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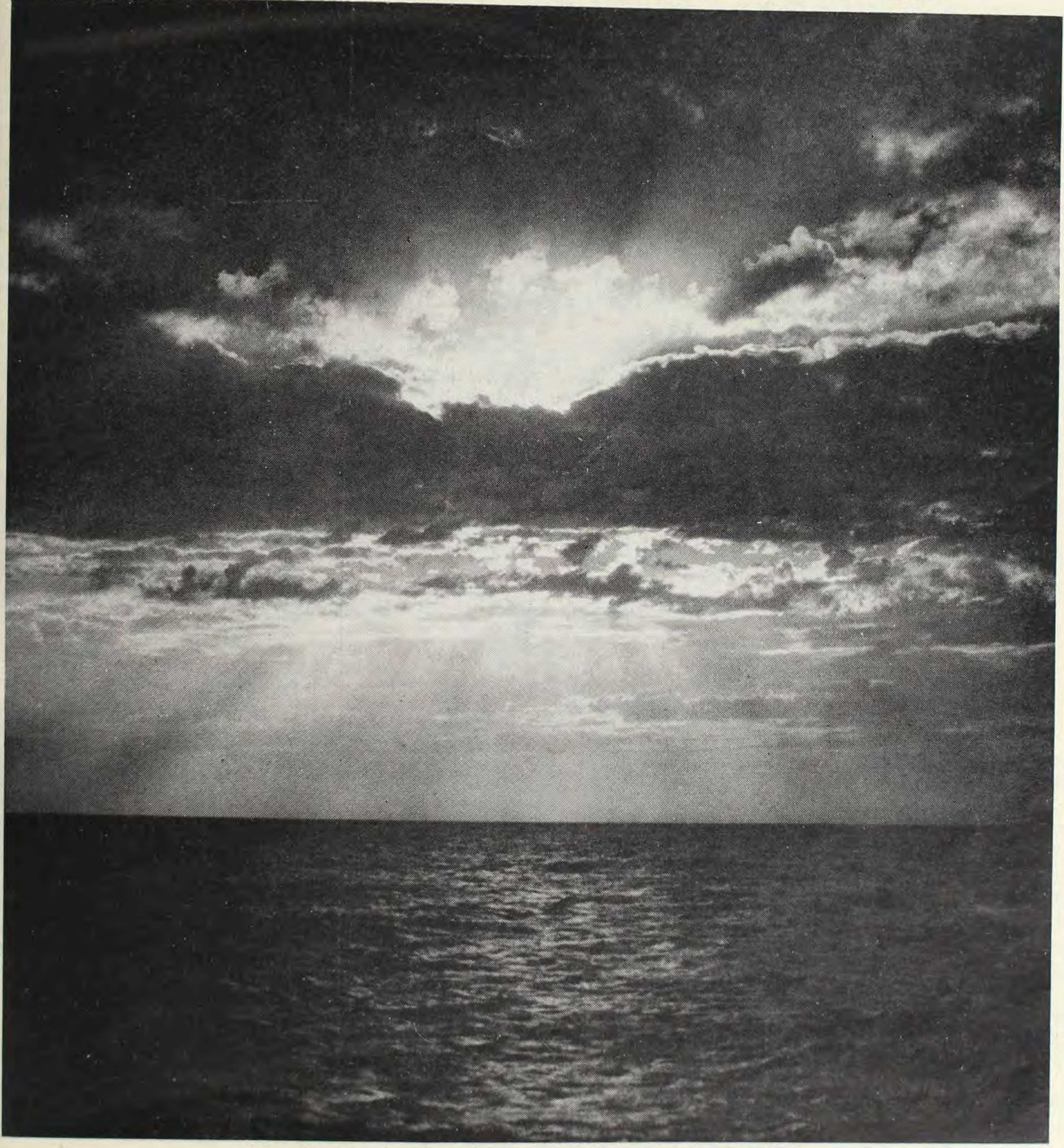
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- ★ Rights and Wrongs About Music James Efaw
- ★ Missionary Work in a Great Land Verne Kirby
- ★ Riots in Ephesus, Detroit and Newark Earl Griffith

A WORD from the EDITOR . . .

No Pastors in Profile page this month. The reason? — insufficient space! When we took over this work of editing the O.I.B., we wondered if we would be able to obtain sufficient material. Believe me, this is NOT our problem! To you who have

sent us articles, please be patient. They will appear in time!

Thanks for the letters commending us for our work on the O.I.B. Only one thing could please us more . . . namely, send us a "gift subscription" for a friend! PLEASE help our list of subscribers GROW!

Church at Kent Destroyed by Fire

Editor's Note: Word concerning this fire reached your editor's desk just before sending the January issue to press. These folk do indeed need our prayers and any other help we might give them.

On December nineteenth the newly constructed building of the Grace Baptist Church of Kent was totally destroyed by fire. A month from completion and occupancy, it represented many hundreds of hours of volunteer labor and sacrificial giving by members. The loss, estimated at over \$45,000.00, included personal tools and all equipment and material to finish the structure. Fire officials

have found substantial evidence of arson by persons unknown.

The young church, formed two and one half years ago to help meet the Kent State University area's needs, is presently without a pastor and is meeting in Kent's Central Grade School.

Plans have already been made to proceed by faith with erection of a new structure, and the spirit of the church is trustingly optimistic, *but there is an immediate need for loyal prayer and tangible support from our churches.*

Pictures and further information will follow in the next issue.

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Nine Churches Added to Fellowship

The churches received into the OARBC at the Annual Conference were:

1. *Berean Baptist Church*, Oregon, Ohio meeting in the Star Elementary School on Starr Avenue. Rev. Donald Crisp, pastor, 2602 Northvale, Oregon, Ohio. This church was sponsored by the churches in the North Bethel Association. Families for the nucleus of this church came from Immanuel Baptist, Toledo, Bethel Baptist, Toledo, Grace Baptist, Toledo.
2. *Calvary Baptist Church*, South Main Street at Hamilton, Oberlin, Ohio. Rev. Jos. C. Fritz, pastor, 496 West College, Oberlin. This church was sponsored by several churches in the Hebron Association with most of the beginning families coming from the First Baptist Church, Wellington.
3. *First Baptist Church*, Louisville, Ohio. Rev. Harry Ramsey, 6830 Glenmere Avenue N.E., Canton, O. 44721
4. *Midbrook Baptist Church*, 18664 Sheldon Road, Brook Park (Cleveland) 44142. Rev. James Godley, Jr., Pastor, same address.
5. *First Baptist Church*, Valley City, Ohio now meeting in the social room of the Medina County Bank, Rev. Jack Wiltheis, Pastor, 1588 Columbia Road, Valley City, Ohio 44280. This church was sponsored by the First Baptist Church, Brunswick with financial help from other churches in the area.
6. *Grand Avenue Baptist Church*, 6 S. Grand Avenue, Fairborn, Ohio 5324. Rev. Earl L. Leiby, pastor, 100 Saratoga Drive, Fairborn, Ohio. This church was sponsored by the Washington Heights Baptist Church, Dayton, with financial help from other churches in the area.
7. *West Bethel Baptist Church*, 207 Franklin Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 4102. Rev. Roy Hendershot, Pastor. This church was started by Metropolitan Missions under Baptist Missions.
8. *Grace Baptist Church*, Robertsville, Ohio. Mail should be addressed

to Mr. E. N. Patterson, 1222 Park Avenue S.W., Canton, Ohio. The church is meeting in the Robertsville Grange Hall and is in the process of calling a pastor.

9. *Grace Baptist Church*, Box 103, Westerville, Ohio 43081 now meeting in the Blendon Grange Hall Rev. James Lee, Pastor, 6115 Cleveland, Westerville. This church was sponsored by Grace Baptist Church, Sunbury, Ohio and other churches in the Columbus area.

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Canton Church Recognized

A Recognition Council was recently called to examine the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grace Baptist Church, Canton, Ohio. Bro. Earl Umbaugh was elected as Moderator and Rev. Gordon H. Roloff as Clerk. There were 15 messengers from eight churches who were invited to sit on the Examining Council.

After due examination, consideration and discussion, it was moved by Rev. Edward Helmich and seconded by Rev. Randal Crisp that the Grace Baptist Church of Canton, Ohio be recognized as a duly constituted Regular and Independent Baptist Church.

The Grace Baptist Church was organized March 3, 1967 with a membership of 44. It is presently worshipping in the Robertsville Grange Hall which is east of Canton.

Editor's Note: This new church just sent in 27 subscriptions for the Ohio Independent Baptist. We invite ALL of the churches of our Fellowship to do likewise! Keep your people informed concerning our O.A.R.B.C. Remember the special rate is \$1.15 for EVERY ACTIVE FAMILY!

State Corporation Changes Name

We have been instructed by the Council of Ten of the O.A.R.B.C. to inform the readers of our Ohio Independent Baptist that the official name of our State Corporation is no longer to be known as "Regular Baptist Home and Camp, Inc." Rather, it shall hereafter be known as Ohio Regular Baptist Camp, Inc., and shall no longer receive any monies designated to the Home.

This change in name comes as a result of the recent sale of Hilltop House.

"Vision Day" at Thurston

The congregation of the Fairfield Baptist Church of Thurston, Ohio recently observed what they called "Vision Day." During this day the pastor requested *vision* on the part of all for the days ahead!

In his morning message, Pastor Canterbury spoke on the subject "Vision of The Local Church." He brought to the attention of his people the fact that some 10,000 persons resided within ten minutes driving time from Thurston and that only about 4,000 of these attended any church. The other 6,000 he said should be reached with the Gospel of Christ.

The church has just completed a bit of remodeling. Pews have been refinished, the church auditorium completely carpeted, forced air-heating installed and further decorating done.

The church treasurer, Mr. Homer Long stated that all bills have been paid to date and there are sufficient monies on hand to meet all outstanding obligations.

"On "Vision Day" different members of the church were recognized because of their faithful service. At the Evening Service, guest speakers were Albert and Marilee Ostrander, Liberia, Africa. The Lord is indeed blessing the work in Thurston!

**Missionary
Writes on
"Dedication of Life"**

Periodically, Miss Polly Strong, who is serving the Lord under Baptist Mid-Missions in Central Africa Republic, sends out a letter to "young people." This letter which speaks of "dedication of life" is one that should be read by young and old alike. Read it prayerfully. Take care that none of us miss the full plan of God for our lives!

B. P. 8, Crampel
Central African Republic

Dear Young Person:

Another summer has about ended. School schedules resume their place while camping gear and bathing suits are put away for another season. Didn't the weeks go by quickly? I hope many of you will write and tell me what you did this summer.

Doubtlessly they have been very special days for many of you. Hundreds of Christian young people gathered for outings and picnics or a week at Summer Bible Camp. They sang chourses and gave testimonies around the glowing embers of campfires and made decisions to live true to Christ. With the words of preachers and missionaries ringing in their ears, the challenge of youth swelling in their spirits and the Spirit of God speaking to their hearts they have determined to let Him have His way. Perhaps for the first time you have dedicated your life to Christ for Christian service. Perhaps you have renewed old promises. Hearts are happy in an atmosphere of victory and joy. God bless you if you are among this group!

I, too, dreamed like that . . . over a period of many years. Sometimes the dedication was very real and strong and at other times less clear and almost frightening. I found it glowed the brightest in the fire of fellowship with other Christians. It was encouraged by messages of older Christians. It grew during hours of Bible study. It became more exciting



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as I read missionary biographies and other good Christian literature. Little by little the dream took shape almost without my knowing it as I followed in small paths of service. Behind each new step or decision there was always the question, "Would this thing be good to know or have studied, if God should someday want me on the mission field?" I did not know definitely then that I would someday be here in Central Africa, but I kept dreaming and asking, "Could this be it?"

Now my dream has come true! After months and years of searching and dreaming — Africa has become a reality. As I write this letter a tropical rain beats on the roof overhead and black figures pass by on the muddy road. I have met these people, shaken their hands and picked up their children in my arms. I have been to church with them, visited their villages, listened to them sing, watched them work, peeked into their huts and seen their sores. It has not been shocking or frighteningly strange. It is different, and not all appealing, but somehow during those years of dreaming and planning a transformation took place in my heart, removing fears and preparing me for today. There is much yet to experience and tests yet ahead, but I am not afraid. The same God who brought me to today will take me on into tomorrow. I have confidence in Him.

At the same time it is beautiful. There is something exciting about just being here, something fascinating

in watching the African women swinging gracefully by, something appealing in an African smile, something warmly intriguing in big, inquiring eyes, something thrilling in hearing an African pray, something enchanting about the sounds of the village drifting across an African night . . . and something tremendously satisfying about it all!

Perhaps you too are dreaming. Perhaps you too are venturing out and daring to say, "Could this be for me?" If you are, let nothing rob you of that dream. Follow it to the end, for when it comes true it is the most wonderful thing you can know.

Yours in His Love
Polly

Cedarville College

The Cedarville College drama department produced "As The Cedars Grow" November 17-18. The play was written and directed by Mr. Miriam Maddox and depicted the historical development of Cedarville 80 years of growth and service. The play presented the college under both Presbyterian and Baptist administrations and highlighted such events as Cedar Day, crowning of the May Queen, planting of the Cedar Tree etc.

Faith Baptist College

A total of 268 students have registered for the Fall semester on the new Faith Baptist College campus. All faculty members, most staff members and 155 students move with the college from Omaha. The 114 new students have joined the college there. Students at the college represent 23 different states.

Favorite Recipe

Do you like carrots? Try this. Take frozen carrots (or fresh) cut thick slices, cook until slightly underdone. Pour off water, add butter, salt, pepper and honey and let the carrots boil slowly until this is somewhat absorbed into the carrots. Stir carefully to avoid burning.

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Riots in Ephesus, Newark and Detroit

by Dr. Earle G. Griffith

This is a timely article which recently appeared in the pages of "Day Break" — the official organ of the Piedmont Bible College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Dr. Griffith, author of the article, serves as Vice-President of Piedmont Bible College and is well known by many of our O.I.B. readers.

The Western world is now suffering its worst shock to finer sensibilities. The Pogroms (planned slaughter of humans) in Europe a quarter century ago were not more savage, nor senseless, than these mass destructions occurring in our midst.

To be indifferent is criminal. To cast one's lot, voice and influence on the wrong side is treason.

Causeless effects cannot be. All enlightened people must seek to isolate the ravaging germs and those competent ought to prescribe a remedy.

Confronting the Causes

These fall into two groups:

First, Distant. Marxism, either in a mild or extreme form. Three quarters of a century ago in centers of labor unrest, stemming from chafing controls by owners, the seeds of revolution were sown by tabloid magazines such as, "The Ripsaw." Coal and steel production areas were the fertile spots.

But the outcries were treated as the hallucinations of a disgruntled minority. Speeches and editorials were laughed off as the ravings of a "lunatic fringe." The intervening decades have shown how the absurd can become dignified, respected and normal. Professional chairs, politicians, writers, even religious leaders joined in the refrain of protests, so much so, that the unlikely of 1910 is the order of the day in the 7th decade.

Public school de-emphasis of real Americanism and culture. This allusion carries no sweeping indictment of our public elementary and secondary schools. Teachers merit better treatment, higher incomes and greater respect than they commonly get. They are indispensable. Many are noble and Christian.

It is still obvious that one may reach the 12th grade and be essentially illiterate respecting the concept

that gave birth to our country and the patriots and other stalwarts that defended them.

To read of school children who will not salute the flag, or recite the pledge, or parents abetted by lawyers, who object to prayer and Bible reading as being synonymous with establishment of religion seems to defy credibility.



Dr. Earl G. Griffith

There are ingredients so lacking in school discipline and culture that leave youth in numbers belching from high schools that can be the feeblest of Americans. These soon control labor, business professions and churches. Riots against order become natural.

Second, Near at Hand Causes

Warped news media. To be sure by that one embraces some dailies and editors, some journals, books, radio and television.

How often these scoff at persons who disfavor the destruction of moral landmarks. How easy to fling epithets, "reactionary," "obscurantist," "archaic," etcetera. Much simpler than searching for facts and standing for principles.

A classical example of the reckless disregard of news media for facts and its accompanying fawning attitude toward popular acclaim and worship of cash register results was seen in the treatment of Honorable William Jennings Bryan. The hiss of Satan has been in the bulk of their reports of him, his attitude toward Christianity and his impressive handling of the Scopes trial. The likes of Clarence Darrow was extolled. In the atmosphere set up by such irresponsibility, the underworld must take heart.

Liberal theologians and ecumenists. The "Pike" pack has polluted American society.

What could be more destructive of a healthy, happy, harmonious society, than men in theological chairs, widely acclaimed pulpits and in executive religious positions, who disavow every Christian tenet and substitute in their place one church for the world, that church in dense darkness.

Besides, these men and their puppets, having no salvation message, no heaven to reach and no hell to shun, hardly knowing whether God is a person or a blind force, can but leave in their wake, a community of "lust lovers," and law despisers.

Liberal theologians are deeply entrenched in every city where riots have occurred. What have they offered as a deterrent?

Courts Slow and Biased

The wisest of men said, "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." Ecclesiastes 8:11.

How often the public as it reads the account of indictments against felons, rapists, murders and insurrectionists receive the impression that indifference toward victims is all that matters!

What has lately been done in the United States, East, West, North and South to bring rioters, looters, arsonists, murderers to justice?

Preachers, Sunday school teachers, lawyers, who disadvocate capital crime but make court work impossible.

The Cure

Negatively, or what won't cure lawlessness.

Blame-Dodging. While the Detroit riot was at its Satanic peak men were

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New Missionaries



Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nicklas

The following article was written by Mr. Norman Nicklas, who, along with his wife, is presently engaged in deputation work seeking to gain necessary support for missionary service. Mr. and Mrs. Nicklas were recently appointed to serve as missionaries under the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism in Brazil.

Mrs. Nicklas is a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Toledo where our brother Rev. Don Sewell is pastor. They both are graduates of Cedarville College. While they were there as students, your editor came to know them well. They are well qualified for missionary work. The following article reveals something of their ability. They would prove a blessing to any of our churches. If you, as a pastor, are interested in having them speak to your people, you may contact them by addressing all correspondence to . . . Mr. Norman Nicklas, 419 Oakdale, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan — 49507.

The method whereby the missionary makes known his needs is commonly referred to as missionary deputation. Churches usually consider deputation as the time when the appointee raises his support.

We view missionary deputation as the promotion of missionary educa-

tion in the local church. Missionary education is a program of learning that presents an appeal on behalf of the need of missions, provides information about how to meet the need, and presents a challenge to share and labor in the missionary outreach of the local church.

To promote missionary education, we have developed a two-fold approach. First, to share our burden and impart our vision, we have a missionary presentation designed to meet the needs of every age group in the local church. Through teaching and preaching, we endeavor to instruct concerning the history and purpose of missions, the missionary call, and the Biblical basis of missions. By colored slides we inform regarding missionary candidate school, our particular needs, and field of missionary service. For interested churches, we have a copy of our testimony, educational background and Christian experience.

Secondly, to assist the church in its missionary educational program, we have for display only, some fifty missionary books, pamphlets, and promotional aids. There are materials for every age group with special emphasis given to Sunday School teachers, mission groups, and the Pastor or missionary education committee. A mimeographed list of all material is provided to enable any interested individual to order for himself any items he desires.

Our sincere desire is to impart to the local church a missionary challenge that will continue long after our ministry has ended. We believe that if we promote the Lord's work in the local church, the Lord will provide our needs through the local church.

Of The New Year

by Clarence Townsend

When fast declining days give way to new,
And hours refuse the stay of human will;
When thoughts of past accomplishments are few
And conscience goads the inner man until
He almost weeps; When, as a fleeting doe
Who, frightened by the sound of hunter's horn
Retreats 'till hidden from the form'd'le foe,
The past is contemplated, lone, forlorn,
An image of another night appears.
The hearts of other men were filled with dread
'Till He, Who can alleviate all fears
Was known to them in breaking of the bread.
Then from the dark of meditation's sway
Moves conscience, cleansed, into the New Year's day.

Los Angeles College Dedicates New Gymnasium

The Los Angeles Baptist College held a special Dedicatory Service for their new Robert K. Bross Gymnasium on November 28th. This lovely new building, which has approximately 19,000 square feet was constructed and furnished at a cost of \$300,000. Some of the outstanding features include perma-cushion flooring, motorized backstops, fully carpeted lobby and classrooms, tinted glass lobby windows, vinyl-on-steel bleachers which will easily seat 900 people, one regulation collegiate court, two regulation high school courts, three volleyball courts and six badminton courts.

The rear portion of the building houses office and classrooms for the Music and History departments of the college.

Coach Ronald L. Reese states, "We believe that we have an excellent team this year, and we are looking forward to a winning season."

President Dunkin remarked, "We are grateful for people like Mr. and Mrs. Bross who have continuing interest in Christ-centered education. By their sacrificial giving they have made possible the construction and furnishing of this splendid gymnasium."

The Los Angeles Baptist College is a four year liberal arts college offering five majors in the fields of English and Literature, Music, History, Science and Bible. The Physical Education department now offers a minor in Phys. Ed. and plans to increase it to a major in the near future.

Also on campus is a three-year graduate Seminary offering the B.D. and M.R.E. degrees. The school occupies 35 acres on West Placerita Canyon Road in Newhall, California and currently has a student body of 262 students representing 21 states.



Paul Levin

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by Dave, Douq, and Don

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Here you must have wealth. If you don't, people don't take to you and don't include you in their activities. Don't get me wrong, some of the people, in fact the majority of the people, are really nice; but the few who feel this way about material things often make a person's opinion of the whole group a bad one.

Signed,
TROUBLED

Dear Troubled:

In life, it is always the few people who change our minds about the many. You must decide who your chums are going to be. Money has always had a strange vocabulary but in the final analysis it will be up to you if the love of it becomes your root of all evil.

Signed,
TEEN TALK



Richard

Dear Teen Talk:

There is a fellow in our youth group not living for the Lord and a bad influence. He wants me to run with his gang which is always in trouble, but I am a Christian and want to live for the Lord. I feel, however, if I avoid him he may think I am snubbing him. He needs to get right with God and maybe I can help him. What should I do?

Signed,
INFLUENCED

"So what's wrong with my friends besides a little body odor?"

Dear Influenced:

You are going to have to answer for your own self. If the fellow causes you to get away from the Lord you should not hang with him or his gang. Bad apples never make good apples better. Inform a stronger Christian in your group of your burden for this fellow and ask them to see if they can help.

Signed,
TEEN TALK

Dear Teen Talk:

My step-father is an atheist. He ridicules my belief in God and scoffs at religion. He has turned my mother from God. He also ridicules and tears my father apart.

My father deserted us four years ago, but I still love him. I can't bear to hear his memory torn apart. I have frequent thoughts of suicide. I can't bear to be around my step-father. He makes me want to take an overdose of sleeping pills and go to join my Saviour. Heaven sounds so good compared to my life. I would appreciate some advice before I do something drastic.

Signed,
SUICIDE APPLICANT

Dear Suicide Applicant:

I wish we were there to step in and give you a big helping hand. I know the world looks awfully dark for you, but for this, sufficient strength and grace, suicide would seem like a good way out. First, let me say it isn't. I have stood over the bed side of teenagers who tried and did not succeed and it is a pretty sad sight. Then also, remember you are growing up — soon you will be out of the house. The Lord may have allowed you to be put in such a circumstance to shape you for His Service. Certainly with this background you will be more sympathetic to teenagers in similar circumstances. Peter said one time that "The trial of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Christ." (1 Peter 1:7). Some trials are of such a nature they will not be understood until He comes.

Signed,
TEEN TALK

Wondering? Bewildered? Need Advice? Well . . . then . . . send your letters, questions and comments to TEEN TALK, Box 2912, Rocky River, Ohio — 44116.

Recently Ordained



Rev. and Mrs. David Jeremiah

Many readers of our magazine will be pleased to know that our brother, Mr. David P. Jeremiah, who is now serving as Minister of Christian Education in the Haddon Heights Baptist Church, Haddon Heights, New Jersey was recently ordained to the gospel ministry.

Brother Dave, shown above with his wife Donna, was called to serve in the Haddon Heights Church under its pastor, Dr. Kenneth Masteller, following his having graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary. At Dallas he earned his Master of Theology degree. Both Rev. and Mrs. Jeremiah are graduates of Cedarville College.

As a college student he was outstanding in the field of basketball and is using this natural ability in working with youth.

He did excellently in presenting testimony concerning his conversion, convictions and call to the ministry. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. James T. Jeremiah. Dr. Jeremiah is the president of Cedarville College.

We predict a fruitful ministry for this young man. He would covet your prayers in his behalf.

Kilian Ministry Blessed

The Lord is blessing the ministry of Evangelist Richard Kilian and his wife as they travel about declaring the message of the gospel. They do this through the ministry of music, as well as the spoken word. Souls are being saved, lives dedicated and churches strengthened. If you, as a pastor, are interested in having "The Kilians" at your church, they may be reached at their home address — Evangelist Richard Kilian, 2418 Morehouse, Elkhart, Indiana 46514. (Tel. 523-5531).

Sunday School Conference



About 700 persons registered for the Regular Baptist Press Sunday School Conference held on campus November 13-14. The 60 workshop sessions were centered around the theme "Training for Troubled Times" and were available in both topical and departmental form. Dr. David Allen of Hazel Park, Michigan was the featured speaker. The conference

sessions were broadcast over WCDR-FM in Cedarville and over WEEC-FM in Springfield, O. Exhibits were sponsored by Cedarville College, The Evangelical Teachers Training Association, Regular Baptist Press, Christian Service Brigade, Pioneer Girls, Awana Club, Shepherd's Home, and The Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions.

Modern Morals in the U.S.A.

"The crook is made into a joke; stealing is funny; swearing is entertaining; the double meaning is the end of wit; infidelity and illicit love, the spice of life. The home is chains; the shop and store, drudgery. Prohibition is a calamity, and drunkenness is a virtue. The preacher is a fool, and the church a mystery — just a memory of the funny, bygone Sunday School days. Mother is no longer revered, and father is the sly old rascal. God is a convenient swear word, and heaven is the biggest joke of all. The sun-tanned, bare-back, cigarette - sucking, poodle - leading, cocktail-drinking, homebreaking female is made the queen. Love is degraded into passion; children are no longer wanted; the marriage is not binding. . ."

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"I believe in two sexes — each distinguishable from the other by clothing and hairdo."

. . . Selected

Oberlin Adopts "Student Drug Code"

According to the Evening Journal, Wilmington, Delaware, in their Friday, December 1st issue we learned that Oberlin College has now adopted a "student drug code" that distinguishes between marijuana and other drugs.

The article further states . . . "The code called for possible expulsion of students for possession or consumption of drugs *other than marijuana*. The stiffest penalty for the use of marijuana is suspension with an opportunity to return to school later. The code was formulated by the student life committee of the faculty. Students selling marijuana will be subject to suspension."

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"Vatican police recently banned miniskirts from St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican museum. Papal gendarmes politely turned away women whose legs were bare too high." We didn't think the Pope had that much courage. We think women ought to have more sense than coming to church in such attire as well. ("Chronicle", September 15, 1967, p. 20).

Mormon College Bans Miniskirts
Following the banning by the Vatican is this AP dispatch in the "Denver Post" of Sept. 5, 1967, "Ernest L. Wilkinson, Brigham Young University President, has written parents of BYU students banning miniskirts and warning students to shun any semblance to beatnik or hippie-type attire."

This is What Graham Said on Miniskirts . . . The astonishing report in the Oakland Tribune of June 16, 1967 comes from a UPI dispatch datelined London: "American evangelist Dr. Billy Graham said today miniskirts are fine so long as they are merely a fashion style. 'I don't see anything wrong with them unless they are deliberately worn to entice men to have sensual thoughts,' he said." The same paper had a story about a reform school banning miniskirts. Are the people of the world wiser than Christians?

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1150 young people, pastors, and counselors attended the two O.A.R.-B.C. youth rallies this year.

State talent contest winners sang and played at the Cedarville rally; and the Hebron Youth Singers, under the direction of Don Krueger, and a girls' trio from the host church, provided special music at the Northern rally, held this year at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo.

Dr. John Reed's message in Toledo was directed to Christian young people. It was a real challenge, causing us to evaluate the purpose and goals of our lives, and to cease self-centered aims, making "Living Christ" the real philosophy of life.

Pastor Don Sewell's message at the climax of the Cedarville rally was attended by the Lord's blessing. It dealt with time, separation, and soul winning. One teenage girl received Christ as her Lord and Saviour.

There was good interest in the four division attendance contest, with one division in the north rally requiring a "recount" before the plaque could be awarded.

Here are the winners:

- Division A — Cedarville, Union Baptist Church.
- Division B — Cedarville, Maranatha Baptist, Columbus.
- Division C — Cedarville, Hayden Ave. Baptist, Cleveland.
- Division D — Cedarville, Immanuel Baptist, Dayton.
- Division A — Toledo, Girard Bible Baptist Church.
- District B — Toledo, Hunstburg Baptist Church.
- Division C — Toledo, Euclid Baptist Church, Lorain.
- Division D — Toledo, Northfield Baptist Church.

It might be of interest and challenge to note that these excellent gatherings of young people at Cedarville and Toledo came from considerably less than half of the churches of our O.A.R.B.C. fellowship.

Why not begin now to plan toward the 1968 State Youth Rally (or rallies) to be held November 29th. We hear so much about the "off-beat," "turn-on," "drop-out" young people these days. Let's work together — every church in our state — to gather a great group, 1500 strong, of some of the finest young people in the state. It can be done! Will you help?

New Dodge Van Purchased



In order to meet needs of a growing congregation, and to better serve a growing community, the First Baptist Church of Niles has purchased a new Dodge Van.

Primarily it will be used to transport folk to their Bible School and Morning Worship services. It will also be used for many other group activities such as Youth Meetings, Women's Meetings, transportation of those who will be helping in Rest Home services and other ministries which the church is soon to undertake.

Shown above is the new van. Pastor Darrell R. Bice is seen receiving the keys from trustee chairman, Mr. Clifford Kline.

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Rights and Wrongs About Music

by James Efaw

Nowhere in the Word of God does it say, "Thou shalt not listen to fleshly music." The reason being, of course, that music was not nearly the problem for the believer then, that it is today. For example, eating meat offered to idols was a much more pressing problem to Paul than that of worldly music. Yet, this illustration points to one of the outstanding merits of God's Word: Its ability to deal with man's problems regardless of age, time or situation. The eternal qualities of the Book naturally spring from the eternal nature of its author, Jesus Christ, in the person of the Holy Spirit who is the "... same yesterday, today and forever." While it is true that times have changed and problems are different, *God's principles never change.* His principles are eternal and immutable. What was wrong in Paul's day is wrong today, what was right for the Apostles is right for the 20th century. One must continue to apply God's principles of determining right and wrong to his activities TODAY. More specifically in this article, one must continue to apply God's principles to answer the question: "To what kind of music should a Christian listen?"

Glorifying to God?

There are three principles in God's Word that one should apply to the above question. Bear in mind now that these principles can apply to every area of the Christian's life that is not specifically called by name in the Scriptures. Principle number one is: *Does It Glorify God?* Does the music to which you listen glorify God? Does your listening to it glorify God through you? If it does not, it is wrong. Col. 3:17 says, "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus. . ." I Cor. 10:31, "... Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." From God's point of view this is the *only* reason He saved you, *That You Might Glorify His Name!* From God's angle, if you are not glorifying Him, you are not fulfilling the purpose for which you were "called out" and saved. If your music does not glorify God, it is SIN. It is wrong. It should

be confessed to God and thrown out of your life. Test this principle against your music or any other area of your life. *Does it glorify God?*

Pleasing to Christ?

Principle number two: *Could Jesus do it with the believer?* Although Jesus Christ is not with you in body, He is here on the earth in the person of the Holy Spirit. I Cor. 6:19 declares: "What know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. . ." Every believer is indwelt by the Holy Spirit, every believer is a house in which the Holy Spirit lives. While some Christians would be very embarrassed to be in the actual presence of Christ while the radio or T.V. blared forth unedifying music, they think nothing of exposing the Holy Spirit to the same kind of treatment. The Bible commands the believer "to walk in the Spirit," and "to be filled with Spirit." It also exhorts to "grieve not the Spirit" and to "quench not the Spirit." The music to which you attune your life can do great harm to your mind and body, the temple of the Holy Ghost. Do not indulge in music, or any activity in which you would not be proud to have the Saviour partake. For in reality, He is *present* in the person of the Holy Spirit. Remember, this is not only the Holy Spirit of your Saviour; He is also the Holy Spirit of your LORD.

Injurious to Others?

Principle number three: *Will it hurt my testimony or will it hurt a weaker Christian?* I Corinthians, chapter 8 is the classic example of this principle. In the passage, some people were eating meat that had been offered to idols. Paul said that the stronger Christians knew that these idols were not real, they knew that there was only one true and living God, they knew that eating the meat was not necessarily profitable or unprofitable. According to Paul, the matter was a "thing indifferent." Why then was it wrong for them to continue buying and eating this meat sold in the temple meat market that had once been of-

fered to idols? Simply this: Although eating the meat in itself was harmless, it could lead a weaker brother astray. By the example of the mature Christians, the weaker and less mature Christians may be tempted to eat of the meat and by so doing think that the meat had some divine qualities in itself and eventually be led to believe that the idols really existed as gods. The weaker brethren's consciences would be smitten and they would be led away from the sufficiency of Christ and the existence of one true and living God. The sin here is not in the act itself but in the *example* which leads another Christian into actual sin. Although eating the meat itself is not wrong Paul says in verse 13, "Wherefore if meat make my brother to offend I will eat no flesh while the world standeth. . ."

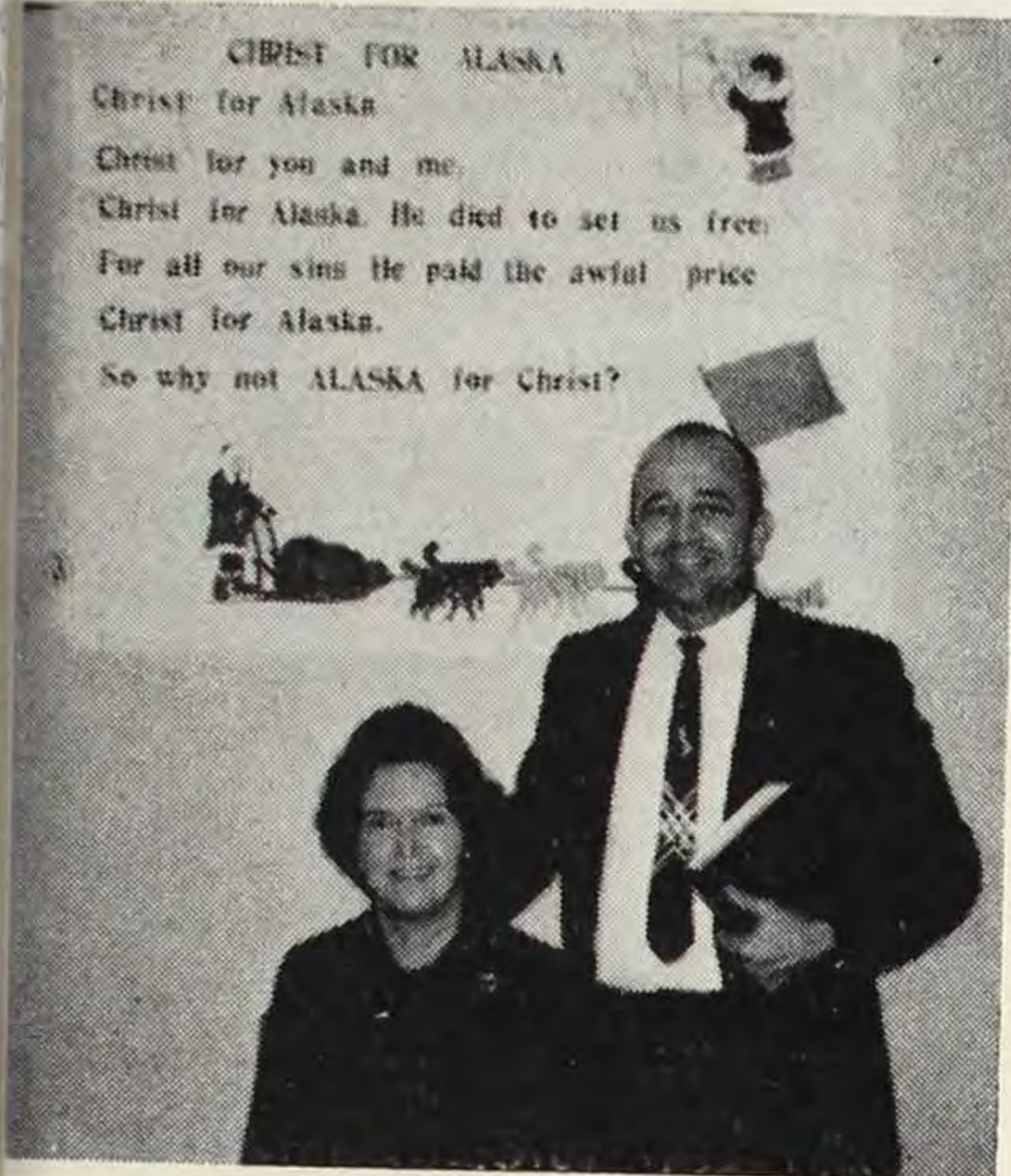
Examine Yourself!

You may say that you are a strong Christian and the music will not hurt your Christian life. You may be a strong Christian and possess the control over the kind of music in which you indulge. It may not hurt your Christian life, but by your testimony and example you may unknowingly lead a weaker Christian into sin, a Christian who will let that music control his life and his thoughts and eventually lead him to the movie and the dance and other fleshly activities that usually go hand in hand with worldly music. Many young Christians are striving hard to forget about their lives before they were saved. Lives that were oftentimes filled with sin such as drinking, wild parties and rough living. Yet, every time they hear you play that rock-and-roll or sensuous pop music that you claim does not hurt you, it brings back to them memories of sin that they are trying to forget, sin with which the music is so closely connected. Music itself has been known to lead these ones back into the lives of sin from whence they had come. The blame must fall on the one who caused his brother to stumble. You cannot be too careful about your testimony in all areas of your lives. *Does the music you enjoy reflect Jesus Christ in your life?*

Examine your music and your entire life by these three Bible principles. Pray over them and ask God to show you what to do. If you or your music is out of line, then straighten your testimony and throw the world's music out the window and *let the Lord put "a new song in your heart."*

Missionary Work In A Great Land!

by Rev. Verne L. Kirby



The Kirbys

Where do you find towering mountains, vast glacier ice fields, abundant wildlife and the modern way of life contrasted with the primitive? Where do you find scenic beauty with a wide scope and variety of grandeur? In what place do you find oil wells and moose sharing the same range and totem poles adorning the highways? What "great land" can boast of the tallest mountain on the North American continent, the most beautiful sunsets in the world and the "midnight sun?" Of course the answer is the "great land" of Alaska.

Alaska is a "great land" but she is in need of the great Saviour. Baptist Mid-Missions began its ministry in Alaska in 1949. Fourteen missionaries are presently engaged in missionary work and others are wait-

ing for support. Missionary work in Alaska is different from home mission work in the "lower 48." Some of the people in Alaska have come because they wanted to be independent and free to do things their own way. They are a self-sufficient people. Many of the people were homesteaders in past years and a number of them still live on their original homesteads. A number of old cabins have been replaced with more modern structures.

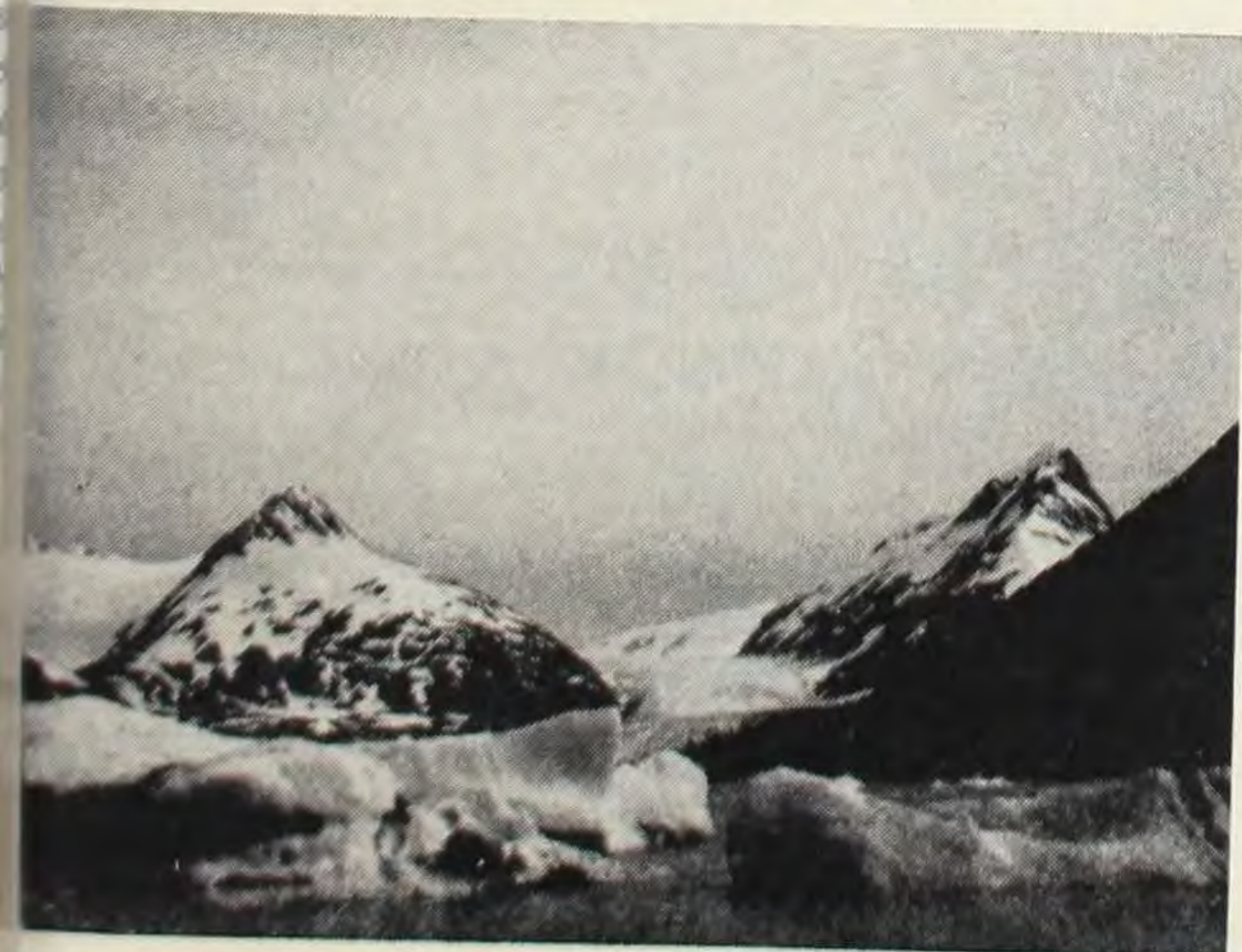
Missionary work in Anchor Point, Alaska was begun in 1957 through a Conservative Baptist missionary. The first services were held in a garage across from the present church location. In the spring of 1964 the church voted to become a part of the Baptist Mid-Missions family, but it was August 1964 before missionaries could be placed on the field. It was at this time that the Verne Kirby family arrived to begin their ministry. Church worship services were being conducted in the basement of the church building. The frame work and subsiding was on the upstairs part. Since August 1964 the upper part of the church has had redwood siding put on, a central heating system has been installed, a permanent roof has been put on and electric wiring and insulation have been installed making it possible for the upstairs to be used for services. Also a tower has been constructed to house a large bell in the upper part and a stairway in the lower part.



Here They Worship

At the Anchor Point Baptist Church regular church services are held and boys and girls are being reached two days each week in after school JOY Clubs. Friday night "get-togethers" offer a time of fun and fellowship for people of the area.

The Kirbys delight in working with the youth. They have found that colorful visual aids, exciting techniques and a variety of activity help as they present Christ to the young. They realize, too, that missionaries are dependent on fellow-laborers who give and pray for them. The Bible says, "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." (Matthew 21:22). Can we count on you to pray for the "great land" of Alaska and Baptist Mid-Missions missionaries working in Alaska?



Land of the Midnight Sun



The Kirby Children

Heart to Heart Among the Women

—Mrs. Geo. Milner — Women's Editor—

Imitators and Examples

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Thess. 1:1-10). This chapter abounds in thanksgiving; (a good way to begin the New Year) and the Apostle recites the many beautiful and hopeful traits of character and behavior by which the members of this Christian community had endeared themselves to him. Notice his favorite grouping of faith, hope and love. We are taught to crave for these in our own soul-garden, and to rejoice to find them blossoming in others. Too often the Gospel comes only in *word*. Let us seek the other three accompaniments of verse 5. What a blessed thing it would be if our church life were so full of the Spirit of Christ that the ministers would not need to say anything! "By whose preaching," a lad was asked, "were you converted?" By no one's preaching," was the reply, "but by my Aunt Mary's living."

There are three memorable steps indicated in verses 9 and 10. Turn unto God: serve Him as true and living; wait for the coming of the Son of man. The last phrase strikes the keynote of this Epistle. The church is encouraged to stand at the oriel window. Behind her is the night which she has been delivered. On the bosom of the dawn shines the Morning Star." — By the late F. B. Meyer.

As we review the past, the devoted child of God is keenly aware of His faithfulness, therefore we dare to face the tomorrow. We have the assurance of His presence, His enablement. "Let your behavior be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have; for He hath said, I will never leave thee, not forsake thee." — Heb. 13:5. A blessed 1968 to all of you!

Baptist M.M. Conference

Mrs. R. T. Ketcham, dearly beloved in GARB circles, was speaker at the Women's Fellowship Meeting, November 14th, during the Baptist Mid-Missions Conference at Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland.

Mrs. Rene Street, hostess with her husband, Rev. Howard Street, at B.M.M. Mission Home, presided in the absence of Miss Gladys Baines who plans and sparks these fine sessions. There was special prayer for Miss Baines, recovering from surgery. With women from a dozen or more churches and missionaries from around the world, Mrs. Ketcham shared impressions of last year's visit with her husband to ABWE and BMM foreign fields.

Indelibly the speaker portrayed the warm welcome and radiant Christian witness in the Philippines, the despair of the masses in Hong Kong, the miracles of God's provision for the medical work in East Pakistan in which her son, Dr. Donn W. Ketcham, is engaged.

Mrs. Ketcham closed with a plea to pray definitely and faithfully for our missionaries and national Christians around the world. The hour was well spent and we left with a determination to better serve our Lord and fellow-man.

At several stated times the Missionary Cupboard was opened to the missionaries. They were given large shopping bags to "Shop," choosing articles which were made or purchased by the various Women's Missionary Societies from surrounding churches together with Cedar Hill's Workshop, to take back with them to their fields.

It was a most blessed and busy 5 days for young and old with over 100 missionaries; council members, and office personnel being well represented.

— Reported by Mrs. Rene Street.

Hebron Group Meets



"Seen above are . . . (Left to right), Mrs. Lawrence Wilson, Treas.; Mrs. Gordon Schaechterle, President; Mrs. David Shimp, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Allan Lamb, 1st Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Donald Graham, Sec'y.

"A Mind to Work" from Nehemiah 4:6 was the Theme of the Hebron Women's Missionary Union when we met for our Fall Rally at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Lorain on Tuesday November 14th. The theme chorus was written by the president Mrs. Norma Schaechterle. Roll call was answered by 178 ladies representing 28 churches. Recognition for high attendance was given to the ladies of Spencer, North Royalton and Norwalk.

Miss Florence Houck of Evangelical Baptist Missions to the Republic of Niger spoke on "Trails to the African Heart." The special music for the day was a solo by Mrs. Judy Smith and a duet by Mrs. Catherine Morrow and Mrs. Marilyn Wagner.

The project of this group for the coming year is the Building Fund for the new Office Building of the Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions (FBHM) in Elyria. The Spring Rally will be held on April 9 at Faith Baptist Church, Amherst.

—Submitted by Mrs. Aldene Grahah, Sec'y

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allowed to appear on television and shift the responsibility to our Washington lawmakers for not implementing slum clearance and breaking up ghettos. We doubt that "sanctification," is the foremost doctrine on "Capitol Hill." But when did the lawmakers tell or cause men to slay, burn, loot and defy all semblance of decency? Crime is committed by criminals who merit extinction.

Cowardice and Compromise

The public was stunned by on-lookers in New York who watched a woman being ravaged while they protected their worthless pelts. Good people don't have to live on. Let them assert themselves and take the consequence. The booze gang is spreading its tentacles everywhere while preachers dabble in surmises and "sweet nothings" too often. You get the impression that some pulpits would allow a pocket billiard table in the basement and a bordello next door, rather than suffer internal dissension and financial loss from non-regenerates. We could use and God would bless a contingent of Savonarolas, John Knoxes and Joseph Parkers, instead of sob-sisters in ecclesiastical robes.

Specious Excuses

A common one in religious circles among fundamentalists is that proclaiming personal salvation through Christ and showing God's pattern for the world, exonerates us from concern about the drift of society. This is but one more cringing evasion. The same pious idealist will cry out against a dishonest deal in a merchandising center, especially if he loses.

This means he does care about the down-grade course of the world.

The preaching of the apostle Paul and his compatriots in Ephesus seriously damaged an evil trade. No apology was offered. Christians crave heroes to follow. A united Christian pulpit would make riots hideous, senseless, unallowable.

Positively. Own the frightfulness of the disease. Naaman wanted a "magic wand" treatment for leprosy. Concerted drives by criminals leading to hundreds dead, vital areas of cities in ruins, our country a hiss before the world, are not little skin rashes. We are seeing degeneracy at its worst. Face it.

Support all law enforcement agencies to the limit. Attempts to discredit the police by screaming "brutality," are but shields for fiends.

Dismiss the brainless hypothesis that slum clearance and job opportunity will end these minutes. Joseph went into Egypt as a slave, but lived to be its foremost statesman. Major crimes are committed in palaces, in palatial hotels and by high income persons. Crime is born in criminal hearts.

Quit coddling noisy unreasonable minorities. No one should be held down for race or color. No one should discredit his race or color by violently demanding advancement he did not merit by virtue and work.

Let all men remember that mortals are rushing, some madly, into the hands of Him, of whom the scriptures declare: "The wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness." There is a refuge for the penitent and wrath for the rebellious.

Gallipolis Growing

In a recent Sunday School contest with the Temple Baptist Church of Portsmouth, the First Baptist Church of Gallipolis realized a ten percent increase in their average attendance. A total of 514 were out to Sunday School on the closing Sunday. This was the greatest attendance in 30 years!

Preliminary drawings are under way for a proposed new educational building, which will house a Sunday School of 750 to 800. The present lack of ground limits greater expansion.

The Ohio Independent Baptist editor, Rev. Donald Moffat, will be "guest evangelist" for eight days of special meetings, February 25 through March 3rd, 1968. The church asks others to pray along with them for God's power upon Brother Moffat during that week!

Blessing at Perry

God blessed in the special meetings held recently at the Faith Baptist church in Perry, Ohio. Pastor A. B. Tassell, Jr. writes saying that God spoke to hearts through his messenger Dr. Robert T. Ketcham. A great number dedicated their lives to the Lord!

Every service was well attended but what was most thrilling was the great number of young people present. Special music was presented by the church choir. Pastor Tassell stated that he was sure that Faith Baptist Church of Perry is "a better church, a stronger church, a more zealous church and above all, a more spiritual church as a result of Dr. Ketcham's ministry."

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from the

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By Dr. Geo. Lawlor

"APPEAR"

In the well-known passage, II Cor. 5:10, it is stated that all believers must "appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that everyone may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." The common understanding of the verb "appear" is that all of us shall come before the Lord in person, each of us standing in His presence to account for what we have done as Christians. In other words, each believer will make a personal appearance before the Lord Himself to receive His evaluation and judgment of our works. All this is true. The word "appear" does have this signification, and does carry this simple meaning. It is true that all of us *will appear* personally at the judgment throne of our Lord Jesus Christ, following the rapture.

However, there is more involved in this "appearing" than merely coming formally in person to the place of judgment and thus making our appearance there. The word used in the verse translated "appear" is the Greek (*phanerotheinai*), which means in a more or less general sense "to make manifest or visible, to render known what has been hidden or unknown, to make manifest either by words or deeds." Perhaps the first thing that comes to our minds is the manifestation of many believers heretofore unknown, the appearance of some at that time whom we did not expect to see. But the word goes deeper than this.

To "reveal"

In a letter among the papyri discoveries, a man writes to another, and says "I present this statement, making this matter known to you." The verbal "making known" is *phaneron*. The word appears in another letter in which the writer says to a friend, "I should have made a much more conspicuous display of my magnanimity." The word "display" is *phaneroteran*. A civil officer sent a dispatch to a subordinate, in which he said concerning a certain official matter, "I have made (this) known both to the principal and his

assistant." The expression "made known" is rendered by *ephanerosa*. A Christian's simple prayer is recorded in these words: "Oh God reveal to me thy truth, whether it be thy will that I should go to Chiout." The word "reveal" is the verb *phaneroson*. A consideration of these early usages shows the sense of the word to be that which becomes visible and clear, things that are made manifest so as to be plainly seen, to make something or someone known as what (it) he really is.

To "expose"

Thus, the word in its New Testament occurrences is more interesting and significant. In Mark 4:22, "For there is nothing hid which shall not be *manifested*" (*phanerothei*), it denotes something previously concealed that is brought out into the open. The word is also used in the last clause in the verse where it is rendered "come abroad." Eph. 5:13 has the word (*phaneroutai*) to point out the exposure by the light of truth of things that are evil and false. It appears in John 17:6, in the Lord's great prayer, when He says "I have manifested (*ephanerosa*) thy name unto the men which thou gavest me," to designate the fact that Christ made known to His apostles the truth resident in the name of the true God, imparting to them this knowledge by teaching. The word is used by John in I Jn. 4:9, (*ephanerothei*) to denote the fact that the immeasurable love of God, while previously displayed in the choice, redemption, and preservation of His people Israel, has now been supremely and pre-eminently made known in the sending of His Son — an act unprecedented and unsurpassed in history. In Heb. 9:26, the word describes the pre-existent Christ previously hidden from view in heaven, but in His incarnation made visible on earth as a man among men (*pephanerotai*). Vs. 28 has the word again to point out the imminent appearance of the Lord in His return for the church saints, when we shall see Him in His splendor and glory for the first time. It is used in Jn. 1:31, where John states that Jesus Christ the Messiah must be "made

manifest" (*phanerothei*) to Israel, i.e., become known, plainly recognized, and thoroughly understood as to who and what He is. In II Cor. 5:11, it is used by Paul to set forth the fact that we are fully, thoroughly, completely known by God as to what kind of individuals we really are; we are "manifest" to God (*pephanerometha*). One day, however, when the Lord appears (*phanerothei*) as He has promised to do, we shall be seen and known as true saints, in glory and majesty which we derive from Him (Col. 3:4 [*phanerotheisethe*]). We do not appear as such now, nor are we known as such by the world around us. But in that day, we shall have the true appearance of our glorious heritage — which is to be like Him.

Everything to be Disclosed!

This, then, is the word of the text: "For we must all *appear* before the judgment seat of Christ. . .," and it surely must be seen that it obviously signifies much more than the fact that all believers will be present before the Lord's throne. We will stand before the Lord and be known for what we really are. Whatever has not been apparent, good and bad, while we walk the earthly path and serve the Lord in this life, will then be brought out into the open. Unconfessed sins will be revealed, hypocrisies exposed, guilty consciences bared. There can be no disguise, no masquerade, no deception before the omniscient Lord of glory, and we must stand the piercing scrutiny of His all-seeing vision. All the secrets of our hearts will be drawn out, and the real motivations of our actions will then be known. The oral accounting will be made by each of us (Rom. 14:12), and what we have done in labor, in witness, in service, in living daily, and (*above all*) *in character* will be disclosed. The Lord will be kind, but He will extract the truth from us. Every one of us — for himself — shall give his personal account. In this manner we shall "appear" at the judgment seat — with a solemn individuality of enquiry. May God help us in these days to walk obediently, to live devotedly, to serve faithfully.

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A Devotional for the Young and Old

The author of this devotional to "Teens" is Rev. James C. Romig. Brother "Jim" is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Romig of Warren, Ohio. He serves as Assistant Pastor to Rev. Don Jennings, Central Baptist Church, Gary, Indiana. Each week he writes a brief devotional to the youth of the Gary church. We felt this one should be shared with the readers of the O.I.B.

Did you ever do your own repair work on a car? It can be fun IF you have the right tools. But, if those tools aren't there—FRUSTRATION.

This morning I had to fix a flat tire. I got out the spare, and the base for the jack, then the jack itself. But, one piece was missing. I looked in the trunk — not there. Then the garage — not there. The jack for the neighbors car wouldn't fit the bumper. The handle for his scissors jack was missing. I went to a garage. "Sorry, we can't let you borrow that one." Another garage. "You can borrow the jack, but leave your watch." Grrr! Well, I finally got the tire changed and all commitments were on time. That silly little piece sure caused a lot of trouble though.

We Christians often cause a lot of trouble for ourselves by misplacing "one little piece" of the equipment God has provided for our lives here on earth. He has given us salvation and we can never lose that. However, He has also made available some other "tools." I'm talking about the abundant Christian life, the life that helps us live. We may lose this life or misplace this life, the fruitful life, in many ways. Usually it boils down to one simple word — SIN in the believer's daily life.

However, this life may also be regained and reclaimed. God doesn't mean for us to remain in a state of unhappiness. The Christian life is a joyous experience. He shows us how to regain this abundant life in His Word. First, CONFESS your sin. (I Jn. 1:9) Second, PRESENT your life to God (Rom. 12:1). Third, ALLOW the Holy Spirit to control you (I Jn. 5:14-15).

God says we CAN have an abundant life. He has provided it. All we have to do is follow what He says we should do. "BUT if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." (I Jn. 1:7).

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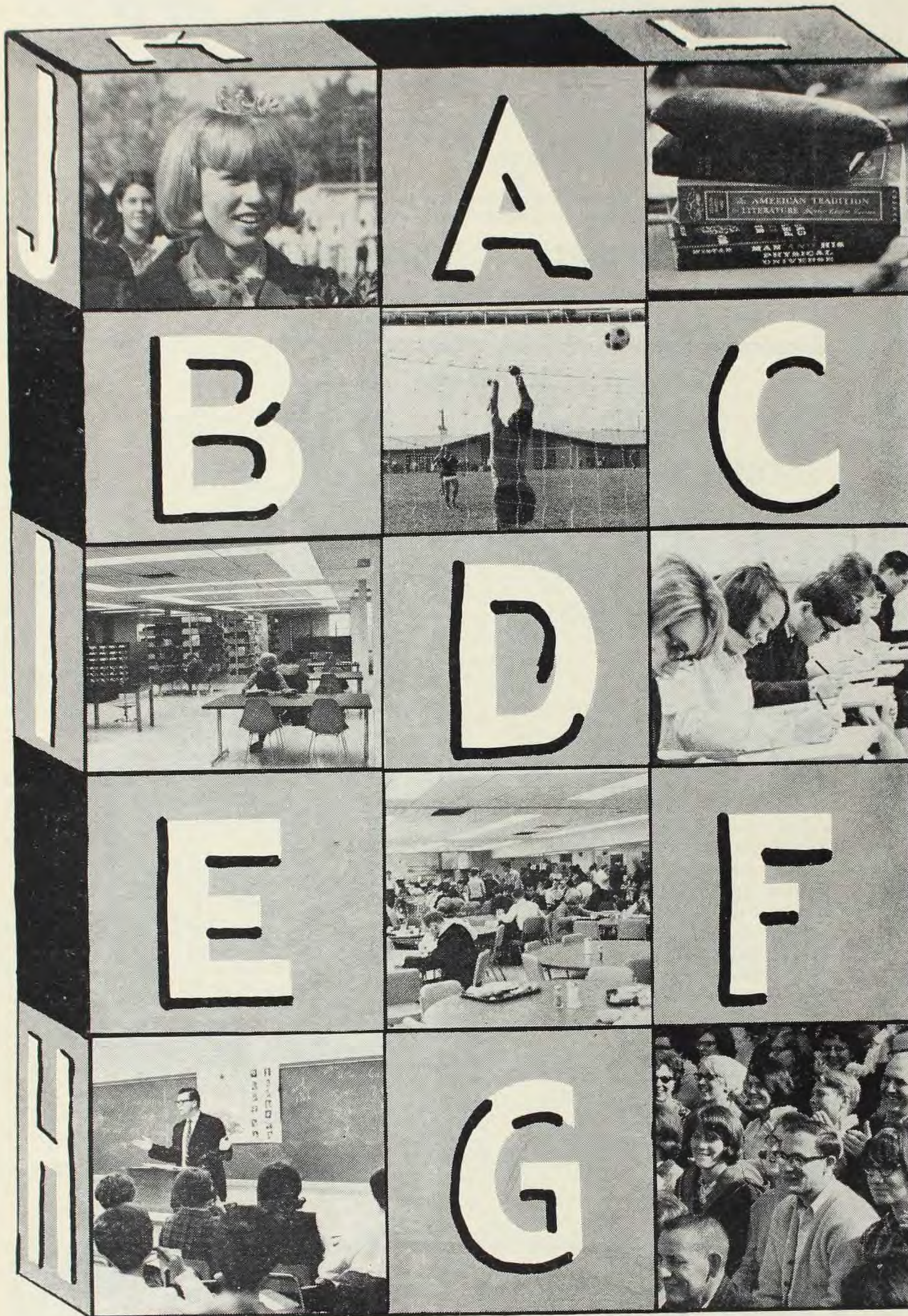
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