

and Lawyer T. Newton Willoughby was in the chair.

The date of the 1939 Jamaica S. D. B. Conference is September 20-24, and will be held with the Bowensville Church.—*Jamaica News Letter* No. 2, May 1, 1939.

MILTON JUNCTION, WIS.

Miss Mabel West, Seventh Day Baptist missionary to China who is spending part of her furlough in the A. B. West home in Milton Junction, states that her sister, Miss Anna West, submitted to a major operation March 22. Anna, who is in Shanghai, is improving satisfactorily according to the last report.

Dr. George Thorngate arrived in Shanghai the very last of March. With his family he had spent several months at Phoenix, Ariz., and he stopped here en route to Europe, where he was to visit Seventh Day Baptist churches in England, Germany, and Holland. Mrs. Thorngate and three younger sons plan to join him in Shanghai this fall.

Doctor Thorngate is already at work in a hospital for tubercular refugees.

Dr. Grace Crandall is expecting to come home in July.

Dr. Rosa Palmborg, who has her industrial work and clinic in Shanghai, now also teaches a class of refugee Jews.

Strange as it seems, Jews who are fleeing from Europe to escape persecution are flocking to Shanghai where there are no immigration laws. As a result, Shanghai, which includes the international settlement and the French concession, in a very small area has a population greater than the State of Wisconsin.

—Milton Junction Telephone.

JACKSON CENTER, OHIO

We were delighted with the privilege of entertaining the Salem Y.M.C.A. Quartet here this week-end, Doctor Hancock with them. He delivered the Mother's Day sermon and the quartet furnished music. An hour's sacred concert was given Sabbath afternoon at the church and the night following the Sabbath they gave a public concert in the school auditorium before a crowd of four hundred people. They were very well received. I don't know of anything that has been done here in our church lately that has been so well received by our members.

Correspondent.

THE SABBATH DAY

By Nancy D. Underhill

Oh, Sabbath day; sweet Sabbath day!
A time to rest, and sing and pray:
A time to read God's holy Word—
Commune with him, our blessed Lord,
Along life's rugged, toilsome way.

Oh, Sabbath day; dear Sabbath day!
We love to cease from toil and stay
Close to our Lord so good and kind—
Refresh our bodies, and our mind,
By trusting Christ—the Truth—the Way.

Oh, Sabbath day, loved Sabbath day!
God sanctified this time for aye.
Now, child, just trust him—take your rest:
Just lean upon thy Savior's breast—
He cares for you—he is the Way.

Oh, precious, restful Sabbath day!
We welcome thee, our tired souls say.
Our Savior kept the day of rest—
The day our heavenly Father blessed—
The Lord's day—holy seventh day.

—Bible Advocate.

MARRIAGES

CRAW-FITZ RANDOLPH.—At the Seventh Day Baptist church in Fouke, Ark., Charles A. Craw of Springfield, Ill., and Lura Fitz Randolph of Texarkana, Ark., were united in marriage by the missionary pastor, Ellis R. Lewis, of Gentry, Ark., May 6, 1939.
Their present home address is at 211 S. Glenwood, Springfield, Ill.

OBITUARY

LANGWORTHY.—Herman A. Langworthy was born June 4, 1877. He was the son of Byron A. and Cornelius Langworthy of Main Settlement. His death came March 24, 1939.

At the age of sixteen he was baptized and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Main Settlement. February 8, 1898, he was united in marriage to Estella Voohees. Four daughters and one son were born; one daughter died at the age of fifteen months. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, and son.

He was a blacksmith, merchant, and carpenter by trade. He had many friends, and was a member of various organizations.

Funeral services were held at the home, with Rev. Harley Sutton officiating. Burial was in the Main Settlement cemetery. H. S.

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For Sale, Help Wanted, and advertisements of a like nature, will be run in this column at one cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each additional insertion. Cash must accompany each advertisement.

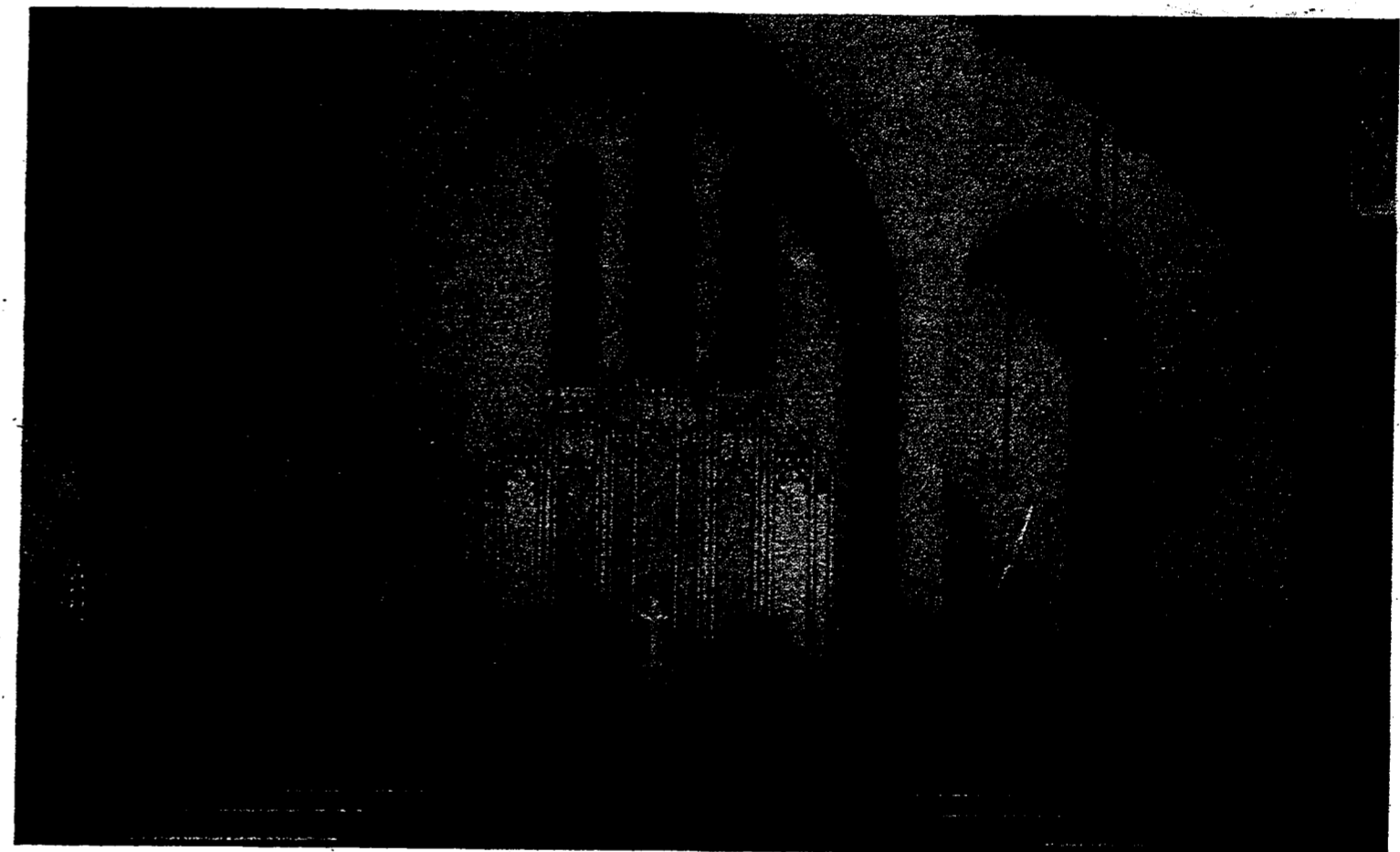
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THE SABBATH

We believe that the Sabbath of the Bible, the seventh day of the week, is sacred time, antedating Moses and having the sanction of Jesus; that it should be faithfully kept by all Christians as a day of rest and worship, a symbol of God's presence in time, a pledge of eternal Sabbath rest.—*Statement of Belief.*

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"Visualize The Budget" We like the concrete. We are moved by particulars. War is terrible, but if we know the members of a family who are killed in an air raid, or our whole living regime is upset by broken water mains, no lights, no radio, no gas, no sanitary conveniences, war behind the lines is unendurable, and we see to it that there shall be no more war.

Likewise is this true of our work at the task God has given us. A United Budget for the work has been made by assembling the amounts needed for our various activities. But except for the amount to be raised, it does not sound impressive—Missions so much, Tract Society so much, Ministerial Relief so much.

But could someone stand before us as a congregation and tell of special need in China, a fire in Jamaica, a cycloned church and community in Arkansas, a story of some struggling youth who is trying to secure ministerial training, or the need of some old soldier of the gospel ministry worn out in the service, hearty response and adequate financing would unquestionably be forthcoming. We say this with assurance because it has

been seen in actual experience and discovered by the reading of records.

Something like that is back of this special issue of the SABBATH RECORDER. We want six thousand Seventh Day Baptists to see the picture. To this end will mission interests be presented, the value of the SABBATH RECORDER, the blessed heritage which is ours (we would like to present an eleventh chapter of Hebrews of Seventh Day Baptists). To the end mentioned will all the other activities be thrown upon this screen: Christian education, young people's needs and activities, work of our women, value and importance of historical background, the need and importance of a noble denominational headquarters, deferred financial recognition of needs of our retired ministers.

If six thousand Seventh Day Baptists can get this picture and grasp its significance—what can they not do! If this grips them, they will be saying, "I surrender all" to the will and work of the Lord. They will fill the Budget coffers, and the overflowings will enable our boards not only to carry on present projects but to enter doors long thrown open, and to answer appeals long ignored, "Come over and help us." Our Preaching Missions will be fruitful, membership of churches enlarged, and our whole spiritual field enriched.

Read every page; pray for a real revival of true religion in our midst; for the full success of our task; for a sense of personal responsibility, and an absolute personal surrender and consecration. "God will bless us, and that right early."

I AM YOUR CHURCH PAPER

I am your published word of Christ and the Sabbath.

I represent you in carrying on all over the world.

I go to forty-four states and the District of Columbia.

I go with your tracts to Africa, Australia, China, Canada, South America, England, Wales, Holland, Germany, Poland, India, Hawaii, and other islands of the sea.

I am your voice extended to all the earth—as you are obedient to Christ's "Go ye."

I am rooted in the past; as the SABBATH RECORDER I first appeared June 14, 1844, almost exactly ninety-five years ago. But still back of me were the *Sabbath Register*,

the *Protestant Sentinel*, and the *Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Magazine*.

I am—whatever else—a teacher, personal friend, a watchman—whose duty it is not only to encourage and sympathize but to cry out against the enemies at the gate, awakening from dangerous sleep those who look to me, lest foes come upon us and overwhelm us.

I ought to be a prophet, stirring people to spiritual and social needs and calling them to the hill of God. As a messenger, I come to your homes anxious to be used of God to quicken your lives in him.

I am your church paper.

MISSION OF THE SABBATH RECORDER

(Editorial by Dr. Gardiner in issue of November 10, 1930)

Certainly the RECORDER has an important mission, and that too in a special sense to such a denomination as ours. The very smallness and the widely scattered condition of the Seventh Day Baptist Church gives emphasis to this need.

A people whose homes are found all over this great land, completely surrounded by multitudes who own allegiance to some other faith and whose influence tends to lessen loyalty to God's holy day, would certainly find it difficult to hold their own without this bond of union which keeps them informed regarding the things that make them one and magnifies the loyalty of groups in various sections to the one important Bible truth which gives them their name. . . .

Every family should give it a glad welcome. The children should see that father and mother are interested in it and that they are anxious to have their dear ones read it. If parents wish for their children to remain loyal to the faith of our fathers, I know of no better way to secure such loyalty than to, themselves, stand true in support of the denominational paper. . . .

I shall remember as long as I live a time when my mother took special pains to interest me in the RECORDER. It was before I became a Christian, and was, indeed, at the very beginning of my own interest in denominational matters.

The SABBATH RECORDER in every home ought to make sure of more interested hearers for the pastor on Sabbath days.

People who read this paper have a chance to know what is going on in the denomination. Many a good cause will suffer if people do not have proper information regarding it. The RECORDER is our paper. We need the information it contains if we are going to keep step with one another in the work God gives us to do. How could we get along without any SABBATH RECORDER?

RECORDER TESTIMONIALS

The thirty years of RECORDERS that I have on my library shelves are prized as among the most valued of my library accumulations. I am impressed with the historical values in old RECORDERS for Seventh Day Baptists.

Willard D. Burdick.

The RECORDER is the weekly letter that keeps us posted regarding the aims, hopes, progress, and needs of the denominational family; and moreover we need it for our own personal well being

A Life-time Reader.

To think we are to have the SABBATH RECORDER every week again makes us happy. May the Lord bless you abundantly in the wise editorship and give you funds so that it will never be necessary again to discontinue its weekly messages.

A Colorado Subscriber.

I most heartily endorse the two good articles from Brother Hurley and Brother Burdick . . . in fact . . . the paper is brimful of good articles. Will try to secure a new subscriber or more.

Texas Subscriber.

Briefs from others:

"I couldn't get along without the RECORDER."

"The SABBATH RECORDER gets better, if possible, with each issue."

"I look forward eagerly to the coming of the SABBATH RECORDER; it is like the visit of a dear friend."

"Denominational Hook-up is probably your best circulation builder."

"I read eagerly the fine editorials, and expectantly the Hook-up."

"The RECORDER tells me so much of things and people I want to know about."

DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATION

BY REV. ERLO E. SUTTON
President of Conference

"In union there is strength."

An individual church may do well its work in the community where it is situated, but in most cases it would be difficult for it to carry on missionary work in a foreign land, or even in distant fields in the homeland.

A number of churches, with similar religious beliefs organized into a denomination, can pool their resources and carry on a larger work than is possible for an individual church. In addition to the General Conference, which is the central denominational organization, there must be committees or boards to plan and carry on special lines of work, such as missions, printing, and distribution of literature, education (secular and religious), woman's work, etc. These should be simple and as closely connected with General Conference as possible, thus directly contacting and representing the membership of the denomination. These are simply agents of General Conference and must receive their support through the United Budget. Let us see that it is raised one hundred per cent, that none of our work suffers.

SHALL WE CONTINUE THE DENOMINATION?

BY PRESIDENT J. NELSON NORWOOD

Fortunately, there has been a healthy reaction among extreme Protestants against their own earlier dislike for all sorts of forms, rituals, and observances. This dislike was natural, considering the over-emphasis put on such practices by the Catholic Church at the time of the Protestant secession. Observances do have their proper place in religion, as in related realms like art and democracy. Observances do help. The Seventh Day Sabbath is useful, as my own experience proves to me, because it sets me off from the crowd. It makes me do something for the good of my spiritual life which requires a real effort, and in a vivid way keeps the things of the spirit actively present to me. I think you will get my idea.

IMPORTANCE OF ORGANIZATION

BY MORTON R. SWINNEY
Treasurer, Denominational Budget

Denominational machinery, the organized groups that carry on the program of the denomination, is important. We should strive to attain an efficient, smooth-running organization, operating within its income. Let us not forget, however, that the spread of the Sabbath truth and the spiritual side of our program are of much more importance. Let us, therefore, meet the future with a renewed determination to give of our best to the Master, knowing that we have a sure foundation on which to build.

DENOMINATIONAL MACHINE NEEDED

REPORTED BY H. EUGENE DAVIS

Concerning the Conference and its machinery, Pastor Edward M. Holston of Battle Creek, says: "It is assumed that every member of every Seventh Day Baptist church believes in and gives moral and financial support to a local church organization; first for worship and spiritual culture; second for Christian social fellowship; and third, for efficient cooperation in getting the many necessary things done for the kingdom.

"When the Master says to me, 'Ye are the light of the world, Go ye,' he means something more than just plain high moral living. He put upon me a missionary obligation which neither I nor any other disciple can side-step with a clear conscience. When Jesus said, 'Upon this rock I will build my church,' he used two words, 'build' and 'church' which assumes the method by which it will be done—organized expansion. The ages have proved that orderly organized cooperation in the expansion of the kingdom has had God's richest blessing.

"To accomplish properly their divine assignments Seventh Day Baptists need an efficient denominational machine, of modern construction, made for present-day tasks, with every person who dares to call himself a Seventh Day Baptist an honest contributor toward its operation to full capacity."

RESULTS OF PERSONAL SURRENDER

For years I have believed and taught that God has a richer experience for Christians than most of us enjoy. This winter I determined to do my part to enter into it. I asked God for two things: 1. Strength to surrender to him everything I am or have, my life, abilities, home, family, friends—everything. 2. To be enabled honestly to claim by faith the promises of Christ to cleanse and keep, just as thirty years ago I claimed his promise to pardon and receive. He answered both requests.

The results are very real to me. 1. He has taken away all sense of condemnation and uneasiness, giving a conscience void of offense. 2. There has been no thrill or ecstasy, but such a quiet peace as makes me marvel, the rest of faith. 3. He has given me a control and restraint such as I never knew before, a strength in temptation or trial or testing which makes me wonder. 4. Something has happened deep down in my soul until even my dreams have been noticeably different. And I haven't done a thing but surrender and trust. I know also that the minute I begin again to lean on my own wisdom or strength I shall fail and lose what he has given. The power is all in Christ. He is an "uttermost" Savior.

Loyal F. Hurley.

A TRIBUTE

It has been my good fortune to know Dr. Grace Crandall, Miss Susie Burdick, Miss Miriam Shaw, Miss Anna West, and Mrs. Eugene Davis among our prominent Seventh Day Baptist women. Two of them have shown me by their radiance what the apostle Paul meant when he wrote of "the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." Two others by their ability to shoulder terrific burdens have shown which is, after all, the weaker sex. I have never before paid my tribute to "Miss Susie," but I gladly do so in gratitude for the few years I was able to know her charm and positive good will. If our Missionary Society had done nothing in the last two generations other than to send these women to China, I believe its work would be justified.

Albert N. Rogers.

POWER BEHIND MISSIONS

We have lessons just now about the resurrection. Paul spoke about the power of the resurrection. He got hold of that power in believing in a living risen Savior traveling with him, giving him counsel, courage, and wisdom.

This same power is with those today who care to lay hold of the same faith in a living risen Savior. He will travel with us all the way, anxious to help establish new churches and new mission fields and strengthen the old ones. No Christian fails to desire that power. Team with a living Savior. Power is with him.

John H. Austin.

THE MISSION TASK

Jesus said to his disciples, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16: 15. No greater task confronts God's people today than that of carrying out this great commission—yea—the very life of the Church depends upon the way in which it meets this challenge. Paul in Romans 10: 14, 15, asks these questions: "How shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent?" The slogan of Seventh Day Baptists for 1939 should be "Raise the budget! Send out preachers! Save lost souls!"

Rolla J. Severance.

THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING CHURCHES

The churches scattered over all lands are the hope of the world. Without them the kingdom of our Redeemer will disappear from the face of the earth, and the world will be plunged into indescribable misery and woe. Seventh Day Baptists have their part in maintaining churches and the kingdom of Christ.

Our churches have another grave responsibility and a priceless privilege, namely, it is theirs to minister to thousands of young people, to save them from the pitfalls of life, to lead them to joyous lives and fellowship with Christ, and to train them for valiant service.

In the communities where our pastorless churches are located multitudes of young people and children are in desperate need of the encouragement, counsel, and inspiration which a pastor alone can give them. Shall these young people be helped? Shall the pastorless churches have pastors and the kingdom of Christ be maintained in their midst? What do you say?

William L. Burdick.

MISSIONS — FOREIGN AND HOME

To be consistent we should say, "Missions—Home and Foreign," for until we have missions at home we cannot have them away from home. Someone said, "Missions should begin at home, but should not stay there." We are all glad for what has been accomplished in the whole field of missions, but we know, too, that home missions are very inadequately cared for as we also know that the possibilities in foreign fields are unlimited.

The question is, have we the grace to be used and to permit our means to be used to do the "Kingdom's task"?

Herbert L. Polan.

We need to be stirred to new action. If we are willing to put heavenly things before temporal things, the great commission before self-satisfaction, the Lord will stir us and empower us till we see souls saved on every hand and new life in all of the churches and expansion on every mission field.

"Stir us, oh, stir us, Lord; we care not how,
But stir our hearts in passion for the world;
Stir us to give, to go, but most to pray;
Stir till the blood-red banner be unfurled
O'er lands that still in heathen darkness lie,
O'er deserts where no Cross is lifted high."

Ralph Coon.

JOY OF "ABIDING"

When I was a young girl I gave myself to God as "his little girl."

I have never outgrown that feeling! I decided I would always do as he wanted me to, as far as I could know his wishes for me.

The greatest joy I have had, is in feeling that I belong to God and that, in a sense, he belongs to me, "abiding in" on both sides. It has brought me peace in danger, joy in service, in the giving of myself and of the means he has put into my hands.

Rosa Palmborg.

HOME MISSION WORK

Churches aided—12, besides other stations. States in which work is done—11. Number workers—10.

These workers, employed by the Missionary Board on the home field, help maintain churches, Bible schools, young people's societies, and Ladies' Aids. They support the SABBATH RECORDER and other denominational literature, promote Sabbath reform, lead the young to Christ, and nurture Christians of all ages.

FOREIGN MISSION WORK

Countries in which work is carried on—Jamaica, Netherlands, Germany, China; besides these countries we are fostering work in British Guiana and Java.

Workers—Jamaica, 2, besides 4 native workers; Netherlands, 1; China, 6 missionaries and one native worker, two other missionaries are employees of the board, supported by others, a large number of natives help in the work.

Churches—Jamaica, 15, organized in last 16 years; Netherlands, 5; China, 2, the Liuho Church badly scattered.

Besides the churches in Jamaica, Netherlands, and China, our contributions have aided the work in Germany where 26 churches have been organized in the last 7 years. Some of the funds sent to Netherlands are used to support a mission in Java.

Schools and hospitals—hospital buildings in Liuho damaged and work stopped; schools in Shanghai have a large attendance; our missionaries are ministering to the sick and wounded and other refugees.

CHRIST OF THE LIUHO ROAD

Product of an age—stressing service, hiding emotion, I cried out, "I can't find thee! I'm tired out with trying. I give up!" A miracle—I saw Christ come down to me—humbled, surrendered. Suddenly I was bursting with joy. I had discovered the secret of redemption. I felt like singing, "Glory hallelujah," right there in the crowded old bus. I did! Truly a new person.

Miriam Shaw.

MY CONFIDENCE

What does God mean to me? He means strength! When there is something difficult ahead, I just put my hand in his and he carries me across.

He means trust! He is a Rock under my feet—someone on whom I can absolutely depend!

He means peace! He frees me from fear and keeps my heart in perfect peace and comfort!

Anna M. West.



Your money helps train folks in China like these to help others.

TESTIMONIALS

I am the only one in my family who is a Christian, so it is very hard to be a light for Jesus in my home.

One of my brothers who has tuberculosis was in the hospital during the fighting. One day the bombing was furious over the hospital. Our home people were worrying about my brother. We could do nothing, but I knelt down and asked Jesus to save my brother. Thank God, he listened to my prayer and gave me this verse, "I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not." Part of the hospital was destroyed, but not that where my brother was. Since then my family have not been against Jesus.

Zau Zok-lien,

(Girls' School, first grade teacher.)

God answered our prayers and saved us from the bombs when the airplanes were flying over us as we tried to escape.

Again he answered our prayers and saved us from the robbers.

He saved me from severe temptation while I was refugeeing in the country.

When we were in need of money to come to Shanghai, God sent it through his servant.

Again, when I was very ill, my sisters and teachers prayed for me and God restored me to health.

Zung Me-lien,

(A school girl who is a refugee.)

Jesus Christ saved me from my sins in March, 1934, and enlisted me under his name. Through his grace I became a new man. He taught me to understand his words and will. What am I? I am but a slave whom God has bought with a great price. What can a slave say to his master? Nothing—just listen and obey.

Praise God that the light may constantly be on me that I may trust and obey in everything! My heart and lips praise him! Thank God, he fulfills his will.

Tsaung Sok-lien.

GOODLY HERITAGE

Several denominations are a good thing. Not all Christians can worship in exactly the same way. God made us with widely different types of mind. He cannot desire us to have religious uniformity.

Catholic ritual appeals to certain souls; Quaker simplicity to others.

Francis of Assisi was a great medieval soul, whose heart of love still draws men to the Christian life.

I should not care to be a Lutheran, but I admire the courage of that great hero of the faith—"Grand rough old Martin Luther!"

Lester C. Randolph was a preacher of power, a dynamic leader of youth, a personality full of inspiration. Just to sit in the same room with that hearty voice and charming smile uplifted one to a better life.

Praise God for these heroes of the faith!
Who follows in their train?

J. N. Daland.

SPIRITUAL INHERITANCE

"Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword."

Should not these words cause our hearts to beat with greater courage, fill our souls with firmer resolve to obey Christ's summons, "Go ye . . . and tell"?

These words express our spiritual inheritance: *A Living Faith*, which sustained our fathers in times of suffering. *A Courageous Faith*—can we forget John James and his heroic death? *A Comforting Faith*, which supported Mrs. James Traske during fifteen years in prison. *A Holy Faith* which set apart for service such men as Dr. Peter Chamberlen and others.

Let's go forward.

Herbert L. Cottrell.

FAITH SHOWN BY WORKS

We are praying for the missionary secretary to find an evangelist to use the money we have pledged for him. Perhaps the fact that he has not been able to find the evangelist is because we have not given to the Budget (not enough money came in to pay up any salaries of Missionary Board workers for March).

Eugene Davis has visualized God's task for Seventh Day Baptists wherever he has spoken. His maps have inspired us—lone Sabbath keepers as well as churches over the U. S. A., and our missionary workers all over the world. Are you afraid you won't have enough to run your own church?

The Women's Missionary Society of First Hopkinton Church (the only church in western Rhode Island) paid dues of 12½ cents a month and spent it to send a missionary to central New York, one hundred fifty years past. They hadn't a hundredth part of the comforts and conveniences we have, but they had faith in God and heeded his command to preach the gospel in all the world.

Shall we descendants of Langworthys, Potters, Babcocks, Irishes, Burdicks, Crandalls, and many equally loyal, be less worthy of our worthy inheritance?

Anne Langworthy Waite.

CARRY ON

The faith of men and women past and present has undoubtedly been the backbone of our denomination. As the older generations go to their reward there can be no question as to where that faith and courage must fall if our denomination can stand. In at least one of our churches there has been an alarming number of leaders called to their reward in the past five to ten years, and the young people still sit back too much, waiting for the older voice that just isn't there. Every thoughtful Seventh Day Baptist knows that we must keep hold of the Sabbath—we must perpetuate the faith of our parents!

(Author unidentified.)

We believe in God, the one personal, perfect, and eternal Spirit, Creator and Sustainer of the universe, our Father, who manifests a holy, redeeming love toward all men.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our Savior, Teacher, and Guide, who draws to himself all men who will come to him in love and trustful obedience.

—Statement of Belief.

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

—Watts.



For the welfare
Physical
Intellectual
Spiritual
of Youth
We are responsible.

OVERFLOW FROM YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

Today, as never before, we realize the desirability and necessity of minorities in the social as well as political world. A group which has a real message to bring to the world must make itself manifest through the action of its members, young and old. Ours is a denomination, not a sect, which is member of the Council of Churches and its truths are respected by others as we respect the beliefs of other denominations. Ours is a heritage which is worthy of all our devotion and challenging enough to bring our best efforts to its advancement.

The continued support of the "Beacon" has given ample proof of the interest our young people have in our denomination and in the other young people of similar faith all over this land. There is much that can yet be done to improve the paper and it is my firm belief that it will continue to increase in quality and quantity, regardless of the sponsoring board.

Burton B. Crandall.

We speak of our young people as the church of the future; in many cases they are the most vital force in the church of the present. The "Beacon," as a spokesman of the young people of the denomination, fills a very definite need in bringing our young folk together and in presenting our interests to them, which lack of space forbids to the Young People's Department of the RECORDER. If it is to continue it demands the co-operation of all our young folk all the time. It is what we make it.

C. A. Beebe.

We, as Christians, are privileged to use Christ's name—that name which brings to our minds a Man who so loved the heavenly Father that his every daily act overflowed with love toward his fellow man. May we, in following him as an example, be so filled with love that it will spill out the door and over the window sills and even through the cracks from the door—our words, our smiles, and our happy laughter.

Carol Crandall.

**“PROMOTE OBSERVANCE OF THE BIBLE SABBATH,
“THE INTERESTS OF VITAL GODLINESS AND SOUND MORALITY,
“PRINT AND CIRCULATE RELIGIOUS LITERATURE
OF SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS,”**

**THESE CONSTITUTE THE OBJECTIVE AND TASK
OF THE AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY**

YOUR “VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS”

“Cry aloud and spare not”

YOUR WATCHMAN ON THE TOWER

**“I have set thee a watchman . . .
thou shalt hear . . . and warn . . .”**

The Tract Society is composed of those who have paid one dollar a year to the treasurer; with those who have paid \$25 for life membership; and of those for any current year who were members of the preceding General Conference. So the American Sabbath Tract Society, for the most part is *you* Seventh Day Baptists, collectively, represented by a Board of Directors, that meets monthly and carries on continuously.

The sun never sets on its publications. Placed column to column, since its first issue, June 14, 1844, the SABBATH RECORDER would form a ribbon long enough to encircle the globe one and a half times, shedding encouragement and Sabbath gospel light. Before its reduction in size, its single columns pasted end to end would, every year's output, reach from New York to Chicago.

Millions of pages of tracts, gospel and Sabbath, have been printed and distributed, together with Sabbath school helps in nearly every country.

Under the auspices of the society thousands of volumes of bound books and pamphlets have been printed and sold.

Yes: Your Voice; Your Witness; Your Influence.

From pulpit and platform, forum and evangelistic stage—its secretaries and other representatives have augmented the printed page with the spoken word. Thousands of miles, annually, are usually covered by the Tract Board's servants in spreading the truth—*your* message.

Recently, Sabbath morning pulpits rang with “Exchange” voices proclaiming Sabbath interests, promoted by *your* board. Recently, too, Sabbath Rally and Loyalty programs were furnished freely by your board for use in all Seventh Day Baptist churches in America and to English speaking churches abroad. This program with a friendly letter and a newly printed tract was sent to more than eight hundred lone Sabbath keepers. This RECORDER will go to five thousand people.

The society is *yours*, the board is *yours*, the task is *yours*, the responsibility is *yours*; “and ye are Christ's and Christ is God's.” We need not—must not—fail.

Herbert C. Van Horn,
Corresponding Secretary.

WHAT PEOPLE SAY

Is the Sabbath of enough value to you that you would be glad to have your friends share its value? Join the Tract of the Month Club. It will cost you less than a dollar a year and will provide you each month with a good Sabbath pamphlet in modern language addressed to active intelligent Americans of 1939 for your use in sharing the Sabbath with your friends.

Just write “Add my name” together with your name and address on a post card and address it to the *Tract of the Month Club*, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J.

Courtland V. Davis.

In the fifteenth century Gutenberg made printing from movable types possible and opened the door of knowledge to all people. In the early part of the nineteenth century the American Sabbath Tract Society was established and made it possible, through the printed page, for all Seventh Day Baptists to help in bringing the Sabbath truth to the mind of the world.

The SABBATH RECORDER is one of its instrumentalities. It has kept many in, and brought others to the faith. Will you help in this work by support of the Denominational Budget? This is surely one of God's tasks for Seventh Day Baptists. “Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”

The *Helping Hand*, the *Year Book*, tracts, and many books are among the helpful tasks that we undertake in his service. Again we say, “Is not this worth your while and your contributions?”

J. Alfred Wilson, *Chairman,*
Committee on Distribution of Literature.

“If you have a truth worth holding, it is worth sharing.” This is a challenge to use an instrumentality available to all of us, the American Sabbath Tract Society, to help spread this Sabbath truth worth sharing. Do we subscribe for the SABBATH RECORDER and do we read it? Do we buy tracts from the Tract Society to hand to our friends who are interested in religious matters and to those who inquire of us our beliefs? We need to pray earnestly and then the propagation of the Sabbath truth will flourish from spirit-filled lives.

Frederik J. Bakker.

The printed page is another avenue for missionary work. It may be used to supplement the minister's preaching, the teacher's teaching, the personal worker's counseling, by giving interested people material for further study of truth we present. There are many, church members included, who do not attend worship or Bible study, and some who do not welcome counseling. They cannot be compelled to do so. The printed page can penetrate these homes even after other methods fail. Will such literature be read? Much depends on its attractiveness. Our Tract Society is a co-operating agency for Seventh Day Baptists to spread the gospel truths through the printed page. Let us support the work. Let us expand into more varieties of appeals for the various types of mind.

Trevah R. Sutton.

For the past six years I have been located in a Sunday community, keeping the Sabbath. When Friday night comes I close the store and open it again on the evening after Sabbath. It seems that God has blessed me in a very positive measure for my doing this small thing for him.

The young people of our denomination must take their pledge to God as sacred. I am not worthy of the blessings so bountifully given me unless I am faithful to the One whom I have chosen to follow. I should be proud to be a Christian and obedient to the Christ.

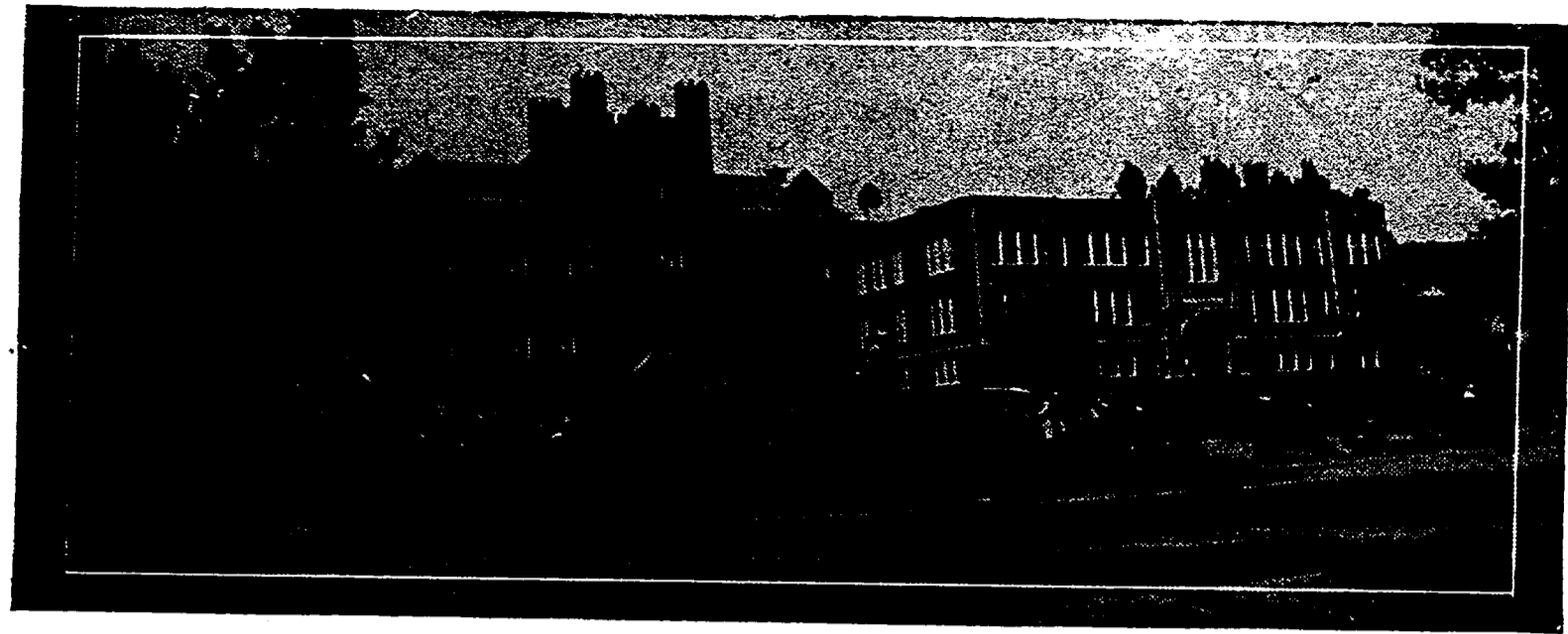
Seventh Day Baptist youth have the chance to give a very troubled world a sacred rest day with the Sabbath *meaning* something. The work *will* go on and we will *not* let it die by our own indifference.

Edward W. Crandall.

SHALL WE CONTINUE THE DENOMINATION?

BY REV. C. A. BEEBE

If God's Sabbath is right, then it is tremendously important. If there are any other people who stand for the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible, I have not heard of them. If these things are true, then Seventh Day Baptists are desperately needed, not to live for ourselves alone, but to serve as witnesses to the world of the neglected truth for which we stand. If we give up, or if we fail to be active in evangelistic effort, we are false to God and to the definite responsibility he has given to us.



SALEM COLLEGE

By S. Orestes Bond, President

The major purpose in the minds of the founders of Salem College was stated in a catalog in 1895, seven years after its founding: "Salem College is the outgrowth of a strong desire on the part of the people to furnish better opportunities for the higher education of their young people."

Transportation facilities have brought other institutions within easier reach of the community, but it is still important as 654 of the 765 enrolled last year came from within fifty miles of Salem. As a Seventh Day Baptist institution it has the additional purpose of providing an organization that gives

MILTON COLLEGE

By Jay W. Crofoot, President

Milton College, strictly speaking, has never been a Seventh Day Baptist School. The original charter prevents that. Nevertheless Milton has been of notable service to the denomination in many fields. Perhaps this is shown most graphically in the fact of the 75 living ministers listed in the 1938 Seventh Day Baptist Year Book, 21 are graduates of Milton College. These are the men in that list of noble sons of Milton:

Orville W. Babcock, '32	Herbert L. Polan, '10
Willard D. Burdick, '90	Albert N. Rogers, '32
Leslie O. Greene, '11	Charles S. Sayre, '99
Gerald D. Hargis, '23	Edwin Shaw, '88
Carroll L. Hill, '25	George B. Shaw, '91
Loyal F. Hurley, '15	James L. Skaggs, '30
Eli F. Loofboro, '97	Mazzini G. Stillman, '81
C. B. Loofbourrow, '13	Trevah R. Sutton, '31
Leon M. Maltby, '29	Edgar D. Van Horn, '03
Neal D. Mills, '21	H. C. Van Horn, '98
T. J. Van Horn, '88	

Among those who have served in the past but have now gone to their reward are these:

D. Burdett Coon, '91	S. Lafayette Maxson, '94
William H. Ernst, '74	Lester C. Randolph, '88
Jesse E. Hutchins, '05	William D. Tickner, '76

Seventh Day Baptists an equal chance with all other students in participating in extra-curricular activities without infringement upon their Sabbaths.

Within the last five years Salem has graduated four applicants for the Seventh Day Baptist ministry and nine for the ministry in other denominations. A Methodist Protestant minister about to graduate said that there were but four ministers in their West Virginia Conference who held college degrees; three of these graduated from Salem College and the other spent two years in Salem.

There are seven Seventh Day Baptist students now registered who are preparing for the Christian ministry. Salem College is making a distinct contribution to the Christian ministry.

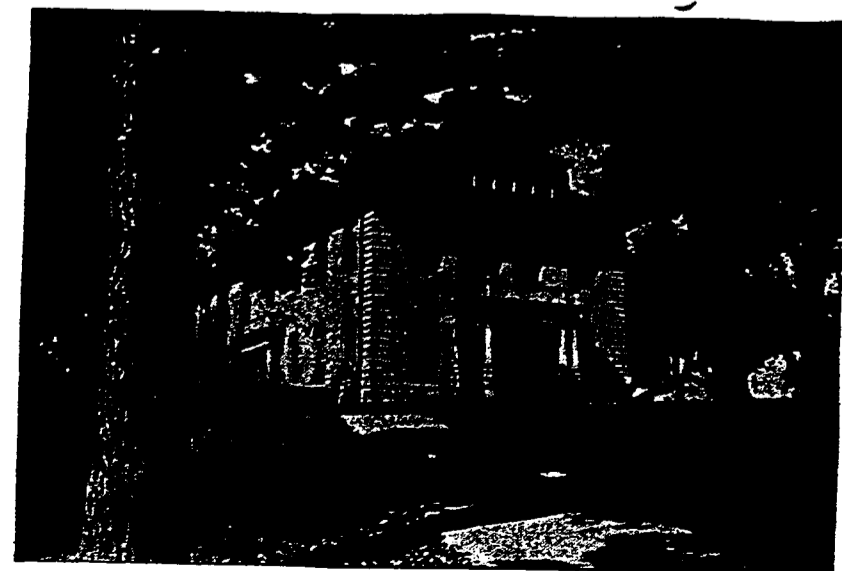
Foreign missionaries (not clergy) graduated at Milton include:

Miriam Shaw, '25	Helen Thorngate, '20
George Thorngate, '16	Anna West, '08

Dr. Palmberg also attended Milton College.

And what shall I more say? for the time will fail me if I tell of the laymen bearing the honored names of Babcock, Burdick, Crandall, Davis, Inglis, Johansen, Maxson, Post, Whitford, who were Conference presidents, board members and other servants of our churches.

These are history. That Milton may do as well in the future is the hope and prayer of its best friends!



ALFRED UNIVERSITY

By J. Nelson Norwood, President

Objectives



General. The general objectives of the university, which purposely aims high, can best be stated in brief form thus: "... to enroll students of such quality and to offer such a program of college experiences, curricular and extra-curricular, as will enable it to graduate young men and women professionally skilled, civically active, socially cultured, aesthetically sensitive, morally sound, and spiritually alert." Christian. As a Christian school it aims through its religious program, consisting of voluntary chapel four days each week, active Christian Associations, varied Sabbath services, the work of the prosperous Union University Church, special services for special groups, and the varied ministrations of a full-time chaplain, to foster to the fullest the Christian way of life.

Denominational. For the denomination with which from its birth it has been closely allied it fosters the School of Theology for the training of Seventh Day Baptist ministers and other church workers, represents the denomination in offering high quality educational service to all qualified to receive it, provides employment to Seventh Day Baptists from campus workers to highly trained teaching and research specialists and administrators, and presents opportunities to Seventh Day Baptist young people to gain an education of the highest grade, where their denominational position is respected and church privileges of their own kind are available.

EDUCATION AND OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

By Ben R. Crandall

There never has been a time in human history when education was not only as desirable but as necessary as now. Educational preparation is prerequisite for most desirable positions today and requirements are constantly becoming more exacting.

Our denominational problem is not only that of providing the type of training our young people need in our colleges, but also that of rendering every encouragement possible in securing the desired education and then aiding in providing employment.

True, competition is keen but preparation and character were never more at a premium. With the forty-hour-week our young people have a wide range of industrial opportunities, which Sabbath keepers have not previously enjoyed. Civilization advances at the feet of the rising generation. May our Seventh Day Baptist homes and schools unite to give our young people our very best.

THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

By Ahva J. C. Bond, Dean

In a list of sixty-three active Seventh Day Baptist ministers, five out of seven have had some seminary training. One in every seven received this training elsewhere than at Alfred. Four out of every seven Seventh Day Baptist ministers received all or a part of their theological preparation at Alfred.

With no attempt to appraise the comparative success of our ministers on the basis of this analysis, it is an interesting fact that more than half of our active workers have been at Alfred, which indicates in a way what the School of Theology of Alfred University has meant and does mean to the denomination.

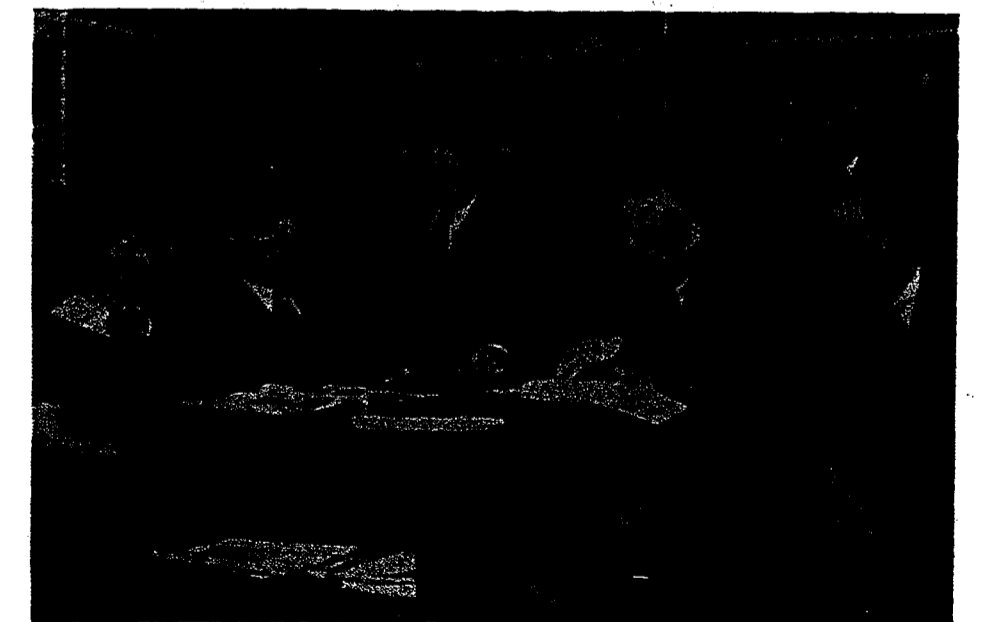
It is Alfred's present desire and purpose to maintain a school for Seventh Day Baptist ministers that will meet the needs of our students as no other school in the land can do. We believe we are equipped to do just that thing. As a standard by which our ability to make good may be judged, we would state our aims as follows:

To keep the hearts of the students warm and strong with a consciousness of the directing power of the Holy Spirit present in their lives;

To strengthen their assurance of the authority of the Word of God as a living guide in all areas of life;

To reassure them through an intelligent appreciation of the fact that God's presence and activity is the only constant light in a moral universe;

To prepare them to be preachers of the gospel of Christ and leaders in the Christian Church, convinced that Seventh Day Baptist beliefs are necessary to the development of the finest Christian character and vital to the work of building the kingdom of God.



STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Left to right in semi-circle about the Dean: Miss Lottie Snyder, B. S. (Mansfield), middle year, Coudersport, Pa.; Paul Maxson, A. B. (Salem), middle year, Gentry, Ark.; Earl Cruzan, A. B. (Salem), junior, North Loup, Neb.; Elmo Randolph, A. B. (Salem), senior, Salem, W. Va.; Wayne Rood, A. B. (Salem), middle year, Riverside, Calif.; Marion Van Horn, A. B. (Alfred), senior, Battle Creek, Mich.

IS THE SABBATH SCHOOL WORTH WHILE?

BY REV. JOHN F. RANDOLPH

At a recent gathering of denominational workers the question was raised: "What branch of the church work is most influential in developing our Christian life?" It was generally agreed that it was the Sabbath school. Some will naturally recognize the inter-dependence of various agencies of the church; the worship service of the church; the educational function of the church, delegated to the Sabbath school; the expressional life found in the young people's societies; and the church prayer meeting. But if for a moment we wish to put each in a separate compartment and label one the most important, it would be the Sabbath school.

It is of most importance because it is a school. "Go, teach" is the watchword of Christianity; it is a school for our children and young people. It is of most importance because it is a Bible school. The Bible is the text book of Christianity, especially Seventh Day Baptist Christianity. It is important that the youth of the church be instructed in divine truth as revealed by Jesus Christ and recorded in the Bible.

Let each one examine his own experience and answer the question, "Is the Sabbath school worth while? Shall we support it?"

OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

BY PHEBE H. POLAN

We should rally to the support of our churches. Even if those churches were not a bond of fellowship and a spiritual inspiration to the adult members, they should still be supported because they are the training schools of our children and young people. They foster Christian growth, Bible study, and worship of God.

Adults who are indifferent to the privileges and duties as church members, may create indifference in the children and young people. Example is a powerful teacher of youth.

For many generations Seventh Day Baptist churches have served Christian families (not just the adults). Let us strive diligently to continue to hold the youth in our churches. Are you doing anything to help? Are the young people given the opportunity to serve the church in some way?

We older folk should revive our walk with God, feel his presence, and work earnestly for the advancement of his kingdom here on earth. A very important channel in which to work is the church.

BOOK OF BOOKS

Thou art a lamp whose flickering light is old;
Yet, in the darkened hours of earth's new day,
It shines anew, to mark the certain way
Of joy and peace and glories still untold.

Thou art a flame which purifies the gold
Of man's true self, and burns the dross away.
Misshapen by the forms of baser clay,
Tomorrow's life must find thy nobler mold.

Thou art a blazing sun whose warming light
Still dries the dew of penitential tears,
Gives life to all the world, makes clear to sight
The power of truth, the love that conquers fear.
O, Book of books, our Lamp, our Flame, our Sun,
Reveal! Refine! Inspire! 'til heaven is won.

—Sent by H. L. Polan.

A TEACHER'S MEDITATION

BY ELISABETH K. AUSTIN

I took the child brought to church on the Sabbath day and instilled in him a love and reverence for God's house. I taught him from the Bible and created in him a desire for more of God's Word. I taught him to obey God's laws, to pray, to keep the Sabbath day holy, to live a Christian life. I led him to Jesus as his Savior. And I knew that my efforts were not in vain, for my teachings were also those of his consecrated parents who were continuing to carry on the faith and works of Seventh Day Baptists.

But again I thought of the parents, and teachers, too, who fail the children by trespassing on the Sabbath, by neglecting their Bibles, by forgetting to pray, by crowding God out of their daily living. What then of the future of Seventh Day Baptists and God's plan for them?

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

There are several reasons why I like the SABBATH RECORDER. I enjoy looking at the pictures of our ministers as I know them. I also enjoy the Children's Page very much. I like to take my geography book and find where the children live who write the letters.

I think your letters and stories and the true ones by Lois R. Fay are very interesting. We all ought to write more letters.

Affectionately yours,
Leland Langworthy.

Alfred, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like all the SABBATH RECORDER very much, but I like the Children's Page best of all. I think it is very nice to have a page for the children in the SABBATH RECORDER. I am sure that if it had not been for the Children's Page I wouldn't have begun to read the SABBATH RECORDER.

If more children would write to you and more stories could be published, I think it would be better. I can't make up my mind whether I like the stories or the letters best.

Yours truly,
Mira Ann Bottoms.

Farina, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

We like the RECORDER very much, especially so because we are lone Sabbath keepers, and through the RECORDER we know what the denomination is doing. It is especially interesting also because we personally know some of the people we read about. I like the Children's Page best.

It might be more interesting to me if more letters were sent in, and to Mother if each would introduce himself so old friends of his parents could place him.

Your friend,
Herbert Carpenter.

Ashville, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I received your letter about the middle of April. I am sorry I could not answer sooner.

The SABBATH RECORDER is about the best magazine I know and I like it very much. I enjoy the Children's Page very much and I think it is very good.

I think the way you can improve the Children's Page is to write all the missionaries and get the people all over the world to write for the Children's Page.

Your friends,
Eugene and Alice Fatato.

Schenectady, N. Y.

Dear Leland, Mira Ann, Herbert, Eugene and Alice, and my other RECORDER children:

For this special SABBATH RECORDER I am writing you a partnership letter. I am very, very glad you enjoy reading the Children's Page, but I hope as the time goes by you will begin to look for interesting and helpful things on the other pages of "our own SABBATH RECORDER." I know you will find them and learn to love the RECORDER more each day.

When I was a little girl, my favorite room in all our farm home was my dear grandmother's room, and the best part of that sunny room was the little corner shelf near a large window where she kept her Bible and SABBATH RECORDER. I often found a big, red, juicy apple there also.

Grandma's RECORDER didn't look much like the one you children know. It looked more like a small newspaper with its two sheets. In fact, I remember I called it "God's newspaper," and liked to have Grandma read to me from its pages during the "story hour," on Sabbath afternoons. There may not have been a Children's Page then, but there was usually a children's story, and a much disappointed little girl was I when that story was left out.

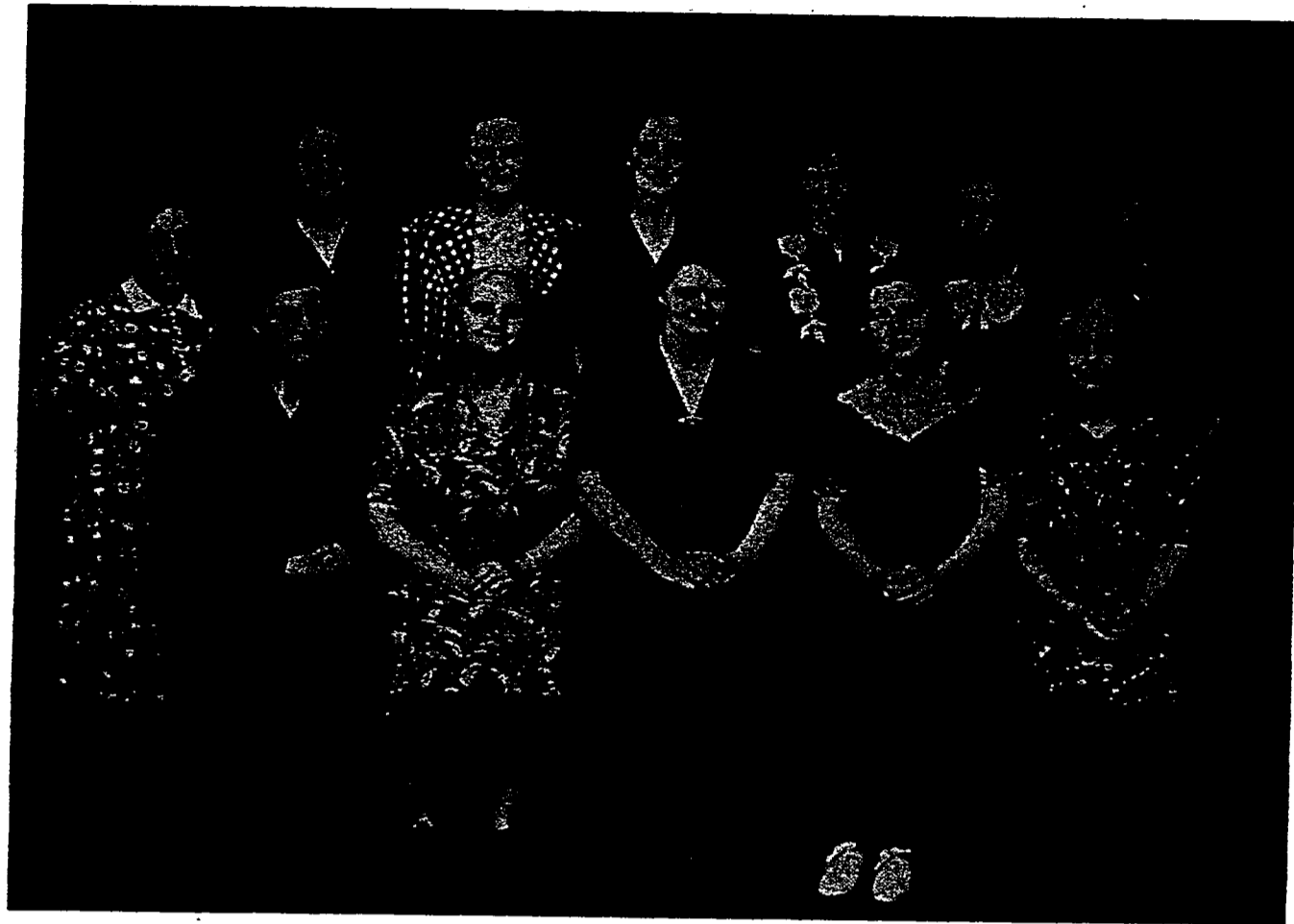
The chief reason why I love the SABBATH RECORDER is because, as I have read it through the years, I feel that it has helped to make me a better Christian as well as a better citizen, so that, like Grandmother, I'm sure its place is beside the Bible. I read it from cover to cover and find inspiration each week. It should make its readers better men and women, yes, and better boys and girls. I should feel it a great loss if I had to get along without the SABBATH RECORDER. Should you, my faithful helpers of the Children's Page?

You are right, my faithful RECORDER correspondents, the more letters and stories you boys and girls write, yes, and the more children there are to write, the better it will be for our Children's Page and the better for all of us. Let us endeavor to make our page "the best ever."

Very sincerely yours,
Mizpah S. Greene.

That Book, sir, (the Bible) is the Book on which our republic rests.

—Andrew Jackson.



Seated, left to right, Miss Lotta Bond, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Eli Loofboro, President; Mrs. Clark Siedhoff, Vice-President; Mrs. Orville Bond, Recording Secretary; Mrs. S. Orestes Bond, Treasurer. Standing, left to right, Mrs. George Trainer, Mrs. James Skaggs, Mrs. Eldred Batson, Mrs. Edward Davis, Miss Greta Randolph, Mrs. Homer May, Mrs. Okey Davis, Editor of Woman's Work.

WOMEN, PAST AND PRESENT — THEIR FAITH AND COURAGE

Courage for tomorrow! In the April issue of *Harper's Magazine* there is an article by this title. It has a great deal of significance at this time.

When we find that intelligent people in our country are developing an anxiety neurosis, commonly called "jitters," when we find women sorry that they have borne children into such a topsy-turvy world, then it is time to stop our mad rush and do a little real thinking. Sometimes I think that we live too close to our radio and newspapers. We hear too quickly what is happening in the world, with the result that we have no perspective, no worked out map of values by which to judge calmly the vital issues of the day.

The historian, who looks over the vast expanse of the past, can better understand the true relationship of our present with both the past and the future. And our historians tell us that the reason our world seems to be in such a mess is that we are passing through

an in-between period in history. We are through with the old philosophies which seemed to us so valid before the war. Right now we are busy working out new philosophies in every phase of life. Until those new philosophies are worked out and generally accepted there will be no security, and it is lack of security which is at the root of most of our fears. It is a hard time in which to be alive. Yet in another sense, it is a glorious time.

Upon us, you and me, rests the responsibility for helping, with faith and understanding, to shape the ideals which will lead future generations to a higher type of living.

The question before us is, shall the Seventh Day Baptist denomination continue to be? I say yes!

After the World War there was a normal break-down in idealism all over the world. We fought a "war to end war" and "to make the world safe for democracy." It did neither of these things, so we began to have doubts about all things. The Church came in for its questions, and people left its portals

Woman's Board,
located at
Salem, W. Va.

to look elsewhere for their guidance and inspiration. Part of the criticism heaped upon the Church was warranted. The principles of the Christian religion will never change, but the forms and functions of the Church must change to fit the needs of the people if it is to be of worth.

Along with other denominations the Seventh Day Baptists *must* work out new and better philosophies for the application toward a higher spiritual life for the people of the world. It means that we must ruthlessly tear out old decadent philosophies, and that will hurt. But it does no good to build anything new with old timber and old tools.

I am not advocating doing away with old principles just because they are old. Some of them must go into the fiber of our new philosophy. But what we must do is to weigh carefully and without *sentimentality* the things we as Seventh Day Baptists hold to be true. Those things which have no *real* worth we must have courage to throw away.

These are times that try men's souls, but Seventh Day Baptists are not quitters. We want a stake in the Church of tomorrow. With God's help we wish to have a part in creating the new philosophy of life.

Betty Crandall.

Why need we attempt to name women of the past whose faith and courage led them to live and labor for God? They are many. Their lives stand as beacon lights to guide us along the way Christ asks his children to go.

When we realize the battles, the problems, and the crosses they bore, it brings a sense of shame to us because we sometimes complain and want to find an easier way. Yet those lives fire our hearts with determination, with Christ as our Pilot, to be true and seek a richer, fuller, closer walk with God so we can hear his call to service in this soul-sick world.

We find women still showing their faith by their work as they instill into hearts and minds the need to take God first as a sure foundation to build upon.

Will we accept the challenge such faith, courage, and loyalty bring, and do our part to bring light where it now is dark because Christ is absent?

(Author unknown.)

During my thirty-three years of service in the Lord's work, I have always found the women more ready to do some sort of work to promote the cause, than the men. While the women have but little money to give, they render good and faithful service with their hands—often making quilts, rugs, aprons, and dresses, selling them and putting every penny into the work.

We have women today just as faithful to the work of the Lord as there were when Jesus was on the earth; why not, they have the same likes and dislikes as the women two hundred years ago. I feel at times that there are many Mary Magdalene's with us, who would willingly wash the feet of the Master, if he were here. Today they can but wash the feet of his disciples. I have personally known women who had given the last dollar they possessed before they passed out of this life, waiting the resurrection of the just.

J. J. Scott.

A photograph of Rev. and Mrs. Carpenter, our first missionaries to China, an obituary of Mr. Carpenter, yellowed with age, and a rare collection of curios brought home by Mrs. Lucy Clark Carpenter, recalled to all the minds of those present at the Brookfield meeting on Denominational Work, conducted by Rev. H. E. Davis, the wonderful consecration of those who gave their lives to our work and especially in those early pioneering days. I was deeply impressed at our last General Conference, while listening in on a Forum of the Woman's Board activities, by the deep devotion of their leaders from all parts of our denomination and their willingness to sacrifice and co-operate for the good of all the work.

Adeline S. Polan.

It is told of two buckets in an old well that one found cause for complaint because, no matter how full it came up, it always went down empty. The other found cause for rejoicing because, no matter how empty it went down, it always came up full of clear, sparkling water.

—Selected.

The following three questions were asked of several young people over the denomination. Most of the young people who were asked have responded heartily to this request, and their answers, I think, reflect the attitude and spirit of our young people generally.

1. Why is religion worth while?
2. What is the mission of our denomination?
3. As young people, what is our responsibility regarding these questions?

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

1. True religion is walking hand in hand with God. Without this companionship, life is not complete; strength, wisdom, and all the other God-given blessings are not fully ours. We cannot have this complete sufficient companionship without accepting Christ's intercession for us. In religion lies hope for this life and for a future life.

2. The mission of our denomination, in my opinion, is first, evangelism, bringing lost souls to a saving knowledge of Christ; and second, to bring the Sabbath to the world. We want to be careful lest we lay so much stress upon Sabbath keeping that we neglect salvation.

3. As young people, our responsibility lies in living spirit-filled, surrendered lives which will preach Christ to those around us, and in consistent, conscientious, cheerful Sabbath observance. "Actions speak louder than words," but we must not neglect words when we have an opportunity.

Mary Margaret Hummel.

1. Religion is a balance wheel in the modern, fast-moving machine called society. It checks the greed in business; it minimizes selfishness in personal relationships; it encourages rest in the midst of hurry; and it forecasts peace in place of conflict.

2. Our mission? Not to make all worshipers Sabbath keepers, but to make all Sabbath keepers worshipers. If we can rise above the "you're a sinner" attitude, and be content to set such a fine example of personal devotion that even Sunday believers will keep their Sabbath more reverently, we cannot miss success in whatever we try.

3. Two things it takes to balance a budget—money and enthusiasm. Most young people

lack what comes from the purse, but they can give *generously* of what comes from the heart.

Duane Hurley.

1. Religion is the expression of that in man which makes him, or tends to make him, believe in a worship of a Higher Being. The religions of the world are the result of this God-wrought nature, and religion does tend to raise the morals and standards of those holding it. Christianity is worth while in a unique sense. It is the only religion that shows the Source of everlasting life, and the absolute freeness of this gift.

2. Of course we need to tell the world about the Sabbath, and other general truths, but the chief mission of our denomination and every denomination is to preach Christ and him crucified.

3. First, each one of us should make sure that Christ is ours. If he is not, we should believe in his *finished* work on Calvary, and accept him *personally*. When we are saved, we should tell others about it, and seek to lead others to the acceptance of Christ. We should do this by word of mouth and by the lives we live. We should make a full surrender and be willing to go into full-time service if he calls us.

Allen Bond.

1. Life means more than a mere existence if we have religion. Religion causes us to look for the beautiful and true in literature, music, art, and everything about us. Religion makes it possible for men to live together peaceably, co-operating in good works. By our belief in God we have a hope of eternal life which is above price.

3. It is our duty as Seventh Day Baptists to study the holy Scriptures diligently; ask God to help us follow Jesus, our example; love our neighbors as ourselves; and try by our lives and by word of mouth to spread the gospel.

Hazel Scouten.

VIEWS OF THE RICHBURG YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLASS

1. The purpose of our life on earth is to prepare for an eternal life, and with such purpose in mind religion is the guide and support on which we must depend in order that we may achieve our ultimate goal. In short, religion is the Way.

2. The mission of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination is to bind those of like faith into closer unity so that they may perpetuate the true doctrines of the Bible.

3. We should be the new blood to inject into the program of our denomination. Energy, power, and resources can all be turned toward our objective as we live, learn, and teach the Christian life.

Crandall Cowles.

AS SEEN BY OTHERS

We are apt to say very glibly that "the hope of the future of our churches is in our young people." But our churches continue to be run by old folks, for old folks. If we really think the young folks vitally important why not preach our sermons to them, build our program around them, and spend our church money to meet their needs? When the pastor turns to dramatics and recreation as fields through which to reach young people, do the older folks co-operate, help him plan and help him carry out plans, or do they feel in their hearts that it is a waste of time and effort? There are ways of proving our sincerity when we say "the hope of the future of our churches is in our young people."

Everett T. Harris.

I will say that our young people belong, in my judgment, to the finest generation of young folk the world has ever seen. And, why not? Are they not *our* children? I resent the generalized slurs that are being cast on them by some of our oldsters who have forgotten their own younger days. I can remember what some of those oldsters themselves used to do! I am all for the youngsters!

President J. Nelson Norwood.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S POINT OF VIEW

If I don't write soon you will think I am in favor of abolishing the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. On the contrary, I am strongly in favor of its continuance throughout the ages. There is among us a feeling of oneness with God and each other which is too precious to tear down and too worth while to take away from our children and our children's children. We have reaped joy from our association herein; help them also to reap the same.

Surely I am not alone when I confess that I have had moments of doubt and insecurity regarding Christian religion, and Seventh Day Baptists in particular. I have come to the conclusion that only when the Christian religion is lived and lived wholly, life takes on profound meaning and is satisfying. That is proof to me that Christian religion is worth while. My life has been influenced strongly by our church.

Seventh Day Baptists should be educated in one of our schools so far as possible. This gives them a chance to meet others in the denomination, to mingle with others whose beliefs are similar, and to sense the feeling of strength found in numbers. I firmly believe that a strong Seventh Day Baptist should marry a Seventh Day Baptist, if possible. Sometimes the arithmetic goes haywire and the above belief seems not to work out.

The very young would benefit by being taught what the Seventh Day Baptists are and why. They ought to get into the habit of church going in the tender, formative years. Habits acquired then are very difficult to lose.

Maxine Armstrong.

YOUNG PEOPLE WORKING

Because God endows talent, irrespective of creed, young people are anxious to prepare for such occupational fields as are individually adaptable.

Industry's increasingly universal five-day-week offers the most expansive field; however, dauntless determination to succeed occasionally paves the way for a chosen position.

A recent Youths' Conference questioned which was of greater merit: (A) college education, (B) pull, (C) experience?—as a job-getting help? Apparently, *religion*, as a help or hindrance, was unimportant.

Yet, of stupendous importance is an advocated *only* remedy for our nation's ills—a "Spiritual Awakening!" Will our working young people stand by for this inevitable change wherein religion becomes a *helpful* credential?

Robert E. Greene.

The ideal ministry must be a bibliocracy. It must know its Bible better than any other book.—*Principal Peter Forsyth.*

MEMORIAL BOARD

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
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Established to hold in trust funds of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination for religious, educational, charitable, or benevolent purposes.

SOME OF THE BENEFICIARIES

Alfred, Milton, and Salem Colleges and School of Theology

Hundreds of young men and young women have enjoyed educational advantages in an atmosphere of Christian culture because of the income year after year coming from funds in hands of the board.

Missionary Society, Tract Society, Education Society

Missionaries have been kept on the home and foreign fields, the Sabbath truth has been spread far and wide by means of the printed page, and young people have gone into the world with Christian training because of financial assistance made possible by income from endowment funds.

Retired Ministers and Their Dependents

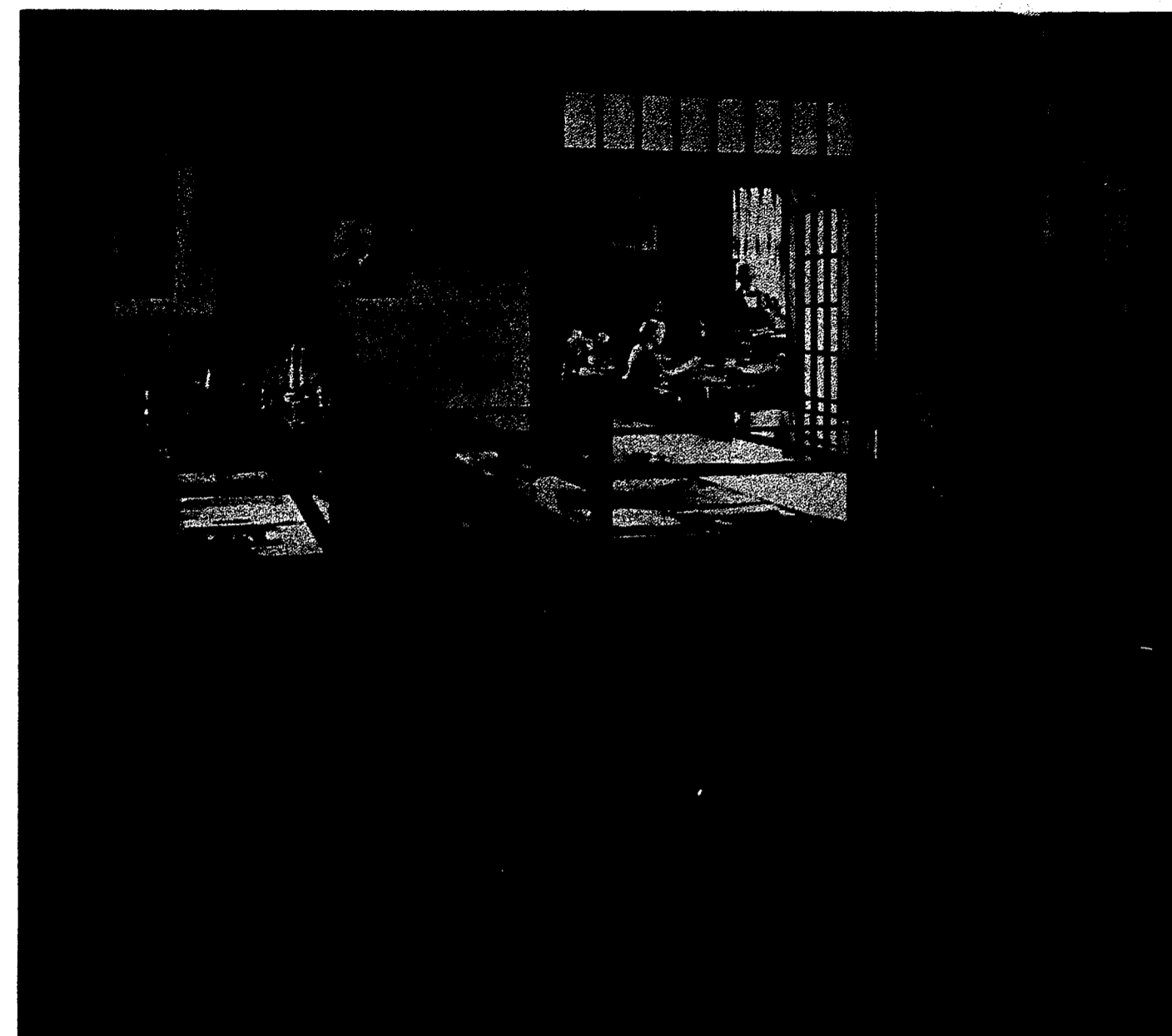
Seven men and four women are at present on the retirement list, and receive monthly checks from the fund. This group represents approximately 375 years of active service in the Christian ministry in the Seventh Day Baptist denomination.

Young Men Preparing for the Ministry

A large number of our Seventh Day Baptist ministers owe their training in part to help received from the Memorial Fund during their seminary or college days. The denomination depends upon trained leadership. Bequests for this purpose help supply this training year after year.

Churches Aided in Building Houses of Worship

Approximately twenty-five Seventh Day Baptist churches have been supplied funds to assist in erecting their church buildings. As fast as these loans are repaid the money becomes available for other churches needing help.



Looking from inner door of office through the Museum into the Library

The primary function of the Historical Society is to gather and preserve records of, and pertaining to, our denominational history.

These include the following:

Records of churches, both living and extinct.

Files of all periodical denominational literature, both in this country and various foreign countries; as for example, England, Holland, Germany, South America, China, etc.

Books written by Seventh Day Baptists, especially those pertaining to the Sabbath.

Records, printed and otherwise, of all other phases of our denominational activities, including missionary and Sabbath reform movements.

Corliss F. Randolph.

The function of the Historical Society is to gather and preserve in suitable form for reference and study all records concerning the past and current history of Seventh Day Baptists. These records include all newspapers and other periodicals, books, tracts, church papers, and other printed documents; church records, letters (both public and private), deeds, diaries, and any and all other documents that pertain in any way—both directly and indirectly—to the activities of our people. These records also include portraits of our ministers and other leaders among us, and pictures of our churches, parsonages, college and other buildings and objects.

Esle F. Randolph.

It is impossible mentally or socially to enslave a Bible reading people.—*Horace Greeley.*

SPECIAL RECORDER AND SPIRITUAL FINANCE

Dear RECORDER Readers:

This RECORDER is the product of many minds. Many people have helped in the typing, addressing wrappers, checking and rechecking names, and in many other ways. If you get more than one copy please find someone to whom you can send the extra copy, and then share the one you have with anyone who would be interested. The last month of the Conference year is just ahead. *Can the task be finished in one month?* God has done his part in helping us see it; now can we not do our part in making our gift in his Name?

We do wish to thank everyone who has helped in the mechanical part of this *Special Issue*. It would be impossible to give all the names. The young people have caught the spirit of the movement as well as the older ones and our leaders have been very loyal. There has been a large number on the *Spiritual Team*.

The response for material for the RECORDER has been beyond our fondest hopes. Again a lack of *Faith*. God is teaching us these days that we haven't even commenced to trust him yet. How his heart must ache to see what might be done if we could only *believe on him*.

The way in which funds for my trip among the churches have come in makes us realize that where "God guides God provides." Let us be sure he is guiding in all our planning for the kingdom task ahead.

This visualizing of our task and how to realize its fulfillment was started the first of January. The emphasis was to give regularly and by the week. Many people are doing that. Many have already given all that they can. Many have assured us that they will increase their gifts. Many have decided to give but haven't done so yet. Four thousand gifts on the basis of

Five hundred gifts of \$30.00.
Five hundred gifts of \$15.00.
One thousand gifts of \$7.50.
One thousand gifts of \$3.00.
One thousand gifts of \$1.50.

will complete the task and make it possible for us to go to Conference with all bills paid

and enough for the expenses of July and August.

What is *your answer* to God about this *his kingdom task*?

H. Eugene Davis.

APPLIED SYSTEMATIC GIVING

For four years a group of people of the Little Genesee Seventh Day Baptist Church not only have been tithing but have brought the *whole* tithe into a storehouse. The *group* voted what per cent of the money would be used by the local church, what per cent for the Denominational Budget, and the remainder was held in a contingent fund from which money was voted for special interests. Membership in this organization helps to develop *group thinking* about local work, denominational work, and wider interests which receive money from the association. It means a deeper consecration of money and self to the kingdom. It means that the glory of giving goes to God and *his Church*, rather than to the individual. Those who have been members for the four years testify to the rich blessings received. This four-year record shows that organized systematic giving is *possible, practical, and very much worth while*.

Harley Sutton.

SURRENDERED POSSESSIONS - SPIRITUAL GIVING

As Christians, we believe that God alone created the world with all that is in it, and that the development and progress made in all lines of human endeavor come about through his divine influence on each individual. Therefore all material things with which we may be blessed represent God's property entrusted to our use and control during our lifetime. We are not owners but trustees and as such are charged with the responsibility of disposing of it only in ways acceptable to him. Our obligations are to our families, to our churches, and to mankind in need. Let us shirk none of these but give liberally and continuously!

—Contributed.

Don't just like this title—smacks of force; we seek "opportunity givers" in spiritual living. That Little Genesee is about to launch an annual drive with over \$200 pledged beforehand for a new gas-furnace for the church

augurs well for the general canvass. Every church needs more honest tithers and more of the other systematic givers who experience real pleasure in this service. Giving is a boomerang—"God loveth a cheerful giver." More happiness will come to all who will maintain a "Lord's chest" or "spiritual pocket-book," always ready for the opportunity of moment or need. Suggestive slogan: "Every member of every society a systematic, happy giver for the advancement of God's kingdom."

J. F. Whitford.

FAITH REWARDED

I wanted to be on the Spiritual Team as soon as I heard of it.

I make my pledge to the Denominational Budget January 1, and usually begin paying as soon as I get first money in the spring, often finishing in June. In '38, I couldn't finish until December, on account of the hurricane.

When I knew my Budget pledge would put me in class A, I startly paying weekly and have been able to keep it up though I couldn't see it ahead. Now a debt owing nine years has come unexpectedly that will carry the pledge by the week.

If we have faith to start paying, our heavenly Father who knoweth our needs will honor our faith.

You are praying for Eugene Davis. I know that if everybody, including the children, who have heard him will pray and give even five cents a week *every week*, the blessing will come as well as the money to pay our workers in time for them to get seeds for their gardens and food for their children.

What are we waiting for?

A. L. Waite.

I suppose to everyone of us have come questions as to the truth of what we believe, as to the origin of the universe, and even as to the actual existence of God.

While my experience is not as dramatic as some, yet I am convinced that there is a God, and that whatever is loving or unselfish or pure or honest is part of him and his plan, and I have found in my life that true happiness follows only when I am part of God.

Dr. George Thorngate.

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my father's house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.—Mal. 3: 10.



Seventh Day Baptist Church, Battle Creek, Mich.

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness."



Bottom Row—Bertha Tift, Evalois St. John, Doris Pope, Margaret Skaggs, Marjorie Carter, Violet North, Hazel Gamble. Middle Row—Jacob Bakker, Christian Nordheim, Jack Haver, Harry North, Nathan Altein, Lena Langworthy, Frank Langworthy. Back Row—James Bannister, Clarence Kellogg, Gordon Cunningham, Herbert C. Van Horn, Herman Herres, Herman Liesch, Leo Cavanagh, Joe Maresca, Henry Poulin.

BUSINESS MAN'S APPRECIATION

A business man, firm, or corporation needs an office address and a place to keep important records, and as business grows, as a well directed institution should, it is often necessary to establish branches at other points. For the same reason we need the Denominational Building, and it is my hope we may soon need and have other buildings and print shops in central locations to aid the faster spread of the gospel. I believe we need more faith and deeper consecration. My prayer is for a spiritual revival to sweep us out of our apathy into action.

P. B. Hurley.

So live with men as if God saw; so speak with God as if men were listening.—Seneca.

GOOD TEAMWORK

Fine co-operation is shown by this group of workers at our denominational headquarters—510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., where is printed our denominational literature—the SABBATH RECORDER, Sabbath school helps, *Year Book*, and tracts. Here also are printed a New Jersey state paper for the Baptists, the *Silver Cross*, for The King's Daughters, and much other commercial work of high grade.

Editor.

RECORDER WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale, Help Wanted, and advertisements of a like nature, will be run in this column at one cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each additional insertion. Cash must accompany each advertisement.

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COMING OF THE SABBATH

When the worn spirit wants repose,
And sighs her God to seek,
How sweet to hail the evening's close,
That ends the weary week!

How sweet to hail the early dawn,
That opens on the sight,
When first that soul-reviving morn
Sheds forth new rays of light!

Sweet day! Thine hours too soon will cease;
Yet, while they gently roll,
Breathe, Heavenly Spirit, source of peace,
A Sabbath o'er my soul!

When will my pilgrimage be done,
The world's long week be o'er,
That Sabbath dawn which needs no sun,
That day which fades no more?

—Selected.

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