work together to develop a theme and program which will speak to the needs evident in youth today. It should provide campers with the opportunity to discuss and examine their doubts and

questions as well as give them encouragement and direction. They must take into consideration comments and complaints and appraise them honestly.

The four basic aspects from which the program is considered are:

Spiritual. Reach each unsaved camper for Christ and help every Christian to grow in Christ.

Physical. Each camper must be well cared for, including proper diet, sufficient rest and recreation, etc.

Social. This is an extremely important part of youth camping so consideration must be given to promoting right relationships with others at all

Educational. Our objective is to develop new knowledge of God's Word and His ways in the lives of young people. The interest level varies greatly between a freshman or sophomore and a senior in high school, so classes must be developed for each age group.

ENCOUNTERS DURING CAMP

There are problems in senior camping which are unique to this particular age group. These can be classified under two categories.

Youth—the campers themselves. Firstly, the success of camp (in the mind of a camper) is often determined by how he or she progresses socially with the opposite sex. A real problem occurs when a camper is disappointed socially and regards his whole camp experience as a failure or with bitterness. This occurs more often than one realizes. The director and staff must be alert and watchful for persons who are moody and upset as the result of a social reversal. This requires much perception and discernment. The camp romance is extremely important to the young person. A shattered romance may discourage him from further dependence upon the Lord; but if dealt with properly, the young person can be led to see the Lord's dealing in his disappontment and work a greater decision for commitment to Him before camp is over.

Secondly, general characteristics of youth such as the need for recognition, rebellion, a "full-of-fun" attitude, make for many anxious moments in every senior camp. The director is constantly made aware of them and often disciplinary action is necessary to run an effective camp. He also knows that these characteristics make

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BAPTIST HERALD



Rev. A. Milner (l. to r.) Mr. Len Bloom, Mr. Ken Huber, Rev. R. Rapske (seated).

by Ken Huber

() F THE EARLY church at Jerusalem it is written that a persecution drove the Christians out of the city into the surrounding areas. "And they went everywhere preaching the word of God." Although it is not persecution in our day but other factors which take people away from the cities into the countryside. And the church likewise must go out and proclaim the word where the people live. This is precisely the reason for the formation of the SUNSHINE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH, This latest Church Extension Project is in the Delta-Surrey area, located approximately 25 miles south east of Vancouver, British Columbia, on Scott Road near Highway 10.

Over the past years a number of families from our Vancouver churches, and more recently a couple of families from Winnipeg, Manitoba moved into this area. These folks having a desire to serve their Lord, and recognizing the need for an evangelical witness in this rural area, met with Rev. P. Siewert and Rev. E. Strauss of Vancouver and Richmond respectively, in September 1967 to discuss the possibility of the establishment of a Church Extension work. At this meeting it was learned that other N.A.B. families were living in the area. These were then contacted and further meetings were held with Rev. J. Sonnenberg, our District Secretary and later with Rev. Lyle Wacker the Director of Church Extension. These meetings resulted in encouragement to proceed.

On November 4, 1967 the pastors and several laymen of our Vancouver and area churches met, together with the Delta-Surrey group. This meeting resulted in the formation of a fellowship with the intent of establishing a N.A.B. church. Twenty-three people present at the meeting indicated by signature their desire to become part of this new

Mr. Kenneth Huber was elected as moderator and Mrs. Margaret Pohl was elected as secretary. Mr. K. Huber, Mr. H. Wirch and Mr. L. Bloom were appointed as members of the Delta-Surrey Advisory Committee to work together with the General Church Extension Co. of the Vancouver Churches in the further planning of this project. The decision was also reached to begin immediately with a Bible Study and Prayer fellowship service. The pastors agreed to assist by serving at the mid-week services.

NEW CHURCH

STARTED IN B. C.

From this beginning we have been able to launch out and begin regular Sunday School and Morning Worship services. All services are held at the Sunshine Hills Elementary School. Attendance has been very good and the fellowship about God's Word has spurned us on to greater effort for

We are particularly grateful to our churches for the prayer and material support they have given. This cooperation has been very encouraging. The Ebenezer and Bethany churches have adopted this project to the extent that they have agreed together to purchase the property for a church building. Ebenezer also shared God's Volunteers in a survey of the area. This has been a very encouraging factor in that a number of additional families have indicated a definite interest in this new venture for Christ. The average attendance for worship services is between 45 and 50 consistently. The Women's Missionary Society of the Rose of Sharon Baptist Church sponsored and provided a fellowship supper to which members of our area churches were invited. An offering was received to assist the Sunshine Ridge Baptist Church. The pastors and people have been wonderful through their encouragement and

Plans are under way for a building program and also for an expanded program of service, in the conducting of a Vacation Bible School, the organization of a Women's Missionary Society and Youth work. God's Blessing has been evident in our midst already and we look forward to serving him in this new venture of faith.

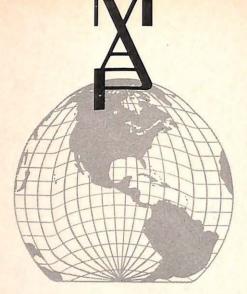
Mr. Ken Huber is the chairman of the Delta-Surrey Church Extension Advisory Committee.



The prayer & Bible study group meeting in a class-room of the public school.



The morning worship service in the public school auditorium led by Rev. Rudolph Rapske, who is the superintendent of the Evergreen Baptist Home, White Rock, B. C.



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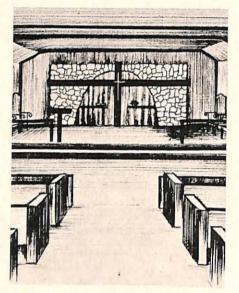
Books have always been important to Christianity. It was thus in Jesus' day when he read from a book in the synagogue in Nazareth. Today we live in a flood of books. They are certainly important in the theological training

\$150,000 For Seminary Advance

by Frank Veninga

of our young people. In the midst of thousands of books-archaeology, Bible, church history, education, evangelism, language, music, missions, philosophy, psychology, religion, speech, theology-we seek ever to be mindful of the Book of books and its significant message in our training

Our denomination is currently engaged in a program of great advance in our educational ministry, home and foreign missions, church extension and



Proposed new Seminary Chapel.

other areas of concern and development. In the carefully planned Missionary Advance Program, better known as MAP, is the Seminary's share in the amount of \$150,000.00. This is certainly a minimal amount as we envision future growth and advance. A realistic reappraisal of the Seminary and its needs in building development and renovating rojects is herewith stated.

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In facing the above needs, we come up against a hard fact of reality, the financial resources that will be required. Will adequate financial resources be available for us, who are hard pressed to meet the needs of today, to enable us to meet the increased demands of tomorrow? Will our churches forfeit, by default and lack of support, their leadership and responsibility in effectively training ministers? It is the Seminary's hope that our churches and individuals will rally to the support of theological education in a way which they have never done before. Through your generous gifts to the Seminary you have a share in preparing young people recognized at the finest, best trained, best inspired, most committed men and women in the world to give religious leadership in a troubled and sinful world.

The above-mentioned capital needs are presented for your information and support. The \$150,000.00 is the Seminary's share of the total capital funds drive of \$1,000,000.00. With your generous support the North American Baptist Seminary can continue to fulfill its educational mission. We are counting on you to help us meet the needs. The efficiency of the Seminary and the denomination can be tremendously increased by the enthusiastic and unselfish cooperation by all of our pastors, people and churches. We can make the Missionary Advance Program a success. Will we?

Dr. Frank Veninga is the President of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.



ODAY I WANT to take you on a visit to the "Twentieth Century." The Twentieth Century, or "Seculo Vinte" as it is called in Portuguese, is the name of our newest preaching point in a little villa just seven or eight kilometers from Caxias do Sul.

Now, just what would you expect to see in an area with the striking name of "Twentieth Century?" Rocketpowered automobiles? Push-button homes? Superior schools with all of the latest in teaching methods? Well, names are deceiving.

The first thing you notice is that the road is hardly passable; for it is not made for car travel, because no one in this area has a car. The next thing you notice is that there are children everywhere, playing in the dirt, with little or no clothes on; the size of their stomachs indicates that they are full of worms. But shouldn't they be in school, you say? Well, you see, there is no school in this area, and only a very few families manage to send their children daily to the

Life In Twentieth Century, Brazil

by Herman and Ardath Effa

city for an education.

There isn't even a church here. And then you see that the power lines suddenly end, and the area we are entering has no electricity, no modern conveniences at all, and the women are doing their laundry at a dirty water puddle near their house. A typical home is just a one or two room shack with a dirt floor, a wood stove, a table, a couple of chairs, a bed or two, and the usual images. Be careful as you near these homes for many of them have a very ferocious dog who protects the house against thieves; for these homes cannot be locked and are very open to robbery. We battled one of these dogs one day as we visited in these homes, and it was a frightening experience. Our only weapon was the Bible and tracts which we had in our hands, and as Herman tried to ward off the dog with his Bible, his tracts and Gospels of John went flying all over; so with the ravening dog at us, we had to try to gather up our literature, too.

Our work started in Seculo Vinte after one of the men from there visited our church one Wednesday night. He asked us to come to his villa and hold a service, and he would invite the whole villa to come. So, that Sat-

urday night, we rigged up our loudspeaker on the car, took some records, our accordion and trumpet, Gospels of John and tracts and found our way to the villa and to the front of this man's little store and bar which he operates, not knowing what to expect. Before we had played one record, people began coming from all over: children of all sizes, some men already drunk, women with arms full of babies! We played the trumpet and accordion and more came. Our children passed out the song sheets, and we attempted to introduce to them for the first time the singing of Gospel hymns. They tried, but it wasn't very beautiful, I must say. I think even the angels in heaven closed their ears! (A couple of weeks later while visiting there, we were thrilled to hear the children singing some of the choruses which we had taught them, in perfect tune!) They listened attentively to our family singing and the message. We have since made our Saturday night visit there a permanent thing and have had up to 85 or 90 in attendance each time. We never return with a single tract of Gospel left.

On our second visit, everyone from the smallest to the oldest came forward in response to the invitation, but they do not understand and have never heard the Gospel before. How they need to be taught and fed in the Word, heard the Gospel before. How they so they can realize the need to throw out their images, immorality, drunkenness, and uncleanness from their homes and lives!

At present, we are still meeting outdoors. The other night while I was telling a Bible story with flannelgraph, the wind came along and blew all my figures to the ground, so I picked them all up again and got Daniel back into the lion's den once more. The winter cold and the rainy season is approaching now, and we must find a building to meet in soon, or we will lose these people who are so hungry for the Word. Last Saturday night, with 50 degree temperatures and in their scant clothing, the people were trembling with cold, but they stayed to the end. Pray that this need may be met soon and also the necessary funds to rent or build a chapel.

By the way, the Holy Spirit is working in these lives. The man who invited us to come and who owns the bar in front of which we meet has requested prayer to overcome his smoking and also to find other means of income, as he feels it is wrong to sell liquor-without anyone having said a word to him about this. Another who was drunk at the first meeting has requested prayer and has not been seen drunk since.

How exciting to serve the Lord and to see Him work! Praise him for this open door, and pray for us as we enter and serve.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman Effa are North American Baptist General Conference missonaries in Brazil.

YOUTH CAMP ...

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a successful camp when handled prop-

Adult attitudes. Often a real threat and problem to senior camping is found in the attitude of adults visiting but a small segment of the camp program. The whole week is judged by one event: a poor "fun" night; an unusually lengthy speaker who causes the young people to fall asleep branding them as discourteous; casual clothing being taken as a sign of extreme worldliness. Remarks made by adults and taken back home can hold some fine young people back from attending and receiving much needed blessing and guidance for their young lives.

VICTORIES AT CAMP

How disappointing senior camping would be if we stopped here, but how gratifying to report that every year important decisions are made for the

Young people, in their struggles and ambitions, make mistakes in life and it is at camp somewhere, sometime in the week's activities that many make decisions for the Lord: out on the swimming raft talking with someone; during the chapel hours; private talks with the counselors; impromptu "bull" sessions, or a quiet walk along the lake shore. It is most rewarding when visiting our seminary or churches to find former campers who decided for Christ at a camp in which you had a part in their decision.

There are group victories at camp too! Whole CBYF staffs are revived, groups of young people begin praying for an indiviual or a situation. And, of course, couples often decide to surrender their lives together to the Lord.

The director comes to the end of the camp week with many questions and problems still unanswered. As he packs for home he prays, "Oh, Lord, reach every youth that has been with us this week." Now that camp is over there are expressions of gratitude to the many workers, some disciplinary letters to parents, evaluation of camp, many thoughts of changes for the next camp and much patience and trust that the camp just closed will produce workers for the Lord in our churches and mission fields.

Rev. R. Thomas Harfst is pastor of the Napoleon Baptist Church, Napoleon, North Dakota. He has been active in youth camping for eleven years. His duties have included being director, dean, camp pastor, teacher and guest speaker.

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NEWS & VIEWS

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a new and better life for all Americans, black and white alike.

FOXHOLES DO HAVE ATHEISTS

KHE SANH, Vietnam (EP)-Take any dug-in battalion and you'll find that there are just as many atheists there as there are on any peaceful street in the United States, says a chaplain ministering to bombarded marines here.

"I know the old saying that there are no atheists in foxholes," Chaplain Ray Stubbe of Milwaukee declared. "Maybe that was true once, but it isn't now. Perhaps the world has changed, I don't know."

Five thousand U.S. marines holding Khe Sanh already have suffered more than 10 per cent casualties. The leathernecks know the battle may yield many more.

Said the 29-year-old Lutheran chaplain, "The shelling isn't bringing in any more men. I am getting the normal calls from men with family problems, and I talked with one conscientious objector. Their religious attitude hasn't changed much. But those who already were moderately religious tend to be more so. When the incoming artillery begins exploding they say they pray and pray hard.'

Blind luck, according to many marines, often determines who lives and who dies.

ALC AGENCY FINDS NO 'SCRIPTURAL BARRIERS' TO INTERRACIAL MARRIAGE

MINNEAPOLIS (EP) — There are "no Scriptural barriers to marriage across racial lines," the American Lutheran Church's Commission on Research and Social Action declared here.

LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH DISMISSES 2 CLERGYMEN

FERGUS FALLS, Minn. (EP)—Two pastors have been dropped from the clergy roster of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren of America and a third has received a warning he may be dropped.

The Rev. Arthur Mueller, 42, of Fergus Falls, an evangelist, said he was dropped by the denomination's executive board because of his involvement in the charismatic movement.

(The movement, which has spread to several denominations, emphasizes the "gifts of the Holy Spirit," including healing, speaking in tongues, and prophecy.)

The Rev. C. B. Finsaas, 54, of Portland, Ore., a former pastor in Grand (Continued on page 17)



By Myron Dudek

OW IMPORTANT is the church camp in our ministry today? Judging from the high percentage of pastors, missionaries and Christian education workers who made their vocational decision at camp, the church camp appears to be one of the most powerful evangelistic efforts of the local church. Whether this program is sponsored by the local church, by the association or by the conference, there are several basic areas to be considered for a successful camp. Let's examine some of these areas.

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The camp board or committee, ideally comprised of pastors, laymen and young people, has the most important role in the organizational structure of the camp program. Their duties are many and varied as they must determine the time and place, appoint qualified staff personnel, establish objectives, prescribe the courses of study, adapt to the facilities available. arrange transportation, maintain financial control, and achieve a continuity of program from one year to the next. Some of these responsibilities may be given to appointed staff members, but the board or committee must maintain control at all times.

PERSONNEL

The camp director is the key individual in carrying out the program and he must serve in this capacity with an awareness of his responsibility to the board or committee that appointed him. His leadership ability for a given age group should be the prime requisite for his appointment. The choice of the camp director on a rotation basis within an organization may present an embarrassing situation some years hence. Because an individual holds some other position within the organization (youth advisor, chaplain, dean, etc.) is not a valid reason for appointment to a camp directorship. In some instances, an individual

is capable in many areas of leadership, but the committee has an obligation to the parent organization to choose the best man for the job without regard for precedence or tradition.

The recruitment of other staff members in a volunteer camp program is always a problem. Much prayer, personal contact and enthusiasm for camp is the best solution. A camp worker must be willing to sacrifice possible vacation time, some comforts and maybe even a little sleep to serve as an instructor, counselor, kitchen helper or in some other needed capacity. Is it worth the effort? If we desire souls won to Christ, it is!

Another source of personnel is the denominational headquarters where field workers such as missionaries, youth leaders, editors and seminary professors may be assigned to help. The Student Service Program will also provide young people to serve in various areas of the camp program. Write to our Forest Park office for informa-

PROGRAM

The camp program must be geared to the age group of the campers in a given situation and for clarification, reference will be made to three such groups. The junior camp includes fourth through sixth graders; the junior high camp includes seventh through ninth graders and the senior high camp tenth to twelfth graders. Older youth may be included in the senior high camp. Normally it is not too difficult to conduct the camp program for one age group at a time, but problems have a way of multiplying as two camps meet together at one place during the same week. The situation of one week of camp with all three age groups meeting simultaneously presents a real challenge in camping programming.

Confronted with such a situation, the Wisconsin CBYF camp committee developed a three area-three period

schedule to conduct a successful week of camping. A director was appointed for each camp and a general director was appointed to coordinate the total program. The camp ground was divided into three specific areas and labeled chapel-classroom area, recreationwaterfront area and handcraft-canteen area. Each day was divided into three two-hour periods with one in the morning and two in the afternoon. With each camp rotating from one area to another for each period, each director was able to supervise his program without disturbance from other groups. The schedule was also changed from one day to the next on a rotation basis, so that one camp did not have the same activitiy at the same time every day.

All three camps were together for meals, but the dining tables were arranged in such a manner that each camp sat together within a given area. The evening schedule was worked out so that each camp had special activities at various times so as not to interfere with the other groups.

FINANCIAL AID TO CAMPERS

There are many ways of church participation in providing financial aid for campers other than an outright gift. Some spiritual benefit should be developed within the camper as he earns his way to camp. A contest can be held in spring (March through May) in which points are awarded for attending Sunday school and/or church, learning Bible verses, bringing a visitor, etc. Another method involves the use of the North American Baptist Scripture Memory Program with an award of a partial camp fee for the completion of the course for that year preceding camp. In this way each local church assumes the responsibility for helping send their own young people to camp where God's word is studied, God's creation is esteemed and Jesus Christ is exemplified.

Myron H. Dudek, a member of the Bethany Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has been actively involved in camp planning since 1956. He is presently chairman of the Wisconsin CBYF Camp Committee, a post he has held for some time.

CAMPER BE CAREFUL!

Discarded foil and tear-off sections from "instant picture" film attracts small animals who suffer horribly if they eat it.

Tossing those tabs from pop-top soft drink cans into a lake or stream can cause the death of fish who strike at them or cut feet among swimmers in the area.

STOW IT-DON'T THROW IT!



sunday school lessons

B. C. SCHREIBER

A TEACHING GUIDE Date: June 30, 1968 THEME: PATIENCE AND PRAYER

Scripture: James 5:7-16 THE CENTRAL THOUGHT. Prayer should instill within our hearts an attitude of positive expectation and

INTRODUCTION. It is difficult to find evidence of a unified sermon in the letter of James. There seems to be so much on his heart and mind and there are so many needs to fill that he breaks into a series of sermonettes hoping to reach as many people with as many needs as possible. All the practiced wisdom of his Christian life is poured forth in order to instill in the hearts of his hearers a sense of urgency and the importance of being good, faithful and obedient followers

Yet in spite of his numerous administrations about good works, various commands and exhortations, James realizes that at the heart of a meaningful Christian life there must be an intimate fellowship with God through prayer and patient waiting through prayer and patient waiting for his will and purpose for each and every life. After all, this is wisdom live every day as a child of God Wislive every day as a child of God. Wisnelative terms intelligence are all relative terms. In this area there are those who know very much about God and those who understand very little. But fellowship with God puts us all on a more equal basis. He hears the prayer of the youngest and most innocent child as well as that of the

I. Patiently Waiting for the Lord.

James had his problems with impatient Christians problems with impa Lord to return during their lifetime. Looking back upon the first century Christians we should not criticize them. They took the teaching of Jesus seriously. Most of them should be praised for their hope and for the relationship they experienced between that hope and godly living. However, like many Christians today some were obsessed with the time and place of his return. They even neglected witnessing and Working for a living. The doctrine of the Lord's coming cannot be looked upon as a separate entity. Like all other doctrines it ought to inspire us to obey all the teachings of

II. Patiently Living with our Neighbors. James 5:9-11.

There is an indication here that the Christians were getting on each other har have follower's nerves. Since they became follow-

ers of Christ it was becoming increasingly difficult to live in the world and they wanted an immediate change. No doubt the early Christians were an extreme minority. They were hemmed in on one side by the pagan world and on the other by the Jewish religion. It was all the more necessary to be loving and kind to one another.

III. Patiently Living with Ourselves. James 5:12-16.

James gives us some good advice which present-day psychologists just recently discovered—that we should give expression to our normal feelings. It is not healthy to suppress sorrow, neither is it a sin if we express our joy in an appropriate way. Unwillingness to forgive also results in physical illness. Love and reconciliation result from confession of sin and this is followed by a strengthening of the fellowship and growth in spiritual power.

Questions for Discussion

(1) Is it easy to know how long to

Editor's Note: Rev. Bruno Schreiber is discontinuing to prepare these Sunday school lessons with this issue of the BAPTIST HERALD because he has other major responsibilities. With the next issue, Rev. James Schacher, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Stafford, Kansas will be writing these

APPRECIATION EXPRESSED TO REV. B. C. SCHREIBER

thought-provoking Sunday lesson expositions by Rev school B. C. Schreiber have met many needs for Sunday school teachers and class participants as they prepared their lessons. The questions for discussion stimulated students and teachers to search for the deeper meaning of the Scripture lesson as applied to daily living. Those of us who know Brother Schreiber recognize that his wide area of reading was reflected in the guidelines provided in the lessons.

We express our sincere appreciation to Rev. B. C. Schreiber for the helpful contribution made through these Sunday school lessons. In my contact with adults in our church-es, I have often heard comments regarding the helpfulness and informativeness of these expositions. We are grateful for a task well done. Brother Schreiber's writings in other areas of our publications will continue to bring meaningful messages to many of our people. We are grateful to have Brother Schreiber as a co-worker because of his personal dedication to doing faithful work for the Lord.

-by G. K. Zimmerman, General Secretary Department of Christian Education pray for certain things when God does not answer? How do we know that the answer is "no"?

- (2) Can you tell whether your attitude is one of patience or indifer-
- (3) What place does prayer fulfill that modern medicine cannot fill?

A TEACHING GUIDE Date: June 23, 1968 THEME: MAN'S WAY AND GOD'S WAY

Scripture: James 3:13-4:4 THE CENTRAL THOUGHT. A man may be clever and successful and yet be ignorant of God's Way.

INTRODUCTION. The Old Testament has a number of books which are referred to as wisdom literature such as Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. In the New Testament the book of James comes closest to this kind of Old Testament writing. However, James has a better insight into God's wisdom because of the revelation of Jesus Christ. This revelation did not come to James easily. Although he was the half-brother of Jesus he was not an early believer. John, in his gospel tells us, "For neither did his brethren believe in him" (John 7:5). After Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension, when the first one hundred and twenty met for prayer, James was among them (Acts 1:14)).

He was not wise when he thought that Jesus was beside himself, but after he became a true disciple he was thought of so highly among the apostles and the church that he was selected or chosen as the elder in the council at Jerusalem (Acts 15:13). Evidently he became not only a genuine born again follower of Jesus Christ, but he also was looked upon as a very wise elder who became a leader in the church at Jerusalem.

I. God's Way Demands Humility in Life. James 3:13-16.

There are many people who have a formal education and are well versed in Scripture, but they are not truly wise. A Christian's wise conversation ought to be backed up by good works. many do not hesitate to let others know how much time they spend in prayer and Bible study. But what do they do when they get up off their knees? It is pleasant to have a little talk with the Lord, but how about a little work with the Lord? Sometimes they make the excuse of quoting the Bible and saying, "Let not your left hand know what your right hand is doing,' when they know that neither their right hand or left hand are doing anything.

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BAPTIST HERALD

IN MEMORIAM

REVEREND GEORGE ZINZ, SR. 1889-1968

by Louis B. Holzer

In the 12th chapter of Daniel verses 1-3 we find an expression of hope in life eternal. It is perhaps the first clear cut expression of life after death in the pages of the Old Testament. The third verse strengthens the foregoing verses, and we read: "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." I like that expression "they shall shine as the stars." There are many whose names stand out in your and my memory who do shine as the stars, because of what they have been and done during their short span of life on this earth. We are not thinking of those whose names are by-words on the TV screen, or of those who are the financial wizards of our day, but rather of those who have indelibly written their names deep into human hearts because of their ministry to them.

On August 15, 1889, there was born a baby named George Zinz in Nadesch. Roumania. From childhood to man-

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II. God's Revelation of His Way. James 3:17-18.

God has no room in his kingdom for those who wish to "show off." The real spiritual dimension of life is closed to them because they have closed their hearts and minds to God. Man's way is selfishness in action while God's way is love in action. Such wisdom is the gift of God and can only be given to those who are meek and reverent in spirit. Wisdom in this light has a soft quality of "friendly persuasion." for it is not stubborn nor does it insist that man knows it all.

III. The Tragic Results of Man's Way. James 4:1-4.

In contrast James vividly portrays the havoc wrought by unsatisfied desires. Striving for possessions of the world has always created wars; striving for the possession of Christ and his Spirit has brought peace. James points out that there is no middle ground. You are either concerned about the wisdom from below or the wisdom from above.

Questions for Discussion

- (1) What do you consider to be the basic choices in life?
- (2) How do we use our wisdom in order to get ahead in the business and financial world? Is it wrong to be ambitious and to wish for success?
- (3) How can we be sure that we are using God's wisdom in our workaday world?

hood the Spirit of the living God was at work developing Christian convictions which never left him. By the urgency of the Spirit that worked from within, he was led to dedicate his life to the Christian ministry.

In the Fall of 1911 he entered the German Department of what was then the Rochester Theological Seminary, graduating in 1914. During his active ministry he served pastorates in New Castle, Pa., Akron, Ohio, Neustadt Ont., Canada, and Forest Baptist Church in Winburne, Pa. In June of 1959 he retired from the active ministry, continuing his residence in Winburne.

One should not speak of retirement of our brother; for through the years since then, he was about his Father's business, supplying pulpits in the community, visiting the sick and shut-ins in hospitals and homes. If you were to visit Winburne, or Phillipsburg or anyone of the surrounding communities and ask who this man of God was, they would unhesitatingly say George Zinz. He was not only loved within the bounds of our Baptist fellowship but in other Christian fellowships. His ministry knew no bounds. He was loved by Catholics and Protestants alike. A Roman Catholic priest who visited him frequently during his confinement in Phillipsburg hospital was present at the memorial service conducted in the Forest Baptist Church.

Brother Zinz was a modest man, His chief concern was not his own person but others. Professionalism was totally absent as he moved among his fellowmen. He had but one concern and that by his own manner of friendliness he would introduce others to the Great Friend who was the center of all his

A little over a year ago he expressed one desire to realize and that was to return to the place of his birth ere life would end. This wish was fully realized and made possible by gift from his children. How he enjoyed seeing the place of his birth, his brother in Roumania and two brothers in Ger-

On February 12, 1968, that heart which beat in love for all he met on life's busy road stopped its beat. The house in which he lived and which made it possible to carry on such a blessed ministry was tenderly laid away. He is not gone. We thank God for the type of dedication he presented to us all, and we who have known him over the years are richer and better because we met him on life's road.

Mrs. Walter Schindler of Detroit, Mrs. George J. Haggerty of Pittsburg, Mrs. Carl Hahn of Erie, Mrs. A. L. Behall of Akron, Ohio, Mrs. Robert Hargroves of Greenton, Ohio, Mrs. Arnold Barb of Akron, Ohio, Mrs. William Devall of Akron, Albert Zinz of Winburne Pa., Lt. Colonel George Zinz Jr. of Camp Dix, N. J., Nellie Lucore Zinz his second wife, cherish the memory of a loving father and husband.

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Rapids, Minn., said the charismatic movement also was a factor in his dismissal but added that the orthodoxy of his Lutheranism also had been challenged.

The pastor who was warned, a Minnesotan, said the charismatic movement was only indirectly involved in his

Mr. Mueller and Mr. Finsaas said they do not plan to appeal their dis-

DR. PEALE CALLS FOR MORE DISCIPLINE, RAPS DR. SPOCK. 'PERMISSIVE BABIES'

NEW YORK (EP)-In a call for authorities to "get tough in a constructive but firm manner," Dr. Norman Vincent Peale has criticized Dr. Benjamin Spock for being "out in the mobs leading the permissive babies raised on his undisciplined teaching."

In a sermon at the Marble Collegiate church here. Dr. Peale warned that if more discipline is not exercised by the authorities, "previous riots will seem like a Sunday school picnic compared to the real and vicious rebellion this country will have on its hands."

"This is no time for soft, easy words." the noted preacher and author of the Power of Positive Thinking declared. "A long, hot summer is headed our way. And it could rock this country to its foundation."

BOOK CITES PRACTICAL IDEAS IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N. J. (EP) -An authority on Christian education charges in a new book that "many leaders do not understand where and how learning takes place and what they need to do to make Christian education effective."

The remark by Virgil E. Foster is contained in his book, Christian Education Where the Learning Is, published by Prentice-Hall. He calls for a reexamination of all aspects of Christian education. Dr. Foster writes that revolutionary changes in today's society contribute to a new educational atmosphere in which the church must work.

RATTLING TIN CUP FULLER THAN EVER

NEW YORK (EP) - Despite the painful rise in the cost of living, Americans are voluntarily contributing more to charity than ever before, according to the National Information Bureau.

U. S. citizens are digging more deeply into purses and wallets in response to appeals, ranging from the rattle of a cup under their noses to raps on the front door. The bureau, reporting on contributions to national voluntary health agencies, found the giving up \$54 million last year compared with 1965 contributions.

Tips from the bureau advised: Ignore telephone appeals from strangers and (Continued on page 24)

BETTER THAN GOLD

Better than grandeur, better than gold, Than rank and titles a thousandfold, Is a healthy body and a mind at ease, And simple pleasures that always please.

A heart that can feel for another's

And share his joys with a genial flow; With sympathies large enough to en-

All men as brothers, is better than gold.

Better than gold is a conscience clear.

Though toiling for bread in an humble sphere,

Doubly blessed with content and health,

Untried by the lusts and cares of wealth,

Lowly living and lofty thought

Adorn and ennoble a poor man's cot:

For mind and morals in nature's plan Are the genuine tests of an earnest man.

Better than gold is a peaceful home Where all the fireside characters come, The shrine of love, the heaven of life, Hallowed by mother, or sister, or wife, However humble the home may be, Or tried with sorrow by heaven's de-

The blessings that never were bought or sold.

And center there, are better than gold. Abram F. Ryan • Rev. Etan Pelzer has resigned from the Bethany Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Minn., where he served as pastor since 1963. On July 1 he will begin his ministry as pastor of the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. D.

• Mr. Helmuth Poschwatta, a senior student of theology at the Christian Training Institute, has accepted the call to become the pastor of the Zion Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, effective June 1, 1968.

• Rev. Rudolph Woyke has resigned as pastor of the Temple Baptist Church of Milwaukee, effective April 30. He plans to work at another job.

• Rev. C. I. Wiebe has resigned as pastor of the Nokomis Baptist Church to become the pastor of the Trochu Baptist Church.

• Rev. Donald Richter, pastor of the Grant Park Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba, has been accepted in a unique and professional pastoral training course offered at the University of Manitoba in conjunction with the Winnipeg General Hospital. This fully accredited course is post-graduate and will continue through the three summer months from 8 to 5 each day. It is a combination of academic, therapeutic, and ward work that equips the 16 pastors and students enrolled to better serve God in the local church after the completion of the course.

The Grant Park Baptist Church is concerned that its leadership be well trained. Consequently, it has permitted its pastor to take the course while serving in the church only on weekends and as time allows. The church will fully sustain the pastor while in training.



TRIBUTES TO REV. J. C. KRAENZLER

by Rev. Arthur J. Fischer

Rev. J. C. Kraenzler was called home on April 6, 1968. At the time of his death he was in Rochester, Minnesota where he was seeking medical help.

He not only served his generation well but also his God whom he loved and obeyed.

Brother Kraenzler was born on May 3, 1901 in South Russia. He immigrated with his parents to the United States at which time they made their home near Lehr, North Dakota. In his youth he accepted Jesus as his Lord and Saviour, was baptized by Rev. Hilzsinger and thus became a member of the Baptist Church in Lehr. As a young man he heard God's call to prepare himself for the ministry. In the year of 1923 he registered at the Seminary in Rochester, New York. He was an ambitious and diligent student. In 1932 he was married to Olga Wagner of Milwaukee.

In 1931 he took his first church at Kossuth near Manitowoc, Wisconsin. He served eight other churches in the Northwestern, Dakota, Pacific and Northern Conference. During the last few years Brother Kraenzler served on a part-time basis at a Baptist Church in Ashley N. Dakota which belonged to the Baptist General Conference.

Brother Kraenzler was a very talented Minister of the Gospel and served each church with great loyalty and with God's blessing. He has led many souls to Christ.

During his life he had to endure many illnesses and sufferings.

The funeral services were held on April 10, 1968 at the Ashley Baptist Church. The Rev. Jacob Ehman, a nephew of the deceased, was officiating. The brethren Alfred Weisser and Arthur Fischer spoke words of comfort.

by Rev. Jacob Ehman

Jesus said to "pay tribute to whom tribute is due." Thus I would like to pay tribute to my beloved uncle, Rev. Jacob C. Kraenzler, a Minister of the Gospel.

On April 10, 1968 we laid to rest his body but his life and influence as a minister of the Gospel will continue to bear fruit in the lives of those who have accepted Jesus Christ through his ministry, in those who have been nurtured by the Word of God he preached, and in those of us who knew him intimately.

Being born on the day that he left for the Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., I inherited his name with a prayer on my mother's lips that, if it were the Lord's will I also should become one of His ministers. This prayer the Lord answered. However, more than this, his dedication to the office of a minister of the Gospel, was always an inspiration to my life. His concern that Christians live for Christ and that their experience might prove to be real, revealed his understanding of the will of Jesus Christ for men's life. While helping him with Evangelistic meetings I also discovered how anxious he was to search out the unsaved and tell them that Jesus loves them and wants them to be saved. In this he did not spare himself.

He was a diligent student of God's Word. He loved it. He preached it and as God gave grace and strength, he practiced it. During these last years of severe suffering he was anxious to have his soul set free from the body so that it might be at home with God. Like Paul he prayed that the Lord should make him well again, but when he knew that this was not the Lord's will he was willing to depart from this life.

His wife, who faithfully stood by him until the end came, and we who knew him so well, will miss him very much, but we do not wish him back again. He has finished his work. He has kept the faith. The Righteous Lord will reward him with His crown of glory

As a servant of the Lord he did what he could to be faithful to his high calling in Christ Jesus.

our, denomination, in, action,



NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED, PENN HILLS

PENN HILLS, PA. Congratulations are given by Penn Hills Commissioner Charles L. Williams (pictured above, from left) to Rev. Donald N. Hulin (front right), pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Penn Hills, at the Palm Sunday dedication of the new church building at 1030 Jefferson Road. Looking on are (left to right) James A. Cook, chairman of the church; Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference who delivered the dedication sermon; Rev. Rubin Kern, Luther Seibert, secretary of the denomination, and Rev. sociation.



PAUL SCHROEDER RECEIVES SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD

June 1, 1968

CHICAGO, ILL. Paul Schroeder (above right) Sunday school superintendent at Foster Avenue Baptist Church for the past four years, received special honors during the 29th annual convention of the Greater Chicago Sunday School Association held April 4-5. Mr. Cliff Road, associate director, made the presentation of a plaque to Mr. Schroeder, with the inscription "Superintendent of the Year." Standing with him is the pastor of the Church, Rev. Clarence H. Walth, who announces that the school under Mr. Schroeder's leadership earned the "A" achievement rating set up by the GCSSA.

Besides Bible classes for the entire family, there is also a class for handicapped and retarded children. (Clarence H. Walth, pastor.)

EIGHT GIRLS BAPTIZED BY REV. K. C. FENNER

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. On Easter Sunday eight junior department girls followed the Lord in the waters of baptism. Special music for the day was given by Miss Sue Hong, senior, Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music. She is from Korea. We are beginning a bus ministry to reach out to the suburbs. (Kenneth C. Fenner, pastor.)

CHURCH MARKS TWENTIETH YEAR IN ELK GROVE

ELK GROVE, CALIF. During the month of March at the Elk Grove Baptist Church, Elk Grove, Calif., we celebrated the twentieth anniversary of the church in Elk Grove during a family potluck supper. Previous to the year 1947, the church (German Baptist and later Zion Baptist) was located in Franklin, Calif. A report was given for the future possibilities of the church as it continues to grow by the Future Planning Committee. A brief history of the church was given by Mrs. Leonard Fandrich.

Scrapbooks and pictures were viewed. Movie pictures of the church's construction in 1947-48 were shown by Ed Neher. Our pastor, Rev. Merle Brenner, presided during the evening. On March 31, 1968, we closed the month with the Sunday evening service program of Song of Devotion, which was a program of meditation, praise and communion. (Mrs. Leonard Fandrich, reporter.)



DACHTLER SPEAKS AT DEEPER LIFE MEETINGS

ABERDEEN, S. D. Deeper Life Crusade meetings were held at Calvary Baptist Church, Aberdeen, S. D., with Rev. W. D. Dachtler from Minot, N. D., giving inspiriting messages. Eight people responded; some accepted the Lord, and others accepted responsibility of church membership.

The choir of Calvary Baptist Church (pictured above), under the direction of Mrs. John Thielenhaus, had the joy of presenting an Easter cantata to an overflowing crowd at our church and at the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. D. (Willard Tesky, clerk).

MARTIN PARSONAGE IS REMODELED

MARTIN, N. D. The Martin Baptist Church has been actively involved this past year in a complete remodeling job for their parsonage. Members donated much of their time and talents to this project. An open house was held March 3, with many friends in the community attending.

March 19-24, Rev. Paul Obinger presented a series of prophetic messages at our church which proved a blessing to many.

On April 17, members of the congregation surprised our pastor, Rev. Reuben Grueneich, on his birthday with an informal get-together after prayer service. Refreshments were served and a gift of money was presented to him (Mrs. LeJune Kost, reporter.)

CANTATA AND DRAMATIZATION HIGHLIGHT EASTER OBSERVANCES

BENTON HARBOR, MICH. Our church enjoyed a very impressive service at seven o'clock Easter Sunday morning. A forty-voice choir rendered the cantata, "No Greater

Love," by John Peterson and directed by William Achterberg.

A number of young people of the church directed by Pastor Karl Zwart, youth director and assistant pastor, dramatized the life of some of the early Christian Jews sharing the news of salvation during the time Jesus was still on earth.

Shadow pictures showing Jesus being tempted in the wilderness and praying in the Garden of Gethsemane prior to the crucifixion with sound effects and special lighting added much to the service. (Isabelle Grenewetzki, reporter.)

FAITH BAPTIST HAS GROUND BREAKING SERVICE

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. The Faith Baptist Church of Minneapolis, Minn., held its ground breaking service Sunday, March 24, 1968, following the Morning Worship Service for a new \$220,000.00 educational unit and other facilities.

Ground was broken and the site joyfully dedicated for the worship of God and the preaching of the Gospel, for the teaching of Christian truths and the blessing of family life, for the conversion of sinners and the nurture of saints, and for the observance of righteousness and the promotion of missions. Construction began the first week in



April, Some of the participants in the ground breaking service (pictured above) were (l. to r.) Frank L. Reese, contractor; Miss Alma Zimmerman, Sunday school superintendent; Karl Duemke, planning committee chairman; Seth Carlson, moderator; Rev. Donald N. Miller, pastor. (Mrs. Flora H. Woyke, reporter.)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENTS NOTED IN FORT GEORGE

PRINCE GEORGE, B. C. Our youth Bible study group was presented this year's banner for having the most parents in attendance at the C.E.F. Rally held March 31,

Our Sunday School had a six week altitude contest recently. Boy and girl winners were crowned king and queen and personally escorted on an airplane flight by our pastor. Our previous attendance record has been broken with 203 attending Sunday school recently.

Our church has rented a school bus for those without transportation to and from Sunday school.

Our church has a new girls' choir, called the "Sunbeams." They have been presenting special music for our congregation. Recently they sang over C.K.P.G. television at our church's regular weekly broadcast.

Pastor Unrau spoke on the morning meditation broadcast on C.K.P.G. television and also on the ministerial radio broadcast April 22-26.

The Ladies' Missionary Endeavor Society of the church housed and fed the many youths who attended the Northwest Youth Retreat, April 19-21. The Fort George Baptist Church conducts a service at the Harbour Light Rescue Mission once a month. The film, "Viet Nam Profile," was shown in our church on April 21. (Mrs. Robert Wiseman, reporter.)



FRED BENDERS OBSERVE 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

EMERY, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bender (pictured above) of Alexandria, S. D., had the happy privilege of celebrating their 50th Wedding Day on April 10, 1968. An open house was held with their three daughters, Mrs. Alvin Bleeker of Sioux Falls, S. D., Mrs. Ray Stoll of Sioux Falls, and Mrs. Harold Tiede of Parkston, S. D., as hostesses. The festivity took place at the Emery Civic Auditorium on April 14, 1968. Some 200 friends and relatives came to honor this wonderful couple. There were three members of the original wedding party present: Mrs. Louise (Bender) Oldewurtel, Ferdinend Bender, and August Triebwasser. Those of the wedding party that were absent were Mrs. Ruby (Buenning) Sanders, of Waco, Texas, Mrs. Elnor (Triebwasser) Sheldon, Phoenix, Ariz, and Mrs. Emma (Bender) Beadle, Eugene, Ore.

The family and friends had a Supper Hour which was followed by a program, which included a sharing of songs and readings by the immediate family. Pastor Walter H. Hoffman, Plum Creek Baptist Church, where the Fred Benders have been members all their married life, was in charge of the program. Special musical selections were given by a male quartet, ladies' trio, and on an electric vibra harp played by Mrs. Walter Hoffman. Mrs. Art (Besse) Edzards played a selection on the piano. She was the accompanist for the wedding service 50 years ago. Rev. W. Buenning was the pastor who performed the Wedding Service on April 10, 1918. (W. H. Hoffman, pastor.)

CARILLON CHIMES DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF BLANDAUS

TACOMA, WASH. Easter morning was very special here at Calvary Baptist Church, Tacoma, Wash., Carillon Chimes were dedicated for use in the church by the children of the late Rev. and Mrs. Richard Blandau, in honor of their parents, who in earlier years pastored Calvary Baptist.

At the evening service, our choir under the able leadership of our choir director, Dave Gibson, presented the Easter cantata, "Behold Your King." (Ida Wigle, reporter.)

YOUTH WEEK OBSERVED AT CALVARY BAPTIST

TACOMA, WASH. The Senior C.B.Y. of the Calvary Baptist Church of Tacoma, Wash., enjoyed a week of special activities Jan. 28-Feb. 4. The week began with a special youth program featuring a group of singers of high school age known as the "Campus Singers" under the leadership of Mrs. Alvin Bibelheimer. The week further featured a Visitation Night, a Youth-Adult Night with a panel discussing youth-adult relationships, an ice skating party, concluding with a youth program on Sunday night, Feb. 4, and the showing of the film: "The Boat That Rocked the Family."

CHRISTIAN WORKER'S CONFERENCE HELD IN TACOMA

TACOMA, WASH. The twelfth Annual Greater Christian Worker's Conference convened March 7-9 at the First Assembly of God Church. This conference was sponsored by the evangelical ministers of the city of Tacoma. The keynote speaker for the occasion was Dr. Henry Brandt, Christian psychologist. The conference featured 16 workshops led by pastors and teachers in this area. Pastor Wesner of the Calvary Baptist Church was on the sponsoring committee

and led the workshop on "Visitation Evangelism."

FIVE PERSONS RECEIVED AS MEMBERS, FIRST, WATERTOWN

WATERTOWN, WIS. On Maundy Thursday evening, before Communion was served in the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., the hand of fellowship was extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith and their three children, Denise, Connie and David, by the pastor, Rev. Paul Meister. They have already become active in service for their Lord. At a recent business meeting of the First Baptist Church of Watertown, Wis., the pastor, Rev. Paul Meister, was given a substantial increase in salary. Mr. and Mrs. Meister's sacrificial service for the Lord in our church is deeply appreciated. (Mrs. J. J. Abel, reporter.)

FIVE JOIN WICHITA CHURCH

WICHITA, KANSAS. On Easter morning, the men of the Memory Lane Baptist Church, Wichita, Kan., served an annual sunrise breakfast at the church for their families and guests.

Recently, the Women's Missionary Society held a tea for newer members and friends of the church. The ladies also are involved in a weekly visitation program to prospective church members. In addition to the regular WMS meetings, the women are meeting monthly for a study course on prayer. They have also set aside a daily time of 10:00 A.M. to pray at home for the needs of the church and its member families and prospects.

Five persons have recently followed the Lord in baptism and also united with our church. (Mrs. Howard Stenzel, reporter.)

ALBERTA WOMEN HOLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

MEDICINE HAT, ALTA. The twelfth annual Women's Missionary Conference was held at Temple Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alta., April 2-4, 1968. The theme for the conference was "A New Look" with the key verse being John 4:35b. The sessions were very ably led by the president, Mrs. Lois Sibley, and the special speakers were Miss Gertrude Schatz, of the Cameroons, Mrs. Anna Douglas, and Mrs. Elsie Bromley, both of Three Hills. Next year's conference is to be held in Camrose, Alberta, under the leadership of the new president, Viola Martin, of Medicine Hat. (Jean Hofer, reporter.)



THE JOHN BUTZES HONORED ON 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

June 1, 1968

MEDICINE HAT, ALTA. Members and friends gathered for a fellowship lunch after the Sunday evening service on March 17, to honor Mr. and Mrs. John Butz on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Jack Enslen, church moderator, was chairman of the short program. Greetings were brought by C. K. Biffert on behalf of the church. He presented them with a wall plaque. Mr. Butz has served as deacon a total of 28 years in former churches and at present in the Temple Church, as well as having been Sunday school superintendent and Bible class teacher.

Mrs. Butz has been a very faithful worker in the Mission Circle. Many a stitch has been made on quilts that have gone for a worthy cause. On behalf of the Mission Circle, Florence Fauser presented her with a gift of two lovely gold engraved tea cups. Our interim pastor, Rev. R. Kanwischer, spoke, and the male quartette rendered a lovely number.

Open house was held at their home on April 13 when their children could be present. They were presented with a money tree as well as many other gifts and cards. A family dinner was held the following day.

Mr. and Mrs. Butz farmed in the Southey, Sask., district. They came to Medicine Hat in 1950. They have six children: Mrs. Lillian Longford, Mrs. Grace Lang, both of Southey; Will Butz of Toronto, Roy Butz of Moose Jaw, Harvey Butz of Calgary, and Edwin Butz, who is serving in the Canadian air force overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Butz were married 50 years ago on March 19, 1918, in Lemberg, Sask. They now make their home at 521—9th S. W., Medicine Hat, Alta. (Mrs. Gertrude Grose, reporter.)

ADOLPH BRAUN GIVES VIEWS ON NEW MORALITY

WARREN. MICH. Several weeks ago the pastor, Rev. Adolph Braun, Redeemer Baptist Church, Warren, Mich., preached a sermon, "The New Morality" which was printed in our local newspaper and received the greatest response by readers of any previous article ever printed in that paper.

As a result of that sermon, Pastor Braun was interviewed by Lou Gordon on his Sunday evening television program.

Because of the great response by the listeners, Pastor Braun was again invited to defend his position regarding sex, civil rights and the use of drugs as based on the Word of God. (Margaret Willms, reporter.)

70 PERSONS ATTEND CBYF BANQUET

ENID, OKLA. "Courage to Conquer" was the theme of the CBYF Youth Banquet held on March 23, 1968, at the West Broadway Baptist Church, Enid, Okla. Our theme verse was ". . . we are more than conquerors through him that loved us" (Romans 8:37). Our guest speaker was Melvin Geis from Kingfisher who spoke to 70 young people and sponsors in attendance.

At different intervals throughout the program, we were honored with special numbers from each of the churches. Our dinner was prepared by the ladies of our church while our men served. There was a time of fellowship afterwards. (Kyla Pricer, reporter.)

HILDA BAPTIST GIVES EASTER CANTATA

HILDA, ALTA. "The Victorious Redeemer," a special Easter cantata, was presented by the Hilda Church choir Easter Sunday morning. It was compiled by Mrs. S. Goliath and narrated by Mr. E. Mueller. Rev. Fritz Goliath gave a short sermon, "He is Risen." (Mrs. Alvin Reiling, reporter.)

W. GOLTZ AND MISS SCHATZ SPEAK AT NORTHERN CONFERENCE SESSIONS

YORKTON, SASK. "Effective Evangelism" was the cornerstone of the Northern Conference sessions held in the Central Baptist Church of Yorkton, Sask., April 17-21.

Among many informative and at times colorful speakers, Rev. W. Goltz, professor, N.A.B.C., informed us, in our Bible study sessions, of our need as Children of God to PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH.

Some of the other subjects discussed were "The Layman's Role in Evangelism," "My Heart—Christ's Home," and "God Honors Effective Evangelism."

How effective is our evangelism? In our concern for N.A.B.C.'s (C.T.I.) need of raising \$125,000, we went "over the top" to the amount of \$162,000. We were impressed and challenged over and over again during these few days to become concerned for the lost of our communities.

Seven hundred people were present for the concluding Missionary Rally where it was our desire to reveal to the General Conference of the N.A.B. that it is our increasing desire to contribute towards our denomination's missions budget. Over \$1,000 was received at this service. Miss Gertrude Schatz was our missionary speaker at this service. (Rev. Len Strelau, reporter.)

EASTER CANTATA SUNG AT TEMPLE BAPTIST

MEDICINE HAT, ALTA. The Temple Baptist choir with Director Gus Schatz, rendered a splendid Easter cantata on Palm Sunday evening. Prayer and words of welcome were expressed by President Jack Enslen. Howard Tilleman was narrator, with Eileen Wolfer as organist and Ruth Friesen at the piano. The final selection gave the assurance that Jesus is coming again. Our interim pastor, Rev. R. Kanwischer, gave the benediction. (Gertrude Grose, reporter.)



EVERGREEN RECEIVES 20 NEW MEMBERS

RENTON, WASH. The Evergreen Baptist Church had its first baptismal service with ten persons being baptized and ten others being received into the church by profession of faith and transfer of letter on Sunday, March 3. (Le Roy Kiemele, pastor.)

CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR FOR PASTORS HELD IN WASHINGTON

RAVENSDALE, WASH. A Pastors' Seminar, conducted jointly by our North American Baptist General Conference and the Baptist General Conference Pastors' Fellowships, was held at Lake Retreat Baptist Camp located near Ravensdale, Wash., from Jan. 8-12. Those participating were pastors of the Baptist General Conference in the Columbia Conference and North American Baptist pastors from the Oregon Association, the Pacific Northwest Association and the British Columbia Association. Along with the 45 pastors attending, leading the week-long continuing education seminar were two seminary professors: Dr. Ralph E. Powell. from our North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. D., who gave lectures and led the discussion on "Inspiration," and Dr. Berkeley Mickelson, Bethel Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., led the studies on "Interpretation."

Book reviews were presented by various pastors. The daily devotional periods were led by different pastors within our two fellowships. A decision was made to continue such a program once every year between the pastors of this area in both denominations. (Le Roy Kiemele, reporter.)

SPOKANE WOMEN PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL SERVICES

SPOKANE, WASH. On March 1, World Day of Prayer was observed by the women of the Terrace Heights Baptist Church, Spokane, Wash., and a good number of the ladies attended. The service was led by Virginia Thiesies. Everyone who attended, participated in the service. Special music was presented by Alma Schmidt, Mrs. Petie La Follette and her mother. Several ladies led in specific prayer. The offering taken for missions was \$50.20.

The women presented their Annual Women's Missionary and Installation program recently. Two special numbers were presented by Alma Schmidt, and Dorothy Wolff. Our guest speakers of the evening were Jack and Dolly Meredith. After the service a time of fellowship was held. The offering for the evening went for church extension.

On April 14, 1968, the Terrace Heights Baptist Church,

joined with the National Association of Evangelicals for an Easter Sunrise Service. Afterward, the CBYF served breakfast at the church. Our Junior Sunday School Department presented an Easter program under the direction of Mrs. Merlin Schmautz. The Easter offering was for missions and totaled \$335.26. The Junior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Ben Schmidt, presented an half-hour of music during the evening worship service, (Mrs. C. W. Cade, clerk.)



NELNERS MARRIED 50 YEARS

CALGARY, ALTA. On April 7, relatives and friends gathered at the Brentview Baptist Church, Calgary, Alta., to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nelner, married April 4, 1918, in Edmonton.

After their marriage they lived in Edmonton for three years. Then they moved to Drumheller where Mr. Nelner worked in a coal mine. After this they moved to the Hand Hills district near Craigmyle where they farmed for 25 years

They were faithful members of the Hand Hills Baptist Church where Mr. Nelner served as treasurer in the Sunday school. They served in various other capacities. In 1951 they moved to Calgary where they now reside. They are charter members of the Brentview Baptist Church, where they faithfully attend each Sunday; ready to be of service to God and others at all times.

The family was blessed with six children and 12 grandchildren; all of which were present at the happy celebration.

The celebration was arranged by the family who presented a most delightful program, with a historical poem of the Nelners, vocal and instrumental solos, and recitations. A tribute was then given to the Nelners by their oldest son, Ed, who lives in Kallispel, Mont. The Nelners were also presented with a silver serving tray, sugar and cream pitcher from the church. (Mrs. Marvin Busenius, reporter.)

BOYS' GROUP ORGANIZED IN CALGARY CHURCH

CALGARY, ALTA. "Travelers" is a boys' group which was recently organized in the Grace Baptist Church, Calgary, which presently consists of twelve members and three leaders. The boys range in age from eight to twelve years and are divided into two groups. We meet each Thursday evening with games, stories, songs, and other activities of interest to all boys.

As Travellers, the boys climb the steps of Beginner, Pathfinder, Trailblazer, Roadbuilder, Highwayman and Cruiser, during which the boys are required to memorize and understand many passages of Holy Scripture. Other requirements are to bring visitors to meetings, handicrafts, citizenship awareness, bicycle safety and first aid knowledge. Each of these areas of learning contributes to the development of self-discipline and Christian standards in the life of the boy.

To help insure the future of our group, a Travellers' Committee meets once each month. A leadership course is presently underway to prepare perspective leaders for the task of teaching junior boys the message of God's Word. (Sheila Schneider, reporter.)

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

MRS. ANNE YUCK of Kinburn, Ontario

Anne Yuck, nee Jahn, was born on April 6, 1884, at Sebastapol, Ontario. She passed to her heavenly home on March 27, 1968, at the age of 83 years, 11 months and 21

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Mrs. Yuck professed faith in Jesus Christ as her Savior in her youth and was baptized into the Sebastopol Baptist Church. Upon moving to Kinburn Mrs. Yuck, along with her family, united with the First Baptist Church of Arnprior in 1932 where she remained an active member until

where she remained an active member until her passing.

She was united in marriage to Richard Yuck on Nov. 19, 1908, Mr. Yuck preceded her in death in 1936.

She leaves to mourn her passing, four sons: Wilfred of Douglas, Leonard of Arnprior, Verner of Galette and Daniel of Kinburn; one daughter: Erma (Mrs. Joe Hein) of Kinburn; one brother: Richard of Arnprior; 32 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

First Baptist Church Arnprior, Ontario LOREN A. WEBER, pastor

ALBERT PLETZ of Lodi, California

Albert Pletz was born on April 1, 1874, in South Russia and passed away on March 18, 1968, in Lodi at the age of 94 years.
On May 1, 1893, he left Russia and came to the United States, settling in Orleans, Neb. Prior to his coming to this country, he had surrendered his life to the Lord and was baptized by Rev. Lehman on July 2, 1891, and became a member of the Baptist church in Newdorf, Russia.

Shortly after being in this country, he was a part of a small group that organized a Baptist church in Orleans, Neb.
On Jan. 12, 1898, he was united in marriage to Albertine Krueger at Orleans, Neb.
To this union were born two daughters and one son. Through the succeeding years they lived in a number of states and in 1919 Albert Pletz was born on April 1, 1874,

one son, Inrough the succeeding years they lived in a number of states and in 1919 came to Lodi where they resided until 1930. They then moved to Anaheim where they lived until returning to Lodi in 1955. Mrs. Pletz went to be with the Lord on Aug. 8,

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He served for a number of years in the capacity of deacon, Sunday school superintendent and Bible class teacher.

He is survived by two daughters: Mrs. George (Ella) Schmiedt, Acampo, Calif., and Mrs. Gustave (Elsie) Burgstahler, Lodi, Calif.; one son: Mr. Paul Pietz, Anaheim, Calif.; seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Temple Baptist Church on April 20, 1968. Robert Radcliffe was soloist, Rev. Eldon G. Schroeder conducted the service, Temple Baptist Church Lodi. California

Lodi, California ELDON G. SCHROEDER, pastor

KATHERINA GEISSLER KLEIN of Bismarck, North Dakota

of Bismarck, North Dakota

Katherina Geissler Klein was born in Nebraska on Oct. 24, 1884. With her parents she moved to Medina, N. D., was married to Fred Klein in 1907, and made their home in Hebron, Grand Forks, Medina, and later in Bismarck, N. D. She is survived by two sons, one daughter, nine grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

Her husband preceded her in death several years ago, and the last several years she made her home in The Baptist Home, Bismarck, Rev. A. J. Fischer, a close friend of the family, conducted the funeral services in the chapel of The Baptist Home in Bismarck.

ARTHUR J. FISCHER officiating pastor

MRS. VIOLA BENTZ of Portland, Oregon

Mrs. Viola Bentz was born in Hebron,

S. D., Sept. 7, 1925. She moved to Missoula, Mont., in 1937 with her parents. She was converted under the ministry of Rev. Jacob Rott and was baptized in 1938 in the Bethel Baptist Church

She was united in marriage to Emanuel Bentz in 1944 by Rev. Fred Alf. This mar-riage was blessed by two children. They moved to Oregon in 1945, where they have

mrs. Viola Bentz died at her home, March 16, 1968.

16, 1968.

Those who sorrow because of her passing are her husband—Emanuel, son—Roger, daughter—Darlis Harding, and one grandson, Jeffrey Harding, all of Portland; her parents—Mr. and Mrs. Theo Hauck, and one sister—Mrs. Toby Oelke, all of Salem; also a large host of friends and relatives.

Funeral services were held March 19, with Rev. John Wobig and Rev. Herbert Schauer officiating.

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Riviera Baptist Church Salem, Oregon ARTHUR BRUST, pastor

REV. JACOB C. KRAENZLER of Ashley, North Dakota

Rev. Jacob C. Kraenzler, son of Christoph Kraenzler and Kathrine (nee Schneck) Kraenzler was born May 3, 1901, in Jacobs-thal, South Russia. He passed away April 6, 1968, in the Rochester Methodist Hospital,

Kraenzler was born May 3, 1901, in Jacobsthal, South Russla, He passed away April 6,
1968, in the Rochester Methodist Hospital,
Rochester, Minn., at the age of 66 years,
11 months, and three days.

He came to America in the year 1905
with his parents and settled in Zealand,
N. D. Later he moved with his parents
to take up a homestead south of Lehr.

He was converted in his early youth and
baptized into the body of Christ by Rev.
Tildner and united with the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Lehr, N. D.

On Sept. 14, 1923, he left the farm for
Rochester, N. Y., to begin his training and
preparation for the Gospel ministry. He
graduated from the North American Baptist
Seminary, which at that time was located
in Rochester, N. Y., (now in Sloux Falls,
S. D.), May 21, 1930, and he graduated
from the Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, Ill., May 28, 1931, with a Bachelor of
Theology degree. He was ordained into the
Gospel ministry Sept. 28, 1931, in the First
Baptist Church, Manitowoc, Wis.

On Oct. 11, 1932, he was united in marriage to Olga Wegner, Milwaukee, Wis.

As a pastor he served the following
churches: The First Baptist Church, Manitowoc, Wis., 1931-1937; Plum Creek Baptist
Church, Emery, S. D., 1937-1943; First Baptist Church, Missoula, Mont., 1947-1950;
Berlin and Fredonia Baptist Church, Fredonia, N. D., 1930-1952; First Baptist
Church, Leduc, Alta., Canada, 1952-1957;
First Baptist Church, Sumner, Iowa, 19571961; Faith Baptist Church, Selby, S. D.,
1961-1965; and the First Baptist Church,
Sahley, N. D., 1965 to his home going as
his health and strength permitted him.

Those sorrowing his departure are his
wife, Olga; two sisters: Mrs. William
(Mary) Werth, Lehr, N. D., Mrs. Kenneth
(Tillie) Jury, Kent, Wash.; four brothers:
John, Ted and Henry of Lehr, N. D., and
Albert of Tempe, Ariz.; nephews, nieces, and
a host of relatives and friends.

Those preceding him in death were his
parents: two sisters: Mrs. Fred (Emilia)

Albert of Tempe, Ariz.; nephews, nieces, and a host of relatives and friends.

Those preceding him in death were his parents; two sisters: Mrs. Fred (Emilia) Ehman, Mrs. Emil J. (Hertha) Bertsch; and one brother, Isadore Kraenzler.

Services were held in the Ashley Baptist Church, Ashley, N. D., on April 10, 1968, with the following pastors officiating: Rev. Jacob Ehman, Steamboat Rock, Iowa (nephew of Rev. Kraenzler); Rev. Arthur Fischer, Leola, S. D.; Rev. Alfred Weisser, Bismarck, N. D.; Dr. M. Vanderbeck, interim pastor, Ashley Baptist Church.

As a soldier of Christ who proclaimed the Gospel of salvation, Rev. Kraenzler was ready to meet his Lord by the grace of God through faith in the finished work of Christ on Calvary's cross.

JACOB EHMAN, officiating pastor

IZATHE HUMANN of Salem, Oregon

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Izathe Humann was born to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Humann of Wishek, N. D., Aug. 10, 1928. She resided in North Dakota until she was 18 years of age and periodically subsequent to her coming to Oregon.

Upon a personal confession of Jesus Christ as her Savior, she was baptized by Rev. A. Itterman and united with the First Baptist Church of Wishek, N. D. At the time of her death she was a member of the Riviera Baptist Church, Salem, Ore.

She went to her heavenly home Oct. 5, 1967, at the age of 39 years, one month, and 25 days.

25 days. Those who mourn her departure are her

mother, Mrs. Katherina Humann; five half-sisters: Johanna, Ila, Pauline, Viola, and Alma; six half-brothers: Emil. Arthur, William, Edwin, Henry, and Reinhold.

Funeral services were conducted Oct. 7,

Riviera Baptist Church ARTHUR BRUST, pastor

MRS, ELEANORA HAAS

of Dallas, Oregon

Mrs. Abia (Eleanora Amanda) Haas was born to Rev. and Mrs. August Heringer in Wishek, N. D., Aug. 18, 1910. Her death came after a period of illness on Jan. 24, 1968. Her age at the time of her home-going

She was married to Abia Haas on Christmas Day 1935, in Napoleon, N. D. Most of their married life was spent in Oregon with the last twenty-five years seeing her reside with her family in Dallas where the family owned the Haas Drug Company.

God gave the Haas family three children: Carlyle and Karen, residing in the parental home, and Elizabeth (Mrs. David Schmitke) of Redmond, Ore. One brother, Dr. W. C. Heringer, Salem, and one sister, Elizabeth Heringer, Milwaukie Ore., also mourn her passing

Eleanora Haas was a most warmhearted Christian. She began her Christian walk in the fellowship of her pastor-father by whom she was baptized as an eight-year-old girl. she was baptized as an eight-year-old girl. Her faith was always expressed in every area of her Christian walk. For 25 years she accepted gladly all responsibilities given her as a member of the Salt Creek Baptist Church. As a Sunday school teacher, dea-coness, W.M.S. leader, and visitor, she was ready to give evidence of her love for

Among her greatest talents was her ready desire to love people. To her the words "It is more blessed to give than to receive" had real meaning. Even during the time of her illness she was able to communicate her faith by being able to suffer and face death as a true child of God.

The memorial service was held at the Salt Creek Baptist Church with the church filled to capacity by relatives, church and community friends, with Rev. Emmanuel Wolff and Rev. Hans J. Wilcke, speaking words of comfort and cheer.

Salt Creek Baptist Church
Dallas, Oregon
HANS J. WILCKE, pastor

REV. RUDOLF G. KAISER of Tacoma, Washington

Rudolf G. Kaiser was born Feb. 22, 1893, in Hamburg, Germany, and died in Tacoma, Wash., April 8, 1968, at the age of 75.

He was born into the God-fearing and loving home of Herman and Marie Kaiser, the sixth of seven children. At the age of 15, he became the first member of the family to immigrate to the United States, settling near Lorraine, Kan.

While active in the youth work of the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kan., and the local association, he met a lovely and dedicated young lady from the Bethany Baptist Church of Vesper, Kan. Alvina Liss and Rudolf were married in 1919, and through the years, the Lord blessed this union with the birth of two sons and five daughters. daughters.

In the fall of 1920, he entered the North American Baptist Seminary in Rochester, N. Y., and graduated in 1924. During the course of his active ministry, Pastor Kalser served North American Baptist churches in Gatesville, Tex.; Ingersoll, Okla.; Parkston, S. D.; McClusky, N. D.; Hettinger, N. D.; and Startup, Wash.

From Startup, he retired in Tacoma, Vash., where for the last thirteen years of Wash., where for the last thirteen years of his life he was an active member of the Calvary Baptist Church. Here he engaged in a Gospel ministry through correspondence and personal evangelism. He was always a source of spiritual blessing and inspiration to all who came in touch with him.

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He is survived by his loving wife, Alvina; two sons: Lewis of Portland, Ore., and Dennis, with the U.S. Army in Germany; five daughters: Mrs. Clarence Weisser of Buckley, Wash., Mrs. Coldin Caughey of Kent, Wash., Mrs. Harold Krantz of Minnetonka, Minn., Mrs. James Merril of Benton, Pa., and Mrs. Harvey Neumann of Tacoma; two brothers, William and Fred, both of Kenosha, Wis.; a sister, Mrs. Mary Schmerzy of Marlon, Kah.; and 15 grandchildren. Calvary Baptist Church Tacoma, Washington

EDGAR B. WESNER, pastor

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refuse merchandise mailed with invoice. It said the "hallmarks of voluntary effort" were: "Indignation at needless suffering, imagination to solve problems, idealism that insists that things can be changed for the better and the persistence to keep plugging ahead until change is achieved."

MYSTIC LABELS POPULAR INDIA YOGI RELIGIOUS FRAUD

LOS ANGELES (EP)—You can't eat heartily, have free sex and then come and meditate for 15 minutes a day and expect to achieve the true practice of yogi.

So says Swami Vishnu-Devananda, a U.S. mystic who calls Maharishi Mahesh Yogi of India a religious hypocrite.

This judgment against the famed "holy man" who has tutored the Beatles and other famous personalities was added to a charge that Maharishi practices anything but true yogi.

Swami Vishnu-Devananda allegedly has 100,000 disciples and 30 schools of his own in the U.S. He says the reason Americans are suddenly fascinated by Eastern mysticism is that "the good souls who died are beginning to be reincarnated in America. In their present lives, they k now something is missing dispite the material wealth. They are looking for the peace and happiness they knew before."

ABOLITION OF DEATH PENALTY ASKED BY PRIME MINISTER

OTTAWA, ONT. (EP) — Canadian Prime Minister Lester Pearson drew both applause and bitter protests in the House of Commons when he said the only justification for the death penalty is revenge.

"I do not believe that such mental barbarity—and that is not too strong an expression—should have any place in the Canadian system of justice," he

A last-ditch fight by supporters of the death penalty forced the House to postpone a vote on the government bill to limit capital punishment. However, most observers feel it will be approved in principle.

EPISCOPALIANS WANT POPE TO ENDORSE CONTRACEPTIVES

SAN FRANCISCO (EP) — To control "the horrors" of over population, the California Diocesan Council of the Episcopal Church has asked Pope Paul VI to endorse contraceptive measures.

Twenty-eight Episcopalians, speaking for the diocese, asked the Pope to "elevate grace over law" and to speak out in favor of the birth control method.

"The horrors of overpopulation are much greater than any evil that might be considered inherent in contraception itself," the resolution stated.

"Millions of persons in the emerging nations of the world look to you as the Holy Father, and it is precisely in these nations where the horrors of over population are becoming most obvious," the resolution said.

LEADERS OF CAMPUS MOVE-MENTS AT HISTORIC MEET

DENVER, Colo. (EP)—The heads of three allied youth organizations met here for two days of discussion and planning for cooperative efforts.

Getting acquainted "as individual members of the Body of Christ" were John Alexander, general director of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, USA; William R. Bright, president, Campus Crusade for Christ Int'l.; Lorne Sanny, president, The Navigators; and Wilbur Sutherland, general director of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship in Canada.

Purpose of the gathering was reportedly to understand further their respective ministries and to explore ways in which these ministries could complement each other in the task of reaching the campus world for Jesus Christ.

F. F. BRUCE TO LECTURE AT FULLER

PASADENA, Calif. (EP)—Dr. Frederick F. Bruce will present the Payton Lectures at Fuller Theological Seminary, 135 North Oakland Avenue, at nary, 135 North Oakland Avenue, at through Friday, 9:40 a.m., Tuesday through Friday, February 27 through March 1. The February 27 through March 1. The theme of the lecture series will be The Relation of the Old Testament to the New Testament.

RETIRED SUPREME COURT JUSTICE SEES CHANCE FOR PUB-LIC SCHOOL RELIGION CLASSES

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (EP)—Courses about religion could gain popular support if colleges could train enough capable teachers, said a retired Supreme Court Justice here.

Former Associate Justice Tom C. Clark, who in 1963 wrote the majority opinion that banned prayers in U.S. public schools, said that a study of comparative religion or the history of religion and its relationship to civilization would not be in violation of the First Amendment.

He made reference to a generally overlooked section of the 1963 ruling and stated further that "one's education is not complete without a study of comparative religion or the history of religion and its relationship to the advancement of civilization."

Support for study of religion in public has been supported by the National Council of Churches, opposed by the smaller American Council of Christian Churches. One of the ACCC arguments is that such study does not treat the Bible as the "infallible revelation of God."

HEALING TEAMS ARE URGED TO ASSIST EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED

NEW YORK (EP)—A professor of the psychology of religion said here that it is possible for persons untrained in therapeutic skills to become members of healing teams caring for the emotionally disturbed.

Dr. Wayne Oates, professor at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., spoke at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church on lay and professional cooperation in counseling disturbed persons.

The occasion was the second of the John Sutherland Bonnell Lectures, established by the church last year to honor Dr. Bonnell, minister-emeritus and now president of the New York Theological Seminary.

Dr. Bonnell, a pioneer in developing pastoral counseling techniques, has insisted that seminarians be instructed in the importance of counseling.

Dr. Oates is recognized as one of the nation's foremost authorities on pastoral counseling.

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