

PLAINFIELD, N. J.

The Plainfield Church has been carrying on its usual active program although there is not much of unusual interest to report.

One fine piece of work was the successful Vacation Bible School. The Piscataway Church (New Market, N. J.) joined with us in this project. Their pastor, Trevah R. Sutton, was the supervisor of the school and some of the children came from there. Also a number came from other churches in Plainfield. Miss Ruth Hunting, Miss Janet Whitford, Mrs. Donald Lewis, and Miss Marion Neagle assisted as teachers. They finished with an interesting demonstration program on the evening of July 21, and a picnic the following day for the children, which had to be held in the church parlors because of rain.

The Piscataway Church was invited to join with us for Sabbath worship during July, when they were not holding services, and during August when the Plainfield Church is not in session we are invited to join with them.

At present both churches are busily preparing for Conference. The committees are doing good work and we are looking forward to a happy and profitable Conference, beginning August 23.

CORRESPONDENT.

COME TO CONFERENCE!

Come by plane,
Come by train;
Come by car,
From near or far;
However—
Come!

Your room is ready,
The stage is set;
So pack your bags,
You'll get here yet.
You are welcome!

By the time whoever may chance to read these lines will be reading them, some folks will have arrived for Conference. But it is not too late to decide to come. Possibly you live within a few hundred miles of Plainfield and New Market—close enough to attend Conference even at the last minute—but are undecided or have decided unfavorably. Just sit down once again with pencil and pad—see if there is not a way.

It has been a joy to prepare for your stay. And we feel sure that you will be here to fulfill that joy.

We hope to see you soon.

The Publicity Committee.

MARRIAGES

LING-LOOFBORO.—On June 22, 1938, at the home of their former pastor, Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Loofbourrow, occurred the marriage of Alvin Ling and Iola Loofboro. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Loofbourrow.

OBITUARY

FOSTER.—Bessie Stillman was born December 22, 1877, in New York City, and died at her home in Little Genesee, N. Y., June 26, 1938.

She was married to Edwin C. Foster May 30, 1896. Mr. Foster died in 1928. Surviving are two sons, Weldon and Waldo, of Little Genesee; one daughter, Juanita, of Olean; and four granddaughters.

Mrs. Foster was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Little Genesee, having joined July 1, 1922. In her quiet, unassuming way she took her part and will be missed by her loved ones and friends.

The funeral services were conducted at the home June 29, by her pastor, Rev. Harley Sutton. Burial was in the local cemetery. H. S.

WHITFORD.—Edward Durell, son of Edward W. and Clarinda Odell Whitford, born July 12, 1853, at Adams Center, N. Y., died at the home of his cousins, Deacon and Mrs. Edmund Crosley, near Farina, Ill., June 30, 1938.

About 1870, he moved with his parents to a farm near Farina, upon which he died. He was a faithful member of the Farina Church and was always a liberal giver to all the church interests.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. A. T. Bottoms, after which he was laid to rest in the Farina cemetery. A. T. B.

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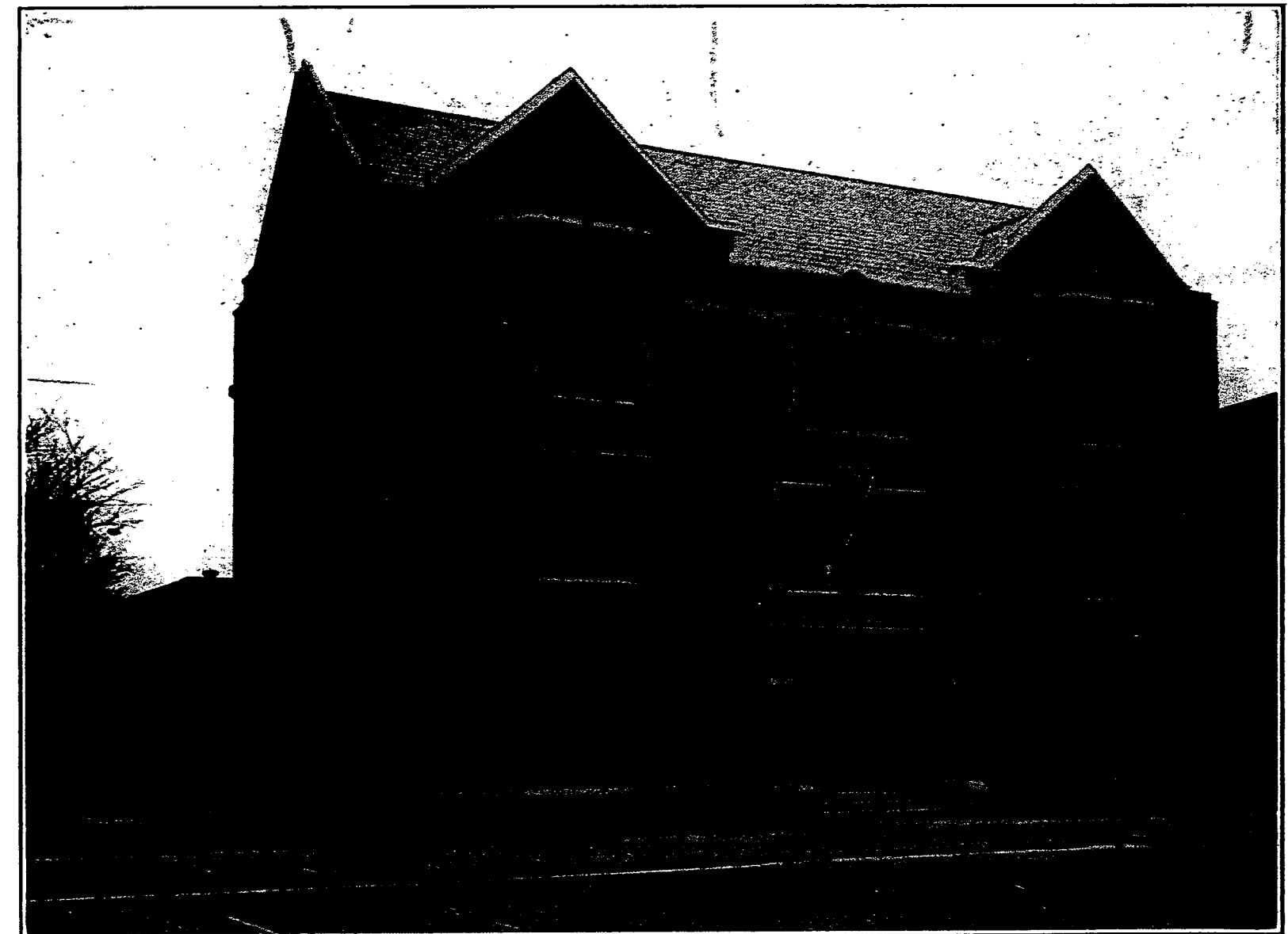
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Historical Number Through the courtesy of the Historical Society this issue of the SABBATH RECORDER contains four extra pages, full of "cuts" of items of interest held by the society. Printed on calendered stock, the RECORDER is helped to an appearance of enhanced beauty and, we are confident, will contribute to our knowledge and general satisfaction.

These pages of fine illustrations make a fitting culmination of the interesting articles in recent RECORDERS prepared by President Randolph of the Historical Society at the earnest request of the president of Conference, Courtland V. Davis. Those who have read these articles have come to realize that the Historical rooms are occupied with vital, informational literature of high, up-to-date character, as well as with materials of historic interest. If anyone has ever thought of this department of our building as merely a museum, he ought by now to have had his mind disabused of the fallacy.

We trust Conference people will take ample time to visit the Historical floor, and especially examine the authentic and exhaustive Seventh Day Baptist library that is being established and not to be found elsewhere. Let no one's prejudice or ill-formed opinion

keep him from a proper appraisal of this work.

In the "Faith of Our Fathers," with feet firmly planted on the past, shoulders inured to the burdens and responsibilities of the present; with minds and hearts filled with vision and courage for the future, let Seventh Day Baptists rededicate themselves to Christ, to their God-given task, and press on with hopeful and vigorous zeal.

Gardiner Memorial Service We wish the many friends of our late and beloved editor *emeritus*, Doctor Gardiner, could have been present at the August meeting of the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society, which was made a memorial service in his honor. With a few items of routine business quickly disposed of, President Corliss F. Randolph presented a well worked out brief program of love and respect. A fitting minute had been prepared and was unanimously approved by a full vote of members present. Near relatives and friends were invited guests of the board.

One by one the members present were asked to speak. Simply and informally everyone gladly spoke either of his personal relationships of Doctor Gardiner or of the influence of his life and work upon the one speaking. While much had to do with his long connection with the denomination through the printed page, there were those who referred to having been helped by his inspiring sermons and of having observed the influence of his work as an educator in the homes touched by Salem College. Letters of appreciation were read from members of the board and others not able to attend the meeting. Some of the visitors spoke feelingly and appreciatively.

A great and a good man has gone from us—after a long and useful career. First of all he was a true Christian, and as one who loved his fellow man he wrought as a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

It was fitting, as well as a matter of loving courtesy, that a pause to honor his memory should be made by the board whose every interest, as well as every other interest of the denomination, was served and promoted by such a man of God.

Hail, and all hail, good friend! We, your old fellow workmen, and new, carry on.

Pray for Us When this RECORDER issue reaches some of our readers, Conference will be under way. In behalf of the officers of Conference, boards, and churches, we ask our churches to pray for us.

Our needs are many, but our greatest is of the conscious presence and power of the Holy Spirit, that he may be present and his moving be felt in Council committees and Conference assembly. Pray that hearts may be warmed and thinking clarified and that we may all be given vision and courage as we seek co-operatively to find the ways and means of doing better the work God has committed to our hands.

Pray that our efforts may be more perfectly co-ordinated, more fully effective, and more adequately supported.

Pray that the will of God may be done, his truth vindicated, and his honor maintained.

Pray that we shall be so filled with God's love and love for each other, that our return to our homes and fields shall be blessed by our richer lives and deeper consecration.

Wayside Opportunities Two men were on their way from Jerusalem. Their regular services were completed. One was a priest, the other a temple attendant, a Levite. As they journeyed, each by himself, and doubtless self-communing, the distress was observed of one who had come to grief at the hands of thieves on the Jericho road and had been stripped, beaten, and left half dead.

However, the opportunity for humanitarian service was not accepted, and each drawing his mantle of charity about himself "passed by on the other side." The story of the Good Samaritan is familiar to all, and the grudging reply of the Pharisees brought forth the imperative of Jesus to go and be neighbor to him who is in need.

Again and again our Lord was interrupted in his plans and graciously turned to some wayside ministry. These interruptions were but his opportunities for rendering service.

They were hurrying to the bedside of an only daughter of a rich man. They were anxious and hurried, for the child was at the point of death. And there in the press of the crowd he stopped. Some one had touched him. The disciples were impatient; but how glad have been all the succeeding ages that the Son of man used a wayside opportunity to say to the poor sufferer who had touched be-

lievingly the hem of his garment, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace."

Again we read, "And he entered and passed through Jericho"—his face "set toward Jerusalem"—but he had time to minister to the spiritual needs of a little man up a tree. Another interruption, another opportunity, another wayside ministry. Always the main purposes were not sidestepped; the ruler's daughter was raised up, and his journey to Jerusalem was concluded, but meanwhile the humanities by the way had their ministrations. Interruptions, indeed, but blessed opportunities seized upon.

Some one has wisely said, "If we could just break through our schedules, our unfinished business, our new business, our order of the day, our calendared programs, our sets and circles, we might often find ourselves entertaining angels unawares." With the mind of Christ in us matters that now break upon us as interruptions might be discovered to be rich opportunities for a wayside service.

Items of Interest According to "Het Wachwoord," a monthly paper published by Chaplain Bootsma, of the Holland Army, a decree issued recently by the government of Holland gives those soldiers and sailors who desire to do so a maximum of fifteen minutes a day in which to read and study the Bible. Very unusual, but not without advantages.

—Bulletin (Aug. 11) Office of Chief of Chaplains, War Dept.

The United Stewardship Council's annual report, according to the Methodist Protestant Recorder, reveals that the per capita contribution for 1937 was \$13.10. Of this the amount devoted to the local, congregational expense was \$10.86.

The denomination giving the largest amount per capita (Church of the Nazarene) contributed per person \$28.02, the smallest (Southern Baptist) \$6.51. Seventh Day Baptists are thirteenth in the list reported, with \$13.69. Twenty-two denominations are reported.

"Property loss from accidents in the last year is estimated by the National Safety Council at \$1,600,000,000. The factory cost of all new passenger cars sold last year is estimated by the industry at \$1,840,000,000."

Sixteen thousand one hundred fifty pedes-

trians were killed in that year (forty-four per cent of the total) in traffic accidents.

Traffic safety demands total abstinence.
—Selected.

From the printed annual report of the Education Society we learn that our three colleges had a combined enrollment less all duplicate names this past year of 1,792. Of these there were 968 at Alfred, 672 at Salem, and 152 at Milton. Of the students registered at Milton more than eighty per cent were from within the state of Wisconsin, and twenty-five per cent were from Seventh Day Baptist homes.

Of outstanding matters reported from the schools we note the dedication of the Davis Memorial Carillon at Alfred, the establishment of a course in public school music at Milton which will enable graduates to secure state licenses to teach music in the public schools of Wisconsin, and the celebration of Salem's fiftieth anniversary. That college has granted 2,700 certificates, diplomas, and degrees during the half century.

THE BUILDING BUDGET

TOTAL RECEIPTS TO AUGUST 17, 1938

	<i>Pledges and Cash</i>
Adams Center, N. Y.	\$ 64.00
Albion, Wis.	20.00
First Alfred, N. Y. Church	\$ 306.50
Ladies' Aid and Friendly Class	15.00
Second Alfred, N. Y.	7.00
Andover, N. Y.	3.00
Battle Creek, Mich.	31.00
Berlin, N. Y. Church	\$ 15.00
S. S.	10.00
Boulder, Colo.	22.00
First Brookfield, N. Y. Church	\$ 48.30
C. E.	3.00
Second Brookfield, N. Y.	51.30
Chicago, Ill. Church	\$ 120.00
S. S.	5.00
Daytona Beach, Fla.	125.00
Church	\$ 116.12
Young people's offerings	2.00
Denver, Colo.	118.12
De Ruyter, N. Y. Church	\$ 70.50

S. S.	10.00	
Ladies' Benevolent	5.00	
C. E.	5.00	90.50
Dinuba, Calif.		7.00
Dodge Center, Minn. Church	\$ 12.81	
Ladies' Aid and S. S.	8.45	21.26
Edinburg, Tex.		19.00
Ericson, Neb., Rosedale S. S.		3.00
Farina, Ill.		84.00
Garwin, Iowa		9.20
First Genesee, N. Y.		21.49
Hammond, La.		10.00
Hartsville, N. Y.		25.00
Healdsburg, Calif.		20.00
First Hebron, Pa.		7.00
Second Hebron, Pa.		3.00
First Hopkinton, R. I.		50.70
Second Hopkinton, R. I.		3.25
Independence, N. Y.		38.00
Irvington, N. J.		25.00
Jackson Center, Ohio		28.00
Little Prairie, Ark.		2.00
Los Angeles, Calif.		9.00
Lost Creek, W. Va.		78.65
Marlboro, N. J. Church	\$ 46.70	
Ladies' Aid and Women's Bible Class	7.00	53.70
Middle Island, W. Va.		35.65
Mill Yard Church, London, Eng.		34.86
Milton, Wis. Church	\$ 300.44	
Circles Nos. 2, 3, and S. S.	93.32	393.76
Milton Junction, Wis.		101.75
New Auburn, Wis.		18.30
New York City, N. Y.		120.00
North Loup, Neb. Church	\$ 25.78	
Boys' Class	2.00	27.78
Nortonville, Kan.		20.85
Oakdale, Ala.		8.00
Pawcatuck, R. I. Church	\$ 421.75	
S. D. B. Society	20.00	
C. E. Society	5.00	
Mothers and Teachers Dept.	5.00	
Woman's Aid Society	25.00	476.75
Piscataway, N. J. Church	\$ 74.30	
Ladies' Aid	10.00	84.30
Plainfield, N. J. Church	\$ 390.01	
Women's Society	50.00	440.01
Richburg, N. Y., Ladies' Aid		5.00
Riverside, Calif.		39.50
Roanoke, W. Va.		8.50
Rockville, R. I.		18.00
Salem, W. Va. Church	\$ 229.00	
Ladies' Aid	25.00	254.00

Salemville, Pa. Church	\$ 24.82	
Ladies' Aid and S. S.	29.13	53.95
Scotts Bluff, Neb.		11.50
Shiloh, N. J.		158.73
Stone Fort, Ill.		5.25
Syracuse, N. Y.		13.25
Verona, N. Y. Church	\$ 61.00	
Pearl Seekers' Class	5.00	66.00
Walworth, Wis. Church	\$ 6.00	
Helping Hand Society	5.00	11.00
Washington, D. C.		5.50
Waterford, Conn.		26.50
Welton, Iowa		5.00
West Edmeston, N. Y.		14.00
White Cloud, Mich.		18.25
<i>Individuals:</i>		
Mrs. M. C. R.		10.00
"A Friend," Westerly, R. I.		4.00
Galesburg, Ill.		8.00
Mystic, Conn.		2.00
Phoenix, Ariz.		25.00
Los Angeles, Calif.		10.00
Pasadena, Calif.		10.00
Highland Park, Ill.		1,000.00
Manchester, Iowa		3.00
Kimball, Neb.		2.00
Sutton, W. Va.		5.00
Beaver Falls, Pa.		10.00
Lawrence, Kan.		5.00
Mansfield, Conn.		5.00
Shanghai, China		5.00
		\$5,040.86

Ethel T. Stillman,
Treasurer.

MISSIONS

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD

(Gleaned from reports of missionary pastors for the quarter ending June 30.)

BEREA, W. VA.

Very little has been done in a financial way; the Braxton and Webster field has contributed enough to really pay expenses of that work. The pastor has received about \$180 from the church for the year, besides what the board has paid. Money is being raised by the young people to have the church wired for electricity.

The only special effort has been in connection with the Braxton and Webster work. We made a four-day trip to that field in April, preaching and visiting at Cowen and Bug Ridge, also visited a group of former Ad-

ventists on Crites Mountain in Braxton County. We hope to return this month for a week; most of it is to be spent at Crites Mountain in some special meetings; they have organized a Sabbath school there recently, using the *Helping Hand*. We hope also to visit again at Cowen and Bug Ridge, also Sabbath keepers at other points in the field, and a reported surviving interest at the old Copen church near Burnsville. Two of our Berea girls accompanied us to Webster and Braxton in April, and helped very much in music and in other ways. They hope to accompany us again this month, also we expect to be accompanied by Carl Maxson, a student at Salem College with the ministry in view.

I am not sure that there is anything to suggest. Financially, the pastor is obliged to give the larger portion of his time to farming and printing, and the work suffers; but we appreciate the fact that the board is not in position to do anything further in that line. We would be glad for a visit from the secretary at some time, here at Berea and in the mountain field. There are some special problems which might be more easily met by such personal contact.

The church has extended a call to the pastor until April, 1940, and it has been accepted.

Our Vacation Bible School is now in session with Miss Ada Keith as supervisor, and five other instructors, and an enrollment of thirty-seven. Yesterday at our quarterly meeting, we had Editor Van Horn with us.

Clifford A. Beebe,
Missionary Pastor.

FIRST AND SECOND HEBRON CHURCHES, PA.

Attendance on Crandall Hill for the past month was not quite so good on account of measles epidemic. For the same reason our quarterly meeting of the two churches was postponed until July 23. However, the interest remains good and we are looking forward to baptism in the near future.

Robert W. Wing,
Missionary Pastor.

HAMMOND, LA.

I went to Columbus, Miss., as I told you I was going, but did not organize a church. The time for such an organization is not yet ripe. However, there are several who are interested in the Sabbath but are not ready to submit themselves to be organized into a church. Mrs.

Wharton, who is very anxious to have a church there, is a consecrated Christian and a loyal Sabbath keeper, together with her daughter. Her husband also is deeply convinced that the Sabbath is right. She, Mrs. Wharton, has been keeping the Sabbath ten years, but did not know about Seventh Day Baptists until recently, and yet in belief she has been a "Seventh Day Baptist" all these years. They are intelligent people.

It seems to me that the wise thing to do would be to go to Columbus and hold some special meetings if arrangement could be made to that end, and I believe a church could be established. I fear that if something is not done they will drift.

Special services have been devoted to the denominational needs.

Verney A. Wilson,
Missionary Pastor.

FOUKE, ARK.

The Fouke Church has continued its offering every second month for the Denominational Budget. While the offerings have been comparatively small (because the people are poor and the congregations small), yet the pastor feels that it helps a little and serves to keep them informed and interested in our work.

Under existing circumstances it has been all we could do to have enough present to hold services. Unfortunately, several of our members have been deprived of attending worship. Therefore no special efforts have been undertaken during this quarter. We have, however, observed Mother's Day and Children's Day in special worship and preaching services.

The present wave of depression has made problems for the Fouke Church — problems that are discouraging.

W. L. Davis,
Missionary Pastor.

GENTRY, ARK.

There are six asking for church membership from the three Missouri points, Springfield, Rogersville and Rolla. The visits to the Rolla field are developing an interest which indicates at least some definite conviction upon the part of some. There is much talk of a revival meeting this summer, which indicates some real desire for it and it is our

purpose to hold an extended meeting at Rolla, Mo., in August, with perhaps an effort at Apple, Belzoni, Okla. The field needs much prayer, no small amount of tact upon the part of your missionary, yet there must be no lack of insistent authority in our teaching. I need prayer in my own behalf.

At Belzoni, etc., field in Oklahoma we have been hampered by weather and road conditions, but a nice interest is manifest and some picking up in attendance.

Results known are one Sabbath convert, baptized and added to the local church.

The Southwestern Association meets at Nady, Ark., this year. Just where or how I am going to finance all these is not at present apparent, though since it is the Lord's work, He will help me, if it be in accordance with his plan for us.

My health has suffered from the strain of trying to carry on too many things at once. Hence the lateness of this report.

For the first time since coming to the Southwestern field we have no dependable local leadership for the Gentry Church in our absence. Possibly we here may suffer some slight sag because of it, though as yet it is not noticeable.

We are looking forward with strong interest to your coming in the autumn.

Ellis R. Lewis,
Missionary Pastor.

DODGE CENTER, MINN.

We have had good attendance and apparent interest in church services. We have one candidate for baptism and there is promise that several others will be ready for the ordinance soon. The Preaching Mission held May 21-23, in New Auburn was helpful and well attended. We were in every home in the society except two and were invited to these homes, but distances and time made it seemingly impossible. During the month that we were in Wisconsin we made ninety-three calls; traveled a distance of 1,061 miles; had seven services in New Auburn, two in Meteor, and one in Exeland. We attended one "shower"; three Ladies' Aids; school picnics; also attended two sessions of the Church of God State Conference in Blue Hills and one Mennonite service.

The people of New Auburn were very kind and thoughtful of our comfort in every way and we enjoyed every minute of our

work in Wisconsin and returned to the pastorate in Dodge Center June 22, with new zeal and hopes for continued blessings and interest on our home field.

There has been no money raised specially for the Missionary Board. Mrs. Ethel T. Stillman visited us in April in the interest of the Denominational Building, also Editor H. C. Van Horn, and Dr. L. M. Babcock of Milton.

We were very pleased to have Wayne Rood in attendance at the northern Wisconsin and Minnesota semi-annual meetings. He fitted right in just as we had thought and hoped he would.

Charles W. Thorngate,
Missionary Pastor.

BOULDER, COLO.

The time from May 9 to 20 was taken up with the customary trip made each summer to the western part of the state. This year Secretary Herbert C. Van Horn, who happened to be in this part of the country, went with me on the trip.

The longer I am in this kind of work (with isolated Sabbath keepers or members of Seventh Day Baptist churches) the more I am convinced of the need of urging our people to stay where there are Seventh Day Baptist churches. Some are loyal. A few are bringing up their children to keep the Sabbath. Others are not or do not seem to be able to. I do think the work is worth while for it keeps them in touch with our people. Some young people have been led to go where they have Seventh Day Baptist church privileges.

I am much interested in finding an elderly woman at Fruita, Mrs. C. P. Hill, who has been keeping the Sabbath independently for several years. I was told she was a Seventh Day Baptist and wondered if she was connected with some of our Hills, but found that she was a Baptist who kept the seventh day. She is interested in our people. We will keep in touch with her. I have just received word from a Seventh Day Adventist evangelist that there is a Baptist minister in Greely who is convinced of the Sabbath truth, but who wishes to continue as a Baptist. I plan to call on him some time this month. There are two people in Kansas that I have found out about by chance who are Sabbath keepers and who are interested in our people. One is at Great Bend and the other at Milondale, northwest

of Junction City. If our plans to attend Conference materialize, I will plan to make side trips to those places so I can see them.

I have always felt that the young people's summer camp has been an important part of the summer's work. This year the Lord is allowing our plans to be upset for some reason or other. We have not been able to find a place to have it or a woman to act as camp mother or anyone to do the cooking. Some of the young people who have been planning on it are very much disappointed. We still hope that we can find some way to have a short camp or conference, so the idea will not be given up for another year.

Another special effort that has been made this last quarter has been the work in the Vacation Bible School. We feel that this is about as much like foreign missionary work as any we do. We have contacted fifty-nine boys and girls this summer with the gospel message and Bible teaching. Only eleven of them have been from our own church.

Ralph H. Coon,
Missionary Pastor.

VACATION PLEASURES IN WEST VIRGINIA

BY REV. S. S. POWELL

I have been tarrying for more than a month now in West Virginia, visiting at the home of my daughter, Mrs. William S. Jones, near Morgantown. On the fourth of July a party of six of us drove high up into the mountains to a place called Cooper's Rock, where we had, I believe, one of the finest views in the state. We were at a high elevation where sheer precipices looked down to a great depth and the river below appeared like a narrow stream.

Last Sunday we drove in a southeasterly direction about seventeen miles through most surpassingly beautiful scenery, to a place called Arthurdale, which is the creation of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. Only recently since I came here Mrs. Roosevelt came in the airship "Mountaineer" and drove from Morgantown to Arthurdale on inspection. At the latter place there are homes with a few acres of land surrounding each, as far as the eye can reach. A certain degree of manufacturing is maintained in the colony. Just at this time of the year the gardens are wonderful.

I have spent many happy hours in the library of the West Virginia University. Especially have I made the discovery of the worth of "A Grammar of the Greek New Testament in the Light of Historical Research," by A. T. Robertson, of the Louisville Theological Seminary. It is a mine of most precious gold and I feel confident to say, Providence permitting, that I shall make it a source-book for some of my lecture work in our seminary at Alfred. We have it in our seminary library. It is said to be the best thing of its kind in existence. Since it is comparatively new, we may presume that it has back of it all the scholarship available in its field.

I am looking forward in pleasant anticipation to the opening of our seminary in Alfred next September.

WOMAN'S WORK

REPORT OF WOMAN'S BOARD MEETING

The Woman's Board met Sunday, August 7, 1938, at the home of Mrs. G. H. Trainer, Salem, W. Va. The president, Mrs. E. F. Loofboro, presided and the following members were present: Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. James L. Skaggs, Mrs. G. H. Trainer, and Mrs. Oris O. Stutler.

Mrs. Skaggs read John 15: 12-17. Prayers were offered by all present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mrs. Okey W. Davis read the letter which was written to all women's societies soliciting their help in raising the budget for the Denominational Building.

Correspondence was read from Mrs. Frank J. Hubbard, Plainfield, N. J.; Mrs. William Davidson, Nile, N. Y.; Mrs. Luther S. Davis, Bridgeton, N. J.; and Mrs. Edgar Van Horn, Alfred Station, N. Y., concerning sending Miss Susan B. Langworthy as a representative of the Woman's Board to the Chautauqua Institute of Missions, at Chautauqua, N. Y., August 22-27, 1938.

Voted that the board notify Miss Langworthy that \$15 would be available for her expenses.

Due to questions which have come to the Woman's Board recently relative to the Woman's Board scholarships in the three denominational schools, Alfred University, Milton

and Salem colleges, the secretary has made investigations which resulted in the following findings: The scholarships, "The Susan Minerva Burdick," in Alfred; "The Mary F. Bailey," in Milton; and "The Sarah Gardiner Davis" in Salem, were created by the Woman's Board in 1903. Payments were made each year on the above scholarships and in 1910 the scholarships in Milton and in Salem were paid in full. Payments were continued on the Alfred scholarship until 1916, when it was paid in full.

Voted that the president of the Woman's Board continue her correspondence with the president of Milton College and the president of Alfred University relative to these.

Plans for a group meeting of the women of Conference were discussed.

Voted that \$30 be advanced to Mrs. Loofboro for her expenses to Conference.

The treasurer's annual report was read and accepted.

Voted that Mrs. T. Edward Davis be asked to audit the treasurer's books.

Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Oris O. Stutler the second Sunday in September.

MRS. E. F. LOOFBORO,
President,
MRS. ORIS O. STUTLER,
Secretary.

LAST CALL

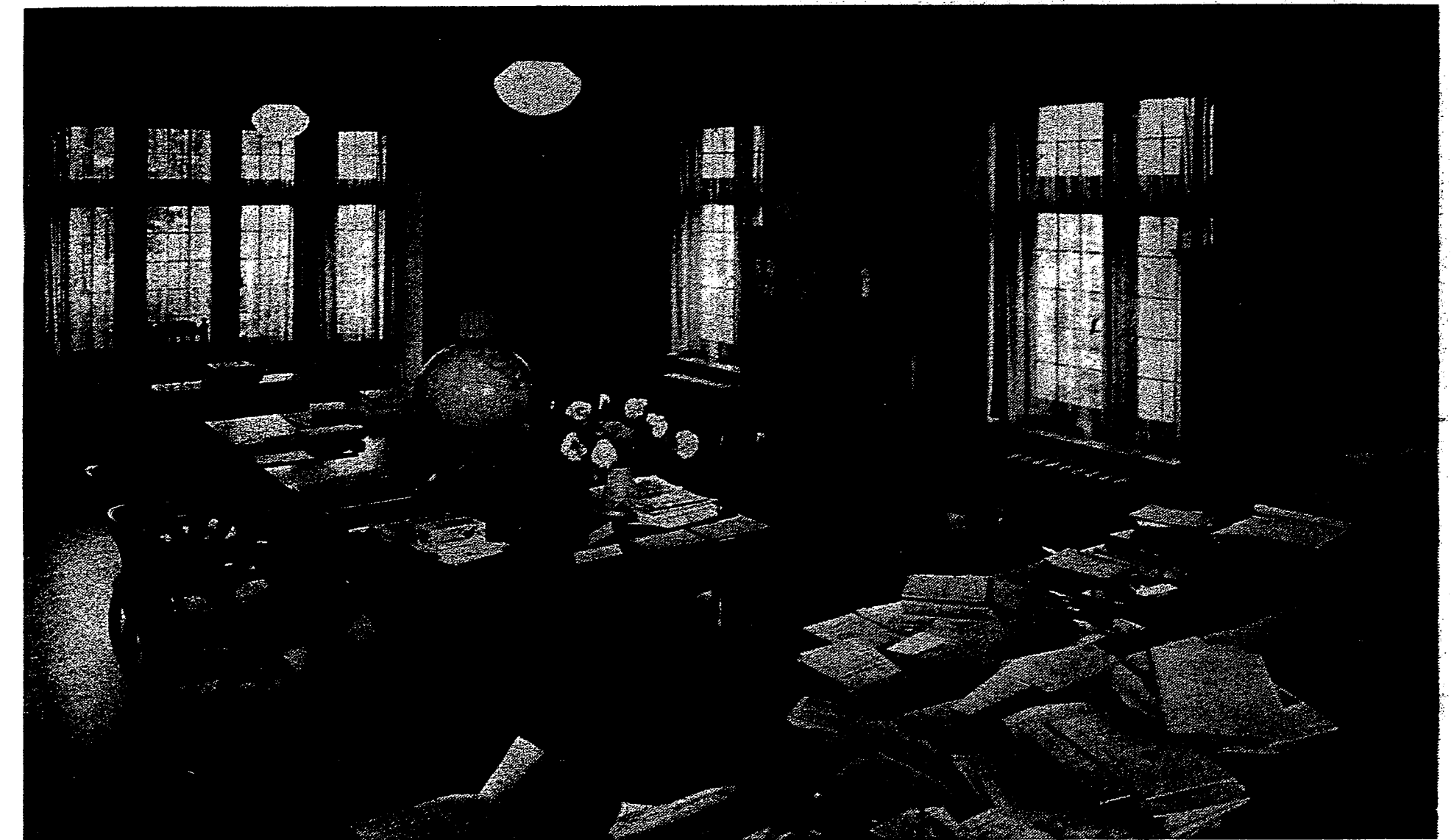
For the 1938 General (Council) Conference to be held in Plainfield, August 23-28. The Mother (Piscataway) and Daughter (Plainfield) churches and other friends have enjoyed making ready for your coming and comfort. They are looking for a good delegation and attendance.

So much seems to hinge upon the considerations and conclusions of this Conference that it behooves each church to be represented, where at all possible, by as many delegates and visitors as possible.

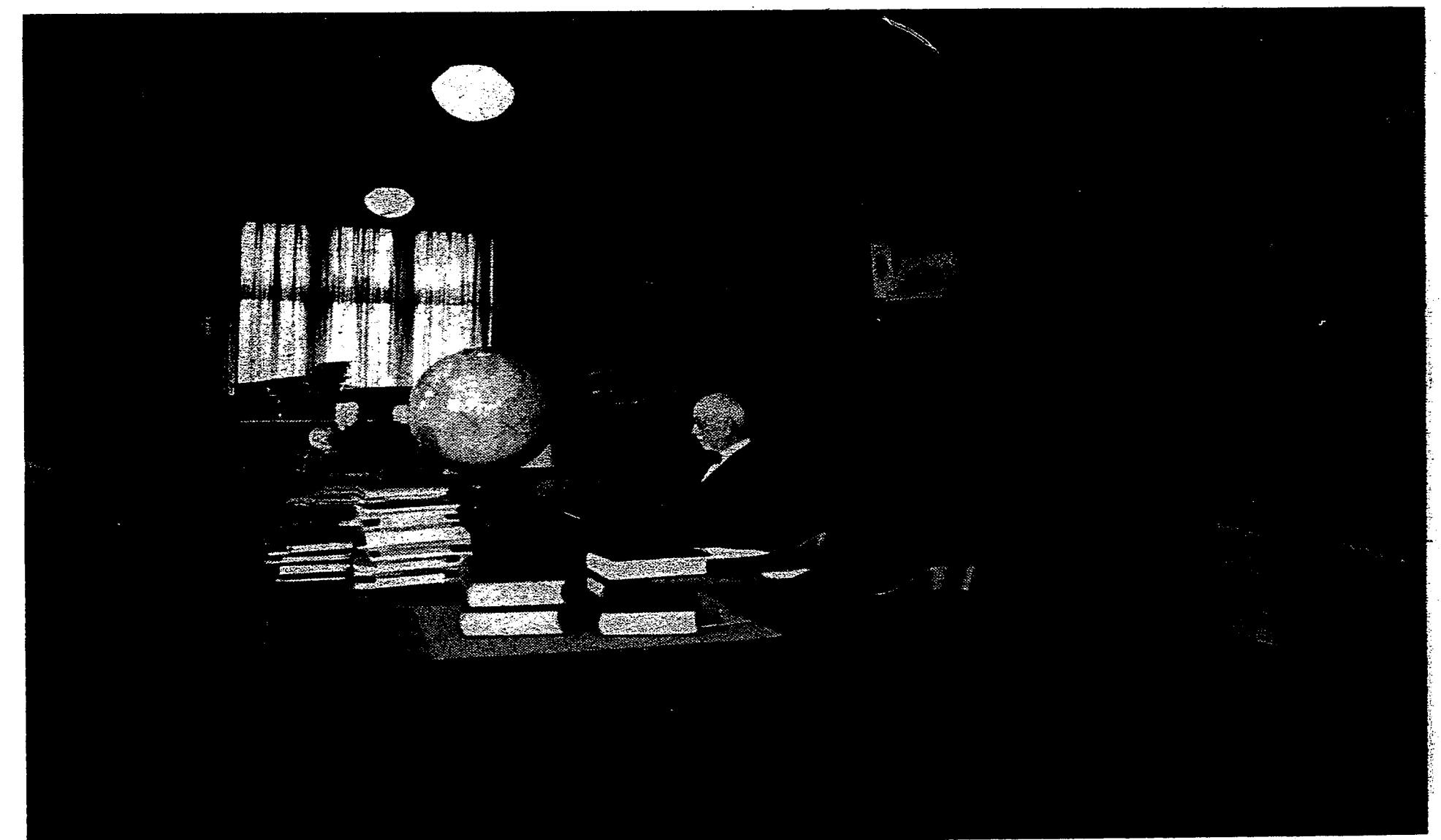
This LAST CALL is for those who have not actually started to Conference or may be coming for only part of the time. If for two or three days, come anyway, folks.

Urgently yours,
THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

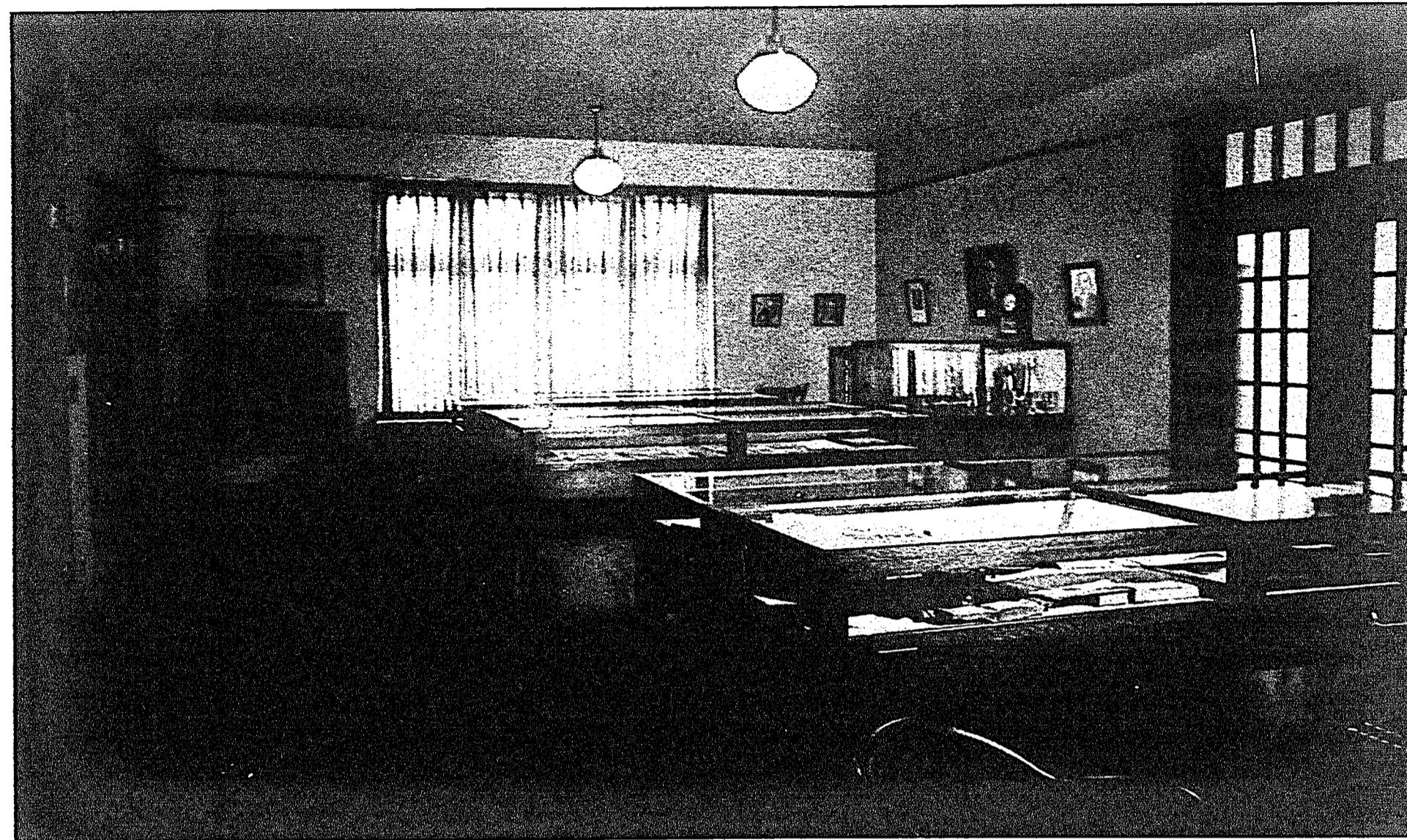
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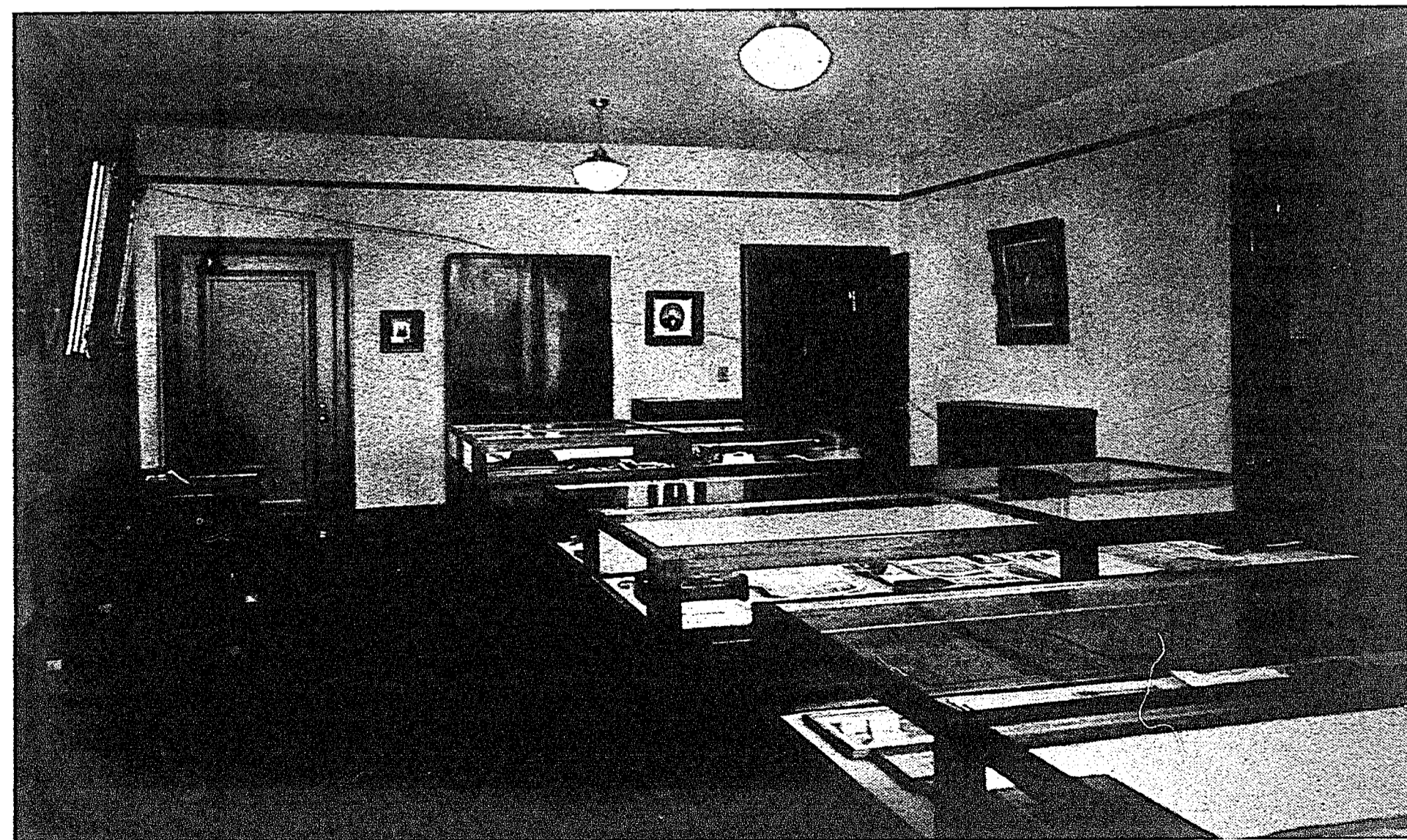
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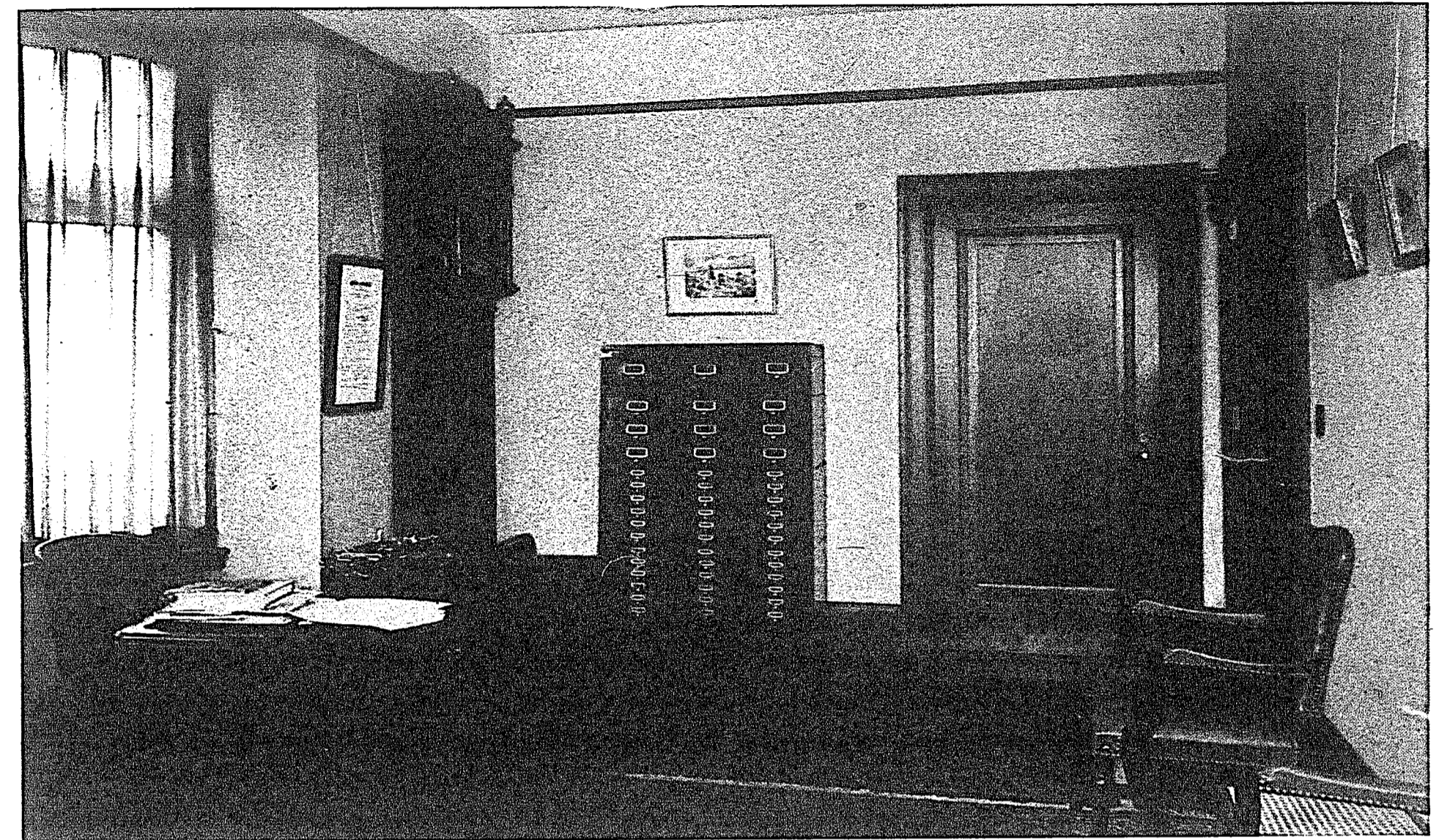
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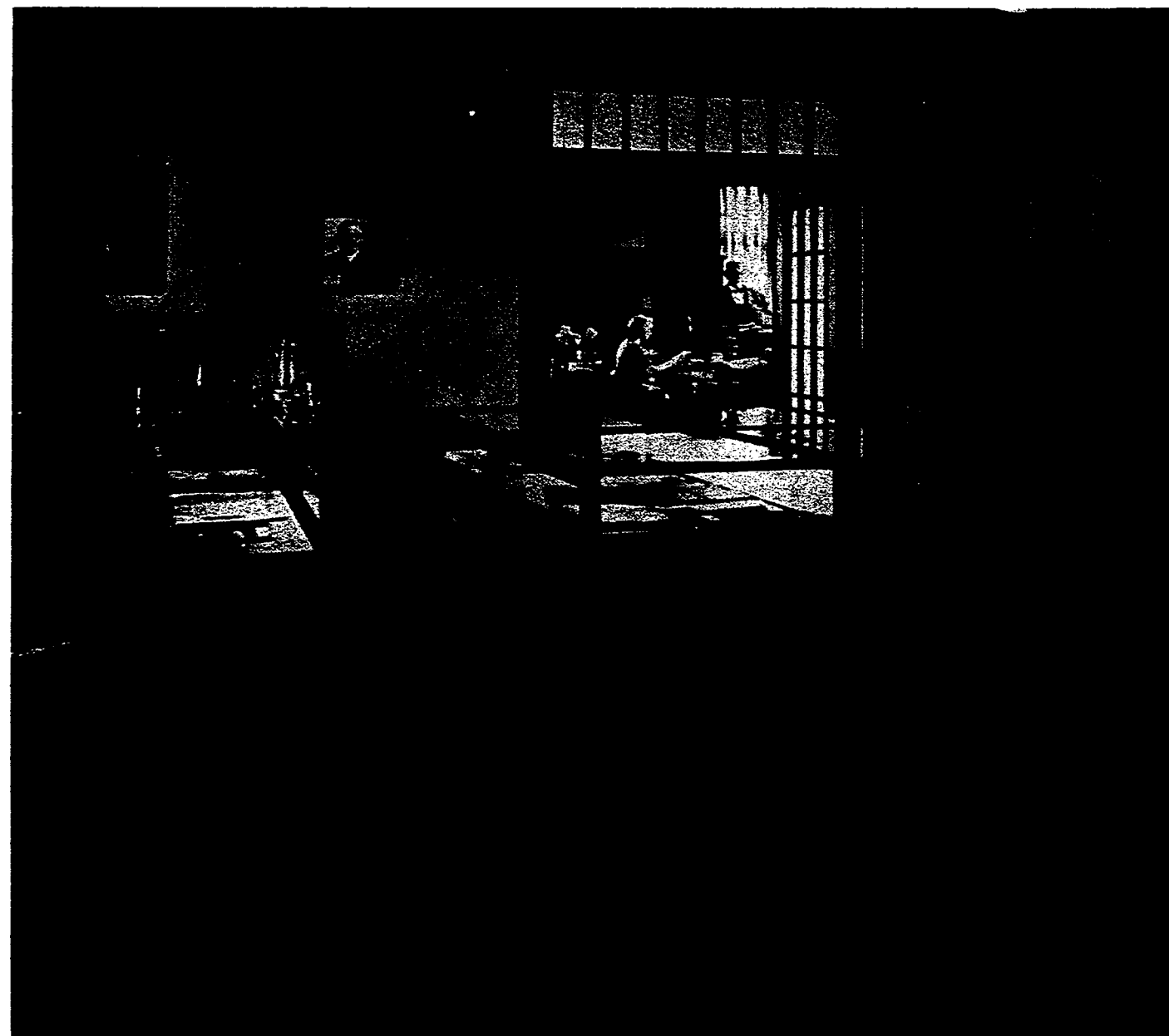
Museum, Looking Toward the Rear
Door to Fire-proof Vault at the right



Office, Looking Toward the Front
Mill Yard Clock at the Left



Office Looking Toward the Rear



Looking From Inner Door of Office Through the Museum
Into the Library.

Through the generosity of an interested friend, the Historical Society is able to present the foregoing illustrations of the rooms which it occupies in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, in Plainfield, N. J. These serve to give the eye a picture of these rooms which have been otherwise described in the series of articles concerning the work of the Historical Society, as they have appeared in the SABBATH RECORDER during the past three months.

Many gratifying evidences of interest in these articles have been received by the Society. Not only have kindly letters been received, and kindly words spoken face to face with the writer of these articles; but many

gifts have been received—gifts of much value and interest, some of them unique.

The thanks of the Society are due the president of the General Conference, Mr. Courtland V. Davis, for his interest in suggesting and promoting these articles: and to the editor of the SABBATH RECORDER, who has so freely and so graciously given space in the RECORDER at this time.

From time to time, it is hoped that lists of gifts and other accessions may be found in the SABBATH RECORDER; and that the very pleasant and fruitful relation already established, may not only continue, but grow in its intensity and scope.

Corliss F. Randolph, *President,*
Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Carolyn:

I am rather glad now that I did not have room to answer your good letter last week, for you see your letter and Carol Burdick's are the only ones I have to answer this week. Whatever would I do if I didn't have at least two letters to write?

I have just succeeded in getting little Miss Joyce settled for the night. Her daddy and mother have gone off for a wiener roast, and although she did not know where they were going she was very emphatic in making it known that she wanted to go too, and didn't want to go to sleep one bit. Would you?

It has been just two weeks since your letter was written and I am wondering if you have started on your vacation trip yet; it sounds interesting and I feel pretty sure you will have a very enjoyable time.

Hearing about your puppy, Judy, makes me think of a puppy that came to live in our neighborhood about five years ago and who is growing up with his little master, Bobby, who also is almost five. He is a Great Dane and so of course he is a big dog now, but wherever you see Bobby you are pretty sure to see his dog. He is a pretty good dog, but sometimes he gets into mischief without meaning to, as when he dug up about fifty tomato plants in our cold frame so that he could bury a big bone there. But we have forgiven him that since he takes such good care of his little master.

Wishing you a happy vacation trip, I remain

Your loving friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Carol:

I have been looking for a letter from you ever since I saw you at Alfred Station, for you told me you would write, and I knew you would keep your promise when you had time. You see I am always especially glad to receive the letters of the girls and boys whom I really know well, as I do you.

It is very warm here, too, but I cannot put on a bathing suit in order to cool off, since my only bathing place is the bath tub, but I have turned on the electric fan just above my typewriter and that feels pretty good. A few days ago we had rain, followed by cool

weather as perhaps your daddy has written you, and no doubt he found it much easier to teach in that kind of weather.

I am sure you must be enjoying your stay in camp. I always enjoy camping, even if it is only in a tent, provided it isn't a leaky one. I once slept in a tent and woke up suddenly in the middle of the night to find a stream of water running down my neck. That wasn't so much fun. It's a good thing I did not sleep with my mouth open, I'm thinking.

We are having a two weeks' vacation, beginning today, and a week from tomorrow we expect to start for Plainfield to attend Conference. I'm wondering how many of my RECORDER children I will see there; I hope there will be a good number and you among them; and that goes for Carolyn Spencer, too.

Let me see, your birthday was nearly a week ago. I hope the day brought you all the pleasure you expected. In your next letter you must tell me all about how you spent it and who helped you spend it.

Lovingly your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

SKEEZIC'S LATEST ADVENTURE

A few days ago—and a bright, pleasant day it was, with the sun shining brightly and the birds singing their cheeriest—Skeezics was rolling around in the grass near the flower garden and coaxing me to come and rub his "tummy" so that he could give me a playful nip or two.

Suddenly two dogs appeared from the direction of the garden and Skeezics sprang to his feet and started for the house in a hurry, but before he reached there another dog, and a big one, came around the corner of the house. What was a poor cat to do? His tail swelled up and his back was uplifted; he growled first in one direction and then in another. What would have happened if I had not intervened I do not know. However, I drove off the dogs and Skeezics sprang for the house, still rather wild-eyed. M. S. G.

MAKE SABBATH PLEASANT FOR THE CHILDREN

BY NANCY D. UNDERHILL

In a city where homes are close together, one warm Sunday morning, the Smiths heard the little Jones boy, in a long drawn out tone, "Mama, is this Sunday?" and the answer,

"Yes, dear, this is Sunday"; then in a quick, glad tone, "Oh, goody! then we can have the cake." That mother was too poor to have cake every day, so she managed to save that luxury for Sunday, to make the day one of pleasant anticipation and happy memory for her children.

Had they known the seventh day as the Lord's day, the children would have looked forward with joyful anticipation to the Sabbath day. It is well to have some special pleasure in store for the children upon the Sabbath day.

Children soon grow tired of their toys. When they no longer seem to care for them, we have gathered half of them and put them away (unnoticed by the little ones) where they would not see them again for a long time. Then, on some rainy day when the children must stay indoors, we would produce some of the old toys from their hiding place. Oh, how glad the children were to see their old toys again! They were far better than *new* toys, so they would play with them happily all day. This plan would be a good one for the Sabbath, only do not produce too many old toys at once. Just a few are more interesting.

Children who are several years old are very active, and must not be kept under restraint. Their lively little bodies need activity. To require them to be still all day is torture to their minds and bodies. A pleasant walk on Sabbath afternoon, accompanied by parent, teacher, or some other competent person—a walk into the fields, orchards, or woodland, where birds' nests may be found, plant life examined, and the wonderful works of the Creator studied—may be very good for both children and adults. But if this is not feasible, let the young folks have their company at home, and do not require them to be quiet all the time. Perhaps the sound of childish glee is as sweetly musical to our heavenly Father's ears as the sound of our singing or playing upon some instrument of music. Who knows? Jesus took a little child and said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

When Peter healed the lame man (in Jesus' name) the man leaped and walked and praised God, but some of the people were displeased at the noise he made. I imagine some of those very religious Pharisees were inclined to say, "Sh, keep still, this is the hour of prayer" and "This is God's house—

don't make so much noise." But we know he did right in exulting in and proclaiming the Lord's goodness. So, let the children have freedom to rejoice in God's goodness on the Sabbath day. It was made for God's creatures to enjoy. His creatures were not made for it.

JUST SOME THOUGHTS

BY MRS. F. G. HALLADAY

The other day over the radio I heard a minister say: "We hear so much about self-sacrifice; why not call it *self attainment*, for that is really what it is. We never make a real effort to help either a good cause or a person but what our own soul growth far outweighs what we have done."

The other day after Bible reading I thought how much is said about Jesus' saving power. That is a wonderful thing, but if we would only think more often of his *keeping* power we could live closer to him.

Just as God has made various trees and flowers, each having its appointed place and purpose, so each life may differ.

Water lilies with their sweet fragrance grow in muddy ooze, and strong oaks grow on high, dry ground. The oak is made into beautiful furniture, but who can tell how many hearts have been made glad by the beautiful, fragrant lilies?

This part of a hymn comes to me:

"Have faith in God; the sun will shine
Though dark the clouds may be today;
His hand hath planned your way and mine;
Have faith in God, have faith alway."

What does God mean to you? How many times have you proved him?

When you asked for bread has he given you a stone? Perhaps you looked at the stone and did not see the nourishing loaf just the other side.

Have you asked for peace and a hard storm came? In the center of the storm is a place of calm. Christ Jesus is in the center of every storm that can come into our lives. Let us wait for his guiding and he will be our strength and stay. He will be our center of calm.

God will mean to us *all* what we will let him mean. Through Christ Jesus we can learn to call him Father, and know "He doeth all things well."

Stevens Point, Wis.

OUR PULPIT

FATHER'S LOVE

BY MRS. NELLIE REIMERS KIMSHAL

"And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear." Isaiah 65: 24.

I have known of people waiting a long time in one place and giving this explanation, that they were "waiting for a call." They expected some one to call them on the phone. And why did they wait so long for this call? It was to bring them financial remuneration or satisfaction of some kind—in fact they themselves were to be the ones to receive benefit from that call—hence the eager waiting.

Now this beautiful verse in Isaiah also gives us a picture of some one waiting — anxiously waiting—and waiting for a call—not a call which would bring him help of any kind, but waiting for a call of distress, and standing there with the remedy in hand to administer to the distressed soul the moment he calls. But then, seeing that the poor, dear soul has forgotten the call number or has become too weak to call even if he could remember it, he answers before the call comes through. What a picture of love and faithfulness; and this faithful one is none other than our God. He has the answer to our every trouble. I can see him standing there with the package in his hand containing the very thing I have been needing so long; and as soon as I begin my petition with "Father," he hands out the blessing toward me before I can finish the prayer.

We have a wonderful story in the Bible of a father who was just like this. We read it in Luke 15: 11-32. It is a very familiar story to all of us—the story of the prodigal son. And who of us has not been thrilled by this story? At this time we are especially interested in the father. We sympathize with him because of the anxiety which his wayward son gave him. We can imagine him standing there at the gate, sorrowful as he watches his son turn his face away from him and toward the wicked world. That father knew that trouble would surely come to his son and his heart went out to him. But he was an indulgent father and so he had to let him go, but no doubt his heart ached as he saw him going down the road and finally disappear in the distance.

Now, from the time that he disappeared from sight I believe that the father began to look for his return, and I can picture him every day looking down the road many times hoping to see the form of his dear son coming back again, for he was his youngest son and the father had built up great hopes for his future.

Finally the son began to find out that life without his father was not so good. The husks that pigs eat do not nourish as fine, wholesome food that we enjoy at the father's table. Also the fine clothes that his father had always provided for him began to wear out, and with his money all spent he could not replace them.

I am glad for one phrase of this story which reads thus, "And when he came to himself." This tells me that while he was wandering away from his father's house he was *not himself*. A wicked power possessed him and influenced him to believe that he knew better than his father. But finally he *came to himself*, and he turned himself about and started toward home, and when he turned his face toward home he began from that moment to face blessing, abundance, plenty, love, and his father's face. According to my dictionary, as soon as he turned his face from the pigs, back toward home, that moment he was converted, for to convert means to turn around and go the opposite way.

We shudder as we think of the wickedness of this ungrateful son, but if we stop to examine ourselves we find that we are no better, or *were* no better until the day that we "came to ourselves" and turned about and faced homeward.

Well, how about the father? He is the character in this story that I love and admire. He must have been waiting every day for that son to feel his need and call for him again. If only he could hear that familiar voice again calling "Father." One day as he stood there by the gate waiting, looking, hoping, he saw a bedraggled young man come trudging up the road; he was barefoot; his clothing was torn—could his eyes be deceiving him? No, it really was his son. Nothing could hold that father any longer—he *ran*. You can see the old man so filled with joy and love for his son that he forgets all his willful disobedience of the past. He has forgotten all this and he *runs* down the road to meet him. And why? Not because of any

financial gain that the son was bringing him. No, his son was returning penniless and miserable. Yes, but he was *returning*. That was enough for the father. What love and mercy he showed as he took his son and clothed him with the best robe, with shoes, and put a ring on his finger and prepared a great feast for him.

Then you remember there was an older son in the field and he was so angry and jealous because his father took in his wayward brother again, that he would not come in and see him. But here we see the father's love again. The twenty-eighth verse tells us "therefore came his father out and entreated him." See this father—he brings both boys in. First we see him at the front gate bringing in the son who went away, and then he must go out the back door and bring in the other one who always stayed home. Do you know there wasn't much difference between the two boys, after all? The one that stayed home didn't have very much love for his father or his brother. His father had to plead and beg him to come in and enjoy the feast with them. The father's heart was made sad by *both boys*. He wanted the love of both his sons and he wanted it so much that he was willing to humiliate himself to both of them. He had a loving heart that longed after the love of his sons. He wanted them both to be home with him where he could bestow upon them every good gift.

Could there be a better picture of our heavenly Father? He stands there waiting—waiting for his children to feel their need and turn to him and say "Father." Sometimes I think he has as much trouble with that goody-goody son that never committed any awful sin that would shock the world, as he has with the down-and-out sinner. The father in the story had to plead with the one who stayed home to get him to come in and love his brother. And, after all, isn't love the fulfilling of the law? The Bible says, even though I may be so religious that I might give my body to be burned, or give all my goods to feed the poor, etc., yet without love I am nothing.

Yes, the father's heart was filled with love, but his sons showed very little of it. The one who always obeyed his father had less than the one who went away but afterward came to himself.

Love is what we all need—first love for the dear Father who patiently waits to hear our call—then for our brother, yes, even the brother who has made the wrong choice and "wasted his substance in riotous living." Can we really love *him*? You know it is easy to love those who appear to be always good and very religious. But can we love those who are outside the fold—those bums out there who are so dirty and sinful? The Father loves them. He is waiting for them to come home. Let us not who *are* at home in the Father's house, be so stubborn and hateful that the Father will have to come out and plead with us to come in and love our poor brother.

You remember, after Adam sinned, it was God who came looking after him in the garden. And God has *always* been looking and waiting for his children to return to him. In Isaiah 65: 2 he says, "I have spread out my hands *all the day* unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts." Isaiah 44: 22: "I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: *return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.*"

Middletown, Conn.

REACHING VICTORY THROUGH THE EDUCATION WE GAIN FROM OUR SCHOOLS

BY GLEN KENNEDY

(A paper read at education hour of the Southeastern Association, Middle Island, W. Va.)

The school is the sculptor in the art of shaping a small, struggling infant into an efficient, progressive man. In so doing the school has a great responsibility resting upon its shoulders in the formation of mankind, that takes three distinct forms.

First, in order to build this man he must have character education. He must be honest with himself and his fellow man, sincere, and have a sense of fair play.

Next, he must have leisure education. By that I mean he must be educated as to how to use his time that does not directly connect him with his position or his work.

And last, he must have professional education. In other words, he must be intellectually fitted for his job.

Now if you will return with me to the initial step in our building program, let us analyze why character education should be

the first responsibility of the school. Let us look at those in the first grade in our school and what do we find? We see smiling faces, eager eyes, helpful hands, dashing feet, and clean minds with no thought of evil, no thought of vice, no thought of revenge, and wearing a star of innocence in their crowns.

Now let us go farther to the junior high school and observe for a little while and what do we find? We see questioning faces, observing eyes, growing hands, awkward feet, and absorbing minds with some thought of distrust, no thought of vice, with a twinge of revenge, and wearing a star of curiosity in their crowns.

Now let us go forward for eight more years and we see these same boys and girls as seniors in college who are on the threshold of manhood and womanhood. Here we may note still a greater change. We see different sorts of faces, several kinds of eyes, selfish hands, nervous feet, and minds full of the knowledge of evil, running over with the presence of vice, forgetful of the golden rule, and wearing a star of importance in their crowns.

As we visualize these three pictures can we not see and understand that there is a great barrier in our social system that must be broken down if we expect to keep these toddling infants upon the road to salvation instead of letting them wander into the wilderness along the roads of destruction? Surely there is some way the schools can aid in the building of these men and these women by giving them character education.

After studying for a year in educational psychology our class came to the conclusion that modern teachers fall down in teaching character to their students. From our study we made the following inferences: Is it not true that in our graded schools the teacher is either the idol of the child or his enemy? Is it not true that for six hours each day, nine months in the year, that child is guided and instructed by his teacher? Is it not also true that the child follows this same method of guidance for the following sixteen years after entering the first grade?

Therefore, since there is so much difference in the outlook of the boy or girl at these three different stages of their lives, and since only about one-fifth of all these future citizens become church members, is it not a challenge to

the school system of our country that something is definitely wrong?

The leading ministers of our country say that in the past few years this obstacle has taken a definite shape in the form of vice, slander, and the wrong kind of amusements, and that only by character education in our schools can we control this perpetual flow of men and women away from the doors of our churches.

Then as we leave character education we find that the student has so much time to be used aside from his school work that it is a problem to the boy or girl as much as it is to the teacher. By leisure time I mean that time that is not fully associated with school work or earning a living. Frankly, I believe that no matter how much character education we teach in the schools, the thing that causes the young man or woman to slide from the path of righteousness is the use of his leisure time, the associates and amusements of this time. The rural problem is directly opposite that of the urban community. In the rural district we cannot keep the adolescents busy, while in the city there is entirely too much in the way of amusements and attractions for the teen-age group.

The commissioner of education says that the crucial problem of America is the education of her people toward the right kind of living in their leisure moments. Naturally, in a discussion of this type a remedy is offered and we pass this one down to you.

Our schools endeavor to give a broad-minded education to the youth of today, our business houses advertise their wares and endeavor to sell us their idea that we get our money's worth, our churches offer our ministers to us, different states offer their scenic views to tourists, movie producers offer their pictures, parks offer their amusements, and in choosing we should have a measuring stick to use in comparing one with the other.

For example, in the problem of reaching victory through leisure education, we think of victory as freedom, joy, peace, happiness, sincerity, devotion, honesty, and all that is good as coming to those who are enlightened through education. We find, then, that the church, in young people's work, offers us the ideal way of spending our time not directly associated with earning a living.

Education toward the finer things of life is the only way of keeping our youth climbing

the true and real ladder of manhood. We are now able to visualize victory through the education we gain from schools. We only lack the finishing touches that polish and fit a man for his job, and quality in a man that enables him to earn a living.

Education in the school gives to the student the ability to associate with his fellows, the ability to sell himself, and the ability to appreciate these qualities, which if it were not for the schools he would not have had.

Now to Seventh Day Baptists particularly do I make this statement. It is absolute necessity for us to fit ourselves for our job, to prepare ourselves in order that our work will not interfere with our Sabbath, in order that Seventh Day Baptist boys and girls may have character education, in order that all of us may reach victory through education in our schools.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

GARWIN, IA.

DEAR EDITOR:

This is a summary of the quarterly meeting of the Iowa churches held at Garwin, August 6, 1938. The Sabbath was beautiful. Mrs. Lottie Babcock was moderator, and Mrs. S. R. DuToit, secretary. We were disappointed that Pastor Kay Bee of the Welton Church, upon whom we had depended, was absent on account of sickness. We had to carry on the best we could.

Special music was furnished by our two youngest members, Ruth Saunders and Virginia DuToit, in a duet, "Jesus Loves Me," and a solo, "I Hear a Sweet Voice Calling," sung by the latter.

A resolution committee, Mrs. Reva Saunders and Mrs. Nettie Van Horn, brought in the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved,

1. That because of the sickness of Pastor Bee, we extend our sympathy and regrets that he could not meet with us. His services were greatly missed but we pray that with divine guidance he may soon be restored to health.

2. That our sympathy be extended to the Socwell family in their bereavement in the death of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Harriett Matilda Socwell.

3. That the Iowa churches through prayer and full trust in their Savior stress a deeper interest in Sabbath keeping and also in the many other interests of the denomination.

Since Rev. E. H. Socwell served the Iowa churches so faithfully and is buried here at Garwin, this church is much interested in putting up a memorial stone to mark the grave. Since he was a friend to so many there may be some who would like to help.

Meeting was adjourned to meet the first Sabbath in November at Welton, Iowa, with Charles Mitchell as moderator, and Mrs. Zuriel Campbell, secretary.

Mrs. S. R. DuToit,
Secretary.

Garwin, Ia.

DODGE CENTER, MINN.

The talk by Mrs. George Thorngate at Ladies' Aid meeting was very profitable and enjoyed by a large group of people.

The song by Kirk and Barry Clapper in church and the song in Chinese by David and Stephen Thorngate in Sabbath school were highly appreciated.

Doctor Thorngate gave a very practical test to search our own hearts and lives in Christian Endeavor and also talked about affairs and incidents in China in both Sabbath school and Christian Endeavor.

Doctor and Mrs. Thorngate and three sons left Sunday for their home in Phoenix, Ariz., via Colfax, Albion, Milton, Wis., and Houston, Tex., where they will visit relatives. The oldest son is in Rockville, R. I., with his aunt, Mrs. H. O. Burdick.

SHANGHAI, CHINA

David and Eling Sung are now connected with a factory which is manufacturing cotton and linen goods here in Shanghai. David is the manager. Their products are being sold in a newly opened shop where Mrs. Li, Helen Su's sister, is helping.

Stephen Wang, graduate of Milton and Madison, has been promoted to a position in the Bank of Communications in Hongkong, where he and his wife now live. Louie Wang is coming into the Boys' School to help put over some industrial work for boys who cannot pay their full tuitions.

Our two schools are conducting summer schools, each with enrollments above one hundred. The shorter school year, due to late opening last fall and the war preventing many from studying the first semester, has made it impossible for several to complete the requirements satisfactorily. Others have come in to prepare to enter our schools in the fall.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP

BY MRS. FRANCES W. ELLIS

(Paper given at a Sabbath school service,
Berlin, N. Y.)

The teachings of Jesus have undoubtedly done far more for making the best type of citizenship than any other single force. Christianity teaches men to be courageous, loyal, honest, obedient, and helpful. All these traits are characteristic of a good citizen.

We may think that courage is needed most by the soldier who is called upon to risk his very life in defense of his country, but courage is needed, too, by all government officials who would be true to their convictions and ideals in the face of temptation, bitter opposition, and criticism. We need courage, too, to do the right as we see it, and faith in Christ will not only help us to know what is right but give us courage to do it.

It has been said that real patriotism means God service as well as country service. As Christians, our first loyalty is to God, as revealed in Jesus Christ; our second loyalty is to our country. Jesus himself recognized this double loyalty. He was true to the traditions of the Jews, to the authority of the Jewish rulers and of the Roman overlords, but when the final test came, when he had to decide whether he would proclaim what he knew to be God's will or compromise or be silent to satisfy the state, he did not hesitate. He was loyal to God and was crucified as one disloyal to the government. Thus, when loyalty to God and to the state come in conflict, the Christian, following Christ's example, must do the will of God, which he should seek to discover thoughtfully and prayerfully. In this, we have the example also of the Christian martyrs, and all those, including many Seventh Day Baptists, who remained true to their religious convictions in spite of persecution.

An editor of a daily paper has written, "A country is not made great by the number of square miles it contains, but by the number of square people it contains." Squareness or honesty is a very important quality for a citizen to possess. Honest men and women are our greatest asset in community management and national affairs. Those who are true to God and Christ's principles will also be honest in performing their civic duties.

Closely allied with squareness or honesty is respect and obedience for law. Christians

Richard Davis, in response to a cable giving him an appointment as interne in the Wisconsin General Hospital at Madison, left as soon as his school was out for that place. Esther Pan is taking her first interne work in Margaret Williamson. Marion Lieu, Doctor Crandall's other daughter, is on her second year of nurse's training in Lester Hospital. She was quite ill with typhus this spring but seems to be back to normal now.

It is not necessary to tell you that the coming of Mother and Anna was most welcome to us all. Both went right to work and are still at it in spite of the heat. Anna has made many, many calls on school girls and church members, often in company with the Bible woman, Mrs. Koo.

One event of the spring has been a joint baptismal service at which a young Baptist minister performed the baptism for fifteen people—five who joined our Shanghai Church, one for Liuho, and nine for a Gospel Mission group that uses our church on Sunday afternoons.

Dr. Lincoln Pan is doing good service in the Shaoshing hospital and taking his turn in speaking for Christ.

We are hoping for the return of Miriam Shaw, Doctor Palmborg, and the Thorngates this fall. The Davis house, rented for this summer, will be vacant by that time and there is much that these good people can do.

The refugees living in the school are doing their utmost to find places for rent, but it is very difficult to find rooms within their means. Rents have doubled and trebled. The Liuho people are to stay in two rooms in the main building, except for the "T. B." patient who is to go to a hospital soon. Eleanor Woo and her orphans are to have the second floor in the kindergarten building, that which was built for a small chapel. The Dzau We-ding family are unable to return to their country home so are still in the Burdick-West parlor. Some of the refugee money which you have sent us has gone into preparing a little place for our Bible woman and her family, so they can stay on the place. Other money has been used to help with rents, food, and medicine. Many pupils will either not be able to study this fall or will have to have some aid, as the parents will be unable to pay the school fees.

—New Items by Mabel West
In China (July) Bulletin.

ought to set the best example of careful, respectful law observance and not wink at evasion or violation of the law by others.

Finally, we come to Christ's teachings about service and how they make for good citizenship. Christ stood for correction of injustice and the alleviation of suffering. The good Christian citizen feels a personal responsibility for helping others. He stands for finer schools, worth while reading, more wholesome amusements, cleaner business, and for all progress that points toward realization of Christian ideals in life. Because he is a Christian, he gives all the more freely of his time, ability, and means for the betterment of society.

TO BE A CITIZEN

Most of all one needs a moral spine,
Erect, reliable, and superfine.
Not horizontal, just to bear a load
Like beasts along the dusty field and road;
But vertical, to hold life's standards high,
Like signals to the throng a-passing by.
And whether men may coax or smile or frown,
It must not swerve nor cringe nor knuckle
down.

If graft or flattery or fame beguile,
That moral spine must back us all the while.

—Mary C. Curry in "The Union Signal."

OBITUARY

BOYD.—John Charles—at Salemville, Pa., died from a paralytic stroke, July 21, 1938. He was born in St. Louis, Mo.

At the age of twelve he was compelled to make his own way, and came to Pennsylvania when a young man. He was married to Miss Nettie Kagarise, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Kagarise of Salemville, July 25, 1911.

He became affiliated with the Seventh Day Baptist Church of this place and remained a loyal member till his death. He is survived by his widow, eight children, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frank R. King. Interment was made in the Salemville cemetery. F. R. K.

CHAMPLIN.—Annie M., daughter of Samuel and Sarah Thomas Merritt, was born in North Stonington, Conn., August 26, 1847, and died at her home near Ashaway, July 11, 1938.

She was united in marriage to George S. Champlin who preceded her in death many years. To this union were born two daughters and one son who survive her: Mrs. Ida C. Briggs, Mrs. Ella C. Green, and George A. Champlin, besides seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She joined the First Hopkinton Seventh Day Baptist Church March 10, 1888, by letter from

the Second Hopkinton Church, where she joined by baptism May 5, 1866.

Farewell services were held at her late home and interment made in Oak Grove Cemetery, Ashaway, her pastor, Rev. E. T. Harris, officiating. E. T. H.

CRANDALL.—Philip Sherman Crandall, son of C. Milford and Euphemia Greene Crandall, was born in Andover township in the Independence community, November 27, 1916, and died at the State Hospital, Ovid, N. Y., August 7, 1938.

He united with the Independence Seventh Day Baptist Church when he was eleven years of age and has been a faithful and conscientious member in the church, Bible school, and young people's society. His love of flowers and nature brought him near to nature's God.

He is survived by his parents; two brothers, Edward W. and Wayne N.; and one sister, Maxine.

Farewell services were held from the home and the Independence church, August 9, 1938, conducted by Pastor Walter L. Greene assisted by Rev. Edgar D. Van Horn. Interment in Alfred Rural Cemetery. W. L. G.

WOLFE.—Charles C., aged 63, youngest son of John D. and Susanna Wolfe, died at Salemville, Pa., July 5, 1938, after a long illness.

From early life he was a member of the Salemville Seventh Day Baptist Church, serving long years as chorister, deacon, and Sabbath school superintendent. For many years he taught school, and later followed carpentering.

On April 21, 1897, he was united in marriage with Minnie Shriner who survives him with one daughter, Miss Huldah, and a foster daughter, Mrs. Hazel Gochnour.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frank R. King and interment was made in the Salemville cemetery. F. R. K.

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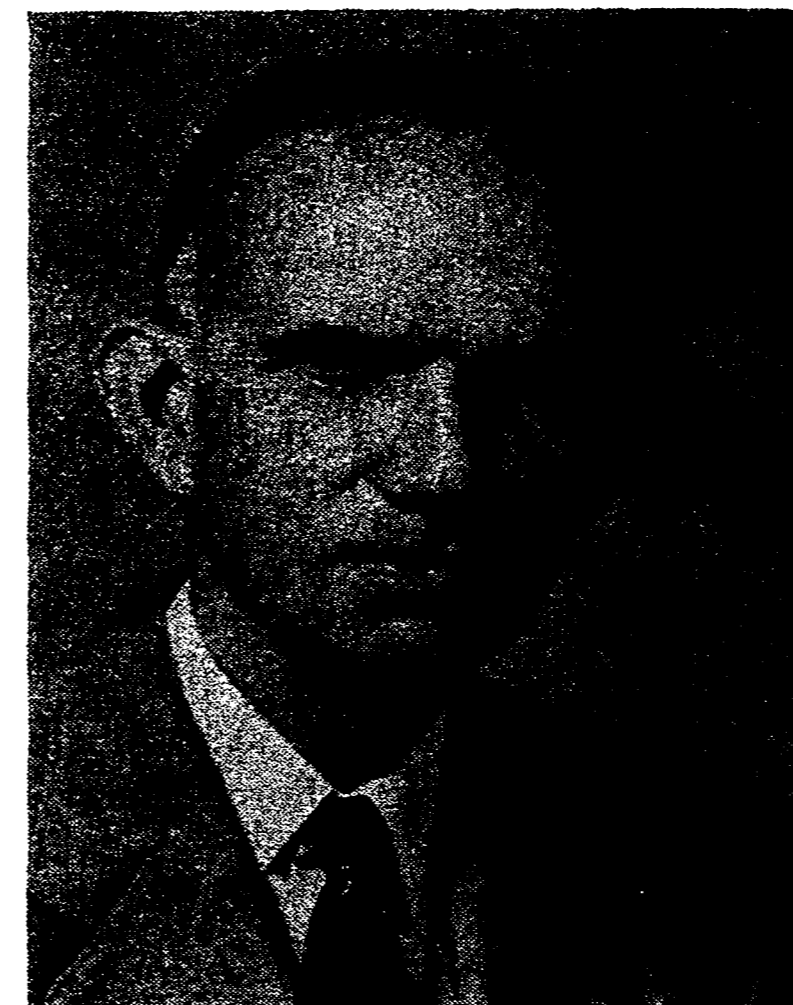
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