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And knows you through and through;
He knows your faults and failings, but
He really likes you, too.

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EDITORIAL

"A MAN WITH A MESSAGE"

This caption characterizes a poster bearing the cut below, as prepared by Rev. Alva L. Davis, pastor of the Little Genesee, N. Y., Church. Then follows the announcement of three sermon themes—"An Appreciation

of Jesus," "The Possible You,"

and "Why Not?"

But it is not for the publicity of such a

challenging poster or set of

themes that this editorial is written.

Rather, it is to point what this "Man With

a Message" is saying wherever he goes,

"We can raise the budget yet

— if we love Jesus enough."

He hurled that challenge to the

folk in the Northwest. He

brought it to the Eastern Association.

Last Sunday he declared it before

the Tract Board, and made us

believe it. Missionary Davis

has faith, conviction, vision,

and courage.

He is right. We can raise the budget,

friends, if we want to badly enough, "if

we love Jesus enough."

Doctor Davis has proposed that July be

devoted to raising the rest of the budget by

special contributions, tithes, offerings, self

denials—on the part of all, young and old —by Sabbath schools, young people's societies, Ladies' Aids, churches. The Sabbath School Board has aggressively accepted the challenge; the Young People's Board is already at work on it; the Eastern

Association has

approved it by a

strong resolution;

and the Tract Board is

committed to it,

unanimously,

and has commissioned its

corresponding secretary to

encourage and aid the

Conference Committee on

Finance to use its

machinery to promote this

work. Doctor Davis suggests

that this effort be named in

honor of our editor emeritus

— The Gardiner Fund —

to raise the budget one

hundred per cent for 1930-

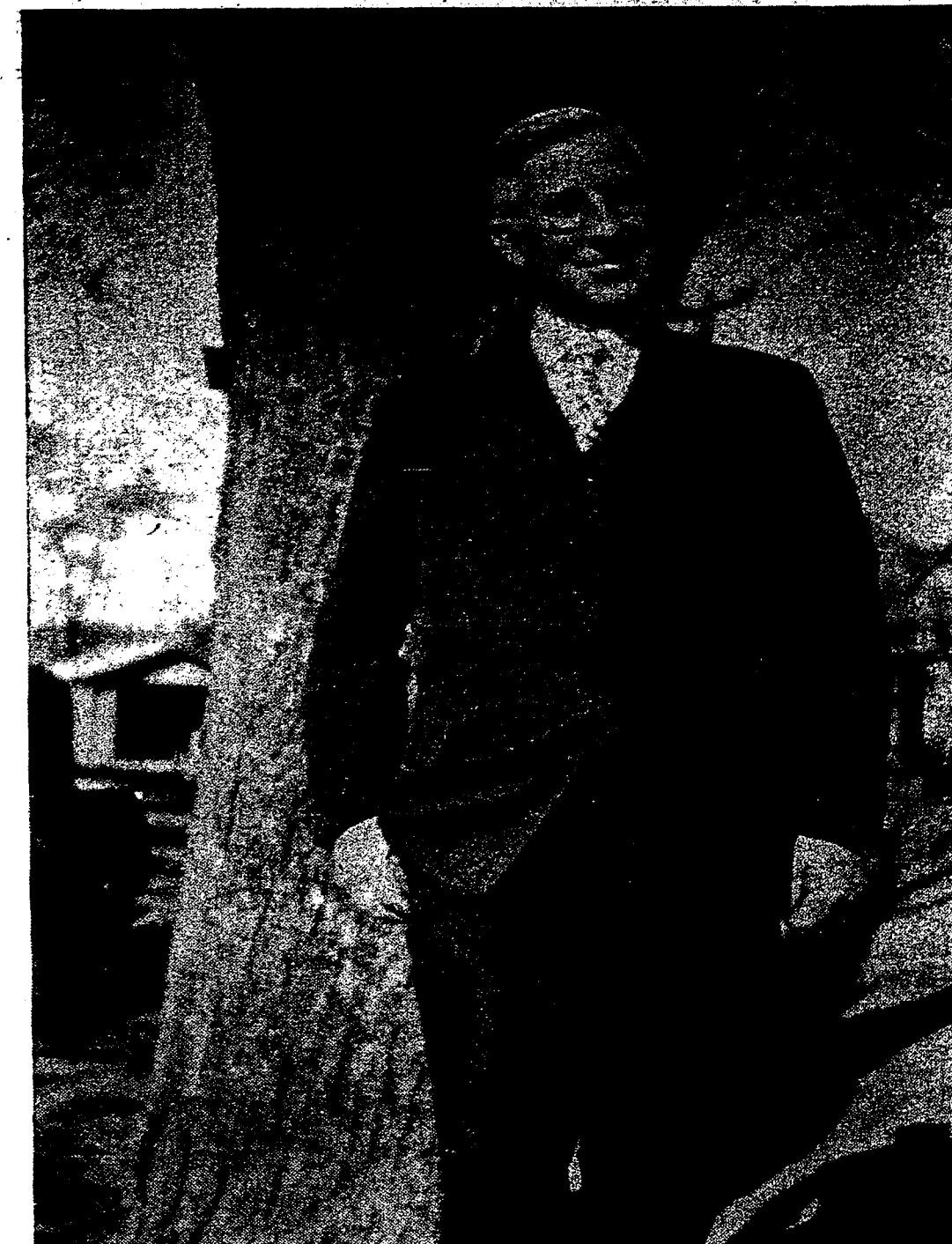
1931. How fitting that it

should be so called in honor

of this aged old warrior of the

cross. What more beautiful

token of love and esteem on the part of all who have been inspired and encouraged through so many years by him. Doctor Gardiner in his active days probably raised more money among us for denominational purposes than any other living man. No



REV. H. EUGENE DAVIS

Twenty-four Years a Missionary in China

other at this day is better known among Seventh Day Baptists. Let us, therefore, raise this budget in his honor for Christ and the Church.

The budget is the dollar and cents symbol of our work in China, Jamaica, and South America, in Holland and England. It is so of our work in supporting churches in the South and West, the Pacific Coast, the Central states, in the Southeast, and wherever else we are doing constructive work. It is so for our program of religious education and work among young people. It so stands for evangelism, tract distribu-

Our Tracts The "object" of the American Sabbath Tract Society "shall be," it is stated in Article I of its constitution, "to promote the observance of the Bible Sabbath and the interests of vital Godliness and sound morality, and to print and circulate the religious literature of the Seventh Day Baptist Denomination of Christians."

Chief of these publications, we all admit, is the SABBATH RECORDER. However, there are other printed matters only a little less important. Our tracts are referred to. There are tracts of evangelistic nature and some of general interest; and there are tracts especially bearing on the Sabbath. Such tracts are for the information and inspiration of people already keeping the Sabbath. Even more, they are printed with the object of informing others of the truth of the Bible Sabbath and, it is hoped, of convincing them of its worth and leading them to accept it in their own lives.

Here at the Seventh Day Baptist Building there is a good depository where these tracts may be kept. But are they printed to lie on shelves? By no means. They are printed for circulation. They are printed to be read and to be passed on to others. The Committee on the Distribution of Literature is concerned with this circulation. Very efficiently last year did the committee conduct a campaign of tract publicity which brought to the attention of hundreds of people interesting and important information concerning Sabbath truth as contained in these publications. The work, somewhat handicapped, this year has been carried forward in an effort to get these valuable tracts into the hands of people

tion, Sabbath promotion, and for the publication of the SABBATH RECORDER. It represents accumulated debts of our boards that could not retrench and ought not to withdraw. The budget is more than dollars; it is the spirit and heart of Christ represented by Seventh Day Baptists. Visualize these facts, dear friends, and then answer, "Do we love Jesus enough to do this?" This editor believes we do. Eugene Davis believes we do. He has the message. He has had the faith and courage to call us to the task. We accept the challenge. We can and we will do this.

who do not keep the Sabbath. Never was there greater need of co-operation on the part of Seventh Day Baptists than in this work. But many are reluctant to do anything in the way of distributing our literature. Why should Seventh Day Baptists not be willing to distribute leaflets conveying so important a message? Is our religion wrong, or is our psychology at fault? Our religion, so far as we have any, is right. But our psychology, our state of mind, is wrong. We think it is not dignified to hand out tracts or to send them out through the mail. "Folks will think it queer." Any way, let enthusiastic colporteurs do that. Perhaps, sometime we have handed to us some leaflet or booklet by some Mormon or Russellite and we did not really appreciate it. We say they were thrust upon us. Well, what of it? "Amos and Andy" are thrust upon us six days a week at 7 p. m. (here in the East). But the promoters of a certain mouth wash and dentifrice believe in publicity, "thrusting," if you please, and we "tune in" regularly, and probably accept the offer of a free package with a sixty cent purchase. Can we not see? Promoters, with the help of "Amos and Andy," "in season and out of season," believing in their wares, thrust them upon the attention of the public—and get it across. Have Seventh Day Baptists not something even more vital than tooth paste? Then, why not talk it up? Why not willingly and gladly distribute literature setting it forth? Why should one consider another "odd" for promoting a vital truth? And if it is so thought, what difference does it make?

Much more might be said, but the editor is hoping that some of our readers will say it. Write *your* views of the matter, if they do not agree with the foregoing. Meanwhile we have tracts on our shelves that should be in somebody's hands. We have a Christian Church and a world needing the Sabbath. We are called to proclaim this truth. Let Seventh Day Baptists all be found faithfully so doing.

Commencement One may wonder why the closing of one's school days should be called "commencement" until he considers, for a moment, that while school days may be over, life in its most serious phases may be just beginning. Last week and this, high schools and colleges are discharging large troupes of American youth—some to take their place with keen competition beside others in the social structure of a chosen vocation, others to enter, perhaps, higher courts of learning.

Commencement is a time of gladness and sorrow—gladness, because tasks have been completed and opportunities for other things are opened up. The one who is just glad that he is through school, is, of course, in line for disillusionment. For he will find that all life is a school, only larger than any confined within brick walls. It may be a time for sorrow — because pleasant ties must be severed, enjoyable associations sun-dered, and old haunts be left behind. But sorrow, too, will pass, as it is realized that life holds possibilities of stronger ties and larger privileges.

For the next three weeks our readers will walk again the campuses of Salem, Alfred, and Milton as they read with interest the annual statements of the presidents of these schools. Addresses and sermons will intrigue and inspire them with their messages. Hearts will thrill again with the memory of the ring "of the bell upon the hill," and all will be glad to see the procession of their youth going forth to helpful tasks.

A group of parents and interested friends sat in the spacious auditorium of a near-by high school, the other night, and clapped their hands as one hundred of their boys and girls received their honors and well earned diplomas. May there be realized in all such graduates all over our

loved America the true worth of the challenging school motto painted high over the stage, "Enter to Learn—Go Forth to Serve." To grasp such a motto and to go forth determinedly to practice its precept is indeed a real "commencement."

"Words" Recently there came to the desk of the corresponding secretary a copy of a wonderfully neat and attractive book of "homely" poems called "Words" and written by *Ne Plus*. The lines on the front cover of the SABBATH RECORDER this week, are from *Ne Plus*. Containing a fine bit of truth, they are chosen for our cover, not only for their poignancy and general interest, but because their author is well known to many RECORDER readers. A friend of the acting editor for a third of a century, *Ne Plus* was the able manager of the SABBATH RECORDER for several years and is now, for many years, an honored teacher of printing in a technical high school in Riverside, Calif. In the preface he says, "a printer's working hours are largely occupied with dealing with other people's words. Occasionally it is interesting to see what can be done with his own vocabulary." He has succeeded in making a very interesting and successful experiment. "A word is the expression of a thought." "One would sometimes imagine words were used to cover up thought." But *Ne Plus* has a happy way of looking at words as something helpful, and makes his little book shine with them. Even the inside of his covers is illuminated with words, words finally brought together to convey a helpful thought.

Helpful words, inspiring words, courageous words—all are needed all the time by burdened, perplexed people of this old world. What kind of combinations is being made by us as we go along?

SUMMER CAMPS

REV. A. J. C. BOND

There has grown up in recent years in our country a religious institution whose value in the training and development of the Christian life of our young people cannot be estimated. Someone has said that the Church has hardly become conscious of the importance of this new instrumentality for

promoting the cause of vital religion throughout our land. Everywhere have sprung up summer camps with a distinctly Christian purpose and program. In these camps young people gather under Christian auspices and with Christian leadership of a sane and virile type. Here they have the "time of their lives," experiencing the exhilaration of life in God's out-of-doors, in fellowship with wholesome and high-minded young people of their own age, with leaders who help them to see the beauty of nature and of human friendship, and of divine worship.

Every summer thousands of young people meet in these camps and study, play, sing, laugh, pray and meditate, and, after camp, go back home built up in body, mind, and soul. Their whole future is affected by these new impulses that have been set going, and new purposes that have been instilled, in this favorable atmosphere. Truly the Church has not sensed the magnitude and importance of the Christian summer camps of America.

Seventh Day Baptists who usually are not the last to incorporate a good thing into their program of Christian service, are making progress in the development of this important work. While this movement among Seventh Day Baptists is due very largely, no doubt, to the spirit of the times in which the whole movement has developed, credit is due Miss Marjorie J. Burdick for actually starting camp work among us, and to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan E. Lewis for giving it substantiality and standing. For four years we have had a camp in Rhode Island; last year there was a camp in West Virginia; and this summer these camps will be opened again with the prospects of increased attendance; and new camps will be started in Michigan and Colorado.

LEWIS CAMP

Lewis Summer Camp, near Ashaway, R. I., will open for boys July thirteenth. When the boys have spent two weeks in camp then will follow the girls' camp for a like period. Directors and supervisors for the present season are as follows: Rev. Carroll L. Hill and Rev. and Mrs. Harold R. Crandall for the boys' camp; and Miss Mar-

jorie Burdick, Miss Bernice A. Brewer, and Rev. and Mrs. A. J. C. Bond for the girls' camp. It is possible that Paul Davis of Shiloh, N. J., may assist in the boys' camp.

Readers of the SABBATH RECORDER are more or less familiar with the location and equipment of this camp. It is pleasantly located in the hills, but within driving distance of the ocean. Its buildings are ample and well equipped. Many young people can testify to the pleasure and value of a two weeks' stay at Lewis Camp.

MIDDLE ISLAND CAMP

Rev. Clifford A. Beebe was the moving spirit in starting a camp in West Virginia. The location of the camp on the grounds of the Middle Island Church, on the banks of Middle Island Creek, affording the opportunity both for swimming and hill climbing, is ideal. The campers here use tents, but near by is the parsonage, the church, and a small parish house.

The leaders in Middle Island Camp this season will be Miss Lucy Sutton, Miss Eva Lee Cole, Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Bottoms, Mr. and Mrs. Oris O. Stutler, Mr. Ashby F. Randolph, and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Bottoms. These directors and supervisors have had a great deal of experience with young people in 4 H, Scout, and other kindred activities. The camp last year was a great success, and the prospects are even better for this year.

WHITE CLOUD CAMP

Two cottages on a beautiful lake near White Cloud will shelter the first group of campers to congregate from northern Michigan. Mrs. Nettie Fowler has importuned the Tract Board for two or three years to start a camp at White Cloud. She has been very patient, but beautifully persistent. The cottages offered for the use of the camp this year belong to her father and her uncle. The Young People's Board responded to the request of the Tract Board and will have charge of this camp during the present season.

Miss Marjorie Burdick and Rev. William M. Simpson, both of whom have had considerable experience in camp work, will

be the directors. I have not heard who are to be their helpers. Mrs. Fowler, who has had much experience in training children and who is very much interested in the work, will doubtless help. And Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wing of White Cloud, both of whom know how to lead in the work with young people, will doubtless be on the job here as they are in other activities of their fine group of young people.

BOULDER CAMP

In the Rockies, near Boulder, Colo., is a lodge that has been loaned for the use of the young people of Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska, and camp will be opened there July seventeenth. Pastor Ralph Coon of the Denver and Boulder churches, ably assisted by committees composed largely of young people from these two churches, is making all arrangements for this camp. One of the young men writes me that they are going to make this camp and the Teen-Age Conference which is to follow, the biggest thing in Colorado this year. No doubt it will be the biggest thing for many young people from four Seventh Day Baptist churches. It is hoped also that young people will attend from Calora, Neb., as well as from the four S. D. B. churches.

The leaders in this camp will be Rev. Ralph Coon, Rev. Hurley Warren, Rev. Duane Ogden, and Rev. A. J. C. Bond. There is a trio of young pastors in the first three named that would cheer the heart of any man who had the privilege of working with them. While each one has "Rev." in front of his name, they are going to be young people leading young people, and the program as outlined gladdens one's heart to contemplate.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

The Board of Directors of the American Sabbath Tract Society has promoted and fostered the summer camps as there has been opportunity. The leader in Sabbath promotion has been consulted in every case by those who have been interested in starting camp work. I believe in this type of work, and have tried to give encouragement, and where possible have rendered assistance in one way or another. The rapid

development of camp work calls for serious and prayerful consideration. We want to move forward wisely and helpfully. The financial resources of the board are limited. The Young People's Committee of the Tract Board has asked me to work out some plan to recommend to the board whereby the camps may receive proper support, perhaps by associations or groups of churches. At the same time it is the mind of this committee that supervision and help shall still be rendered by the board wherever it can be of real assistance. Whatever plans shall be worked out will be presented to those concerned, in due time.

Meanwhile, four camps will open in July of this year. Leaders have been secured who are well qualified for the work, and many young people are planning to go to camp. Some are eager to go because they have gone before and enjoyed it; some are planning to go for the first time. This is an enterprise which is worthy of the support and interest of all Seventh Day Baptists. May all campers be kept in health, built up in character, strengthened in conscience, and inspired to greater loyalty to the Church, to the Sabbath, and to the Head of the Church who is Lord of the Sabbath, even Jesus the Christ.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BY REV. HAROLD R. CRANDALL

RECEIPTS FOR THE SEVERAL ITEMS OF THE ONWARD MOVEMENT BUDGET TO JUNE 22, 1931

	Amount of Budget	Amount Raised	Amount to be Raised
Missionary Society ...	\$32,476.00	\$14,474.93	\$18,001.07
Tract Society	7,834.00	2,951.97	4,882.03
Sabbath School Board	3,800.00	1,512.83	2,287.17
Young People's Board	1,800.00	722.09	1,077.91
Woman's Board	500.00	325.67	174.33
Ministerial Relief	4,000.00	1,480.26	2,519.74
Education Society ...	1,500.00	776.88	723.12
Historical Society ...	500.00	182.33	317.67
Scholarships and Fellowships	1,200.00	438.66	761.34
General Conference ..	4,490.00	2,757.07	1,732.93
Totals	\$58,100.00	\$25,622.69	\$32,477.31

Some of the items have received various amounts specially designated to them. These special gifts, to the amount of \$3,348.80, are included in the amounts raised.

Amount received the past week \$500.40.

MISSIONS

REV. WILLIAM L. BURDICK, ASHAWAY, R. I.
Contributing Editor

MISSIONS TO ESTABLISH TRUTH

Christ, the great missionary of the ages, stated his mission in different terms, as recorded in the gospels. He said, "The Son of man is come to seek and save that which was lost"—came to save lost men. At another time he said, "I am come that they might have life, and have it more abundantly"—came that men might have life. Again we read, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him shall not perish but have everlasting life." Once more he said, "For I am not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." And still again he said, "Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many"—came to give himself as a ransom for wicked men.

There are other statements, direct and indirect, of his mission on earth; and none of them is more comprehensive and impressive than this one, uttered when on trial for his life before Pilate, "To this end was I born and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth"—came to establish truth. Theologians all define truth as an attribute to God. President Allen said, "Truths are divine ideas." Christ came to establish God's ideas, or ideals, in the hearts of men and in all the world. It is helpful to think of our tasks as missionaries and Christian workers in this light, remembering that we must embody these ideals in our own lives before we can impart them to others. There is nothing more discouraging than to find that some gospel workers hold truth in any of its forms lightly.

Truth presents itself in three forms—truth of speech, truth of knowledge, and truth of being. Truth of speech is the conformity of speech to the things or facts of which we speak. Truth of knowledge is the conformity of our knowledge to the things under consideration. Truth of be-

ing is the conformity of anything in character to that which it assumes to be.

Truth of Being.—A brass ring washed in gold may look like a solid gold ring and be passed off as such, in which case it does not possess truth of being; it is a lie because it does not conform to that which it appears to be. A man may assume to be that which he is not, in which case he lacks truth of being; he is not what he pretends to be. We call this dissimulation, insincerity, hypocrisy. Christ, however, used harsher terms than these in speaking of lack of truth of being in men. A man may make himself out to be better or worse than he really is. He has no right to do either. Nevertheless, there is a tremendous temptation to be insincere. People are constantly tempted to try to appear better off than they are, to have better training and more knowledge than they really have, and to be purer and nobler than they are. People are tempted to try to hide their poverty of purse, mind, and heart. Christ came, he tells us, to help men not to do this way, but to be real men; and this is one way of looking at the work of missions; they are to lead men to lives that conform to God's ideas of a real man, as well as to lead them not to dissemble. Of all men the Christian worker should ring true.

Truth of Knowledge.—People are also tempted to hold truth of knowledge in light esteem. Sometimes they accept error in the place of truth because they are too lazy to make sufficient effort to find the facts; sometimes they are too prejudiced to consider the facts when presented, and close their minds; and sometimes because the truth reflects on themselves, they fail to humbly acknowledge the folly or sin. A humble spirit and an active and open mind are essential in connection with truth of knowledge, and yet how hard it is for men to possess these. It is the purpose of Christ, Christian missions, and all Christian work to help men to that form of life in Christ where they have keen intellects, open minds, and humble spirits, always ready to accept truth wherever it may lead.

Truth of Speech.—Perhaps there is no other place where people fall down any more sadly than in truth of speech. Promises are given and no effort made to keep them; debts are contracted without know-

ing how they are to be paid, and graft and extortion practiced; stories are circulated without positive evidence that they are true; facts are twisted till they are made to tell a lie; and grosser forms of this vice are too prevalent. How it all hurts character, human society, and the cause of Christ! How it destroys all ground of confidence and co-operation among men! When a man has deceived you once or twice, you never know whether to believe him or not, and to trust him you cannot. No relation, human or divine, can long survive except on the basis of absolute truthfulness of both parties. Christ came to establish such relations, he declares; and this is the purpose of Christian missions.

Only that which is true in speech, knowledge, and character can abide; as sure as there is a God of truth, so surely will all else crumble and be destroyed. In that fair city toward which all eyes longingly turn, we are told nothing which maketh a lie can enter.

"To this end was I born and for this purpose came I into the world." The purpose of Christian missions is to establish speech that can always be depended upon, minds that are open, active, and humble, and character that rings true to the core, not in some localities and some people, but in all people over all the earth. What a transformation! What a glorious consummation!

THE SITUATION IN CHINA

AS SEEN BY A PROMINENT CHINESE CHRISTIAN

Dr. C. Y. Cheng is general secretary of the National Christian Council, an organization that represents the churches in China. Two months ago he presented his biennial report. It contains up-to-date information regarding the situation in China and is especially helpful in that it gives the views of a leading Chinese Christian. For the benefit of those interested, excerpts are given below:

Tug of War.—That a spiritual tug of war has been and is still going on in China, as in the whole world, between the Christian and the anti-Christian forces, is a fact that cannot be denied. Such a tug of war has always been raging, but the present

seems to have been more severe and acute. The peace of the Church has been badly disturbed, its slumber has been aroused. It is not always a bad thing to have one's peace disturbed. It often is a positive blessing when one has been aroused from slumber. When a church is well contented with itself, when there are signs of self-complacency, it is a blessing in disguise for the church to be disturbed and aroused. There are two possible results of such an awakening; one to fall to sleep again, and the other to become fully awake and alive to all that is going on around. Which one of the two is a truer picture of the Christian Church in China, is a question that must be asked and answered. It is not too much to say that, upon the answer to this question, one can fairly determine the future of the Christian Church in China.

Causes of Unrest.—There are many elements that are responsible for this unrest, elements both from within and from without the Christian Church. The Nationalistic Movement, the outcry against the so-called Unequal Treaties, the intellectual and social awakening, the restrictions imposed by the government upon Christian education, are matters that have greatly disturbed the peace of the Christian Church. Within the Church itself, there has been developed a critical attitude regarding many of the Church's practices and traditions, especially by the younger elements of the Christian community.

Christianity Challenged.—The opposing forces against Christianity in China have never been so bold and positive in their denunciations and criticisms. They make no secret of what they think of Christianity. They openly assert that the Christian religion has no future in China. Let us reiterate the words of the one who was largely responsible for the New Thought Movement in China regarding the future of Christianity in China.

"Many of the Protestant missionaries worked hard to awaken China and bring about a modern nation. China is now awakened and determined to modernize itself. There is not the slightest doubt that a new and modern China is emerging out of chaos, but this new China does not seem to promise much bright future to the propagation of the Christian faith. On the contrary, Christianity is facing opposition everywhere. The dream of a 'Christian Occupation of China'

seems to be fast vanishing, probably forever. . . . People will realize that young China was not far wrong in offering some opposition to a religion which in its glorious days fought religious wars and persecuted science and which, in the broad daylight of the twentieth century, prayed for the victory of the belligerent nations in the World War, and is still persecuting the teaching of science in certain quarters of Christendom."

The spiritual tug of war has been, is still, and will be going on without cease. Those opposed to Jesus Christ have perfect right for their opinion, though we do not accept their assertions. Our question is not what *they* but what *we* think, say, or believe about the future of the Christian religion. If both our faith and experience make us absolutely convinced that in the end victory will be on the side of Christ, we have to uphold that faith by sacrificial effort in his great work of salvation for the whole of mankind.

A Turning Point.—The past few years in the life of the Christian Movement in China have been eventful years. At least for a time there was a spiritual depression that was felt far and wide. Many were uncertain of the future, and were disheartened in the work; some have given up their Christian work; others even renounced Christianity. The Church was overwhelmed by the onrush of opposition from many quarters and representing many interests. The anti-Christian Movement, the communistic menace, the Nationalistic agitation, the New Thought Movement, the strained international relations, all have something to do with it. However, the spirit of dismay and bewilderment has passed. Since then a changed attitude from inertia to activity has come over the Christian Church throughout the country. The following points may be regarded as signs of life in the Christian Church during the past two years.

Christian Nurture.—Evangelism and religious education have received much attention of Christian people throughout the land. There is an increased recognition of the inseparableness of the two. Both native talent and special workers from abroad have helped much in direct evangelism. It would be impossible to enumerate these efforts. Suffice it to say, effective work has been done in many churches, for which we give thanks to God.

Social Consciousness.—It is very gratifying to note that the Church has been kept busy during the past two years in practical projects for the unfortunate and the suffering people. Many forms of applied religion have been attempted with good effects. Notable mention may be made of the famine-relief work done by Christian people in China, and abroad for the suffering millions in the Northwest of China, especially Kansu, Shensi, and Suiyuan.

The N. C. C. Committee on Economic Relations has recently held an interesting conference to consider practical measures for helping the economic conditions of the Chinese people. Delegates came from many cities to participate in this gathering, and went away keener than before for the uplift of the common people. There are a number of Christian or semi-Christian organizations which are devoting their time and energy in facing some of the more urgent social problems. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Child Welfare Association, the National Anti-Opium Association, the Mass Education Movement, are some of the representative organizations whose good work has aroused a good deal of public sympathy and admiration.

The Hope of the Future.—It has been generally realized that a big gap exists between the Church and youth. Some would even go as far as to say that there is a strong antagonism between the two. While to a certain extent this is still true, one is happy to note that a spirit of co-operation between Church and youth is gradually gaining ground.

A group of Christian and government students recently signified their definite desire to co-operate with the Christian Church in some practical and definite projects.

"Go to the People."—It is a healthy sign in recent years that people both within the Christian Church and those outside it are paying a good deal of attention in fighting against illiteracy in this country. It is not too much to say that this formidable enemy of China is blocking the way of progress in the development of both the nation and the Church. It is not one day too soon that the Christian Church is beginning to get serious about this matter.

Happily both the Mass Education Movement at Tingsien and the successful experiment of the American Board Mission at Pning, have greatly helped the Christian Church as a whole in inspiration and methods of handling this gigantic problem.

This great problem is in many ways in touch with the larger problem of the rural life in China. The popular outcry in China today is to "go to the people," and the people are to be found in the country as the bulk of China's population live in villages and small towns. To tackle the rural problem is certainly an important point of strategy, whether it is considered from the point of view of the nation or of the Church.

The Greatest Book in the World.—It is not wrong when we say that more literature has been published in China in recent years against the Christian religion than in all the past years since Protestant Christianity first touched China's soil. There has never been such an intelligent and determined attack upon the Christian position. Yet it is equally true that the circulation of the Christian Bible in China in recent years has also been singularly successful. The report of the circulation of the Bible by the three Bible societies in China for the last two years clearly showed the fact that the Word of God is being more widely read in China today than ever before. According to the figures given by these societies, close to twenty-six million copies of the Bible, or portions of it, have been circulated, which showed a remarkable increase over all the preceding years. Moreover, the Chinese version of the Bible has been more appreciated by non-Christian scholars in this country than in former years. Such well-known scholars as Chow Tzo-jen, Hu Shih, and others, have remarked that the translation of the Bible is an excellent piece of work. This is more noticeable as in contrast with the attitude taken by scholars in the past, who had no good word to say about the Bible and its style. It was a book beneath their dignity to read. No truer words have ever been said by General Chong Chih-chiang than those words printed in large gold letters on the covers of the specially bound Bibles the general ordered from the American Bible Society for his Christian and non-Christian friends, "This is the greatest Book in the world!"

Other Unsolved Problems.—These are some of the hopeful and encouraging signs in the Christian Movement in China during the past two years. They indicate that the Church is developing along healthier lines. Allowing fuller growth and development, they will mean untold possibilities for the future. It must, however, be recognized that we are still at the beginning of things. A great deal more of sacrificial work and whole-hearted devotion are necessary before we may expect fruitful results.

Let the following questions be asked: What is the Christian message for China today and how is that message to be presented? What are the reasons for the scarcity of intelligent and educated young men for the Christian ministry and leadership and how are we to secure, train, utilize, and keep such leaders for Christian services? When and by what methods will the ministry of the printed page have its rightful place in the program of the Christian enterprise in this country? What do we understand is religious liberty and how is it to be attained and safeguarded? What is our duty in international relations between China and the nations of the West, especially of the Orient? How far do Christian people in China understand and practice the meaning of stewardship and what are the practical methods in realizing self-support? How may we avoid the unhealthy attitude of intolerance and what place does tolerance hold in the life of Christians?

April 11, 1931.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES SALEM COLLEGE

May 31, 1931—June 4, 1931

The annual sermon before the Christian Associations on Sunday morning was delivered by Rev. D. G. Holman, pastor of the Central Christian Church, Clarksburg, W. Va. His subject was "The Value of the Unusual." The young people were admonished to forsake the crowd for the sake of conscience and to attempt the thing that needed to be done regardless of precedents. Such a theme and such a treatment were of especial value to the young folk of our own faith. It would be easy to make our own illustration as to Sabbath observance

and the sacrifices that sometimes accompany it.

The baccalaureate sermon on Sunday evening was next to the commencement day exercise in importance and in attendance. Dr. F. G. Behner, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Clarksburg, was the speaker. His subject, "The Handiwork of God," was treated in a way somewhat new to the usual baccalaureate. He gave a great challenge to college folk to rise above the commonplace and devote themselves to the service of God and man in the new world in which science and invention have placed them.

Two plays were given. The first was "Miss Somebody Else," staged by a cast chosen from the standard normal class of fifty-two members. The Shakespearean classic chosen for this year was "Julius Cæsar." This is the eighth year that the degree seniors have staged a Shakespearean play.

A recital was given by the department of expression and one by the department of music. The talent for these performances represents largely a cross section of the young people taking work in these departments.

The annual commencement concert of the music department represents the best talent of the school, usually including those who have given individual graduating recitals earlier in the year. This particular session witnessed also the conferring of two certificates and two diplomas from the music department.

The alumni banquet convened at five thirty o'clock on the evening of the concert. Dr. Theodore L. Gardiner, for fourteen years president of Salem College, was the honor guest. The largest group of Alumni to attend a banquet of this kind was present this year. It numbered one hundred seventy. Many of the earlier alumni were present and heard Doctor Gardiner with the greatest delight.

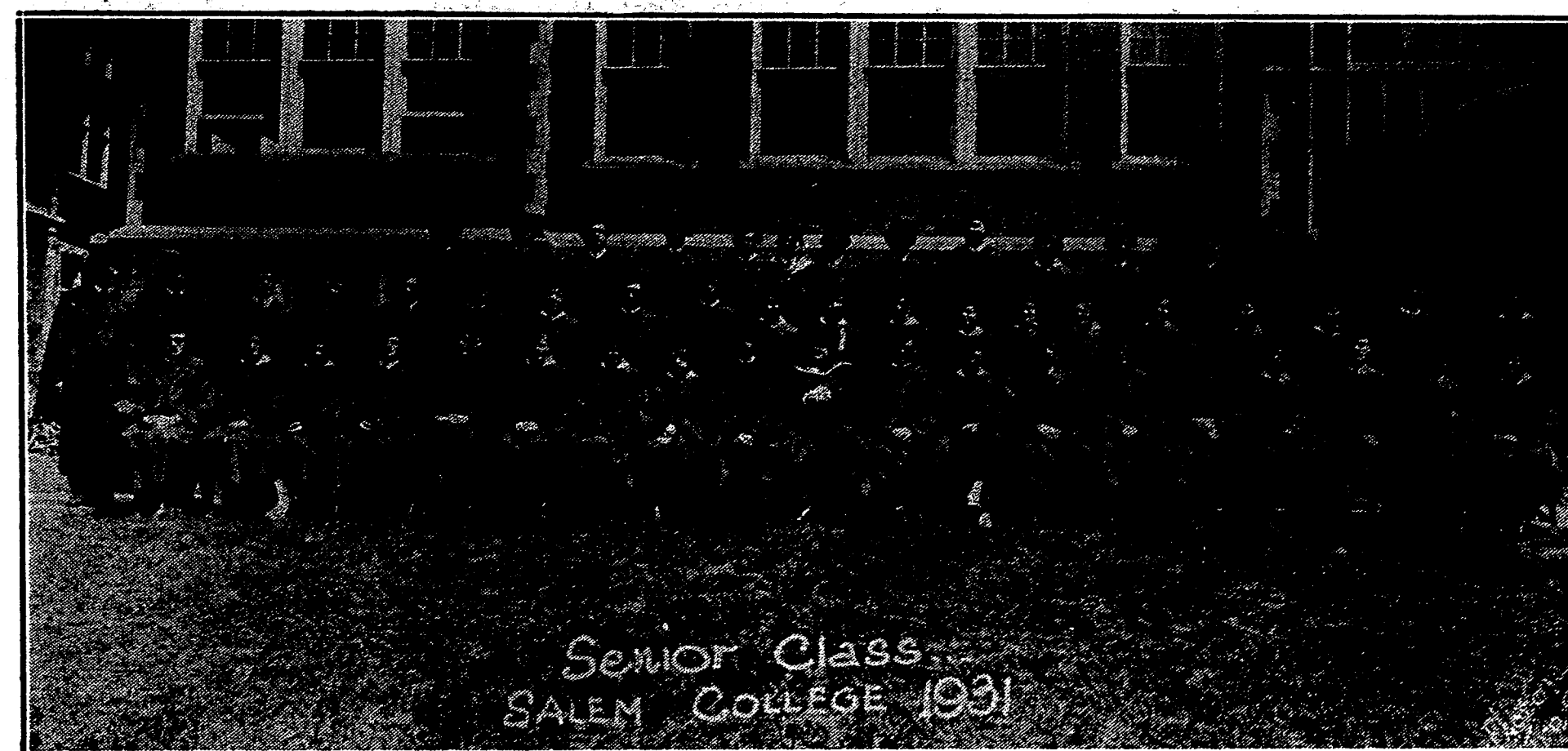
The Laudati group, which represents the honor graduates of the college during the last ten years, met for their second annual dinner. The emphasis given to this group has stimulated the present student body to greater interest in high scholarship.

The senior gift ceremonies were particularly interesting. An automatic, electric

clock system with a master clock and a number of other clocks and buzzers in every room was presented by one of the honor graduates, Mr. Zygemund Sobak. The acceptance address was made by Mr. Charles A. F. Randolph, president of the board of directors. Mr. Randolph's address on the value of time and its proper apportionment, both of which would be conserved because of this beautiful gift, was indeed a classic.

The processional for commencement morning was photographed by Superintendent C. A. Tesch, using his moving picture camera. There were five separate groups. Edwin Bond, president of the junior class, led the group of college officials, speakers, and honor guests. Ellis Stillman, another junior, led the faculty group; Ralph Wetzel, the board members; Mary Frum, the degree seniors; and Charles Harris, the standard normal seniors. They marched from the gymnasium across the tennis courts, up the center steps, to the auditorium. The commencement speaker was Dr. Robert A. Armstrong, for many years a major professor of the English department of the state university. For many years he has been looked upon as the state's most polished platform speaker. His subject was "The Pattern of Your Lives." He drew his illustrations chiefly from the Bible. Rev. O. P. Bishop, of the department of buildings and finance, gave an encouraging resume of his work for the year. In the midst of the hardest times the country has known for many years he was able to show substantial gains in the number of friends interested in the college. Even though the gifts were small they represented greater sacrifice on the part of the givers. The president's annual statement, found in another column, speaks for itself.

The Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred upon forty-one candidates, the Bachelor of Science upon twelve candidates, and the Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education upon three candidates. The standard normal diploma was presented to fifty-two candidates in that department. A diploma in voice was given to two candidates from the music department. A certificate in voice to one and a certificate in piano to one were also presented.



PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL STATEMENT

As another year passes into history we may well take a moment for retrospect. Our past has been good. Upon the foundations of the past we must build better for the future. Depression is the word most frequently on the lips of men everywhere. The producer speaks of the depression in his particular business. The distributor laments the depression in volume and profits.

Salem College is having its problems, but there is no depression in the service it is called upon to render. Christian colleges throughout the land are reporting financial difficulties that are troublesome, if not impossible to overcome. Many of these colleges have felt compelled to enter upon a program of retrenchment, which in the end can only result in the discontinuance of these schools. Throughout many Southern States these colleges have already begun to close their doors. The foundation stones of American civilization have been its Christian colleges. We can ill afford at this time to see them discontinued or in any way handicapped in the service which they render. Thanks to the blessing of God and the vision of far-sighted men, Salem College has considered no plans for discontinuance or even retrenchment that in any way endanger the service given by the college.

A TRIBUTE

Last year we recorded a tribute to one of the active members of the board of directors who was called away during the year. This year it becomes our sad duty to record the loss by death of one who carried the responsibilities of this college for eleven years as its president. On October 30, 1930, Dr. Charles B. Clark passed to his reward. The present president of Salem College and the head of the department of buildings and finance attended the funeral service held at Hillsdale, Mich., and in the name of the college participated in the last rites.

The interests of this college were upon his mind and indeed upon his lips to the very end of his life. Hundreds of the alumni and students of other days join in paying tribute to this great thinker, great teacher, and great friend. The administration of Doctor Clark must ever be looked upon as the most important from the standpoint of material equipment. Every building that the college now uses was erected during his administration.

The most fitting tribute in which we may all participate at this moment is a brief silence during which time we may contemplate the great debt that we owe to this good man.

FACULTY

It is a pleasure to commend in this public way the faithful work of all members of the faculty. There will be but one change for the coming year. The resignation of Mrs. Mary Ford Smith, assistant in home economics, will leave the entire burden of this department upon Miss Gray. The lack of funds will not permit the appointment of a successor to Mrs. Smith. She has, however, consented to give part time to this department if the burdens become too heavy for one teacher.

Professor Winfred R. Harris, of New York University, is engaged in organizing the business administration department. He will outline the courses to be given in this department and will supervise the work in absentia.

ATTENDANCE

The entire attendance at the college this year is 796. This, of course, includes not only regular day school students, but also includes night school, extension, and summer registration. We are especially glad to record enlarged enrollment in the junior and senior classes. We are this year graduating the largest degree class in the history of the school. It numbers fifty-one. *It is interesting to note that had there been three more members in this class, there would have been as many as were graduated from the degree department of the college during the first thirty years of the school's existence.*

The fifty-two members of the standard normal class show that that department is not declining in service.

EXTRA-MURAL INSTRUCTION

For a number of years the college has done what it could to carry its service into communities more or less removed from the campus. The demand for this work has grown steadily. Many people desiring to further their education have assembled groups and requested that a teacher be sent.

Professor Sutton will give a large part of his time this year to that kind of activity. He will hold night classes in some communities more remote from the college than it would be possible to serve were he doing regular work on the daily schedule. This will provide an excellent opportunity, not only for those who can attend night classes,

but also for groups of citizens who may find it possible to come together for an hour in the afternoon to take work of college grade.

These classes will in no way interfere with the regular night school of the college for which residence credit is granted.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

In spite of some discouraging features, the college has maintained its usual amount of extra-curricular activity.

The year in intercollegiate athletics has been a very satisfactory one. The intramural athletic program has been the strongest in the history of the school. No student who desired to participate in any form of athletics was denied the privilege. The debating club has been active. The student publications have been of high quality. The dramatic club has entertained at intervals.

The most active groups during the year have come from the music department. Two girls' glee clubs, having twenty and ten members, respectively, a men's glee club of twenty-two members, besides four quartets, a string ensemble, and an orchestra, have made repeated public appearances both within and without the state.

IMPROVEMENTS

It is a pleasure to report a successful year in the physical training department for the first time in the hands of a full-time instructor.

The young people especially interested in becoming commercial teachers look with favor upon our proposed business administration department. Those who take this work may at their own election prepare to teach in the commercial departments of high schools, qualify for executive positions in business organizations, or establish business enterprises of their own.

Since the music department has developed so rapidly, *it would seem that some friend of this muse can certainly be found to provide the one additional teacher needed for the wind instruments.* The college can then offer a fairly complete musical education to all who desire to come. This work is already offered in a limited way by the head of the department, but excessive duties in other fields preclude emphasis here without an additional teacher.

The most overcrowded department at

present is the library. We bespeak for that a speedy relief, as soon as the friends of the college understand thoroughly the need.

The present economic depression has brought many more inquiries than usual from those who wish to do pre-engineering, pre-agriculture, pre-law, pre-medical, et cetera. The college will do well to emphasize in enlarging measure these two years of general work, differentiating, of course, according to the course proposed.

The splendid senior class of this year, true to a custom established some years ago, presented to the college at the service yesterday morning, an electric program clock system. This will simplify greatly the work of the librarian and will make it possible to carry on the work of the school with much greater system and efficiency. We gladly make public acknowledgment of this gift.

ENDOWMENT

I am consciously omitting any detailed discussion of our financial program which will be reviewed by Rev. Mr. Bishop. I cannot refrain, however, from urging upon all occasions the need of permanent endowment. That is the only barrier immediately insurmountable to our recognition by the standardizing agencies.

The board has already approved the establishment of four professorships named to honor four of the great servants of this cause, namely, S. L. Maxson, Theodore L. Gardiner, C. B. Clark, and M. H. Van Horn. Many will be glad to give that they may at the same time honor a worthy friend and servant and bless the institution. Very soon active solicitation must begin on these professorships. This will in no way prevent one who is able from giving a professorship himself and having it named in his honor or in honor of a friend of his own election. Endowment is the greatest need of Salem College.

The friends of the college who have watched it grow through the years are passing away year by year. Many of them intended to remember the college but neglected it until it was too late. A friend across the continent has just passed on. Within two weeks of his passing he made provision for a gift of two thousand five hundred dollars for Salem College. Other friends far away or near at hand should be

induced to make this provision before it is too late. Suppose a thousand friends of Salem College would covenant with each other by an agreement to leave something to Salem College, how quickly the needed endowment would be provided. I think I would like to be one of the first thousand who would agree to make some provision for the college. Will you who hear this proposal join me? We, perhaps, cannot promise a definite sum, but we can promise something. Had the four millionaires who died within a year in this county have had this proposition presented to them, today we might have had fewer financial worries.

THE ALUMNI

I would like to commend publicly the year's activity among the alumni. The splendid program in connection with the banquet held on Tuesday evening was but the culmination of a year of helpful activity. In connection with the State Education Association a breakfast was held early in the morning at which there was an attendance of nearly one hundred fifty. A mid-year meeting on New Year's night was held in the dining rooms of this building at which time alumni attended from five states. An alumni group dinner in Pittsburgh on the twenty-first of April, attended by approximately fifty, was not only an enjoyable affair, but evinced an active interest in all college problems. On behalf of the college board and the college faculty, I would like to express our heartiest appreciation. The institution in a very real sense belongs to its alumni. If they love it and work for it, it can never die.

In closing, may we steady our nerves a bit as we think together the situation confronting this college. In a crisis many men become panic-stricken and squander recklessly the possessions which are still intact. We still have as good a school as we have ever had, an attendance as good as we have ever had, a group of friends as loyal as we have ever had, an enlarging alumni as dependable as we have ever had; an aggravating deficit, to be sure, but much less than most other Christian colleges with which I am familiar. Faith in God, faith in ourselves, and faith in the cause should enable us to still hold steady until such time as may witness a change in the economic attitude of the world about us.—Contributed.

WOMAN'S WORK

MRS. ALBERTA DAVIS BATSON
Contributing Editor

MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD

The Woman's Board met Sunday, June 14, 1931, at the home of Mrs. Eldred H. Batson, Salem, W. Va. Members present: Mrs. Geo. B. Shaw, Mrs. L. R. Polan, Mrs. G. H. Trainer, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. Harlie D. Bond, Miss Lotta Bond, Mrs. Eldred H. Batson, Mrs. Oris O. Stutler. Visitors: Mrs. Paul W. Johnson, Clarkston, Wash.; and Mrs. M. Wardner Davis, Salem, W. Va.

The meeting was called to order by the president. After the reading of Psalm 34, Mrs. M. Wardner Davis, Mrs. Trainer, and Mrs. Polan offered prayers.

The treasurer gave the following report which was adopted:

MRS. L. R. POLAN, Treasurer
In account with

THE WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE BOARD

Receipts	
Balance May 11, 1931	\$135.09
Hartsville Ladies' Aid	20.00
H. R. Crandall	39.62
Onward Movement (April)	\$14.62
Berlin Sunshine Society	25.00
Total	\$194.71

Expenditures	
China Famine Relief	\$ 10.00
S. H. Davis, treasurer	15.00
S. H. Davis, treasurer	13.34
Asa F. Randolph, treasurer	5.00
Total	\$ 43.34
Balance June 13th	151.37
Total	\$194.71

Salem, W. Va.

Correspondence was read from Mrs. Loyal F. Hurley, Adams Center, N. Y.; Mrs. W. J. S. Smith, Fouke, Ark.; D. O. Lively, director of the China Famine Relief; Florence G. Taylor, concerning the World Day of Prayer.

It was voted that we order twelve sets of material for the World Day of Prayer to be used in the foreign fields.

The Conference Program Committee reported progress.

It was voted that we send \$100 to the Onward Movement for the general budget. The president appointed Mr. M. Wardner Davis to audit the treasurer's yearly report.

The questions for July were read. Adjourned to meet with Mrs. G. H. Trainer the second Sunday in July.

MRS. GEO. B. SHAW,
President,
MRS. ORIS O. STUTLER,
Secretary.

LET US URGE RECORDER SUBSCRIPTIONS

What would become of us if we did not have a paper which presents our views, our experiences, our beliefs, our very lives as a denomination? Some people feel that our paper is not large enough. Perhaps not, but it takes money to produce anything; therefore if money is lacking how can we produce a larger paper?

Is there anyone who would want us to try to continue our faith in God and our belief in the Sabbath as a day set apart by God for rest and worship and expect us to do so without some mouthpiece, some way of promoting our beliefs and inspiring others as well as ourselves? Of course there can be but one answer to this question.

The Woman's Board is very anxious that each Aid society put forth an extra effort to increase the number of subscriptions to the RECORDER. The board does not feel that this would be a hardship on anyone and it would help to spread our denominational paper over more territory and at the same time relieve the financial tension at the printing office.

We never fail to help ourselves when we help others, and certainly we are helping ourselves as well as others when we make it possible for us to have at our disposal such a splendid and necessary magazine as our own SABBATH RECORDER.

Can't—no, not can't for surely they can—but *won't* the women of our denomination rally to this appeal of the board and see what can be done to give more families a wider knowledge of our work and keep them in closer touch with the denomination? We feel confident that they will respond to this worthy appeal to assist in the promotion of the cause for which we stand.

TRACT SOCIETY—MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society met in regular session in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Plainfield, N. J., Sunday, June 21, 1931, at 2 o'clock p. m., President Corliss F. Randolph in the chair.

The members present were: Corliss F. Randolph, Wm. C. Hubbard, La Verne C. Bassett, Alexander W. Vars, Herbert C. Van Horn, Winfred R. Harris, Asa F. Randolph, Mrs. William M. Stillman, Ahva J. C. Bond, William M. Stillman, Esle F. Randolph, Jesse G. Burdick, Irving A. Hunting, Courtland V. Davis, John R. Spicer, A. Burdet Crofoot, Business Manager L. Harrison North.

The visitors attending were: Mr. John C. Bond, Miss Dorothy P. Hubbard, Dr. H. Eugene Davis, and Mrs. H. Eugene Davis.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn.

The minutes of the last regular meeting of May 10, 1931, were read.

Corresponding Secretary Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn presented his regular report, together with a letter from Rev. Raymond Clark of Brooklyn, N. Y., in which it was suggested that a campaign be conducted, in Greater New York, for the extension of Sabbath truth.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY FROM MAY 1 TO JUNE 21, 1931

On the Field

When the last report of the secretary was written he was just ready to leave for field work in the Northwest. While the events of that trip have been quite fully recorded under "Observations by the Corresponding Secretary," some formal report should be made to the board for its information.

In Wisconsin, addresses were given, one at Walworth, two at Milton Junction, five at Milton, one at Albion, one at New Auburn; in Minnesota, one at Minneapolis and five at Dodge Center; in Iowa, two each at Welton and Garwin; in Colorado, four at Boulder and one at Denver, the Denver Church meeting also all Sabbath day at Boulder; at North Loup, Neb., six addresses; at Nortonville, Kan., three; and at Farina, Ill., one. This count includes a chapel talk, talks before two missionary societies, and a camp group of Boy Scouts. Many calls were made in various places upon "shut-ins" and aged people unable to get to a public meeting, and for conferences with various local and denominational leaders. Of the thirty-five ad-

dresses six were before groups of Christian Endeavor societies, in one instance the group being a union between two neighboring societies. The secretary had been asked by the Young People's Board to present its interests as opportunity afforded. Its corresponding secretary had sent a letter to each society in the Northwest, calling attention to the visit of the Tract Board's representative and urging the young people to give him every consideration and support possible. Right well did they rise to the call of their board. Your secretary was able, perhaps, to speak a word of comfort to at least two burdened pastors who were in need of sympathy and advice. An occasion offered also to assist an inexperienced committee to plan a denominational program. One may never know how much a "wayside" ministry may mean.

On this trip covering our churches in seven states some 3,650 miles were traveled by rail, 80 miles by auto bus, and 1,427 by automobile. Doctor Babcock of Milton spent five days with the secretary, taking him through Wisconsin, Minnesota, and down into Iowa; Professor Elgin Clason of Fairmont, Neb., spent two days taking him from North Loup to Nortonville in his car. To these men the board is especially indebted to the lessening, by a considerable amount, the traveling expenses of the trip; also to Rev. J. H. Hurley and Rev. Ralph Coon for time and strength saved to the secretary by the use of their cars. Everywhere the full co-operation of our pastors was experienced.

Office Work

Records show that from the office and field 45 letters were written, many in reply to inquiries. Record is not made of letters written concerning and in behalf of the RECORDER. But many such have gone out, including "return" postals inviting the reporting of news items. Tracts sent out, 1,607, of which 200 have gone to Georgetown, British Guiana, 240 to Canada, and 305 to Washington, D. C., one free Year Book and one copy of a *Helping Hand* have been mailed. It should be mentioned that the larger part of the tracts sent out appear as the result of the work of the Distribution Committee.

The Sabbath Recorder

During these weeks, as acting editor of the SABBATH RECORDER, editorials have been furnished each week, "Observations by the Corresponding Secretary" have been written, a "Denominational Hook Up" feature introduced, an occasional "You May Laugh" column worked in, and general supervision of the whole work exercised. These new features have already received considerable favorable mention. The Fundamentalist Department, as such, has disappeared, entirely unsuspected but approved by the acting editor.

The acting editor-secretary takes pleasure in acknowledging the able assistance of Mrs. Lena Langworthy, without whose help in the office, and especially while the secretary was upon the field, the work could not have been done. We are indebted to the secretary's wife for her help-

ful work in his absence. A large part of one day each week was spent by her in the office during the month of May.

Material appearing and of special interest to college Sabbath-keeping students has been prepared by Dr. A. J. C. Bond, and one article by Rev. Hurley S. Warren. The free RECORDERS to more than one hundred thirty students from Sabbath-keeping homes were discontinued with the issue of June 15. Just what results this effort on the part of the Tract Board will have upon our young people, of course, is not yet known; may never be known. A second letter to this group will be sent out by the secretary as soon as time for such an effort affords.

Ten new subscriptions to the SABBATH RECORDER have been received since May 29. This, evidently, is the reaction to the special RECORDER drive promoted by the Committee on the Distribution of Literature.

Denominational Meeting

The corresponding secretary attended the meetings of the Eastern Association at Marlboro, June 11-14. He gave one Quiet Hour address and conducted the Tract Society hour on Sabbath afternoon. On that occasion, the Work of the Committee on the Distribution of Literature was discussed by Mr. Courtland V. Davis, and Sabbath Promotion by Dr. Ahva J. C. Bond. These topics were ably presented. The Work of the Corresponding Secretary and the Interests of the SABBATH RECORDER were presented by the corresponding secretary. This meeting quite fully is reported by him in the SABBATH RECORDER of June 22.

The Southeastern Association is urging the secretary to attend its meeting at Salem, in July; and in accordance with the action of the board already taken, preparations are being made to attend the Southwestern at Fouke, Ark., early in August. In connection with this trip an extra Sabbath will be spent at Fouke which will afford opportunity to conduct some special evangelistic meetings as urged by the local people there.

Sincerely submitted,

HERBERT C. VAN HORN,
Corresponding Secretary.

The report was accepted and it was voted that the board express its thanks and appreciation to those who so ably assisted our corresponding secretary during his trip through the Northwestern Association.

It was voted that the corresponding secretary be authorized to attend the Southeastern Association, at Salem, W. Va., in July, as the representative of the board.

The leader in Sabbath Promotion, Dr. Ahva J. C. Bond, submitted the following report, which was accepted:

REPORT OF LEADER IN SABBATH PROMOTION

A Teen-Age Conference was held at Adams Center, N. Y., Sunday, May 10, attended by sixty-five young people representing five churches

of the Central Association. This conference was one item in the co-operative plans of the pastors of the Central Association, and five of the pastors were present with their young people.

By invitation of the pastor of the Adams Center Church I spoke at their "Church Night" service Friday evening and preached the sermon on Sabbath morning.

This church and its pastor gave hearty support to the conference and contributed much to its success.

The program on Sunday was as follows:

- 10.00 Registration
- 10.30 Song service
- 10.40 Devotional moments
Rev. Loyal F. Hurley
- 10.50 Greeting and welcome
Miss Bernice Maltby
- 11.00 Opening address Rev. A. J. C. Bond
- 11.20 Four brief addresses by young people
 1. What Are the Chief Characteristics of the Teen-Age Christian? By a delegate from Brookfield.
 2. What Social Standards Should Teen-Age Seventh Day Baptists Hold for Themselves?
By a delegate from Verona
 3. How Can Our Young People Make the Christian Endeavor and Sabbath School Mean Most to Themselves and Others?
By a delegate from Leonardsville
 4. How Should Our Young People Use the Sabbath so as to Make It Mean the Most to Themselves and Others?
By a delegate from De Ruyter
- 12.00 Fellowship luncheon and recreation
 - 1.15 Song service
 - 1.25 Discussion By the young people
 - 1.40 Address Rev. A. J. C. Bond
 - 2.00 Brief summing up By the pastors
 - 2.15 Closing moments

We are planning to hold a Teen-Age Conference at Little Genesee, N. Y., next Friday, June 26, beginning the session of the Western Association. It is expected that the young people of all the churches of the association will attend.

I have been asked also to preach the two Sabbath morning sermons at this association, including one to the boys and girls.

Another Teen-Age Conference will be held at Boulder, Colo., July 25, 26. For four years conferences have been held annually alternating between Nortonville, Kan., and North Loup, Neb. This year the Kansas and Nebraska young people plan to go to Colorado for their fifth conference.

Plans are practically complete for the opening of the summer camps. There will be four camps this year as follows: Lewis Camp in Rhode Island—boys July 13-July 26, girls July 28-August 10; Middle Island, W. Va., July 5-19; White Cloud, Mich.; Boulder, Colo., July 17-24.

I am planning to attend the camp at Boulder and Mrs. Bond and I will attend the girls'

camp at Ashaway. Other supervisors and directors have been secured for the other camps. In organizing these camps we have had the hearty and able co-operation and assistance of Rev. E. H. Bottoms of West Virginia, Mrs. Nettie Fowler and the Young People's Board of Michigan, and Rev. Ralph H. Coon of Colorado, as well as many others as they have had occasion and opportunity.

The Committee on Young People's Work of this board has asked me to submit a plan for the promotion and support of the camps. This I hope to do in ample time for next year's plans. Meanwhile plans for the four camps have been made for the present season without additional expense to this board over former years.

Perhaps I should report that I was given the opportunity at the Eastern Association to present the work of the board as represented by this department.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. C. BOND,
Leader in Sabbath Promotion.

An informal report was made by the treasurer, Mrs. William M. Stillman.

Chairman Jesse G. Burdick of the Committee on the Distribution of Literature reported with recommendations:

To the Board of Directors of the
American Sabbath Tract Society.

Your Committee on the Distribution of Literature would respectfully report that, after a general discussion of the work of the committee for the Conference year now closing, the following matters were discussed and action taken as indicated:

1. In planning for the printing for the ensuing year it was agreed that decision be guided by a tabulation of orders received during the year now closing together with an invoice of stock on hand. It is recognized that this is not an adequate basis for decision and that editorial work in the field of tract publications is much to be desired.
2. It was agreed that the committee authorize the sending of a number of old RECORDERS now in stock and one hundred 1931 calendars to the missionary in Jamaica for distribution there.
3. It was agreed that the committee sponsor the distribution of available copies of the History of the Piscataway Church as a tract, the consent of the publisher having been secured.
4. Plans were tentatively laid for a special emphasis on SABBATH RECORDER subscriptions in December of this year.
5. The possibility of substituting a quarterly periodical as a means of distributing the material now printed and to be printed instead of the tract form now in use was discussed, but no conclusion reached.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Distribution of Literature.
JESSE G. BURDICK,
Chairman.

June 21, 1931.

Voted that the report be accepted and recommendations approved.

Our visitors, Dr. and Mrs. H. Eugene Davis, addressed the board, bringing messages, instructive and encouraging. Dr. Davis stressed the value of the Teen-Age Conferences and camps, the acceptance of responsibility by our young people, and the evident spirit of revival found in our churches during his visit, from the Pacific eastward.

Furthermore, Dr. Davis proposed that a united effort be made to raise the necessary amount of money to meet the Onward Movement budget—this to honor our editor emeritus, Dr. Theodore L. Gardiner.

Mrs. Davis told of the Tuesday and Wednesday meetings of groups of Chinese women; how these women are considering and solving their problems, and how the power of prayer is extending, through the meeting of these women in Shanghai.

After an interesting discussion of Mr. Davis' suggestion concerning the raising of the denominational budget, it was moved that the Tract Society stand one hundred per cent behind the movement to secure a Doctor Gardiner fund, to raise the Onward Movement budget for the year ending June 30, 1931, for the benefit of all our people and boards and for the denomination in general, and that the corresponding secretary be requested to send a communication to each church and its pastor and to each board that we will be one with all the other boards and churches in this movement which has our individual approval.

The motion received the unanimous approval of those present.

It was voted that the president appoint a committee of one from this board to cooperate with the Finance Committee of the General Conference in furthering the purpose of the above motion.

Corresponding Secretary Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn was appointed.

The recording secretary presented a bill of \$5 for flowers, purchased as a floral expression of the sympathy of the board as ordered May 10, which was accepted and payment voted.

Minutes read and approved.

Adjournment.

WINFRED R. HARRIS,
Recording Secretary.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

REV. CLIFFORD A. BEEBE
NADY, ARK.
Contributing Editor

FOLLOWING JESUS

Christian Endeavor Topic for Sabbath Day,
July 11, 1931

DAILY READINGS

Sunday—A call to follow (Matt. 4: 18-20)
Monday—Part-way followers (Luke 9: 57-62)
Tuesday—A searching test (Luke 14: 25-35)
Wednesday—A youth who failed (Matt. 19: 16-22)
Thursday—What to expect if we follow (John 15: 18-23)
Friday—God with his followers (2 Tim. 4: 16-18)
Sabbath Day—Topic: How far can we follow Jesus? (John 11: 14-16)

How far can we follow Jesus? Can we follow his teachings without accepting him as a Savior? Is there such a thing as part-way following? (See Monday's reading.)

After all, is not this the fundamental question: not, how far *can* we follow Jesus; but, how far *will* we follow him?

What would happen if the world would follow Jesus?

What would happen if my community should?

Do I dare to follow him all the way?

Perhaps the above questions will be fruitful of discussion. The leader has a splendid opportunity to turn this meeting to the deepening of the spiritual lives of the young folks.

"Anywhere With Jesus," "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go," and many other old and new songs can be found suitable. Sing them as if you meant them. Take one of these two, or some other equally good, and read it aloud, with such comments as are necessary, before singing.

The following article was prepared for this meeting, and should be of help.

C. A. B.

THE POWER OF FAITH

BY LYLE CRANDALL

One of the greatest miracles which Jesus performed was the feeding of the five thousand. It was a great miracle not only

because it showed his power, but because it taught the disciples a wonderful lesson—one of faith. They had followed Jesus for a long time; they had seen him heal the sick, restore sight to the blind, raise the dead, and perform various other miracles. Yet when they saw this vast multitude following Jesus, and knew that the only available food was five loaves of bread and two fishes, they said, "What are these among so many?" They had witnessed many wonderful events before this time, but had failed to see the power of God working through Jesus Christ. How sad the Master must have felt when he saw this great lack of faith in him. How it would have cheered his heart if they had said, "O Master, we know that thou art all powerful. We have seen the wonderful things thou hast done, and we know thou canst feed this great multitude." They had failed to see the power of Christ, so they needed this lesson in faith.

There are many people in the world today who are like the disciples, failing to see the power of God. They lack faith in him. This is a time of doubt. Men doubt certain parts of the Bible, and say they are untrue. They say that God does not show his power today as he did in former years. He does not bring men under conviction of sin as he did previously. He cannot do this until we surrender our lives completely to him and say, "Here Lord, take my life and use it as thou wilt." If we cannot believe *all* of the Bible we cannot believe *any* of it.

There never was a time in the history of the world when men have needed faith as they do at the present time. We need to stand on the sure and firm foundation, on the rock, on the pillar and ground of our faith, which is Jesus Christ our Lord. Young people, keep your eyes on him; never let your faith waver. Never doubt God's Word, but hold to it steadfastly. Build upon this firm foundation and surrender your lives to the Lord, letting him use them as he will.

JUNIOR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIAL AT BERE A

There was a Junior Christian Endeavor social at Berea, June 4, in the afternoon.

The superintendent, Miss Lillian Bot-toms, and the social committee planned the

social, which we had in a grove. We all gathered at the parsonage and then went to the grove. We played games for an hour and then ate lunch, which consisted of cookies and lemonade. Games were played for another hour and then we went home. There were seventeen of the juniors present.

The social committee plans to have a social each month. Next month we plan to go fishing and take our lunch with us.

ALBERTA KELLEY,
Chairman of Social Committee.
Berea, W. Va.

INTERMEDIATE CORNER

REV. JOHN FITZ RANDOLPH
Intermediate Superintendent
Milton Junction, Wis.

Topic for Sabbath Day, July 11, 1931

DAILY READINGS

Sunday—Religion from the Jews (John 4: 22)
Monday—Philosophy from Greece (1 Cor. 1: 22-25)
Tuesday—Law from Rome (Rom. 13: 1-5)
Wednesday—Other people's skill (1 Kings 5: 1-10)
Thursday—Acts of other people (Acts 19: 23, 24)
Friday—Shipbuilders' art (1 Kings 9: 26-28)
Sabbath Day—Topic: What have we received from other peoples? (1 Kings 5: 1-8)

FROM OTHERS

We receive from others more than we sometimes realize. Most of our institutions that we think are quite American and Christian have their foundation back in other peoples and religions.

The Jews gave us religion. That does not mean that we adhere to the Jewish religion, but through centuries of religious thought and experience the Jews gave to the world the highest conceptions of true religion as shown in Jesus. No other nation of the time could have furnished a field of labor for the Christ. Though, as a whole, they rejected him, yet we owe them much for the start given the Christian religion.

Law comes to us from Rome, modified by various European countries, especially England. While our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, they did not establish, in a few days, an entirely new law. They were well founded in English law and built upon that. We are con-

stantly adapting law to our needs and times, but we owe a debt to other peoples.

There is an American art and literature, but it is our adaptation and development of the art of more leisurely peoples across the sea. We have a fine American educational system, but England gave us Harvard and the idea of college education.

Many commodities that we use every day come from other nations—tea, coffee, certain fruits and foods, and clothing. Foreign commerce is important and shows us how dependent we are on other nations for comforts and necessities of life.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS

ELISABETH K. AUSTIN
Junior Christian Endeavor Superintendent
BIBLE READING WORK

EIGHTH DAY

Write a verse for each letter in your first and last name.

NINTH DAY

Paste a picture of sheep at the top and find as many verses as you can about sheep, writing them below the picture.

TENTH DAY

Read the story of some person in the Bible. Write down the name of the person and the place the story was found in the Bible.

ELEVENTH DAY

In your own words write the story of the person you read about yesterday.

TWELFTH DAY

Write down the places in the Bible where the following are found—Lord's Prayer, Ten Commandments, Beatitudes, Sermon on the Mount, longest verse, shortest verse, names of the twelve disciples, Shepherd's Psalm, the great love verse, Jesus' last command, the Mizpah benediction, the Christian Endeavor chapter, the love chapter, and the traveler's Psalm.

THIRTEENTH DAY

Copy one word of the following verse on each line at the left of the page—"For the Lord is a great God" (Psalm 95: 3). Copy a verse beginning with each of the words in that verse.

FOURTEENTH DAY

Copy the names of Christ's disciples in alphabetical order.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

MRS. WALTER L. GREENE, ANDOVER, N. Y.
Contributing Editor

TAKING CARE OF OUR OWN AND OTHERS' PROPERTY

MATTHEW 25: 14-20

Junior Christian Endeavor Topic for Sabbath Day, July 11, 1931

ELISABETH K. AUSTIN

Junior Christian Endeavor Superintendent

"IT DOESN'T BELONG TO ME"

Because Tom Brown wanted a job during the summer vacation he answered an advertisement in one of the daily papers. He was ushered into a vacant room, told to sit in a certain chair, and wait. He busied himself while waiting by looking about the room. He soon discovered upon the floor, close by the chair in which he sat, a folded dollar bill, which looked as if someone had unconsciously dropped it there. "Finding is having," he chuckled gleefully, as he thrust it into his pocket. Almost immediately the merchant came in, asked Tom a few questions, and dismissed him as unsatisfactory.

Jerry was the next boy to apply for the job. He was ushered into the same room and seated in the same chair in which Tom had sat. He also saw a folded dollar bill on the floor, looking as if someone had dropped it there by mistake, but he picked it up and laid it on the table. The merchant entered and after some questions he pointed to the bill on the table and asked where it came from. Jerry told how he had picked it up on the floor and had placed it on the table in what seemed a safe place.

"Why didn't you keep it?" asked the merchant.

"Because it did not belong to me," replied Jerry.

"You have chosen the right path, my boy," said the merchant. "The boy before you chose the wrong one. But how did you learn that this was the right path?"

"My mother," answered Jerry, "made me promise never under any circumstances to take anything that did not belong to me,

or to keep anything I found without trying to find the rightful owner."

"You have chosen the road that leads to the confidence and respect of your fellow men," replied the merchant. "I am glad to give the job in my office to an honest, up-standing lad like you. The boy of whom men can say 'I trust him' will never lack employment."

—From *Children's Leader*
(By permission).

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

I have been planning to write to you, as I always like to read the letters from the other children and your answers.

I am nine years old and in the fourth grade at school. We have a lovely new school named the "Ann J. Kellogg." It has a department for all cripples. My brother had to have a cast put on his leg and he had to have crutches, but he is all better now.

Do you like to swim? I do. My mother, my brother, and I go often to the big San. Union pool, and swim.

Alberta Simpson is my Sabbath school teacher and I like her very much.

We had a picnic at Irving Park this spring and it was lots of fun.

There are a pair of wrens who have built a nest in our pear tree. We are waiting to see the little birds. The father bird brings food to the mother bird, and then he sings such a pretty song.

If this letter isn't too long I will write again sometime.

Your friend,

POLLY RUTH BOEHM.

102 Greenwood Ave.,
Battle Creek, Mich.,
June 8, 1931.

DEAR POLLY RUTH:

Your letter came last week, but as it was the last one to come in, our page was full before I got to it. I'm rather glad now though for it is the one and only child's letter I have this week. Whatever would I do without it?

It is certainly a splendid thing to have a department in school especially for crip-

pled children. They can enjoy studying together, can play the same games, and have the same pleasures. I am so glad your brother has recovered from his lameness.

I never learned to swim, I am sorry to say, but I know it must be great fun for those who can. The children around here like to go swimming, but have no very good pool very near. Sometimes they go to a very nice swimming pool a short distance from Alfred Station, but Eleanor thinks the water is pretty cold.

It is very interesting to watch birds caring for their young. One summer, I know, we enjoyed watching a pair of robins caring for their four little ones. How fast they grew, and almost before we knew it they had all flown away.

I am glad you enjoy the letters on the Children's Page and hope you will write many times.

Now I must close for I want to leave room for a splendid letter from one of our grown-up friends, Lois R. Fay.

Your true friend,

MIZPAH S. GREENE.

Mrs. Walter L. Greene,
Andover, N. Y.

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

I derive so much interest from your department in the RECORDER that I am taking a few minutes to write to you. Now do not feel that you must personally answer this letter, for every minute of your time must be occupied. Nor do I want you to feel that you must publish it, for I in years, am along beyond what would be classed as in the "Children's Department." But if the children can feel encouraged to keep on writing their nice little letters by anything I might say, I shall be happy to say it. Some of them have mentioned relatives or acquaintances I know; some of them live in places I have seen, like Westerly and Ashaway; some of them live in places I have not seen, except enroute to Washington, D. C., by train, if they live outside of New England. And I like to hear about their brothers and sisters, school and gardens, work and play. Best of all, I like to hear how they enjoy the Sabbath days, which were always such happy days to me, when I could think so restfully about God,

his works in nature, and the beautiful thoughts that men and women who love God have written in books. I hope the children will all find the Sabbath as Rev. A. J. C. Bond described it in a recent RECORDER: "Heaven must be a good deal like a quiet Sabbath afternoon in a Sabbath-keeping country home." I hope you will feel encouraged in the work you are doing among these little folks, who have among them future pastors, editors, teachers, and leaders in Sabbath promotion. I always wanted to travel; but so far, except for the trip to Washington, I have not been outside New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. So when I see a letter from Florida, or California, or Nebraska, or any other place near or far, it is always interesting. I know how timid many children feel about writing letters, and how hard it is to know just how to say the best thing in the best way; but with the encouragement you have given them, those who have talent may help make the RECORDER abound with interesting records of their lives and times; and they will enjoy going into the library in years to come, like Uncle Oliver, and looking over the bound volumes of back numbers, to read once again their early efforts at making the SABBATH RECORDER interesting.

With best wishes, from a constant reader,
LOIS R. FAY.

Princeton, Mass.,
Sabbath, June 6, 1931.

GRANT ME TO SEE

Dear Father, grant me grace to see
The wisdom of my trials in life,
So I can e'er accept thy will
With little of our human strife.
Teach me to see how it is best
The way my soul is often tried,
So that by me, though sorrows come,
Thy wisdom will not be denied.

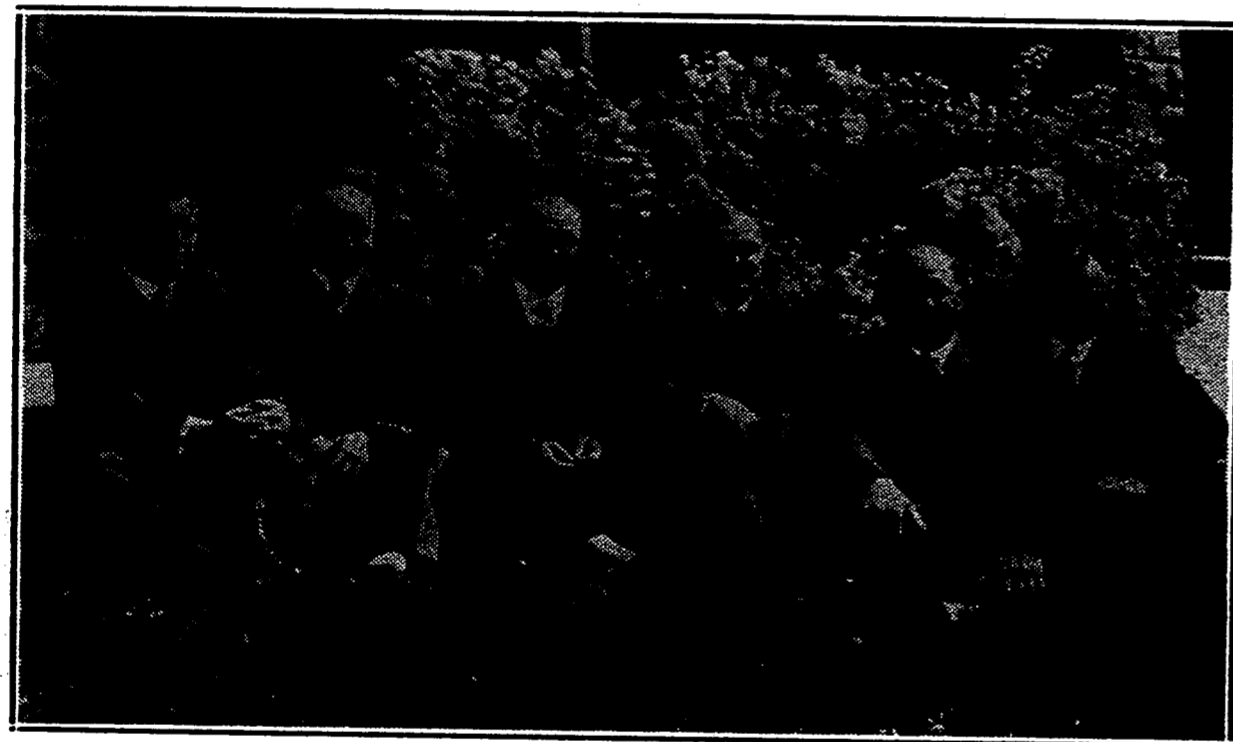
O, let me learn to trust in thee,
And seek thy comfort every day,
So, though my path in life seems dark,
Thou'lt guide me to a brighter way,
And teach me through despair's dark clouds
To ever try to look above
Into the blessed land of hope
That's lighted by thy endless love.

—By *Martha Shepard Lippincot*,
in *Christian Observer*.

STUDENT PASTORS IN SALEM COLLEGE

Salem College has had as students during the present year an interesting group of young ministers, all of whom are in active, full time pastorates. These men, with the exception of one, have carried heavy schedules. Two are Methodists, two are United Brethren, and two are Seventh Day Baptists.

The following is a quotation from one of the Clarksburg dailies which gave their picture and an extended write-up: "Talk about big preachers, here they are! They represent an average weight of 214 pounds plus, produce birth certificates for an average age of 39 years together with an average of one wife and 3½ children to a man.



Left to right: H. W. Harrison, pastor, United Brethren Church, Pennsboro; Emmett H. Bottoms, pastor, Seventh Day Baptist Church, Middle Island; S. R. Cutright, pastor, United Brethren Church, Salem; Creed Yoak, pastor, Methodist Episcopal Church, Bridgeport; A. T. Bottoms, pastor, Seventh Day Baptist Church, Berea; C. R. Bright, pastor, Methodist Protestant Church, Pennsboro.

The feather-weight weighs 183 lbs; the champion heavy-weight 256 lbs. . . . The six ministers are really typical college students. Their only deceptive marks are bald heads and gray hairs. They are all active members in the Young Men's Christian Association. Two are members of the debating and public speaking club. Others hold memberships in various school organizations. They range from freshmen to juniors. . . . Each of the six intends to continue his college education until the Bachelor of Arts degree is earned.

HEAR YE! CONFERENCE MUSICIANS!

Conference time is music time and here is the opportunity to make this year's Conference here at Alfred the greatest of all music conferences as well as the greatest spiritual conference.

We have excellent music at Alfred and I am certain this musical talent will give us much support, but what of the results if all the good talent of the entire Seventh Day Baptist denomination should put forth its best efforts and rally about the Conference director of music. Would it be worth while? I am sure it would and thus I request each and every musician, singer, or player, to report to me here at Alfred that he or she will come to the Conference and

take part in the musical activities; I also request that all report to me what part they sing or what instrument they play, that I may have their support in the greatest of all our Conferences.

The rehearsals for Conference music will begin on Tuesday, August 11, 1931, at 7 p. m. at the church. If you are able to come early please do so, and feel free to notify me if you are a soloist, that I may reserve a place on the program for you.

Our new three manual \$12,000 Moller organ, installed in the memory of Sara Burdick Rosebush, will be used at the Con-

ference services, and I am certain will glorify our spiritual enthusiasm as well as our musical enthusiasm.

Please report to me by mail concerning your musical talents as soon as possible.

Thank you.

RAY W. WINGATE,
Director of Conference Music.

BAPTISM AT FARINA

Rev. H. C. Van Horn,
Plainfield, N. J.

DEAR BROTHER VAN HORN:

One of the happiest experiences in my life took place last Sunday morning at Lake Farina when I had the privilege of administering baptism to thirteen candidates. This is always a happy spot in the life of a pastor, but this occasion was unique in that a mother and her five children, all of the family, were baptized; and her sister, also a mother, and her two daughters were also of the group. Others were Mrs. Grace Lacey, George, Clark, and Ruth Green. It was a very busy season but about fifteen cars made the trip to the Lake, making it possible for about fifty people to be present. It was a beautiful morning, just such a morning as Illinois is famous for when she is at her best. The beautiful green border of grass and trees standing out in bold contrast to the placid waters of the lake and the brilliant sunshine, together with the happy faces of friends and candidates, made the setting complete. There was a short service of song, Scripture exposition, and prayer, and then the pastor accompanied by the candidates "went down together into the water" and he baptized them there. It was a scene never to be forgotten. There was the question: Do you believe that Jesus Christ is your Savior, and that he is the Son of God? And the answer, I do. Then while the strains of the song so familiar to us all, old but ever new,

O happy day that fixed my choice,
On thee, my Savior and my God,

were being sung, these dear friends put on Christ in baptism. Following the baptismal ordinance and the change to dry clothing, another short explanatory service was held, prayer was offered, and the service closed with the singing of the song, "Blessed as-

urance Jesus is mine." This was a most inspiring service. Our prayer at Farina is that all our churches may be blessed with seasons of such joy and satisfaction, and that the Spirit of God may fill all our hearts and make us all worthy servants of his.

Fraternally,

C. L. HILL.

Farina, Ill.,
June 17, 1931.

A VITAL RESOLUTION

The resolution that follows was received too late for publication last week. It is the one referred to in the editorial, "Is it nothing to you?" Please read again that editorial—page 770—and give earnest heed.

The resolution was passed with a most hearty vote and without a dissenting voice. It should challenge every Seventh Day Baptist to do his utmost.

Read:

Feeling deeply the need of unity among our people and of enthusiasm for the onward movement of the kingdom, and realizing that a deep spirituality and an outpouring of temporal gifts go hand in hand; therefore,

Be it resolved, That this association urge upon its own churches and the churches of the other associations that a tremendous united effort be made to raise the sum called for by the united budget before Conference, and that this effort be made in honor of Doctor Gardiner, who gave to the denomination such wonderful service for so many years; and further

Be it resolved, That we call upon every agency of the individual churches, Christian Endeavor societies, woman's societies, brotherhoods, and Sabbath schools, and upon our denominational boards to use all possible means to reach this end.

BON VOYAGE

Six things, my son, you should make your own
Before you embark on your voyage alone:
Not a hulk that drifts with every tide,
But a craft that has a rudder to guide;
Not a rigging, although with the finest sails,
But an engine to conquer the strongest gales;
Not a freedom untrained for the high sea's way,
But experience gained in harbor and bay;
Not a chart mapped out to eternity,
But a compass to guide through the trackless sea;
Not a ship that is lost save to sea and sky,
But with radio ready to hear and reply;
Not a book of rules for the wild sea's strife,
But knowledge and loyalty to a Life.

—By Ralph Godfrey Saxe,
—in *Christian Advocate*.

OUR PULPIT

THE BIBLE

BY REV. A. CLYDE EHRET
Pastor of the church at Alfred, N. Y.

SERMON FOR SABBATH, JULY 11, 1931

Text—Psalm 119: 105, 130.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE
DOXOLOGY
INVOCATION
RESPONSIVE READING
HYMN
SCRIPTURE READING—2 Timothy 3:
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Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And light unto my path.

The opening of thy word giveth light;
It giveth understanding to the simple.

These texts aptly describe the true function of the Holy Scripture for the Christian soul. Their use is practical, not speculative. It is to the earnest, devotional study of the Bible that we may look to obtain light. The Bible was designed to be to us in our journey through life what a lantern is to a wayfarer who would pass safely along a dangerous pathway during a dark night. They who seek to know the truth that they may walk in it, who would know the will of God that they may do it, shall never lack the light; they will both perceive and know what things they ought to do. On the other hand, those who do not strive by God's help to live up to the light which they have, those who know what they ought to do and

do not make the honest effort to do it, those who shrink from knowing their duty or wish to get it altered—to such the sacred Scriptures give no message; no light from God's Word will fall upon their path. But let us will to do God's will, and we shall never lack guidance in the way of duty. The Bible should be diligently searched for those truths, those precepts, those examples which will directly guide us through life. But in order to succeed in this search for the true import of Scripture, we need method, order, regularity, purpose in reading it. Just as a single purpose in life, steadily pursued, lights up surrounding interests, and quickens energy for a hundred objects besides itself, so, in reading the Bible, the mental intentness which is necessary to the steady pursuit of one truth sheds rays of intelligence on other truths which sparkle around it.

"In joy and sorrow, in health and in sickness, in poverty and in riches, in every condition of life, God has a promise stored up in his Word for you. If you are impatient, sit down and commune with Job. If you are strong-headed, read of Moses and Peter. If you are weak-kneed, look at Elijah. If there is no song in your heart, listen to David. If you are a politician, read Daniel. If you are getting sordid, read Isaiah. If you are chilly, read of the beloved disciple. If your faith is low, read Paul. If you are getting lazy, study James. If you are losing sight of the future, read in Revelation of the promised land."—*D. L. Moody.*

Other books are for special occasions or separate races; the Bible has been for every clime. Other books are for the poor or for the rich, the great or the obscure; this Book regards men solely in their relationship to God, as heirs of life and death, of sin and evil, and of immortality. Other books are for the mature or for the youth; this Book alone neither wearies the aged nor repels the child. Other books are for the learned or the ignorant; this Book in its sweetest and simplest elements of its revelation is not more dear to the German philosopher than to the Negro child. The North American Indian reads it in his rude wigwam on the icy coast of Hudson Bay; the Kaffir in his animal-like house; the savage of the Pacific in his

coral isle; the poor old woman in the squalid slum, no less than the emperor in his royal chamber and the scholar in his college room. And as St. Augustine said, we shall find here what we shall not find in Plato or in Aristotle, in Seneca or Marcus Aurelius: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

No other book has ever been able to match one tenth of the popularity of the Bible. It is always the world's best seller. Most books sell less than 2,000 copies. A very few reach a million. Probably over 40,000,000 Bibles and testaments are now being sold every year. The American Bible Society alone distributed nearly 10,000,000 last year. And in spite of the great antiquity of the Book, these figures have doubled in the past ten years! Every year more people are buying the Bible. It cannot be a decadent outworn book! The Bible is now being published in 770 languages and dialects. The British Bible Society has in the past century published more than 300,000,000 Bibles and the American Society more than half as many. More than 3,000,000 copies are going annually to China alone, with a large increase every year.

The Bible is also printed in six systems of embossed type for the blind. Some Eastern people have a superstition about printed pages and will not read anything in type. It must be written or they will not read it. So the Bible has been written by hand in their language and then photographed page by page and the facsimile pages printed in large quantities for these fastidious readers. No obstacle can prevent the Bible making its victorious way through the medium of every human language to every race and tribe in all the world and ultimately to every family. Unfortunately, not all who own Bibles read them, but many millions do make this Book their daily guide.

The day is past when religion thrives on ignorance. We are rapidly becoming a nation of high school graduates, and with many millions of college bred. Intelligent people require an intelligent understanding of the Bible. It, to them, is a Book about which they are not afraid to ask questions. They do not accept it merely because it is

claimed to be inspired, but upon its actual inspiring quality and its successful appeal to human hearts. Our homes still need the Bible, for beyond all other literature there is life in the Book and we may find God in it.

"The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life" is very true of the Bible's effect upon modern critical families. If they read it slavishly, with no attempt to find the historical interpretation; if they assume that all parts of it are of the same value—as I once heard a minister say that he believed the Bible was inspired from Genesis to Revelation; and that all parts had equal value. This last sentence I questioned as there were many and lengthy passages that he never used. We cannot make the religion of Jesus carry the load of the Old Testament cruelties and immoralities. If we attempt to force such an interpretation on many, they will close the Book in despair and confusion. But if they look through the letter of the Scripture and find the spirit of it; if they read with the special writer's purpose and the need of his age in mind; and if they test it all by the spirit and teachings of Jesus, they will find it a source Book of spiritual inspiration without limit. It will have untold value for them. They will return to it again and again in days of stress, weariness, and sorrow, as to the springs of life and the deep sources of power.

No one can deny that the Bible is the clearest fountain of spiritual wisdom that the world has ever known, and a trustworthy record of many of the highest spiritual achievements of the race. The New Testament gives us a true picture of Christ in all his matchless beauty of moral perfection and his intimate communion with the Father, whom he knew as no one else has ever known him. This fact alone would make the Bible unique and indispensable. We agree heartily with Van Dyke: "No other book in the world has had such a strange vitality, such an outgoing power of influence and inspiration. Not only has it brought to the countries in whose heart it has been set, new ideals of civilization, new models of character, new conceptions of virtue and hopes of happiness, but it has also given new impulses and form to the shaping imagination of man and begotten

beauty in literature and the other arts. Suppose it were possible to dissolve away all the works which clearly owe their being to thoughts, emotions, or visions derived from the Bible—how it would impoverish the world."

The Bible has been used again and again in art and literature. The virgin mother and her Babe have been painted by most every great artist.

Tissot, a modern French painter, has reproduced every scene in the life of Christ. And should we attempt to give all the great scenes by great painters we would tire you; your head would be in a whirl in trying to remember them. Yet they are of little value except to those who hold the key which must come from a knowledge of the Bible.

The Bible has been in the literature of every Christian age and race. So deeply is it involved in English literature, so full of Biblical allusions are all our great poets, novelists, and essayists, it is doubtful if these English classics would long survive if we ceased to be a Bible reading people. Shakespeare with more than twelve hundred allusions to the Bible, can be nothing but a bore to those who do not understand the Bible. Tennyson, with his five hundred references to the Bible, is lost to them; and Browning is a closed book to them with more than six hundred allusions to the Scriptures in a single poem, "The Ring and the Book."

Without the Bible we never would have had Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress* or Milton's *Paradise Lost, Paradise Regained* or Browning's *Saul* or Dickens' *Tale of Two Cities*. When Landor praised Dickens' literary style and asked the great novelist where he got it, the instant reply was, "Why, from the New Testament of course." Similarly Hawthorne confessed that he owed his inspiration chiefly to the Bible and *Pilgrim's Progress*. We owe Thackeray's *Vanity Fair* to the Book of Ecclesiastes. We owe Bryant's "Thanatopsis" to the Book of Job. We owe Wordsworth's "Ode to Immortality" to St. Paul's great immortality chapter in First Corinthians. Byron's "Darkness" came from Jeremiah. Spencer's "Red Cross Knight" came from the Ephesians. Kipling's "Recessional" came from Deuteronomy.

Edmund Burke, the great British orator, was accustomed to read a chapter from Isaiah before speaking in the House of Commons; and similarly Daniel Webster read aloud privately the majestic sentences of Psalm 139 before several of his great orations in the Senate. The novels of Scott, Dickens, Thackeray, and George Eliot abound in Biblical allusions, and more recent novelists like Thomas Hardy and Hall Caine also refer frequently to the Bible literature. Carlyle, Addison, Ruskin, and all the great essayists have enriched their writings frequently from the same unfailing source of inspiration.

A recent textbook of Old Testament study contains fifty pages of typical quotations from the leading poets, with interesting Biblical allusions, to be used to test the pupil's knowledge of the Old Testament. Here are stanzas from many of the poems of Longfellow, Lowell, Whittier, Van Dyke, Tennyson, Dryden, Holmes, Shakespeare, Mrs. Browning, Pope, Keats, and Milton, including some of the noblest poetry in the English language. It is a fine sort of test for Bible study. Can they claim to be really educated who fail in such a test? They lack one of the first requisites of real culture if they cannot explain their own best literature—just because they do not know the Bible, which is so deeply rooted in the literature, the culture and racial experience of this Bible reading race. To be true to our heritage, as well as to the vital interests of our children, we must teach them the Bible.

Mr. William Lyon Phelps, popular professor of English in Yale, pays this high tribute to the Bible: "I thoroughly believe in a university education for both men and women; but I believe a knowledge of the Bible without a college education is more valuable than a college course without the Bible. No other learning or culture, no matter how extensive or elegant, can form a proper substitute for it." This is high praise for the Bible, coming from so eminent an authority in the field of literature. He doubtless had in mind the fact that the Bible is the necessary key to the world's finest culture, art, and literature. It is equally true that the Bible is the great source Book of moral enthusiasm, the matchless Book of ideals for youth.

The great character studies in the Bible are particularly useful for you young people. You are most interested in personality, the way your heroes became great, and the ideals which were the secret of their greatness. Though you may have read the great classic biographies of the Scriptures in your childhood, you find fresh meanings in them when you study them again in youth. This is especially true of the gospels. The full value of the high courage, the extreme unselfishness, the persistent life purpose, and the heroic self-sacrifice of Jesus you could not appreciate as children. Now as you approach young manhood or womanhood you discover the noble ideal back of it all. You see in Christ your own noblest ideal personified.

A teacher, eminent in scientific research, in describing the wondrous beauty and the mysterious structure of a leaf said that any beginner can see the facts for himself if he is provided with a leaf and a microscope. But how helpless the beginner would be if he had only the leaf and not the microscope! The leaf would be perfect in all its parts; it would contain rare beauty of form, color, and structure; but the beginner would be ignorant of it if he had not the microscope to see it. Without the aid of a microscope a scientific teacher even could not see the mysterious substance, the strange movements, and the beautiful structure of the leaf. The optical instrument is as necessary for the intelligent as for the ignorant. If a man were to examine the leaf, without the aid of the instrument, and declare his inability to see any inner beauty, form, and structure in the leaf, the simple answer would be that these are things which can be only microscopically discerned. Now this is not merely the teaching of scientists, it is the teaching of the apostles. Spiritual things can be seen only by spiritual minds—a mind aided and strengthened by the higher power of vision which the Spirit of God imparts.

There was a literary woman who stood high among the book critics. One day in reviewing a book she said, "Who wrote this book? It is beautifully written, but there is something wrong here and there!" She proceeded to criticize with a good deal of severity. Some months afterwards this lady became acquainted with the author of

the book, fell in love and married him. She took the same book again and said, "What a beautiful book! There are some mistakes here and there, but they ought to be overlooked." The book was just the same as it had been before, but the critic had changed. When she began to love the author it changed her attitude toward the book. So it is with us and the Bible. Some people do not love the Bible because they do not love Christ.

With these thoughts before us can we not conclude that we still need this ancient Book and our progressive homes need it, possibly all the more because they are modern and need the spiritual clarity of the Bible to offset the mechanistic and the materialistic views of life they have gained from their studies. We need the guidance of the God-inspired men of the Bible, that we, too, may become seers and find a vital, spiritual interpretation for our own feverish age. With fine insight Doctor Palmer says, "The great thing which the Bible can do for our religious life is not to present to us an artificially preserved message from God, to which we can go to learn his will. It is rather so to present to us the spectacle of other men in other days hearing his voice and finding help in his presence that we shall be inspired to follow their example and open our lives to the indwelling of his Spirit." We are also to be responsible to his still small voice and go out into our world to find every common bush aflame with God. The supreme value of the Bible is not merely to find God there, but to gain inspiration to find him here, now. Each age must renew for itself something akin to the experience recorded in the Bible.

LOVE IS ENOUGH

Love is enough to show us the way
To live with each other in peace day by day;
Love is enough, without scourge or rod,
To make us feel humble and point us to God.
For all of our striving a gentle rebuff
Is found in these words, that "Love is enough."

Love is enough to right every wrong,
To give to each heart a jubilant song;
Pride falls before it, jealousies too,
For love is enough to make us all true.
On the highways of life, no matter how rough,
We may always be sure that "Love is enough."

—Paul Parker.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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A MESSAGE FOR VACATION SCHOOL LEADERS

Many Vacation Religious Day Schools are now in session, in fact most of our schools will be held during June and July, for it is becoming more evident that they should be held soon after the close of the public schools.

That the work in the future may be more efficiently done it is necessary that permanent records be kept, thus enabling those who have charge of the work next year to determine just where each child belongs. Such records are just as important in the vacation school as in the Bible school or public school.

The Sabbath School Board has prepared, at considerable cost, a certificate of graduation that it will be glad to present to all those who complete the work of the grades. In cases where a pupil has not had an opportunity to attend during the entire eight years, certificates will be granted upon completion of the seventh and eighth grade work. If certificates are desired for presentation at the closing program of the school, the undersigned must be notified some days in advance.

An effort will be made to send report blanks to each church. These should all be returned whether a Vacation Religious Day School was held or not, so that the board may have full information concerning each community. It is also important that these blanks be filled out by departments as indicated rather than by classes as given in the present "syllabus." By kindergarten is meant those who have not been in school; primary, grades 1, 2, 3; junior, grades 4, 5, 6; intermediate, grades 7, 8, 9. As will be seen, this grading is based on the work done during the school year just closed, not on the work for the coming year. Supervisors and pastors should see that these blanks are all returned.

ERLO E. SUTTON.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Rev. August Johansen, of Chicago, occupied the pulpit, June 13, while Pastor Simpson was at White Cloud. The pastor was accompanied by Herman D. Ellis and the matter of a camp site for the young people's summer camp was being investigated.

The Vacation Bible school is being held from June 22 to July 3.

A reception was held, evening of June 13, for George Crandall and family "who are soon to move to Milton, Wis., where Mr. Crandall is to have a position in the college next year," as coach.

Directors of the summer camps are Miss Marjorie Burdick and Pastor William M. Simpson; assistants, Mrs. N. Fowler and Herman Ellis.

Rev. H. Eugene Davis supplied the pulpit while Pastor Simpson was attending the semi-annual meeting at Jackson Center, Ohio.

—From Church Bulletins.

The Battle Creek daily *Moon-Journal* of June 8, had the following that will interest many *Sun* readers:

Rev. Henry N. Jordan, chaplain of the sanitarium, is to be honored tomorrow by Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Tenn., when he will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the annual commencement exercises of the institution. Chaplain Jordan left Battle Creek by train last night for Cumberland Gap.

The work of conferring the degree will be done by Dr. John Wesley Hill and Dr. Hervin U. Roop, chancellor and president, respectively, of the university. Both men have been visitors at the sanitarium. Doctor Hill, a close friend of Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, Chaplain Jordan, and others at the local institution, spoke in Battle Creek on a recent Chautauqua program on the subject, "Abraham Lincoln."

In a citation in connection with the honorary degree, Chaplain Jordan's record of achievements as a pastor is set forth. He was graduated in 1903, from Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y., and six years later received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Union Theological Seminary, where he also took graduate work.

His first work in Battle Creek was in 1917, when he became assistant chaplain and secretary of the welfare department of the sanitarium, a post which he held for two years. From 1919 to 1924, he was pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Milton, Wis. In May, 1924, he became chaplain of the sanitarium, succeeding the late Rev. M. B. Kelly, and has since served continuously in that capacity. Chaplain Jordan is expected to return to Battle Creek late this week.—*Alfred Sun*.

ALFRED, N. Y.

Although personal respect for President Boothe C. Davis is undoubtedly written in the hearts of every student with whom he has come in contact, Dante Vezzoli, who this year has completed his sophomore work in the school of ceramic engineering, chose to make his tribute in terms of something more material. Working at brief sittings, Vezzoli modeled a bust of President Davis in Italian plastercine.

The bust was exhibited in the library early this spring and drew much favorable comment. Since that time, however, Dante has been dissatisfied with certain details of his work and has constantly been striving to attain a greater degree of perfection. The revamped modeling is now complete and again on exhibit in the library. Accompanying, there is also a later work by Vezzoli—a superimposed relief of Katherine ("K") and David, children of Professor and Mrs. E. E. Hildebrand. This is on display for the first time.

Vezzoli says that the oil portrait of President Davis which is hung at the library entrance inspired him to attempt plasticine bust.

"It was slow going," he said, "and very difficult to find time when we could get together. Most of the work was done at President Davis' home. He proved to be an admirable model and was my best critic. He would absorb himself in a book and scarcely move a muscle."

Vezzoli has been to Italy three times and has taken keen interest in the works of early Italian sculptors, especially that of Michael-Angelo. He expects to keep on with that type of work largely in an amateur scale because he believes that field to

be rapidly diminishing in its professional nature.

"To follow that work by volition," he said, "would mean nothing less than starvation. If I could find a patron, however, I would throw my very heart and soul into it."

If President Davis cherishes the bust, it is problematic whether he regards it more highly than does Vezzoli prize the autographed photograph which "Prexy" gave him in return.—*Alfred Sun*.

WALWORTH, WIS.

A group of twenty-five Potawatomi Indians will come to Fontana on Thursday, June 25, and will build an Indian village on the vacant property across from Gypsy Inn, where the Boyle ice house once stood. The Indians are to be brought here in connection with the Geneva Lake Centennial celebration, which takes place on Friday and Saturday, June 26 and 27. They will remain in Fontana from Thursday noon until Monday, June 29. They are at all times under government supervision.

They have been granted permission by Fontana to sell baskets, bead work, moccasins, and other like articles which they have made. L. G. Buckles, president of the Fontana village board, urges people to buy to help the Indians, who have little money. This Indian village will be a great attraction to everyone during the few days it is in Fontana.

The Indian pageant at the centennial will be held on the vacant lot on the corner across from Buena Vista park. The land there forms a natural amphitheater, and is on the site of Chief Big Foot's lodge. A totem pole, a replica of Chief Big Foot's, will be erected there.

Some of the Indians coming next week are descendants of those living in Big Foot's village at the same spot a century ago, and they will re-enact their ancestors' first meeting with the arriving whites.

The historic "tree-burial" of a son of Chief Big Foot, whose body was placed in a hollowed log and placed high in a tall tree on the Fontana shore, "so that his spirit could always look at the waters he so loved," as his father said, will be reproduced in replica by the historical exhibit committee and similarly placed, with an ex-

planatory tablet for the information of visitors and those attending the centennial. The portion of an original Potawatomi dug-out canoe recently recovered from the lake and owned by the Geneva Lake Historical Society, will be used for this purpose.

—*Walworth Times.*

WESTERLY, R. I.

At the one hundred sixty-third commencement of Brown University held in the First Baptist Meeting House, Providence, yesterday, Miss Martha E. Burdick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis K. Burdick of 33 William Street, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree.

During her four years at college Miss Burdick has been active in social affairs and athletics. She was a member of the glee club, the choir, and one of the varsity athletic teams.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Burdick of William Street and Stanton Burdick of New York City were in Providence yesterday to attend the commencement exercises at Brown University.

Mystic, June 12—Mr. and Mrs. George H. Greenman, highly esteemed residents of Mystic, will quietly observe their sixty-seventh wedding anniversary at their home on Greenmanville Avenue tomorrow. During the day they will receive their many friends informally at their home. Both Mr. and Mrs. Greenman are well and active and interested in the events of the day.

Mrs. Greenman was born in Little Genesee, N. Y. Her husband, a native of Old Mystic, when one year old came with his parents to Mystic to the house in which he now lives. He was associated for a number of years with his father in the ship building business and later entered the woolen business in Greenmanville and the Standard Machinery Company and the office of the Rossie Velvet Company. He has been retired for a number of years.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Greenman took place in Little Genesee, N. Y., June 13, 1864, Rev. Thomas Brown being the officiating clergyman. They have five children: Anne Greenman, Mrs. Herbert Davis and George B. Greenman of Mystic; Miss Bessie Greenman of Boston; and William C. Greenman of Pennsylvania.

A daughter, Mrs. L. M. Allyn of Mystic, is deceased.

The best wishes of the community are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Greenman for many more such happy occasions.

—*Westerly Sun.*

BROOKFIELD, N. Y.

At the meeting of the staff of Faxon Hospital, held last week, the staff congratulated Dr. H. C. Brown of Brookfield, a member, on having completed fifty years of medical service to the residents of this community and on the two years' time he gave as a teacher before taking up the study of medicine. Doctor Brown responded and talked of the duties of a surgeon in the '70s before the days of antiseptics and before ether was used as an anaesthetic.

—*Brookfield Courier.*

DE RUYTER, N. Y.

Mrs. R. R. Thorngate of Cherry Creek, N. Y., was a week-end guest of Pastor and Mrs. T. J. Van Horn. She was here to find a place for her family to live. It is to be hoped that a suitable place will be found. A little more than a year ago she and her husband returned from their missionary work in South America.

Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Wing of White Cloud, Mich., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. K. C. Newcomb, and family at Cuyler, and friends in De Ruyter.

—*De Ruyter Gleaner.*

NORTH LOUP, NEB.

The Nellie B. Shaw Missionary society of the Seventh Day Baptist church held their annual guest day Wednesday, in the church parlors. The ladies of the church were guests.

The program, arranged by the program committee, was of a humorous nature. Following the devotionals led by Mrs. Stella Babcock came three talks: one by Vesta Thorngate on "Experiences in Raising Chickens," one by Marcia Rood on "Funny Incidents in School Teaching," and an impromptu talk by Mrs. Hemphill on "A Humorous Experience in My Life." Merle Sayre gave a reading in which she demonstrated a delightful costume, both for work and play. Alice Van Horn also gave a

reading on the experiences of a couple of twins... Delightful piano duets were played by Nina Johnson and Ella Green, also by Georgia Greene and Maybelle Warren. A quartet of young women—Margaret Sayre, DeEsta Greene, Virginia Moulton, and Mary Cox—arranged by Sadie Cox, gave a number and responded to an encore. Mrs. Warren accompanied them. "The Whistler and Dog" was given by Mary A. Davis as a whistling solo. She was in costume and had her dog with her. All joined heartily in a series of rounds which were led by Louise Brennick. A stunt, "Days of '49," was arranged by Myra Barber, in which several guests took part.

During the social hour which followed, delightful refreshments were served by the hostesses, and the members of the society and their guests enjoyed a pleasant time in visiting.

The Junior subject, "Fair Play," was led by Bert Cruzan.

Pastor Warren helped the intermediates consider, "If Not School, What?"

Senior endeavorers were led by Marcia Rood on the subject of being thoughtful of others. At the business session which followed, the report of the nominating committee was read and adopted. It was decided to have a part on the program of the association meeting which will be held in Dodge Center, the first of July. It was voted to pay \$50 to the church budget.

Vesper services began last Sabbath evening and will continue throughout the summer. The prayer meeting committee will be in charge. The first service was led by Delmer Van Horn. Hymns were led by his sisters, Elsie and Alta, with Delmer accompanying. He also played a trombone solo, accompanied by Mrs. Ava Johnson. Scripture was read by Clarence Sweetland and a solo was given by Ralph Sayre. The service lasts but half an hour, ending with the sunset bell. Everyone is invited to attend.

A Junior picnic was held on Tuesday afternoon, in the bluffs near Ord, honoring those of their number who will graduate into the Intermediate society the first of July. The boys and girls were cared for by their superintendent, Marcia Rood, and by Mary Davis.

The subject for the sermon Sabbath morning will be "The Call to Complete Consecration."

There will be baptism at prayer meeting tonight.—*North Loup Loyalist.*

ASHAWAY, R. I.

Rev. Emmett Bottoms of Middle Island, a delegate from the Southeastern Association to the Eastern and Central associations of the Seventh Day Baptists, has been the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Carroll L. Hill and family. On Thursday morning Rev. William L. Burdick, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, and Mr. Bottoms left for Brookfield, N. Y., to attend the Central Association.

—*Westerly Sun.*

SALEM, W. VA.

A special class in metal craft is announced by the college for the eight weeks of the summer school. The class is being instructed by Miss Margaret Trainer, and makes use of silver, copper, brass, and semi-precious stones in the work. Those interested in the class may secure more definite information at the college office or from Miss Trainer.

Vacation Bible schools began this week at both the First Baptist and the Seventh Day Baptist churches, where a great many children are enrolled for the courses of instruction.—*Salem Herald.*

DENVER, COLO.

Sunday at Denver, a North Loup picnic was held in Washington Park. Eighty-five people were present, most of them being North Loupers. Besides these who have just returned home, the company included Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hutchins, the Redlons, Davises, Sid True and wife, Jesse Laverty and wife, Paul Clement, Willet Wright and family, the Roy Colemans, the Erlow Davises, and the Saunders families of Boulder, Ed Mulligan's son and wife, Will Green and daughter Lily and family, and others whose names have not been furnished.

It is estimated that about 125 North Loupers live in Denver. Needless to say the day was thoroughly enjoyed.

—*North Loup Loyalist.*

NORTH LOUP, NEB.

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Davis have been entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Lucile Crandall and daughter Barbara, this week; their son, Alonzo Davis and wife of Battle Creek; and their daughter, Mrs. Dena Lewis of Plainfield, N. J.

—North Loup Loyalist.

"We have very few reminders of Eden in the world at present but the Sabbath is one of them and we ought to prize it highly. If the Sabbath had always been kept, continually reminding man of his Creator, atheism would have been impossible."

Sabbath School Lesson II.—July 11, 1931

THE PREACHING OF THE APOSTLES.—Acts 3: 1—4: 31; 1 Corinthians 1: 21-25.

Golden Text: "We must obey God rather than men." Acts 5: 29.

DAILY READINGS

July 5—In the Name of Jesus. Acts 3: 11-26.

July 6—The Boldness of Peter and John. Acts 4: 5-14.

July 7—Boldness in Preaching. Ephesians 6: 10-20.

July 8—Boldness by Faith. Daniel 3: 13-23.

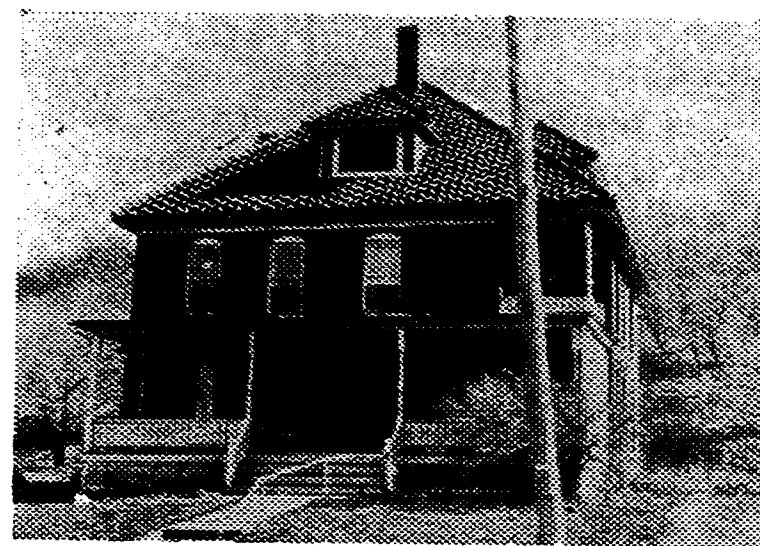
July 9—Paul's Courageous Preaching. Acts 22: 1-10.

July 10—Not Ashamed. Romans 1: 8-17.

July 11—The Power of the Gospel. Romans 10: 5-15.

(For Lesson Notes, see *Helping Hand*)

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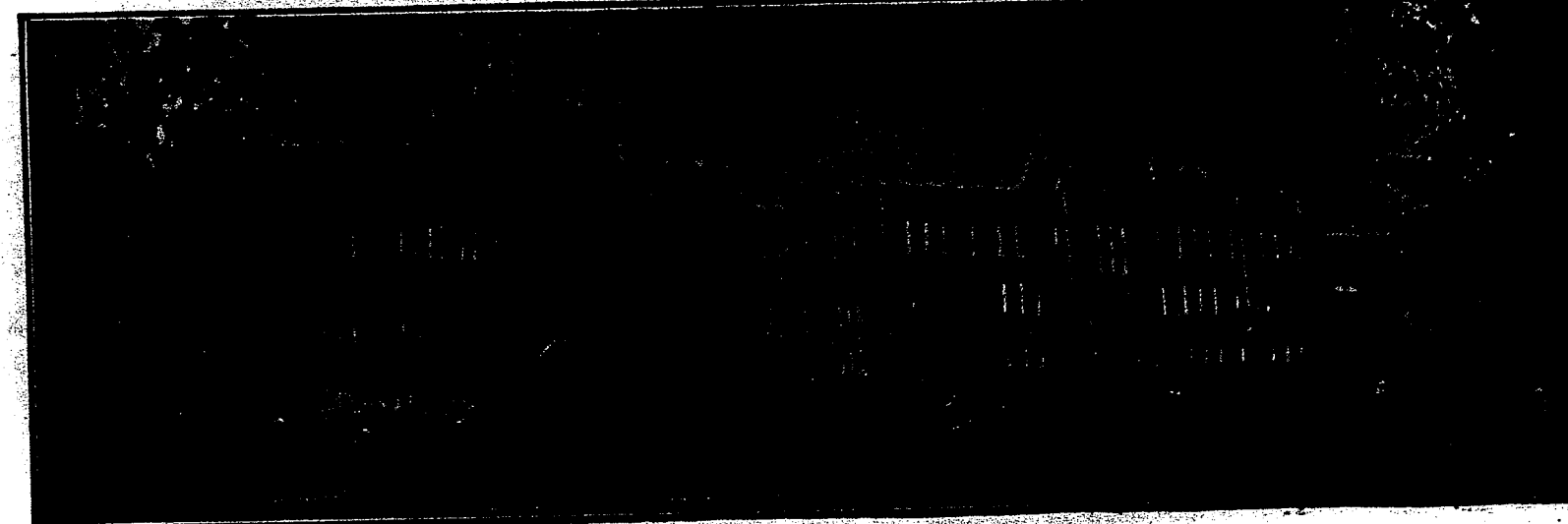
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