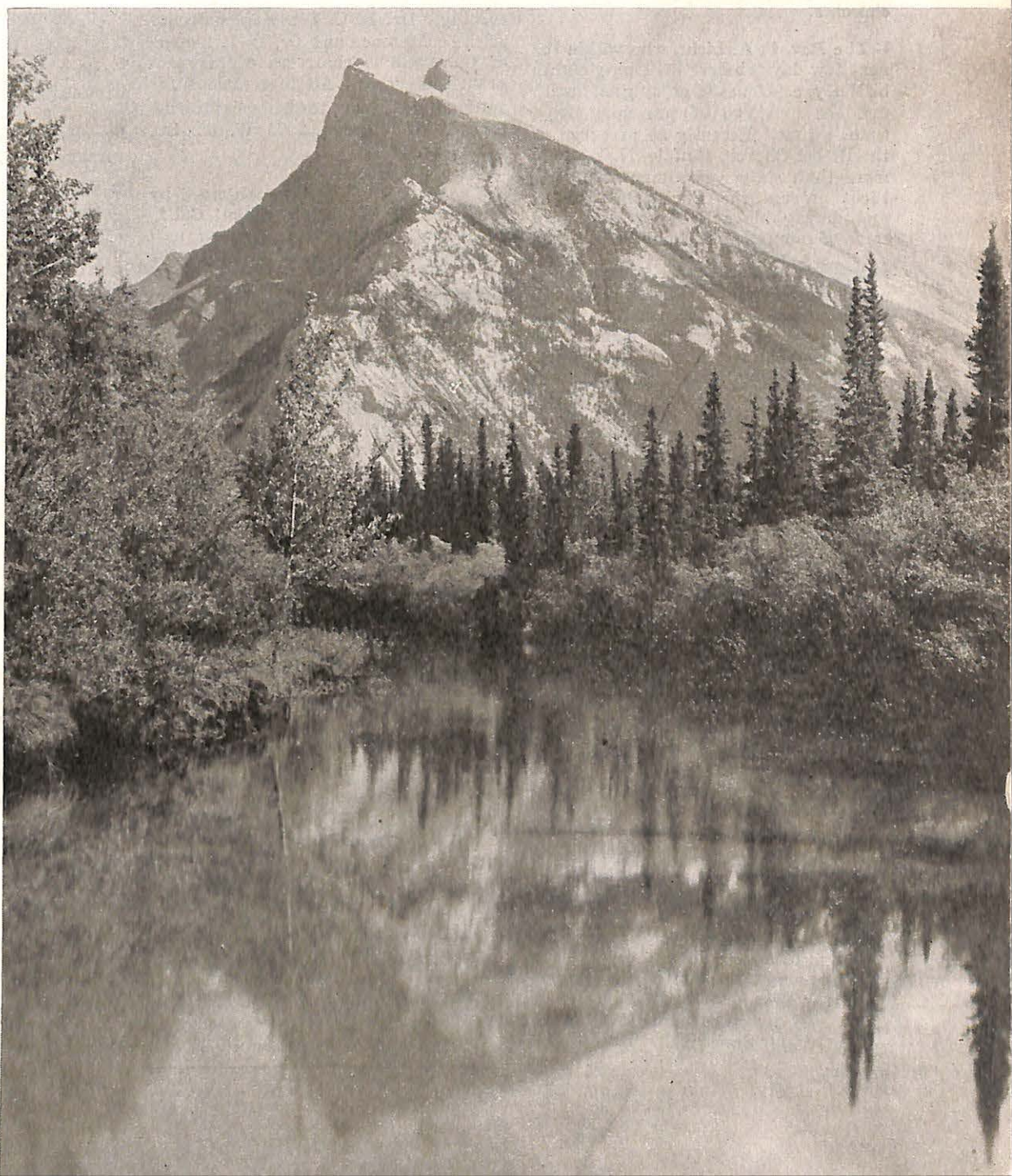


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Majestic  
Mount Rundle  
in the Canadian  
Rockies  
Mirrored in the  
Quiet Water of  
the Banff River



# What's Happening

✧ The Rev. Wm. Kuhn, General Missionary Secretary, and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner, editor of "The Baptist Herald," are expected back in our country from their visit to the Danubian countries about the fifth of August and will resume their respective work immediately.

✧ The young people of the Ebenezer Church of Dickinson Co., Kansas, are making a vital contribution to the life of their church. Recently the young people presented a very effective play, "Whatsoever Ye Sow." It was repeated twice by special request in other churches.

✧ The Rev. F. A. Licht, who will in the next few days observe his eighty-eighth birthday, continues to enjoy good health and the privilege of preaching from time to time. Recently he preached at the Bethel Church, Buffalo, N. Y. It is more than sixty years since the Rev. Licht entered the Christian ministry and during his active years occupied some of our influential pulpits.

✧ The B. Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Southwestern Conference will meet for its annual session Aug. 13-14 with the church at Lorraine, Kansas. An interesting program has been prepared. Some of the highlights are: Debate: "Resolved that it was easier to live the Christian life in the first century than in the twentieth." The affirmative will be upheld by Miss Jean Priebe and Mr. Leslie Priebe of Okeene, Okla. The negative will be upheld by Miss Fern Coates and Mr. Herbert Kipf of Beatrice, Nebr. An address by Mr. H. P. Donner and a discussion by the Rev. E. Kary. The banquet will be in charge of the Lorraine B. Y. P. U.

✧ A very inspiring baptismal service was held out-of-doors on June 12 by the two congregations of West Ebenezer and Springside, Sask. Eighteen candidates followed the Lord in baptism, which was administered by the Rev. John Kuehn in the creek of the neighborhood. A large audience was gathered on the green banks of the creek while the pastor, the Rev. John Kuehn, preached a moving sermon on the text Eph. 4:5. After the baptismal service, the church met in the auditorium of the Ebenezer Church around the Lord's Table at which time the hand of fellowship was extended to the eighteen converts. This ingathering was the direct result of a series of evangelistic meetings held by the Rev. E. P. Wahl during the last winter months.

✧ Conference of Baptist Foreign Speaking Groups. A centennial celebration of Baptist work among foreign speaking groups, begun under Conrad Fleischmann 1838-39, will be held at the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland, O., Sept. 8-11. Representing our German Baptist churches on the program will be the Rev. O. E. Krueger, the Rev. M. L. Leuschner and Mr. H. P. Donner. Friday evening will be in charge of the women under the leadership of Mrs. O. R. Judd, and Saturday evening will be given over to the young people. Dr. A. W. Beaven will bring the closing message on Sunday evening. Dr. H. C. Gleiss is chairman of the conference and Dr. D. R. Sharpe of Cleveland is chairman of the program committee. All reservations for entertainment are to be sent to the Rev. T. W. Bender, 2973 W. 32. St., Cleveland, O.

✧ The Fourth of July was observed by the B. Y. P. U. of Anaheim, Calif., with a picnic in honor of their new pastor, the Rev. H. Dymmel. In the evening a huge bonfire was built while the entire group sat about singing and listening to speeches greeting the Rev. and Mrs. H. Dymmel. Mr. Dymmel closed the happy occasion with a stirring talk on "Our Ship of Life." He stressed three points: 1) the cargo, 2) the destination, 3) the captain.

✧ The McDermot Avenue Baptist Church of Winnipeg, Manitoba, celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of their present church building on May 29. The young people under the leadership of their pastor, the Rev. O. Patzia, have introduced the group plan into their society with telling results. Recently thirteen new converts were added to the church. The Rev. and Mrs. B. Luebeck visited the church and gave stirring reports of their work in China.

✧ The Pin Oak Creek Baptist Church of Mt. Sterling, Mo., observed Children's Day on Sunday, June 12. After the program a "basket dinner" was enjoyed by all present which was followed by another interesting program. On Sunday, June 26, three candidates were baptized by the pastor the Rev. J. Kemnitz. The Fourth of July was observed by celebrating the eighty-third anniversary of the church.

✧ A Vacation Bible School was held in the Central Baptist Church of Waco, Texas, under the leadership of the pastor, the Rev. A. Becker, and his daughter Lydia. The school closed with a service on Sunday evening, June 19. At this occasion recitations, songs, and Bible Stories were told by the children themselves in a splendid manner. The church expressed its appreciation to the pastor for this commendable work among the children.

✧ The Rev. T. W. Bender, pastor of the Erin Avenue Baptist Church, Cleveland, O., baptized five candidates on July 10. Since the beginning of the year twenty new members have been added to the church. Recently the church adopted the resolution that members who are inactive for the period of one year will be automatically stricken from the Church Roll.

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## GUEST EDITORIAL

By the REV. WILLIAM L. SCHOEFFEL

TO be a Christian is not a matter of volition; not a matter of creed but a spiritual regeneration, in which the whole personality of the individual responds favorably to the working of the Holy Spirit.

"Let Us Be Christian." This is equally true for everyone who sets out on the glorious adventure to live the Christian Way of Life. And any one who sets forth on this adventure will soon discover the futility of man's own efforts and how imperative is the need of the "power from on high" to carry on.

We are living in a non-Christian environment. There is no Christian nation; there is no Christian civilization; indeed we only need to scratch one another to discover that underneath the veneer of modern polish and social standards are the Teuton of old, the Frank, the Mongolian and the Tartar. If ever, then surely in our day, the doctrine of force has been developed to its greatest efficiency. What other meaning can we draw from this terrific armament race of the nations? Yes, modern man is ready to cut to pieces, to bomb and to kill and then hoping that somehow or other Christian charity will come along to stop the bleeding, bind up the ugly gashes and feed the starving. Have you heard anything more ludicrous than this? The nation that protests most violently against the bombing of helpless villages is the very nation that supplies the very aeroplanes and bombs with which women and children are slaughtered.

What shall we say about our economic field? The man who has, seems to be the successful one, and the one who has not, is considered a failure. Neither is there any moral compunction of "how I got mine," and "how you lost yours." Or is there anything more contradictory of a system, than this: A family living on one side of the street has all and more than it needs, whereas the family on the other side of the same street has not

wherewith to clothe or feed itself. And if the luckless man could only get a chance to earn his daily bread.

Analyse, if you will, the characteristics of the world and those of the Christian way; set them side by side; what have you?—

Carnal .....	Spiritual
Hate .....	Love
Revenge .....	Forgiving
Selfishness .....	Sacrifice
Sin .....	Purity of Heart
Arrogance .....	Humility, Meekness
Greed .....	Service
Mercy to None .....	Lovingkindness

Could earthquakes ever create deeper chasms? But they can be bridged. By Christian engineers.

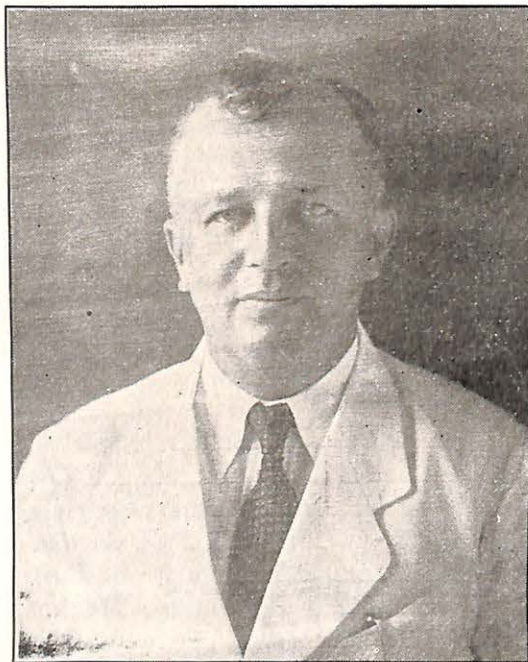
"Let us be Christian regardless." A soft answer for biting sarcasm; control of temper when things go against one; helpful service even to the one who smites your face; uncompromising righteousness in the face of questionable transactions, a helping hand to the socially submerged. Could a Christian conscientiously exploit or take advantage of his brother?

"Building a new World!" What a captivating slogan; but what disillusion. Why? Because everyone is waiting for the world to rebuilt, no one wants to begin, all are waiting for the other fellow to start. Why not begin here and today. The world is on the road to dismal chaos in spite of our optimism. What the world does need is an "honest-to-goodness" demonstration that there is such a thing as a "CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE" and that there are followers of the Christ who "ARE WILLING TO LIVE THE CHRISTIAN WAY." We cannot save the world, but we can't get way from the responsibility to demonstrate to the world "WHAT CHRISTIAN LIVING REALLY IS."

# Medical and Musical Missions

The story of Dr. F. W. Meyer, a son of Prof. and Mrs. F. W. C. Meyer of Rochester, N. Y., who is a noted surgeon and missionary in the Philippine Islands, and of his wife, who as a concert soloist, and has sung her way into the hearts of the Filipinos, is a thrilling one.

By DR. and MRS. F. W. MEYER, of Capiz, the Commonwealth of the Philippines



Dr. F. W. Meyer

**Y**EARS ago a lad sat in the halls at New Haven, Conn., studying to become a diplomat as a future ambassador to some nation, when that illustrious Sir Wilfred Grenfell came along from his bleak and barren Labrador shores. Consequently, aims were changed to a medical missions' ambassadorship, with resultant further studies at college, medical school and internship. Thereupon, that embryonic surgeon wended his way to Racine in Wisconsin, where there resided a lovely young lady, a concert soloist, with Chicago and New York training. And to make a sweet story short, she said, "Yes."

Then and there began a combination of medical and musical missions in the far-off Philippines, and as such they have presented their credentials as ambassadors to and from the Philippines to the denomination and to the world at large. The felicitous combination has seen changes in the far Orient, in those alluring Isles, the Pearl of the Orient Seas, changes from a crude state, inherited superstitions, and darkness of centuries, to a light as presented by the Lord of all ages, to Christ himself.

Thus, these young missionaries, along with hosts of others around the world, have endeavored to follow in the footsteps of the Master, as teachers, as preachers, as agriculturists, as healers, bringing the message of the first century down to the ages to a benighted twentieth century. Yes, we seem benighted and superstitious all over the world, even in our cultured surroundings, and the surgeon may definitely state that human nature is the same all over the world and needs the enlightening gospel of the Christ.

In these past eighteen years, missions have tried with Christian outreach to answer that ancient Macedonian cry of "Come over and help us." It has been our privilege to be of some service in the Master's diversified callings, to answer daily calls from the anguished lips of our Visayan constituency, that soul stirring cry of "Tabangi ako." And help comes!

Do you hear that twisted appeal from that ancient beggar on the bridge for help, and the surgeon brings relief from an incarcerated hernia. Here comes that Oriental picture, the distressed leper, asking for alms, with outstretched mutilated arms, "Tabangi ako." But help comes to him, not in gold or silver, but in injections of the ethyl esters of chaulmoogra oil, and he is started on his chance for recovery. Does recovery occur? Yes, God has given scientific truth to us men and women of the twentieth century, and so we see over a thousand lepers paroled as arrested or "cured" cases. You ought to see our ninety-six year old former leper preaching the gospel message over in the Aklan calley. His story is an epic of Christian history.

"Tabangi ako" from the lips of that black trousered Chinese mother who brings her diphtheria-choked child into the hospital, and relief is found at the hands of the surgeon. That same cry comes from an anguished father and mother, as they carry their mangled and torn child, ripped open by the ugly horns of an angered water buffalo.—Intestinal reaction and cleansing are necessary and God brings relief. Pictures from the very first century appear in this century, with the demoniacs in acute manic stage tearing down the road, the crippled, the lame and the blind. "And Jesus went about doing

good." So our missionaries go about doing good, for they have a wonderful example to follow from the first century, and so we preach and act old-time stuff, as twentieth century scientists.

It is no wonder that the former little Emanuel Hospital now reaches over two thousand and two hundred inpatients annually in a seventy-five bed hospital, hundreds and hundreds of souls lifted out of a life of darkness into the light as emanates from the Christ himself. Love for the down-and-out, for the downtrodden and diseased and the outcast, with a program that includes the fallen woman, or the wicked man, the poor or the rich, the Filipino Malay, or the Chinese, or the Japanese, or the German, or the Spanish, be he rebel or loyalist or Basque, the Swiss, the American, be he Mohammedan, or Roman Catholic, or Protestant, or pagan—all, all, I say need the light of the Christ! And the response is great. Christ wins, and he wins with the humble aid of myself at the task with our Christian outreach. No matter what you are, lawyer or farmer, or surgeon or preacher, out with your abilities into the service of the Master!

The sidelines of the surgeon in the rehabilitation of justice are interesting as he seeks justice for the legally downtrodden and for the poor with their land robbed by the rich crook and by judges who can free murderers and execute rotten wills. Out with such crooked leaders in the name of Jesus Christ of the first and of all centuries!

Music wins its way into the hearts of the people everywhere. From the very first days of our arrival, we were entertained in the home of the governor, Manuel Roxas, and from that time on, he who became Speaker of the House of Representatives, he who wrote the Philippine Inde-

pendence act, along with Senators Hawes, and Tydings of America, he who will become president of the Philippines, became our best friend. Music and medicine can find their way into the hearts, in an evangelistic song of appeal or in concerts all over the Isles.



Mrs. Ruth Schacht Meyer

Our soloist has won her way in her varied contacts with students, with the rich Roman Catholic society women leaders. She has sung away the opposition of fanaticism, so that after all these years, when your missionaries left the Isles for their furlough, in a large number of fare-

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Members of the Class of 1937

# The Challenge of the Mission Field

By MR. HAROLD A. WISNER of Chicago, Illinois

Missionary activity, expended abroad and in the homeland, is seemingly going through a serious crisis. And one, who views the status from a far-off abutment, realises that the forces of darkness and superstition are vigorously combating the humble, feeble efforts of our missionaries.

Viewing them we exclaim, "They need new recruits. Others must rally for the cause or else those countries, seething and fomenting with hatred and all that paganism represents, will ultimately imperil the missionary cause, and leave a Christ without an effective representation to carry on his work. Comforting, indeed, is the thought that as long as Christ is concerned, others must be concerned, for Christ never fails!

The most serious peril to our missions is not, as I view it, so much the lack of workers to go there, as rather the greater peril of the unconcern and utter indifference of those in the homeland to bear them up with a definite responsibility, financially and prayerfully.

Along with this can go the further

statement that 73 per cent of Northern Baptists are not informing themselves as to the needs, the opportunities, the urgencies or to the will of God. Manifest unconcern toward missions and missionaries, and you manifest unconcern toward one of the greatest commissions of our Lord: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel."

We must carry on the work. There is in India an average of only 9 missionaries to each 1,000,000 people, and there are, as a result, great unoccupied fields containing many millions of people. There are 670,000 villages in India, where Christians cannot be found in more than 70,000, leaving 600,000 villages still unevangelized. Workers are needed, but the difficulty seems to be in the universal financial and spiritual depression, or regression.

The Cameroon Missions, that hold our interest and attention, are progressing favorably. The tie which binds us so intimately with the Cameroons is the fact that many of our own members have laid down their lives in the field of service of our Savior. The newly opened Kaka field is an

entirely new territory for missionary activity, and the work which is being done there represents the blazing of new trails. Paul and Clara Gebauer were among the first, starting this pioneering ministry. Everywhere Paul Gebauer has won the hearts of our people in the interest of the Cameroon Missions, so that there are many churches who by prayers and gifts of money are supporting this new missionary undertaking in Kakaland.

As related by Paul Gebauer and many others the work of a missionary is not easy; it is hard. His are not the flowered paths of ease. About him on every hand are things not conducive to luxury and mental or physical ease. Ask the missionary; he knows.

For their sake—the missionaries' sake—, for Christ's sake, we must not let that marvelous work of evangelism in the Cameroons, or in any other field, suffer defeatism. The work is solemn—therefore, let us not relax! The opportunity is brief—therefore, let us not delay! The path is narrow—therefore, let us not wander! The prize is glorious—therefore let us not faint!

# The Great Decision of Life

By MISS HELEN KRAUSE of Watertown, Wisconsin

Everyone who is a child of the King, has surrendered all to Christ and chosen the way of eternal life. We all must make that decision as to which way to go. There is a great deal under this heading, because there are so many things in our daily life that we must decide, either for right or wrong, in God's sight. Therefore we must be careful how we decide.

In Proverbs we read: "For as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." In Philippians we find: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." If we analyze these verses we learn that there is much in them. If we dwell only on the things that are true, honest and just, we can truly say: "Let falsehood laugh! Honesty has a haven all its own."

In speaking of the "Great Decision,"

are we always sure that we decide the right thing as we go on? "Yes," we say, "we are sure." But is it right in the presence of Christ, who knows all in all? We have all experienced right and wrong in our lives. Such is the science of character building, the positive and negative powers of life.

Decision is positive, and indetermination is negative. A few of these opposites out of a great many are such as honor and dishonor, joy and sorrow, faith and unbelief, good and evil, hope and despair. These two powers build up a strong life or tear it down, if the positive powers prevail in our lives, they will build up a character that can withstand all forces of evil. If they triumph, they bring happiness and all that comes of good. If the negative powers prevail, all is lost for time and eternity. It is wonderful to know that the positive powers build that grand structure which we call character, as they purify, strengthen, fortify, keep us spotless and free from effects of wrong-doing.

I am sure we all realize that we come short of God's glory for we all sin. But we can thank him for forgiveness and his everlasting saving power. Let us think about Christ when he was led to the cross and when he was in the garden of Gethsemane, when his cup of anguish was overflowing, and he prayed: "Not my will, but thy will be done." It surely gives us a great deal to think about, as to what Christ has done for us, that we may have salvation. In Romans 8:13 it clearly states, that sin leads to death, and that life in Christ Jesus leads to everlasting life.

Decision is the firmness in character and promptness in action. It is essential in the life of a true Christian. We cannot be two-sided, for we cannot serve two masters. This, in reality, is the great decision in our lives. Have we decided to travel the path of life in such a manner, that it is a blessing in the Lord's presence, or great only in a worldly sense?

# B. Y. P. U. Topics and Programs

Edited by the REV. LEO F. GASSNER of Benton Harbor, Michigan

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Sunday, September 4, 1938

## THE RIGHT TO WORK

Scripture References: John 4:34; John 9:4; Matt. 20:1-14.

### 1. A Labor Day Theme

We observe Labor Day throughout the United States. Like most of our national holidays, Labor Day has become just another day in which to celebrate freedom from toil. But in the midst of the difficult conditions we face, there are many who have other thoughts this year. Will it not be wise for us as Christian young people to give serious thought to the question, "What can be done about the right of the worker to work?"

### 2. A Serious Situation

The increase of labor-saving devices has finally brought us to a very serious situation. We have come to the time when one man with a machine does the work formerly done by a score, or fifty, or even a hundred or more workers. This has made possible lower prices and the presence of automobiles, radios, all kinds of electrical equipment and other comforts in our homes. When the markets of the world were open to our products, we had prosperous times. But the lean years came and we discovered that it takes only a fraction of the workers of America to produce, with our machines, the things that we need. Consequently, we face a tremendous problem of unemployment.

### 3. The Unemployed

We know that the unemployed are, in the main, in that condition today through no fault of their own, but are caught in the meshes of our rapidly changing economic situation. They have a right to work. They are unemployed because human society has not learned how to adjust itself quickly to changing conditions. We are face to face with the question of what type of social control is necessary to bring order out of chaos, so that every worker can make use of the right to work. An economic system that keeps the worker in fear of losing the work to which he has a right is inadequate.

### 4. Possible Solutions of the Problems

Since the worker's life and happiness are of the first importance, he must be freed from the fear of recurring unemployment. Caught helplessly as he is by the factors in our economic system, over which he has no control, he deserves, not our criticism nor our

condescending sympathy, but our earnest understanding and active helpfulness. He deserves our best efforts toward a reconstruction of the economic system in line with Christian principles, in which the value of human life receives first consideration. A happy future depends upon whether we have the vision and courage to so reorganize our economic life that man will be freed from the fear of unemployment and consequent loss. We were told at the close of the World War that our government was working on plans by which the whole economic power of the nation could easily be organized for the prosecution of any war. A nation's economic facilities mobilized for war! Every worker standing shoulder to shoulder with his comrades to bring success in the prosecution of destructive war! Why not use the same effort for the prosecution of constructive peace?

### 5. A Practical Solution

Christ felt the necessity of making use of the right to work. With Christ it was not, "I may work if I will;" nor, "I can work if I like;" not the mere possibility and the mere potentiality of work; but a necessity, "I must work." He loved the sons of men so well, that he could not sit still and see them perish. As Christ's followers this necessity is ours. His appeal is charged with all the forces of heaven and earth, when he says, "We," not "I," as the Authorized Version has it—"We must work the works of him that sent me." God has appointed a work for each and all.

Vain are the complaints so often made, that we have no distinct work in life appointed for us; that we stand idle because we have not been called into the vineyard to labor. God has made duties for us, and placed us in the midst of them. Who is he that stands idle because he is not hired? Such a young person who can find neither poverty nor ignorance, nor wickedness at his hand will be idle, one who cannot influence another person by the Christian tone of his own life; who cannot sweeten the daily life for his home with kindness; who never comes near a sinner rushing headlong to his ruin; who cannot even find a child to encourage, nor a stricken heart to be consoled by a word of sympathy. This is not work that will make men rich, but work that will give satisfaction. Every human being has not only the right to this kind of work, but it is his duty!

Sunday, September 11, 1938

## OUR ECONOMIC "FREE-FOR-ALL"

Scripture References: Matt. 5:38-42; 25:14-30.

### 1. Introduction

In the parable of the talents Jesus teaches the need for fidelity to duty in all human concerns. The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who went into a far country and left his property to be administered by his servants. The great idea on which this parable is based is that man is the depository of a great trust. Time and talent, every form of human gift and opportunity, are part of the wealth of God, which is invested in man, and the one business of man in this life is to be a faithful steward of the trust reposed in him. Science and invention have presented our world with almost undreamed of powers. To what purpose are we using these vast and extended facilities?

### 2. Purpose in Life

Every act has back of it some purpose. Some are great, some small; some worthy, some unworthy. Men's acts ought always to be judged by their purposes—the motive back of the act. We do well, therefore, to pause frequently and to determine our purposes. Why do I sing in the choir? For the contribution I can make to the service, or for the boost it gives my "ego" to come before the congregation? Why did I subscribe to the Red Cross fund? Because of the good work done by the organization or because I wanted my name to appear among the subscribers?

The economic "Free-for-All" gives the young people in America many opportunities for choosing a vocation. "Why do I want to choose this place in life?" is a question that deserves a careful answer by every youth. Do I want to be a doctor because I think it an easy way to get wealth, or because I want to help others to find health? Do I want to be a teacher because I think it will be an easy life, or because of the tremendous opportunity of guiding the minds of children? Do I want to be a minister because I have an idea that it will be a delightful easy and popular thing to do, or because of an unquestionable yearning to help others to love God and their fellowmen? And so on for each occupation, what is the motive that leads me to choose it as my place in life? Is it the lure of gold, or the lure of God?

### 3. New Purposes for Old

Jesus came bringing new purposes for old ones in his day. The religionists sought to build a political kingdom in which they would be supreme. Jesus sought to build a spiritual Kingdom within the hearts of men. The leaders purposed to become great by much learning and great possessions. Jesus advocated becoming great through serving. Just as Jesus' purposes differed from the common purposes of his day, so Christian practices must differ from many common practices in our economic "Free-for-All."

In education, the enrichment of life must predominate the desire to merely develop skill or a trade or profession. In sport, playing for recreation's sake more than for the sake of winning by any and every means must be our purpose. In business, we would set up the new purpose of building up the lives of the laborers in place of the old one of getting profits without regard for the laborer. In turn, the laborer must seek to serve well rather than try to get all he can for the least amount of effort. In government, the taking of privileges and the advancement of self must be replaced by the purpose to safeguard the rights of all and preserve the peace. In religion, we must add to the purpose of saving souls for entrance into a heavenly home the purpose of saving them to build the Kingdom on earth, that his will may be done here as it is done in heaven.

Jesus set for as a splendid example of purposeful living. He did not hide his talent in the earth, his face was set in the direction of living for others, and he did not change that direction at some halfway mark in life. In our economic "Free-for-All" a purposeful life is essential.

### 4. "All His Life"

The story is told of a fisherman and his wife in a fishing village on the Maine coast. One day a party of summer visitors went out from the village in a little pleasure launch for a holiday. People on the shore saw to their horror that the little party had been caught in a squall and were threatened with utter wreck. The fisherman leaned into his stout fisherman's boat and with almost superhuman strength rowed out to where the launch was tossing, threw them a rope and again with almost superhuman strength rowed them to shore. And as he stepped out on the white sand, his heart gave out and he dropped dead. His wife, not knowing that she was saying a great thing, looked at her husband and said: "All his life, when he had anything that anybody needed, he just gave it to them. At last they needed his life and he gave them that." We cannot do less than give what is needed to make this world a better place in which to live!

## Workshop for Church Leaders

### SUGGESTIONS FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF RALLY DAY

By the REV. GEORGE A. LANG of Tacoma, Washington

Among the many special days which are observed in the Sunday School, Rally Day is one of primary importance. When running in a race or undertaking a new enterprise, it is essential to have a good start. So, also, when the Sunday School enters into the new efforts and plans for the Fall and Winter months, much will depend upon the pulling up of "the slack" which results normally during the summer period. After the city population has returned home from their vacations or from their summer homes at the lake side, and after the excessive heat which has affected both city and country alike has been spent, there is necessity to call forth to God's children and co-workers in the words of Hebrews 12:12, 13 (Moffatt): "So up with your listless hands! Strengthen your weak knees! And make straight paths for your feet to walk in. You must not let the lame get dislocated, but rather make them whole."

Some churches and Sunday Schools, which have a distinctive summer program, may not have felt the slump like some others, but even for them it is well at the beginning of the Fall work to rally and to unify the forces of God's children in their conflict against "Giant sin and wrong." How can this be done better than by making a contact with every member of the Sunday School for Rally Day. Here are a few suggestions which have come from our own experience in what we believe is a worthy use of this opportunity.

1. THE TIME. There may be a difference of opinion as to the most appropriate time for Rally Day. The first Sunday of October is the most suitable for us. It fits in best with the whole scheme of church activities and Sunday School lessons. The excitement of the early days in the public school after the long summer vacation has passed; others, who have taken late vacations, have returned; days are growing less distressing with heat; and a whole-hearted response can more easily be obtained. Everyone, with exceedingly few exceptions, can usually be present.

2. ADVERTISE THE DAY EVERYWHERE POSSIBLE. In various strategic places in the church suitable and attractive posters should be placed at least two Sundays previous to Rally Day. Everyone attending the church service should become conscious of the fact that Rally Day is coming and should be prepared for it. Those attending the Sunday School will nat-

urally hear of it through announcements. Old scholars, who have neglected to attend for sometime, should be notified by card, telephone or personal call. All the members of the families represented should be cordially invited to attend. The unchurched friends (we are not interested in robbing other Sunday Schools or churches of their members merely to make a big attendance) in the community where the scholars live should be brought along in as large numbers as possible.

3. BEGINNING THE NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR. As in our public school system, so also with our Sunday School, the calendar year is not the best order to follow. The year should begin with the beginning of the new efforts in the Fall of the year. The election of officers can be held during the month of September. The first Sunday in October then introduces the new officers to the Sunday School and inducts them into their new tasks. New quarterlies and lesson courses are begun. Thus, everything gets the impetus of a new start.

4. PROMOTION EXERCISES ON RALLY DAY. In Tacoma we have found this to be very successful. Promotion will necessarily bring out all the old scholars with their friends and relatives. A program in keeping with promotion and a new start can be delivered by the promoted scholars. There will be no other break in the continuity of the school program throughout the entire year by a shifting of pupils from one class to another. The new teachers take over their classes, and the old faithful ones receive new scholars. Plans for the new year and a stirring talk by the superintendent for all to rally in meeting new opportunities are presented to the entire School.

5. MAKE MUCH OF RALLY DAY. Much time and effort are lost in the work of God's Kingdom because it often takes until Christmas to obtain enthusiastic and united efforts in a progressive program for Christ. Three good months of earnest, time-honoring Christian instruction are often lost in Sunday School work because the forces have failed to rally in the early Fall. Therefore Rally Day should be entered into with much prayer, preparation and purpose on the part of the superintendent, officers and teachers. Enthusiasm in the Lord, bathed in prayer and deep humility, will be richly rewarded. Therefore, "abound in work for the Lord at all times, for you may be sure that in the Lord your labor is never thrown away."

Thursday, August 4

### Transformed by Insight

"We all, with open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image, from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of God." 2. Corinthians 3:18.

Read 2. Corinthians 3:12-18.

The outstanding characteristic of a sanctified Christian life is this unveiled frankness before God, so that the life becomes a mirror for other lives. By being filled with the Spirit we are transformed and by beholding we become mirrors. One knows when a man has been beholding God's glory. You feel in your inmost spirit that he is a mirror of the Lord's own character.

Prayer: Dear Savior, keep me so close to thee that I may see thee with sanctified vision and be transformed more and more into thy image.

Friday, August 5

### The Saving Look

"Look unto me and be ye saved." Isaiah 45:22.

Read Isaiah 45:19-25.

It is not easy to concentrate on God, to focus our ambitions and energies upon him. Why is it not easy? Because there are a hundred and one things to distract us. Even the lives of the saints may so hold our attention as to become a hindrance to our concentrations upon God. "Look unto me." In looking you will find the very thing you are looking for—God and his boundless grace.

Prayer: My Lord and my God, clarify my vision of thee, that I may attain to an ever richer measure of thy saving power and sanctifying grace.

Saturday, August 6

### The Delight of Sacrifice

"I will very gladly spend and be spent for you." 2. Corinthians 12:15.

Read 2. Corinthians 12:14-21.

The one purpose for which Paul spent himself was that he might win men to Jesus Christ: "I am made all things to all men that I might by all means save some." When a man says, he must develop a holy life alone with God, he will have little concern for the spiritual welfare of his fellow-men. Paul became a sacramental personality: And so we must too.

Prayer: We would exalt thee, dear Jesus, in the lives of others and thus lift our own lives upon a higher level.

## Daily Meditations

By PROFESSOR LEWIS KAISER of Rochester, N. Y.

Sunday, August 7

### The Devotion of Hearing

"Speak, for thy servant heareth." 1. Samuel 3:10.

Read 1. Samuel 3:2-10.

How we must grieve God by obtuseness of our heart and mind, when he speaks to us! It is not that we will not hear God, but we lack devotion to him. We are rather devoted to things, to service, to convictions, and God may say what he likes, but we do not hear him. We need to cultivate the devotion of hearing, so that we are always keenly sensitive to his voice.

Prayer: Forgive us, dear Lord, that because of the jarring and discordant notes of this world we so often fail to hear thy message.

Monday, August 8

### The Surrendered Life

"I am crucified with Christ." Galatians 2:20.

Read Galatians 2:16-21.

Paul means, I have been identified with him in his death. When I come to such a conviction and act upon it, then all that Christ wrought for me on the cross is wrought in me. Freely committing myself to God, the Holy Spirit has the chance to impart to me the holiness of Jesus Christ. The individuality remains—"nevertheless I live," but the ruling disposition is radically altered.

Prayer: Through thy death upon the cross, O Christ, I now live my life by the faith of the Son of God.

Tuesday, August 9

### The Effacement of the Worker

"He must increase, but I must decrease." John 3:30.

Read John 3:25-30.

This is spoken by John the Baptist not in sadness, but in joy. He hears the Bridegroom's voice and his joy is "fulfilled." Gladly he gives way to the Greater. He effaces himself and he exalts the Master. So too we say, when we hear the bridegroom's voice: "None for self, but all of thee."

Prayer: O Christ, my joy. Be thou my One and my All.

Wednesday, August 10

### The Pure Heart is the Seeing Heart

"Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God." Matthew 5:8.

Read Matthew 5:2-12.

Spiritual vision depends upon character—purity of heart. Purity is more than innocence. It is the outcome of sustained sympathy with God. We

have to grow in purity. If we retain personal contact with the Lord Jesus it will mean that there are some things we must scorn to do or to think.

Prayer: Help me, divine Master, to keep pure in thought and action that my vision of thee and the good and the true may become ever more penetrating.

Thursday, August 11

### The Price of Vision

"In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw also the Lord." Isaiah 6:1.

Read Isaiah 6:1-5.

God often removes our dear ones in order to put himself into their place. In the year that one who stood closest to me was taken away, God, whom I had nearly forgotten, was revealed to me anew. Upon the gloomy background of death there flashed up a new vision of God's glory and grace. In the day of mourning came the divine call to the prophet.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thou art often nearest to us, when the shadows are deepest.

Friday, August 12

### What the Holy Spirit Does

"He shall glorify me." John 16:14.

Read John 16:8-16.

Jesus said: "When he the Spirit of truth is come, he shall glorify me." When I commit myself to the revelation made in the New Testament I receive from God the gift of the Holy Spirit. He interprets to me what Jesus did. He does in me subjectively all that Christ did for me objectively. He exalts Christ into the center of my being and life.

Prayer: "O Spirit divine, all my nature refine that the beauty of Jesus may shine in me."

Saturday, August 13

### In God's Confidence

"The secret (or friendship) of the Lord is with them that fear him." Psalm 25:14.

Read Psalm 25:8-15.

What is the sign of a true friend? That he tells you his secret joys. That is the last mark of intimacy. Have we ever let God tell us any of his joys? Or are we telling God our secrets so continually that we leave no room for him to talk to us? We should be so wedded to Jesus' idea of prayer—"Thy will be done"—that we catch the secrets of God.

Prayer: Divine Master, thou hast much to tell us, if we will only keep close to thy heart.

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# Sunrise

By Mrs. Grace Livingston Hill

## SYNOPSIS

Jason Whitney, a bank clerk, was implicated in a bank robbery because of circumstantial evidence. On the day before the robbery he had been "fired." His notebook was found on the floor in front of the safe. He had left town hurriedly without telling anybody, not even his sister Joyce, his confidential friend. Everyone in town believed Jason guilty, except Rose Allison, the minister's daughter. Rowan, inspired by the love for Joyce, decides to find Jason and traces him to the harbor of New York. In the dead of night, he catches a mysterious ship on which he believed Jason shipped as deckhand. Before he realizes it the ship is far out at sea.

## CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

"Young man, ef ya don't know what this cargo is, it's not fer me ta tell ya. And as far as finding yer friend to-night, there's nothin' doin'. This here lantern's the only light that's burnin' an' I'm puttin' this on the blink now. From now till we git out o' this section we're travelin' dark an' still, an' ef you let a sound outta ya after this light goes out, you'll find yerself where ya would a ben a few minutes back ef I hadn't hauled ya in. Out there in the dark the waters' slick an' even yor friend don't know yor here. So sit tight an' shut yer trap ef ya wanta keep on voyagin'. There's a pile of bags behind ya, an' ye can lay down an' shut up. This here begins the danger point and here comes the first mate. Don't let him know yer aboard yet. He's pretty well tanked up an' he might treat ya worse'n ya deserve."

With that he snuffed out the light and disappeared in the darkness and the strangest thing about it was that there wasn't a sound of a footstep!

Rowan sat down tentatively in the direction the man indicated and found the bags, an ill-smelling gritty heap. But there seemed to be no choice and one couldn't stand indefinitely. He wished he had brought his flashlight from the car but if he had stayed for that he would have been too late and Jason would have been lost to them forever.

He sat quite still in the darkness and tried to think it out. It was fantastic. It couldn't be real. It simply couldn't have happened in a modern world. But if it was true and Jason was there—and he knew he had seen

him just before that upper light went out. What did it all mean? What was this? A tramp steamer? Carrying—what? Contraband goods of some kind? What? Rum? Gun-powder? Arms? And what would happen in the morning? Was he foolish to lie still here in the dark and travel on and on across an unknown sea into possible danger or unforseen circumstance? Ought he not rather start out silently on hands and knees perhaps and search through the dark till he found Jason and rescue him? But how was he going to do that not knowing where to look? This was a terrible place. A drunken captain and a Portuguese crew who couldn't understand him, an unknown port and perhaps an uncharted sea, who knows? Suppose he had been mistaken and it wasn't Jason after all, just somebody who resembled him. What could he do? He couldn't jump overboard, it was too far to swim back and if there was a boat he wouldn't know how to lower it nor how to navigate it. Rowan was well versed in land sports and would have been equal to almost any emergency on land. But he had to admit to himself that he was up against an unknown quantity when it came to the sea.

But he had seen Jason. It was not possible that he could have been deceived. And he couldn't go back without Jason. He couldn't think of meeting Joyce and telling her that he had failed.

It was all an unreal situation and his senses were numb. He had been traveling almost continuously, with only a few snatches of sleep and nature was having her revenge. That fearful leap and the shock of that dark unfriendly boat when he had expected a great bright ship with gaiety and friendliness aboard and Jason to welcome him, bewildered him.

As if he had been given a drug, his senses swam, and his eyes fell shut in spite of his best efforts. He tried to rouse and think what to do. It was unspeakably awful to succumb to sleep in a place like this and let himself and Jason be carried further away from everything real and human and desirable and yet he couldn't hold out much longer. He opened his eyes and stared up at a metal sky where wild clouds were hurrying in throngs like an army of outlaws going to battle, grim and gray. An alien sky in league with the alien boat that carried him away from Joyce, with his quest only just begun! And where was Jason through it all?

At last he slept with the stench of the mouldy bags coming up his nostrils like sickening heathen incense. But he slept and dreamed of Joyce, dreamed that he stood by the old farm fence with her in his arms and her soft lips against his, dreamed that he whispered to her softly that he would never come back until he could bring Jason with him. So he slept and under a leaden sky and over a leaden sea the dirty old hag sailed on bearing him farther and farther.

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The days went by one by one for Hannah and Charles. Charles was being very careful and Hannah had grown used to the thought that there was nothing more to dread now than there ever had been. Always there had been the possibility that either might be called out any moment and they had lived on happily for years knowing that fact. Why should it be any different now? That leaky heart might last for years.

"My time is in His hand!" Charles would say with a smile and Hannah would look up bravely and smile and their eyes would cling like a close embrace.

But the looming possibility had served to take their minds somewhat off their anxiety. They were living for each other just now and all other things seemed to take second place. But they were a great comfort to Joyce. Almost every day Charles went over to see Nathan and sat by him and talked, gently, sometimes brought his Bible and read a chapter and then knelt and prayed.

One day when Joyce was sitting in the room he began to talk quite simply to Nathan as if he thought he could hear and understand.

"I'm going to leave you pretty soon, Nate," he said. "They tell me I've got a bad heart and I can't last much longer. But it's all right. I'm ready to go whenever the call comes and Hannah understands. She'll be brave. But I wanted to let you know, old friend. If I don't come over some day, you'll know I've got my morning glory on. 'Joy cometh in the morning,' you know, and His glory is going to be very wonderful. Then, too, it might be that the Lord will come soon for Hannah and the rest of his own and I'd be coming with him of course—all of us to share his morning glory! I just wanted to tell you, old friend, so you would understand if I didn't come any more and so you'd be ready to go Home

with us all when the Lord comes. It doesn't take long to get ready, you know, all the preparations are made by him. All you've got to do is accept—you know the way. You've always known—"

Joyce was sitting quietly with the tears running down and a tender look in her face. He had wanted to tell her, too, she knew, and he had taken this way to do it. When they both looked they saw a slow tear trickling down old Nathan's cheek. He had understood!

At the end Charles went quite suddenly.

The winter was well on its way. Charles had been most careful, and Hannah had watched over him at every step, lovingly, not osentatiously. Hannah was one of those rare women who never nagged with her attentions. Her tenderness was more like the overshadowing of a bride for her beloved, than the fussing of an elderly married woman over a sick husband. Charles never felt from her manner that he was a sick man and needed utmost care.

The time was almost like a second honeymoon for the two. Such tender affection, such oneness of thought, such radiance of loving harmony! It was perhaps as near as one can approach on this earth, to what heavenly love is to be.

And each of them, for the sake of the other, put aside the anxiety that would have been natural for their beloved son. They had learned to trust him utterly in the Father's care, and to feel they must not mar these last days of their life together by any care about him. Since he was in the Father's care all would surely be well with him, in God's good time. They had found assurance, that this experience, whatever it was being to him, was to bring him somehow into closer fellowship with his God, which was what they desired above all else for Rowan. And so they prayed, trustfully, thankfully, for the answer to their prayers which they were sure was to come whether they were here to see it, or there! Even radiantly, not with tears. They would not grieve each other with tears now. If there were to be tears afterward for a while, so be it, but God would wipe them away.

So the days had gone by, lived like a time of waiting.

Then one bright morning Charles went out, well bundled because the air was sharp, down to the bank. Hannah said:

"Do you have to go today? It's pretty cold."

"Yes, I'm afraid I must. Some more trouble has broken out in the books—and the cash. There hasn't been a sign of it since the robbery till this week. I promised Jamie I'd come down and we'd try to work it out between us. Oh, I'm all right, Hannah. I'm feeling fine!"

She watched him go down the path to where a neighbor's car was waiting to take him to the village. He didn't drive much now. Hannah had persuaded him not to. She said it was a nervous strain to drive. He laughed and said there was nothing the matter with his nerves, but he humored her whenever he could.

They brought him home two hours later. He had had another attack. The doctor was with him, and Jamie Goodright.

Hannah saw them getting out of the car. They had telephoned her and she was ready. Not a tear was in evidence. She had been making preparation for him. Her heart had been on its knees while she worked. Her face was calm and sweet, and he looked toward her in his pain and smiled, and she smiled back. Those who saw it said afterward that it was like two angels waving farewell while each went on a separate errand.

They had a few minutes together by themselves before the nurse arrived. The doctor was in the other room. Hannah sat by him and held his hand. She smiled when he opened his eyes.

"Its—all—right, Hannah," he said, and that heavenly smile went over his face again.

"Yes,—it's all right, Father!" and there was a ring to her voice almost like triumph.

"Say good-bys to—the—children! Don't—let them—grieve. Tell them I'll be watching!—Tell them—to—get ready—to come Home—forever!"

"I will."

"No more pain!" He pressed her fingers and his lips hovered in a smile. "No—more—tears!"

"No more tears, Father!" Hannah's voice did not falter.

He was quiet a moment and then spoke once more:

"Tell—Rowan—I'm—proud of him!" Hannah's eyes lighted and she touched her lips softly to his fingers.

"Tell him to look out for you—and Myra! Dear—little—girl! Tell Myra not—to grieve! Tell her—it—will—all—come right if—she—trusts God! And the little Olive—our girl's little girl! God bless her—and lead—her Home!"

He closed his eyes and Hannah thought he slept, but he opened them again.

"Look out—for Joyce—our Rowan's—Joyce! Love her—Mother!"

"Of course!" said Hannah with her lips against his hand again.

Then he really did sleep, so quietly Hannah wasn't sure he was still breathing. The pain seemed to have left his face and only peace was there.

The doctor stole in and looked at him, turned to Hannah and whispered, with a misty smile in response to Hannah's own:

"He'll probably not awake again," he said. "He'll just wake up in Heav-

en." And Hannah nodded. It was all right.

But still she sat and held his hand, and then, he did open his eyes again, and into the quiet of the room his voice came clear and tender, almost triumphant.

"The call has come! I'm going to leave you, Hannah, dear! Good-bye! It won't be long! Joy cometh in the morning, and glory! Sunrise glory in the morning."

Then he was gone. As definitely as if a chariot had stopped at his bedside and carried him away, Hannah knew that he had left her. She stooped and kissed his lips, looked into the face that was so dear, and turned away, his last words in her heart. Sunrise glory in the morning.

Myra came on at once. She looked old and worn. She seemed almost older than her mother. She sobbed continually. Hannah had a moment's sudden anger when she looked at her child. This was not like Myra, this utter giving way to emotion. Myra had been sweet and controlled as a girl, never hysterical. It is true that Myra had always been more willful than Rowan, more insistent to have her own way. But Hannah could not help feeling that living with Mark had shattered her nerves. She did not seem in the least like herself.

And she was continuously moaning about the last time she had come, the things she had said to her father in her passion about Rowan.

"It's all right, dear," soothed Hannah. "Father understood that you didn't mean half you said. Father felt sorry for you, dear. Your name was almost the last on his lips, 'Dear little girl,' he called you. Now sit down and let me tell you what he said."

But Myra would go off sobbing again and Hannah could give her no comfort. She kept berating herself for worrying her father, and then she interspersed it with berating her brother for going away in such an awful way. Sometimes she called him a thief and hashed the whole thing over again and again, with all that Mark had said about him, until Hannah was nearly at her wits' end. Finally she said:

"Myra, dear, if you have got to think those things yourself I can't stop you, but you're not to mention them again in this house. And I don't want to hear any more about what Mark says or thinks. Your father and I knew all about Rowan and we were not troubled about his absence. Some day you will understand it yourself, when he gets back, and then you will be ashamed. But until then, please don't mention such a thought again!"

"Well, if you and father knew all about it I think you ought to tell and not let people go around saying such rotten things about my brother."

"There, there, Myra, that will do. I don't want to hear anything more about it."

They were trying days, those three before the funeral. And on the second one Mark arrived. That was worse yet. He undertook to run everything.

Hannah had quietly and completely made her arrangements, the arrangements that she and Charles had calmly talked over, and everything was moving along calmly, when Mark came on the scene. The first thing he did was to ask about the undertaker, and try to discover whether Hannah had gotten estimates from different ones. He said he had a list of the best and cheapest ones in the county and she had better let him take the matter over and arrange everything. But when Hannah told him that everything was arranged he went determinedly down to find out what she had done.

When he returned, just at dinner time, he told her that he had looked everything over and told the man to make several changes. He spoke sharply about her selecting such a handsome casket, and said that in her position she had no right to go into debt for something that was to be buried under ground. Father was dead now and it couldn't possibly mean anything to him.

Hannah looked at him wide-eyed and calm, a mild surprise in her eyes.

"Just what do you mean, Mark, 'in my position,'" she said.

"Why I mean that you being alone in the world now and having lost nearly everything you possess, probably through the machinations of your only son, and you having no earning power whatever, will have no money to pay for a costly layout. We shall have to keep you, of course, and we can't afford to let you mount up bills which will be more than we would care to help you pay."

"Oh, I see," said Hannah thoughtfully. "Well, Mark, you can put aside your worry about that. I still have enough to pay for the funeral as it has been planned. I shall not come to you to help in any way."

"Yes, but don't you see that even if you have enough in the bank at present to pay for this, that you ought to save as much of it as you can? It will help buy what clothes you have to wear. We can feed you, of course, and give you a home, but we can't afford to spend much on frills."

Hannah smiled.

"Well," she said soothingly, "I shan't need many frills."

Myra suddenly got up and went toward the kitchen. She had turned white at her husband's first words and now she was on the verge of tears again. But Mark was angry now.

"Myra, sit down!" he ordered. "I want you to hear this, too. It is better that we all understand each other. Mother, I told the undertaker to change the order. I went over the whole thing, and cut down as much as possible."

"Yes, I know," said Hannah steadily, "He called me up and told me what you had done. I told him I wished things to go on just as I had planned them. This is my affair, Mark, not yours, and you will have to keep out of it!"

Myra left the room then in earnest in a burst of tears and Mark stormed loudly, but Hannah presently got up herself and went upstairs.

"Now that Rowan has chosen to take himself out of the picture," shouted Mark after her, "I am the head of this household, and you will have to learn that you can't carry on with a high hand and spend just as you please. I can't afford it!"

But Hannah had shut her door, and even a man of Mark's furious temperament cannot carry on an argument when his opponent and audience have both removed themselves. So Mark went outside to look around and appraise the various farm implements and tools and calculate how much they would bring. No, those days before the funeral were not pleasant days and Hannah was glad that they would soon be over.

Joyce came over several times, slipping away from her father when she could, but Myra seemed to resent her presence.

"I don't think she has very fine feelings," she said haughtily. "She must know it was her brothers' fault for getting Rowan into this mess. It was her brother who led him away to that awful Rawley place, they say. I've been down to Mrs. Lamb's cottage and she's been telling me a lot."

"Yes, she would," said Hannah quietly. "Myra, you've been away from home too long to be a good judge of whom to listen to. If I were you I wouldn't get my facts from Mrs. Lamb. Now, child, forget all this for the present. Sometime I'll tell you all about it, Rowan and Jason and everything, but not now. I'll tell you, too, what your father thought of Joyce, and I'm sure the day will come when you will love her as much as I do. Now, just don't say any more at present."

Myra wept all through the service and caught none of the comfort that Hannah found in the precious words from the Book that Charles and she had read so often together.

But after it was all over and they had come back to the cleared up house and Hannah was getting supper, just as she had always gotten it, just as if she were not terribly conscious that dear Charles' body was laid away in the cemetery, and she would not see that precious face again until she beheld it in the Morning, in glory, Morning Glory!

It was while she was fixing the fried potatoes the way she knew Myra loved them, and trying not to think how Charles had loved them too, that Myra came to her.

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## DAILY MEDITATIONS

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Sunday, August 14

### The Transfigured Life

"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. Old things have passed away, behold, all things are become new." 2. Corinthians 5:17.

Read 2. Corinthians 5:16-21.

The experience of salvation means that in our actual life things are really altered. We no longer look at things as we used to. Our desires are new; old things have lost their power. If we are born again, the Spirit of God makes the alteration manifest in our actual life and reasoning.

Prayer: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me."

Monday, August 15

### Readiness

"God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, 'Moses, Moses.' And he said, 'here am I.' Exodus 3:4.

Read Exodus 3:1-6.

Readiness for God means that we are at his immediate command, whenever he calls us. We have no choice in what we want to do. When any duty presents itself we hear God's voice as our Lord heard his Father's voice and we are ready for it with all the alertness of our love for him.

Prayer: Whenever thou callest, dear Father, may I be found ready and eagerly responsive.

Tuesday, August 16

### The Destiny of Holiness

"Ye shall be holy, for I am holy." 1. Peter 1:16.

Read 1. Peter 1:13-19.

God has one destined aim for mankind, holiness. His one aim is the production of saints. God is not an eternal blessing-machine for men. He did not come merely out of pity to save men. He came to save men, because he had created them to be holy. To be holy is to have God come into us and to transform us into his likeness.

Prayer: Create in me, O holy God, through thy Spirit, thine own image.

Wednesday, August 17

### The Will to Loyalty

"Choose you this day, whom you will serve." Joshua 24:15.

Read Joshua 24:14-18.

This is an appeal to the will. Will is the whole man active. I cannot give up my will; I must exercise it. I must will to obey and I must will to receive God's Spirit. Choose you! It is a deliberate calculation and not something into which you drift easily. The preparation is between you and God. Do not confer with flesh and blood about it. Be loyal!

Prayer: My Lord and Master, help me to be undivided and wholehearted in my service for thee—unflinching in my devotion.

# How Is Your Foundation

By F. E. BOGGESS

You never can build a life of which you can be proud unless it is placed on a strong foundation. There must be honest material and workmanship in it, and it must be strong enough to support any kind of building you put on it. If you put dishonesty in that foundation some day it will crumble right at a time when it most needs to be strong. Poor material of any kind, even if it looks genuine, will give way and be found to be counterfeit.

Your life will be like that house that was built on the sand. It was a good fair-weather house. But do you remember what happened when the floods came and the winds blew and beat upon that house? Why, "it fell, and great was the fall thereof, for it was built upon the sand."

Did I ever tell you about the man who built a three-story hotel? It was a very good hotel when it was built, and served the community well. All who came desiring food and shelter found plenty to eat and ample room to sleep. But the community grew with unexpected rapidity, and with the growth came a greater demand for shelter than the hotel could supply. So the owner thought and thought about what he had better do to meet this new demand. Long into the night he pondered over the problem. At last he reached a decision, went to bed and was soon sound asleep. Bright and early next morning he sent for a contractor.

"Mr. Jones," said the hotel-man, "I want you to build a fourth story on to my building. My business has grown until I must have more room, and I have decided that is the best way to get it. Come, let us go up on the roof so you can see what must be done."

"First," replied Mr. Jones, "let us go down into the basement."

"But my basement is entirely satisfactory. It is a new fourth story that I want."

"Yes, I know, but I must see the basement first," persisted Mr. Jones.

And so to the basement they went and were down there a long time. Mr. Jones followed the stone foundation wall clear around the building, stopping often to make tests and measurements. At last, without making any comment, he led the way upstairs. On the first floor he spoke.

"It's no use to go to the roof now, sir. Your foundation is not strong enough to bear the weight of another story. Evidently when you built this hotel you had no idea you might some day wish to make it higher, so you put just enough strength in your foundation to carry the weight of three stories. Now, if you wish to add a story, you must first decide whether you are willing to go to the expense of rebuilding the foundation."

For a long time he owner of the hotel said not a word. With a far-away look he gazed out over the town which had grown so much faster than he had expected it to and had made demands for more room in his building. He was reliving a scene which happened years before. It was a day before work on his hotel had begun. An old stone-mason had come to him with a blueprint of the proposed building in his hand and said:

"This will be a very pretty building and a useful one, too. But may I be so bold as to make one suggestion to you before it is started?"

"You certainly may, and I will be glad to consider it."

"Well, I have been laying foundations for buildings for more than fifty years, and many's the time I have seen when these buildings needed to be built bigger and the foundations were not strong enough to carry the extra load. My advice to you is to double the strength of your foundation. The cost would be very slight, and then you would be in a position to increase the height of your building at any time you chose."

The young man who planned to build the hotel smiled indulgently at his adviser and replied: "I'm sure you mean well, but I have figured the growth of this town from every possible angle, and am sure my building will be ample to take care of the hotel business for the next fifty years. There is nothing to give the place a boom, and I cannot be mistaken. No, I will not put an extra dollar into the foundation to provide for an emergency which never can happen."

The outcome of it all was that the owner of this hotel spent hundreds of dollars reinforcing the foundation

walls and then added the fourth story which he had planned.

Did you ever see advertisements of correspondence - schools and night-schools in the magazines? To what class of people do they appeal?

You don't know?

Well, I'll tell you. Those advertisements are directed to the large number of men and women who didn't see the necessity of building strong educational foundations when they were boys and girls. Some thought that a junior high school education was all they ever would need. But suddenly, as they grew older, they were confronted by an opportunity to make more of their life than they ever dreamed, but to do so they must strengthen their educational foundation. Some thought that doing school work well enough to just get by was good enough, but found later they were not well prepared to build another story to their accomplishments. That is a daily tragedy in American life and one that might be avoided if our boys and girls could only see the wisdom of making the most of their school opportunities while they are young.

But the same thing is equally true of character. Young people who are growing up with no reputation for being honest and dependable, who think it is a smart thing to flaunt the laws of their country and disregard those who are in authority, who cultivate coarseness and crudeness rather than culture and refinement, who scoff at the religion of their fathers and think that chivalrous gentlemen and virtuous ladies are relics of an unenlightened past, who regard the ties of home and family as binding them lightly, who seek thrills rather than service, and who have substituted speed for responsibility and expediency for conscience, will find some day that they must go back and rebuild their foundations.

Some day out in the future someone will say in the time of a crisis and in convincing tones: "I'm afraid you are a counterfeit. You don't wear well."

Today is your great opportunity to build foundations which are genuine and which will wear for a lifetime and then may be passed on to future generations.

Will you improve your opportunities?—(F. E. Boggess in "Young People.")

# Conference Programs

## Program of the Central Conference

Burns Avenue Church, Detroit, Michigan

Tuesday, August 23, to Sunday, August 28, inclusive

Theme: "Christ Preeminent."

### TUESDAY

7.30 P. M.: Opening Session, German. Leader, Rev. G. Neumann. Conference Sermon: "Jesus, the Counsellor," Rev. H. P. Kayser.

### WEDNESDAY

9.30 A. M.: Organization and reading of church letters. Appointment of Committees. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: "An Hour with Jesus." "Sitting at His Feet" (German), Prof. O. E. Krueger.

2.30 P. M.: Missions: Report of the Central Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. Leo F. Gassner. 3.00-3.15 P. M.: Discussion. 3.15-3.45 P. M.: Reports of our General Missionary Work by Mr. H. P. Donner, delegate of the General Council to the Central Conference. 3.45-4.30 P. M.: Discussion. 4.00-4.30 P. M.: Address: "The German Baptist Relation to the Northern Baptist Convention," Rev. Paul Wengel. 4.30-5.00 P. M.: Discussion.

7.30 P. M.: English. Rev. E. G. Kliese, presiding. Missionary Sermon: "Obedience to Christ's Command," Rev. John Knechtel.

### THURSDAY

9.30-9.50 A. M.: Brief Devotional. Business. 9.50-10.20 A. M.: Report of the Committee on Missionary Recommendations. 10.20-10.50 A. M.: Our Seminary, Prof. O. E. Krueger. 10.50-11.20 A. M.: Address: "Preaching Christ in the Crisis of Today," Rev. L. Gittings. 11.20-11.30 A. M.: Discussion. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: "An Hour with Jesus." "Following in His Footsteps" (English), Prof. O. E. Krueger. 2.30-5.00 P. M.: Women's Program. (By the Women's Missionary Union of the Central Conference.)

7.30 P. M.: German. Rev. Wm. Hoover presiding. Doctrinal Sermon: "The Death of Christ," Prof. F. H. Woyke.

### FRIDAY

9.30-9.50 A. M.: Brief Devotional. Business. 9.50-10.20 Report of the Committee on our Seminary. 10.20-10.50 A. M.: Report of the Committee on our Publication Society. 10.50-11.20 A. M.: Address: "Christ our Hope of Glory," Rev. Theodore W. Dons (German). 11.20-11.30 A. M.: Discussion. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: "Kneeling at His Cross" (German), Prof. O. E. Krueger.

2.30 P. M.: Report of our Benevolent Organizations, Mr. H. P. Donner. 3.00-5.00 P. M.: Symposium: "What Does It Mean to Follow Christ Today?" In business; in factory and office; in the home; in the church. Leader: Rev. Geo. Hensel.

Evening: Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Banquet. Speaker: Dr. Wm. Kuhn. (Dr. Kuhn will have just returned from his trip to Southeastern Europe.)

### SATURDAY

9.30 A. M.: Brief Worship. Unfinished Business. Memorial Service, led by Rev. Benj. Graf. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: Address, rendered at the General Conference in Portland, by Mr. H. P. Donner.

Afternoon: Recreation, provided by the entertaining church.

### SUNDAY

Conference Sermon in the Burns Avenue Church, Dr. Wm. Kuhn.

There will be Sunday School sessions and church services in all the local churches in addition to those in the conference church. Visiting pastors will serve in the various churches.

3.00 P. M.: Young People's and Sunday School Workers' Mass Meeting. Speaker, President-elect A. J. Hudson of the Northern Baptist Convention.

7.30 P. M.: German and English. Leader, Rev. J. G. Draewell. German Message: "The Fullness of Christ," Rev. Wm. Hoover. English Message: "Christ as Lord," Rev. T. W. Bender.

Adjournment at end of evening session.

## Program of the Eastern Conference, 1938

The 87th Annual Sessions of the Eastern Conference will be held in the Andrews Street Baptist Church of Rochester, N. Y., August 24th to 28th.

Conference Theme: "Christ and Human Needs."

Conference Text: "All things consist in Christ," Col. 1:17.

Conference Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun."

### WEDNESDAY

8 P. M. (Standard Time): Opening Service. Welcome by Rev. H. R. Koester, pastor of the entertaining church, with a response by an officer of the Conference. Address: "Christ and the Sinner's Needs," by Rev. L. B. Holzer, Temple Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

### THURSDAY

9.30-10 A. M.: Devotional: Mrs. Grace Domes, Folsomdale, N. Y. 10-11 A. M.: Organization and reading of church letters. 11-12 A. M.: Our Publication Society, by Rev. S. Blum, Editor of "Der Sendbote", Cleveland, Ohio.

2.15-2.30 P. M.: Devotional: Rev. E. W. Klatt, Killaloe, Ontario. 2.30-3.30 P. M.: Our Seminary in Rochester, by Dean Albert J. Bretschneider, Rochester, N. Y. 3.30-4.30 P. M.: "Christ and our Denominational Enterprise," by Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D. D., Forest Park, Illinois.

7.45 P. M.: Song Service, led by Rev. E. W. Klatt, Killaloe, Ont. 8 P. M.: Address by Rev. Wm. Kuhn, D. D., Forest Park, Ill.

### FRIDAY

9.30-10 A. M.: Devotional: Rev. John Heer, Lyndock, Ontario. 10-11 A. M.: Business transaction of the Conference. 11-12 A. M.: "Christ and the Needs of the Present World," by Rev. C. E. Cramer, Arnold, Pennsylvania.

2.15-2.30 P. M.: Devotional: Rev. H. Pfeifer, Erie, Pa. 2.30-3.30 P. M.: Report of our Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. P. Geissler, Buffalo, N. Y. 3.30-4.30 P. M.: Ladies Program—Frauenbund. Mrs. Grace Domes, Folsomdale, N. Y., in charge.

7.45 P. M.: Song Service, led by Rev. E. W. Klatt, Killaloe, Ont. 8 P. M.: "Christ and Human Needs," by Rev. H. Habel, Buffalo, N. Y.

### SATURDAY

9.30-10 A. M.: Devotional: Rev. A. Kannwischer, Buffalo, N. Y. 10-11 A. M.: Election of officers and unfinished business. 11-12 A. M.: Memorial Service, by Rev. D. Hamel, Rochester, N. Y.

2 P. M.: Tours to Various Points of Interest.

6.30 P. M.: Young People's Banquet.

### SUNDAY

9.30-10.30 A. M.: Sunday School. Addresses by visitors. 10.45-12 A. M.: Morning worship service, sermon by Rev. George Zinz of Neustadt, Ontario.

3.30-4.45 P. M.: Closing of Conference, sermon by Professor L. Kaiser, Rochester, N. Y. To be followed by Communion Service.

The Program Committee:  
Prof. H. Dymmel,  
Rev. H. R. Koester and  
Rev. A. E. Jaster.

## Program of the Southwestern Conference

Lorraine, Kansas, August 10-14

Conference Theme: "Christianity and the Problems of Today."

### WEDNESDAY

7.30-7.45 P. M.: Organ Recital. 7.45-9.00 P. M.: Greetings and official welcome. Response by the Moderator. Opening Address by Rev. George Ehrhorn.

### THURSDAY

8.30-9.00 A. M.: Prayer Bands. 9.00-9.30 A. M.: Devotional hour, Rev. Chas. Wagner. 9.30-11.00 A. M.: Organization and Business. 11.00-11.30 A. M.: Lecture and Discussion—"Christianity and Neo-Paganism." 11.30-12.00 A. M.: Quiet Half-hour, Mr. H. P. Donner.

1.30-2.00 P. M.: Prayer Bands. 2.00-2.30 P. M.: Necessary business. 2.30-3.00 P. M.: Report of Mission work. 3.00-3.30 P. M.: Election of Mission Committee. 3.30-4.00 P. M.: Lecture and Discussion—"Christianity and Narcotics," Rev. S. Geis.

7.00-7.30 P. M.: Prayer Bands. 7.30-7.45 P. M.: Organ Recital. 7.45-9.00 P. M.: Gospel Songfest with Piano, Organ, and Choir. Doctrinal Message by Rev. T. Frey.

### FRIDAY

8.30-9.00 A. M.: Prayer Bands. 9.00-9.30 A. M.: Devotional hour, Rev. J. Kemnitz. 9.30-11.00 A. M.: Report on State of Denomination, Mr. H. P. Donner. Discussion of State of Denomination. Election of Orphanage Representative. 11.00-11.30 A. M.: Lecture and Discussion—"Christianity and Morals," Rev. P. Potzner. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: Quiet Half-hour, H. P. Donner.

1.30-2.00 P. M.: Prayer Bands. 2.00-4.00 P. M.: Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union. Meeting of Mission Committee. Inspection tour of building and organization of Lorraine Church. Pastor's Conference.

7.00-7.30 P. M.: Prayer Bands. 7.30-7.45 P. M.: Organ Recital. 7.45-9.00 P. M.: Gospel Songfest with Chorus Choir. Missionary Address by Mr. H. P. Donner.

### SATURDAY

8.30-9.00 A. M.: Prayer Bands. 9.00-9.30 A. M.: Devotional hour, Rev. A. Rietdorf. 9.30-11.00 A. M.: Reports of Committees. Unfinished Business. Problem Discussions and Resolutions. 11.00-11.30 A. M.: Lecture and Discussion—"Christianity and Crime," Rev. E. Kary. 11.30-12.00 A. M.: Quiet Half-hour by Mr. H. P. Donner.

1.30-2.00 P. M.: Prayer Bands. 2.00-4.00 P. M.: B. Y. P. U. and S. S. W. Union Meeting (Evening service in charge of Young People.)

### SUNDAY

9.15-9.45 A. M.: Deacons and Pastors' Prayer Hour. 9.45-10.45 A. M.: Sunday School. 10.45-12.00 A. M.: Morning Worship services. Speaker, Rev. W. Helwig.

2.00-4.00 P. M.: Young People's Service. 7.00-7.30 P. M.: Union Prayer Meeting in Prayer Room. 7.30-7.45 P. M.: Organ Recital. 7.45-9.00 P. M.: Evening Praise Service. Speaker, Mr. H. P. Donner.

Note: Missionary offerings will be taken on Friday night and Sunday night.

The Prayer Bands are for those who will unite with us in Prayer for a Revival of Holy Living, and Evangelism in Our Southwestern Conference and the work at large.

Program Committee:  
Pieter Smit, D. D., Chairman.

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well banquets, two of these banquets were given by Roman Catholic society women, the pupils of the musical missionary, attended only by Roman Catholics. No wonder, when the fanatic Irish friars again make their appearance to bring back the people into darkness of the past centuries, their own church people turn them down in favor of the foreign musical and medical missionaries.

Certainly, a voice can be dedicated in a very acceptable way of the service of the Master. The musical missionary is also a member of the teaching staff in our training school for nurses, where under the superintendency of Miss Adams, and six graduate nurses and three doctors, thirty-three girls receive nurses' training.

So we have been happy, very happy in all our diversified contacts. Dedicate everything you have to the Master. Some people have a mistaken idea that missionaries should only stand on street corners and preach and preach. I tell you, talk and talk only will never get converts for the Christ. You must act the loving service of the Master and live and try to live his life, and the appeal is thus made! The Orient judges you not from your talk but from your Christian

Surely, we are preachers, and enjoy it greatly, using the interesting vernacular, the Visayan, or the Spanish, or the English. Surely, we are evangelistic in heart and act, for our hospital is the center of a great program of evangelization, daily meetings, besides soul treatments, Bible woman, hospital pastor, nurses' evangelistic team, hospital Sunday School, outstations for consultations and preaching, definitely our own hospital medical missions project at Panitan, supported by medical missions interests. Yes, we rejoice in bringing the preaching message.

But there is something more to the message of the Christ. Yes, we must fill the starving stomachs of our hill pagans with our agricultural message. We must preach pigs and chickens, no matter what some benighted Americans think. And, as a result, you can see a Baptist church up there in our pagan hills, where over two hundred church members go to church every Sunday. Surely, we must bind their wounds, and treat their diseases. We must teach the benighted in our schools, for the very task of our Master of the first and of all centuries was so diversified as Matthew 4:23 shows. So we, the ambassadors to and from the Philippines, beseech you as our American constituency to live the life and teachings of the Christ as Lord and Savior, in a humble and understanding appreciation of the ideals of the Oriental, and so bring about the Kingdom of God on earth in Christian friendship and brotherhood, one with him, irrespective of creed or color. One motto is prevalent here or there—Christ Only!



# Reports from the Field

## Dakota Conference

### Cathay.—Farewell Service to Miss Laura Reddig

On Sunday evening, June 26, a capacity audience filled the German Baptist Church in Cathay for the Dedication service of Miss Laura Reddig as a foreign missionary to Africa.

Miss Reddig is the daughter of the late G. A. Reddig of Cathay and Mrs. Johanna Reddig, now of Lodi, Calif. She was born and raised at Cathay, and graduated from the Cathay high school. Recently she graduated from the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago Ill., and is also a graduate nurse.



Miss Laura Reddig

At the services the Rev. McCoy of Carrington, the Rev. R. Sigmund of Fessenden, the Rev. D. Klein of Germantown and the Rev. Arthur Ittermann of Cathay took part in the dedicatory program. Special music was given, which included a vocal duet by two ladies of the Carington Church, a girls' chorus from Fessenden and a vocal duet by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reddig of Cathay.

Other speakers besides the ministers, who congratulated Miss Reddig and wished her God speed were Albert Reddig, superintendent of the Cathay Sunday School; Mrs. Bertha Wahl, president of the Ladies' Aid; Arthur Reddig president of the young people's society; and Fred Helm and William Neuman, deacons of the Cathay Church. Miss Reddig spoke briefly, extending a few words of appreciation.

The dedicatory prayer and benediction were given by the Rev. A. Ittermann, and refreshments were served in the church parlors following the services



Vacation Bible School, Plum Creek Church

### The Vacation Bible School for the Plum Creek Church, Near Emery S. Dak.

The first Daily Vacation Bible School was realized in the Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, So. Dak., when 53 pupils, the ages 5 to 16, and a staff of seven teachers met daily from May 30 to June 10. We began this project with much diffidence since it was a new enterprise in this community. But we were more than gratified with the fine attendance and cooperative spirit from the beginning to the end of the school. Distance did not hinder our attendance since arrangements were made to have the children living as far as 11 miles from church stay with friends, living near the church, for our school period.

Our school was departmentalized and consisted of the Beginners, Primary, Junior and Intermediate departments.

The students learned eagerly and accomplished much in only two weeks time. We opened our school with a worship period giving us an opportunity to teach the children reverence and dignity in the house of God, as well as stewardship. A daily offering was taken and designated for the Cameroons.

May the seed that was sown in the hearts of the children bear much fruit in their future years. We thank our heavenly Father for giving us this opportunity of studying his Word and our desire is to press on!

J. C. KRAENZLER.

### South Dakota B. Y. P. U.

A South Dakota B. Y. P. U. Rally was held on May 29, with a large number of representatives from neighboring societies present. The basement was attractively decorated for the luncheon hour, at which time a program, in charge of Harold Schroder, was given centering around the theme of "Fellowship."

The evening service was opened with a song service, led by Rev. Sturhahn of

Unityville, after which the Rev. E. Bonikowsky conducted a brief devotional service. Each B. Y. P. U. that was in attendance rendered a special selection. The Rally address was given by the Rev. J. C. Kraenzler of Plum Creek. He chose as his topic, "The Quest for the Best," presenting an inspirational message.

DOROTHY LEHR.

### B. Y. P. and S. S. W. Union of the Dakota Conference

The annual session of the Union was held with the Hebron Church of North Dakota, June 14-19. Prof. A. Bretschneider led several discussion groups on themes such as "Spires of God," "Need for Better Personal Living," "Task of Youth in Modern Living," and "Relations of Young Men and Women." The Rev. W. S. Argow led a discussion on the theme, "How We Can Become Better Personal Evangelists." The Rev. Bruno Luebeck gave an interesting address on, "Our Missionary Work in China."

The results of this year's election are as follows: president, Rev. William Sturhahn; vice-president, Mrs. Albert Reddig; secretary, Miss Dorothy Lehr; treasurer, Miss Stella Alf; and the Rev. F. W. Bartel as Council Member. It was decided to contribute \$75 towards a Sunday School Worker and Young People's Leader in the Dakota Conference.

### Annual Session of the Dakota Conference

The annual session of the conference was held with the church at Hebron, No. Dakota, June 14-19. Forty-six of the fifty-three churches were represented; the attendance was very good, filling the tent again and again to capacity. Although heavy rains disturbed our services from time to time they could not dampen the spirit of the Dakota farmers, indeed rather brought joy and new hopes to a region which had poor crops in recent years.

A large sign above the platform reading, "Ebenezer, 1888 to 1938," reminded us of the fiftieth anniversary of the local church. One evening was devoted to these anniversary proceedings. The Rev. S. Blum, Editor of the "Sendbote," served as the guest speaker. We were also happy to greet as our conference guests and speakers, Prof. A. Bretschneider, the Rev. and Mrs. B. Luebeck, the Rev. W. S. Argow and Mrs. C. J. Bender. Their various addresses and comments enriched our program and often brought us to the feet of our Master. We were also glad to welcome the Rochester Students' Quartet, which brought great inspiration to our sessions and made a deep impression with their messages of song.

The young people had a very interesting program prepared for the conference session. Picnics, socials and inspirational and devotional meetings, Prof. A. Bretschneider's address on "Spires" in which he spoke of "inspiration," "aspirations," "prespiration," will long be remembered. Indeed, the young people had more offered to them this year than at any previous conference.

The women's meeting held on Friday celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the "Bund." Mrs. K. Gieser gave an unusually interesting report covering the period of the last twenty-five years. Another feature was a dialogue written especially for this occasion by the Rev. E. Bonikowsky. Mrs. C. J. Bender was the guest speaker and gave a stirring report of her experiences as a missionary to the Cameroons.

The missionary offering on Sunday morning was a great disappointment due to the fact that it was the smallest in the history of the conference, not due to any lessening of the spiritual fervor but due to the existing economic conditions. We have a great work and an extensive field here in the Dakotas and feel that a special worker be assigned to our conference giving his full time to the work among our Sunday Schools and young people.

The officers of the conference for the next year are as follows: moderator, the Rev. K. Gieser; vice-moderator the Rev. E. Broeckel; secretary, the Rev. F. W. Bartel; statistician, the Rev. G. W. Pust, and the Rev. A. W. Lang as mission secretary.

E. BIBELHEIMER.

### Pacific Conference

#### Portland, Oregon Immanuel Baptist Church

The Sunday School is one of the busiest workshops in our church. The attendance has increased 25% in the past year, and the offerings have increased materially.

We have just closed a very successful Vacation Bible School. Our enrollment was 57 boys and 37 girls. The daily attendance averaged 60. 16 boys

and 12 girls had a perfect attendance record. Six Protestant churches were represented; 7 pupils came from the Catholic fold, and 4 had no church connections. We also had 3 Japanese children. Our teachers, including the pastor, the Rev. O. Roth, and his wife, were very faithful in discharging their duties in connection with the school. May the Lord of the harvest bless the seed that was sown!

JENNIE C. HOELZER.

### Startup, Washington Mothers Day Program

On Sunday evening, May 8, the "Willing Workers" of the German Baptist Church of Startup, Wash., gave a Mother's Day program. Three dialogues, which pictured the problems of modern motherhood, were well presented. Two duets, one trio, a reading and two instrumental duets, followed by an address by the pastor, the Rev. C. E. Schoenleber, completed the program. Then an offering was taken, which amounted to \$9.16.



Willing Workers, Startup, Wash.

The "Willing Workers" is a newly organized society of young women, most of them mothers of young children. Under the able leadership of Mrs. Adolf Hieb we have been active in the past months. We have a membership of 18 women but each one has shown a genuine willingness to work and sacrifice for the Kingdom of God.

MRS. ED. RAPPUHN, Secretary.

### Northwestern Conference

#### Farewell Service for the Missionary Meyers

A farewell service for Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Meyer and family of the Philippines was held at the Grace Baptist Church, Racine, Wisconsin, on Wednesday, June 22. The Rev. A. Engel, pastor of the church of which Mrs. Meyer is a member, presided over the program and led a brief devotional service on the theme, "The Missionary Motive." The church organist, Alfred Hilker, had arranged a program of music consisting of anthems by the senior and junior choirs, a piano solo by Milton Schacht, a vocal solo by Mrs. Meyer and a duet in which Mrs. Meyer also sang.

The pastor paid tribute to the missionaries and conveyed the church's farewell greeting. A substantial purse, a special gift from the congregation, was given the missionaries for their personal use.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Meyer responded with words of gratitude, pronounced this the best furlough yet and challenged the church to pray for more workers into the world's harvest fields. They stated that under God the most potent force behind a missionary was the prayers of a saintly mother. The mothers of both missionaries were presented to the group. The mother of Dr. Meyer came from Rochester, N. Y., for the farewell. The mother of Mrs. Meyer is Mrs. Anna Schacht of Racine, whose house is near the church.

Miss Frieda Appel, who was a missionary to the Philippines and welcomed the Meyers on their first arrival on the field, was present and spoke reminiscently as did also the Rev. Wm. Appel, of Milwaukee, formerly a missionary to Africa.

The singing of a parting hymn and a prayer of dedication brought the program to a close. Approximately 160 guests were served by the ladies of the church in surroundings made beautiful by the incense of "His" presence.

Two days later Dr. and Mrs. Meyer with their two sons, Milton, 14, and Richard, 10, started by auto for Vancouver, where they were to board the steamer. A third son, Frederick, Jr., traveled eastward. He plans to enter Yale University next fall.

### The Iowa Young People's Convention at Steamboat Rock

The 43rd annual convention of the Iowa German Baptist Young People's Union was held at Steamboat Rock, Iowa, from June 14 to 16.

With the theme, "Follow Thou Me," before us, the convention opened on Tuesday evening, June 14. The opening message, "The Path of Discipleship," was given by the Rev. Vincent Brushwyler of the Evangel Church of Newark, New Jersey.

A very interesting missionary message was given by the Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Peterson, missionaries to Africa.

Miss Laura Reddig, newly appointed missionary to the Cameroons, Africa, gave a very interesting talk on her call to be a missionary in Africa.

The closing message, "The Profits of Discipleship," was given by the Rev. Vincent Brushwyler.

Besides these messages, three interesting study groups were organized. Group 1 was led by the Rev. V. Brushwyler with the topic, "Soul-Winning." Group No. 2 was led by the Rev. Peter Peters of Buffalo Center, the topic for discussion was, "The Followers of

Christ Recognizing and Following God's Blueprint." Group No. 3 was led by the Rev. Carl Swyter of George; his topic was, "The Fact and Fullness and the Foes and Follies of the Follower."

On Thursday afternoon, June 16, a business meeting was held at which time the following officers were elected: Dave Schwitters, Steamboat Rock, president; Frances Folkerts, Buffalo Center, vice-president; Irma Boehlje, Sheffield, secretary and treasurer.

Our missionary offering amounted to \$96.82.  
CATHREN POPKES.

### Southwestern Conference

#### Beatrice, Nebraska West Side Baptist Church

A very interesting and helpful Daily Vacation Bible School of three weeks was brought to a close here Friday, July 1, with a picnic at one of the local parks. From the very beginning it proved to be a time of unexpected opportunities. The neighboring Methodist Church, which is without a minister, was ready and glad to join us in the effort, supplying half of the faculty and half of the expense. A fine spirit of cooperation prevailed throughout.

The school was begun with a "Preparations Day" on the Friday before classes were to start on Monday. We had hoped that 50 might come. When the departments were dismissed that afternoon we had 101 cards with much information about the religious condition of the homes represented. This number taxed the capacity of the room available, so no further active effort was made to enlist more pupils. But the enrollment and attendance continued to grow until checked by rainy weather the second week. The enrollment reached a total of 137 with an average attendance of 99.

We are glad for the large number who came, more glad for the faithful and cooperating faculty, and glad most of all for the happy children, who now regard their minister as a real friend. But the greatest blessing will come from the good seed of the love of God sown in young hearts which will in time bear fruit to his glory.

A. G. RIETDORF.



Vacation Bible School, Beatrice, Nebraska

### Eastern Conference Bethel Church, Buffalo, N. Y. "Growth and Prosperity"

The above words may well describe the condition of the Bethel Church in Buffalo, N. Y. Never before in the history of this church could such blessed activity be reported. Both the church and the Sunday School are in need of more room. A larger auditorium and accommodations for the growing Sunday School are pressing needs.

On Sunday, June 26, 31 newly baptized members were given the hand of fellowship and four others who were absent due to illness will be given the hand of fellowship at a later date. Among the above mentioned was an entire family of six members. Peace and harmonious activity prevail through the membership and it is our prayer that this beautiful spirit and relationship will continue to increase and be more effective than it is now.

The pastor of the church, the Rev. P. Geissler, is not only a good preacher, but also a conscientious pastor and a good missionary. The excellent attendance of both friends and members is a testimony to his sacrificial service.

The Rev. P. Geissler is now ten years pastor of our church and we hope he will continue for ten years longer. Both he and his good wife are dearly beloved by everyone and if the present spirit of cooperation continues, then indeed we shall expect great things of Bethel in the future. F. A. LICHT.

### Evangelistic Campaign in the Baptist Church of Hagarty Tp., Ontario

Two students, Mr. Walter Stein and Mr. Rudolf Milbrandt, from our Seminary at Rochester began their summer's work in our church. The church building itself is of stone construction and is situated in one of the most picturesque townships in the province of Ontario. Last year we celebrated our golden jubilee. We realized then that the church had played a great part in this community in building the Kingdom of God, both through the work of its members and the different

pastors who served the church so faithfully.

Upon our pastor's suggestion, the Rev. E. W. Klatt, the two above mentioned students were invited to conduct an evangelistic campaign. The meetings began, and as the days rolled by with great rapidity the number of blessings were increased. The daughter-church, the Calvary Baptist Church of Killaloe, Ontario, showed fine cooperation. Both, Mr. Stein and Mr. Milbrandt, were earnest as they expounded the Word of God clearly and sincerely with conviction to an appreciative audience evoking serious thinking and the changing of minds and spirits of many. At least fifteen were brought to the realization of a new life in Christ.

The work did not find an end when the two young evangelists departed from us. More souls were brought to Christ by our pastor, with the result that 27 persons acknowledged Christ as their personal Savior.

May God reward the work of the two young evangelists so that many souls may be won for the Kingdom of God as they conduct meetings in the different churches!

EDGAR W. KLATT, Pastor.

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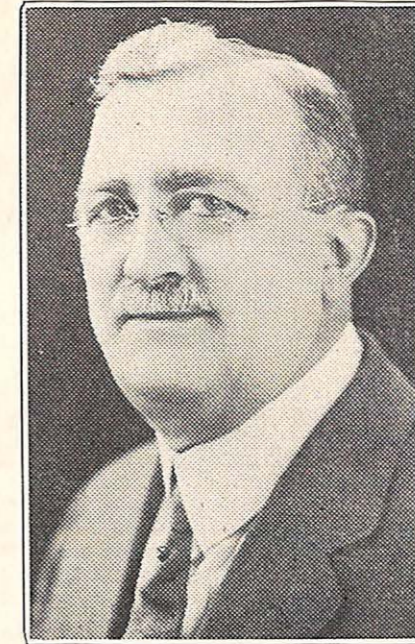
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### OBITUARY



#### WILLIAM F. GROSSER,

our beloved brother and friend, was born May 26, 1870, in Kankakee, Ill., and passed to his eternal reward after a severe sickness on July 4, 1938, at the age of 68 years, 1 month and 9 days.

In 1886 he was converted and baptized by the Rev. J. Meier, joining the First German Baptist Church in Chicago. When the Oak Park Church was organized in 1890, he was one of the charter members of this church and remained a faithful member until he passed to heavenly glory.

In 1895 he was married to Tina Fellman who preceded him in death in 1925. This union was blessed with two sons, Walter W. and Leroy, and one daughter, Myrtle Herschel. In 1928 he was married the second time to Judith Olsen who shared his problems and who tenderly cared for him during his illness. This union was blessed with one son, William, Junior.

Our brother was a faithful and active member of his church. He served faithfully as a president of the Young People's Society, as a Sunday School teacher, as Sunday School superintendent and as church treasurer. He took great interest in the Chicago Missionary and

Benevolent enterprises. He rendered a very valuable service to the general work of our denomination as the Missionary Treasurer for many years. And when he served in this capacity, he always devoted his remuneration for the missionary cause which was never known to many, nor has it been recognized. He was a highly honored citizen of this community and for many years the president of the Harlem State Savings Bank.

As a young man he served the village of Forest Park as village clerk. He was also the first president of the Proviso High School board.

He was a loving and beloved husband, father and grandfather, a devoted member of his church, a Christian man who loved his Bible, his Lord and God's people, and was also a friend and supporter of his pastor. He appreciated the kindness and attention of his many friends during his illness.

He is survived by his sorrowing wife, 3 sons, 1 daughter, 5 grandchildren, 3 brothers and 3 sisters and a host of friends who mourn their loss, but rejoice in the hope of a happy reunion in heaven.

Rev. O. R. Schroeder read the obituary and paid a personal tribute.

Theo. W. Dons, Pastor.

#### PHOEBE WILSON ANTISS

was born October 24, 1896, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. At the age of twelve she was baptized into the fellowship of Bethel Baptist Church. In 1923 she transferred her membership uniting with the Temple Baptist Church. On Monday, July 11, she was called home after a lingering illness. Temple Church has suffered a great loss in her going. Mrs. Antiss had unusual leadership ability. This was soon recognized by the women of Temple Church who elected her president of the Missionary Society. Here she served faithfully. She thought not of herself but always of others. The cause which she served was her chief concern. She had caught the spirit of her Master. Her influence went far beyond the circle of the church in which she was such a faithful member. The Mothers' Club of Carrick recognized her ability and she was elected the president, serving in that capacity for two years and also as vice-president of the Allegheny County Federation of Women's Clubs. The large numbers who came to view the remains at the home and the filled to capacity audience at the services held in Temple Church bespeak the high esteem in which our sister was held. She leaves to mourn her husband, Perry H. Antiss, one daughter, Kathryn Jane, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, and one sister, Mrs. Marion Jackson. We bespeak our heartfelt sympathy.

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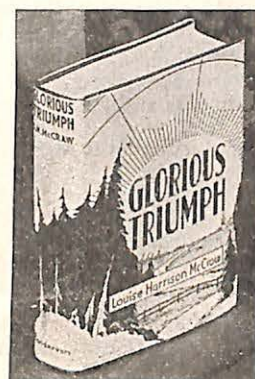


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