

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The Women's Mission Union held a meeting on Thursday, Jan. 14, beginning with Thrice Cross at 10:30 A. M. Lunch was served at noon with devotional following at 1:30. Devotionals were in charge of Mrs. Fred Willis and the theme for the afternoon being "Faith in our Foreign Missions". Mrs. Freeman of Detroit reviewed the book "It Began in Burma".

On Friday, January 15, at an afternoon and evening session, at the First Baptist Church of Detroit, the Detroit Baptist Convention will meet. Twelve delegates from the Farmington Baptist Church will attend.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SHOWS PROGRESS

The Religious Education Council, consisting of Mrs. Harry Schroeder, president, Mrs. Fred Leuz, treasurer, Mrs. T. G. Schmitt, secretary, and the Reverends Carl Schultz, Fred Fisher and Howard Bushing are very happy with the progress that has been made in the Religious Educational Classes that are held in the school on Wednesday of each week.

They now embody the whole of the grade school, the first, second and third grades being included the first part of December. Much of the credit goes to Mrs. A. McDonald, who is so ably teaching these classes.

THIS WEEK AT YOUR LIBRARY

HOURS:
Wednesday—11:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.—3:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.
Saturday—2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

ALONE—Richard E. Byrd. One of the finest books it has been my experience to read. Admiral Byrd has written many books of his explorations, but "Alone" is of his experiences at Advance Base, over a hundred miles from Little America, which he had established for scientific data.

He was there during the long antarctic night, which begins the last part of April and lasts until the first part of August, and when the sun never shines, and the temperatures are normal when 40 degrees below zero and often go below. An account of his personal thoughts as well as the odd things that happen when the temperatures assume those low degrees.

For the first time, in this book, Admiral Byrd gives the detailed description of his narrow escape from death, due to carbon monoxide poisoning from the engine used to run the radio that kept him in contact with Little America.

A true account of a three month period in a man's life that reads stranger than fiction.

HE WOULDN'T BE KING—Nina Brown Baker. The story of Simon Bolivar and the gallant man who so faithfully followed him.

It is a dramatic account of the march of the hardy band of patriots through heat and snow, and deep water, building bridges, fighting Spanish guerrillas along the way, blazing their own trail across the mighty Andes, to fight a victorious battle at their destination.

This breathtaking story will live forever in the hearts of the South American people and it is only one of the countless heroic events in this stirring new life story of Simon Bolivar, liberator of South America.

Good reading for young people as well as adults.

THE LAST TIME I SAW PARIS—Elliot Paul. A little street, the rue de la Huchette, not more than three hundred yards long, lies in the heart of Paris. There, off on the left, Elliot Paul lived as a member of the community, participating in the pleasures and sufferings of his friends and, in the end, witnessing their heart-breaking betrayal.

The Last Time I Saw Paris is the story of that street.

This book evokes the spirit of the France one prefers to remember. It is an intimate human document which brings back to life a group of French men and women who typify, in all its nobility and degradation, a civilization the world can ill afford to lose.

There are many people who live their lives before you in this book as foreigners and strangers, but as intimates and human companions, Paul's cross-section of Paris and of France contains in miniature the will and culture, the humor and pathos, the strength and weakness of a people now in torment.

The Last Time I Saw Paris is certainly the most moving book Elliot Paul has written.

THE GREAT DEBUREAU—The Great Debraureau is a moving and tense novel as exciting as it is gentle and peaceful. For this is the story of the clown of the Theatre des Funambules, the proud buffoon, the Charlie Chaplin of his time, who loved Napoleon and who acted his dumb show while the drums and battles of conquest and revolution progressed.

Items of Interest to THE WOMEN

VICTORY MINCE MEAT



Mary Jane Higby, above, radio star of the dramatic serial, "When a Girl Marries," provides this interesting holiday recipe for "Victory Mince Meat," made without meat or sugar. Chop 5 apples, 6 green tomatoes and 1/2 pound seedless raisins together and place in mixing bowl. Add 1 tablespoon cinnamon, 1/4 cup grape juice, 1/4 cup vinegar, 1/4 cup citron, 1 orange rind finely chopped, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cloves, 1/4 teaspoon allspice, 1/4 tea-

SOUR CREAM CAKE MAY BE VARIED TO THE TASTE

This recipe I cut from the Detroit News about seven years ago and is especially good right now with "shortening so very short." It was originally taken from an old fashioned cook book and was printed just as it was in the book. A very good cake and can be adapted to many variations.

SOUR CREAM CAKE
1 CUP SOUR CREAM
SH, then beat in gradually
1 CUP SUGAR
Beat in one at a time:
2 EGGS
Add:
1 TEASPOON VANILLA
SH, then beat in gradually:
1 1/2 CUPS CAKE FLOUR
Result with:
2 TEASPOONS TARTRATE OR PHOSPHATE BAKING POWDER
OR 1 1/2 TEASPOONS COMBINATION TYPE
1/2 TEASPOON SODA
1/4 TEASPOON SALT
Stir these ingredients into the cream mixture until the batter is smooth. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) for about 35 minutes in a greased 8 inch tube pan. Spread with Seven Minute icing or chocolate icing.

THIS AND THAT

Had a narrow escape this week—almost froze to death reading Admiral Richard Byrd's book "Alone," brrr.

Eating dry toast, in order to conserve on butter, isn't too bad, in fact we can get used to most anything—even hanging, if we hang long enough.

'Nother sign of the coming spring—the grapefruit tree is beginning to send out new sprouts.

It is nice to remember each morning as we awaken that each new day brings us a day closer to February.

Quite naturally, at one time or another, we crave these "hard to get" foods. But if we would only suppress that desire and not pay those enormous prices, we'd go to the Black Market and the threat of inflation.

We could be as perfect as a human being could be if we would only remember that no one can attain happiness and peace of mind at the expense of others.

I wonder if a person who starts a bit of gossip going around, ever stops to consider what the outcome might be.

Still another week gone by and I'm not a fourth-time aunt. Sure keeps one in hot water.

A WORD TO THE WIVES

Hello there—I'm serious again today. If you were sitting here with me we could discuss the following article in detail—but you're not, so guess all you can do is read it and form your own opinion. I feel that it puts into words the way a lot of us feel, but can't or don't express. It was taken from the January issue of the Michigan Parent-Teacher bulletin and written by Elizabeth P. Kennedy.

"Never before in our history have we—the mothers—been urged to undertake so many different kinds of jobs. In the home we must provide more nutritious meals at lower costs; buy clothing—oh so wisely—to conserve precious wool and mend and then mend some more; budget our money to buy war bonds; learn more about first aid to take the place of the fast disappearing medical and nursing personnel. And now for the first time we are urged to leave our homes to work in the factories."

Surely it is wise to take "time out" to think through our problems. If our country needs women to keep the machinery of war production moving we must consider it very soberly. But since we are not obliged to go except as a conscience dictates it is our privilege and duty to weigh such a step, to face all that it means to our children as well as to our nation. These are troubling days, the day of appeal of peace and reconstruction of a world ill in soul and body will require strong bodies and well adjusted personalities. Our children must be the ones to understandingly administer such a period.

There is more to a home than food and shelter. There are minds and souls to be guided. If you, the one person who acts as the nerve center, step out—will your family function adequately?

Let's look at these facts:
1. A tired mother is a cross one.
2. Hungry meals are not apt to be balanced or happy meals.
3. Lack of one or both parents increases a child's sense of lack of security.
4. Increased living costs come through hurried buying.
5. Small children may, perhaps, be cared for in day nurseries but will there be equally good care for the "teen" ages who are at the most susceptible period of their lives?

Let's look at these facts:
6. Married men with a wife and children are called last in the draft irrespective of their financial standing.
7. There are only a few of the thoughts that we must answer to our own and our family's satisfaction before deciding to work regularly outside the home. Certainly each one of us wants to rear our home duties to contribute to special wartime needs. Perhaps you can do it at home. Perhaps you are needed outside. The sug-

Order seed, plant food and other gardening supplies early—in fact, today is none too soon. Possibly, the seed situation being what it is, we cannot be too choosy about varieties, but if it is at all possible, obtain disease-resistant varieties when available. Your seed dealer will also be glad to suggest varieties that are especially adapted to our locality.

If your garden plot is small, don't feel that you must completely do away with a few flowers. A few annuals interspersed throughout the beds will enhance its beauty no end, though a well-tended garden in itself, is a joy to behold. Here are a couple ideas that will help to beautify your vegetable garden. If you plan to have pole beans, plant a sunflower in the center of each hill of pole beans, as a pole for the beans to climb on. Plant several rows of carrots along the edge of the vegetable garden. In front of the carrots plant poppy seed. The bright colored poppies against the foliage of the carrots make a pretty picture.

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EVANGELICAL CHURCH ITEMS

There was a Congregational Meeting at the church on Monday evening, January 11. At this time three new members were accepted to the Church Board, Elliot Tyler, Mrs. Hilda Foster and Mrs. Eva Feudt. At this meeting Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Draper joined the Women's Guild.

Preparations are under way for one of those rollicking, laugh-filled entertainments that the Evangelical Church presents to the community every once in a while. It will be held in the Church Auditorium on January 29 at 8 P. M.

Admission will be fifty cents and you are promised a very enjoyable evening.

The Youth Group will meet Sunday evening at 7:30, January 17, in the church. This is a teen-aged group led by Mrs. Norman Barrows for boys and girls and all are invited to attend.

On January 3 they enjoyed a Toboggan Party and then returned to the church for refreshments.

By the way, have you heard the lovely music being rendered each Sunday morning by the choir and upon occasions, guest soloists? Mrs. Hammond, Choir director and organist is to be congratulated.

Mrs. C. U. Applegate of Ten Mile Road will be hostess for the Choir on Thursday evening, January 14. They hope to be able to make the trip there in a bob sled.

THE GARDEN PATH

Last week we started talking about the Victory Garden for the coming year. Now is the time to do all the "paper-work" for your garden. Draw your plans and be sure that you do not "bite off more than you can chew." It is much better to have a small garden and have it well tended, than to have it neglected and the weeds begin to grow a foot each night (or so it seems) we weaken in our determination and eventually give it over to the weeds and bugs. Decide how much space you can cultivate intensively. Make every square foot of soil count. Plan for succession and companion cropping. Include feeding in your plans, because this intensive planting removes so much plant food from the soil, and it must be replaced if the soil is to continue to produce satisfactorily. This is one mistake so many people make, that of not replenishing the earth with plant food. Some consider it too much of an expense, others do it just through neglect. But I have to see the crops, that have been well fed, fall to return the price of the feeding they have received.

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