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DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

WHITE CLOUD, MICH.

A two weeks' session of Vacation Bible School was held here in July. About 68 pupils were enrolled, about twenty per cent of whom were from our own church. Seven teachers, including the ministers of two neighboring churches, made up the teaching staff. A demonstration was held on the last Friday evening of school and a fine interest was shown. We hope that the seed sown will bring forth much fruit.

The Ladies' Aid Society is financing the painting of the woodwork on the outside of the church and the Young People's Auxiliary has cleaned and re-decorated the entire basement, making a great improvement in the appearance both inside and out.

The Tithe and Birthday Club have recently sent \$15 to the Hargis family in Jamaica to

help in the work there. This money was made up for the most part, of the pennies, nickels, and dimes brought in by youngsters who faithfully bring their tithes unto God's storehouse.

We have added one new member to our midst by baptism this summer. This young woman, a school teacher, has been convinced of the Sabbath truth and is joyfully keeping the Sabbath and letting her light shine before her friends.

Corresponding Secretary.

ALFRED STATION, N. Y.

The night of September 3, instead of the all church night with the 3 cent supper, will be a church business meeting. The purpose will be to see about a pastor to fill Pastor Van Horn's place, whose resignation will take place between the 1st and 15th of September. It is hoped all that are interested will be present.

—Alfred Sun.

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A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO GO TO COLLEGE

We thank thee, our heavenly Father, for our institutions of higher learning; for the men of vision who have established them, for the multitude of earnest men and women who have supported and maintained them, and for the highminded scholarly instructors who have made them what they are. May thy blessing rest upon them as they begin the work of another year. May all teachers realize their responsibility and seek to impart above all else the true wisdom that is rooted in thy word of truth and light. Bless the young men and women who take up their studies and help them all to recognize and appreciate that the path of the righteous is as the dawning light, and to keep their hearts with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

—From the Messenger.

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Conference Business Fears felt by many that a Council-Conference such as projected would mean wearisome business that might obliterate all possible spirituality proved ungrounded. The contrary was true. We believe many went from Conference impressed with its unusually high spiritual atmosphere. To this the business sessions contributed not a little.

Ready reports, concise statements, tempered debate, constructive criticism, mellowed appreciation of others' points of view made not only for harmonious fellowship but furnished background for spiritual power and progress. The regular scheduled stops for prayer—formerly commented upon—were refreshing oases and meant much.

The nucleus work done during past months greatly facilitated the work of the Council committees approved by Conference. Research results, surveys, information, and other valuable material had been assembled. Most of the committee meetings were well attended throughout the two days specially designated for their work. Members of these committees took their appointment seriously. The presence of young people was noted and appreciated.

More people, probably, than in any previous Conference in years, were engaged in wrestling with problems which confront a few leaders all the time. In this way new minds were furnished with information and fresh hearts challenged with the greatness and difficulties of our tasks. If nothing more came than this, the Council-Conference has already proved a success. But more is forthcoming, and reactions are already being felt at headquarters as continuing and standing committees are going into action.

Expectation of the appearance, soon, of full reports in printed form from all the Council-Conference committees makes it unnecessary to reproduce them in the limited space of the RECORDER. Hence a few excerpts must suffice us here.

After listing, candidly, our liabilities and assets in a survey of fifty years, the Committee on Denominational Outlook declares:

The Seventh Day Baptist denomination is not a temporary phenomenon in religious history. It arose with the Reformation movement and has lived for three hundred years with the Reformation movement; and it has lived three hundred years because it has a vital message and because it has had the support of men and women of strong convictions, strong character, and heroic self-sacrifice.

The authority and value of its message cannot change in the future. Given the same strength of conviction and of character, and the same loyal support on the part of its members for the future, its continuance seems assured.

The decline in enrolled membership in the United States in the last half century has been accompanied by a very substantial increase in material assets. Endowments and plants have grown from negligible sums to well above five million dollars. The denominational organization has become strongly institutionalized.

The facts suggest that we have been influenced by the material developments of our country in this half century, and slackened our emphasis on the doctrines of our faith. They should now call us to a renewed emphasis on the gospel message and the doctrine of the Bible Sabbath.

They should challenge us to renewed consecration in the wide use of the larger material resources, placed in our hands in the last half century, as instruments for greater spiritual conquests in the next half century.

The fact that only about 38 per cent of our members are contributing regularly to church and denominational funds, points to the necessity of enlisting our full membership in systematic giving, as a spiritual service. Here seems to be one of our greatest needs as we face the future of the denomination. We may confidently expect a spiritual revival with a revival of sacrificial giving.

The fact that our overseas membership has grown substantially in recent years should fill us with gratitude for the heroic labors of the leaders in these countries, and with humility that perhaps our American material prosperity has dulled our sense of responsibility and lulled us into a mood of "marking time," while our brethren abroad are marching on.

Past history and experience should lead us to gird ourselves anew for a task which is not measured by generations, or even by centuries; but only by eternity A new emphasis upon the spiritual, in the next half century, should result in larger membership gains, as seems evident in the half century before the one now closing. We cannot anticipate "wholesale" gains in numbers in the near future, but if we prove faithful in keeping the truth before the people, God will overrule time and conditions and will lead each generation in making its contribution until truth triumphs at such a time and in such a way as his Providence directs. We are called to be his faithful witnesses throughout the centuries until his "kingdom come."

The spiritual resources of the denomination are unimpaired, notwithstanding the fact that the present and future present new difficulties to be met and overcome. Changed theological emphasis, new historical and scientific methods, even economic reverses, cannot alter divine commands. They cannot change the example of Jesus or void his promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

J. Nelson Norwood, *Chairman.*

Sabbath at Conference After the well-filled days of the week, the Sabbath came with its quiet blessing. Pastor Albert N. Rogers of Waterford, Conn., led the vesper services on Sabbath evening. His spiritual meditation on "After this manner pray ye," with appropriate hymns, two anthems, two solos (a tenor and a baritone), and a duet, led to the stirring sermon by Dr. James L. Skaggs of Salem, W. Va., on "The Abundant Life."

Following the sermon Pastor Skaggs conducted the always-appreciated testimony meeting of Conference, when an hour was packed full of earnest expressions of faith and love.

Sabbath Morning

The early morning communion service at our own church was conducted by Rev. George B. Shaw and Rev. Herbert L. Polan, former pastors of the two entertaining churches. The service was largely attended and especially appreciated by those not often privileged to attend.

At ten-thirty the main meeting of the day was held at the Conference church with Pastors Warren and Sutton in charge. The

worship was especially uplifting, with former Pastor Ahva J. C. Bond reading the Scripture lesson and offering the prayer. As a part of the service Rev. Walter L. Greene of Andover, N. Y., conducted a fitting memorial season for the three ministers deceased during the year, Dr. Theodore L. Gardiner, Rev. Freerk J. Bakker, and Rev. H. Louie Mignott.

The sermon of the day was delivered by Dr. Boothe C. Davis, president *emeritus* of Alfred University and life-long leader among Seventh Day Baptists. His sermon already has appeared in a Conference number of the SABBATH RECORDER and needs no further comment. When the benediction had been pronounced following the heartfelt singing of "Majestic sweetness sits enthroned upon the Savior's brow," some five hundred or more Seventh Day Baptist worshipers broke up into small, appreciative groups to discuss the sermon and for cordial fellowship. It was a great season, and lovely weather—before mentioned—contributed to the content and blessing of the day.

Young People's Program

In the afternoon the young folks under the leadership of President Burton B. Crandall gave an unusually fine program. Owing to duties calling elsewhere, the editor was not able to attend this session. The importance of "Prayer," "Worship," "Religious Books," "Church Activity," and "Social Contact" to "Our Personal Religious Life" was discussed in round table by Miss Pauline Groves of Jackson Center, Ohio; Miss Carol Davis of Shanghai, China; Miss Mary Hummel of Boulder, Colo.; Dighton Polan, Brookfield, N. Y.; Winthrop Davis, Shanghai.

This hour will, we trust, be more fully reported by the young people's new editor, Pastor Marion C. Van Horn.

The young people's social activities and special programs are reported by Frederik J. Bakker elsewhere in this issue.

Other Matters

The sessions on the night after the Sabbath and Sunday morning and afternoon were fully devoted to business—when helpful, vital reports were presented and quite thoroughly discussed. The reports of Council committees are being put into printed form and will be ready for distribution among the churches at an early date. What the churches—that is,

what *we*—do about the matters there brought before us will determine how much the Council-Conference amounts to.

The editor has already mentioned the woman's work. The splendid report of the Council-Conference committee on woman's work will be found in their department in an early issue, and should have the careful attention of all.

The introduction of the new Conference president, Rev. Erlo E. Sutton of Denver, Colo., and the reception of a new minister and a new church have already been reported.

The closing Conference message was brought by Dr. H. Eugene Davis, head of our mission in China, at home on furlough. His sermon appears in Our Pulpit this week—as stenographically reported by Mrs. Paul Maxson of Alfred Theological Seminary.

A deep impression was made on all as the ministers gathered at the altar in reconsecration for their tasks ahead, and virtually the whole large congregation stood bowed as part of that and of their own consecration.

BRIEFS

The birth control program of Puerto Rico, passed a year ago because of the population increase pressure on that island, has recently been declared as violating Federal statutes by the United States Attorney General's office. This ruling upholds the vigorous protesting stand taken by the Catholic Church.

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Can we continue to call our beloved land a Christian country? It is believed to be so by many unthinking people, and many of us are truly anxious to have it so. But calling it so does not make it so. A contemporary well says: "When we ponder the fact that it spends over six billion dollars a year for booze, and other billions for pleasure, meanwhile letting fourteen million workers go jobless and needy, and the leaders say, 'We planned it this way,' it is time to wake up and realize that we are pagan and not Christian."

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One of our state university towns sets an example that would be good for the villages of our own schools to note. As a feature of "Freshman Week" just recently this little city invited nearly seven hundred new students to dinner in their homes on Sunday. The influence of such friendly hospitality can hardly be measured upon lonely young people far from their own home firesides.

What would you guess has been the best selling song during the last twenty-five years? In spite of the song "hits," crooning melodies, and "love songs," the song being credited with the largest number of sales is the evangelistic hit of Homer Rodeheaver, "Brighten the Corner," with fifteen million copies sold.

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Five thousand years from now, we are informed by the authorities, archeologists will dig deep into the grounds of the New York World's Fair, 1939, unearthing a metal cylinder seven feet long, and discover within it a "cross-section" of today. Scientists are busy now assembling the varied contents of this receptacle, to include microscopic books, small articles of every day use, and motion picture film which will tell people of the seventieth century how those of the twentieth century looked, dressed, and behaved. Rather an optimistic expectation.

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Discovery of large mountain caves in Canada's northwest wilderness, believed to contain evidence of habitation by primitive men who migrated from Asia thousands of years ago, was reported by Dr. Wesley L. Bliss, University of New Mexico archeologist. Doctor Bliss, who has just returned from a five-month expedition, said his findings added much strength to the theory that America's first inhabitants reached the continent across the Bering Straits, thousands of years ago. Valuable relics found by the expedition in caves and other archeological formations will be shipped to the University of New Mexico. They include roughly chipped stone weapons and cooking utensils and a precious fragment of an aged basket weave. Doctor Bliss also found a preserved elephant's tooth on the rim of the Arctic Ocean. "There's no doubt that elephants and other mammoth animals roamed that region thousands of years ago," the professor said.—*M. P. Recorder.*

TITHING TRUTH IN BULLETIN FORM

The Layman Company, which serves all the churches, is now putting out tithing pamphlets in four-page bulletin form, printed on two inside pages only, the other two pages blank for local material. This is a good opportunity for five or ten weeks of tithing education without extra expense or special distribution. There are thirty-two subjects to choose from, and a sample set will be sent

for twenty cents by the Layman Company, 730 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill.

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MISSIONS

A WORTHY EXPERIMENT

The Disciples of Christ have formed what is called the "League of 100,000 Disciples." This movement is an effort to promote evangelism, especially in the churches of that denomination, and "to change evangelistic losses into gains." An article in the *Christian-Evangelist* for August 26 describes the plan as follows:

The league is to consist of one hundred thousand Christian men and women who have the interest of the kingdom sufficiently at heart that they will covenant to do their best each to win one person to Christ and the Church before June 30, 1939.

The only requirement for membership in the league is that a Christian pledge himself to do his best to win one person to Christ in the space of a year. No members are voted in or out of the league, every person joining the league doing so only under the compulsion of his own Christian conscience.

Pastors have been supplied with a simple enrollment card. When this card has been signed the person will be presented with a certificate of membership. This certificate has attached to it a "Victory Report" blank which is to be filled out when you have won your individual for Christ.

This simple plan has received wide approval by state secretaries and pastors who have committed themselves to it with enthusiasm.

This is an interesting and hopeful experiment. All Christian people will give the effort their prayers and watch the results with profound interest.

We recognize evangelism as the hope of the Church; but what methods to use in promoting evangelism in this day is a most difficult problem and this is seen from the fact that about one-third of the 240,000 churches in the United States report no accessions by confession. This does not mean that 80,000 of the churches in the United States are useless, but it does challenge us to serious consideration of the problem and to greater endeavor. One of the great objects of the Church of Christ is to win men to his way of life. "And he that winneth souls is wise."

Most churches and pastors are beginning to outline their programs for the new Conference year. What is your program regarding evangelism?

LETTER REGARDING WORK IN JAMAICA, B.W.I.

Rev. W. L. Burdick,
Ashaway, R. I., U.S.A.

Dear Brother Burdick:

We are anxious to place before our friends in the churches in the United States some of the last minute news of our work here in Jamaica. More than ever before we feel this field is ripe for reaping for our people, if we can meet the opportunity. We are pleased, and the field is encouraged, in the proposed sending of a worker here during our furlough. The guidance of the work means so much in all fields, and the churches need the wider experience of a field representative. Co-operation with me during these years has been surprisingly splendid.

On June 12 Mrs. Hargis, Miss Rennalls, Miss Thompson, and I went to Swift River where we were to baptize a group. We were hailed by a crowd near the sea, some six miles from Swift River, and told the baptism was to be there. The inlet was quiet and six candidates were baptized before the waiting friends and later united with the group membership. This group had traveled by truck to the spot, and soon after baptism they were loaded again and off for home. We followed in our car and spent the day in this new field. Brother B. B. Wilson is the leader and at his home we stopped. Brother Smith had been on the field for a few weeks and the candidates were a product of his good work. In the afternoon a program was given and following that a preaching service. We hope to organize a church at Swift River before the year closes.

On June 18 I went to Guy's Hill where five were baptized and united with the church. A good crowd witnessed the service, lining the banks of the stream. In the afternoon a flower service was given. It was one of the best presentations they have ever given. Five babies were consecrated to the Lord. The Guy's Hill brethren are planning for a new building and work has already begun.

On July 10 Bath Church had a big harvest and the Luna Church choir came for the day to visit and help. Mrs. Hargis will write

a detailed description of this later. We had a successful day—I wish people in the U.S.A. could see the churches at harvest time decorated and well filled by generous hearts of the brethren in gifts of every sort from bunches of bananas to the smallest garden harvest (quarts of corn, peas, etc.).

July 23 at Bowensville we baptized four in a stream that is strikingly beautiful. Six were added to the church at a service later in the day. Four babies were consecrated. This church is pushing ahead in trying to finish their building. They raised £2.16.0 at the program in the afternoon, and as I write I am expecting a truck to arrive at my gate which is coming in to carry out about £12.0.0 worth of lumber for the building.

August 6 (Sabbath), we made a trip to the Albion Mountain Church and found things in a discouraged condition. We counseled with them and after a thorough consideration of their hopes and plans, things were set for new efforts in the work they love. They plan a new building as soon as possible. The women and men, also, carry stone on their heads for quite a distance for this purpose. Three babies were consecrated.

Emancipation day, August 1, passed quietly—it was rumored that the natives planned a rebellion on that day similar to the riot of May 25. The terrible railroad disaster two days before caused a pall of grief to settle over the island and many think this accident helped to hold the people from rebellion.

August 7 found us at Luna Church, twenty-one miles out of Kingston, and there they had laid plans to care for three hundred people in a grand social. We spent a very pleasant day and Mrs. Hargis will write the details in a later letter.

On August 13, 14, I visited Wakefield Church over near Montego Bay, and spent a pleasant Sabbath discussing their future program, as well as having a full worship day. Sunday morning three were baptized in the Golden Grove River. In the afternoon a preaching service was held, after which I headed my car toward Kingston, arriving home at 9.30 p.m.

Services in Kingston have been well cared for by the brethren and young people. Some very excellent talent has been discovered. We are anxious to see this talent kept and used, so hope a man may be placed on the field soon.

The clubs of boys and girls are working well and having programs, where their talent is developed in a surprising way. A social held at our home, where the boys entertained the girls, was declared exceptional in its whole make-up, from beginning to end.

Please pray for us that in these closing days we may be guided to do the right thing in every church, and individual, decision.

Yours in kingdom work,
Pastor G. D. Hargis.

No. 1 Slipe Road,
Cross Roads P. O.,
Jamaica, B. W. I.,
August 16, 1938.

REPORT OF GRACE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, SHANGHAI, CHINA

BY MISS LUCRETIA CHU, PRINCIPAL

The past year has been a year of great sorrow and expectancy, a time of confusion and disorder. Our hearts wear mourning because of Miss Burdick's going. She was our friend, mother, and teacher all these years. Her sweet Christian life was remembered at a memorial service for her on April, the sixteenth.

We knew God would not leave her children without help at this critical time of sorrow, and we were satisfied with the happy news of Miss West's return with her mother, Mrs. West.

The Shanghai war has brought many refugees to our school. For some time the Girls' School alone had over two hundred refugees. At the time when this is written there are about a hundred refugees left. One group of refugees has been Miss Eleanor Woo's Bible students and orphans. Miss Woo has been so kind as to teach a Bible class in our school. She took work in the Biblical Seminary of New York and is a very earnest and spiritual worker.

Because of the war conditions we started the year with half-day sessions and the Presbyterian Boys' School has been using part of our rooms in the afternoon. There have been cuts in tuitions and salaries, and the staff has been reduced from twenty to fifteen members.

The number of students enrolled for the first semester was 265 to start with, but on account of the war the number was reduced to 145. This term we have in the kinder-

garten 40, in the lower primary 104, in the higher primary 50, and in the junior high school 88.

It was the war, too, that brought Mr. Gardner Tewksbury and Mr. Lautenslager to us for a few evangelistic meetings which were very helpful. May the years to come be more blessed by him.

THE RESURRECTION MEMORIAL

BY W. M. JONES
(In "Signs of the Messiah")

No doctrine ever startled a sleeping world and "turned it upside down" like that of the resurrection of our Lord. The apostles proclaimed on all occasions, and with all the confidence and certainty of personal knowledge and accomplished fact, that Christ "rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures." This we all believe; and therefore we make our baptism a solemn affirmation that he did rise from the dead.

But where is there a phrase or word of Scripture that affirms that the first day is to be celebrated for any religious purpose whatever? Let the reader search and see. If it be in the Scriptures he can find it; and if not, what then? Simply this—to use the recent remark of a scholarly churchman—"Sunday is a habit, merely a custom; it is without a particle of Scripture to sustain it." Would Christ join a memorial of himself to any one of the Ten Commandments or would he be likely to unite the memorials of the creation and the resurrection in one institution, or observance, as is said to be done by changing the Sabbath to the first day in order to combine Sabbath and resurrection in one day? Is there any example of this kind in all his teachings? Would he displace his Father's special appointment of the seventh day, which is also Christ's own day—for he is its Lord—and say nothing about it? No, verily.

But observe that there is a divinely appointed memorial for the resurrection. The Sabbath is the capital day of the seven; it is for all men irrespective of creed, race, or condition, and is designed to keep them from idolatry and atheism. The baptism of the believer, as the memorial of the resurrection, is designed to perpetuate in the most striking and solemn manner the fact that Christ was buried and did rise from the dead; and we contend that the believer should be taught that he affirms this when he submits to this ordi-

nance. Christ died but once, was buried, and rose again. The believer dies to transgression and lives to obedience, and by his baptism he testifies that his Lord and Master rose a conqueror over death and became the pledge of his resurrection in the last day.

That the believer's baptism is the memorial of Christ's resurrection is evident from Romans 6: 3-5. With this view agree several authors, among them Doctor Hammond of the Established Church, 1675, who, in his *paraphrase* on the foregoing, says that "baptism is answerable to, and is the lively resemblance and portraiture of Christ's resurrection."

In 1 Corinthians 15, the resurrection of Christ is made the most important fact of the gospel. Having adduced indisputable proof that Christ rose from the dead, the apostle in the twenty-ninth verse speaks of the witness of baptism to that event. To put this verse in harmony with the preceding part of the chapter, the sense is plainly this: "Else what shall they do which are baptized for [the resurrection of] the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for [the resurrection of] the dead? Colossians 2: 12 and 1 Peter 3: 21, also symbolize the resurrection of Christ by baptism.

In the foregoing passages the close connection of the words baptism and resurrection in the same verses will be noticed, and also the evident significance of baptism as the symbolic memorial for the resurrection. No such use of the first day and resurrection is to be found in the New Testament. It is a sad departure from the design of baptism to make the first day a memorial of the resurrection, and the more so because the true Sabbath is ignored and put out of mind. Let it be remembered, then, that creation's memorial is the Sabbath—the seventh day—God's perpetual testimony against idolatry and atheism; and that as the Supper commemorates the death of Christ, so baptism points to his resurrection as the pledge of the believer's part in the first resurrection.

15 Mill Yard, Goodman's Fields,
London, E.,
September 14, 1878.

[The foregoing is copied from the second edition of "The Sign of the Messiah," a pamphlet containing thirteen articles by ten different writers; published in 1885, by Rev. William Meade Jones, late of 56 Mildmay Park, London, N.]

"What is in the well of your heart is bound to come up in the bucket of your speech."

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Dear RECORDER Girls and Boys:

Again it is time for us to fill our page in the SABBATH RECORDER, but not one single letter have I received this week. Don't you think it would be a good plan to write soon before you get too busy with your school work? I do hope I will not have to look in vain for letters next week or few if any weeks in the future. Don't you? Please help me to have my hope realized.

In the absence of letters I will tell you the story I told to the children at Conference.

Affectionately yours,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Andover, N. Y.,

September 11, 1938.

A BRAVE LITTLE MAID

There lived many, many years ago, in a country far across the sea, a dear little girl. We do not know her name, so we will call her the "Little Maid."

Our Little Maid had a happy home with a kind father and mother and perhaps several brothers and sisters and was a very helpful, contented little girl, until one day a terrible thing happened. A cruel enemy nation came and destroyed her home and carried her away to a distant country and she became the property of a great captain of that country, named Naaman, who gave her to his wife for her own personal servant.

Of course our Little Maid had great cause to be unhappy and she might have been a very unwilling and disagreeable little servant to pay back whatever cruel treatment she had received, but her mistress was very kind to her and she made the best of things by trying to be one of the most faithful, helpful little servants in the world, until mistress and maid learned to love each other dearly.

Now Captain Naaman was a fine figure of a man, tall, strong, and robust, with clear eyes and ruddy cheeks and, of course, his wife was very fond and proud of him for he was both good and handsome. But alas, a terrible thing happened; Naaman caught a contagious disease called leprosy, for which there was no known cure. Besides he could no longer live with his family, his army, or his friends lest they, too, catch the terrible disease. He must go off far away from everyone except other lepers like himself. Should any-

one come near them they must cry, "Unclean, unclean!"

All this the Little Maid learned when one day she came at her mistress' call and found her weeping bitterly. As soon as she learned the sad news, she smiled happily and said, "Do not be sad, dear Mistress, for in my country is a great prophet who can cure the Master, for our great Jehovah God works through him." This she said over and over again and seemed so very sure of the prophet's power that her mistress took new courage and she besought Naaman to take the long journey to the land from which the Little Maid came, so that he might be cured.

Poor Naaman was in a very bad way. No longer was he clear of eye and ruddy of cheek and he seemed as feeble as an old man. He had consulted all the great doctors in his own land and they could not help him. He decided to try the great doctor of whom the Little Maid had spoken. So he started out on the long journey to the Little Maid's country, and with him were soldiers and chariots and gifts of gold and rich jewels. Away they went and the Little Maid and her mistress looked after them until not even a cloud of dust was to be seen. Then again they watched the road for many days until at last they saw the travelers returning, and as soon as they saw Naaman they were rejoiced to see that he was as strong and beautiful as he had ever been. Then he told them all about his wonderful cure! "We came," said he, "to the king of this country and he told us where to find the prophet. We thought he would come out and, laying his hands upon me, perform a wonderful cure, but he only sent out his servant with this message, 'Go and bathe in the River Jordan seven times.' I turned away in anger and cried out, 'There are cleaner rivers in my own country; I will not bathe in your muddy Jordan.' But my servant ran after me saying, 'If the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? Why not try this simple thing he has asked of you?' So we went down to the Jordan River and bathed seven times, and when I came out the seventh time, behold I was entirely cured of my leprosy and as strong and well as you see me now."

Then there was great rejoicing in the land, but no one was more happy than our Little Maid. Best of all Naaman and his whole household began to serve Jehovah God.

Whether or not our Little Maid returned to her own country and her own family the Good Book does not tell, but let us hope she did.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AT THE 1938 GENERAL CONFERENCE

BY FREDERIK J. BAKKER

An old Holland expression says that hills and valleys do not meet, but people do. How true that is among young people at a Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

At the peaceful, newly decorated Piscataway Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Market, N. J., about thirty young people, among whom were a few young pastors, met at the pre-Conference meeting Monday evening shortly after eight o'clock. After the singing of a few hymns Professor Burton B. Crandall, president of the Young People's Board, outlined briefly the purposes and plans of the Conference. He urged us to attend the council committee meetings because as he said, since the last council was held nearly fifty years ago, and since it may be another fifty years before the next one, some of us might never have such an opportunity again.

Pastor Trevah R. Sutton invited the young people to visit the site of the old church, the old cemetery, and explained the reason for the name of the church, and names and locations of the adjacent townships and boroughs. He invited them to use the lawns and grounds about the church. He urged them to register for the Young People's Breakfast to be held at Washington Rock on Friday morning.

The young people were then invited to the church parlors to enjoy two well chosen games and refreshments. One game required them to learn the names and addresses of the persons on each side of them so that when called upon by the one standing in the center, the player could state it quickly. The next game, similar to "authors," invented by Pastor Trevah R. Sutton, based on names of Seventh Day Baptist churches, associations, and pastors was played to the enjoyment and enlightenment of all.

In the spacious Fellowship Hall of the First-Park Baptist Church of Plainfield, happy faces, bubbling conversation, and good cama-

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET
Statement of Treasurer, August, 1938

	August	Total
<i>Receipts</i>		
Alfred, First	\$ 67.77	\$ 156.62
Battle Creek	\$ 13.25	
Special	1.00	
	<u>\$ 14.25</u>	14.25
Boulder		23.00
Brookfield, First		21.00
Daytona Beach	10.40	10.40
Denver	17.00	17.00
De Ruyter	17.00	48.00
Edinburg	8.00	13.00
Fouke		2.34
Genesee, First	\$ 26.82	
Special	10.00	
	<u>\$ 36.82</u>	36.82
Hopkinton, First		3.00
Independence	4.00	4.00
Lost Creek	5.00	5.00
Marlboro	27.22	27.22
Middle Island	3.22	6.22
Milton	84.80	213.85
Milton Junction	39.34	39.34
New Auburn		8.10
New York City	10.00	20.00
Pawcatuck	250.00	503.00
Plainfield		76.45
Riverside		25.57
Rockville		17.50
Salem	50.00	50.00
Shiloh, Special	21.22	21.22
Stonefort		8.00
Waterford		13.50
<i>Individuals:</i>		
Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Davis ..\$	3.25	
Mrs. M. M. Lanphear	5.00	
A Friend	5.00	
	<u>\$ 13.25</u>	45.25
Western Association		45.51
Southeastern Association		14.67
Northwestern Association	40.67	40.67
Shiloh-Marlboro Vacation Bible School		8.50
Total receipts		\$1,539.00
August receipts, \$719.96		
<i>Disbursements</i>		
Missionary Society	\$ 316.40	
Special	22.22	
	<u>\$ 338.62</u>	338.62
Tract Society		80.50
Sabbath School Board		52.50
Young People's Board		10.50
Woman's Board		3.50
Ministerial Retirement Fund		42.00
Education Society		42.00

raderie met one. Open casement doors added a background of colorful nature, the song of birds, cool breezes, and golden sunbeams. Under such circumstances nearly seventy young people met Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings of Conference week at supper, furnished nearly at cost by the ladies of the Matlack Bible Class of the Baptist Church.

Professor Burton B. Crandall in his inimitable humorous-serious manner presided informally. After the saying of grace by a young pastor, or seminary student, the young people enjoyed the wholesome food. At the first supper the song "We Young People Are Seventh Day Baptists" rang throughout the hall, followed by college songs and American Folk Songs. During the next two evenings through the courtesy of Dr. O. B. Whitford, the young people had the use of leaflets with familiar songs. The Bond sisters added their touch of musical artistry. "Miltonians" among whom was Rev. Carroll L. Hill dramatized a humorous song. Two members of the People's Church of Washington, D. C., also inspired us. One of them recited a long poem admonishing us of the wiles of the evil one. The other sang a negro spiritual, accompanying herself.

Who knows what such meetings mean in the lives of the young people? God only knows. It behooves us all to encourage and befriend our Seventh Day Baptist young people upon whom rests the future of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination.

Plainfield, N. J.

OUR PULPIT

"WHAT DOTHT THE LORD REQUIRE OF THEE?"

(Stenographic report of sermon preached by Rev. H. Eugene Davis at close of Conference, by Mrs. Paul Maxson)

Text—Matthew 7: 24.

I think it is no accident that we are using the same Scripture that was used by President Davis in the message that he brought us yesterday morning—Matthew 7: 1-27.

A good bishop of one of our denominations in the United States entered Japan, and when the customs officer was looking through his baggage he came across something that would not be permitted by the government. They took the book away and when the bishop went up the street with his Japanese co-worker, he said to his friend, "I have a Book that is

much more dangerous than the one taken away from me." His friend was immediately concerned, for he was afraid that the bishop would get into trouble. So he inquired about the Book and the good bishop said it was the Bible.

When I began to think of this closing service of this week of Conference where we have been facing large problems, in which many people have thought together for weeks and months as to how we might change the machinery of our organization so that results might come, I was very much concerned as to what I might say that would be of worth, not for tonight, but for the days just ahead. It is really not important what I say tonight, but it is important what you and I do tomorrow and all of the tomorrows until we meet again in Milton. I heard a number of people after we landed in Seattle and before I got to Plainfield say that they were very much concerned about this General Conference. There were some people who were afraid that we couldn't think and act together like Christians. The thing that has come to me with great force is that we have been a praying Conference and that the spirit of God has in some way overruled our differences. We haven't all thought alike. We haven't all agreed on every point, but we have loved enough so that tonight we are closing our General Conference on time, and we have enough material to keep us all busy in our thinking.

What I want to say is along the line of action. I hope that no one will go away and say that the speaker of the evening said that you don't need to use your heads. We will have to use our heads more than we have in the past, if what we have said in the past few days shall be re-enacted in the months ahead. The theme I have tonight was taken from the Prophet Micah. He said, "What doth the Lord require of thee?" I want to use that, around which to group a few things. What is it that the Lord is requiring of thee? He is going to ask some of us to preach. What is it that the Lord is going to require of us as ministers; what is to be our message in the days ahead? I am glad that we have emphasized our doctrines and the machinery. I have felt that we have been emphasizing our Lord Jesus Christ. If someway tonight we can put Christ in the center of our lives and minds; in some way find out the mind of God, then bend our wills to harmonize

with the principles of the seventh Chapter of Matthew, we are bound to go places in the days ahead.

I have asked myself, am I really carrying my religion, or is my religion carrying me? I am glad as I look into your faces to believe that the group I am talking to is ready to put Christ in the center, really let him take command, really anxious to find his way. That is the reason for my using part of the Sermon on the Mount which I read. I wish we could read that at least once a week for the next ten weeks. What would it do to H. Eugene Davis, if what Jesus said to his disciples nineteen hundred years ago were released in my life? Take the Sermon on the Mount and say, "O Lord, show me these things that you would like me to live in my life." Such a stand by us means that we will have to clean house.

We haven't said a great deal in this Conference about sin. Until we as individuals face our own lives with Jesus looking on we cannot get far. We must confess our sins and make wrongs right. There are things one must put out of his life before it is possible for God to come in. The first emphasis, then, is self-examination. I wonder how many here can truthfully say, "I have all of God that I need." How many of us can say that God is blessing me and through me is blessing others? Have I a religious experience that would help someone decide that life is worth living? To one ready to commit suicide, for instance? Have we tonight, my friends, a Christ who is so vital that he will be contagious? Is our experience so vital that our friends will catch it? The success of this Council-Conference doesn't depend upon these reports, but it depends upon you and me taking a vital Christ back to the people that we touch.

Second, Jesus said "Ask." I wonder if he meant it? Do we believe him? We are talking about conversion and I have a bird's eye view of our churches, our people, as I never have before. It is only a few times that I am permitted to meet with you in General Conference. I probably read the reports more faithfully than some of you. I read the last year's *Year Book* in preparing for this talk. There is much in that. We look into that report and find the mind of God.

I know it is very difficult in these days to believe in a dynamic Christ, to believe there is the power of God available for us 24 hours

a day, 365 days a year. If I go out first and all the time because God sends me, I know something will happen. I have always believed in team work. The Bible says something about two or three getting together, and something happens. I thought of what a pastoral team of this Conference might do. Some have said that we are ready for God to call and we will go. Now my second word tonight is, do we dare as a people to call upon God? Would this group dare to pray and believe that through God, working through you and me, three hundred, five hundred, a thousand people could be led to Jesus Christ during the year? I am sure that it could not be done by mankind, but I am just as sure that if we had faith in God and unity in action, it could happen. If we would say to Christ you are the coach, give us the signals and we will go, we will do our part, whatever you say to us we will do it, I am sure that we could ask and something would happen.

Third, we have the rock and the sand. I have had the privilege of seeing two cities built. Shanghai is built on the sand. We are making the foundation sure, even though Shanghai is built on the sand. New York is on rock. Jesus said those who hear, who act upon it, are like the rock foundation. We have talked about crises and our minds have been cleared. We have found that years ago we were having practically the same problems that we are having today. There is one thing I know: God is just as available tonight as he has ever been in history, and God's control of your life and mine, your church and mine, China, Japan, or America, is just as essential as ever. You will solve the problems of life only when God has his way. I think that God will have to come to society in the mass; but God will change this world when he changes you and me. Are we willing for him to do that? I see a great vision of young people in our churches, sixty-eight churches, I have a view of a great host of children, I see our work coming before people in Jamaica, Germany, China. I see the possibility of the printed page. I wish we had such attractive books and tracts that we would be carrying around a pocket full and be saying "Here is something that has made a great difference in my life, won't you read it?"

What is the value of the Sabbath? Is it just a burden to carry around? I wonder sometimes that our youth, any of them, stick.

Some of us make such a tremendous burden of Sabbath keeping. Can we get the vision of what God wants us to do, let him come in, and respond when he calls us? It is not going to take the courage of a man who joins the army. It takes a much finer courage for men to face life with Jesus Christ. There is the question of loyalty. We should be loyal to each other. Jesus always used groups. He had a group of twelve. Every church here is one unit.

My message, then, is a re-examination—let us find out what God would like to do with us. Let us ask God. May we dare to get together as a group? If two in any church are agreed, if time is spent in prayer, if God is asked for great things, great blessings on life will be realized. We must find his way. He would like to show us his way tonight. We are going to try to find it now. We are going to sing "Have Thine Own Way." I want you to bow and think very definitely just about yourselves. Let God have his way with you tonight. While we sing that first verse, may it be in the spirit of prayer?

(In the second verse, a call for the re-dedication of all ministers and others was made, with a full response.)

GOING FORWARD IN THE WORK OF THE DENOMINATION

BY MRS. ANGELINE P. ALLEN

"Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

After the miraculous preservation and deliverance thus far of the children of Israel they failed to trust Jehovah. They murmured and complained and were ready to turn back. The Lord rebuked Moses for his lack of faith and courage. "Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

There are many open doors today for Seventh Day Baptists. God has miraculously preserved and blessed us thus far. Why are we worrying and complaining—crying unto him, failing to go forward as we should?

There are denominations which enter new fields without visible means of support, even going into remote and untried fields in foreign countries. They have great success. Their reports of the wonderful way the heavenly Father has provided for their needs stir the soul and make us realize anew God's owner-

ship of the resources and wealth of the world, and that those who have given themselves to him belong to him completely, and are obligated to go or stay, working for him wherever he calls.

When visiting one of these meetings and hearing reports from workers in foreign fields, the writer whispered to her seatmate, "I always thought that a beautiful thing to do." The reply came quickly and with conviction, "It is the only thing to do!" Then the question came to our mind, "Does not the Lord love Seventh Day Baptists as much as these people?" Another question comes today, Do Seventh Day Baptists love the Lord as much as these people do? Are we willing to make sacrifices, to believe that he will provide for all whom he calls into his service?

Some of us have gone out in the field, following as the Holy Spirit has led, and we have beheld wonderful things—souls saved, Sabbath converts made, and means for carrying the work on provided—some paying to support the work who were not accustomed to helping in this way, which proved a blessing to them.

If we live close enough to our Lord to hear his voice, and obey, we shall behold wonderful things! How many of you have been sent by the Holy Spirit to work with souls? If you obeyed, you found that he had gone on before, preparing the hearts for the message. He inspired you to give, and you saw the person yield himself to God. To thus help bring a soul from death to eternal life is worth more than all the wealth of the world.

How many of you have been impressed to give more than you thought you could for some needed cause? If you yielded to the promptings of the Spirit you were happy; the work went on, and the Lord provided for your needs, so that you did not suffer lack as you thought you should.

"The silver and the gold are mine," saith our God, "and the cattle upon a thousand hills." "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein." "I have been young and now am old," saith the preacher, "yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken nor their seed begging bread."

Do we wish to see our denomination going forward? Are we willing to help to the extent of our ability? If every one does this we shall go forward, gaining in numbers, in power, and in wealth. If we enter every

open door, new ones will be opened to us, and we may possess the earth in the name of our God. We must not be fearful and lacking in faith and hope and love. We must "press on toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

We must not expect the ministers to do all the work while we simply attend church to be instructed and entertained. If we receive and do not give, we shall become stagnant, like the Dead Sea, and be a hindrance to the cause. Let us

"Look up and not down,
Outward and not inward,
Forward and not backward,
And lend a hand!"

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF
SABBATH SCHOOL BOARD**

The adjourned meeting of the Sabbath School Board was held in the Milton church on Thursday evening, July 14, 1938, at eight o'clock. The president, J. F. Randolph, presided, and the following trustees were present: J. F. Randolph, R. E. Greene, J. W. Crofoot, E. Shaw, C. L. Hill, D. N. Inglis, L. C. Shaw, W. D. Burdick, G. H. Crandall, and R. W. Burdick.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. D. Burdick. The minutes of the last meeting were read and the secretary reported on the call of the meeting.

The president called upon W. D. Burdick for remarks, as he was attending the board meeting for the first time as a trustee. His remarks expressed interest in Sabbath school work, and hope for the future of the educational work of the denomination.

L. C. Shaw, chairman of the Field Committee, reported that the committee approved the suggested schedule of field work of the director of religious education which included Rocky Mountain Teen-Age Camp, Dodge Center, New Auburn, Berlin, New York City, Schenectady, Rockville, Hopkinton City, Ashaway, Westerly, Waterford, Conference, Wisconsin, and possibly Scotts Bluff later.

E. Shaw, chairman of the Publications Committee, reported no meeting held because of no matters requiring their attention.

R. E. Greene, chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the following report which was accepted by formal vote:

The Finance Committee suggests that last year's budget be accepted for the coming year with the following changes: (1). That \$25 be placed on the "preferred" list for apportionment for *Year Books*, and the \$25 removed from the secondary list; (2). that \$50 be placed in the preferred list for membership in International Council of Religious Education in place of the \$25 that appeared in last year's budget, and the \$25 be removed from the secondary list.

Robert Greene, *Chairman*,
John N. Daland,
Mrs. L. A. Babcock.

The report of the treasurer and of the Auditing Committee was read, accepted, and ordered filed with the secretary, and made a part of the annual report of the board.

Annual Report of the Treasurer

<i>Dr.</i>	
To balance June 30, 1937	\$ 000.00
Denominational Budget	1,229.34
Special contributions	106.94
Interest on bonds	68.45
Sale of farm mortgage loan	6.00
Refund from Commission expense	15.59
	\$1,426.32

<i>Cr.</i>	
Salaries—Director E. E. Sutton	\$ 900.00
Mrs. Walter L. Greene	25.00
Expense of director	215.22
Premium for bond for treasurer	5.00
Apportionment on <i>Year Book</i>	22.10
Expense, member of Commission to Conference	31.50
Expense, member to mid-year Commission	40.00
Expense for printing annual report ..	5.50
International Council Religious Education ..	25.00
Expense of secretary, postage, and collecting reports ..	10.00
Bank of Milton, for keeping securities ..	.50
Advance to Director E. E. Sutton on expense ..	100.00
	\$1,379.82

Balance, General Fund, June 30, 1938 46.50
\$1,426.32

Educational Fund

<i>Dr.</i>	
Reserve, special gift for Vacation Schools transferred from General Fund ..	\$ 100.00
Received from Dr. A. S. Maxson	100.00
	\$ 200.00

<i>Cr.</i>	
Expense for books and supervisors ..	\$ 75.75
Balance in Educational Fund.....	124.25
	\$ 200.00

The Sabbath School Board has the following invested funds:

Hocker Fund of \$500 invested in Cheeseboro Building Bond	\$ 500.00
Henrietta Babcock Fund of \$1,000 invested in Lincoln Building Corporation Bond.	500.00
Milton Mutual Building and Loan Association paid up stock	500.00
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	\$1,500.00

Robert E. Greene,
Treasurer.

The Auditing Committee of the Sabbath School Board has examined the account of the treasurer, compared the same with vouchers, and believes the same to be correct.

Russell W. Burdick,
Geo. R. Crandall,
Auditing Committee.

Milton, Wis.,
June 30, 1938.

It was voted that the treasurer be instructed to investigate the matter of the Hocker and other memorial funds in order that we may publish the condition and investment of such funds.

The report of the director of religious education was read, accepted, and ordered filed with the secretary and made a part of the annual report.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted. The name of Albert N. Rogers, Waterford, Conn., was added as vice-president of the corporation from the Eastern Association, in place of Willard D. Burdick; and the name of Leslie O. Greene, Albion, Wis., replaced that of John N. Daland, who asked to be replaced as trustee.

The Program Committee reported that besides the annual report of the board, two addresses by the director of religious education, E. E. Sutton, and Rev. E. M. Holston, will be presented at the Sabbath School Board hour at Conference.

The secretary read the annual statement of the board, and was instructed to complete the report.

The board informally discussed various matters which may arise at the meeting of the Commission and the General Conference.

The minutes were read and approved.
Adjournment.

Russell W. Burdick,
Secretary.

"Regeneration within as well as reorganization without is our great need."

DO YOU KNOW?

1. That there is no weekly Sabbath mentioned in the Bible other than the seventh day?

2. That Jesus declared himself to be the Lord of the Sabbath? Mark 2: 28.

3. That Jesus kept the Sabbath? Luke 4: 16; Mark 6: 2a.

4. That Jesus defended the Sabbath? He tore down the walls of sophistry built up by the Pharisees, destroyed the hedges that made Sabbath keeping a burden, and showed it to be a day of blessing and help to the human race.

His disciples were charged with Sabbath breaking because they pulled a few heads of wheat and rubbed the kernels out in their hands as they passed through the field on the Sabbath. According to the Pharisaic tradition their act was no less than reaping and threshing—forms of labor not lawfully to be done on the Sabbath. Jesus defended his followers on the ground of necessity and based his defense on the example of their great patron, David, and on the exemption from guilt of the priests in their Sabbath ministrations. Matthew 12: 1-8.

5. That the Sabbath is meant for man's good, his highest welfare?

"The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath." Mark 2: 27.

Wherefore "God blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it." Genesis 2: 3a.

6. That the Sabbath is universal—instituted at creation time? Genesis 2: 1-3.

7. That a universal reason for all men (not racial) is given in the fourth commandment? Exodus 20: 8, 11.

8. That a racial reason for keeping the Sabbath is given in Deuteronomy 5: 12-14a, 15?

9. That the apostle to the Gentiles, St. Paul, kept the Sabbath? Acts 17: 2; 13: 42-44; 18: 11 (78 Sabbaths).

10. That there is no command in the Bible to keep Sunday as a holy day, nor is it anywhere called by a sacred title?

11. That the phrase, "first day of the week," occurs in the Bible but eight times?

Matthew 28: 1; Mark 16: 1, 2, 9; Luke 24: 1; John 20: 1, 19; Acts 20: 7; 1 Corin-

thians 16: 2. Five of these, in the gospels, refer to the same day.

12. That the Sabbath is a day for Divine worship? Ezekiel 46: 3.

"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." Revelation 22: 14.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

DE RUYTER, N. Y.

Recent items of interest to the church include two calls from a former pastor, Rev. Harold R. Crandall and family. On the first occasion an informal evening reception was held at the church, which gave their many friends an opportunity to renew a delightful acquaintance. Some weeks later they were present on Sabbath morning. At the request of Pastor Mills Mr. Crandall assisted in the service and gave a most interesting talk for the young people.

As usual, picnics have been popular this summer. The Christian Endeavor society led off with an early evening celebration on the shore of Tioughnioga Lake.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society held its annual June picnic and birthday offering service with Mrs. L. J. Parker, in Truxton. In August the same group was invited to an all-day, out-door meeting at the home of Mrs. Julian Craft in Smyrna, which proved a most enjoyable occasion.

It was decided to hold the yearly Sabbath school picnic on August 30, at Stewart Park in Ithaca, near the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Alexander. About twenty took advantage of this fine opportunity and report enthusiastically of its success.

Conference announcements and invitations have been in evidence for several weeks. At last Sabbath's service Pastor Mills devoted his entire sermon to Conference objectives, giving detailed report of the sessions. Copies of reports were also left for individual reading.

CORRESPONDENT.

VERONA, N. Y.

We listened to very interesting reports of Conference last Sabbath morning in place of the sermon, by Pastor and Mrs. A. L. Davis and Mr. J. M. Sholtz who attended from our church.

In the evening the church night fellowship supper and program were held in the church parlors, with Principal and Mrs. Klix of Verona High School as honor guests. Following the supper a program sponsored by the young people was given, with Miss Agnes Smith as toastmaster. Following the program of music and brief speeches on educational interests by the young people, Pastor Davis introduced Principal Klix, who gave an interesting talk. After remarks by Pastor Davis, a song and prayer closed the program.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society was entertained by Mrs. Jas. Woodcock at her home in Rome, August 30. The worship program was conducted by Mrs. Zilla Vierow. The time was spent in sewing on aprons and other articles for a sale to be held later. They voted to hold a three-cent supper September 13.

The society recently sponsored a musical program with readings, given in the church. Besides the local talent two young ladies from Canastota contributed to the musical part, also Kenneth Babcock of Milton, Wis., sang several selections, responding to encores. Ted Robison of Orlando, Fla., was piano accompanist for Alva Warner who played a violin solo. At the close of the program ice cream and cake were served.

Miss Ada Dillman gave a fine report of the time she spent at the Youth Council at Camp Winnepesaukee, N. H. She was sent as a delegate from the Youth Town Council of Verona.

Five of our young people leave this week for college and their respective teaching positions.

A double variety shower was given in the church parlors for Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Davis and Miss Eula Lennon and Bentley Sargeant. The latter couple were married a few days later. The church parlors were prettily decorated for the occasion and a fine program was given.

CORRESPONDENT.

ALFRED, N. Y.

PERSONAL MENTION

Rev. and Mrs. H. Eugene Davis and family are making their home with Dean A. E. Whitford.

Dr. and Mrs. B. C. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Crumb left yesterday to spend a few days at Kamp Kanakadea, on Long Lake.

Pastor and Mrs. A. C. Ehret were Monday and Tuesday guests of friends in Adams Cen-

ter. Wednesday they motored to Blue Mountain Lake. Their daughter Aurabeth, and Miss Ruth Evans, returned with them, after spending the summer at Potter's Summer Resort.

Rev. and Mrs. George B. Shaw returned Tuesday from Salem, W. Va., where they had been visiting since Conference at Plainfield, N. J.

Dr. S. S. Powell of the seminary faculty, who has been spending the summer at various points in Georgia, returned to Alfred the first of this week.

Miss Miriam Shaw, who has been spending the summer in France, is expected to land in New York City tomorrow. She will come to Alfred to spend some time with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. George B. Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Starr A. Burdick of West Newton, Mass., and Miss Ethelwyn Saunders of Rochester were weekend guests of Mrs. Elmina T. DeWitt. They were in Alfred to attend the Baum-Titsworth wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Wingate and daughter Peggy, returned Sunday, after spending the summer at Quonochontaug, R. I. It is a pleasure to again hear Director Wingate play the Davis Carillon, which has been missed since his leaving.—*Alfred Sun* (Sept. 8.)

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Instead of a Daily Vacation Bible School this year the Battle Creek Sabbath school sponsored a three-weeks' camp at Faircrest Cottage, Fair Lake, for its teen-age group. Nine boys were the charges of Pastor and Mrs. Holston the first week. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Millar took a group of nine junior and intermediate girls the second week, and during the third week five of the older girls were under the care of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fetherston.

A fine opportunity was offered for Bible study and religious training, with these boys and girls following a well planned program twenty-four hours of the day.

CORRESPONDENT.

NORTONVILLE, KAN.

To Israel hemmed in by Red Sea, mountains and Egyptian army, the Lord said, "Go forward!" To the Church, facing difficulties, obstacles, the forces of evil, he says the same thing. Read the story in Exodus 14, and then hear Pastor Osborn's sermon next Sabbath morning.

The basis of the discussion at the prayer-meeting on Friday night will be the recommendations of the Committee on Spiritual Life and Religious Development of the Council-Conference. What plans are here for our church? What should have a place on our program for the year? Come and help us decide.

Rev. Ralph H. Coon, Doris, Lloyd, and Jeanne left for their home at Boulder, Colo., Wednesday morning. Because little Ruth is still in the hospital, and will be unable to travel for a month, Mrs. Coon remained with her. Marian, the next oldest daughter, will stay with her aunt, Mrs. Lester G. Osborn, until her mother goes to Colorado. She entered the third grade in the local school Monday.—*Nortonville News* (Sept. 9.)

MARRIAGES

BAUM-TITSWORTH. — September 4, 1938, Mr. Alion M. Baum of Pawtucket, R. I., and Miss Ruth Katharine Titsworth of Alfred, N. Y., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Professor and Mrs. Waldo A. Titsworth by Rev. Boothe C. Davis.

OBITUARY

CRUMB.—Clement Wells Crumb, son of Matthew Wells Crumb and Hannah Ann West Crumb, was born near Milton, Wis., September 7, 1858, and died August 17, 1938, at his home in Redwood City, Calif.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Johnson Crumb, whom he married June 5, 1889; by a son and his wife, Fred W. and Esther N. Crumb; and a grandson, Lawrence N. Crumb.

Impressive funeral rites were conducted for him in Redwood City August 18, by Bay View Lodge No. 109, I.O.O.F., and the body was accompanied by the wife and son to Milton for burial, where a service was held in the Seventh Day Baptist church, August 21, in charge of a personal friend, Rev. Edwin Shaw. Brother Crumb was an active worker in Odd Fellow organizations, being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in Wisconsin in 1912. Du Lac Lodge, No. 322 of Milton of which he was a life-long member had charge of the services at the grave.

E. S.

A lady, apprehensive lest she pass her destination, poked the street car conductor with her umbrella. "Is that the First National Bank?" she asked.

"No, mum," replied the conductor, "them's my ribs."

—*Watchman-Examiner*.

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WE AGREE:

The churches are the greatest influence in this world of ours to overcome the present tendency toward greed. —President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

A churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their religious needs, is a community on the rapid down grade. —Former President Theodore Roosevelt.

The older I grow, the more certain I am that morality is dependent upon the spread of religious conviction in the government and civilization of this country. —Former President William Howard Taft.

Our civilization cannot survive materially unless it be redeemed spiritually.

—Former President Woodrow Wilson.

The strength of a country is the strength of its religious convictions.

—Former President Calvin Coolidge.

Our churches and religious institutions are indispensable, stabilizing factors in our civilization.

—Former President Herbert Hoover.

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