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Plans for construction in the Near East of a mighty 100,000-watt radio transmitter, as powerful as any in the area, were announced recently by the National Council of Churches. The new short-wave giant, to be built at a cost of \$250,000 and to be supported by cooperating Protestant foreign mission boards, will beam programs in to virtually the whole Arabic-speaking world, said Dr. W. Burton Martin, executive head of RAV-EMCCO, broadcasting unit of the National Council's Division of Foreign Missions. Its voice will be heard in far-away Indonesia and South Africa, as well as in the Near and Middle East, he declared. Its programs will be educational and cultural as well as religious.

Twelve southern states have organized a Southern Committee on the Use and Understanding of the Bible. Meeting at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church at Atlanta, Ga., last November, representatives of five denominations and various church organizations set up a committee "to strengthen and increase Bible programs" in state and local councils of churches, the United Church Women, denominational and interdenominational Bible committees and ministerial associations. The new group is working on plans to promote Bible studies in town and country churches, urban churches and denominational programs. The group will also plan community distribution of Scriptures, Bible center community projects, a Bible hymn festival and a Bible workshop. —Moody Monthly

Half the Christians in China have refused to obey communist government directives and are conducting their worship services in secret, Ambassador Hollington K. Tong of Nationalist China declared. In a dinner speech in Washington, D. C., the ambassador from Free China said that the Chinese Christians who are permitted to communicate with the West are members of "show case" churches that the communists maintain for propaganda purposes. He said that most Christian groups in Communist China continue to feel severe persecution. By way of contrast, he said that Christian missions are thriving on Formosa. The number of Christians on the Nationalist-held island has multiplied six times since World War II, he declared, and now totals more than a quarter million out of a population of ten million.

The "Honor the Bible Association," which wants to erect a \$60,000 monument to the Bible in Denver's Civic Center, has run into opposition.

The Mayor has opposed the plan. So has the Denver Art Commission, which he appointed. The Art Commission turned down the idea on the grounds that erection of a religious monument in the Civic Center would violate the separation of Church and State. The "Honor the Bible Association" members said they would carry the fight to the courts. The proposed monument would involve a Gothic arch with a representation of Christ on one side and Abraham on the other. A quotation from the Old Testament prophet Micah would be inscribed on the base, as follows: "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

Inclusion of a tiny cross in the emblem to be used in connection with Minnesota's statehood centennial has

aroused controversy among Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish and civic leaders in that state. Among those favoring deletion of the cross is Dr. Oscar A. Benson, president of the Augustana Lutheran Church and a Minnesota resident. "To have the cross on the emblem . . . which is supposed to represent every citizen of Minnesota is to discriminate against those citizens to whom the cross is not a symbol," the Augustana leader said. Favoring the cross was Roman Catholic Archbishop William O. Brady. Noting that "Spokesmen for our Jewish brethren" had said that the cross was "an affront to non-Christians like themselves," the prelate asked, "Can we erase from history the part that the Cross of Christ played in Minnesota's beginnings?" The state's centennial commission delayed a decision on whether to keep or remove the cross from the emblem.



## Baptist Briefs

**Douala Baptists.** Ceremonies were held in Douala, Cameroun, to mark the independence of the Evangelical and Baptist churches in the Cameroun from the mother Evangelical Missionary Society of Paris. Among those present were the Rev. Charles Westphal, vice-president of the French Protestant Missionary Society and of the French Protestant Federation; Paul Concord, general secretary of the Reformed Church of France, and Etienne Jung, president of the Directory of the Church of the Augsburgian Confession.

**President Adams Recovering.** President Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, is in Richmond Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, USA, recovering from a heart attack suffered early Wednesday, May 8. Physicians described the illness as a coronary occlusion and said the attack fortunately was light. They said Dr. Adams must remain in the hospital for some time and then relax the rest of the summer. He should be able to assume his regular duties next fall both as pastor of Richmond's First Baptist Church and president of BWA.

**Baptist Women.** The Second Continental Assembly of the North American Baptist Women's Union will meet November 5-7, 1957 in Toronto, Canada. The program will feature addresses by Mrs. J. T. Ayorinde of Nigeria, Miss Margaret T. Applegarth,

Mrs. George W. Martin, Mrs. Edgar Bates, and others. Canadian women are asked to send their \$2 registration fee to Mrs. R. Wellstood, 60 McCrae Drive, Toronto 17, Ontario. Women living in the United States should send their registration with the \$2 fee to Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

**Baptists in Sao Paulo.** The oldest city in Brazil, Sao Vicente, in the state of Sao Paulo, now has a Baptist church building for the first time since it was settled by Portuguese colonists in 1532. The new building was made possible by a \$20,000 appropriation by the Southern Baptist Convention, paid out of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions. The church was organized in 1951 under the leadership of Missionary Taylor C. Bagby, a veteran of 37 years of service in Brazil.

**Baptist Films.** Esther P. Wengel, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Wengel of Ridgewood, N. Y., was appointed assistant secretary of the Department of Visual Aids in the Council on Missionary Cooperation of the American Baptist headquarters office in New York City, effective April 1. For the past 4 years, she has been manager of the New York Baptist Film Library. Last year she spent 8 months in California managing the Baptist Film Library in Berkeley, while Mrs. Gordon Lahrson accompanied her husband on a trip to Japan.

# Editorial



## "A Little Less Than You Want"

THE BEST ingredient for happiness has been given to us by Dr. Samuel Johnston of dictionary fame in these few words: "A little less time than you want". The happiest people are the busy folk who are often pressed for time to accomplish all they desire. The people with little to do and with no ambition have not found the secret of true happiness. Those who have to find a place to fit new and important activities into their daily schedule are the ones who really enjoy their pleasures.

This is the lesson of Christian stewardship, the secret of the art of Christian living. The Christian is constantly striving to attain new heights of understanding and spiritual power. He is pressing toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. He is reaching out to lay hold on new resources of grace and truth. There is always more ahead for him in the unsearchable riches of God. With Robert Browning, the poet, he believes that "a man's reach must exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for". His joy is experienced in his striving, in his growing in grace, in his reaching to win Christ and the fulness of his power. Dr. James A. Hunter, author and editor, has said: "If we always attained all that we strive for, then no effort of attainment would be left." The secret of happiness is found in having a little less than you want, in the intense striving of your soul to reach the ultimate spiritual attainment. "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:48).

Who is there who does not desire more goodness, more holiness, than he has or to which he can attain? We would be in a bad way, indeed, if we were satisfied with our poor spiritual attainments. There is no self-righteousness in this. "They who fain would serve THEE best are conscious most of wrong within". The saints of God are most keenly aware that they are sinners saved by grace and that there are still higher summits to climb in their Christian walk. They always want more of the spiritual gifts that can be theirs in Christ.

It is the same with regard to money and material things. A little less than one wants is a good thing if our inward attitude is right. It helps us to save. It makes us frugal and self-reliant. It enables us to appreciate what we have. It makes us see our dependence on God and our relationship as stewards to him, the Source and Giver of those things. It is the stimulus to industrious and sacrificial living, as we make the additional effort toward new heights of attainment.

How thankful we should be that it is so! "A little less than you want". Yes, the reach must always exceed the grasp in every realm of life, or stagnation and atrophy will result. That is the law of life. It is the secret of spiritual greatness. It is the lesson of life that Jesus taught his disciples. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matthew 6:33).

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 "How the message of the Cross should incite us to devotion to Christ, to trust in him, to have faith in him!"

# The Demands of the Cross



Repent and believe -- these two words are so vital to the spiritual realm of life!



By REV. RUDOLPH WOYKE,  
 Pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

ONE THING the Cross of Calvary proves to us is that as Christians or as people generally we do not get from the Christ of Calvary nearly as much help and power as we are entitled to. When we think of what Christ has done and how little we rely upon him, we ought to be ashamed. We must remember that Jesus' hands were big enough to bear our sins on Calvary's Cross, but think of how little we give those hands to do!

When we view Christ on Calvary, we come to realize anew that Jesus' heart is literally a reservoir of divine love and compassion, and yet even as God's children we are so often guilty of calling forth that love, not in rivers and oceans, but in tiny little dribbles. How the message of the Cross should incite us to devotion to Christ, to trust in him, to faith in him!

## THE CROSS' DYNAMIC POWER

We come to the conclusion as we meditate upon the Cross that we may be able to say enough about the Cross of Jesus Christ to effect a personal salvation through the exercise of our faith but we can never, not even in a lifetime, exhaust the full wisdom that emanates from the Cross of Calvary. We pray that salvation may come to everyone as we hold forth the Word of life that radiates from the Cross of Calvary.

Today we are thinking of "The Demands of the Cross," and we feel that this message will make plain what has to happen in us in order to put into motion the real, genuine, dynamic power of the Cross. Now in a very real sense Jesus died for the sins of all the world, of all mankind, "for God so loved the world," says John. Jesus said, "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many."

So in a very real sense Jesus died for the sins of the whole world. But we need to repeat that before his death, before his Cross can become effective for us as our salvation, we must meet certain conditions, certain demands. Our salvation exists only potentially until these demands of the Cross have been met. There are certain things upon which our salvation depends.

## THE DEMANDS OF FAITH

In order to be redeemed, the Cross demands of us at least two things. First, it demands our faith. The first demand of the Cross of Calvary is our response to it, our faith. The Cross aims at having us do something, but let us be sure that before we are asked to do something, we are asked



Rev. Rudolph Woyke of Milwaukee, Wis.,  
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to see something. John the Baptist said as Jesus came to the river Jordan, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Yes, we are asked to behold Jesus Christ, to look upon him, to take a look at the Cross.

Nicodemus, who came to Jesus by night, was told that no man can see the Kingdom of God except he be born again. This was a mystery to Nicodemus, and he said, "How can these things be, how can a man be born again?" He could not comprehend that which was spiritual. When Nicodemus said to Jesus, "How can these things be?", Jesus explained that as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness and people were required to behold the serpent lifted up for healing, even so the Son of man had to be lifted up, that whosoever believes, beholding him dying upon Calvary's Cross, shall not perish but have eternal life.

## DEDICATION OF FAITH

It is noteworthy that something similar happened to the Ethiopian eunuch. Philip came to him and the Ethiopian eunuch was reading from Isaiah, the 53rd chapter. The evangelist said, "Understandest thou what thou readest?" The Eunuch said, "How can I, except someone interpret for me and explain to me of whom speaketh the prophet, of himself or of some other person?" Philip then preached to the Ethiopian eunuch Jesus, telling him of the life and death and resurrection of Jesus. Then the eunuch said, "What hinders me to be baptized?" and this is what Philip then said, "If thou believest, if thou believest!" It was only when the Ethiopian said, "I believe," that he was baptized.

Again we find Paul and Silas in jail at Philippi. The damsel filled with

the spirit of soothsaying had been converted. Her masters apparently had lost their income. They were irritated and provoked, and as a result Paul and Silas were in prison. At midnight they began to sing songs of praise, and soon an earthquake shook the prison and all the doors were opened. The prison keeper was filled with fear and trembling as he came to Paul and Silas and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

Before he was told to do something, he was asked to believe something, to behold something. In Acts 16:31 we have those familiar but deeply spiritual and significant words: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Now there can be no experience of salvation, and no great life without beholding what God is and what God has done, without believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, without that supreme dedication of faith in him.

Jesus came to solve the sin problem. He made forgiveness possible. He died for our sins. He paid the penalty for sin. He put sin away. He brought about a situation in which we no longer need to be barred from God by our sin. So, really, we are not lost primarily because of our sin. We are lost because of our attitude to Jesus Christ, because of our unbelief, because we do not accept the Son, Jesus Christ, as "the Way, the Truth, and the Life, the One through whom we come to the father."

The sin question of the Old Testament has become the Son question of the New Testament, and we must ask ourselves the question: "What will I do with Jesus?" My friends, has the Cross become a working force in your life? Have you beheld Jesus dying for your sin and have you put your faith in him? If not, I plead with you to behold him now and to believe in him now. Behold now, today, is the day of salvation!

## THE DEMAND OF REPENTANCE

But let us follow this demand a bit further. There is an element in the preaching of John the Baptist as well as in that of Jesus which we need to notice. They came saying, "Repent ye, for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand." This faith must be coupled up with genuine sorrow for sin, repentance from the sin of unbelief and of all sin. Jesus had been crucified; he had risen from the dead; he had appeared to the Apostles; he had ascended up into heaven; and the day of Pentecost had come.

Jesus' followers were filled with new resurrection power, imparted to them by the Holy Spirit. On that day Peter preached about Christ to the people who were largely responsible for the crucifixion. They were pricked in their hearts. They were convicted of their wrong-doing and of their unbelief, and this is what they said, "Men and brethren, what shall we

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do?" Peter answered, "Repent ye," and that is the plea of the Word of God today.

Repent and believe — these two words are so vital in the spiritual realm of life. Those are two demands which we need in order to put into motion that wonder-working, transforming, regenerating power of the Cross of Jesus Christ. Possibly we stumble over it because it is so simple, but God has honored us as individuals by giving us the opportunity of responding to him and of working with him, of cooperating with him.

## YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Some years ago a young man went to a florist to get some roses for a friend, and as he looked at the beautiful roses, he said to the florist: "Only God can produce such beauty." The florist didn't say anything but he went out and picked a wild rose which he showed to the young man, saying, "This is what God produces," then he showed him the other roses and said, "This is what results when God and man work together."

My friends, God honors us in that way, and he honors you as an individual by giving you the opportunity of cooperating with him, working with him, responding to him. That opportunity is yours today. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Have you experienced the saving power that emanates from the Cross? You may experience it today by believing and repenting.

## IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY

### CONFERENCES AND CAMPS

July 10-14—Northwestern Conference at Watertown, Wisconsin. Dr. F. H. Woyke, Miss Florence Miller (July 11-14), Rev. G. K. Zimmerman and Miss Ruth Bathauer, Guests.

July 10-17—Dakota Intermediate Youth Camp at Crystal Springs Camp, Crystal Springs, N. Dak. Rev. Gilbert Schneider and Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Guests.

July 10-17—Alberta Senior CBY Camp at Sylvan Lake Camp, Sylvan Lake, Alberta. Mrs. Kenneth Goodman and Professor Roy Seibel, Guests.

July 13-20—British Columbia Youth Camp at Westbank, B. C. Rev. Kenneth Goodman and Rev. E. P. Wahl, Guests.

July 13-20—Manitoba Girls' Camp at Lake Nutimik, River Hills, Manitoba. Rev. R. Neuman, Guest.

July 15-18—Kansas CBYF Camp at Camp Fellowship, Goddard, Kansas. Dr. George A. Lang and Rev. Richard Schilke, Guests.

July 15-21—Saskatchewan Boys' and Girls' Camp at Echo Lake Camp. Rev. Gilbert Schneider (July 18-21) and Miss Ruby Schindler, Guests.

July 17-21—Southern Conference at Donna, Texas. Mrs. Thomas Lutz and Rev. J. C. Gunst, Guests.

July 17-23—Dakota Junior Camp at Crystal Springs Camp, Crystal Springs, N. Dak. Dr. George Dunger and Miss Joyce Ringering, Guests.

July 17-24—Oklahoma CBYF and Scripture Memory Camp at Roman Nose State Park. Rev. Richard Schilke and Rev. L. B. Bienert, Guests.

July 20-27—Manitoba Boys' Camp at Lake Nutimik, River Hills, Manitoba. Rev. R. Neuman, Guest Speaker.

July 20-27—California Young People's Assembly at Hume Lake, Calif. Miss Florence Miller and Rev. Roy Seibel, Guests.

July 20-27—British Columbia Junior Camp at Kelowna, B. C. Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Goodman and Miss Ruth Bathauer, Guests.

July 21-27—Wisconsin Youth Camp at Camp Bird, Crivitz, Wisconsin. Rev. R. Schilke and Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Guests.

July 22-28—Saskatchewan Young People's Camp at Echo Lake Camp. Dr. M. L. Leuschner, Guest Speaker.

July 27-Aug. 2—Manitoba Young People's Camp at Lake Nutimik, River Hills, Manitoba. Rev. Karl Korella and Prof. Hugo Lueck, Guests.

# Spiritual Undertones in Nigeria

The Story of a Witness for Christ Among Mohammedans in Northern Nigeria by Rev. Emory Van Gerpen of Belmond, Iowa

WORKING in an area where seventy-five or eighty percent of the population are Moslems and where the words of Mohammed are as law, one does not see many evidences of Christianity. But, as the peeking through of stars on a cloudy night, or as the blinking lights on a distant shore as the ship comes home from sea, even so do we see faint flickers of interest in Christ from beneath the tradition bound cloak of Mohammedanism.

Moslems are fanatical in their belief in Mohammed and his teachings. Whatever that prophet said or taught is accepted in perfect faith to be the absolute truth, regardless of how illogical or contradictory it be.

This is evidenced in several ways. The Moslem will at the same time admit that Mohammed is dead and in the grave and yet trust him for eternal life. Moreover, he will bow down in prayer five times daily to this dead prophet. He will save all of his lifetime's earnings so that he can perhaps once make the holy pilgrimage to Mecca in order to kiss the black stone. He will give to the poor in order to gain eternal merit and proselytize another into Islam.

In the hot days of early summer when the temperatures reach into 110 to 120 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade, he will not allow a single drop of water or a morsel of food to pass his lips from sunrise to sundown in obedience to the words of the prophet. He will make certain that his son learns the teachings of the Koran, and is taught that Christianity is to be scorned and despised.

With this kind of a background it is quite possible to see why there are few who accept or even desire Christianity. A Moslem who accepts Christ as Savior is looked down upon by his fellow-men more than those few American boys who became "turncoats" after the Korean episode a few months ago. He becomes an outcast in his own society.

## TWO MOSLEM TEACHERS

But there are some Christians and, because of their transformed lives and the testimony they live, there are those of the Moslems who are genuinely interested in learning about Jesus. Let me bring to your attention Mallam Haruna and Mallam Barau (Moslem teachers) who came to see me one night under the cover of darkness much as did Nicodemus.

Only a few hours previously they had sent word to one of the Christians to pass on to me that they would be coming that evening, and that I should be ready with a sermon for them. At first, I thought it was a

## REV. EMORY VAN GERPEN

- Missionary to Nigeria, West Africa. Stationed at Wagini about 150 miles into the bush from Kano. Working with Sudan Interior Mission.
- Saved while a youth at the First Baptist Church, Buffalo Center, Iowa, after Vacation Bible School sessions.
- Plans to return to the field with his wife and two children in the fall of this year.

joke—a Moslem teacher wanting to hear a Christian sermon—but I thought it over and prepared a short message. Surely enough, that evening they came, armed with sticks for protection from the hyenas and thieves, and with a small kerosene lantern to light the way. We sat down outside in the darkness, read the Word by the lantern's dim light, and talked about Jesus coming into the world to seek and to save.

These "mallams" have returned several times for similar visits, but so far as we now know, they have not accepted him as their personal Savior because of fear of what their fellow-men might do to them. These men are seekers—truth seekers—and it is our prayer that they and others like them may find the Truth, even Jesus, who said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:6).

On another occasion one of our leading Christians, Ali, passed away to be with the Lord. While on earth



Rev. Emory Van Gerpen of Belmond, Iowa, a missionary in Northern Nigeria, Africa.

he carried a clear and strong testimony for his Savior and, in spite of a lame foot, he could be found most every day in some village preaching to a moderate gathering of people. Much patience and a cheerful countenance had won him a great host of friends, even among his Moslem opponents, among whom was Mai-Kwankwa.

## SPIRITUAL HUNGER

Ali's death was the key that opened the door of eternal life for Mai-Kwankwa. He was wondering if we would ever see Ali again, or whether our friendship was parted forever, and as we talked about heaven and wanting to be there with Ali, he made his decision for Christ. Then every afternoon for the next week or so he would be with us for an hour or two learning more and more about God's Word. How hungry his heart was for some hope of heaven, and how fearful he must have been of eternal damnation in hell!

Then one day he didn't return, and after three or four days we wondered. No one would tell us, but later it came out that he had taken a trip. It was eight months before he returned to his home. Why did he take that trip? Because in just those few days after he had made his decision for Christ, it was found out, and he was ridiculed for that stand he took. Mai-Kwankwa, a "turncoat" for Christ!

Or again to illustrate that deep-seated, secret desire for an assurance of heaven, I am reminded of an incident that happened while on trek. An African evangelist had gone with me, and one night we had talked until quite late to a higher chief (over about twenty villages) about becoming a Christian. Stubbornly he refused to accept Christ because he was a Moslem.

We were about to leave his village the next afternoon and were bidding him goodbye when he began to beg us saying, "But you'll go down to the market and preach to them, won't you?" We wanted to leave, for it would mean returning home after dark, but he insisted.

In the market place were several thousand people, and as we drew up to the edge in the Jeep, a small crowd began to gather, mostly to stare at the white man. A few strains of music from the accord'ion brought scores of African men and women. We preached three times at different locations to audiences of several hundred. You see, the chief although openly refusing Christ and Christianity, still secretly wanted to know and wanted his people to know.

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A typical street in Gols, Burgenland, Austria, on which the only Baptist (shown at right) in the town lives. The "Town Crier" with two friends is shown in the picture at right. On the billboard can be seen a picture of the new Austrian president, Dr. Schaerf, a Protestant, elected on May 5, 1957.

# In the Shadow of the Iron Curtain

Our Austrian Mission Director, Dr. W. J. Appel, and his wife visit the Austrian-Hungarian border and hold Gospel services in quaint, old villages

By Mrs. Betty Appel of Salzburg, Austria

WE CROSSED the border at Nickelsdorf," had become a familiar statement to us in Vienna as we registered one refugee after the other coming into Austria during the exciting and sad days after the Hungarian Revolution which began on October 23 of last year.

Nickelsdorf is a small, primitive town in the Province of Burgenland, in southeastern Austria, an hour's drive from beautiful, modern Vienna. It is located on Neusiedlersee (Neusiedler Lake), the middle of which body of water marks the dividing line between Hungary and Austria. It was in this lake that thousands of our Hungarian friends waded chin-deep through the tall reeds to reach the safety and asylum of friendly Nickelsdorf farmers.

This is the only lake in Europe where these strong, tall reeds grow. Many local men find employment in the business of gathering these reeds and shipping them to other parts of Europe and to other continents. It was these men and the local farmers who welcomed the refugees as they came through the lake and first put foot on Austrian soil, and who took them into their hearts and simple homes.

## THE FEARFUL BORDER

It was our privilege recently to accompany our missionary worker and his wife on a visitation and preaching ministry in Nickelsdorf and the neighboring town of Gols, and to see for ourselves the place where our Hungarian refugees entered Austria and where friendly Burgenland farmers greeted them so warmly.

Before we started our visitation program, we were taken on a sight-seeing trip of the area. As we drove from place to place, our eyes opened wide as we saw the sights. This section is known as the warmest spot in

Austria, and because of the mild climate plants and vegetables grow easily.

We saw the lettuce farms of Gols, where currently there are over thirty million heads of lettuce ripening, to be picked for marketing. The farms are owned by the residents of Gols, and each farmer grows a certain number of heads. It was indeed a beautiful picture to see.

Our guide then took us to the border, where we went through Austrian customs, and had the privilege of entering "no man's land" to see the new Iron Curtain erected by the Communists in an attempt to prevent any further escape by the Hungarians. The Iron Curtain consists of two barbed wire fences, with mines placed here and there, and we were told that the fences were to be charged with electricity. It was thrilling to see Hungary in the near distance, some ten feet away, but sad to know that so many people were still bound in slavery in that land.

## WELCOME IN GOLS

Our first visit among the people was at the home of a maiden lady who had lived in Gols all her life, some 70 years. We were greeted very cordially and told that this was our "stopping place for the weekend." The house is over 200 years old, with a bedroom and kitchen—and no running water. Attached to the back of the house were several small buildings, each serving a different purpose for farming. The building next to the house was occupied by two cows, several pigs, and a goat.

Our hostess told us that three neighbor ladies had been whitewashing the limestone walls of the house all week because the American missionary and his wife were coming to spend the weekend there. Fresh water stood in several pails in the kitchen,

drawn from the well outside the house. Each of the two rooms had a small stove for heating purposes, fuel for which was dried corn cobs stacked neatly in a box in the corner of the kitchen. New featherbeds and feather pillows had also been purchased. The little furniture that was in the room had been pushed into one corner, and benches lined the room for the services to be held in the evening.

Before services, we made two visits in the afternoon. It was interesting walking through the streets of the primitive little town of Gols. The main street, about a block long, was paved. All other roads were dirt roads and, since it had been raining the day before, were as muddy as if the heavens had opened up only an hour before. Running in front of us, behind us and everywhere were chickens, ducks, geese, goats—all over the town. It was an interesting sight.

## MR. TOWN CRIER

Out of nowhere there appeared a native with a drum, and on inquiry we were told that he was "Mr. Town Crier," who sounded his drum to draw the attention of the villagers to give them the news of the past week and the events for the coming week. The streets of the town are extremely narrow; the houses old and quaint, and the people poor and backward. But everywhere we went we received friendly greetings and a cordial welcome. It was a joy and real warm experience to be in this unusual locality.

Our first visit was at the home of an 88-year-old mother of twelve children. It was a blessing to hear of her love for her Savior. The next visit took us to a middle-aged couple who had lost four sons in the last war. Tears of loneliness are still in their eyes, but it was good to hear them say

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# Call for "God's Volunteers"

Special Call for Enlistment in This Service of the Lord from September 1957 to April 1958  
by Rev. Daniel Fuchs, Evangelist

THE TRAINING period for the new team of "God's Volunteers" this fall will be held at our North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, from September 9 to October 13. After a concentrated period of training at the Seminary, there will follow a week of practical work experience in cooperation with one of our churches in the city of Sioux Falls.

From there the new team of "God's Volunteers" will be launched on a tour of personal soul winning in various churches of our North American Baptist Conference. The term of service for the "Volunteers" will extend to approximately the end of April 1958.

"God's Volunteers" organization offers a tremendous opportunity for young people to enlist in this special service of the Lord. We want young people from 18 to 45 years of age to enlist now. Married couples as well as single people are welcome. Perhaps, God has been speaking to your heart. The voice of Jesus Christ is challenging you anew to give yourself to this wonderful ministry of personal soul winning.

If you are saved, it is because someone personally introduced you to the Savior. Someone personally prayed for you and was concerned about you and helped you to experience Christ as your personal Savior. Now it is your turn to share Christ

with others. Do not be a short circuit. Do not be a dead sea. The Dead Sea is dead because it selfishly keeps all it receives and does not pass it on.

Of the early church we read: "They went everywhere preaching the word" (Acts 8:4). Personal witnessing was the primary function of the early Christian Church. The church was not so much an institution; it was a witnessing fellowship. The early Christians made evangelism perennial. We have made it spasmodic. To them the task of witnessing to every creature was a challenge. To us it often appears as an impossible ideal.

That is why so much of the world is still unsaved after twenty centuries. That is why millions of boys and girls, young people and men and women here in America are today hopelessly drifting towards the abyss of doom and destruction, without being reached for Christ.

God has given to us the ministry of reconciliation. We are ambassadors for Christ. Jesus said: "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21). Are you willing to say: "Here am I, Lord, send me!"

Only Christ can satisfy. He is the only One who can cleanse and satisfy the hungry soul. We need to point people to him, "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." There are not enough preachers in the world to do this. There are not enough preachers in America to

reach the millions of unchurched people in this great land. America has enough lay Christians, however, to reach every unsaved soul in this country. The question is: Are we willing to be used of Christ in this great ministry of personal soul winning?

Personal soul winning is a method of evangelism which Christ himself inaugurated. We cannot improve on his method today. The Lord Jesus Christ did not lay down his life on Calvary's Cross for the salvation of the world and then leave us without a plan for supporting and extending his Kingdom work.

## CHRIST'S METHOD

Christ placed his approval upon the tithe as the means of financing the work of the Gospel, and he demonstrated the personal soul winning method as one of the effective means for extending his Kingdom. He sent the twelve Apostles out two by two. He also sent the seventy lay-Christians out two by two. (Luke 10:1).

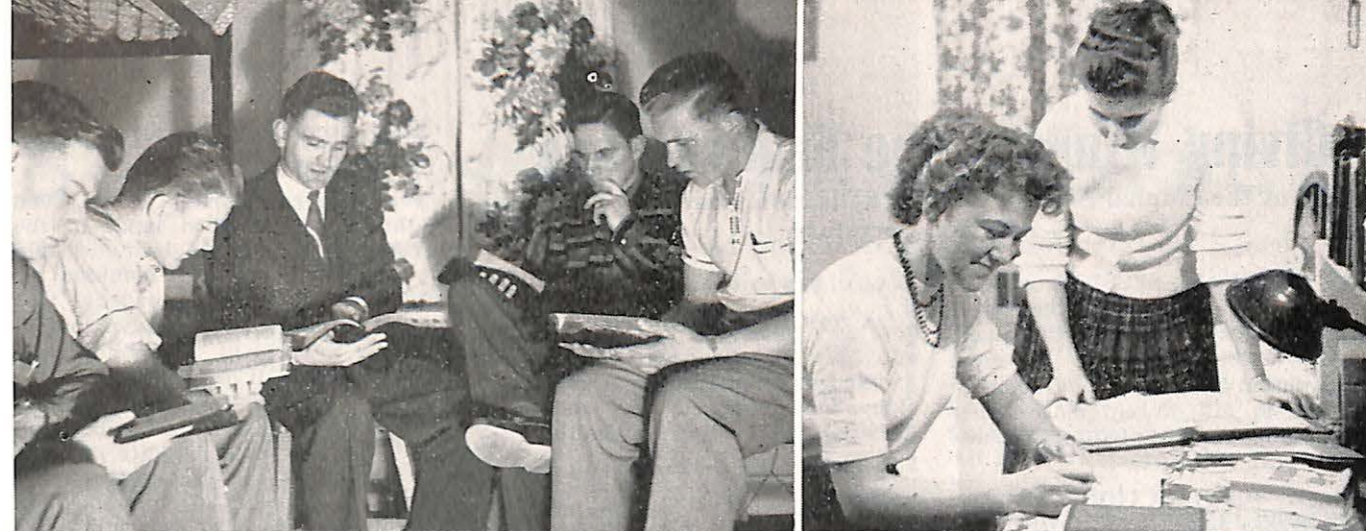
He "appointed them"—hand-picked them! They were ordinary lay people. He instructed them as to what to take along and how to conduct themselves along the way. He told them what to say when they entered a house: "First say, peace be to this house" (Luke 10:5). He informed them as to what to do when they are received favorably, and what to do when they are not welcome. "And he sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come" (Luke 10:1).

His first century method of winning people for Christ must again be applied in the twentieth century. The unsaved multitudes do not come into church services to hear the Gospel today. If they are to hear the Gospel at all, we must take it to them. Jesus said to Peter: "Launch out into the deep, and let down your net" (Luke 5:4). Too many fishermen hug the shallow shore. Instead of going out into the deep where the fish are, they want the fish to come to them.

## CHRIST'S CHALLENGE

There are depths all over America that have not yet been reached for Christ. The challenge of the Master is: Go deeper! Do you want to be a successful soul winner? Don't stand at the shore and wait for people to come to you. You go to them. Dare to "cast in your net," not according to your own desires and plans, but in complete obedience to the command of Jesus Christ. Use your life as he

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Students at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, engage in Bible study and prayer (left) and compare notes about some of their classroom work.

## Your School -- The Christian Training Institute

Opportunities for Study at the Bible School, Edmonton, Alberta, as Reviewed by Rev. Karl Korella, Acting President

SINCE its beginning in 1939, the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton, Alberta, has bestowed a broad educational and spiritual heritage upon the youth of our denominational family. Its founder, Rev. E. P. Wahl, fashioned the organizational pattern of the school. Others, pastors and Christian leaders alike, poured their zeal and knowledge into this pattern.

In and out of classrooms young people have shared an accumulation of Bible knowledge and related information as well as personal experience touching upon many phases of Christian life. Young men and women, after one or two years of training, have gone forth from C. T. I. with new knowledge and confirmed faith, enabling them to face problems more successfully and more greatly to enjoy their Christian life.

## PROGRAM OF TRAINING

At present, the Christian Training Institute offers two Bible School programs which consist of a two-year and a four-year course, and a high school training program which is inspected and accredited by the Alberta Government. It also provides opportunity for housing, board and Christian fellowship to commercial and university students.

Stated in a more specific way, the C. T. I. has a rounded out program of training. To be sure, only modest claims are made by the Institute as compared with Bible Schools of non-denominational and interfaith groups. These institutions claim that they train young people for the pastorate and for foreign mission fields. The Christian Training Institute, on the other hand, maintains that its program is designed at present to prepare youth for more effective service in church life.

However, the Institute's curriculum is as balanced as that of any Bible

School. It also offers a capacity program of study, re-enforced by practical Christian work. It is staffed by a faculty which, in most instances, is qualified to teach in higher institutions of learning. These factors, obviously, have been significant in raising constantly the educational standards of the Institute in the past.

In its two-year program, the Bible School Department of C. T. I. offers students the Christian Worker's Certificate of the Evangelical Teacher Training Association. It is basically a course of study for church workers. Through the four-year program, the school provides for a diploma and opportunities for more advanced Christian service. This course has been so effective that in some instances graduates have become pastors and missionaries of high caliber with but little or no additional training. Yet there is the constant emphasis that C. T. I. is a Bible institute and not a seminary.

## HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The High School Department is not in a conventional sense a high school open to any intellectually qualified applicant. Students are selected chiefly on the basis of their need for educational opportunities. Preference is given to young people living in communities having no high school, and to those who because of age and English language difficulties do not fit into a government sponsored school.

But C. T. I. subjects are accredited by the Department of Education in Alberta, and are arranged to provide the student with university matriculation. Experiences have proven time and again that students handicapped by age and language have given a good account of themselves under the C. T. I.'s effective tutelage.

In addition to the academic program, the Institute has for its students a Christian setting in which academic

work and extra-curricular activities are facilitated. As may be expected, the spiritual tone of the school depends largely upon the nature of the student body. At certain seasons, therefore, the Christian life is more fervent than at other times. Nevertheless, the spiritual tone is kept relatively constant because of the Christian influence exerted by the members of the staff. This sustained influence permeates the various phases of school life. In studies, student relationships, recreation and practical work, a wholesome Christian atmosphere is fostered.

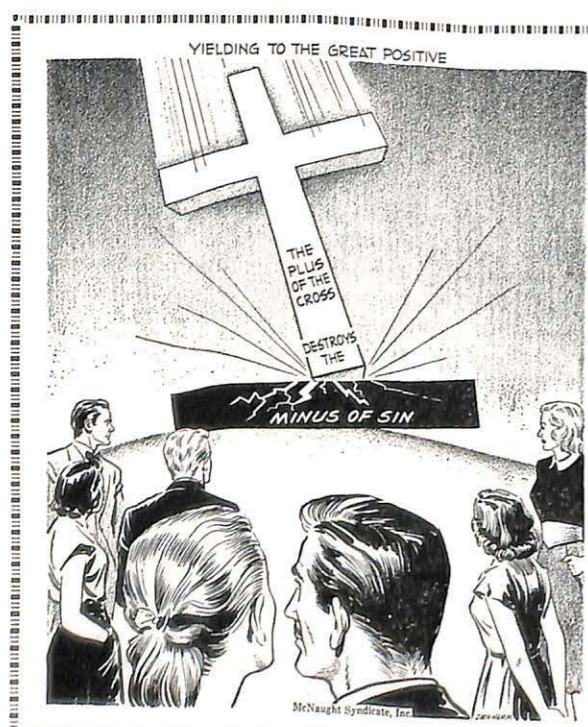
## VOCATIONAL ORIENTATION

Perhaps a less obvious factor at C. T. I. is the frequent vocational orientation among students. Many young people come to the Institute not knowing what to do with themselves. Some of them are disturbed about their inability to make a vocational choice. As time goes by, they gain the needed perspective about themselves and the field where they could function best and be happiest.

The Christian ministry is only one vocational area which is often chosen. Other fields are teaching, nursing, business and similar pursuits. In most instances, C. T. I. students who go on to more advanced educational institutions have been better than average. Undoubtedly, their experiences at the Institute play a great part in their future endeavors. They have a good basic training. Most often, they have developed satisfactory working habits. Perhaps, even more important, is their goal. They know what they want and they cling to their objective.

Because of these advantages, we invite young men and young women to come to the Christian Training Institute in Edmonton. Educational prerequisites are not important. The pro-

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## THE HIGHEST JOY

The highest joy that can be known  
To those who heav'n-ward wend—  
It is the Word of Life to own,  
And God to have as Friend.

The Word doth give me wealth untold,  
All good it has in store;  
My deepest sorrows loose their hold  
To joys forevermore.

It tells me of a love divine,  
How Jesus' blood was shed;  
Each day this joyous song is mine  
As paths of grace I read.

When stars above shall shine no more  
God's Word is still my light;  
When pleasures of this world are o'er,  
My joys will reach their height.

—N. Frykman

# Giving Wings to the Printed Page

Report of the Annual Session of the Publication Board by Rev. Paul F. Zoschke, Secretary

THE ANNUAL SESSION of the Board of Trustees of the Roger Williams Press was held in Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday, May 3rd. To greet the brethren charged with a common task and to sit in conference under the direction of the Spirit of God was again a real pleasure.

## NEW SUBSCRIPTION PLAN

The Board was pleased that quite a number of our churches have adopted the Every Family Subscription Plan for our periodicals. We are hopeful that next year many more of our churches will adopt the plan. A two-fold purpose would be served by its adoption: 1) The increased subscriptions would help to bring both of our periodicals closer to a self-supporting basis; 2) and, even more important, the membership of the churches would be well-informed on the denominational enterprises and functions, their spiritual life would be greatly stimulated, and their missionary zeal increased. By placing the "Baptist Herald" or "Der Sendbote" in the home of every active family, the churches can only win, not lose.

## NORTH AMERICAN HYMNAL

The publication of the "North American Hymnal" has been a great and certainly a most joyous undertaking of the Publication Society. Since it was first made available in November 1956 about 12,000 copies have been sold. Churches from outside our fellowship are manifesting a strong interest, and some have already secured the hymnal for their worship. The Editorial Committee, of which the Rev. Paul Wengel is the able and untiring chairman, is to be congratulated for having done a most commendable task.

The Publication Board has already authorized a second edition of 15,000 copies.

## PROJECTED PUBLICATIONS

Several publications of great interest to our denomination were recommended by our Literary Committee and authorized by the Board.

The manuscript of the late Dr. O. E. Krueger, tentatively entitled "In God's Hand," will appear as a study course book. It should prove a real blessing to our people, especially at young people's assemblies and conferences.

A booklet on "Stewardship," reflecting particularly our denominational functions under God's guidance, should also be very helpful and stimulating. Clearly set forth here will be the place of our denomination in the work of God's Kingdom and our responsibility to him.

## A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"We should accustom the mind to keep the best company by introducing it only to the best books."—Sydney Smith

Another publication on "Baptist Principles," how they have been a guide to our forefathers in their personal lives and missionary zeal, should contribute greatly to the firm stand of the future generation on their convictions.

A "BAPTIST MANUAL" or an abridged handbook on parliamentary procedure is envisioned as a great asset in the education and development of our younger leaders. Counsellors on all levels of church life should find this volume helpful.

We felt that a new mission study book, reflecting chiefly the magnificent development of our work in the Cameroons, has been long awaited by our churches. This publication, too, should be a real implement for the leaders of camp and assembly groups and also in the various church organizations.

## NEW BOARD MEMBER

As replacement for a member of the Board, the late Mr. Paul Ludwig was taken to glory in an automobile accident in February, 1957, the brethren appointed Mr. Irvin J. Obergefell, a member of the Foster Avenue Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois, and engaged in the printing business, to fill the unexpired term.

The routine matters of the Publication Society are never unimportant or uninteresting. They are so vital to the ongoing of the work that every detail needs careful consideration. Under the able and consecrated leadership of our president, Mr. Harold B. Johns, the work of the Board was accomplished with ease and enthusiasm.

## GOD'S VOLUNTEERS

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directs. Do it with sincere expectation and in full confidence that the Holy Spirit can work through you to win others.

Let go, and let God have his way with you now. The victorious extension of the Kingdom of God in our generation depends on you and me. Speak to your pastor about "God's Volunteers." Write to the General Missionary Secretary, Rev. R. Schilke, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois. Ask him for an application form that you might fill out. Your application will be prayerfully considered by the "God's Volunteers" Committee.

## UNDERTONES IN NIGERIA

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Yes, there is a spiritual desire, even in the Satan-controlled lands of the world. There is a desire deeply grounded in the heart of mankind for peace with God, for a knowledge that some day one shall not have to live eternally in torment to pay for one's sin. Therefore, it behooves all of us here in the homeland to intercede with God for men of all tribes and nations of the world who are presently standing at the crossroads trying to make a decision, whether they are going to follow Christ and suffer persecution, or are going to continue on the easy road to hell.

"Pray without ceasing" (I Thess. 5:17). "Men ought always to pray . . ." (Luke 18:1), the Bible tells us. We pray for missionaries, but we ought also to pray, and pray earnestly, for those who are even now making that important decision—Christ or Mohammed, persecution or pleasure, heaven or hell!

## IN THE SHADOW OF THE IRON CURTAIN

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that they looked forward each month to the comforting visit of our missionary pastor when he told them of a reunion possible for them in heaven.

Shortly before 7 o'clock in the evening the kitchen of our hostess' home was filled to capacity, with some 50 men and women in attendance for the service, eager to sing hymns of praise to the Master and to listen attentively to the message of the American missionary. It was a joyous occasion and we were happy to hear these dear folk ask us to return soon again to visit with them and tell them more about Jesus.

## GOSPEL SERVICES

Soon after breakfast the next morning, we started off for Nickelsdorf, where two services were to be held that Sunday. The 3 o'clock service was held at a beautiful modern farmhouse, where some thirty people gathered. Here again there was the singing of many beloved familiar hymns and a message by our missionary pastor from Huetteldorf.

After another period of visitation, we were ready for the evening service, at which nineteen people were in attendance. After the message by the American missionary, a period of questions and answers followed, during which time those present opened their hearts and minds to vital questions about salvation.

As the service closed and we again went out into the night, it was difficult to realize that while we were so happy in our ministry with the folk at Gols and Nickelsdorf, only a short distance away was the land of those enslaved by the chains of godless communism.

# Baptists on the March!

Report of the American Baptist and Southern Baptist Conventions by Rev. J. C. Gunst of Forest Park, Illinois

BAPTISTS are on the march. Baptists are making history and news around the world these days. It was significant that the two large Baptist Conventions, the American Baptist and the Southern Baptist Conventions, held their annual sessions almost simultaneously the last week in May of this year. Both conventions reported a record registration of delegates and visitors, and both conventions reported decided progress in their many endeavors over the past year.

## THE AMERICAN CONVENTION

The American Baptists met in the historic Baptist city of Philadelphia, Pa. The theme of the convention was, "Looking Unto Jesus". It was their golden anniversary. The American Convention was organized 50 years ago in the Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C. At the same time the American Baptist Home Mission Society celebrated its 125th anniversary, and the Philadelphia Association its 250th anniversary. The combination of these three anniversaries made an impressive celebration.

Besides the effective historical presentations of worthy achievements and stimulating spiritual messages, new resolutions were adopted which will have a far-reaching effect on the Baptist witness in years to come.

Dr. Harry Dillin of McMinnville, Oregon, president of the convention, in his address challenged the churches and urged the delegates to approve an \$11,000,000 goal to build new churches and aid Christian Higher Education in the next two years.

The convention churches exceeded their 1956 financial budget for all missionary and operating purposes by \$739,000. A resolution was presented to the delegates for approval to borrow \$3,000,000 for Church Extension for the next three years. A proposal to raise a special \$7,500,000 fund in the next two years for the support of affiliated colleges was presented.

Dr. Clarence W. Cranford, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in Washington, D. C., known to many of our people, was elected president of the convention. Elected as first vice-president was Dr. Norman W. Paullin, also known to many of our people in our North American Baptist Conference. The next annual convention will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## THE SOUTHERN CONVENTION

The Southern Baptist Convention held its annual sessions in the great city of Chicago, Illinois. The theme was, "That the World May Know". More than 11,000 messengers and

visitors shared in the challenging program. That Southern Baptists are moving into the states of the North and establishing churches in Canada is no longer news. The Southern Baptist Convention is, without a doubt, the fastest growing Baptist body today.

The executive committee set before the convention the suggested capital needs for the years 1959-1963 to carry on their program in the seminaries,

The Baptist Jubilee Advance is to be climaxed with a Jubilee celebration in 1964, uniting all of the cooperating Baptist bodies for the celebration. Each convention is planning to carry out its own emphasis upon the Jubilee Advance.

## RESOLUTIONS ON SEGREGATION

Both conventions passed resolutions regarding the segregation question. The American Convention went on record urging Baptist churches to



At Independence Square, Philadelphia, Pa., Dr. C. Oscar Johnson addresses the delegates and visitors to the American Baptist Convention at the 250th Anniversary of the Philadelphia Baptist Association during the sessions of the 50th Annual Convention on May 30, 1957.

Church Extension, television and radio programs, Home and Foreign Missions, and hospitals to the amount of \$24,000,000. In the next three years the leaders proposed to start 3,000 new Church Extension projects. For their television program alone, the T. V. Commission requested a \$450,000 annual budget. The convention delegates voted to build another new Southern Baptist Seminary in Kansas City, Mo. Representative Brooks Hays (Democrat of Arkansas) of Little Rock, Ark., was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Their next annual convention will be held at Houston, Texas.

Both the American and Southern Conventions brought encouraging reports on the Baptist Jubilee Advance, which is a united effort of all cooperating Baptist bodies of the North American continent to give an evangelistic witness in the next six years.

take in ALL people into their congregations. The proposed resolution further stated, "Each church shall choose its minister on the basis of character and ability without regard to racial background. Each church shall work to assure equality for all people in education, employment, housing and political activity." The Southern Convention resolution called for an end of resistance to the integration of races, and demanded that law enforcement agencies "bring to legal justice" those who perpetrate violence against Negroes in the cause of segregation.

Both conventions stressed the importance of strengthening the Baptist laymen's work within their groups. The American Convention devoted an entire evening to the work and leadership of laymen and proposed programs for this organization. They

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# Crucial Crusade Days in New York

The Crowds and Converts at New York City's Madison Square Garden Continue as Reported by Rev. Lenox G. Palin, Pastor, Walnut St. Baptist Church, Newark, N. J.

"HOW LONG will the crowds continue?" Night after night the answer comes as ant-like swarms converge on Madison Square Garden in New York City, chartered busses obediently line up for 15 blocks, and special trains pull in from such distant points as Lancaster, Pa., and Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Billy Graham had started the evangelistic campaign with a reminder to his audience to be doubly faithful in attendance and in prayer during the first ten nights of the Crusade.

The first ten nights are the toughest. The tenth arrived with the answer. The upward swing of the Crusade was evidenced by the fact that for the first time there was such an overflow that the police were forced to block off 49th Street in New York as Dr. Graham and his team spoke to the crowds that could not enter the Garden.

## GOSPEL INVITATION

"The most prayed for city on the face of the earth" is becoming a city where hundreds are witnessing the power of the Holy Spirit to save and to transform. The music is inspiring and moving, but it is also simple and dignified. The preaching is powerful, pointed and relevant, but it is also simple, uniform and Biblical.

The invitation to come and decide for Christ is given in a general unimaginative way. As if by some secret signal, scattered hundreds rise from among the 19,000 seated and take the long cavernous walk that funnels them into one great mass of people standing in front of the platform with needy and ready souls. Many do not know who made them come, but all are aware of a need.

As they stand there, tears flow from the eyes of some as members of the team nod to specially trained counsellors who then fall into place next to one of their age and sex.

The Holy Spirit moves in power. Prayers are answered. So many come and with such rapidity that some will have to wait until the completion of the circuitous route to the basement auditorium before they are paired with a counsellor.

Here in the counselling room midst the buzzing of hundreds of earnest folk, we find the real heart of the Crusade. Quickly and reverently the four hundred to eight hundred persons who have responded to the invitation are seated with a counsellor by advisors. Mr. Graham or an associate evangelist says a general word to all, and then the counsellor ministers to the individual.

## Closing Crusade Service

The closing service of the Billy Graham Crusade in New York City will be Saturday night, July 21st. Rev. Paul F. Zoschke, pastor of the Evergreen Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will prepare an article about the closing Crusade weeks to be published in the August 8 issue of the "Baptist Herald."

These counsellors are anxious to help and to lead the person to a saving knowledge of Christ and to assurance in him because they have been helped themselves so much in recent weeks. Nine weeks of attendance at special training classes were required of them, plus a personal interview, plus an application test carefully scrutinized by three judges. Now night after night they experience the thrill of being used of God to lead souls to Christ. They and their home church will never be the same again. They have discovered what genuine, militant, evangelical Christianity really is.

The inquirer in the counselling room has noticed that the counsellor has picked up a self-addressed envelope from the chair. The counsellor takes the decision card from the envelope, and as he seeks to meet the inquirer's need from the Bible, he leads the inquirer to an intelligent decision for Christ. This decision and other pertinent information are listed on the decision card as the inquirer is handed the envelope that contains the Gospel of John and the first two lessons of a Bible correspondence course. He is urged to memorize John 3:16 before retiring that night.

## FOLLOW - UP

Then the counsellor introduces the inquirer to an advisor who at a glance makes sure the decision card has been properly completed. The advisor in a warm and friendly way encourages the inquirer to testify to him regarding what has taken place in his life that night. If there is an uncertainty or misunderstanding, the advisor in effect expertly counsels the individual.

## A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I would have every minister of the Gospel address his audience with the zeal of a friend, with the generous energy of a father, and with the exuberant affection of a mother."—Fenelon

The advisor quickly encourages the one who has decided for Christ and sends him on his way. At the beginning of the Crusade the majority went forth to live more dedicated lives for Christ, but now the majority go forth to feed on the milk of the Word and grow as new born babes, never having known Christ as Savior before they came to the "Garden."

Within forty-eight hours the counsellor writes a letter to encourage and to help the one who has decided for Christ. Immediately the decision card information is processed and sent to a designated or cooperating pastor in the area of the convert. The pastor must then report on the response and result in the contact made with the individual.

In addition, the new Christian is urged to attend nightly at 6:30 P.M. a class for new believers at Madison Square Garden.

The crucial Crusade days are really upon us now. Our prayers must increase. Satan is fighting fiercely. An evangelist's impact on New York has been made, but a mightier blow for Christ can be landed if the re-consecrated Christians really walk with Christ, if the new Christians impress their unsaved friends and relatives to come and respond, and if the local churches are overwhelmed by the incipient powerful results in their community and fellowship.

That's it! If the results and power of this Crusade can capture the local church, we will not only have successful evangelism, but we will have revival in our time. Pray ye therefore!

## GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

The Holy Spirit is working. Prayers are being answered. One of the great blessings of the Spirit is the unity that he occasions. This Crusade is not a one-man effort. It is a great team effort. The team includes the New York executive committee, the associate evangelists, the Navigator's counselling and Bible study instructors, the huge office staff, the volunteer typists, the ushers, the choir members, the trained counsellors, the advisors, the reservations committee, the leaders of the workshops for evangelism for ministers, the prayer partners, and, last and to his praise, Billy Graham, just an unobtrusive member of the team with complete confidence in his teammates. Be a member of the team. Pray for Billy Graham. Pray for New York. Under God the Crusade has been extended from six to nine weeks. The crowds and converts shall continue. God is faithful!

# "GO", the New Cameroons Album

Announcement About the Illustrated Missionary Album of 64 Pages and 300 Pictures Prepared by Missionary Gilbert Schneider

YOU'LL go places and see exciting things with the Christ of the African road as you read the new 64-page Cameroons Album entitled, "GO!" You will trek with our Cameroons missionaries over African trails and into strange Cameroons villages and, by looking at these 300 marvelous pictures, you will have a picture window into a missionary's busy life.

## AUTHOR GILBERT SCHNEIDER

This Cameroons Album, "Go", is something new, unique, extraordinary! By means of carefully selected pictures, unusual artistic sketches and brief write-ups, the album shares with the reader in a remarkable way the missionary's adventures in the British Cameroons.

The author is the Rev. Gilbert Schneider, the manager of the New Hope Settlement at Mbingo in the Cameroons. He has selected about 230 of the best photographs from among thousands that he has taken in Africa during his many years of missionary service. The artist of the album is the Rev. George Henderson who with the skill of a professional artist has prepared scores of pen and ink sketches portraying African life, the customs of the people, and the strange things to be seen on the mission field. The 64-page book has been in preparation for several years and represents the culmination of an editorial supervision in Africa as well as in the United States.

The two-color, front cover picture with its title, "Go", over a large hemisphere of the world will be your thrilling invitation to go with your Cameroons missionary on his adventures. You will see how he goes in the Name of Christ to preach the Gospel, to teach the natives, to build chapels and schools, to heal the sick, to lift the fallen, to help those in need. You will see how the missionary encounters all kinds of dangers and obstacles as he goes through jungles and rivers, across unexplored mountainous areas, into primitive African villages to take Christ and the message of his love to these people.

## AN HISTORICAL ALBUM

Here in this Cameroons Album, "Go", you will find for the first time anywhere a complete list of more than one hundred names of British Baptist, German Baptist, and North American Baptist missionaries, who have served in the Cameroons since 1853. You will see the first picture of Alfred Saker, the Baptist pioneer missionary, published in North Amer-

ica. You will find an amazing array of the latest statistics about the Cameroons mission field pertaining to schools, chapels, hospital work, and our ministry to the leprosy patients.

You will read the most complete history of the Cameroons mission field from its beginning ever presented in the pages of a book. You will be delighted by the story of chapel building in Africa, the various types of chapels that have been constructed and the African type of architecture that is now in use. In other words, this album, "Go", will take you wherever the missionary has gone, wherever Christ has gone before you in Africa!

the offset printing process with the editorial supervision carried out by Rev. Gilbert Schneider and Dr. M. L. Leuschner, editor of publications. They will sell quickly and widely. Your pastor has received information about the sale of the Cameroons album, "Go", and a complimentary copy. If you wish to place an order or to see the album prior to its purchase, see your pastor immediately. Copies may also be ordered at \$1.00 postpaid by writing to North American Baptist Headquarters, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Illinois. You can order as many copies as you want.

But send your order NOW if you



Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider, Cameroons missionaries, with their two children. Mr. Schneider, dressed in a Cameroons costume and sitting on a chief's chair, is showing some African curios to his family.

In addition, you will make many new friends in Christ, as you page through this album. One page alone shows about 40 Christian nationals who are pillars in their churches and leaders in their areas. You will see some of the national preachers and evangelists in action. You will be surprised at the striking, intelligent faces of some of the well trained young people who have been educated in our mission schools. In fact, every page will be a fascinating missionary adventure for you as you "Go" to Africa with this album as your ticket.

## PRICE, ONLY \$1.00

And this adventure can be yours for only \$1.00. Five thousand copies of this album have been prepared by

do not want to be disappointed. The printing of 5,000 copies may soon be exhausted. Every North American Baptist home ought to have one of these picture albums and every missionary minded Baptist will want to have one or several copies on hand for personal reading and program planning.

## YOUR TREK TO AFRICA

The brief accounts concerning various phases of the Cameroons mission field have been prepared by many missionaries and denominational leaders. Children will love the delightful story of the mother antelope and her baby son that appears on page 58. The picture of Dr. Paul

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# We the Women

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

Congratulations and greetings to the many societies observing the Golden Anniversary of our Woman's Missionary Union during 1957! We are hearing fine reports from every side.

"Pray Ye!" What a fitting meditation! We feel God's assurance as we meditate. This was written by the president of the W.M.U. of the Northwestern Conference, Mrs. Henry Fluth.

## PRAY YE!

By Mrs. Henry Fluth, a member of the Faith Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38). This verse has had a deeper meaning for me the last few months. It seems to me we have been so concerned, and rightly so, about the readiness of the harvest and the shortage of laborers. But we have not given enough thought to the weight of the words, PRAY YE.

The Lord does not ask us to convince or persuade others to be laborers. Although sometimes we may help them reach a decision, this conviction must come from within through the working of the Spirit. Our part is the praying. Pray the Lord of the harvest that he send forth.

In Matthew 9:38 the Lord asks the disciples to pray; in Matthew 10 they are sent out. When we become concerned enough to pray, many times it prepares our own hearts so that we will become laborers. If we are faithful in the praying, he is faithful in the sending.

We have found this very true in the Child Evangelism Fellowship work, where the need for teachers is very great.

In our own Sunday School at Faith Church, Minneapolis, Minn., it seemed for a time that we just could not find a superintendent for our Vacation Bible School. Those who had been asked had very sound reasons for not being able to take over this year. It was suggested that we set the matter aside for a time and really make it a matter of prayer. This suggestion was accepted, and within a week we had the consent of a very capable individual within our own fold.

Praise be to God for his faithfulness. May we fret less and pray more!

"God has placed the genius of women in their hearts; because the works of this genius are always works of love." — Lamartine.

# Southwestern S. S. Conferences

Report by Rev. Norman Miller, Durham, Kansas

We are vitally interested in Sunday School work here in the Southwestern Conference. Realizing that there is a constant need for better trained workers, we held conferences in the following places: April 1, Bessie, Oklahoma; April 3, Lorraine Kansas; April 5, Shell Creek near Columbus, Nebraska; and April 7, LaSalle, Colorado.

The team consisted of Rev. G. K. Zimmerman, general secretary of the Sunday School Union; Rev. Bernard Fritzke, Church Extension pastor from West Fargo, N. Dak.; and Rev. Norman Miller, pastor at Durham, Kansas and Sunday School secretary of the Southwestern Conference.

Each conference was divided into workshops consisting of the following: "Sunday School Records", "The Work of the Board of Christian Education," and "The Revised S.S. Standard" taught by Mr. Zimmerman; "The Local S. S. Workers' Conference," "Mission Education in the Sunday School," and "Effective Visitation in the Sunday School" taught by Mr.

Fritzke; "Week-day Functions of the Sunday School" and "Your Questions Answered" by Mr. Miller.

These conferences were planned to include all of our churches. In each instance the church was host to the churches located in that state. Heavy rains in Kansas and inclement weather in Nebraska and Colorado prevented many from attending. Nevertheless, a keen interest was manifested in all of the subjects under consideration. Host pastors and churches cooperated splendidly extending to all gracious hospitality.

At the evening service Rev. G. K. Zimmerman presented a brief report and film. A fitting climax to each conference was the challenging message by Rev. B. Fritzke, "The Vital Role of the Sunday School in Church Extension." We thank God for our Sunday Schools and for every faithful worker and for such times as these, which were times of preparation and inspiration for better service!

## CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE

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gram of study is adapted to different levels of education. But a word of caution must be added that the Institute is not for every young person. It is for those who are sincere, who are diligent, and who are eager to reach out to new, worthwhile experiences. Those prospective students who want more information about the school should write to Rev. Karl Korella, 10810—78th Ave., Edmonton, Alta., Canada.

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### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	April, 1957	April, 1956	April, 1955
Atlantic	\$ 5,264.78	\$ 2,520.65	\$ 5,562.59
Eastern	1,859.58	3,681.66	1,998.57
Central	15,560.36	15,142.96	14,797.48
Northwestern	10,005.42	7,146.64	10,617.47
Southwestern	7,645.35	6,124.33	6,381.76
Southern	645.66	3,836.34	1,597.62
Pacific	10,004.80	9,921.23	6,822.78
Northern	4,311.64	7,783.89	5,820.81
Dakota	7,359.37	9,048.30	8,936.99
Inter-Conference	—	—	150.42
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$62,656.96</b>	<b>\$65,206.00</b>	<b>\$62,686.49</b>

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For the month of April, 1957	\$58,058.43	\$ 4,598.53	\$ 62,656.96
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For the month of April, 1955	57,585.57	5,100.92	62,686.49

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

April 1, 1957—Same as for the month of April.

# What's Happening

● The Central Baptist Church of Erie, Penn., has extended a call to Rev. Eugene Stroh of Grand Forks, N. Dak., a 1957 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. He has accepted the call and began his ministry in the Erie Church on Sunday, June 23, succeeding Rev. Peter Pfeiffer. A report about Rev. Eugene Stroh's ordination into the Christian ministry appears elsewhere in this issue.

● Miss Ida Forsch, Cameroons missionary, arrived in New York City on May 28 aboard the "SS United States". She stated that it was "good to be on American soil again after an absence of 4 years and eight months." During her furlough year, her home address will be Box 57, Carbon, Alberta, Canada. She underwent a serious operation in a Calgary hospital on June 20 and will have to spend most of July convalescing at home.

● Rev. John F. Niebuhr, of Ocean Grove, N. J., was called to his heavenly home on May 27, at the age of 84 years. After pastorates in Allentown and Williamsport, Pa., and South Africa, he served the Third Baptist Church of the Bronx, New York City, from 1927 to 1941 when he retired from the active ministry. He is survived by three children and his wife. Several North American Baptist ministers participated in the memorial service. The more detailed obituary will appear in the next issue of the "Baptist Herald."

● Dr. A. E. Kannwischer of Chillicothe, Ohio, for 9 years chaplain at federal penitentiaries of the United States Department of Justice, has recently submitted his resignation, effective prior to Sept. 1, 1957. At that time he will join the faculty of Eastern Baptist College at St. Davids, Penn., as professor of psychology and Director of Guidance. Dr. Kannwischer served as pastor of the Ridgewood Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., before entering the chaplaincy. Mrs. Kannwischer is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Bretschneider, of Rochester, New York.

● From June 5 to July 7, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Goodman, Cameroons missionaries, now home on furlough, visited virtually every church in the Southern and Eastern Conferences, bringing messages about our missionary work at Warwar, and showing many interesting pictures from the mission field. They also participated in the Southern Conference Youth Camp at Latham Springs near Waco, Texas, and in the Ontario Association held at Arnprior, Ontario, from June 21 to 23. During the rest of July and

all of August, they will be visiting other youth camps and conference sessions.

● Dr. R. C. Schmidt has presented his resignation as Professor of Religious Education on the faculty of the Temple Baptist Theological Seminary, Chattanooga, Tennessee, in order to accept an appointment on the faculty of the Western Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary located in Portland, Oregon, where Dr. Schmidt will serve as Professor of Christian Education, beginning September 1, 1957. For a number of years Mr. Schmidt served as pastor of the Rosenfeld Baptist Church near Anamoose, N. Dak., before spending a year of study at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

● From June 2 to July 7, Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider, Cameroons missionaries stationed at the New Hope Settlement, who are now in the United States for their furlough, visited many of the Oregon and California churches in an appreciated promotional ministry, with Mr. Schneider also participating in the Pacific Conference sessions at Lodi, Calif. On Sunday, July 7, Mr. Schneider spoke at the Tacoma and Startup, Washington, churches, and on July 9, at Sidney, Montana, while en route to youth camps and the Pastors' Conference to be held at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., from July 31 to Aug. 4. Mr. and Mrs. Schneider's homes are in the Salt Creek area near Dallas, Oregon.

● Miss Florence Eisele of Saguache, Colorado, formerly a missionary to the Spanish-Americans in the San Luis Valley of Colorado, and Mr. Carroll C. Wetherill of Creede, Colorado, were married on Sunday, May 19, in the Monte Vista Baptist Chapel. Mr. Wetherill has a winter ranch of about 400 acres in Saguache, and a summer and fall dude ranch with 120 acres at an elevation of 10,000 feet and a lake stocked with fish near Creede. During the winter months, Mrs. Florence Wetherill hopes to assist at the Spanish Mission at Saguache. The address of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Wetherill is Lost Trail Ranch, Creede, Colorado.

● The Central Baptist Church in Hamden, Conn., formerly located in New Haven, Conn., has extended a call to Rev. Herbert J. Freeman, pastor of the Faith Baptist Church, West New York, N. J., to which a favorable reply has been given. He will bring his ministry at the Faith Church, West New York, N. J., to a close on Sunday, July 28, after which he and his wife plan to motor to Sioux Falls,

S. Dak., to attend the Pastors' Conference. Tentative plans are for him to begin his ministry at the Hamden, Conn., church about Aug. 18, where he will succeed Rev. Alfred R. Bernadt. Mr. Freeman has served the West New York church since 1948.

● Members and friends of the Strassburg Baptist Church near Marion, Kansas, met on Sunday morning, May 19, for a dedication service, dedicating new church pews, pulpit, communion table, floor covering and an accordion door. Rev. L. B. Hinz of Waco, Texas, former pastor, gave the Project History. Dr. Lando Hiebert, professor at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas, gave the dedicatory sermon. Special music was rendered by the choir, men's chorus, girls' trio and a vocal solo by Mrs. Arlen Winsky. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Mr. Hinz. Rev. Charles Littman, a North American Baptist Seminary graduate, is the new pastor of the church who began his ministry on Sunday, July 7.

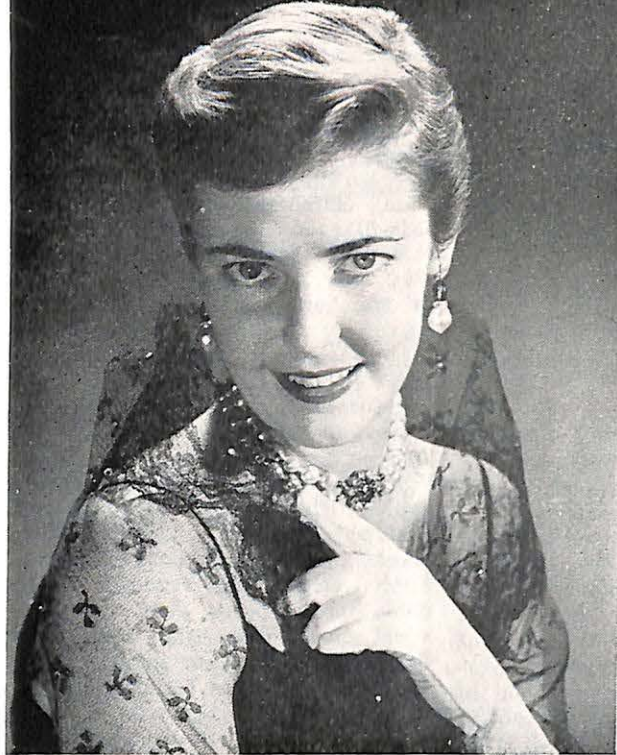
● The Trinity Church of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., enjoyed a special musical program on Wednesday evening, May 8. Miss Roxanne Kohrs of Lorraine, Kansas, a student in Sioux Falls, presented a Senior Piano Recital to an appreciative audience. Afterwards the church honored Miss Kohrs at a reception and expressed appreciation for her ministry in directing the choir for some time and serving as pianist at many of the church services. This reception and social were also an expression of appreciation by the church for all the students who have ministered at the church in various ways in the past school year. A Vacation Bible School was held by the church from June 3 to 14 with a fine attendance. Rev. Henry Pfeiffer is the pastor.

● On Wednesday afternoon, June 12, a recognition was held in Lodi, California, prior to the opening sessions of the Pacific Conference to recognize the Magnolia Baptist Church of Anaheim, California, a new North American Baptist church. This church near Anaheim closed its list of charter members on Sunday evening, June 9, with 62 members. That evening, Rev. Kenneth Fischer, pastor, baptized 5 converts in the first baptismal service held in the church. The impressive dedication service for the new church, attended by 400 people, was held on that Sunday afternoon. It will be reported in greater detail in the next issue. On that Sunday morning, June 9, which was Church Family Dedication Service, 189 people were in attendance. This new church with its worshipful chapel and educational facilities has a very promising future!

● The Ridgewood Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., through its monthly paper, "The Courier," reported about three important graduation and ordination services concerning ministers

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—Ewing Galloway Photo

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

# The Emerald Necklace

By ELISE FRASER



A Christian mystery novel  
laid in the exciting city of  
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## SYNOPSIS

When John Rowland slips his Bible into his pocket and walks out of the mission hall that November night in San Francisco, he begins a strange adventure. For out of the mist steps a woman of breath-taking beauty who calls his name and brings to his startled remembrance his lovely school classmate, Kathryn Greig. Kathryn begs him to have dinner with her, saying she needs help. She asks him to return a small trinket to a friend, hastily scribbling an address on a card. He opens the box and discovers a valuable emerald necklace in it. In the meantime, Kathryn is kidnapped by two thugs and taken to a hide-out. Soon thereafter John Rowland falls into a trap by Sabra, the maid of Kathryn, and the thugs force him to turn the valuable jewels to him. After John Rowland and Kathryn Greig are released, they make their way to the home of Kathryn's cousin, her original destination before she was seized. Then Kathryn tells John how she was trying to sell the necklace in San Francisco to pay for the debts of her late husband, Howard, and that she had tried to keep the truth from her mother-in-law, telling her that funds entrusted to Howard were still intact. She insisted on doing this without trying to save herself, much to the annoyance of John Rowland.

## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

JOHN felt annoyed. "Don't be foolish, he said sharply. "You wouldn't want to be imprisoned and for a crime you didn't commit! The truth is always best, Kathryn. Even in this case where a mother must lose faith in her son."

"But what good would it do? You said yourself she would think my story was invented."

"We must do everything to recover the necklace. That is the way out." He stood looking at her intently. She hadn't said anything about his handing over the jewels. No accusation. Nothing at all about his failure to keep the jewels safe. "I believed your life was at stake back there in that shack. I thought your life more important than the jewels."

"Yes, I know," she said. "I understand. And you made a brave attempt to recover the jewels. But I fear for

you now, John, your life may be in danger."

"Yours, too."

"Mine?" Kathryn shrugged. "I would gladly give it to straighten out this tangle."

"Don't say that!" John said sharply. "Do you think the kidnapers will carry out their threats?"

"Yes. They've risked too much to take chances now."

"The thing to do now is to talk with the police," John said.

"It's in your hands, John. I ask only one thing."

"And that is?"

"And that is that you do not bring Howard's name into this, or any reference to the past."

John nodded.

"Good morning!" They looked up as Roxanne appeared in the doorway.

"I hope our voices didn't disturb you," Kathryn said.

"Oh, not at all," Roxanne replied. "I like the sound of voices. It was hunger that got me up. Are you two ready for a bite of breakfast?"

"A cup of coffee would help," Kathryn admitted.

"Well," said Roxanne, "you stay here and finish your confab. I'll fix breakfast and it'll be ready in a short time."

John began to pace up and down the living room. Then he stopped and smiled at Kathryn. "See, you've got me into bad habits," he said accusingly. "Here I am, pacing up and down."

Kathryn laughed and it sounded good to John.

"I have something to say to you, Kathryn."

"Say on."

"Well, I've been thinking of what you said about it being so terrible to

lose faith in someone you love and believe in."

"Yes." Kathryn nodded.

"There's One, Kathryn, who never fails. One whom you can always depend on."

"And that person is?"

"The Lord Jesus Christ. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. It is supremely important, Kathryn, in WHOM you put your trust."

"Ah, yes, indeed."

John drew a chair close to hers. "There's a song we used to sing. I'm not sure I have the exact words but it went something like this, 'The arm of flesh will fail you, you dare not trust your own.' People are human and even the best of them fail us at the least expected time. But God will not fail us. 'Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away.'"

Kathryn made a despairing gesture. "I have been searching," she said, "but it all seems so intangible. There is nothing we can see, nothing we can visibly lean upon."

"But it is sure none the less," John returned. "The Apostle Paul said, 'I know in whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.'"

"How did he come to know?" Kathryn asked.

"Paul met the Lord on the road to Damascus. But we, too, can see Jesus. We see Him in the Word of God. We have a picture of Him in the four Gospels. But we find Him, too, in the Old Testament. Isaiah, the prophet, told about Him, 'For he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes we are healed.'"

"But it all seems so far away," Kathryn murmured. "How does it affect me?"

"He [Christ] was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he the power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.' That means you and it means me, Kathryn. We have but to accept the fact that Christ died for us, that His blood covers our sins. All that God asks of us is that we believe that. Then the Holy Spirit does His work in cleansing our hearts, in changing our desires, in restraining us from evil."

"Ah, if I could only believe that," Kathryn said.

"You can believe it if you will to believe it," John said. "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his son, Jesus Christ our Lord.' 'Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.' 'But the Lord is faithful, who shall establish you and keep you from evil.'"

Kathryn closed her eyes. "Pray for me, John, that I may have the faith to believe."

When John looked up, Roxanne was standing in the doorway. "You two had better have a little coffee before the police arrive," she said.

It seemed to Kathryn that the walls of the house pressed too closely. She was restless, uneasy. The kidnapping, the long confinement, the emotional strain had taken greater toll of her strength than she was willing to admit. Her habitual poise came to her aid in maintaining a calm exterior. But she was greatly troubled in spirit, and weary.

Sunday afternoon found her walking in the Claxton garden, back and forth near the pool under the weeping willow tree. She wheeled about as she heard the lock on the garden gate click and the gate swing open.

"Kathryn." Bruce Farningham came toward her with his sauntering, assured gait. He held out a pudgy hand.

"Bruce!" Kathryn put her hand in his. "How did you know I was here?"

He continued to hold her hand and his eyes searched her face. "You are headl'ne news, you know. Kidnapped! I couldn't believe it! Tell me about it, Kathryn. You can never believe these newspaper reports."

As he talked Bruce led Kathryn to a stone seat facing the fountain.

Almost mechanically Kathryn repeated the details. She had grown weary of them. When she turned to look at Farningham he was staring at her wrist as if fascinated.

"What is it?" she asked.

"Your bracelet . . ."

"Oh," Kathryn glanced down. "This." She shrugged. "It's probably the only thing I'll keep. I've always been fond of it."

"May I see it?"

## A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"New time always! Old time we cannot keep. Time does not become sacred to us until we have lived it, until it has passed over us and taken with it a part of ourselves".—John Burroughs

"Surely." Kathryn unclasped the bracelet and handed it to him. Farningham stared at the mass of jewels in his hand, lapis lazuli and fine filigree gold.

"It's incomprehensible . . . unbelievable."

Kathryn looked at him questioningly. He returned the bracelet to her and she attempted to put it on. "Here, let me," he said. He fastened it for her.

"What is so incomprehensible?" Kathryn asked.

Farningham roused himself as if from a trance. "This whole business," he said vaguely. "This kidnapping."

"Oh," Kathryn said, feeling very sure that this was not what he had in mind.

Farningham glanced toward the house. "Is Rowland here?"

Kathryn shook her head. "No, he has returned to the city."

"No wonder," Farningham commented.

"What do you mean 'no wonder'?" "Naturally, he'd want to see his girl."

"His girl?"

"Why yes, didn't he tell you about her?"

Kathryn shook her head. Why should she have this stab of pain?

"I've met her," Farningham said. "Her name is Adrienne Lennox. Funny he didn't mention her."

"Adrienne? Why yes, he did mention her. But not in any way in particular. He spoke of being with you last Thursday night." Kathryn remembered then what John had said about that night and the story of the smuggled necklace. She was about to mention it when Farningham spoke.

"She's a pretty girl," he said. "I expect they'll be married soon. They belong to the same church."

Kathryn looked away. Let her get control of herself. When she turned Farningham asked solicitously, "Is something the matter, Kathryn? You look so white."

"No, nothing. Nothing."

Farningham continued to keep his eyes on her face. "I'm going away soon, Kathryn. Wouldn't you like to get away from all this?"

"Oh, no. It would be impossible to leave now."

"You mean because of the investigation?"

Kathryn nodded.

"You shouldn't be alone, Kathryn. This robbery proves it. You need someone to care for you."

Kathryn half smiled. "Meaning you?"

"Well, why not? We've been friends a long time. Haven't I given every evidence of my regard for you?"

"In some ways," Kathryn said guardedly.

"What do you mean, 'in some ways'?"

Kathryn looked away. "Your own conscience should tell you that."

A look of suspicion crept into his eyes. "What do you mean 'my own conscience'?" His voice was harsh.

Kathryn felt a start of surprise. "In India," she said slowly, "there were times when you presumed on our friendship."

Farningham relaxed. "I'm human. I'm glad of that. I'd hate to be made of stone."

"You've never been stone where women are concerned," she commented dryly.

"Beautiful women," he corrected. He took her hand. "Kathryn, I love you . . ."

She turned away. "Please, Bruce!" "How can I keep still?"

"Things are so topsy turvy, Bruce. I'm not sure of anything anymore, even myself. I hardly know where to turn. You, more than anyone else know what I went through with Howard. That tragedy has branded itself on my heart. I cannot forget."

"But you will. You will forget."

She spoke slowly, meditatively. "Besides, I have no money now. I shall be very poor."

He was obviously surprised. He regarded her narrowly, then shrugged indifferently. "What does it matter? I'm rich."

She was surprised, gratified at this expression of his affection for herself alone. But her face was sad. "That's not all," she said. "Not poor only, but in debt, how many thousand I wouldn't even care to guess."

He started. "Impossible!" "But true."

"I thought," he said, "there was no end to Howard's money."

"Yes, there was an end to it."

He regarded her thoughtfully, then said cautiously, "Suppose I make you a proposition?"

"What sort?" she asked.

"If I paid your debts, all your debts, would you marry me?"

Their eyes met and held. Finally Kathryn said, "Let me think it over."

"I haven't much time," he said. "How long do you want?"

"As long as possible."

"A week?"

She looked dubious.

"Let it be a week," he urged. He glanced at his watch. "I'd better be on my way."

"Wouldn't you like to meet my cousins before you go?"

"Yes. I'd like to meet them."

Kathryn led the way to the house. (To Be Continued)

# Sunday School Lessons

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: July 21, 1957

### Theme: CALEB, MAN OF FAITH AND COURAGE

Scripture: Numbers 14:6-9; Joshua 14:6-14

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** Faith does not look upon the strength of men but on the power of God.

**INTRODUCTION:** Caleb is often forgotten in this phase of Hebrew history because Joshua takes such a prominent part as the leader of Israel after the death of Moses. But as a man of faith and as a courageous soldier, Caleb made a major contribution to the success of Israel in conquering their enemies in the Promised Land.

There are many Christians who speak much of trust in God. But there is a great difference in speaking about trusting God and working as if you trusted in him. Faith in God demands action, for it takes great courage to trust in the Lord in the face of dangers and difficulties. There is a time to wait upon the promises of God, and there is a time to act upon those promises. Too many Christians continue to wait long after the waiting period is over.

Caleb was convinced that without the presence and the help of the Lord, they could accomplish nothing. Yet he also knew that the Lord was waiting for them to act in order to fulfill their mission.

### I. FEAR AND FAILURE. Numbers 14:1-5.

Many of our difficulties are imaginary. Much of our mountain climbing is limited to mole hills. So many of our troubles are magnified that we continually seem to be surrounded by giants. We develop the perspective of a grasshopper. The Israelites were fearful because they saw themselves in relation to their enemies. They failed because they lost their relationship with God.

### II. CALEB'S PLEA FOR COURAGE. Numbers 14:6-9.

Fear is contagious—so much so that it is often impossible to spread the contagion of courage. Here was a glorious opportunity at the very threshold. It was a good land, flowing in milk and honey. They had God's promise to bring them into their inheritance. There was no question as to whose side the Lord was on. But they lacked courage and confidence in the guidance of God. They wanted a captain who would lead them back instead of forward. (Num. 14:4).

### III. TRUST AND FULFILLMENT. Joshua 14:6-12.

In spite of the fear and doubt in the minds of all the Israelites, Caleb grew both physically and spiritually stronger. In Psalm 90:10 we have mention of the fact that at eighty years of age a man's strength is labor and sorrow. Caleb, however, kept his strength of body and spirit past this age. He trusted God and his promise, and God fulfilled his expectations. Even at this advanced age Caleb did not ask for an easy inheritance. "Give me this mountain," he said. It was the most difficult possession, for he still had to drive out the giant sons of Anak who had put such fear into the hearts of Israel some forty years ago.

### IV. PROMISE AND REWARD. Josh. 14:13, 14.

Very few Christians can say that they have wholly followed the Lord as Caleb did. His reward for faithfulness was not retirement to some peaceful country estate, but his reward was in more action, more battles, more trust and greater courage. He was an old soldier who would not die by simply fading away.

## A TEACHING GUIDE

Date: July 28, 1957

### Theme: GIDEON, FOE OF PAGANISM

Scripture: Judges 6:1, 12-16, 22-32

**THE CENTRAL THOUGHT:** Our difficulties and troubles begin as soon as we find a substitute for God.

**INTRODUCTION:** When our body temperature rises and falls, we know that there is something seriously wrong. After an operation the nurse takes our temperature every few hours in order to check any signs of danger. Israel's spiritual thermometer rose and fell constantly. They were in need of spiritual physicians in order to help them in their illness. The question of Jeremiah is true in every age: "Is there no balm in Gilead: is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?" (Jer. 8:22).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PAGE

The 1957 editor of this page of Sunday School Lessons is Rev. Bruno Schreiber, a Sunday School teacher in the Forest Park Baptist Church, Forest Park, Illinois. His address is 1026 S. Harvey, Oak Park, Ill.

There are some diseases of the body for which there are no known cures. But the cure for the disease of the spirit is well known. For the disease of fear there is courage; for doubt there is faith; for weakness there is strength; for hate there is love; for sin there is Christ. Like Israel we are continually plagued by our enemies because we have deliberately chosen to worship some other god. We can thank God that in every age he has raised up a strong witness to break down our idols and lead us to the true God.

### I. SIN AND PUNISHMENT. Judges 6:1-6.

Again and again these words are repeated: "And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord." How easy it is to forget God's benefits and blessings. After the deliverance of Israel by Deborah, it is said that the land had rest for forty years. The blessings of righteousness continue as long as righteousness continues. But as soon as you do evil in the sight of the Lord, you lose the oversight of the Lord. God cannot protect an evil-doer, whether it be an individual or a nation. When you choose to do evil, you automatically choose the fruit of evil. It is impossible to sow evil and reap good.

### II. GOD'S MAN OF THE HOUR. Judges 6:12-24.

The wonderful grace of God is evident repeatedly. For as soon as his children begin to stray from him, he begins to seek them and to guide them home again. A person always suffers for his sin. God cannot take away the suffering, but he does save us from the sin that causes much of our unnecessary suffering. It is the suffering that leads us to cry to him for help. (Judges 6:6).

Because Gideon was concerned about the condition of Israel, God chose him to do something about it. As soon as we go down in defeat, God raises someone up to lead us to victory.

### III. BAAL VERSUS GOD. Judges 6:25-32.

When paganism creeps into our nation and into our individual lives, we feel as helpless and as frustrated as Gideon. We expect God to perform some great and outstanding miracle (Judges 6:13) and destroy all the works of the devil, when all the time he is waiting for us to destroy the man-made idols. The strength of God is evident in the obedience of man. Where the people of God are weak and cowardly, the forces of Baal will grow stronger. The Lord has made his might dependent on the faith and action of his children. We can only use God to the extent that we are willing to be used by him.

# Our Denomination in ACTION

## Dakota Conference

### Baptismal Service at Calvary Church, Billings, Montana

Palm Sunday evening was the occasion of an impressive baptismal service at the Calvary Baptist Church, Billings, Montana, with four children and one adult entering the waters of baptism. After a period of instruction, these five persons upon confession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and in obedience to his command were baptized by Rev. Wesley A. Gerber, pastor. They were welcomed into the church at the same service during our communion fellowship.

The four young people accepted Christ at our revival meetings and children's rally, which were held in January with "God's Volunteers." Mrs. Dale Mutschler came to us from Colorado, and upon her confession she was also baptized. We are happy that the Lord is still calling and that there are those who are obedient to the call.

Wesley A. Gerber, Pastor

### God's Blessings at Eureka and Leola, South Dakota

On Good Friday, an impressive candlelight service with baptism, communion and reception of new members was held for the Eureka and Leola churches of South Dakota. Twelve new members, 10 by baptism and 2 by re-instatement, received the hand of Christian fellowship. In January of this year seven members were also received. Last fall, evangelistic services were held at Eureka and Leola, Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer and Rev. L. O. Wahl being the speakers.

The C.B.Y.F. groups of Eureka and Leola presented Easter programs in their respective churches. "The Shadow of the Cross" was also rendered by the Leola group at Eureka, the offering of which was designated for the Crystal Spring Youth Camp. Presidents of these groups are: Miss Narola F. L. Reeh and Eileen Albrecht, respectively.

A Vacation Bible School was conducted from May 20 to 27. "Journeying With Jesus" was the theme. In addition to this course, a Bible teaching film, "Life of St. Paul" series, was studied. The same course was followed in Eureka from June 3 to 7, with the closing program on June 9.

A. E. Reeh, Minister

### Ordination of Rev. Eugene Stroh, Grand Forks, North Dakota

On May 30th, delegates from a number of North American Baptist churches met at the Grace Baptist Church of Grand Forks, N. Dak., to examine Mr. Eugene Stroh, a candidate for the Christian ministry. Rev. Martin DeBoer was elected moderator of the Council and Rev. M. Wolff



Rev. Wesley A. Gerber, pastor of the Calvary Church, Billings, Montana, and four converts whom he recently baptized.

acted as secretary. Mr. Stroh presented his conversion experience, his call to the ministry, and his doctrinal views.

These were accepted by the Council and in an impressive ordination service, Mr. Stroh was ordained into the Christian ministry. Dr. George A. Dunger, Professor of Missions at the North American Baptist Seminary, was the principal speaker. Rev. M. DeBoer offered the ordination prayer, Rev. Carl Weisser gave the charge to the church, and Rev. M. Wolff the charge to the candidate and his wife, the former Ardell Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Montgomery, also of Grand Forks. Special music was presented by the male quartet of the local church and Mr. Clayton Edinger who sang "The Lord's Prayer". The Reverend Eugene Stroh closed the service with the benediction.

Rev. M. Wolff, Clerk



Eleven of the 12 new members received by Rev. A. E. Reeh (left) by baptism and re-instatement at Eureka and Leola, S. Dak.

### Ordination of Rev. Harry Haas of Venturia, North Dakota

An impressive ordination service took place on May 31st at the Baptist Church, Venturia, N. Dak. Sixteen delegates from five churches, including their ministers, and Dr. George A. Lang, president of the North American Baptist Seminary, and his wife had responded to the church's invitation, organizing themselves into the examining council to hear the testimony of Mr. Harry Haas of Venturia concerning his conversion experience, divine call into the ministry and his doctrinal views.

In a closed session the council deliberated, and then unanimously recommended to the church to proceed with the tentatively planned public ordination service at 8:00 P.M. Dr. Lang brought the ordination message. Rev. E. Broeckel led in the ordination prayer. Rev. E. S. Fenske gave the charge to the candidate. Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer brought the charge to the church and Rev. A. E. Reeh extended the hand of welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Harry Haas into the ranks of the Christian ministry. Moderator for these proceedings was Rev. A. W. Bibelheimer while the undersigned served as clerk for this council. Rev. Harry Haas is the pastor-elect of the Ebenezer Church near Elmo, Kansas.

A. E. Reeh, Clerk

### Ordination Service of Bernard Oxenham, Jamestown, N. Dak.

At the request of the First Baptist Church of Jamestown, N. Dak., five churches, including 6 pastors and 11 delegates, met on April 16 to ordain the assistant pastor, Mr. Bernard Oxenham. Since leaving Briercrest Bible Institute, he has completed his studies for a Bachelor of Arts degree at Jamestown College. The delegates elected Rev. Don Snapp as moderator and Rev. Carl Weisser of Carrington, N. Dak., as secretary.

After the introduction of the candidate by Rev. George Robinson, his pastor, to the council, he was requested to state his conversion, call to the ministry and his doctrinal views. In view of his fine testimony, the council recommended that the local church proceed with the ordination service. The six pastors participated in the service with Rev. John Snapp presiding. Rev. Earl V. Grubb read the Scripture passage and led in prayer. Rev. George Robinson preached the ordination message. Rev. P. C. Sorenson gave the charge to the church and Rev. Manuel Wolff gave the charge to the candidate. The moderator then presented the candidate with the certificate of ordination. Rev. George Robinson offered the prayer of dedication. The Rev. Bernard Oxenham concluded the service with the benediction.

Rev. Carl R. Weisser, Council Secretary

### Baptist Men's Brotherhood Organized in Fessenden, N. Dak.

In June 1956, fourteen members of the First Baptist Church, Fessenden, N. Dak., organized a men's brotherhood. Since that time our membership has increased to eighteen. We have had eight meetings since then with various subjects being discussed. In January our members donated their time to cleaning and finishing a room in the basement and finishing a room in the basement of our church so that it could be used as a classroom for our Sunday School. At the last two meetings our pastor, Rev. M. DeBoer, has been giving some very educational and interesting talks on "Baptist Distinctives." A lively discussion has followed these talks.

The purpose of our club is to (a) promote Bible study and discuss biblical truth; (b) deepen spiritual life, Christian growth and devotion; (c) teach the value of good stewardship; (d) and provide each year a series of meetings adapted to the special interests of men.

Robert Schmidt, Secretary

### Holy Week and Mother-Daughter Banquet, Carrington, N. D.

Impressive services have recently been ours at the Calvary Baptist Church of Carrington, N. Dak. In place of the usual Easter sunrise service, which found many of our rural members unable to attend, we held a family fellowship supper on Palm Sunday. A reverent portrayal of the life of Christ was given with Scripture readings, songs and poems, with Perry Pepple in charge of the program.



Mortgage burning at the Immanuel Church, Portland, Oregon.

Left to right: J. A. Hoelzer, charter member; Earl Marks, moderator; and Paul Schulz, treasurer.

the banquet and wash the dishes, for which the ladies were most appreciative.

Mrs. Arnold Leppke, Reporter

### Reception for Pastor's Family at Lehr, North Dakota

On Sunday, May 12, members of the King's Daughters of the Ebenezer Church, Lehr, N. Dak., rendered the annual Mother's Day program following the Sunday School hour. The oldest mother in the church was honored by them when Mrs. Jacob Schopp,

Mrs. Wilbur Quatier; and Mr. Jacob Kessler on behalf of the church. All words of welcome were interspersed by musical numbers consisting of a boys' quartet, two girls' duets, mixed quartet and a solo. Rev. A. Bibelheimer of Ashley, N. Dak., and his members were hosts. Mr. Bibelheimer based his message on II Corinthians 3. He then directed his men's chorus with a fitting number. Mr. Jacob Kessler spoke words of appreciation to Rev. Mauch of Wishek, who served us for the past several months.

Mrs. John Kranzler, Reporter

### Pacific Conference

#### Mortgage Burning and Baptisms, Immanuel Church, Portland

Recently the Immanuel Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon, met to witness an occasion of great import to us, the burning of the mortgage for \$12,250 held on our proposed building site in the expanding neighborhood of Northeast 83rd and Prescott Street, which debt was incurred just 2½ years ago. Rev. Henry Barnet, Messrs. E. Marks, J. A. Hoelzer, P. Schulz and S. Marks took part in the service. Miss Gloria Werner rendered several hymns on her accordion. An offering taken at the conclusion of the program increased our building fund by some \$500.

During January we were thrilled to be able to baptize into the Lord's Church our first new Christian from our 83rd and Prescott work, along with another young woman and young man. Again, on Easter evening we witnessed a woman and two girls rising from the waters of baptism to serve our Lord.

Florence S. Bauder, Reporter

#### Good News from Santa Ana Heights, California

We, the members of the Upper Bay Baptist Church of Santa Ana Heights, California, rejoice in the Lord because he has afforded us the privilege of introducing to you Mr. Harold Hetrick and his family who recently became members of our church. Mr. Hetrick is a local banker with a charming wife and lovely children. The children have been attending our Sunday School for some length of time, listening and then responding to the glorious Gospel brought to them.

In a neighboring Baptist Church, on a Sunday afternoon, each member of the Hetrick family, beginning with Terry the youngest, was led into the baptismal waters by the pastor in complete obedience to the command of our Lord. The above picture was taken in front of our little temporary chapel. In the background is our new church building. The new building, Lord willing, is soon to be completed. Out of necessity it is already being used by a number of Sunday School classes.

We are deeply indebted to our consecrated North American Baptists, for without the vision of our conference these victories for Christ on the Church Extension front would not be possible.

Fred David, Pastor

### Glencullen Church, Portland, Ore., Receives 22 New Members

Easter Sunday was a blessed day at the Glencullen Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon. An Easter breakfast was held for the first time in its history with 90 people being served. A capacity crowd of 250 persons attended the morning services. During the evening service there was a formal dedication of the newly purchased Baldwin Organ to the glory of God.

Following this dedication service the pastor, Rev. Eldon E. Seibold, had the privilege of baptizing 14 candidates in testimony of their faith in the risen Lord. They are as follows: Karen Melcher, Ralph Andyke, Michael Baldwin, Gary Baldwin, Steve Baxter, Terry Billings, Don Fowler, Stanley McGriff, James Sturgill, Todd Swanson, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Held, Mr. Alvin Weaver and Mr. Warren Reincke. A number of these decisions were made during the special meetings held in February with Dr. John Wobig of Trinity Church as evangelist.

A total of 22 were added to the church membership with decisions made during the past two months. Several of these people are not included in the picture. We thank our gracious Father for the encouraging work he has given us in his Kingdom and victory for the cause of Christ.

Mrs. Russell Jones, Clerk

### Atlantic Conference

#### Evangelistic Services and Roll Call at Boston, Mass.

The Rock Hill Baptist Church of Boston, Mass., held a series of special services from April 30 to May 5. For two months previously we held cottage prayer meetings on Saturday evenings in the homes of different members. We were fortunate to be able to have Dr. Lloyd M. Perry, professor of practical theology at Gordon College, as our speaker. He is a fearless preacher of the Word of God. Dr. Perry is also co-author of a book recently published, "How to Study Your Bible." (Reviewed in the "Baptist Herald" April 18, 1957). Eight persons, mostly adults, expressed a desire to follow Christ as Savior.

On Wednesday evening, May 15, we held our May Roll Call, starting with a fine supper at 6:30 p.m. Our speaker for this occasion was Mr. Lit-sen Chang, a former high government official in Nationalist China. Up to the age of fifty years, he had been a Marxist, Confucianist and Buddhist before he came to know Christ as his Savior. An offering of almost \$700 was received for the expenses of the church.

Tillie Atwater, Reporter

#### Reception for Church Worker, Pilgrim Church, Philadelphia

It was with regret that Miss Audrey Miller's resignation as Church Worker was accepted recently by the members of the Pilgrim Church in Phila-



Missionary Florence Miller dressed in her Japanese kimono in front of the Baptist Church, Jamesburg, N. J., following her message to the Woman's Missionary Union of the Atlantic Conference churches.

delphia, Pa. Since the summer of 1953 Miss Miller has served the church in her quiet, unassuming way, first as summer student worker, then as Church Worker.

Recognition of Miss Miller's many-sided activities was expressed by the congregation when, on Sunday, May 19th, as a part of the evening service, representatives from the Board of Deacons, Board of Trustees, the Service Guild, the Woman's Missionary Society, Board of Christian Education, the Pioneer Girls and the Colonists, the Senior and Junior C.B.Y. groups, the Superintendent of the Church School, and the pastor, Rev. Walter C. Damrau, spoke appreciatively of the contributions Miss Miller has made in all these phases of the church program.

After her marriage in June to Mr. Jean V. Hastings, a pre-ministerial student at Temple University, Mrs. Audrey Hastings plans to return to Philadelphia and continue her graduate work at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Ida Draeger, Clerk



Nineteen of the 22 new members welcomed into the Glencullen Church, Portland, Oregon, on Sunday, May 6, 1957.

#### 50th Anniversary Program of Atlantic Conf. Women's Union

The 50th anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Atlantic Conference was held Friday, April 26, in Jamesburg, N. J. Our president, Mrs. Rudolph Jahn, presided and Mrs. Paul Santulli of the host church extended a warm welcome. Mrs. Paul Wengel read the scripture passage and Mrs. Roger Schmidt led the devotions. A ladies' trio from Bethlehem, Pa., composed of Mrs. H. Schreiber, Mrs. R. Cook and Mrs. Wm. Stangl, accompanied by Mrs. E. Wamser at the piano, presented a musical selection.

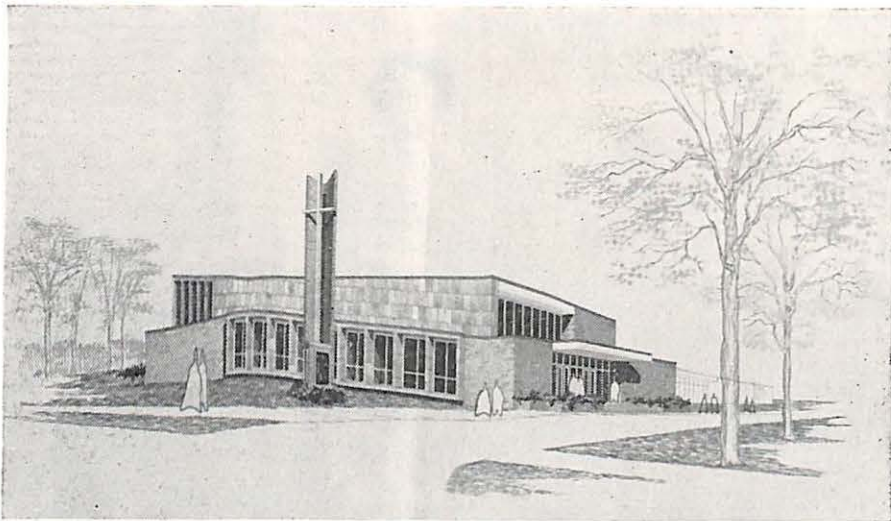
The reports of the secretary and the treasurer were read and accepted. Mrs. Winkler gave a report on White Cross work, and gave each Missionary Society its assignment. Mrs. Wm. Esenwein gave us a fine report of the work of the Home for the Aged in Philadelphia. Mrs. Herbert Freeman reported that 14 members have gone to be with the Lord during the past year.

We were privileged to hear an inspiring message by our missionary, Miss Florence Miller, who is home on her first furlough from Japan. She spoke to us about Japanese women. There were 122 women present at the meeting. The newly elected officers are vice-president, Mrs. C. Peters of Wismere, Del., and treasurer, Mrs. H. Behnke of the Faith Church, West New York, N. J. Dr. M. L. Leuschner asked God's blessing on the newly elected and incumbent officers of the Woman's Union.

Mrs. Louis J. Raab, Secretary

#### GOD'S OPPORTUNITIES

"How often do we sigh for opportunities of doing good, whilst we neglect the openings of Providence in little things, which would frequently lead to the accomplishment of most important usefulness." — Crabbe.



Architect's sketch of the proposed new edifice for the State Park Baptist Church, Peoria, Illinois.

### Central Conference

#### Baptism of 16 Converts at Alpena, Michigan

Following Rev. Eric Kuhn's message on Easter Sunday evening, 16 candidates were baptized in an impressive service in the Ripley Boulevard Church, Alpena, Mich. A large congregation was present to witness this first baptismal service in our new church. The choir presented the play, "The Barnesville Choir Spruces Up," on May 3, concluding the program with a variety of sacred musical selections including the tenor-bass duet, "David and Goliath." The generous free-will offering will be used toward the purchase of choir robes.

Following the evening service on May 12, members and friends of the church surprised our pastor, Rev. Eric Kuhn, and family with an anniversary reception and a financial gift, marking the fifth year of their ministry in our midst. A visitation program of our church area is under way in an effort to complete a successful bus route to bring others under the hearing of the Gospel. We are encouraged by the Lord's blessing to go forward.

Mrs. Omer Turnbull, Reporter



Rev. Eric Kuhn (left, back row), pastor of the Ripley Blvd. Church, Alpena, Mich., and 14 of 16 persons baptized in the first baptismal service held in the new church.

### Southwestern Conference

#### Birthday Celebration and Baptism at Durham, Kansas

The Durham Baptist congregation at Durham, Kansas, honored their pastor, Rev. Norman Miller, on the occasion of his birthday, April 28, with various church organizations taking part in the evening service. Following the worship period a social hour of gifts, best wishes and refreshments were enjoyed by the large group present.

After completing the pastor's classes, five young people and one adult were buried with Christ in baptism at the edifice of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Marion, Kansas, on May 12. On the following Sunday the hand of fellowship was extended to these new Christians and to two adults on confession of faith by the pastor during the morning worship service.

Mrs. Dorman C. Becker, Reporter

### Northwestern Conference

#### Mother and Daughter Tea at Aplington, Iowa

Approximately 160 persons attended the Mother-Daughter Tea held on Sunday afternoon, May 12, at the Baptist Church of Aplington, Iowa. Preceding the tea, a program was held in the sanctuary. After the opening exercises a tribute to mothers entitled, "Faith of Our Mothers," was presented in which a number of ladies and their small children participated. Musical numbers included an organ prelude, vocal duet, cornet solo and a marimba solo. Mrs. C. F. Lehr of Grundy Center, Iowa, led in the closing prayer.

White and pink carnation corsages were presented to Mrs. Charles Wilke, the oldest mother, and to Mrs. Paul Huisinga, the newest mother. Members of Mrs. Harm Sherman's Sunday School Class were in charge of the event and members of the Men's Class assisted in the kitchen. Waitresses were the young girls of the Senior CBY.

Mrs. Paul Voogd, Reporter

#### Women's Programs, Dayton Bluff Church, St. Paul, Minn.

On May 5th, the Sunshine Circle of the Dayton Bluff Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, entertained all the women of the church at a "tea." Bridal outfits of many members of the church were paraded down the aisle to the tune of wedding music and much to the surprise of many guests. Theresa Stanke narrated about the costumes, the periods and the people who wore them. A large chart showing the brides of each decade was on display as well as wedding pictures from all ages. A quartet of daughters, a solo from a mother, and a trio number from grandmothers (the Benhoff sisters) added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. Mrs. Quant and Daughter Geneva gave toasts and

Mrs. Wm. Jeschke led devotions. Betty Campbell is president.

On May 9, the Service Guild held a National Jubilee Program using the "1957 Annual" and other denominational papers as the basis for a very unique and interesting program. Guild members dressed in costumes of the various periods and each gave the highlight of their era.

Mrs. Esther Stanke, Reporter

### Eastern Conference

#### Reception for New Pastor's Family, Killaloe, Ontario

The Calvary and First Baptist Churches of Killaloe, Ontario, were indeed very happy jointly to welcome our new pastor, Rev. Norman Berkan, his wife, and daughter Sharon, recently. An installation service was held in the Calvary Church with Mr. George Krantz, deacon, in charge. Mr. Gunther Wahl of Sebastopol spoke to the church and Rev. Walter Schmidt of the Arnprior church gave the charge to the pastor. Mr. Gillings of the Evangelical United Brethren Church also took part. Special music was supplied by Mrs. G. M. Burke.

Following the service, a pantry shower was held in the church parlors and an enjoyable social hour was spent. We thank God for sending Rev. and Mrs. Norman Berkan to us and are looking forward to great things together for God and his glory.

Special Easter services were opened on Good Friday when the First Baptist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church joined with the Calvary Church for a communion service.

Mrs. M. J. Kuehl, Reporter

### BAPTISTS MARCHING

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lected for the first time a full-time salaried executive director for the laymen's organization.

The Southern Convention has as a slogan for their laymen's work this challenge, "One Million Men for Christ".

At both conventions there was a strong evangelistic note and a fervent renewed emphasis for a challenging home and foreign missionary outreach.

#### A STRONG BAPTIST WITNESS

A new day is dawning for the Baptist witness on the North American continent. It will be significant for all Baptists to watch and to participate in the forthcoming Baptist Jubilee Advance.

In the meantime, we as members of the North American Baptist General Conference have a challenging task to perform, which God has entrusted to us. May we be found faithful in our stewardship! May our Baptist witness be equally great in God's sight and in keeping with the urgent challenge for a sincere Christian witness wherever God can use us!

## Obituary

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

#### MR. ERNST H. G. STEINHOFF of Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. Ernst Steinhoff of Brooklyn, N. Y., senior deacon of the Evergreen Baptist Church, was born in E'nbeck, Germany, Jan. 5, 1873, and passed on to glory April 16, 1957, at the age of 84 years. He emigrated to Brooklyn in 1887, and soon thereafter became a member of the Evergreen church upon confession of faith by baptism. In 1895 he was united in marriage with Annie Seekamp. Six children were born to them, of whom one died in infancy.

Mr. Steinhoff served his Lord and his church most faithfully and well. He held the office of deacon over 50 years; he was church clerk over 25 years; also as Sunday School superintendent and teacher he served for a commendable number of years.

His eldest daughter, Mrs. Anna Marklein, having preceded him in death by two years, Mr. Steinhoff is survived by four children: Ernst, Jr., Minna (Mrs. Frank England), Herman and John, 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Evergreen Baptist Church,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

PAUL F. ZOSCHKE, Pastor

#### MR. GUSTAV FLEISCHMANN of Dallas, Oregon.

Mr. Gustav Fleischmann was born Nov. 18, 1886 at Allexen, Germany, and died May 10 1957 at Silverton, Oregon, having reached the age of 70 years, 5 months, and 22 days. He came to the United States in 1888 and resided at Ballyntine, Nebraska. Later he came to Oregon in 1893, first living in Portland, then Sherridan, and then to Salt Creek.

Mr. Fleischmann was united in marriage to Miss Emma Aebi, October 19, 1910. To this union there were born four children. He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Emma, of Salt Creek; his daughter, Mrs. Gordon McNeily of Silverton; his three sons: Leonard of Portland; and Raymond and Donald of Salem, Oregon; 9 grandchildren, 4 sisters, and 3 brothers.

Brother Fleischmann responded to the requests of the various churches in which he held membership and served the Lord in the capacity of deacon, trustee, Sunday School class president, and choir member. He was truly a man of great faith! In lieu of flowers, friends and relatives established the Fleischmann Memorial Organ Chimes fund.

Salt Creek Baptist Church,  
Dallas, Oregon

ROBERT F. PENNER, Pastor

#### MR. HENRY TRAUTMAN of Eureka, South Dakota.

Mr. Henry Trautman of Eureka, S. Dak., passed away suddenly on May 17, 1957 at the Eureka Hospital, due to repeated heart attacks, at the age of 71 years, less three days. With his parents he came as an infant in 1886 to this country, farming until 1949 when he moved into Eureka. In 1910 he married Miss Katharine Feiock and the Lord blessed this union with 12 children, 9 of whom survive the father. His wife passed away four years ago.

Under the ministry of the late Rev. Daniel Klein he was converted, baptized and received into the fellowship of the Eureka Church, whose faithful, loyal and devoted member he remained. His departure is

#### A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"We see how much a man has, and therefore we envy him; did we see how little he enjoys, we should rather pity him."—Seed

mourned by his four sons: Earnest, Milbert, Benjamin and Mervin; five daughters, Mrs. Alma Kirschman, Mrs. Alice Wolff, Mrs. Irene Sta'ger, Mrs. Esther Hoff, and Mrs. Norma Weller, 18 grandchildren, 2 sisters, four brothers. Rev. Henry Lang of Napoleon, N. Dak., friend of the Trautman family, spoke in English while the undersigned spoke words of comfort to the bereaved on Ps. 90:1-12.

Eureka, South Dakota

A. E. REEH, Minister

#### MR. GODFREY D. LONGHOFFER of Marion, Kansas.

Mr. Godfrey David Longhofer of Marion, Kansas, was born in Drispitz, Russia, December 12, 1887. He came to the United States at the age of two and settled with his parents at Lincolnville, Kansas. In 1901 the family moved to Oklahoma. In 1907, at the age of 20, he accepted Christ as his Savior and later was baptized by Rev. Julius Ehrhorn at Goodwin, Oklahoma. In 1910 he was united in marriage to Lydia Batt, with whom he shared the joys and sorrows of life for 47 years. In 1950 they moved to Marion, Kansas, where they made their home until the time of Brother Longhofer's passing.

In 1934 Brother and Sister Longhofer took into their home two children, Betty (Mrs. James Delony) and Jack for adoption and gave to them the love and security of a Christian home. Brother Longhofer was a faithful member of the Strassburg Baptist Church. He passed away on May 3, 1957 at the age of 69 years, 4 months and 20 days. He leaves to mourn his wife and foster children, Betty and Jack. Funeral services were held on Sunday, May 5, with the undersigned speaking words of comfort from John 14:1-6.

Strassburg Baptist Church,  
Marion, Kansas

FRED J. KNALSON,  
Officiating Minister

#### MRS. HELENA FALKENBERG of Wetaskiwin, Alberta.

Mrs. Helena Falkenberg, nee Rathz, of Wetaskiwin, Alta., was born Dec. 9, 1866 in Sorchin, Russia. She was converted while still in Russia and was baptized by Rev. Vogel when she was about 10 years of age. She was married to Ferdinand Falkenberg in Russia in 1886. They came to the United States in 1892, but after five years they came to Leduc, Alberta (1897) where they remained until 1910 when they moved to Trochu, Alberta. Here they stayed until 1952, when they came to live with their daughter Mrs. Ruth Dickau. After her death, they stayed with their grandson, Mr. Arley Dickau.

She was predeceased in death by her husband; one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Dickau; and one son, Samuel. She lived to the ripe age of 90 years, 5 months, and one day. She died on May 10, 1957. She leaves to mourn her loss one son, Dave Falkenberg of Chilliwack, B. C.; one daughter, Mrs. Charles Dickau of Wetaskiwin, Alberta; 14 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Calvary Baptist Church,  
Wetaskiwin, Alberta

HENRY SCHUMACHER, Pastor

#### MRS. REGINA EDINGER of Lodi, California.

Mrs. Regina Edinger, nee Schramm of Lodi, Calif., was born June 29, 1879 in South Russia. In 1889 she came to the United States and settled in Wells County, N. Dak. There she attended school and in later life established a home. In 1946 she moved to Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., and in 1954 she came to Lodi, Calif. In 1895 she was united in marriage with Jacob Edinger, who preceded her in death in 1954. This union was blessed with nine children of whom four died in infancy.

Mrs. Edinger was converted in 1918 and received into the Baptist Church of Cathay, N. Dak. At the time of her death she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lodi and a very active member of the Woman's Missionary Society. She passed away very unexpectedly on May 14 at the age of 77 years, 10 months and 15 days. She leaves 5 children, 2 brothers, 7 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was a consecrated Christian, ready to meet her precious Lord.

First Baptist Church,  
Lodi, California

G. G. RAUSER, Pastor

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

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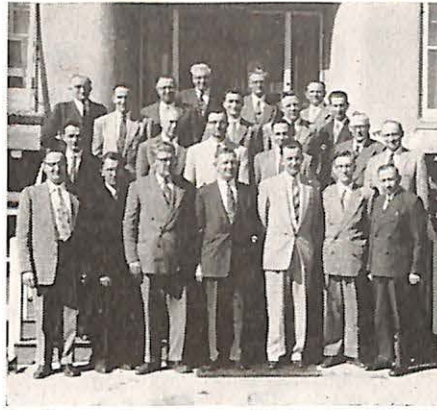
associated with its membership. Mr. John M. Lotz, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Lotz, was ordained on March 31 and installed as pastor of the Ascension Baptist Church, Bronx, N. Y. Mr. James Birdsall, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Arnold, was ordained on April 27 by the Right Reverend James D. DeWolfe, Bishop of Long Island, and on June 3 he was graduated from the Berkeley Theological Seminary, New Haven, Conn. Mr. Roger MacDonald, son-in-law of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Wengel of the Ridgewood Church, was graduated from Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, Mass., on May 20. He is serving as the assistant pastor of the Central Square Baptist Church, Portland, Maine.

### "GO", CAMEROONS ALBUM

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Gebauer on the closing page is exceptionally fine. Most of the missionaries appear in some of the pictures throughout the book. The front cover art design was prepared by Mr. Wayne Rogers of Oak Park, Illinois, and the fine printing work by the Offset Printing Co., of Oak Park, Illinois.

"GO" is something new and exciting in missionary publications. It shows the best of our Cameroons mission field in pictures and stories that will be forever etched on your



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## Northern Conference

### Pastors' Conference Held at C.T.I., Edmonton, Alberta

The pastors of our Northern Conference held their annual conference from April 22 to 26 in Edmonton, Alberta. Each session gave us many inspirational and spiritual benefits in carrying out our great denominational enterprise. Before each session devotional periods were led by Rev. W. Effa, Rev. A. Frank, Rev. G. Thiessen, Rev. H. Herrmann, Rev. A. Zeller, Rev. H. Pohl, and Rev. Fred Pahl. At the close of each session Rev. P. Galambos had charge of "Prayer Time."

Our speaker for the study course was Rev. Herbert Hiller of Edmonton, pastor of the Central Baptist Church. His theme, "For More Effective Preaching," was based on Matt. 13:1-23. Dr. Johns, vice-president of the University of Alberta, lectured on the "Requirements for a Junior College." Rev. E. P. Wahl lectured on "The Pastor and Evangelism." Other speakers were: Rev. A. Lamprecht, "Objectives for our Sunday Schools"; mission reports by Rev. H. Schatz and Mr. L. Maier; Rev. E. Janzen, "Integrating the Educational Program of the Local Church"; Mr. G. Murphy, "Efforts of the Baptist Union Towards Christian Education"; Rev. R. Kluttig, "Christian Education Among our Baptists in Germany"; Rev. Wm. Sturhahn, "Higher Education and Our Denominational Program"; and Rev. B. Milner, "Conversion and Baptism of Children."

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