

RELIGIOUS

Early in June a movement was started in this city known as the boys' brigade. At one time a few years ago there was a brigade here but not having the proper care disbanded.

Briefly stated the boys' brigade of America is a movement among young men and boys for the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ. The company must be attached to some Christian organization, which will supervise its civil and religious affairs.

The closing services of the Wyoming camp meeting were held Wednesday. The services were in progress for a week but the attendance this year was not as large as former years.

The following has been issued to the pastors of the Wyoming district. Bishop Maitland has informed Rev. L. Thorne, secretary of the district, of the appointment of a Pennsylvania successor to our lamented Dr. Eckman.

The present outlook is that the state Young Men's Christian association bible conference to be held at Eaglesmead, September 3 to 11 will be ahead of those previously held.

Religious News Notes.

The usual monthly missionary meeting held at the Young Women's Christian association rooms will be led by Miss Munson Sunday at 3.45 p. m.

Rev. Dr. Gulick, superintendent of the Christian and Missionary Alliance work in Japan, will conduct services at the Gospel Tabernacle, North Jefferson avenue, Sunday morning and evening.

St. Paul's Short avenue—Rev. W. C. L. L. Moore, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

St. Peter's, Prescott avenue—Rev. J. V. L. Moore, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

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erson avenue, Sunday morning and evening, also Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Captain and Mrs. Hoppes, as officers in charge of the Volunteers in Scranton for one year, have been called to another field of labor and therefore will have a farewell service Sunday night, Aug. 28, at 8 p. m., in their hall, 219 Washington avenue.

W. H. Jones, the representative of the Palist, Kraus Milling company of Milwaukee, Wis., will address the next meeting of the Young Men's Christian association Sunday afternoon at 3.45. Mr. Jones is a fluent and entertaining speaker.

Tomorrow's Services.

Methodist. Elm Park Church—Prayer and praise service at 9.30; preaching at 10.30 a. m. by Rev. Hugh Johnson, D. D.; Sunday school at 2, and Epworth league at 6.30 p. m.

Providence Methodist Episcopal Church—Rev. William Edgar, pastor. Usual services will be held. The pastor will preach at 10.30 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Subjects, "Victory Through Struggle"; evening subject, "An Incomparable Crown." Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Epworth league, 6.45 p. m. Seats free; all are invited.

Court Street Methodist Episcopal Church—G. C. Lyman, pastor. Class meeting, 9 a. m.; Epworth league, 6.30 p. m. Preaching by pastor, 10.30 and 7.30 p. m. Seats free. Everybody welcome.

Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church—T. P. Doty, pastor. The pastor will preach at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at noon; Junior Epworth league at 3 p. m.; Epworth league, 6.30 p. m. Strangers cordially welcome.

Howard Place African Methodist Episcopal Church—Rev. H. A. Grant, B. D., pastor. 10.30 a. m. subject, "Happiness of Power"; 7.30 p. m. subject, "The Power of Excess of I Cor. xv. 28." All are cordially invited to these services.

Presbyterian. First Presbyterian Church—Rev. Thomas W. Swan, pastor. Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath school after close of morning service.

Green Ridge Presbyterian Church—Rev. J. H. Smith, pastor. Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 o'clock. All are welcome.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, pastor. Rev. Edward J. Haughton, senior curate; Rev. M. B. Knapp, junior curate. Preaching Sunday after Trinity, 8:30 a. m. Holy Communion, 9:15 a. m. Sunday school and Bible classes, 10:30 a. m., morning prayer and singing, 11:30 a. m. Evening prayer, 8:30 p. m. Strangers cordially welcome.

Green Ridge Baptist Church—Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Subject in the morning, "God in Partnership with Man"; in the evening, "Habits a Blessing or a Curse." Sabbath school—25 Cedar street, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Baptist Young People's union, 7 p. m. Evening subject, "Not Resting." All are welcome.

Waverly Baptist Church—Rev. A. Bergen, pastor. Preaching by the pastor, 10.30 a. m. "Jesus Christ, the Truth," and at 7.30 p. m. "The Mediating Maiden." Illustrated with the stereopticon, and acetylene gas. Baptist Young People's union, 7 p. m. Led by Mrs. C. M. Browne.

Jackson Street Baptist Church—Preaching at 10.30 a. m.; preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; preaching in the evening at 7 p. m. by licentiate D. C. Thomas. Seats free; all welcome.

Lutheran. The Evangelical Lutheran—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, Gospel, Mark vii, 31-37; Epistle, II Cor. iii, 1-11; vestment choir, 8 p. m.

Washington and Fourteenth streets—Rev. A. L. Ramey, Ph. D., pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Luther League, 6.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12 m. Morning subject, "Alone with Jesus." Evening subject, "Ye Shall Learn Doctrine."

Holy Trinity, Adams avenue and Mulberry street—Rev. C. G. Sticker, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m. No evening service.

Zion's, Millin avenue—Rev. P. F. Ziesemann, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

St. Paul's, Short avenue—Rev. W. C. L. Moore, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

Christ, Cedar avenue and Beech street—Rev. H. F. Linn, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

St. Peter's, Prescott avenue—Rev. J. V. L. Moore, pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

Sunday School Lesson for August 28.

Elisha at Dothan.

2 Kings VI: 8-18.

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INTRODUCTION.—The prophets of Israel filled a varied ministry. They were the poets and historians of their times, the teachers of morals and religion, the expounders of the law, the instruments for revealing God's will to men, the bearers of comfort to the distressed and warning to the wicked.

SECRECY.—The lesson opens with a brief reference to Syrian strategy (Verse 8). The king called councils of war to determine the best plans of campaign. The geography and topography of the country would naturally be considered. Where might the attack be most successfully made, and by what route might the army march.

DISCLOSURE.—The results of all deliberations in the Syrian councils were made known to Elisha in his home at Dothan, hundreds of miles distant. No one came from the king's court, but the spirit of God revealed the secrets. (Verse 8) How this was done, whether by oral message or vision, it matters not.

DELIVERANCE.—By the information obtained from Elisha the king of Israel saved his army from capture, and himself likewise, because he was commander in chief and usually led the forces in the field. Indeed, this was his chief function, that for which the people had chosen him when they changed the form of government from a theocracy to a monarchy. (I Sam VIII, 20.)

ALARM.—When the morning broke upon Dothan the Syrian host compassed the city. (Verse 15) Men on raising from their couches and armed with terror, so quietly and stealthily had the movement been executed that there had been no attempt at defense.

TRAGEDY.—After several such experiences the Syrian ruler naturally suspected that he was betrayed by some of his own men (Verse 11), an anxiety that caused him much uneasiness. It is always most to be dreaded, (Psalm XII, 8) a council was called to ferret out the traitor. It was an interesting moment when the chief captains gathered about their commander to solve a mystery and determine how the plans of campaign were so quickly carried to their enemy.

CONCLUSION.—The lesson shows, and was doubtless intended to show, the worth of a good man. However necessary may be armies and navies in time of war, men who trust in God are victorious in the most desperate conflicts against enemies. (Psalm xxxiii: 16-19.)

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