

VOL. 5, No. 9 X

GRABILL, INDIANA

JUNE, 1948

NIGHT SCENES IN THE BIBLE

The Bible is the oldest and newest of books. It is one of the plainest of books, and yet has depths of wisdom which no created mind can sound. It describes all conditions of life, exults in the mighty deeds of kings and heroes, sympathizes with the poor and distressed, describes with clearness the seduction of temptation, and searches the depths of the heart and brings to light the purest love and darkest hate.

Its composition extended through a long course of years; it is filled with many earthly scenes and human characters. It was written for all classes of men and for all states of society. To treasure up and understand the truths contained in it we need to know something of the places and the people that stand forth from the sacred pages. So the writer of this article, having had the privilege to read and study a book written before 1868 entitled "Night Scenes In The Bible" by Reverend Daniel March, will endeavor to present to the readers of the "Silver Lining" some of the thoughts and observations gained by the reading thereof. The first scene to be considered will be the

Last Night of Sodom

If we will take our Bibles and read in Genesis, Chapter XIX, we will find the account of how two angels came to the gate of Sodom at even and how (Continued on page 2)

Springtime In Your Soul

Poets of old have written beautiful verse about the pleasant days of this season of the year. So also we pause to permit our thoughts to dwell on these days which we enjoy so much even as the poets did. To gaze wonderingly at the beauties of nature effects a soul-stirring experience. Our great Creator has dressed the earth in beautiful apparel. The

TREASURED VERSES

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, were distressed and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly IS plenteous, but the labourers ARE few;

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

St. Matthew 9:36-38.

flowers, shrubs, and trees proclaim the almighty power of God. The warmth of God's sun makes the bosom of mother earth give forth that which is provided to sustain man and beast. The birds, with reverence to God and the wonderful nature about them, jubilantly express their inner feelings by singing sweet melodies to the honor of their Creator. With happy heart and light step, the sower goes forth to sow, with hope in his heart that God will bless his labor with bountiful harvest.

Now to those who behold annually such beauties of nature, there comes a time of life which is similar to the season described above. Already to many in the springtime of life the Lord causes a stirring in the heart and soul of man. This is to bring one to a realization of what the Lord has prepared for the benefit of the soul. It is a beautiful salvation which if desired and then accepted warms the heart of man, so that the Word of God when sown into receptive hearts brings with hope and trust in our God a bountiful harvest of works and good deeds; yes, of virtues to be used to the honor of our Saviour who achieved such a salvation for us. He became the mediator between God and man, and through His obedience to the heavenly Father's will, He was able to effect a reconciliation that man again had free access to the Father as in the beginning of Creation. This our Lord Jesus did for us poor lost souls when out of love for us He died on the cruel cross. Now, having free access to God in prayer, you and I benefit without end. The Father in heaven hears our prayers which we offer through and in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ.

No one should neglect such a free

salvation nor should anyone trifle any longer with God's love and patience lest such a soul in its unbelief come to eternal shame and disgrace. The soul now contemplating a future life should choose wisely and prudently. For upon your willingness to obey or your reluctance to believe hangs your soul's welfare in all eternity.

Rudolph Graf.

NIGHT SCENES IN THE BIBLE

(Continued from page 1) Lot, the man full of courtesy and hospitality, met the angels, ministers of mercy and vengeance. man speaks of home and feasting and rest; and the angels of wrath and swift destruction. The man would persuade them to a quiet evening and an early start in the morning. angels would persuade him to hasten an escape from such delights at the sacrifice of all earthly possessions. So unlike and so unallied to each other are the sensual and the spiritual, the earthly and the heavenly, the aspect of peace and safety, the approach of danger and destruction. Such is the difference between the judgment of man involved in the cares, toils, and pleasures of the passing day; and the judgment of beings

Thus were the angels of life and death seen by living men in ancient times. While we have not had this privilege, we are met in our daily paths and visited in our homes by powers as mysterious and mighty; although we see them not. Let us equally believe in the actual appearance of messengers from the unseen world who came at God's command to teach men God's truth and love in ancient time.

who stand outside the range of our

mistakes and failures, who see be-

yond time into eternity.

Let us study this passage with Godly fear. First our attention is drawn to the quietness of the evening. In a fair city which lay upon the border of a plain of beauty and fertility everything seems peaceful, laborers no doubt returning to their homes, no signs of unrest or wrath in the sky. Yet this was the last night of Sodom. According to custom the

chief men are sitting in the gate. The multitude is coming and going, seeking their pleasures, taking no thought for the morrow, buying and selling and seeking diversion, little thinking that the sun has set for them the last time.

Now two strangers are seen approaching the city's gate. We must believe there was nothing unusual about their appearance, nothing to indicate they were God's messengers. But there was one man in Sodom who was attentive to notice the strangers and to invite them to his house. He did not know who they were or the awful errand for which they came. By treating them with courtesy he secured for himself such help as angels alone could give in the time of his greatest need. The idle throng in the streets, no doubt, derided the venerable man for his courtesy to the strangers and were ready to treat them with rudeness and contempt or to make them the objects of the passion which has given a name of infamy to their city for all time. The celestial messengers had come to see if there were any in that city who could be persuaded to escape from the doom that hung over it. But the last drop of iniquity was added by their treatment of God's messengers. How different was the treatment and reverence accorded by the man Lot. How great an effort he put forth to shield them from the rabble.

But now the angels assert their authority and draw Lot back in the house and shut the door. Now the time has come for action. "Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place: For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the Lord: and the Lord hath sent us to destroy it." So the old man goes out through the dark streets and makes his way through the blinded rabble to his sons-in-law and sounds the warning. We read "He seemed as one that mocked." They think he is not in his right mind to come at such a late hour, and no doubt tell him to dismiss the strangers and go to sleep. They cannot think of troubling themselves about the anxieties of an old man and will sleep until morning and tomorrow will laugh at the kindhearted old father for his midnight call.

When the disappointed father returns, the men are waiting for him and dawn is ready to appear. As yet there is no change in earth or sky. There seems nothing to fear except that one word of the angels "the Lord will destroy this city" and that is reason enough for immediate flight. "Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city." But it is hard for the old man to go and leave a part of his family and all his worldly possessions and he lingers. With merciful violence, the angels lay hold upon him and those that are with him in the house and hurry them out of the city, giving them the startling charge, "Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed." A few minutes' delay will cost him his life if he only turns and takes one last look at house and home, if he waits to see what will become of the city, he will be consumed by the coming storm, only delayed for the escape of the fugitives. Still the weary old man begs to be permitted to rest in a little town short of the safe mountains. His request is granted but with a reiteration of the charge to hasten "for I cannot do anything till thou be come thither." One of the four turns to look back to see what will become of the city and so fails to escape.

The sun is already arisen upon the earth; and the bright morning promises a beautiful day. The early risers in Sodom are making merry about the frightened old man who fled with his family to the mountains. His sons-in-law are on their way to laugh at him for walking in his sleep the night before. New pleasures are being devised for the day. But now the hour of doom strikes. The Lord rains fire and brimstone out of heaven upon the city and the beautiful plain that was like paradise only the day before. The smoke of the burning goes up like the smoke of a

great furnace and the glare of the mighty conflagration is seen far off by shepherds on the hills of Hebron and the mountains of Moab and by Abraham from where he stood looking toward Sodom and the plain. In one moment the fair vale which had been as the garden of the Lord in beauty and fertility becomes a desolation, a place never to be inhabited from generation to generation. So God made this desolation in His own great and glorious work because the sin of Sodom was great and the cry of its iniquity had come up to heaven. Sodom has become a name of infamy for all generations and its awful doom stands forth as a perpetual sign that God's patience with sin has a bound beyond which it will not go.

Philip Beyer.

WATCH

"And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." St. Mark 13:37.

As we behold the prophecy of God's Word being fulfilled in these latter days it behooves us to "watch and pray" lest we fall into temptations, sin, or our hearts fail us for fear of things coming on the earth.

The word "Watch" is used in three senses in the scriptures: (1) to watch in order to guard. (2) to watch meaning to look for. (3) a watch in the night. The night was divided not into hours, but into watches. In the Old Testament, three are named, the first watch till midnight, the middle watch till 3:00 a.m., and the morning watch till 6:00 a.m. In the New Testament there were four watches of three hours each, from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

The first is to watch in order to guard. Guard what? And what should we guard against? Each true born-again Christian was bought with a price, "With the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." I Peter 1:19. Read I Peter 1:13-20.

The Scripture also tells us there was not another one found in heaven or on earth that was found worthy to make this sacrifice for our sins. Read Rev. 5.

We must guard our souls, for when we were born again by the precious blood of Christ, we became heirs to the Kingdom of God and through baptism received "the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." Eph. 4:30.

what should we guard against? "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." I Peter 5:8. While the Apostle Peter here describes him (devil) as a roaring lion, we believe that today he puts on the cloak of an angel and tries to deceive the very elect by telling us we do not need to do this or that or that we need not keep this commandment, and that it is not necessary to watch or pray. We must realize that Satan has not lost his power, that he still presents himself before the sons of God as he did in Job's time. Job 1:-6-9. Let us remember, while Satan has might and power, that God is almighty and all powerful. "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." James 4:7.

The second watch means to look for—"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13. We as the children of God should always remember that while we are here surrounded with trial, affliction, and many distresses, it is only for a season and we should at all times remember if we watch and are found faithful that we shall receive a Crown of Life. We are also looking for the time when we will be able to meet our loved ones who have gone on before us, to be able to meet the prophets of old, apostles, and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ with God our Father in heaven, face to face.

There are many other Christian duties that should come under our watching. First, to watch that we live exemplary lives that we may be a living testimony for Christ and to bring the unsaved to Christ and ever be ready to tell the story of His saving grace. Another watch is given to us in James 1:27. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction,

and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

Third, these watches were established in the early history of the Jew. (In Exodus 14:24 the Scripture speaks of the morning watch.) They were set up to watch over their camps so enemies, thieves, or wild beasts could not enter and disturb their peace and that they could sleep in safety. Today all army, navy, and many industrial plants have guards (watches) to watch their property twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, lest they should suffer loss by fire or theft.

All these guards were near enough to each other so they could get a message to the guard-house in case of any danger. So today may we at all times stay within the bounds of God's grace, so we may be within calling distance of God. "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Heb. 4:16.

"Watch and Pray, the Lord commandeth;

Watch and Pray, 'twill not be long; Soon He'll gather home His loved ones

To the happy vale of song."

David Lantz.

HIS WAY

God bade me go when I would stay
('Twas cool within the wood);
I did not know the reason why.
I heard a boulder crashing by
Across the pathway where I stood.

He bade me stay when I would go;
"Thy will be done," I said.
They found one day at early dawn,
Across the way I would have gone,
A serpent with a mangled head.

No more I ask the reason why,
Although I may not see
The path ahead, His way I go;
For though I know not, He doth
know,

And He will choose safe paths for me.

—The Sunday School Times.

Mountain Trailways for Youth.

Mrs. Chas. E. Cowman.

× NEWS Z

Bluffton, Indiana

Many from here visited in the Latty, Ohio, congregation Sunday, April 18, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sladen, Misses Eunice Kipfer, Ellen Steffen, Norma Steffen, Eileen and Bethleen Geyer, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gerber, Hubert Isch, Alvin Fiechter, Sylvan Frauhiger, Fredrick Gerber, Leonard Steffen, and Ben Habegger.

Announcement was made Sunday, April 25, of the engagement of Joyce Moser to Kenneth Troxel. The wedding will take place in June.

Visitors in our community Sunday, April 26, were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Steffen, Gladys, Lenore, and Walter Steffen from Elgin, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Steffen, Marcella and Mary Jane Steffen from Milford, Indiana.

Baptismal services were conducted Sunday, April 25, by Elder Sam Aeschliman for William Frauhiger, Sr., 73 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gerber held a reception in their home Sunday, May 2, in honor of the marriage of their daughter, Devona, to Harry Longenberger.

Rev. and Mrs. Philip Gutwein and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutwein from Francesville, Indiana, spent Sunday, May 2, with us.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Dotterer and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Drayer visited churches in Ohio and West Virginia over the week-end of May 2.

Alvin Fiechter, Richard Yergler, Robert Gerber, and Truman Baumgartner spent Sunday, May 2, visiting in Wayne County, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerber and family from Latty, Ohio, spent Sunday, May 2, with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meyer accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hodel of Roanoke, Illinois, to visit Mr. Hodel's sister and brother-in-law in Oakville, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schrock, over the week-end of May 2.

Mr. Melvin Gerber, age 38, passed away suddenly Saturday morning,

May 8, from acute lukemia. Surviving are the widow, Mary (Kipfer); a daughter Sally Kay; the father, Jeff; three sisters, Mrs. John Fiechter and Mrs. Amos Dubach from Bluffton, Mrs. Amos Steffen of Milford; five brothers, Joseph (Bud), Sam, John (Jack), Aaron, all of Bluffton, and Eli of Goshen, Indiana. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lanz and others from Rockville, Connecticut, visited us over the week-end of May 9. Also many were here from Latty, Ohio. We enjoyed their visit very much and welcome them all back.

Elder and Mrs. Sam Aeschliman spent Sunday, May 16, with the Mansfield, Ohio, congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Getz from Remington, Indiana visited our congregation Sunday, May 16.

Announcement was made Sunday, May 16, of the engagement of Miss Dorothy Moser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Obed Moser, to Mr. Vernon Gerber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Gerber.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Heyerly are parents of a baby daughter, Sue Ann, born May 12.

Burlington, Oklahoma

We had a large attendance on Mother's Day, May 9. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller of Ft. Scott, Kansas, spent the week-end of Mother's Day in our community.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 16, for Mrs. Lucy Schupbach. Elder Noah Schrock conducted the services. Those from a distance who attended the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Vern Wittmer, Mrs. Will Hartter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rocke and Mayme, Jacob and Alf Strohm, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Giesel and Mrs. Noah Edelman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schrock and Mr. and Mrs. George Giesel, Miss Marie Hauter, Miss Ada Schrock, Rev. Jesse Schrock, and Elder Noah Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Huber, Jr., of Manhattan, Kansas, spent the weekend of May 16 visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller and Miss Polly Marti of Ft. Scott, Kansas, visited this community the week of

May 16. They left for their home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Wayne Kircher is recovering from a recent tonsillectomy.

Grandmother Frieden is quite ill at this writing.

Rev. Joseph Aberle spent Sunday, May 23, in Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Otti were honored with a basket dinner and shower Sunday, May 30.

Croghan, New York

Mr. and Mrs. William Schneider, daughter Louise and sons Elmer and Robert, spent the week-end of May 16 with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Virkler.

Elder Philip Beyer held services here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Purvine are the happy parents of a baby son.

Fairbury, Illinois

Mrs. Edward Huber returned home on Sunday, May 2 from the St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Indiana, where she had been a patient.

Joseph Wenger, age 83, died on Wednesday, May 12, following a few days' illness. His funeral was held on Friday afternoon, May 14. Rev. Joshua Broquard conducted the services.

A group from our congregation visited the Roanoke Church on Sunday, May 23, and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Zimmerman.

The funeral of Joseph Zehr was held Thursday afternoon, May 20, with Rev. Henry Kilgus officiating. Mr. Zehr was 62 years of age. His passing followed an illness of two years.

Fort Scott, Kansas

Evelyn and Mamie Marti and Lois Steiner of Sabetha, Kansas, and Carl Feucht and Phillip and Florence Mogler of Lester, Iowa, visited relatives here on May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Pfister, Sam Huber, and Sarah Buckley spent Sunday, May 2, in Lamont, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Banwart, Pearl, Marie and Lloyd, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Banwart and Joan, of Lamar, Missouri, visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Banwart, Sunday evening, May 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Marti and family of Lamar, Missouri, spent Sunday evening, May 9, with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Banwart and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Reber, Mary and Clarence, and Lillian and Ethyl Massner visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bahr and family of Gridley, Kansas, on May 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller spent the week-end of May 9 visiting relatives and friends at Burlington, Oklahoma, and Harper, Kansas.

Rosa Beyer visited Mr. and Mrs. Chris Remm and Leona Leman of Lamar, Missouri, on May 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller, Pearl Marti, and Ethyl Massner visited friends and relatives at Burlington, Oklahoma, on May 16.

Sarah Buckley, Clara Marti, Pearl Marti, Irene and Ruth Banwart, Sam Huber, David Massner and Ethyl, and Mary Reber visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bahr and family of Gridley, Kansas, on May 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Banwart and Estaline, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frieden and children, and Mabel Schmidt of West Bend, Iowa, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Banwart on May 21.

Rosa Beyer is spending several weeks with relatives in Gridley, Kans.

Francisville, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Eshleman of Rensselaer are the parents of a daughter named Sharyn Kay; she was born on May 9. Mrs. Eshleman was formerly Miss Helen Geyer. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Faris of Rensselaer are the parents of a son named Alan Boyd. Mrs. Faris is the former Donna Pfledderer.

On May 16, Rev. J. A. Getz officiated at the marriage of Miss Ruth Gudeman, daughter of Mr. Albert Gudeman, Sr., and Solomon Rapp of Morton, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dietrich have moved here from Ohio.

Perry Neihouser, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Neihouser, suffered a fractured left leg on May 8, when he fell from the tractor he was operating and one of the rear wheels passed over him.

Mrs. Louis Huber, who has been quite ill, is gradually improving.

Our monthly young people's meeting on May 23 was enjoyed by all. The theme was Joy. Those out of town taking part in the meeting were Rev. Will Furrer of Wolcott, Rev. Andrew Nussbaum, Betty and Letty Frey of Remington, Misses Betty, Irma and

Lois Claus of Cissna Park, and the choir of La Crosse.

Visitors on May 1 were Rev. and Mrs. Otto Norr and Mr. and Mrs. William Klopfenstein.

Rev. and Mrs. Theo Beer of Milford were among the visitors here for the wedding on May 16.

Mrs. Melvin Huber is teaching the Beginners' class in Vacation Bible School being conducted for the children beginning May 24 for two weeks.

Lamar, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Zimmerman of Fairbury, Illinois, Phil and Florence Mogler, Carl Fietch of Lester, Iowa, Evelyn and Mamie Marti, Lois Steiner of Sabetha, Kansas, and Pearl Marti of Ft. Scott, Kansas, were visitors here on May 2. We enjoyed their short visit very much. Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman stopped on their way home from their wedding trip to California.

Rosa Beyer of Ft. Scott, Kansas, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Remm and Leona Lehman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allenbaugh and granddaughter and Carrie Lehman of Harper, Kansas, spent the week-end of May 16 with friends and relatives here.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Banwart, daughter Estellen, Mabel Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frieden, Jimmie Jay, and Terry of West Bend, Iowa, spent the week end of May 23 with relatives and friends. Other visitors for evening services were Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Pfister, Mr. and Mrs. William Reber, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Banwart, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Banwart, and Raymond Banwart of Ft. Scott, Kansas.

Mrs. Mary Schlupp, who is residing with her daughter, Mrs. Lorene Knapp, is recovering from a broken hip

Latty, Ohio

The engagement of Miss Bernice Gerber was announced recently. She will be married in the fall to Herbert Bauman of Rittman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lanz and daughter Alma and son Richard, Misses Evelyn and Georia Lanz, all of Rockville, Connecticut, visited with the Elmer Lanz family and other relatives

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs.

Richard Gerber. His name is Ronald Ray.

Brother Dan Stoller spent Sunday, May 23 in Alabama.

Lester, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Les Wagenbach and children of Peoria, Illinois, visited Mrs. Wagenbach's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Feucht, on Mother's Day.

Sixteen young folks from here visited in Morris, Minnesota, on May 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer and family spent several days in Sabetha, Kansas, visiting relatives.

The basement is now being dug for our new church at Lester.

Mansfield, Ohio

A number of relatives and friends attended the reception at Junction for Mr. and Mrs. Elias Manz, Sunday, May 9. Mrs. Manz was Evelyn Sauder of Mansfield.

Elders Sam Aeschliman of Bluffton, Elias Dotterer of Junction, and Rudolph Graf of Akron visited our church Sunday, May 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Beer have returned home, after spending the winter in Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. John Haring, Robert Wilging, Chas. Sauder, and Aaron Sauder went to Rittman, Wednesday, May 26, to get some canned meat for shipment to the destitute members and friends in Europe. They also attended midweek services while there.

Morton, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Schumacher entertained a group of Morton young folks at dinner Sunday evening. May 2, in honor of the following out of town guests: Misses Doris and Amelia Scharloch, Misses Letty and Betty Frey, Robert Schieler, Remington, Indiana; Miss Caroline Schumacher, Richard Zeltwanger, Bremen, Indiana; Earl Zeltwanger, a Purdue University student; Wendell and Willis Gudeman, Carlton Beer, Milford, Indiana; Walter Steffen, Elgin; Wilbur Hoerr, Chicago; Miss Marjorie Getz, Miss Dorothy Geiger, Peoria; Miss Emma Klaus, Misses Ruth and Lorene Schumacher, Lloyd Schumacher, and Jerry Sauder, Eureka.

Miss Martha Heiniger spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heiniger.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Getz, of Morton and Mr. and Mrs. Al Stoller of Gridley attended the funeral of Melvin Gerber of Bluffton, Indiana.

Miss Vilas Birkey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Birkey, is recovering from a recent appendectomy.

Miss Ida Rapp, who was in an auto accident recently, is resting nicely and expects to be released from the hospital within a few days.

Peoria, Illinois

Our congregation enjoyed a blessed day May 16, when Brother Kisling from Burlington, Oklahoma, visited us.

A few cars of young folks from Oakville, Iowa, visited Peoria recently. They were guests of the Thomas sisters and Eunice Wiegand.

On May 23, the engagement of Miss Hilda Steiner and Carl Gerst of Oakville, Iowa, was made known. Miss Steiner is employed in Peoria and is a daughter of the John Steiners of Morton. No wedding plans have been made.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Huber are the happy parents of a son, born May 24. The new arrival has been named Gary Lee.

Mrs. Lester Unsiker, who was injured in an automobile accident three months ago while returning from their wedding trip, attended our assembly for the first time May 24. We are all happy and thankful for her recovery.

Princeville, Illinois

We had many visitors with us Sunday, May 15, and enjoyed a blessed day. Among those present were Rev. and Mrs. John Wagenbach and others from Oakville, Iowa, Rev. and Mrs. Simon Wagenbach and daughters of Tremont, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wagenbach and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Wagenbach, and Mother and Edith Wagenbach, all of Peoria, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wiegand and family of Goodfield, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Blunier and son, Roanoke, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kaufman and family of Morton, Illinois. They were guests in the evening in the home of Rev. and Mrs. George Wagenbach.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ehnle are recovering from injuries received in an auto accident May 7. Mr. Ehnle received a fractured left wrist and was hospitalized several days.

Mr. Chris Musselmann is in a Peoria hospital where he underwent an operation, May 14.

Rev. and Mrs. Silas Leuthold and Vivian, Fred Feucht, and Miss Elizabeth Kieser spent Sunday, May 16, in Lester, Iowa.

Rev. and Mrs. Emil Schubert and Rev. and Mrs. Michael Weyeneth of Peoria spent Sunday afternoon, May 23, with our congregation. Rev. Schubert conducted communion services. A few young folks from Gridley, Illinois, and Oakville, Iowa, were with us also.

Pulaski, Iowa

Mrs. Kupferschmid spent a week here with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Wagler. Joseph Kupferschmid and son, Robert, came to get her Sunday, May 9, spending the day with us.

Kenneth Stevig, Keith Stevig, and Jimmie Wuthrich from Morton, Illinois, spent Sunday, May 9, with us.

Oakville, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Meyers, Bluffton, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hohulin, Peoria, and a group of young people from Roanoke, spent Sunday, May 2, with us. Robert Schrocks served supper to the Roanoke and Bluffton visitors. Mr. and Mrs. George Kuntz entertained the Peoria guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Butikofer and Mrs. Eli Sutter, Mr. and Mrs. William Cockrell of Taylor, Missouri, visited here Sunday, May 9.

Rev. and Mrs. John Wagenbach, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wagenbach, Mr. and Mrs. John Kuntz, Mr. and Mrs. George Kuntz, Mrs. Chris Kuntz went to Princeville, May 16.

Elder Noah Schrock went to Lamont, Kansas, to hold baptismal services, May 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yergler of Gridley, Illinois, were our visitors May 23.

Leo, Indiana

The Young People's Meeting was held Sunday evening, June 9. The theme of the program was on Mother's Day. Guests from La Crosse, Indiana, were present.

On June 9, announcement was made of the engagement of Lena Lou Farn-

ey and Robert Reuter, both of Fort Wayne.

Diana Conrad of Altadena, California, spent several weeks with relatives and friends here.

Funeral services for Christina Schlatter were held at the Apostolic Christian Church in April.

Mrs. Nelson Klopfenstein is convalescing at her home after undergoing a major operation at the Methodist Hospital at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Rev. and Mrs. Victor Stavenik of Mansfield, Ohio, are visiting with relatives here.

Baptismal services for Mrs. Alf Keitel, Esther Louise Kipfer, and Dorothy Winzeler were held on June 9.

Remington, Indiana

Many of our congregation visited various churches on Sunday, May 16, as we had no services that day.

Mrs. Marie Schieler visited several days with relatives at Forrest and Fairbury, Illinois.

We assembled in our new church building on Sunday, May 23, for the first time. Rev. Henry Beer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutwein were with us as well as Mr. and Mrs. Obed Gerber and others of Bluffton, Indiana.

We had our new church dedication services on Sunday, May 30. In the morning services the words were spoken by Elder George Yergler followed by Rev. Irvin Stoller and afternoon services by Elder Henry Kilgus and Rev. Henry Sabo. Services were also held again in the evening and were conducted by Rev. Irvin Stoller and Rev. Elmer Bahler. There was good attendance at all services.

Roanoke, Illinois

The engagement of Helen Funk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Funk, and Ben Fehr, son of Mrs. Ben Fehr, all of Roanoke, was announced Sunday, May 2. The couple plan a late summer wedding.

Rev. and Mrs. Albert Scheitlin spent Sunday, May 9, Mother's Day, with us in Roanoke.

The engagement of Mabel Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martin, of Roanoke, and Robert Belsley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Belsley, of Morton, was made known to their friends on May 9.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Beer of Milford, Indiana, spent May 12 visiting their friends in Roanoke. Services were conducted by him at the Roanoke Church in the evening.

Helen Feller and Richard Zimmerman were honored at a miscellaneous shower on May 13, given by Mrs. William and Mary Ann Leman, at the home of the latter. Charles Leman and Dorothy Blunier were given a lovely floor lamp also. Around 90 attended.

Since no services were held in Remington, Sunday, May 16, Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Nussbaum and others visited us.

On May 16, a large group of young people went to LaCrosse, Indiana, to spend the day. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

Audrey Hodel and Norman Rocke, both of Roanoke, were married on May 23, in the presence of a host of friends and relatives. After their wedding trip, they will be at home to their friends on a farm near Eureka.

[OLD NEWS] Remington, Indiana

Baptismal services were conducted by Elder George Yergler on Sunday, April 4, for Laura Bahler and Marilyn and Benita Getz. We welcome them into the fold.

Rev. and Mrs. Philip Wingeier of Alto, Michigan, visited our congregation on Sunday evening, April 18, for evening services, after having visited at Francesville during the day.

Guests who visited our congregation on Sunday, April 25, were Rev. and Mrs. Al Fisher and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fisher of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Sinn and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Laukhuf of Latty, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wiegand of Oakville, Iowa.

Lamar, Missouri

We enjoyed a blessed day, March 28. Our visitors were Rev. and Mrs. Peter Fankhauser of Lamont, Kansas; Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Pfister, Rosa Beyer, and Clara Marti of Ft. Scott, Kansas.

Rev. Fankhauser and Rev. Pfister held communion services for us.

Rev. Elias Somerholder held services Friday evening, April 2. Rev. and Mrs. Elias Somerholder, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allenbaught, and Mrs. Anna Miller of Burlington, Oklahoma, came Friday afternoon to visit friends and relatives. They left for Ft. Scott, Kansas, on Saturday.

Several attended the wedding of Pearl Massner and Wayne Miller of Ft. Scott on April 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thiebaud are the proud parents of a baby girl, Toni Louise, born April 13. Mrs. Thiebaud was formerly Florence Frieden.

Pearl Marti and Irene Banwart of Ft. Scott spent the week end of April 18 with Pearl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Marti.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Banwart and Clara Marti of Ft. Scott, spent the week end of April 25 with Raymond's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ben Banwart.

Mrs. Mary Schlupp is continuing to improve.

Toledo, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Newman are the parents of a son, James Alan Newman, born April 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Troxel of Bluffton, Indiana, visited the Jacob Frautschi family the week-end of April 11.

On April 25, the Frautschis entertained in honor of Dorothy Sherwin of Detroit and Bob Stevens of Toledo, who plan to be married May 8. The out-of-town guests were: Laura Conrad and Doris Klaus of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Maibach, Sr., and daughter Frances, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Maibach, Jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Belsley and family, Mrs. Sherwin and daughter Lorna, all of Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. Mary Heil of Monroe, Michigan.

Mrs. Katherine Stevens entertained folks from Detroit at dinner.

Rev. Godfrey Schlatter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rehklau, Mrs. Lydia Rehklau, and Willis Eisenmann attended the funeral services of Ephraim Kipfer in Bluffton, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Schlatter, Mrs. Jacob Frautschi, Mr. Charles Just, and Miss Levina Dotterer attended the funeral of Mrs. Ben Schlatter at Leo, Indiana.

A group from Toledo visited the

home of Ben Maibach, Sr., Detroit, on April 27. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Belsley and their mother, Mrs. Belsley of Morton, Illinois, were also there.

A number of members and friends from Toledo visited the Latty Church on April 18.

West Bend. Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Mogler announced the arrival of a baby girl, Beverly Rose, born to them on April 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dogotch are parents of a daughter, born April 7. She has been named Marjorie Elizabeth.

A son, Dennis Eli, arrived-at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Fehr on April 13. They now have six sons.

Rev. and Mrs. Chris Koehl of Peória, Illinois, spent several days at the Leo Dogotch home.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Banwart and Berniece and Leslie, Eleanor Grimm, and Leona and Lela Banwart spent Sunday, April 25, at the home of Albert Withrich in Pulaski, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. William Metzger and Elizabeth and Darlene, Mrs. Mike Schmidt and Gerald, and Dorothy Souder visited relatives at Lester, Iowa, on Sunday, April 25.

A BOY'S BEST FRIEND

Written upon the solemn realization of May 18, 1947, that Mother is no longer young and agile. The sobering part of it is that she has literally burned up her life for her children's sake, and we show our appreciation so little.

My Mother is growing older—and gray,

The sun's going down midst the strife;

But I'm sure it will rise o'er that yonder bay,

To a better, more glorious life,

I want you to know, dear Mother of mine,

That your efforts have not been in vain;

For you taught me to love my Savior divine,

And, through Him, to be born again.

The tears fall now, but they'll fall more then,

When they lay my Mother away; But I know she's been washed in the Blood of the Lamb,

So we'll meet again some day.

Willis Ehnle.

THINGS WE CAN'T AFFORD

We can't afford to win the gain that means another's loss;

We can't afford to miss the crown by stumbling at the cross.

We can't afford the heedless jest that robs us of a friend;

We can't afford the laugh that finds in bitter tears an end.

We can't afford the feast today that brings tomorrow's fast;

We can't afford the race that comes to tragedy at last.

We can't afford to play with fire or tempt a serpent's bite;

We can't afford to think that sin brings any true delight.

We can't afford with serious heed to treat the cynic's sneer;

We can't afford to wise men's words to turn a careless ear.

We can't afford for hate to give like hatred in return;

We can't afford to feed a flame and make it fiercer burn.

We can't afford to lose the soul for this world's fleeting breath;

We can't afford to barter life in mad exchange for death.

But blind to good are we apart from THEE, all seeing Lord;

Oh, grant us light that we may know the things we can't afford!

-Author Unknown.

Mountain Trailways for Youth.

Mrs. Chas. E. Cowman.

WATCHING

"Blessed is the servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing." (Matt. 24:46)

Shall He come—and find me WATCHING.

As the watchers watch for morn, As the hour of midnight passes, And the coming day is born?

Shall he come—and find me WAIT-ING.

With my loins well girt above, Staff in hand—the more welcome— Waiting without fear or doubt? Shall He come—and find me FAITH-FUL

To His parting words to me:
If I go, a place preparing,
I will quickly come for thee?

Shall He come—and find me STAND-ING.

From the worlding's joys apart, Outside all its mirth and folly, With a true and loyal heart?

Shall He come—and find me WORK-ING.

In His vanguard full of love, Laboring only till the glory Breaks upon me from above?

Jesus, let me thus be waiting,
Full of hope and love and zeal,
Let Thy coming, to my spirit,
Be a hope Divine and real.

-Selected.

HYMN FOR THE MONTH ALL GLORY TO JESUS

Copyright, 1948, by Stamp-Baxter Music & Printing Co.

I'm trav'ling to heaven's bright city so fair,

With angels to praise the dear Savior up there;

How happy I'll be when I reach that fair goal,

Where sorrows ne'er enter to trouble the soul.

I'll meet you up there on the streets of pure gold,

To share in His glory to mortals untold;

No night will be there in the city of day,

The Savior's dear face has turned darkness away.

O sinner, take Christ as your Savior today,

And trust Him to guide you along the right way;

When life here is over and sorrows all past,

How glad you will be to reach heaven at last.

Chorus:

All glory to Jesus, the Savior and King,

Who rules where the angels and loved ones now sing;

We'll join the glad chorus, His name to adore

For ever and ever, on heaven's fair shore.

Life with Christ is an endless hope; without Him it is a hopeless end.

God could create a thousand worlds, but He could not save a single soul without the cross of Christ.

An opportunity to sacrifice is a chance to get acquainted with Christ.

Our greatest moral problem is the right use of leisure.

The fellow who is pulling on the oars usually hasn't time to rock the boat.

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of some one else.

He never rises high who does not know how to kneel.

Only when the heart is a broken vessel can it carry the water of life.

Jesus is the joy and glory of heaven. We love heaven only as we love Him.

He who has not forgiven an enemy has never tasted one of the most sublime enjoyments of life.

Faith either removes mountains or tunnels through.

None live so pleasantly as those who live by faith.

Life is not so short but that there is always time for courtesy.

If God has made your program, He will carry it out.

OUR CONTRIBUTORS

NIGHT SCENES IN THE BIBLE Philip Beyer, Elder Castorland, N. Y.

SPRINGTIME IN YOUR SOUL Rudolph Graf, Elder Akron, Ohio

WATCH David Lantz Grabill, Ind.

THE SILVER LINING

Published by
The Apostolic Christian Church
and Sunday School
Grabill, Indiana

Supplement to Silver Lining (Old News Continued)

Bluffton, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dotterer are parents of a baby daughter, born April 13.

Mr. Joseph Meyer, who recently underwent a major operation, is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gerber and Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Hurt spent the weekend of April 18 in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Jeff Gerber, who recently had a stroke of paralysis, is reported to be improving at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Dubach.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Isch attended the funeral of Mrs. Isch's grandmother, Mrs. Leman, on Monday, April 19, in Roanoke, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Winzeler, James and Richard Winzeler, Robert Rueter, the Misses Martha Moser, Laura Gerber, Eleanor Stieglitz, Dennelda Dotterer, Dorothea Conrad, and Katherine Norr, spent Sunday, April 18, with us and were guests in the evening of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moser.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haab spent the week end of April 18 visiting relatives and friends in Milford, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Aeschliman entertained with a shower Wednesday evening, April 7, in honor of Miss Devona Gerber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gerber, whose marriage to Mr. Harry Longenberger will take place Sunday, May 2.

Announcement was made Sunday, April 11, of the engagement of Miss Doris Tonner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Tonner, to Mr. Dale Fiechter, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Fiechter

Bremen, Indiana

*

Many from our congregation attended the Easter program at Milford Sunday evening, March 28.

Rev. Al Fisher and family from Chicago visited our congregation April 4.

Mrs. Emma Binkele from Peoria visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Laidig and family. Mrs. Laidig is her daughter.

Robert Klopfenstein entered the St. Joseph hospital in South Bend April 2.

Burlington, Oklahoma

A large group at church packed boxes for overseas. We sent thirtythree boxes to the American zone in Germany and to Hungary.

Rev. Roy Farney and his wife and family have returned home after spending the winter in Arizona for Brother Farney's health.

Mrs. Ruth Domnick of Morton, Illinois, and Mrs. Eric Koehl and daughter of Peoria, Illinois, visited relatives and many friends of this community.

Mr. Frank Lambert of Peoria, Illinois, and his brother, George, of Wichita, Kansas, spent Sunday, May 2 with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Farney have returned from an extended visit in the West.

The engagement of Miss Elizabeth Walters of Gridley, Kansas, to Mr. Fred Otti of Burlington, Oklahoma, was announced Sunday, April 13.

Mrs. George Diel has undergone a major operation at the Memorial Hospital recently. She is much improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Somerhalder, Mrs. Anna Miller, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allenbach, Mrs. Ada Miller, Godfrey Miller, and Doris Miller attended the wedding of Pearl Massner and Wayne Miller at Ft. Scott, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kircher and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kircher and daughter have been spending the last five weeks in Bristol, Colorado.

Elgin, Illinois

Dorothy Gudeman, daughter of Joel Gudeman of Elgin and Perry Zimmerman of North Side, Fairbury, were married April 18. The wedding dinner was served at the bride's home, followed by a reception. Many out-oftown guests were present.

Mrs. Henry Bolliger has been ill at her home for quite some time.

Mrs. Fred Huber, mother of Charles Huber, passed away April 10 in Princeville, Illinois, where she had been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Lena Gehrig. Funeral services were held at Elgin April 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Steffen and family visited their three married children, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wiegand and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Steffen of Deer Creek, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. David Steffen of Congerville, Illinois, the week-end of April 25.

Fairbury, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ebach were

hosts to guests from Gridley, Illinois, on Sunday, April 18. Among them was Rev. Joseph Klopfenstein, who conducted services at North Church during the day.

Rev. Joshua Broquard, Rev. Alex Stoller, Eli Leman, Ben Leman, and Andrew Rieger spent the week-end of April 24-26 in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Feldman had guests from Peoria and Roanoke on Sunday, April 25, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Zimmerman of Eureka. Mrs. Zimmerman was the former Clara Feldman.

Perry Zimmerman and Miss Dorothy Gudeman of Elgin, Illinois, were married on Sunday, April 18, at Elgin, Illinois.

Fort Scott, Kansas

The evening of Easter the Sunday School presented an Easter Program. Clara Marti and Betty Zaugg were in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pfister and Clara Marti spent Easter Sunday with the congregation at Lamar, Missouri.

→ Wayne Miller and Pearl Massner were married Sunday, April 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Knapp and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kraft and Helen, and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Stokey, Gridley, Kansas, visited relatives here Sunday, April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pfister and Mr. and Mrs. William Reber spent the week-end of April 25 with friends and relatives in Morris, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Banwart visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Banwart and family, Lamar, Missouri, April 25.

Rosa Beyer has been spending several weeks with relatives at Gridley, Kansas.

Francesville, Indiana

Mrs. Lewis Huber, who has been in the hospital the past five weeks very seriously ill, is reported to be improving.

Raymond Hauptli is still in the Healthwin Hospital at South Bend, Indiana, where he has spent the last few years suffering from T. B.

A daughter, Beverly Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Gudeman on March 22. A son, Calvin Rex, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gutwein on March 24. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gutwein are the parents of a

son, Douglas Lynn, born on April 4.

The theme of the last monthly young people's meeting was on Christ's second coming. One was truly impressed with the prophetic Bible passages concerning this most important event given in correlation with the course of this age. A group of young people from Roanoke rendered several songs which added to the inspiration of the meeting.

Our beginners' class in Sunday School has a new semicircular shaped bench and table combination. This is an advantage for better attention and

interest.

Rev. Henry Beer of Milford was present one Wednesday evening for the weekly Bible meditation and song worship.

Last Wednesday was another scene of charitable work for the destitute of Europe. Wolcott, Remington, La-Crosse, and Cissna Park congregations were represented both in helping pack boxes and bringing gifts.

Visitors here Sunday were Rev. and Mrs. Philip Wingeier and daughter, Vivian, and Miss Katherine Oesch of Alto, Michigan, Mr. and Mrs. Onie Klopfenstein and family of Wolcott, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hodel, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Bauman and daughter, Elaine, and Miss Malinda Hodel of Roanoke. Miss Irene Hodel returned home with them after spending the past week here.

Latty, Ohio

Elders Otto Ramseier and Elias Dotterer visited us April 17-18. Eleven souls were added to the fold. It was a blessed Sunday.

Mrs. Gus Rager is convalescing at her home now after a serious operation and several weeks at the hospital.

Mrs. Wayne Stoller attended church Sunday again for the first time since her illness, following the birth of their first son in February.

Lester, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Metzger are parents of a son, Marvin August, born on April 16.

Elder and Mrs. Henry Koehl and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nohl of Morris, Minnesota, spent Sunday, April 4, with us. Baptismal services were conducted for Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Metzger.

Mr. and Mrs. William Metzger,

Elizabeth and Darlene, Mrs. Mike Schmidt, Miss Dorothy Sauder, and Raymond Anliker, all of West Bend, Iowa, visited us the week-end of April 25.

John Moser, Sr., of Sabetha, Kansas, spent several weeks here visiting his son, John Moser, Jr., and family. He came to attend the wedding of his granddaughter, Estelle Moser, to Alvin Leuthold, on April 6.

Mansfield, Ohio

Aaron, Herman, Paul, and Eugene Sauder and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bird visited Clarence Sauder, Rosena Paulo, and Anna Hock at the O. H. E. Hospital, Gallipolis, Chio, Sunday, April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sabo and daughters, Dorothy and Ruth, Sarah Bocka, and Mary Sabo spent Sunday, April 18, in Elgin, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fuhrer and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sauder visited in Rittman, Ohio, Sunday, April 18.

A large number of relatives and friends from Junction, Ohio; Latty, Chio; LaCrosse, Indiana; Rittman and Akron, Ohio, attended the wedding of Elias Manz of Junction, Ohio, and Evelyn Sauder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sauder of Mansfield, Ohio, Sunday, April 25. Elder Elias Dotterer of Junction performed the ceremony. After, a wedding trip through the East, they will be at home in Paulding, Ohio.

Morton, Illinois

Rev. J. A. Getz united Virginia Moser and James Hoerr in marriage on Sunday, March 14.

Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Nussbaum and son and Ruth Waibel from Remington, Indiana, spent Sunday, March 21, with us. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roth and Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Jacob.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Getz, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Grimm, Robert Grimm, and Roy and Harlan Kaiser visited at Oakville, Iowa, on Sunday, April 4.

Rev. Philip Gutwein and Fred Gutwein from Francesville, Indiana, spent Sunday, April 4, in Morton. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rapp.

Cn Sunday, April 18, we had several visitors from LaCrosse, Indiana. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Zimmerman and spent the

evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heiniger.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grimm, Sr., Mrs. Rose Stetzler, and Inez Steiner spent the Sunday at Oakville, Iowa, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orel Steiner.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Grimm, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Getz, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Getz, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Rother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huette, and Mr. and Mrs. August Roecker were Sunday visitors in Cissna Park and were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Yergler.

Harold Witzig is recovering nicely from a recent operation.

Two new converts, Henry Knapp and Donald Herman, were taken into the fold Sunday, April 25.

Roanoke, Indiana

Mrs. Chris Leman of Roanoke, Illinois, passed away April 17, after an illness of a few months. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 20, with Elder David Mangold in charge. Many friends and relatives from near and far attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Lugenbuhl and sons, Rudy and Emanuel, and Carlton Lanz, all of Rockville, Connecticut, have been visiting in and around this community the past week.

On Sunday, April 25, we had the pleasure of having Rev. Henry Beer of Milford, Indiana, as our guest minister.

Sabetha, Kansas

Rev. and Mrs. Menno Steiner were called to Tremonton, Utah, March 27, to attend the funeral of Sister Gottlieb Feucht. They also attended the funeral of Sister Egglin, sister-inlaw of the late Mrs. Feucht, a few days later. The Menno Steiners then left for California, where they visited their son, Noah, at Los Angeles and the congregation at Maywood. They also visited the Portland, Oregon, congregation.

The rural Sabetha Church which has been remodeled and modernized in the past few months is again being used. For some time members of this congregation attended services in union at the town Sabetha Church.

Our bi-weekly singing service of the past year has been well attended on Sunday evenings. We feel God's blessings have been upon our services.