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BIBLE BELIEVING BAPTISTS ALL OVER COUNTRY WITHDRAW FROM NBC MODERNISM. TAKE STAND FOR CHRIST

THE NEW N. B. C. PRESIDENT

By R. T. Ketcham, D. D.

At its Convention in Colorado Springs, the last of June, the Northern Baptist Convention elected as its President Rev. James H. Franklin.

No Protest

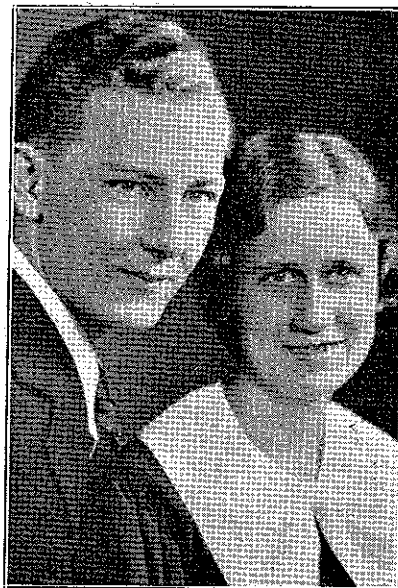
It is rather interesting, in these days when the Convention supporters are shouting from the house-tops that there isn't very much wrong within the Convention, to note the kind of leadership which the Convention selects. It is also interesting to note that there wasn't a single, solitary voice raised in protest of the election of James H. Franklin. Of course, had there been another name presented from the floor, the result would have been the election of Dr. Franklin because, as one of the Colorado Springs daily papers says, quoting some Baptist representative, "The report of the Nominating Committee is never upset."

The number of paid Denominational servants who attend the Northern Baptist Conventions, every one of them with the right to vote, always holds the balance of power. There are always several hundred such officials present, and they can always be trusted to vote en masse for whatever slate or program the Convention leaders hand down. But it would be refreshing at least to have heard the voice of some Fundamentalist raised in objection to the election of Dr. J. H. Franklin.

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INDIA AHEAD?!

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Reynhout, and small daughter, Ruth, members of the Wealthy Street Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., are hoping to go to India this Fall under the Mid-Missions (General Council of Co-operating Baptist Missions of North



America) of which M. E. Hawkins, D. D. of Mishawaka, Indiana, is the President.

\$25.00 a month has already been promised toward their support. \$1200 a year is necessary. Passage money will be supplied by the Church. All who are interested, either churches or individuals, write IMMEDIATELY to Mr. and Mrs. Reynhout, Sand Lake, Michigan, or to the Church.

Pastors And People Waking To Crisis. "If God Be For Us Who Can Be Against Us?" Is Attitude

In nearly every mail the editor is receiving encouraging and enthusiastic response from old fashioned, Bible-Believing Baptists all over the country. Pastors and laymen have become sickened of the present state of affairs within the convention and are eagerly writing in seeking a fellowship where their Lord and Saviour is exalted, and the old Book is believed and expounded.

Truly God is working in the hearts of believers. They will not bow the knee to the Baal of modernism; they refuse to starve their souls with programs from headquarters that dishonor their Lord and discredit His Book.

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COURAGEOUS PASTOR ORDAINED

John B. West, LeRoy, Refuses To Be Bound By Convention Ordination Committee

A phrase in the second of Acts summarizes the power and the progress of the early church, "And all that believed were together, and had all things common." And every pastor and messenger present from some 15 Baptist churches at the examination and ordination of the Rev. John B. West, went home rejoicing in the fellowship of our Lord Jesus.

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MIRACLE IS WROUGHT IN KALAMAZOO

Bethel Baptist Church Summons Brilliant Young Fundamentalist After Seeming Imminent Split

Some weeks ago we read a tragic letter. It stated that a bitter conflict was going on in the Bethel Baptist church of Kalamazoo over the calling of a new minister. We knew what sorrow and heart break could result from such a thing. "Prayer was made without ceasing" for the church and its members.

Tuesday evening, June the 25th, we were invited to attend a reception for the newly called pastor and his wife at Bethel Baptist church. We can say truthfully, it has been a long time since we have enjoyed ourselves so much at such an occasion.

The Rev. and Mrs. Richard F. Barram are a delightful couple to meet and know. Both of them graduates of the Moody Bible Institute. Brother Barram is a graduate of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary with a high recommendation from the President. In just the short time we spent with them that evening we realized that here were two young people, well trained for the Lord's service and filled with an earnest zeal for souls.

The opportunities in this field of service are unlimited. A college town with young people to be reached for Christ.

Again we tell our readers, pray for Mr. and Mrs. Barram, and if you feel led, write them a word of encouragement. They will need it, for there are obstacles to be surmounted and overcome, but we believe they have a great ministry before them, for their power comes from the same source that all believers draw upon.

YOUTH ON FIRE FOR CHRIST

Great Young People's Work At Canandaigua, New York

There are others besides the "Reds" who are capturing the youth of the country. We hear on every hand of groups of young people being saved and set on fire with the Gospel of Christ. May the fire spread and burn into thousands of young lives!

Brother Reese gives us a bird's eye view of the work among young people at Lake Canandaigua this summer. The Interstate, through the faithful labors of Rev. Harold Strathearn, has been allowed of God to purchase 29 acres of land for a definite, aggressive Christian witness in the heart of a territory blighted by modernism.

YOUNG PEOPLE OF CHURCHES IN IMMINENT DANGER!

By Rev. J. Irving Reese, Ithaca, N. Y.

The devil is making a strong bid for the young people of our churches. Worldly and fleshly pleasures are made most attractive. Posters of movie plays and covers of trashy magazines appeal to the natural instincts of youth. The liquor traffic displays its wares in almost every type of store and restaurant, putting forth intensive effort to ensnare the young. Rum candy and whiskey ice cream are among the newest bait offered. Small "nips" are on the market, specially bottled and priced for youth, selling at two for a quarter and thirty cents a bottle.

Frequently these emissaries of the destroyer make dangerous advances as agencies of education and reform. The Church is finding the public

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THE CASE AGAINST THE AMERICAN BAP. HOME MISSION SOCIETY

By R. T. Ketcham, D. D.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society has scattered across the territory of the Northern Baptist Convention what they call "Christian Centers." They used to be called "Settlement Houses." In these centers a program of social service is carried on in behalf of the foreign speaking element. One of these Centers is located in Hammond, Indiana, and is known as Brooks House. It is presided over by Dr. J. M. Hestenes. Dr. Hestenes was at one time, and so far as we know still is, the Superintendent of all these Christian Centers of the Home Mission Society, but he is in direct charge of the one at Hammond.

The Hammond Times of Hammond, Indiana, issue of July 12, 1934 carries a news item from which we quote: "A protest meeting of the now famous Scottsboro case, in which five

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FORTY BIBLE CLUBS IN MANILA FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Field Ripe Unto Harvest. God Is Working In Philippines

The Lord said to Judas Iscariot on the night of His betrayal, "What thou doest, do quickly." In an entirely different setting and sense our Lord is speaking those same words to us at the close of this age, "What thou doest, do quickly."

Through the tireless efforts of Mrs. Paul Culley, a great work has been accomplished for the glory of God in Manila. The following is a brief account of her faithful endeavor during the past five or six years. Rev. N. S. McPherson, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Norwich, N. Y. and Vice-President of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, has kindly furnished us with this material.

"Spirit-guided resourcefulness is solving the 'youth problem' in the (Continued on page 6)

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NORTH BAPTIST, FLINT; AND TEMPLE CHURCH, DETROIT, SEVER RELATIONS WITH CONVENTION

**Members Of Both Congregations With Pastors Rejoice Over Growing Movement,
"Come Out From Among Them And Be Ye Separate"**

We met the Rev. George M. Vercoe, pastor of the North Baptist Church of Flint, Michigan, for the first time, in Detroit some months ago, at an all day meeting of ministers and laymen held in the Temple Baptist Church. We met again at the annual conference of the General Association of Regular Baptists held in Grand Rapids the first part of May. It was a joy and a privilege to become acquainted with this man of God who has been so faithful and loyal to his Lord all these years.

At the monthly business and covenant meeting of Brother Vercoe's church held Wednesday evening, May 1st last, it was voted unanimously "that as long as the Northern Baptist foreign missionary board held to the inclusive policy that we would give no money for foreign missions"

It was then moved and carried unanimously "that for this year the church would send its missionary money to the support of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, Inc."

We know that God will richly bless Brother Vercoe and his members for this Scriptural and God-honored testimony which they have raised there in the city of Flint.

Hundreds of Baptists all over Michigan have followed with increasing interest the great work that Dr. J. Frank Norris is accomplishing in the city of Detroit since his call to the pastorate of the Temple Baptist church at the end of last year. We praise God for this mighty testimony raised in such a needy city.

His radio and tent campaign, in spite of the cold and rainy weather, has gone on with great success. Souls have been saved at every service in the tent, and the best is yet to come.

And now, this, the largest Baptist church in Detroit and Michigan has withdrawn entirely from the Northern Baptist Convention. The reasons for this action they state plainly. Because of modernistic and communistic leadership which they cannot and will not endure. To quote verbatim from a report of this withdrawal, "The Temple Baptist Church is truly a great missionary church, and henceforth will support only truly orthodox missions. Therefore they unite in mission fellowship with that great body of orthodox Baptists known as 'The Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient'."

ONCE I WAS BLIND BUT NOW I SEE

Confronting The Blind With The Living Christ

Leading the blind to Calvary and showing them the "Light of the World" and the "Lamb of God" which taketh away the sin of the world" is being faithfully carried on by Miss Katharyn LaSor and Mrs. Marie Duffie of Paw Paw, Mich.

Read the following and catch a glimpse of the splendid work these ladies are doing. One, totally blind; the other, loyal and devoted to caring for her companion and helping in the work.

For the past five years THE EVANGEL, a free Christian periodical in Braille, has been going forth from the office of The Hope Printing Company for the Blind, 300 S. Gremps St., Paw Paw, Michigan. At the time this work was begun, Christian literature in Braille was exceedingly scarce. Others have endeavored

to do something along this line, but when we realize the greatness of the need, real advance made in this direction has been far too slow. So far



as the written gospel story is concerned, the blind are a much neglected class.

Statistics show 100,000 blind and deaf-blind in the United States alone.

Innumerable books and magazines of current literature, fiction, false cults, etc., are at the disposal of the blind; but material which is true to the Word of God is limited to a very few Christian periodicals, tracts and books. Very recently the Unity people began publishing their magazine in Braille, which they are entirely financing, and they have already exceeded the 1000 mark.

Only Work of Its Kind

Perhaps a personal word concerning the workers would be of interest here. At present the work of THE EVANGEL is being carried on entirely by the two who organized it; Miss Katharyn LaSor who is blind, and her sighted co-worker, Mrs. Marie Duffie. These two, who are graduates of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, met while students in this institution. It was while there that the real need of such a work as the above mentioned was brought to Miss LaSor's attention. Finding herself handicapped by the lack of Christian reading matter she realized that hundreds of Christian blind were doubtless in the same position. Both Miss LaSor

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EDITORIALS

WHAT'S OUR BUSINESS?

Palpably, the only business of every Bible-believing Baptist, is to know the Lord Jesus Christ through His Holy Word, and to make Him known. No puttering with politics or dabbling in birth control controversies. We can lend our moral support to good government and the bettering of moral conditions in our community, but the primary purpose for our being in this world is to "preach Christ and Him crucified."

In the first battle of the Revolution when the British red coats met the Minute Men at Lexington, the commander of the American forces issued the order, "Stand your ground! Don't fire unless fired upon! But if they intend to begin a war, let it begin here!"

There is only one place where a Christian can stand his ground with assurance, and win victories for the cause of Christ. And that place is underneath the Blood-stained Cross of Calvary. Stand anywhere else and you court defeat and certain disaster. It is ever the business of Satan to entice Christians away from Calvary, and once we step off that hallowed ground where Jesus Christ fought and won over the forces of hell, we are headed for a crash in our Christian lives.

The debris from the wreckage of Baptist churches and individuals is found scattered wherever one turns these days. And why? They have left Calvary—for a social gospel, for an alluring office in the denomination, for front page publicity in reform campaigns.

What's our business? The business of every born again Baptist? Preaching as "a dying man to dying men" the glorious fact that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners". As everyone within the fellowship of the General Association of Regular Baptists makes this their business, both layman and minister, God through His Holy Spirit "will show us great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

[Edr. Note: — The following is an extract from an editorial which appeared in "The Latin American Evangelist" for June, written by Rev. Harry Strachan who has done a remarkable work for the Lord in Latin America. We felt led to print part of it here.]

Who is Looking for a Church?

One of the desperately sad things about the warfare which the Church of Christ is waging today is that as far as young men are concerned, the call of the unevangelized millions seems to be falling on deaf ears. But those same ears are eagerly strained to catch the "call" to some little church in the homeland, the comparatively few members of which can hear the gospel from a dozen other sources. A church becomes vacant in some small place, and at once a number of young seminary men are ready to "candidate" and to pull wires in all directions, hoping each one to be the fortunate recipient of a "call."

The pity of it! The tragedy of it is enough to make the angels wonder and weep as they contemplate the millions still without the gospel and hear the Saviour calling for laborers for His ripened harvest fields.

At home one hears on all sides of men looking for churches, every vacancy is anticipated long before it occurs, pastorless churches have a plethora of "supplies," and are in a strait between so many applicants, and this in spite of the fact that every little town and village has several churches to minister to a small population, while for the most part the people are gospel hardened. What a waste of fine manhood to give one's life to the task of preaching sermons to unwilling ears and self-satisfied hearts, when there's a continent for the winning.

WITHDRAWAL FROM NBC BRINGS BLESSING

Pastor Gibson And People Rejoicing Over Freedom From Denominational Rule

Those who refuse "to help the ungodly and love them that hate the Lord" are growing in number daily. In brother Gibson's own words we learn of the great blessing he has received, together with his people, by taking this bold step.

And the wonderful part of it all is, that every church which does this as the Lord leads, will likewise be blessed and strengthened. The letter we received was so encouraging we felt led to print it in full. Read it, then mark it and pass it along to some brother minister who is still undecided just what to do. This may bring the final decision.

Verona, Wis., June 27th, 1935

"The Baptist Bulletin,
Grand Rapids, Mich

To the Editor:

"You will be glad to know since our withdrawal from the Convention how things are going with us. I am glad to report that the Lord is blessing us in a wonderful way. At our last Communion service six people walked down to the front of the Church in public confession of Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Since that time several more have publicly confessed Christ.

"Three weeks ago last Sunday evening we baptized five believers and last Sunday evening we baptized eight more making a total of thirteen in all. One of the happy features of this has been that every one of these has come to the pastor personally asking for Baptism.

"Our service last Sunday evening was a rather unique one in that we baptized a young man from a Russian family, a young lady from an Italian family and two Indians were baptized by "White Eagle" the Indian Evangelist.

"Several of those who were baptized live in the City of Madison, ten miles from Verona. They are regular attendants of our Bible Class which we teach in Madison every Friday evening. Quite a number of

people from Madison attend our church regularly every Sunday.

"Our services are being well attended and at our last two baptismal services we had very large congregations.

"However, we are far from satisfied and ask a special interest in the prayers of all who read the Bulletin

T. J. Gibson"

Memorial Baptist Church,
Verona, Wisconsin.

COURAGEOUS PASTOR ORDAINED

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Christ which was evidently so manifest during the afternoon and evening sessions.

The churches which Brother West has faithfully served during the past three or four years requested his ordination and issued invitations to Baptist churches they wished to have participate. All was done "decently and in order" and according to true Baptist principles.

Immediately upon hearing of this proposed meeting of churches, Brother West received several letters of protest from officers in the state Convention. The gist of their protest was: "the spirit of cooperation is needed—this independent ordination is a real mistake. You will not have the same standing in the state or denomination," etc.

Brother West felt, and rightly so, that he did not wish to receive ordination from those who were linked with an organization which has avowedly given itself over to a modernistic and communistic program.

The Osceola Association of the Michigan State Convention in September of last year referred a resolution on ministerial preparation to a committee. This Committee refused to report favorably on the resolution which was obviously designed to aid and abet modernism. At the last minute, in the afternoon session, when only a few of those present actually voted, and one openly opposed it, the resolution was pushed through. The writer has witnessed similar questionable methods used at national conventions where he has been present.

The churches which Brother West served unanimously opposed this res-

olution and refused to be bound by the action of the Association. And we praise God right here and now for churches whose members will take such a bold stand against the forces of unrighteousness.

Judge E. J. Millington of Cadillac, Michigan, is one of the members of the Ministerial Committee before whom Brother West was supposed to have appeared. We have been reliably informed that Judge Millington is a member of a Baptist church in Cadillac whose pastor has expressed himself upon various occasions in favor of socialism.

The following is a splendid report of the council and ordination service written especially for the "Bulletin" by Rev. Arthur A. Glen, pastor of the 1st Baptist Church of Escanaba, Michigan.

ORDINATION SERVICE AND COUNCIL AT LEROY

By Arthur A. Glen, Clerk of Council

Pastor and messengers from 15 Baptist churches met in council at LeRoy, Michigan, on Tuesday, June 18, to consider the setting apart to the Gospel Ministry of John B. West, pastor of the LeRoy, Dover and Tustin Baptist churches.

John A. Ross, pastor of the Parr Memorial Baptist church of Petoskey, was selected as Moderator, and Arthur A. Glen, pastor of the First Baptist church of Escanaba as clerk of the council.

Pastor West gave statement of his conversion during his senior year of high school while attending the Reed City Baptist church, of which Brother Ambrose was pastor. At a Bible Conference conducted by Roy L. Brown, he yielded to the call of the Lord to the Gospel Ministry and from that time did supply preaching, as opportunity offered, until called to the Dover (Bristol) Baptist church in January, 1931. He was later called to the pastorate at LeRoy and to the Swedish Baptist church at Tustin.

Clear Statement of Faith

In his statement of faith and views of Christian doctrine he proved himself to be well versed in knowledge of Bible truth and Christian doctrine, and to be thoroughly fundamental in belief, and evangelical in faith and practice. When his own statements of conversion, call to the Ministry and views of Christian doctrine were

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION

The many encouraging letters and splendid co-operation which has been given in the work of the "BULLETIN" has brought great rejoicing to our hearts. We do praise God for it. A recent mail brought a most encouraging letter from a Brother in California, enclosing a check for \$10.00, \$2.50 for a FIVE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, and balance to be used in the work. If others care to follow this splendid example, we would appreciate it very much. This special issue is put out at additional expense because of four pages extra. Send donations payable to the "BAPTIST BULLETIN." With these we will be able to enlarge it that much more quickly.

LETTER TO WARM YOUR HEART

Such Fellowship And Encouragement Sorely Needed

The following has just been received. We publish letters like this one and the one from Brother Gibson of Verona, Wisconsin, to show the way the tide is turning. Read it. Pray for the church. Write the pastor.

July 10th, 1935

"To the Pastor and Members of the Temple Baptist Church of Detroit: Greetings:

"We, of the Loomis Park Baptist Church of Jackson, Michigan, do highly commend you and your great Church for the out and out stand that you have taken against the Modernist controlled Machines known as the Northern Baptist Convention and The Michigan Baptist Convention.

"A year has passed since the Loomis Park Baptist Church found that it was impossible to support or fellowship the modernistic program of either The Jackson Association or Michigan Baptist Convention or the N.B.C. and our Church refused to send either

funds or messengers to their fellowship and support.

"When we took such a stand it stirred up every slumbering demon in our local Church, in the Association and in the Michigan Baptist Convention. The local Church sympathizers with the Convention, banded together to starve the pastor out. Much of the Association's Annual Meeting time was used by the State Officers to get the Association to act against our Church, and they all combined to threaten and bring suit against us.

"But the Lord honors the Church that will take a stand for right against wrong, and pastor and people of the Loomis Park Church are happier and stronger than ever.

"Our Church is now assembled in its regular mid-week service and after spending the evening in surveying and reviewing The Denominational Situation as it is controlled by Modernists, we are more satisfied than ever that your action, together with that of many others, in withdrawing from such unscriptural alliance, is the only thing left for an orthodox Baptist Church to do.

"We also feel that prayer should be made for the many pastors and Churches who would take the same stand at once if they could only see their way through. May the Lord lead them out by faith. Our prayers are with you, and may the Lord increase still more, your already great testimony for His glory.

"This communication authorized by vote of the Loomis Park Baptist Church, Jackson, Michigan.

July 10th, 1935."

Courageous Pastor Ordained

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finished, Brother West submitted to one of the most searching examinations in answering questions of the Council that those present had ever witnessed at ordinations. He proved to be well grounded in the Bible and able to answer very ably those questions in regard to teaching and practice in the ministry.

Council Expresses Unanimous Approval

When Brother West retired from the Council, several of the brethren expressed surprise at his knowledge of truth and clarity of expression and

answers to questions, and a motion was unanimously adopted to declare the Council satisfied with him and to let him know that they were well pleased with his Conversion, Call to the Ministry and Statement of Faith, Views of Christian Doctrine and answers to questions. A motion was also adopted to advise the church to proceed with his ordination.

Inspiring Service

At the service of Ordination in the evening the song service was led by Wm. H. Rauch, Pastor of the Charlevoix Baptist church; Scripture reading by Lewis H. Votaw, Pastor of the Bear Lake Baptist church; Invocation, Dr. G. G. Crozier of Perry, Ohio, Missionary to Assam, India; Ordaining Prayer, S. C. Larson, Pastor of Cheboygan Baptist church; Charge to Candidate, Lloyd D. Welton, Pastor of Reed City Baptist church; Charge to the Churches, David Otis Fuller, Pastor of Wealthy Street Baptist church of Grand Rapids; Ordination Sermon, Arthur A. Glen, Pastor of the First Baptist church of Escanaba and Missionary-Evangelist of the Upper Peninsula, speaking of "The Church—Its Master, Membership, Ministry, Mission, Motive, Maintenance and Message." The Benediction was pronounced by John B. West, the newly ordained minister.

So ended a day of wonderful Christian fellowship.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES ATTENDING ORDINATION COUNCIL

Charlevoix—Pastor W. H. Rauch
Cheboygan—Pastor S. C. Larson Mrs. S. C. Larsen
Petoskey—Pastor John A. Ross
Bear Lake—Pastor Lewis H. Votaw Mrs. L. H. Votaw
Boon—Pastor F. I. Osborne Mrs. Osborne
Deacon Wm. McKey
Temple Hill, Cadillac—Pastor Oscar Gunterfeldt Frank Krueger Deacon Charles Linquist
Algoma—Pastor Hartley Osterlund
Reed City—Pastor Lloyd D. Welton Herbert Irvine, Mrs. Robert Elliott Jr.
Evart—Viola Belleville Mrs. C. R. Huffman
Maple Street, Manistee—Mrs. Myrtle Cosier
Wealthy Street, Grand Rapids—Pastor David Otis Fuller Robert Beukema Carlton Meade
Dover (Bristol)—Mrs. L. M. Kent Lois Van Antwerp
LeRoy—J. B. Sprague, Samuel Hillis
Tustin—Simon Johnson, Julius Hammar
First, Escanaba—Pastor Arthur A. Glen
Mrs. Glen

ORDINATION OF

LESTER ANDERSON

Recently a goodly number of messengers and pastors met with the "Tabernacle Baptist Church" at Traverse City and ordained Brother Lester Anderson, pastor of the church, to the work of the ministry

The Tabernacle Baptist Church work is a new effort to establish a Fundamental testimony in this popular resort city, a city in the heart of the great cherry orchards of Michigan, of several thousand population, and practically destitute of any fundamental work.

Brother Anderson was assisted in special meetings, following the ordination service, by Rev. Richard Elve, pastor of the Baptist Church, Holland, Michigan. Several souls were definitely exercised and some saved. A Baptismal service was held the closing night which was unusually well attended.

We have also received word of the ordination of Harvey Boda and Wade Pinckney, of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Ithaca, N. Y.; Lee Orhum, of the Galeton Baptist Church, Galeton, Pa.; and Harry M. Fargo of the Prattsburg Baptist Church, Prattsburg, N. Y. More about these ordinations will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin.

FORTY BIBLE CLUBS IN MANILA FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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Philippine Islands. Manila is host each year to 40,000 students who come from many islands for high school and college training. What a marvelous evangelistic opportunity they represent!

"This opportunity is being capitalized by Mrs. Paul Culley of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient. A little over a year ago it dawned upon her that untold possibilities lay in the formation of Bible Clubs among these young people. Young Filipinos who knew the Lord were sent into various districts where they gathered together groups for the study of the Word. Every week the leaders of these clubs would be taught by Mrs. Culley. The leaders would then pass on to the hungry groups what they had learned. Eagerly they drank in the water of life; proudly they displayed the 'B. C.' buttons bearing an open Bible. The Word soon proved 'quick and powerful' and the young people were witnessing to victories gained over habits of drink, gambling, smoking and other vices. Many seek baptism, and it is not uncommon for an or-

ganized church to be a direct outgrowth of a Bible club.

"The clubs have proved so successful that already there are some forty in Manila, and others are forming on other fields. Unless some such plan is adopted for our young people in America we need not be surprised if ten years from now the Filipino Christians will be sending missionaries to pagan America!"

YOU'LL BE INTERESTED

PASTOR BECOMES MISSION HEAD

The Rev. Harold T. Commons, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Johnson City, N. Y. read his resignation before the congregation, June 23rd last, to take effect September 15th. Mr. Commons is resigning to become President of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, Inc. with which he has been closely affiliated for several years.

Since the beginning of this independent fundamental Baptist missionary organization, Mrs. Henry W. Peabody has been the honored president. Mrs. Peabody was led to tender her resignation this year as she felt a man could more effectively head up the work of the Association. Her sacrificial labors have been deeply appreciated by all those connected with the work.

DATE CHANGED FOR I. E. A.

For several important reasons the date of the annual conference of the Interstate Evangelistic Association has been put ahead. It will be held the first Sunday in October, the 6th through the 9th, in the Belmont Ave. Baptist Church, Philadelphia where the Rev. George Moaba is the pastor. We know Brother Moaba personally.

"And the Word of the Lord was published throughout all the region."
Acts 13:49

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Author of "The Never Failing Light"

In 1933 Dr. Franklin published his book "The Never Failing Light." The book throughout is an emphatic appeal for the position of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

On page 9 Dr. Franklin says: "He (Jesus) told them of a Father-God who would have them all as members of one family living together as brothers and sisters, regardless of race, social status, economic privileges, or differences of belief." This, of course, is the old-fashioned modernistic position that all men are the sons of God regardless of what they believe.

On page 10 Dr. Franklin says again: "Truly the light was shining in dense spiritual darkness when Jesus began teaching men of all races, of all religions and all classes to look up to the Unseen as their Father and to practice love and brotherhood as the sum total of His requirements of His children." There are thousands of people who practice the idea of "love and brotherhood," and yet have no time for Jesus Christ. Such a practice is positively not the "sum total" of God's requirements of men.

More Quotations

On page 33 Dr. Franklin says: "He (Jesus) did not talk about the Fatherhood of God or the Brotherhood of Man in so many words, but he proceeded to live as if both were true. He also bade men try the experiment of living as if they were sons of God and brothers one of another." Dr. Franklin is right when he says that Jesus is so many words never taught the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. The good Doctor could hardly claim such a statement for Jesus when such passages as John 8:44 are still in existence: "Ye are of your father the Devil."

Dr. Franklin says that Jesus "lived" as though all men were sons of God and brothers one of another, and then bade all others to do the same, but Jesus himself declared that all men were not the sons of God and brothers one of another, but that some of them were sons of Satan. If what Dr. Franklin claims is true then Jesus Christ lived one thing and said another! There are some of us who still prefer to let Jesus stand as the Scriptures present Him, minus Dr. Franklin's interpretation of Him.

On page 34 Dr. Franklin quotes H. R. L. Sheppard approvingly when the writer says: "To love God and to love your neighbor as yourself is the beginning and the end of the Christian religion." Such statements as these reduce Jesus Christ to simply a teacher who told men they were to love God and their neighbor. It is true that He told them this, but it is also true that He told them something else, namely, that no man could love God and his neighbor without taking Jesus Christ into account.

The beginning and the end of the Christian religion is not our love to God and our neighbor, but over against such modernistic utterances stands for all time the utterance of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself when He said "I am Alpha and Omega the beginning and the end."

The Cross—An "Incident?"

On page 36 Dr. Franklin declares: "Was not the cross lifted before Him the day the villagers cast Jesus out of Nazareth? Even today it means a cross to proclaim such truths as Jesus uttered, and probably a crucifixion to

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ANOTHER STRAW IN THE WIND

Baptists Attention! Following timely article taken from Sunday School Times of May 11th.

A Voice from Crozer

Crozer is a Baptist theological seminary. Its professor in the New Testament is Dr. Morton Enslin. The New Testament by the voice of Paul says, "In every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Crozer Seminary by the voice of Professor Enslin says:

"Our changed ideas of God make it

impossible for us to believe in the efficacy of our prayers as we once did. For a few elect souls there may be no difficulty. They may be able to adjust themselves to relationship with this nebulous personality, Eternal Goodness, Essence of Life, or however IT (that is, God,—e. g.) may be designated. The majority of men, I believe, only fool themselves in thinking they can do it.

"Here, as it appears to me, is the real reason for the decline of prayer. We go through gestures, but we do not, cannot, expect results. Accordingly, as I see it, prayer in the conventional sense of the word is doomed as surely as burnt sacrifice and the Juggernaut Car."—Christian Century, p. 334, 1935.

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practice them. But it would be a crucifixion that would help Christ to redeem the world from the sins of racial hatred and their frightful consequences. What was the cross to Him? Naught but an incident in the life which He had already laid down for His kind."

Surely this is reducing the cross of Christ to a low level. Merely an "incident." The cross of Christ was not an accident nor an incident in the life of Jesus Christ. It was the supreme consummation of His eternal purpose to shed His blood for the remission of sin. Dr. Franklin's statement infers that the life of Jesus Christ prior to the cross had some kind of redemptive value in it. Let it be understood that had Christ come to earth as the Incarnate Son of God, lived for thirty-three years an absolutely sinless life, and gone back to Heaven without dying, not a single, solitary son of Adam's fallen race would ever have been saved. When Jesus Christ declared that He "must be lifted up," and in that statement was referring to His death, He was putting the lie forever upon this modern nonsense that men can be saved by being loving and kind as He was. The cross of Jesus Christ was not a mere incident. It was the crowning consummation of the redemptive plan of the ages.

What a Lie!

On page 34 Dr. Franklin declares: "The teachings of Jesus support Bis-

hop Gore in the declaration that the unaccomplished mission of Christianity is nothing less than to reconstruct Society on the basis of Brotherhood." In the 24th Chapter of Luke the Lord Jesus Christ Himself declares what the mission of the Christian Church is to be. Just before His feet left the earth in that glorious moment of His ascension, He said "Thus it is written and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things."

Getting men to act in love toward one another simply on the basis of the teachings of Jesus Christ is a million miles from the Gospel. Only as the cross in all of its substitutionary redemptive efficacy, followed by the open tomb, is preached for the remission of sins, can we hope to turn men to a saving knowledge of Christ. Something less than this may turn them to a higher plane of morals, and a more civilized manner of life, but these accomplishments are far from salvation.

And thus the Northern Baptist Convention, without a single voice of protest from any Fundamentalist, accepts the leadership of Dr. James H. Franklin.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

The many encouraging letters and splendid co-operation which has been given in the work of the "BULLETIN" has brought great rejoicing to our hearts. We do praise God for it. A recent mail brought a most encouraging letter from a Brother in California, enclosing a check for \$10.00, \$2.50 for a FIVE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, and balance to be used in the work. If others care to follow this splendid example, we would appreciate it very much. This special issue is put out at additional expense because of four pages extra. Send donations payable to the "BAPTIST BULLETIN." With these we will be able to enlarge it that much more quickly.

GOD STILL CARES FOR HIS OWN

Canandaigua Property Not Even Scratched

The following was received just a few days before we went to press. We know many were anxious to learn if the property of the Interstate had escaped damage. Read this and then praise God.

The Interstate Evangelistic Association, Inc., has been in receipt of many inquiries concerning its conference grounds at Canandaigua Lake, Canandaigua, N. Y.; our friends desiring to know if we have been damaged by the recent floods reported so widely in the press.

We are happy to report, and praise God in so doing, that He, in a marvelous way has thrown His protection about this property. Not 10c worth of damage has been done. Not even a tent leaked. When whole houses have been washed away, it shows the protecting hand of God, that our tents would stand, undisturbed. Our Tabernacle and all buildings are safe and intact. Again God sets His seal of approval upon this place of testimony, so much needed in the East. Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow!!

Rev. Harold Strathearn,
Executive Secretary.

CONGRATULATIONS

We rejoice to hear that the honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity, has been conferred upon Rev. Harold Strathearn of the Interstate Evangelistic Association of Rochester, New York, by the Los Angeles Baptist Theological Seminary of which Dr. Wm. A. Mathews is the President. We congratulate Brother Strathearn, as no one could be more deserving.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN LAPEER, MICH.

Evangelist David F. Nygren and Harry W. Bundy, singer, closed a stirring gospel crusade in the First Baptist Church, Lapeer, Mich., Sunday, May 19, Rev. Peter McL. Clasper, pastor. There were twenty-one definite decisions for Christ. Five of the converts were baptized on the

closing Sunday. The attendance was the largest in many years. The evangelists are kept busy conducting campaigns in the United States and Canada. They can be reached with mail at either of the following addresses: 912 Belmont Avenue, Chicago, Ill.; 223 Church Street, Toronto, Ont., Canada.

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BIBLE BELIEVING BAPTISTS WITHDRAW FROM N. B. C.

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Within the last month there have been received by the editor, newspaper headlines, sets of resolutions, personal letters, all telling the story of withdrawals from an organization hopelessly saturated with modernism and infidelity.

Just to mention a few. From Decatur, Illinois comes the good news that Rev. E. C. Shute has withdrawn with this church, "Riverside Baptists denounce Red trend; vote to withdraw." In a personal letter from brother Shute he tells of the blessing God has given him and his church since they have taken this bold stand.

In the Binghamton, New York area there is also "a sound of a-going" heard among Bible-Believing Baptists. Both the Park Avenue Baptist church of Binghamton and the First Baptist Church of Newark Valley under the leadership of their courageous pastors have withdrawn entirely from the Convention.

Rev. Harold T. Commons, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Johnson City in a special sermon on "Why I am Glad I am a Baptist" upheld this action, declaring "these churches are far more Baptist in their present position than those churches which are party to an ecclesiastical organization which has no precedent in either Baptist principle or polity in its favor." Mr. Commons is also the newly elected President of the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, Inc., an independent Baptist mission work.

Such reports as these, and many others—some of which are mentioned elsewhere in this issue—fill our hearts with rejoicing and renewed courage and determination. But we

must also remember, this is only the beginning, and any church with its pastor which takes such a bold stand will have to pay the price. We need to pray earnestly for these brethren that God through His Spirit may gird them with power and wisdom as they "fight the good fight of Faith." The path will not be an easy one and though the door is open wide, yet "there are many adversaries."

May every reader of this paper be on his knees before God daily, asking His grace and strength for these who dare stand out-and-out for God and His Christ in such dark days just before the coming of our blessed Lord.

WORLDLINGS SEE THRU SUBTERFUGE

"Children Of This World Wiser Than Children Of Light"

The following is taken from the magazine Time, a recent issue. While fundamentalists within the NBC are busily congratulating themselves on winning a victory without compromise, and blinding themselves to facts, the world continues to point out the danger—even though in sarcastic vein—that "ostrich" Christians are hiding from.

Bursting Baptists

Nothing less than "Problems Threatening the Welfare of the Entire Human Race" were on the agenda for hot discussion last fortnight when 2,000 Northern Baptists convened in Colorado Springs. Hard-shelled delegates wished to stick to the oldtime religion, to wrestle with oldtime problems like dancing and card-playing in church buildings. But liberal Baptists felt that the time had come for their church to burst its religious bonds, step out into social, economic and political arenas. To that end, months ago, the Christian Social Action Commission had prepared a 15,000-word report. Baptists up and down the land heard and discussed the report. Because of it, some Baptist churches threatened to leave the Convention. Typical of its opponents was Rev. Rex A. Mitchell of Paso Robles, Calif. who sent ur-chins racing among the delegates in

Colorado Springs, distributing a broadside headed: CHOICE BETWEEN REDS AND GOD FACES BAPTISTS.

Last week after all views had been aired, the Convention got around to voting on the report. Unanimously adopted was a slick compromise, by which the Social Action Commission is authorized to distribute the report to such churches as wish to study it. By no means is it to be made a test for Baptist "fellowship or service."

Mild as this was, it seemed a victory for liberal Baptists, who now could look forward to following the Commission's urging that they employ education, ballots and buying power, enter politics if necessary, to attack un-Christian social, economic and political forces. —From Time

YOUTH ON FIRE FOR CHRIST

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school system — which in the past was her ally — pitted against her. Attendance upon at least one movie a week is required by some high school English teachers, to say nothing of the doubt that is instilled regarding God and His Word at every opportunity.

The Gospel Challenge for Youth

In spite of it all, the Gospel is still "the power of God unto salvation" and its challenge reaches the heart of youth. But the Gospel, and the young people of our churches, must be brought in contact at every possible point in order that this challenge may be heard above the present din and uproar. Then, once they have heard the call, young people must be trained to respond to it in order to perform the most effective service for the Lord Jesus Christ. They must have opportunity of mingling with one another in larger groups than found in local churches, so they may have the encouragement of numbers and learn they are not alone upon "the Way." Adequate means must be provided for the natural expression of young life under proper supervision and in healthful surroundings.

The Interstate Evangelistic Association, Inc. of Rochester, N. Y., a Baptist fellowship, has sought to provide just the type of place and program to meet this need.

Two Institutes Already Scheduled

The League of Fundamental Youth

composed of young people in and near Rochester, N. Y. has engaged the grounds for June 30th to July 7th. The Rev. Arthur E. Bloomfield of West Webster is the dean, other pastors are acting as directors: the Rev. Adam Galt, Pavilion; the Rev. R. L. Matthews, Wyoming, and the Rev. Frank Waaser of Rochester. The pastors are also acting as instructors for most of the courses.

According to the published program, the activities for the day will begin at eight in the morning with the Morning Watch. There will be classes from nine to twelve, broken at ten-thirty by a "Big Sing Out Doors." Young people attending the institute are required to take at least three classes each morning. The afternoon will be given over to directed personal work among the cottagers along the lake, residents of nearby farms and to recreation. The evening service will be evangelistic, and for this an outside pastor-evangelist has been engaged.

Some of the courses to be offered are: Methods in Christian Service; How We Got Our Bible; What We Believe and Evangelism and Personal Work.

The second institute already scheduled is to be held the last week of August. The Young Believers' Bible Conference and The Young Christians' Bible Conference, two groups in southern New York, are putting on this conference. The programs and other details are not yet perfected.

Expenses Kept to a Minimum

The I. E. A. has made every effort to keep the expense of vacationing at "Tabernacle on the Lake" within the easy reach of all. Board and lodging in either tent or dormitory is offered the young people for one dollar a day, or seven dollars for eight days. For those who wish to do their own cooking a flat rate of two-fifty per week is charged. This provides for cot, use of the cooking facilities of the large mess tent, and all other ground equipment.

Through the generous gift of a consecrated child of God, the erection of a girls' dormitory and dining room with kitchen has been made possible. There will be tables for about a hundred in the dining room and the sleeping quarters, which will occupy the second floor of the building, will accommodate about the same number

Other buildings will be erected as the Lord provides the funds.

Your Prayers and Interest Coveted

The advisory committee and trustees of the Interstate Evangelistic Association especially desire the prayers of God's people for this project. In this day of infidelity and doubt, when many of the institutions founded by believers have been stolen by enemies of the truth, we desire to make this Christian Center a monument to the "faith once for all delivered to the saints." Pray that young people may find here a place sacred with the presence of the Spirit of God and blessed by healthful play amid Christian surroundings.

Any individual or group interested in coming for an extended stay should write or wire the executive secretary of the Association, the Rev. Harold Strahearn, Temple Building, Rochester, N. Y.

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THE CASE AGAINST THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY

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negro youths were condemned to die on conviction or rape charges . . . will be held in Hammond tomorrow night. The gathering to which the public is invited will be held at 8 o'clock in Brooks House. Speakers include the Rev. J. M. Hestenes of Brooks House, and E. Bechtold of the International Labor Defense."

Wholly apart from the merits or demerits of the Scottsboro case, we were interested in this Mr. Bechtold of the International Labor Defense. The International Labor Defense is the American Branch of the International Red Aid of Russia. It was set up in America in 1925 for the purpose of aiding Radicals arrested in

the United States. Mr. Bechtold is a member of the Communist Party, and is a teacher in and a member of the Advisory Committee of the Communist Worker's School in Chicago.

This meeting, according to Dr. Hestenes, was not a Communist affair, but simply a meeting in protest of racial hatred. The claim is made that the Scottsboro negroes have been unjustly condemned. At best we are so far removed from the scene and the actual evidence concerning this case, that it hardly behooves the American Baptist Home Mission Society's Superintendent to open the doors of our Mission House Auditorium to a defense, which was questionable to begin with, and to join hands with one of the country's outstanding Communists to end with.

Second Offense

The affair just describe might go unnoticed had it been the end of such affairs, but we now quote from the Hammond Times of January 6, 1935: "Hammond Communists will commemorate the eleventh anniversary of N. I. Lenin at a memorial in Brooks House at 7:30 o'clock tonight. Lydia Oken, Director of the Gary Communist Worker's School will be the principle speaker. Lenin led the Communist Revolution which overthrew the Czaristic Russian Government, and established a Government of workers and farmers. His teachings and what they have brought to Russia will be discussed by the speaker tonight."

While the Communists in China are cutting the heads off John and Betty Stam, and while the Communists in Russia are drawing pictures of men and women eating the intestines of Jesus Christ, the American Baptist Home Mission Society's auditorium in Hammond is opened to a memorial for the father of this outfit, with a speaker to tell what wonderful things

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Lenin and his party have accomplished!

There are many significant details of all this which we would like to present to our constituency, but space simply forbids and we shall have to content ourselves with the bare outline of facts.

This whole matter has been presented to the American Baptist Home Mission Society. We were asked for the evidence, and we sent it on. While the individual member of the Home Mission Board who asked us for the evidence has never replied as to the outcome, yet we have been informed as to what was done in this matter by the Society. Mr. Hestenes denied that the meeting in July, 1934 was a Communist meeting. The reader can judge for himself in the light of the evidence as to whether it was or not. Mr. Hestenes admitted that the meeting in January, 1935 was a Communist affair and solemnly declared that there never would be another, whereupon the Home Mission Society evidently considered the matter closed.

Continued Offenses

Mr. Hestenes' solemn assurance that there never would be another Communist meeting in Brooks House is like many more of these solemn statements on the part of some of our leaders. It just meant that there would not be any more until the next time. I have before me a poster distributed from house to house in the city of Hammond, announcing that the American League Against War and Fascism meets every Friday night at 8 P. M. in Brooks House, and on that particular occasion (April 23, 1935) Professor Robert Morss Lovett of the University of Chicago was to be the speaker. This is the same Mr. Lovett whom the Illinois State Legislature demands shall be fired from the University staff because of his Communism. We expect Mr. Hestenes will deny that these are Communist meetings because the word "Communist" or "Communism" does not appear in the advertising, but the following letter to the Indiana State Secretary, Dr. T. J. Parsons, forever settles that question.

We had a long talk with Dr. Parsons in his Indianapolis office and showed him these handbills. He asked for proof that the American League Against War and Fascism was a Communist organization. This

proof in the following letter was sent to him Special Delivery, at Colorado Springs, during the Convention. It was sent to him there in order that he might call Dr. Hestenes before the Board and confront him with this evidence, but to date nothing has been done. The letter which follows is the last word which needs to be offered in evidence that Communism is finding shelter in Brooks House.

June 21, 1935

Rev. T. J. Parsons,
Northern Baptist Convention
Headquarters,
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dear Dr. Parsons:

In our discussion in your office last week I gave you a handbill distributed in Hammond, announcing a meeting of the American League Against War and Fascism every Friday night in Brooks House. I called your attention to the fact that this organization is a Communist outfit. You asked me if I could prove it. I submit herewith that proof.

The following is an article quoted in full from the official organ of the Communist Party "The Daily Worker," issue of Friday, May 31, 1935. Under the column of Questions and Answers, dealing with the part that the worker is to play during an imperialist war we read:

"QUESTION: At the outbreak of an imperialist war, what should be the role of the young worker or student who is class conscious and knows the capitalistic causes of war, but who is not a member of the Communist Party?

"ANSWER: Any worker who is class conscious has it as his duty to his class to start fighting against war right now. By participating in the united front struggles against war and fascism he would help to awaken the masses to the imminence of the war danger. With sufficient mass support we could beat back the advance of fascism, and prevent the outbreak of another imperialist war.

"On the other hand, to sit back and await the beginning of the imperialist war, is to aid the capitalists who are driving with all their might toward another imperialist offensive. There is nothing that plays more into the hands of the imperialists than a passive attitude now. Your

place as a class conscious worker is in the American League Against War and Fascism. This is a broad united front comprised of all groups who sincerely hate war and fascism, and who have taken the one road that will defeat these dangers—that of militant struggle.

"In the event of the outbreak of war, all workers who are not in contact with such united front bodies should immediately participate in the struggles they will wage against our own imperialists. There will be strikes and demonstrations and other methods of struggle, and under the guidance of the vanguard of the working class—the Communist Party, the masses must strive to turn these anti-war struggles into a revolutionary civil war for the overthrow of capitalism and the setting up of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

"Specifically the questioner will find the best answer to his question in active work in the growing united front of struggle against war and fascism. When he actively participates in anti-war struggles he will soon find that his place is in the ranks of the Communist Party, which represents the general and lasting interests of the whole of the working class."

You will note that the Communist official organ declares that the place for a class conscious worker is in the American League. It describes this organization as "a broad united front comprised of all groups who sincerely hate war and fascism, and who have taken the one road that will defeat these dangers—that of militant struggle."

The article then goes on to declare that at the outbreak of war all workers should immediately participate in the struggles that these united front bodies will wage, such as "strikes and demonstrations and other methods of struggle," and that under the guidance of the Communist Party the masses will turn these anti-war struggles into a "revolutionary civil war for the overthrow of capitalism and the setting up of the dictatorship of the proletariat."

The writer then declares that the questioner will find his best answer to his own question in active participation in the League Against War and Fascism, with this further significant phrase "When he actively parti-

cipates in anti-war struggles he will soon find that his place is in the ranks of the Communist Party."

Now, Dr. Parsons, anyone who is even half awake can surely see that the American League Against War and Fascism is a Communist outfit pure and simple, and the purpose lying back of it is to instigate constant "struggles," which in turn will be turned into civil war if and when war threatens this country.

Lest you should conclude that the above is not sufficient proof we present this further detail. Quoting from the Communist International Magazine of January 15, 1934, page 78: "Our most successful application of the united front has been in the anti-war and anti-fascist movement. We led a highly successful United States Congress Against War, which brought together 2,616 delegates from all over the country. The Congress from the beginning was led by our Party. The Congress set up a permanent organization on a federative basis called The American League Against War and Fascism."

I had ordered some photostats made of other data in Communist magazines concerning this League, hoping they would be here in time to send on to you. They have not arrived so we will not wait longer for them.

Now, Dr. Parsons, here is the proof. From now on it's up to you and the Home Mission Society. There was a day when the entire responsibility for this disgraceful fiasco could be laid at the door of Dr. J. M. Hestenes, but now that I have presented the unimpeachable evidence which I am expecting you to take to the Board, the responsibility rests upon the Board, and it will continue to be responsible until the situation is efficiently and effectively dealt with.

With every good wish, I am
Yours and His,
RTK:k R T KETCHAM

ONCE I WAS BLIND, NOW I SEE

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and Mrs. Duffie believed God was calling them to such a ministry as that in which they are now engaged, but it was not until after four years of home mission work in the lumber camps of northern Michigan that God

renewed His call and challenged them to begin the work of Braille publication by faith. With no definite provision for further financial support, after much prayer and many testings of the adversary, the present printing equipment was purchased and the work begun.

God's Manifest Blessing

Need we remind our readers that the world-wide financial depression began about this same time? And yet God has been gracious, and His testimony has gone on. In February, 1930, 176 copies of first EVANGEL were sent out; today the mailing list approaches a thousand. These magazines go into nineteen different countries, and they reach far more than 1000 blind people, as they go into schools, libraries, and homes for the blind. Many write that they have stored away every copy of THE EVANGEL for future reference and meditation. Others say that after reading they pass them on to friends of theirs who are blind.

We read much today about the Talking Book, and while we have all due respect for this new enterprise, and know full well that it is going to mean much to the blind, especially those who do not read the Braille, it will be many years before it will meet the spiritual need of the blind, if ever. And it will most certainly not take the place of the Christian periodicals.

The machines now in use in our office are of an old type and the printing is necessarily slow and laborious. By putting forth the best efforts, only about three hundred double sheets can be printed in an hour. If the work is to grow to meet the growing need, a new printing equipment must be had.

Calls Coming Continually

Calls also continually come for

Christian books in Braille. A young blind man, now studying at the Moody Bible Institute in preparation for a Bible teaching ministry, recently asked: "But what can be done to get Dr. Gray's books and others of that kind into Braille? Shall we raise the money, and have the regular printing houses do the work? What can be done to get the best evangelical books into the hands of the blind?" The Hope Printing Company for the Blind has an answer to such inquiries, but to make it a workable one we need your help. With better equipment, we not only can improve THE EVANGEL, but we can also do much toward meeting this need for evangelical books. Would it not be wonderful if a real Christian printing house for the blind could be established right here?

A Splendid Suggestion

How can you help? Well, first of all you can pray. And as you pray, God may reveal to you some other plan of His for you, with respect to this work.

Recently, some friends in Peoria, Illinois have organized a group known as THE GOSPEL GLEANERS FOR THE BLIND, who have volunteered to present the need in churches, young people's organizations, etc. This may be a helpful suggestion to groups in other cities and towns. We believe many would be interested to give if they only knew how great the need is. After praying, write to the Hope Printing Company for the Blind, stating what you believe God would have you to do, and be assured that Miss LaSor and Mrs. Duffie will co-operate with you in every possible way. This is not the work of two people, though they are putting their best into it under God; this is something you too may share in, for it is wholly the work of the Lord.

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