

not carried out. We are happy that their daughter Doris has a position again in our Boulder School to teach music, and so will be with us another year. It was a great disappointment to us that because of Ruthie's illness she and her sister Marion could not receive baptism and membership into our church, as had been planned. These dear little girls are especially ours, having been born here, and they are very dear to all of us.

Mrs. Orville Rasmussen has again been chosen to be president of the local W.C.T.U. At a recent tea given by them, four of our young people, presented a temperance play. At our program on temperance Sabbath for the Sabbath school, it will be given again.

New members taken into the church since the first of the year are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brush, Mrs. Gladys Hemminger and son Glendale, and Mrs. Francis Saunders. We have lost one member by death, Mrs. Mildred Sweet.

Will you pray for us that the right man may be led to come to this field as our pastor?

We are looking forward to Conference in Denver in August.

Correspondent.

CONFERENCE TRANSPORTATION OPPORTUNITY

Two lone Sabbath keepers, mother and daughter, wishing to attend General Conference can do so, if two or three round-trip passengers from Washington, D. C., West Virginia, or nearby points are secured. Experienced driver, 1940 Olds' two-door sedan, large trunk for limited amount of baggage. Return immediately after Conference.

Two can be taken for \$30 each, or three for \$20 each for the round trip.

Correspondence relative, should be had at once with Lola B. Maxson, Stuart, Fla.

H. C. V. H.

VISION

By Mrs. Clyde Robe Meredith

I watch the celestial glory of the stars!
How they blink! Like golden eyelids' closing bars
To ward off sleep! Through my mind there is
wrapped

In a silken cocoon, sweet memories trapped
Across the years . . . something I can never miss
Unless I find not life's bursting chrysalis
That blooms forth in its sublimity of bliss!
I look again! I gaze, alive with joy . . . I see . . .
The whole of love I sought waiting there . . .
before me!

Baltimore, Md.

I LOOKED INTO THE WEST

I looked into the west one night,
And there in sunset's glow,
Methinks I heard my darling speak
As in the days ago.

The glory of that sunset light
Above the earth's dark crest,
Was like the glory of his smile
As he went toward the west.

His, "Take me, God, I'm ready now,"
And, "I surrender all,"
Have taught me true humility
And peace, whate'er befall.

Some blessed day, by God's own grace,
I'll meet my darling son,
And see my Savior face to face,
When my work here is done.

I pray for strength to faithful be,
To press on toward the light,
For sunset shall be sunrise there,
In Heaven's morning bright.

—Contributed.

'TIS SWEET TO KNOW

By Isabel G. Millard

When morning gilds the eastern sky,
And darkness turns to day,
'Tis sweet to know that Christ is near
To be our guide and stay.

When noontide with its toil and care
Our souls so oft distress,
'Tis sweet to know that Christ is near
To comfort and to bless.

When twilight shades the evening sky,
And darkness comes apace,
'Tis sweet to know that Christ is near,
Supplying love and grace.

And so through all our days of life,
And when we reach the end,
We know that Christ will still be near,
Our Savior and our Friend.

Troy, N. Y.

PLAYING SQUARE

I thought of it once, as I sat by myself
And looked at the boxes that stood on a shelf,
One so large, one so small, with a contrast most
grim—
A band box for me and a mite box for him.

I paid for my hat and I paid for my gown
And I paid for the furs that I purchased down
town;
And when I returned, it was plain as could be—
A mite box for him and a band box for me.

I tossed in a dime, but it did not seem right;
I could not be proud of that curious sight.
So I took out my check book and tried to be
square,
For I wanted my giving to look like my prayer.

—Selection.

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EDITORIALS

A PRAYER IN TIME OF WAR

By Dr. Leslie Weatherhead

O God, who dost understand the dreadful path which our feet must tread, have mercy on all who serve and suffer, that the reign of cruelty and terror and persecution may be ended. Grant that soon men may see the ghastly folly of war and learn a new way; that soon may dawn a new day when the people of all lands shall be free and happy and share as brothers the good things of this lovely earth.

Forgive our enemies and grant that those who sway their counsels may learn thy truth. Forgive us our share in the sin of the world which has brought to so many the fruit of these days. Keep us from the bitterness of hatred, the temptation to revenge, the pessimism of despair. Make us sensible to any possibility of ending conflict and building a just and righteous peace if victory is vouchsafed to us.

Give us generosity of heart quickly to restore the broken fellowship of nations and to think not only of what we see to be wrong and unjust, but to look with sympathy and a readiness to make concessions on the injustice of which our enemies complain. If victory cannot be or must not be, then in the secret place of all our hearts make us calm and trustful, knowing that thou still dost reign, and that at last thy kingdom of love and brotherhood must have dominion and every dark problem be illuminated by the rays of thine eternal light.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

City Temple, London,
November, 1940.

(Contributed by a friend.)

WHAT WE OWE TO THE CHURCH PAPER

The business office has recently been checking up rather drastically on subscription delinquencies. This occasionally is necessary because of postal regulations.

But that is not the burden of the caption of this editorial.

When one checks up on the things which have touched his life and cast strong influence thereupon, he must realize that he owes much to his church paper. Again and again we have letters telling how many years the Sabbath Recorder has been coming into their writers' homes. They tell how they learned to read from its pages; of the stories mothers read to them before they were able to read for themselves. No doubt in years to come people will tell how anxious they were as children to write a letter to Mrs. Greene for the Children's Page. The Recorder, during the years, has carried stories with high ideals and morals pointed out, that have had a steadying influence.

Young people learn from the Recorder's pages about churches and people of whom they have heard or become acquainted; of conferences, associations, and camps.

The older we grow the more interest we have in missions and workers reported. By the church paper to no little extent is one's vision broadened, and he realizes that there are vital interests outside his own local community. Said John Wesley, "The world is my parish." The church paper helps folks to realize the vital importance of such a confession. It helps them to hear and evaluate Christ's words, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel."

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Shut-ins and lone Sabbath keepers find a comfort and solace in their church paper.

The minister too is benefited, and is indebted not a little to the help to his parish work the church paper furnishes. Said a friend to a young minister, affectionately, "My young brother, there are two secrets of success in the ministry: keep close to God and keep fresh." Commenting, the teller of the incident suggested that a good church paper will help a minister or anyone else to do both.

Perhaps no one fully realizes just how large a place one's church paper has in his life; how large a part it has played in his religious education. This writer, during his overseas ministry in the first World War, sorely missed the Recorder's weekly visits and appreciated its value as never before. He still recalls how avidly he devoured the contents of every number that finally reached him.

For what it means to me, for what I owe to its influence, how shall I react? If it has meant much to you and to your home and loved ones, will you not support it, even at some sacrifice? Will you not promote its interests in every way possible, that it may be increasingly better and better?

A church bulletin recently at hand indicated how one pastor in promoting his work had promoted the interests of the Sabbath Recorder by referring to certain Recorders page by page for answers to questions listed.

More and more we are convinced of the value of the Recorder and would like to see it subscribed for and read in every home. We owe much to our church paper.

CHINA RELIEF

Our cover this week shows the first convoy of trucks carrying supplies for the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China over the Burma Road, arriving at West China Union University campus at Chengtu, West China. West China University, during the present emergency, is host to three other Christian colleges in China: Gingling College, Cheeloo University, and the University of Nanking, which moved from their campuses in an amazing fifteen hundred mile trek on foot and by boat before the invading Japanese armies. West China University was established by Canadian missionaries and is now being supported by American, British, and Canadian Missionary Boards, and is one of the beneficiaries of the United China Relief Campaign. These trucks made the eighteen

hundred miles over the Burma road with materials from paper clips to heavy machinery. Leaders of the convoy, Dr. Albert E. Best and Dr. Cyril Hoffman, are shown being greeted by their colleagues on arrival.

"THE WORLD WE WANT TO LIVE IN"

The problem of peace aims is engaging the active interest of religious leaders in every denomination and faith. Whatever one's point of view entertained of the present situation, all are interested for a peace and an opportunity to live in peaceful fellowship with others at home and abroad.

We are glad to note the arrangements being made for a conference at Williamstown College, August 24-29, to discuss "The World We Want to Live In." The entire time of the institute will be devoted to discussion of the issues of the coming peace.

We hope that we may have a representative at this conference who will report some of the interests considered, through the columns of the Sabbath Recorder.

DAILY MEDITATIONS

(Prepared by Miss Marjorie J. Burdick, Milton, Wis.)

Suggestion to readers: If you use these helps for family worship, share them. Let one read the Bible passage and another these readings.

Sunday, August 10

Read Isaiah 42: 8-12.

"Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth."

There was a time when some Christian people could not bring themselves to worship in a church of another faith; they held themselves aloof from the Catholic, the Episcopalian, the Jew, or the Unitarian. Possibly some do today. Yet, there are many times when we all worship with one or the other of these groups.

In a study of the hymns you love to sing, do you not find those written by Christians of all faiths? What a widening thought for our spiritual lives! We worship with all Christians, with all lovers of the one true God. We do not agree with all their beliefs, yet we find joy in joining them in worship.

Prayer—O God, we join our voices with those of all Christians in praise and worship to thee. Amen.

Monday, August 11

Read Deuteronomy 6: 3-5; Psalm 51: 1-2.

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind,
 Forgive our feverish ways;
 Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
 In purer lives thy service find,
 In deeper reverence, praise.

—John G. Whittier.

The quiet and peace which we find as we worship through these words and those quoted last Sabbath from the same hymn are the worshipful expression of the Quaker poet, John Greenleaf Whittier. Turn to the hymn and read the other stanzas for meditation today. Or, better yet, sing them and then discuss the meaning.

Prayer—Dear Father, we need to be still that we may truly say with this and other Quakers, "Drop thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease." Amen.

Tuesday, August 12

Read the hymn poem, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," by Phoebe Cary.

"Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul."
 Psalm 25: 1.

In an old Sabbath Recorder is an article about Phoebe Cary, from which the following is quoted:

Phoebe Cary was in conversation with her pastor, Doctor Deems, when he remarked: "Phoebe, it's amazing how many hymn-books there are and how few are the hymns that are sung. Now here lies a book used by a large denomination. It contains a thousand hymns. I have gone over them all and marked every hymn I have heard sung or quoted, in whole or in part, and there are a very few over two hundred that are marked, and less than a hundred that I have heard frequently. Other hymns, of course, may have been used and heard by other persons, and so the total might be set down at three hundred. It would seem that three-fourths of the hymn-books had been printed and carried about for the sake of the useful one-fourth." "Why," said she, "don't you know that there are not three hundred hymns in the language that are worth using, or that will live a hundred years?" Then, after a pause, she added, "Let's make a little book that will have the three hundred best." . . . Over twenty thousand metrical compositions in English, German, and Latin were examined. Three hundred were selected. . . . Thus came the volume, 'Hymns for all Christians.' "

Prayer—"Father, perfect my trust! Strengthen my power of faith!" Amen.

Wednesday, August 13

Read Psalm 25: 1-10.

"There's a wideness in God's mercy,
 Like the wideness of the sea;
 There's a kindness in his justice,
 Which is more than liberty."

How often we have worshiped through the words of that hymn! Then there are the worshipful thoughts of the beautiful hymn, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," by the same author. But more familiar is his hymn of 1849, "Faith of Our Fathers." In all of these we join in worship with Christians of most denominations under the leadership of Father Frederick W. Faber of the Roman Catholic Church.

The music for these devotional poems was composed after the words were written, in each case. It is of interest to know that the tune, "Wellesley," was written by a sixteen-year old girl of Newton (Mass.) High School in 1878. She was Lizzie S. Tourjee. Later her father set her tune to the words, "There's a Wideness."

Prayer—

"If our love were but more simple,
 We should take him at his word;
 And our lives would be all sunshine,
 In the sweetness of our Lord."

Thursday, August 14

Read Isaiah 42: 10-12.

"Let them give glory unto the Lord, and declare his praise in the islands."

All peoples, all nations are called upon to worship God. Our religion is for the universe; it is for everyone who loves the Lord. Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world."

Our hymns of praise come from all the world. Many of them come from England and some from Continental Europe, translated by English or American poets.

At Christmas time, the world joins in song, paying tribute to the new-born Babe. Best loved of the old carols, no doubt, is "Silent Night! Holy Night!" Wars and strife cannot tear this beautiful carol from Christian hearts. We love it, and never tire of singing it each year. We pause now, to honor the Christian author of this poem, Joseph Mohr, a Catholic and a German.

Prayer—O God, forgive all hateful thoughts, and may our hearts be at peace with all who love thee. Amen.

Friday, August 15

Read Ezra 3: 10-11.

"And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the Lord."

Even from the time of ancient worship, song and music have been man's joyful way of expressing himself in worship. In Solomon's temple service there were some four thousand who played instruments and two hundred eighty-eight were set apart to sing songs of the Lord. The book of Psalms is the song book of the Bible.

Hymns are a universal language of worship. It matters little what "brand" of Christian wrote the words, if they satisfy our desire to express our praise, our hopes, our desires, and our prayers.

Prayer—Dear God, may we worship thee in spirit and in truth through each song of praise that we sing. Amen.

Sabbath, August 16

Read John 8: 12; 12: 35, 36a.

"Light of Light, enlighten me,
 Now anew the day is dawning;
 Sun of grace, the shadows flee;
 Brighten thou my Sabbath-morning;
 With thy joyous sunshine blest,
 Happy is my day of rest."

Benjamin Schmolck, who wrote this long ago in 1714, probably had in mind the Sunday worshiper. However, in these words we find devotion and praise set to a tune that makes one thrill with joy to sing it.

Read the remainder of the hymn for meditation and worship today.

Prayer—Dear Father, show us how we may help to make the shadows flee for others that their Sabbaths may be brighter. Amen.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

Peter Encourages Suffering Christians. 1 Peter 4: 12-19; 5: 6-11.

Golden Text: 1 Peter 4: 16.

MISSIONS

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society was held Sunday afternoon, July 20, 1941, in the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist church.

The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Ralph H. Coon.

The members present were: Karl G. Stillman, John H. Austin, Rev. William L. Burdick, George B. Utter, LaVerne D. Langworthy, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, Mrs. Elisabeth K. Austin, Dr. Anne L. Waite, Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn, Elston H. Van Horn, Rev. Wayne R. Rood.

The guests present were: Dr. Rosa W. Palmberg, Mrs. Allen C. Whitford, Rev. Ralph H. Coon.

The order of business was changed so that the report of the China Committee might be given by the chairman, George B. Utter. It was received and ordered recorded, as follows:

China Committee Report

Since the last quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers, there has been no meeting of the China Committee. At the present time the board is giving the representatives of the board in China a free hand to make their own decisions from day to day. Our investment there is very large, and the opportunity of serving the people of China through Christ was never larger.

We want our workers there to stay in the field as long as it is safe for them to do so. But there has been a definite understanding that they may retire at any time they think best. The resources of the Missionary Board stand ready to give them transportation whenever needed. Funds for that purpose are being held in this country, and are not being sent to China for fear that they might be "frozen," as American money has been held in Germany and Italy.

In every sense our workers from this country as well as China are in the advance line of the aggressive Christian world.

Last week it looked as if the pressure from the war lords had eased a bit. Today, with the overthrow of the Japanese cabinet, time only will tell what is in store for the church, the schools, and medical work in China.

The hospital at Liuho is in more or less dilapidated condition after being used by the hostile armies. The members of the church there are visited occasionally by members of the Shanghai Church. They are suffering, like all sections of overrun China, from the lack of food and medical attention. The income of the people is lower and cost of living higher.

In Shanghai the church and school are the center of activity. More than a thousand children attend the Seventh Day Baptist schools. There are conversions and baptisms at the church, which, by the way, is one of the largest and most active in the entire denomination. The compound of the mission, which is located in the French Concession of Shanghai, is a busy spot. When the Seventh Day Baptists have been able, they have always helped and done the hospitable thing by sharing with other Christian organizations less fortunate than ours. The Student Church, attended by older boys and girls, is attended by two to three hundred persons.

An interesting part of the recent financial report of the Grace High School shows to what extent the costs of that school are met by the people of China. In the report the receipts show that from February 1 to April 30, 1941, the tuition from students at the school was \$18,212, and that the contribution of the Seventh Day Baptist people of America was \$463. Salaries of the American workers have not been paid in full, and there is some question as to whether or not pay roll checks sent have been received. We know some salary payments were lost in the mail.

We may be facing new opportunities in our missionary efforts. Dr. Grace I. Crandall and her adopted daughter Esther, also a doctor, left Shanghai weeks ago for the Free China area, far to the west, where new ways are being opened. They are now located at Lichwan, Changtsun, Kiangsi, China. There they are working along with workers of other missions for the suffering people, preferring to go there rather than to return to America, where Doctor Crandall feared they would "be unable to do much work of value for an indefinite period."

Doctor Crandall's daughter, a Chinese girl by birth, a graduate of a Chinese medical school, is an example of the Christian Chinese who are taking over the burdens of the church as foreign missionaries are obliged to return home. For them there is the adventure of a new frontier, newly opened ways for work for the Master.

Dr. George Thorngate, the head of the Shanghai mission, is actively engaged in the medical work. He is helping in other hospitals as time permits. Mrs. Thorngate and children are at Alfred, N. Y.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Eugene Davis, who returned two years ago this summer to China after a year's vacation in the states, are in Shanghai carrying on the evangelistic work. Their children are all in the United States.

Misses Anna and Mabel West are with the schools at Shanghai. With them is their mother, Mrs. Nettie M. West, who although not in the employ of the board, is one of the active workers at the mission.

Dr. Rosa Palmberg, retired, is in the United States. She is making her permanent residence in Los Angeles, Calif. Miss Miriam Shaw, who because of her health returned two years past, is at Alfred, N. Y.

George B. Utter,
Chairman.

Doctor Palmberg, in speaking of the report, said that people who were able to pay well for the education and still remaining in Shanghai, are anxious to send their children to the mission schools. She pointed out that much of the income at Liuho Hospital came from people of Shanghai who went there for treatment. It would not be possible to do hospital work there until there is a permanent peace. As things are now, Chinese would not go to a hospital in an area controlled by the Japanese.

The quarterly report of the treasurer and a statement of condition were accepted and ordered recorded.

The quarterly report of the corresponding secretary was presented and ordered recorded. It is as follows:

Quarterly Report of Corresponding Secretary

As corresponding secretary I would report that during the quarter much time has been given to field work. The first week-end in May was given to a conference of missionary secretaries with a delegation of leading churchmen from Japan, held in Atlantic City, N. J.; the second week-end was spent with our church in Adams Center, N. Y.; the third week-end in May was given to our church in Washington, D. C.; the first week in June I attended the Central Association held in Brookfield, N. Y.; the second week I attended a meeting of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council in New York City, and the Eastern Association in Plainfield, N. J.; the third week I attended the Ministers' Conference in Alfred, N. Y., and gave two days to the committee of the Tract Society on Denominational Literature; and the last week in June I attended the Southeastern Association at Lost Creek, W. Va. In connection with these trips, besides addresses and sermons, numerous conferences on missionary and denominational work were held.

As usual, the correspondence of the society has been conducted; material for the Missions Department of the Sabbath Recorder has been furnished; and considerable time has been given to the work of the Ministerial Relations Committee of the General Conference. A letter enclosing literature regarding the World Wide Communion to be held the first week in October has been sent to all pastors and church leaders, and the annual report prepared.

Respectfully submitted,
William L. Burdick,
Corresponding Secretary.

The annual report of the treasurer was presented.

Voted that the annual report of the Treasurer be adopted, subject to audit by Loomis, Suffern, and Fernald. The annual report of the corresponding secretary was presented.

Voted that the annual reports of the corresponding secretary and the treasurer be the ninety-ninth report of the Board of Managers to the Missionary Society.

Voted that the corresponding secretary be authorized to have printed the usual number of copies of the annual report.

John H. Austin, chairman of the Missionary-Evangelistic Committee, made a verbal report.

Karl G. Stillman as chairman presented the report of the Ministerial Relief Committee, which was ordered approved and recorded.

TRACT BOARD MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society met in regular session in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday, July 13, 1941, at 2 p.m., with President Corliss F. Randolph presiding and the following members present: Corliss F. Randolph, Herbert C. Van Horn, Frederik J. Bakker, J. Leland Skaggs, Mrs. William M. Stillman, Esle F. Randolph, Irving A. Hunting, George R. Crandall, Everett C. Hunting, Hurley S. Warren, and Manager of the Publishing House L. Harrison North.

The board was led in prayer by Esle F. Randolph.

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting.

Corresponding Secretary Herbert C. Van Horn submitted the following report which was adopted:

At the time of the last meeting of the Tract Board your corresponding secretary was attending the Central Association at Brookfield, N. Y. Since then he has attended all the sessions of the Eastern Association at Plainfield, N. J., and the Ministers' Conference at Alfred, N. Y. All these meetings were editorially reported in the Sabbath Recorder. At the Eastern Association the secretary was responsible for the Tract hour program, and at Alfred he presented the interest and work of the American Sabbath Tract Society as related to the program of United Christian Education Advance. In lieu of attending the Southeastern Association at Lost Creek, W. Va., he secured the esteemed service of Rev. James L. Skaggs in representing the interests of this board.

More interesting correspondence has been had from Edmonton, Canada; Moncton, New Brunswick; Bristol and London, England; Nyasaland; and several of our states.

The quarterly LSK letter was prepared, mimeographed, and mailed to 754 lone Sabbath keepers.

The annual report of the secretary has been prepared and is ready for presentation.

The Conference Tract Board program has been arranged by the special committee of which the secretary is chairman, and is ready for presentation.

Some tracts have been mailed to churches asking for them, and to people on their request.

Spare time has been devoted to study and preparation of the Conference sermon which the secretary has been asked to preach on Sabbath morning.

Secretary Van Horn also presented a communication from Lester G. Osborn concerning the distribution of cellophane wrapped tracts. This was by vote referred to the Committee on Denominational Literature.

The report of the Investment Committee was presented, approved, and ordered recorded.

Rev. Harold R. Crandall, chairman of the Budget Committee, reported that the committee had prepared a tentative budget to send to the Commission and Conference for their approval, and for this board to work upon at the October meeting.

Voted that the recommendations of the committee be adopted as the tentative budget for 1942.

The report of the Committee on Conference Program was approved.

Items growing out of communications received were presented by the corresponding secretary.

Voted that the board help the Jackson Center Church in the support of Rex Zweibel, a student in Salem College preparing for the ministry, at the rate of \$20 per month while he is supplying that church during the summer.

Voted that the corresponding secretary be authorized to promote the observance of the World Wide Communion Sabbath on October 4, as requested by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

The president welcomed Rev. Ralph H. Coon, who during all the years of his ministry has been an employee of this board on the home field. Mr. Coon responded, speaking of his interest in, and the work on, the Colorado field, and his anticipation of work with the board during his pastorate in this locality.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Wayne R. Rood.

George B. Utter,
Recording Secretary.

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Denver, Colo.

August 19 to 24, 1941

Will all those who are planning to attend Conference, or think they may attend, send their names at once to the chairman of the local housing committee, Orsen Davis, 40 Kalamath Street, Denver, Colo., stating type of housing desired—a private home, tourist cabin, or hotel. If a family or group desire to be together, give details as to number, adults, children, etc. In most cabins light housekeeping may be done, such as the preparation of meals. See page 64 of the July 28 Recorder for fuller details.

The quarterly report of Treasurer J. Leland Skaggs was read and adopted as follows:

J. Leland Skaggs, Treasurer,
In account with the
American Sabbath Tract Society
For the Quarter ending June 30, 1941

Dr.
To balance on hand, April 1, 1941:
General Fund\$ 563.35
Denominational Building Fund .. 2.61
Reserve for Hist. Soc'y rooms 35.89
Maintenance Fund 80.45

To cash received since as follows: \$ 682.30

GENERAL FUND
Contributions: individuals & churches \$ 64.22
Denominational Budget 279.18
Income from invested funds:
Through A. S. T. S. 1,963.92
Through Memorial Board 276.20
Receipts from Sabbath Recorder .. 524.76
Receipts from Helping Hand 316.19
General printing and distribution of literature 132.13
Refund on corresponding secretary travel expenses 2.70
Maintenance Fund—account 3 mo. taxes 75.00
Receipts from real estate:
207 W. 6th St. 199.00
612 W. 7th St. 270.00

DENOMINATIONAL BUILDING FUND
Contributions 35.00

MAINTENANCE FUND
Rent from publishing house\$ 225.00
Income from D. B. Endowment 54.85

PERMANENT FUND
Davis—account principal of mortgage\$ 500.00
Iuliano—account principal of mortgage 150.00
Loizeaux—account principal of mortgage 50.00
Mone—account principal of mortgage 57.50
Schweighardt—account principal of mortgage 100.00
Trippe—account principal of mortgage 50.00
Vesey—account principal of mortgage 25.00
Bequest of Eda R. Coon, Leonardsville, N. Y. 100.00
Proceeds of United Tel. and Tel. Co. bond retired 2,040.00
Plainfield Savings Bank—transfer of funds for investment—Building and Loan income shares 15,000.00

Cr.
By cash paid out as follows:

GENERAL FUND
Sabbath Promotion Work:
Salary of leader\$ 22.50
Travel expense 25.30
Young people's work 35.00
Expenses of Sabbath Recorder 1,694.85
Expenses of Helping Hand 704.07
General printing and distribution of literature 160.36
Corresponding secretary:
Salary 356.50
Travel expense 30.46
Office supplies 33.94
Additional field work 63.93

Recording secretary expense 31.64
Treasurer's expense:
Auditing reports 5.00
Compensation Insurance—clerk .. .38
Clerical assistance 52.00
Travel 9.90
Postage 1.00
Surety bond 25.00
President's expense—stationery 5.00
Files of denominational literature—rebind Recorders 51.00
John C. Dilts, Collector: 2nd quarter 1941 printshop taxes 240.50
Collection cost of bond retired75
Collection cost of coupon19
Fee for certification of signature—receipt for bequest50
Account real estate and investments—fee of special agent .. 90.00
Real estate:
207 W. 6th St. 158.69
612 W. 7th St. 251.91

DENOMINATIONAL BUILDING FUND
Payment account loan from Permanent Fund\$ 30.00
Payment account interest on same .. 6.00

MAINTENANCE FUND
Account 2nd quarter 1941 printshop taxes\$ 75.00
Janitor 33.00
Removal of ashes 3.07
Board of Trustees of S.D.B. General Conference—income from D. B. Endowment 54.85

PERMANENT FUND
Transferred to savings account\$ 3,072.50
First Savings and Loan Assn. of South Plainfield 2,000.00
Mohawk Savings and Loan Assn., Newark 3,000.00
Queen City Savings and Loan Assn., Plainfield 5,000.00
Summit Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of Summit, N. J. 5,000.00

By balance on hand, June 30, 1941:
General Fund\$ 366.28
Reserve for Sabbath Recorder filing cases 250.00
Denominational Building Fund .. 1.61
Reserve for Hist. Soc'y rooms .. 35.89
Maintenance Fund 194.38

Plainfield, N. J.
July 9, 1941.
Examined, compared with books and vouchers, and found correct.

Plainfield, N. J.
July 9, 1941.

It was voted to authorize Treasurer J. Leland Skaggs to submit budget analysis and additional figures to the Commission of the General Conference, subject to approval of the presiding officer and recording secretary of this board.

It was voted to adopt as the program of the Tract Society to be given at the General Conference to be held in Denver, Colo., in August, 1941, the following:

Brief Scripture and prayer service—Secretary Herbert C. Van Horn.
President's Address—President Corliss F. Randolph.

Address: Tract Society and Publishing House Interests (With treasurer's report)—L. Harrison North.

Hymn—Lead on O King Eternal—Led by Rev. Albert N. Rogers.

Address: The Sabbath and Vocations in Our Modern World—Karl G. Stillman.

Discussion—(If time and desirable).
Benediction.

It was voted that this board withdraw from further work in the field of summer camps, and request the Board of Christian Education to assume any obligation or responsibility which this board may have in that field.

Annual reports were submitted by Corresponding Secretary Herbert C. Van Horn, Treasurer J. Leland Skaggs, and L. Harrison North, manager of the publishing house.

It was voted to adopt these reports.

It was voted that the annual report of the corresponding secretary, the treasurer, the manager of the publishing house, and the leader in Sabbath Promotion constitute the board's annual statement to the General Conference and report to the society.

It was voted that the usual number of annual reports and statements by this board to the General Conference be printed.

Corliss F. Randolph,
President.

Frederik J. Bakker,
Assistant Recording Secretary.

WOMAN'S WORK
BATTLE CREEK LADIES' AID

Secretary's Annual Report

The Ladies' Aid of the Seventh Day Baptist Church has held regular monthly meetings during the past year. Potluck dinners were enjoyed at the noon hour.

The meetings were attended by an average of twenty-one members. Ten new names have been added to the roll, and two members have answered a call to the heavenly home. Two members, Mrs. Lukens and Mrs. Jennie Kolvoord, have had perfect attendance, and Mrs. Floss Arnold has missed but one meeting. Mrs. Kolvoord has had a perfect record since September, 1936.

No study course has been followed this year, but our program chairman has given us worth-while programs at each meeting

and has worked very hard and efficiently on the goals supplied by the Woman's Board. By her suggestion a committee gave a Jamaican tea and a program by Rev. and Mrs. Hargis. The ladies of the Central Christian Missionary group were guests.

Suppers were served regularly during the year, with the exception of the last of December and the month of January. These are our greatest financial aid, having netted us \$492.47. Other financial projects were a rummage sale, collecting McCall's subscriptions, a Christmas bazaar in connection with the December supper, the sale of gummed name labels, and a tour of the Mid Way Furniture Company.

Our society gave fifty-five quarts of canned fruit to the Starr Commonwealth for Boys, in answer to a request. We also responded to the annual call for cookies to be distributed at the Veteran's Hospital on Mother's Day. Considerable work has been done for the Red Cross and Charitable Union. Several boxes of clothing have been sent to Rev. A. T. Bottoms in Alabama for use in his missionary work.

Two large baskets were prepared at Christmas time and surplus added to other departments of the church.

In response to a call from the Woman's Board, we are giving \$5 per month to the support of our field worker.

The tithe for July 1 to January 1 (1941) was given to the Missionary Board; \$25 was given to the Denominational Budget. The tithe for January 1 to June 15 is to go to the Denominational Budget; the tithe for the year amounted to \$58.93.

Annual dues were paid to the Council of Church Women, and we are proud to have Mrs. Clarke acting as president of that group.

Officers elected at the June meeting are: president, Mrs. Lukens; vice-president, Mrs. Morley; secretary, Mrs. Crandall; treasurer, Mrs. Lewis.

Let us all show hearty co-operation and support of our officers as they enter a new year. We have a splendid report this year, but let us make it better next year. May we fill our lives with golden deeds and our treasury with a harvest, and may God bless us all.

In service,
Hazel Langworthy,
Secretary.

CONFERENCE INTERESTS

Conference Transportation

To those of you who are coming to Denver for Conference this year, we send greetings and wish to inform you that we are here to help make your stay with us most enjoyable. My committee, transportation, offers this information now and urges you to call upon us at any time either by mail or phone for anything that you may want to know about getting into or about the city during the time of Conference.

Highway U.S. 40, which runs across the country, traverses the central part of the city as does U.S. 85, which runs north and south across the country. These two great highways intersect at Colfax Avenue and Broadway, Colfax being U.S. 40 and Broadway U.S. 85. In order to get to the Conference headquarters, one should travel south from this intersection ten blocks, turn left and go one block, turn right and go one-half block. Here you will find the church, Broadway Baptist, and a hearty welcome from the Denver Seventh Day Baptist Church. If you wish when you have reached the city limits by auto, you may call us and we will send an escort to help you find the church.

To those of you who are not driving, but are coming on the train, bus, or plane, we offer this help: As soon as you reach the station you may call us and tell where you are; within ten minutes someone will be there to pick you up and bring you to the church.

There are two phone numbers through which you may reach us: at my home, Tabor 0036; and at Conference headquarters, Spruce 5873. If you are not familiar with the dial phone, ask someone to dial the number for you; all Colorado welcomes you.

Keith Davis,
Transportation Chairman.

40 Kalamath Street,
Denver, Colo.

A Mountain Trip After Conference

Feeling that delegates and visitors will want to attend every session of General Conference, the Sight-seeing Committee of the Denver church is planning to furnish guides for two trips into the heart of the Rockies on Monday after Conference. One of these will be up Big Thompson Canyon to Estes Park and over the Trail Ridge Road, one of the most scenic drives in the United States. The other one will be to Echo Lake and Mount

Evans, over the highest auto highway in the world. Attend all of Conference, then choose one of these wonderful trips that will also thrill the soul.

Guy W. Thorngate,
Chairman, Sight-seeing Committee.
34 Fox Street,
Denver, Colo.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am in Bible school in Plainfield. We are making books and pictures, and we are going to have a picnic at the end of school. I love Bible school.

Plainfield, N. J.,
July 13, 1941.

Joyce Ann Giles.

Dear Joyce Ann:

Did you know that you have the very same name that my little four year old granddaughter has? The baby living in the other side of the house in which our Joyce Ann lives is also named Joyce Ann (Joyce Ann Day). When she came there to live our Joyce Ann's father told her that the baby had taken her name away from her, and Joyce Ann answered, "She couldn't. I got it first."

I do not wonder that you like Bible school, since you have such a fine Bible school teacher.

Your true friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like Vacation Bible School very much. Ours is a very nice school. We made a book and we put the first Psalm in it and a song, too. That song was a very nice song.

Yours truly,
Gloria Rita.

Plainfield, N. J.,
July 13, 1941.

Dear Gloria:

Did you learn the first Psalm so that you could say it all alone without looking at your book? My grandma taught it to me when I was about as old as you, and I have never forgotten it. I hope you have learned the twenty-third Psalm, too, for it shows us how much Jesus loves us. You learned to sing the

song, too, I'm sure. The first song I learned to sing when I was a little girl began, "Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so." Oh, how many good things the Bible tells us,

Your sincere friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am going to Bible school. We made books and put our work in them, and we made stained glass windows. We are having a lot of fun. There are a lot of nice children in my class.

I hope you are feeling well.

Yours truly,
Clara Groth.

Plainfield, N. J.,
July 13, 1941.

Dear Clara:

It was a fine idea to put all your Bible school work into a book, for it will help you to remember it better. Another fine thing is to have so many nice children to work and play with.

Let me see; Joyce Ann said you had a picnic at the end of Bible school. That was fun, too, wasn't it? And a very pleasant way to bring the school to a close. Our Independence Vacation Bible School always ends with a picnic. Last summer we had it at Wellsville Island Park. This summer we are having Community Sunday evening meetings there for adults, young people, and children, instead of Bible school. This evening some of the Alfred young people are going to put on a religious play for them.

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I think I had better write another letter to you.

We have two goats. Philip named one Blackie and the other Whitie. We have lots of fun with them. We have two kittens, one is black and the other is white.

Naoma went to Vacation Bible School this summer. She had lots of fun. We boys and Dorothy visited the school one day. They sang many pretty songs. The classes were nice, too.

I am always glad when there are letters on the Children's Page.

Your Recorder friend,
John E. Blake.

Bitely, Mich.,
July 16, 1941.

Dear John:

I was ever so glad to hear from you again. I hope Naoma will write, too, and tell me all about the interesting and helpful things she did in Bible school. If I am not mistaken, it has been almost a year since she has written. I hope she does not think she is too old to write. One of my Recorder children told me he was too old to write, the other day. He is just eleven, and I felt like saying, "No, a thousand times no."

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

NOTICES

Northwestern Association

The Northwestern Association will meet with the Milton Junction, Wis., Church, starting Thursday evening, August 28, and continuing through Sabbath. A good program is being arranged. Everyone is cordially invited to attend, especially those who are returning from Conference.

Robert Greene,
Moderator.

Southwestern Association

Delegates and visitors to the Southwestern Association, August 7-10, passing through Texarkana, are requested to report to Mrs. Charles' Craw at 901 South State Line, and those going directly to Fouke, to Miss Hazel Scouten, for assignment to homes.

Members of the entertainment committee would appreciate hearing from those planning to attend. But come, whether you think you are expected or not.

Mrs. Charles Craw,
Miss Hazel Scouten,
Mrs. Edgar Davis,
Committee.

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself."

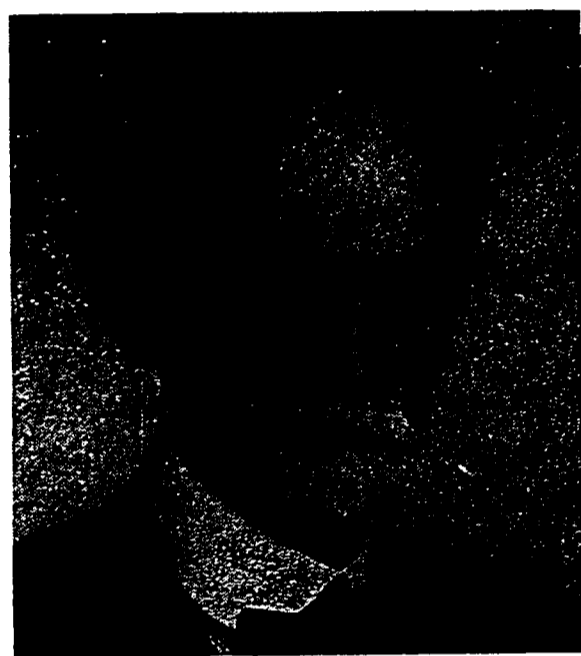
OUR PULPIT

THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

By Rev. S. S. Powell

Text—"And he led them out as far as to Bethany," Luke 24: 50.

Bethany was a little to the east of the summit of the Mount of Olives. Near to the site of that village one gets a view of the entrance of the Jordan into the Dead Sea,



appearing to lie at his feet, but in reality seven hours away, as the Arab travels on horseback. It must have been viewed often by our Lord when near to the place where lived his friends, Lazarus and Mary and Martha.

The olive tree is indigenous in Southwestern Asia. Its products were a great source of wealth. It lives to a very great age. For this reason we may believe that the eight giant olive trees in the Garden of Gethsemane have come down to our day by direct descent from the trees under which Jesus prayed to his Father. Mount Olivet was first mentioned by David in the third Psalm. He mentioned that it was written when he fled before Absalom his son. To do this he fled eastward to the other side of the Jordan. He mentions in it that many were his enemies who took occasion on the insurrection of Absalom to rise against him. "Many are they who say of my soul, There is no help for him in God." But he returns answer, "Jehovah is my shield and glory, and the lifter up of my head," and prays to Jehovah. "I will cry to him," says he, and he will answer me from Zion, God's holy mountain. This flight drives him to the

extreme borders of his land, where he would be deprived of the comfort of the worship of God's holy house.

"From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed; lead me to the rock that is higher than I." Psalm 61: 2.

To anyone who has never before visited the Holy Land, arriving at Jerusalem his first impulse is to visit the sacred garden on the west of Olivet. Gethsemane is on the western side of the mount, near to the bridge which crosses the Kidron valley, a garden which is well cared for, as it holds the affections of the whole Christian world. It is one of the places where one can feel the correctness of its identification. Scattered throughout the Holy Land there are places where guides insist upon traditional locations. How gratifying must be the feeling of certainty which one may have under these olive trees, where our Savior left his disciples in a certain place and withdrew to where he knelt in prayer. The sufferings of Calvary already fell upon him there.

When he returned and found his disciples sleeping, he said, "Sleep on now and take your rest." At that instant there came a flash of light from a company just entering the garden. It was Judas who came to betray his Lord and Master, who had come to save him; and by so doing he threw away his own soul, and it was said of him, "he went to his own place." How real these immensely old olive trees must make that place as we meditate.

It was midnight, the darkest night in all the world. Jesus went to meet the traitor and his followers who came with lights and torches; but before surrendering himself to their power, just for an instant he caused them all to fall backward. He who could call for twelve legions of angels to come and deliver him out of the hands of his enemies refrained and gave himself up to death by crucifixion.

The hasty and untimely meeting of the Sanhedrin; the appearances before Pilate and before Herod; "Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber"; the mockery; the scourging; the bearing of his own cross; "Weep not for me, but weep for yourselves," ye daughters of Jerusalem—tell the story. Nine o'clock in the morning was the fatal hour. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." The noonday darkness,

the rending of the veil. "Remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." "Verily I say unto thee, this day thou shalt be with me in paradise." "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" "I thirst." "It is finished." These sentences continue the story of our redemption.

"Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." These tell the story of his resurrection and ascension and the hope of his second coming. The effect of this wondrous story should produce in us undying love and faithfulness in service.

The life and death of Jesus from his infancy to his death and triumphant resurrection are brought vividly before us in contemplation upon this sacred mount. "The passion and crucifixion of Jesus, like his whole character, stand without a parallel, solitary and alone in their glory, and will ever continue to be what they have been for these nineteen hundred years to the noblest and the best of men—the sacred theme of meditation, the exemplar of suffering virtue, the weapon against sin and Satan, the stimulus to gratitude and holiness, the source of comfort and peace."

Princeton, Mass.

IN GOOD FAITH

Man Belongs to God

By Rev. William Kernan

(Director Christian Institute for American Democracy)

Let us beware in America of the apologists for the Communist and Nazi orders, who seek to persuade us to give up our Christian liberty as the children of God. They try to make us overlook the ferocious persecution that both Communism and Nazism display, by pleading that it is only a manifestation of excessive zeal that is characteristic of all revolutions. It will pass away, they say, when the revolution is established.

Nothing could be further from the truth. The cruelty of Communism and Nazism is native to them. The brutality of Communism and Nazism is not an incident; neither is it an accident. The cruelty and brutality of these systems are the end products of their elemental principles which are thoroughly anti-Christian, inasmuch as they deny God's supremacy

and permit the practice of injustice toward men who happen to belong to a certain race, or religion, or class.

Consider, for example, the persecution of Christians by the Nazis—that according to information received by the American Committee for Christian Refugees, eighty per cent of those in their concentration camps are Christians; that Christian schools and seminaries have been closed; that church property has been confiscated; that pastors have been forbidden to speak God's truth if it conflict with the state's ideology.

Is all of this just an incident in the Nazi revolution, a display of excessive zeal that will pass away? Is it not. It cannot be. For the basic doctrine of the totalitarian state is the anti-Christian doctrine that the "whole man," body and soul, belongs to the state, which, as supreme, demands everything that a man is, everything he has—his mind, his soul, his body, and his first loyalty.

In accordance with this principle of state supremacy, and not as an incident that will pass away, are Christians persecuted under totalitarian rule. For Christians can never admit that man belongs to the state. He belongs to God, as does the state and all else in the world. Christ's word to us is, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment."

Christians hold to it. They can never accept either the Nazi or the Communist order. Neither can the Communist or the Nazi order ever accept them. That is why it persecutes them—to make them conform to the principle of state supremacy, or failing that, to remove them from the sphere of effective opposition to the state. This persecution is no accident, no incident in the totalitarian revolution. It is totalitarianism. It will always be so wherever the totalitarian order survives.

But our order—our democratic order—must be true to the Christian principle that man belongs to God. In America we have sought in the past to make that principle fundamental to our way of life. And, in so far as we have succeeded, we are free today. We have the opportunity now to go on, in accordance with this principle, to greater freedom. To do it we must reject the totalitarian order; we must do more than we have ever done to Christianize the democratic order.

415 Lexington Ave.,
New York City.

**REV. SAMUEL D. DAVIS:
AN AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

(Continued)

SICKNESS AND DEATH IN HOME

In July 1874, death again entered our happy home, made thrice happy by the bright boys who had come to bless it, four in number; the youngest, twins. It took from us one of these in his seventh summer, Simeon Gillis, a very sweet, spirited, little boy. He had been quite ill, but the doctor said he was improving, and we thought it was so. But suddenly we discovered he was dying. He had not spoken for some time, and we supposed every breath would be his last, when all suddenly he exclaimed, "Oh, oh, oh, I am going to the good world. I am going to our heavenly Father." I replied, "Yes, Simeon, you are going to our heavenly Father. Would you like to kiss us good night?" He put up his sweet little mouth, kissed us all good night and went away.

Some three weeks later, I was called to Johnstown to deliver an address before a Sunday School Convention assembled in a grove. The subject assigned to me was threefold and related to children before and after conversion and how to bring them to Christ. The audience was large, making it necessary for me to speak loud; and inspired by the profound attention given, I spoke over an hour.

There was raging at that time in that section, what the physicians called malignant diphtheria. The white coating formed under the mucous membrane of the throat giving an amber color, a form hitherto unknown there. I had scarcely reached home until my throat became sore, but business made it necessary for me to be out in extremely hot sun away from home. For three days we set in with home remedies to treat the case, knowing nothing of the nature of the disease. My throat grew worse for some days more and then we called a physician who pronounced it diphtheria, and said it was of the malignant type that they were having near Johnstown. He gave me a throat wash that removed the coating, but later it turned black. My doctor discovered this, and being terrified unconsciously said, "It is all turned black." He said he had to go home and hoped I would be better when he came back. My wife, discovering the situation, inquired if it was not said in the Bible that if any were sick and wanted to get

well that they might call for the Elders of the Church. I repeated to her the passage in James relating to the sick and told her the deacons were the elders. Through her pleading and that of my married son, who had just come in, I sent him to call them to my bedside, and to tell the one that was a merchant to bring with him a vial of olive oil.

Before they came, the doctor, on passing to see another patient, learned that I was still alive, came in to see my throat, and said it was fifty per cent better. Soon the deacons came and at my request kneeled around my bed, laid their hands upon me, and while one led in prayer, another anointed my throat with olive oil, in the name of the Lord. For some little time it seemed I was on the road to recovery. One of my deacons, however, lacked faith and said if there was anything in it, it would be a good way for a young physician to get a good start, and it was a young doctor that was attending me. Again my throat mortified, the darkness came through the outside, and the last quiver of death came over me. The doctor, who was in the house at the time, was called to my bedside, and said he could do nothing for me. I replied, "Just as I expected."

My dear wife sat by me holding my right hand in hers. We both thought the end had come, but we neither of us spoke what we thought. We each thought we were having our last talk together on earth. The quiver began to cease, and the inside of my throat came out in detached parcels, and it seemed impossible that I could stay in the tenement so badly decayed; but he who said "The Lord shall raise him up" could, if it were necessary, raise the dead, and his promise was sure. I began to mend, and although my throat has never been since just as it was before, its powers for public speaking have surpassed what they had been before. And God blessed the means used by a physician that attended me later, to my recovering from dyspepsia which had plagued me for years.

(To be continued)

Note.—Written by him from memory for his son, Rev. Boothe C. Davis, while visiting him at his home in Alfred, N. Y., during 1897 and 1898; and transcribed from the original pencil-written note-books forty years afterward. Edited for publication by Corliss Fitz-Randolph. Nothing has been deleted, and care has been taken to preserve the language of the author throughout, keeping it, as nearly as possible, as he would approve could he be consulted.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

Milton, Wis.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Tri-County Y.M.C.A., Thursday evening, July 3, at the Janesville Y.M.C.A., Bruce Graham, Clinton, was elected president of the organization to succeed Dr. L. M. Babcock, Milton, who has held the office for fifteen years.

J. A. Craig, speaking for the board of directors, gave a fitting tribute to Dr. L. M. Babcock, retiring president, relating that after serving the Rock County Y.M.C.A. board for a number of years as director and later as recording secretary, he was elected president of the organization in April, 1926. During the fifteen years he has been president he has never missed a board meeting or annual convention and has been a true leader of the organization, the name being changed to the Tri-County Y.M.C.A. after a merger had been effected with Green and Walworth County associations. L. A. Markham, first employed secretary of the association, then presented Doctor Babcock with a Y.M.C.A. president's pin, with Dr. L. M. Babcock, fifteen years, engraved on the back.

The meeting opened with a dinner with Doctor Babcock presiding.

—Milton Junction Telephone.

Dodge Center, Minn.

Last Sabbath (July 12) Mr. and Mrs. Olney Moore assisted in all three services to the enjoyment of all present. They have been to Jamaica twice, and told many interesting things.—Dodge Center Star-Record.

Verona, N. Y.

The monthly meeting of the Verona Youth Council was held in our church Monday evening, July 14. The worship program was in charge of our young people.

The following evening the Youth Council sponsored their annual banquet in the Lowell M. E. church, which preceded the quarterly convention of the adult Town Council of Religious Education. The newly elected officers were installed by Rev. N. A. Darling, pastor of the host church. Mrs. Iva Davis is president of the council. Rev. Howard Bines of Sherrill was the speaker of the evening, and Kenneth Babcock of Milton, Wis., was guest soloist. Our church had the largest percentage of its membership present and was awarded the attendance banner.

The Youth Council held an ice-cream social on our church lawn Tuesday evening, July 22.

A successful two weeks' session of our Vacation Bible School closed Friday with a picnic on the church lawn. There was an enrollment of eighty-four. The expense of the school, with the exception of the enrollment fee, was taken care of by the five co-operating schools, each sharing equally.

Several of our young people attended the camp at DeRuyter, Sabbath and Sunday, July 19 and 20.

The Young People's Social Club held a "backward program" and social in the church parlors on the evening of July 12. Each member was to wear some article of clothing backward, and the program was carried out in a backward style, which created much amusement.

The monthly temperance program was in charge of the temperance superintendent, O. H. Perry. Pastor Davis and William Arthur gave brief talks on temperance.

Home Coming Day will be observed August 2. President J. Nelson Norwood of Alfred University will be the speaker of the afternoon; his subject, "Religion and Democracy's Future." He will also lead a forum discussion. Dinner will be served in the church parlors. Correspondent.

Shiloh, N. J.

Sabbath day, July 5, was "Family Rally Day" at the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist church, with a service for the dedication of babies as a special feature. There were several 100 per cent families present, the largest being that of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dickinson, with five children.

Eight tiny tots were brought to the front by their parents, while Pastor Osborn spoke on the responsibility of parenthood, in dedicating the children to the Lord, and rearing them in the nurture of the Christian faith, and pledged the parents to the faithful performance of this duty and privilege. The following were participants in the service:

Mr. and Mrs. David Davis and Virginia; Mrs. Bessie Rainear and Julia Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Latourette and Arthur, Jr., and David; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Newkirk with Kay Suzanne; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Harris with Edwin, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carr with Bruce; and Mrs. Martie Hitchner with two-month old Judith.

OBITUARY

It was an impressive and heart-stirring service. Pastor Osborn's sermon topic was "Of Such Is the Kingdom of Heaven." Three of the above parents joined the church by baptism this spring, and a fourth will join later in the summer.

Family Rally Day, and the dedication service for babes will in all probability be an annual event at Shiloh. Correspondent.

De Ruyter, N. Y.

Seventy-four children were enrolled in the Church Vacation School just concluded. Sessions were held for two weeks with the following leaders in charge: Kindergarten, Betty Fox and Lora Parslow; primary, Janet Wood and Dorothy Allen; junior, Mr. Mills and Mr. Merritt. Bible verses were memorized, scrap books were made, scenes from the Bible and nature were dramatized, games were played, and worship services held. A great deal of credit should be given to those who gave of their time to provide leadership for this worthy enterprise. A number of parents and other interested friends contributed eight dollars to the expense. Twelve dollars more is needed, and those who wish to help may hand their offering to Mr. Mills or Mr. Merritt.

At the close of the school a picnic was held Friday, July 18, at Snug Harbor on DeRuyter Lake. A program was given at the close of the school in the Methodist church.

—DeRuyter Gleaner.

MARRIAGES

Crouch-Polan. — Herbert Crouch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Crouch of Nortonville, Kan., and Virginia Polan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Polan of Milton, were united in marriage on June 26, 1941, by Pastor Carroll L. Hill, at the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church. The new home is at Milton.

Dickinson-Davis. — Miss Ethel Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Davis, became the bride of Harmon Dickinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dickinson, on June 11, 1941, at the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist church, of which both are members, their pastor, Rev. Lester G. Osborn, officiating.

Irish-Hall. — At Rockville, R. I., in the Seventh Day Baptist church, July 12, 1941, George Babcock Irish and Blanche Marguerite Hall, both of Rockville. Rev. Harold R. Crandall, a cousin of the groom, officiated, assisted by the pastor, Rev. Wayne R. Rood.

Booth. — Mandane Crumb, the only child of Albertus and Adeline Coon Crumb, was born on a farm near Walworth, Wis., September 21, 1863, and died at the hospital in Harvard, Ill., on July 11, 1941.

She went to school at Big Foot Academy and Milton College. She was baptized on May 19, 1887, and united with the Walworth Seventh Day Baptist Church, later moving her membership to the church in Chicago. She was married to Elnoe E. Booth on March 27, 1902. To them was born one son, Bert, of Chicago. Mr. Booth preceded his wife in death on August 22, 1936. Besides her son Mrs. Booth is survived by five cousins.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Carroll L. Hill. Burial was in the Walworth cemetery.

C. L. H.

Greene. — George Rowland, son of Stillman and Amie Ann Crandall Greene, was born September 26, 1862, at Dakota, Waushara County, Wis., and passed away at his home in Milton on Sunday evening, June 22, 1941.

He was married to Elsa Louise Castle on July 28, 1886. To them were born two children: George Rowland Jr., of Sheboygan; and Amie, Mrs. Lyle Millard, of Milton. There are three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, all surviving. For twenty years Mr. and Mrs. Greene lived near Hancock, Wis., and Mr. Greene and his son were baptized on the same day at Fish Lake by Rev. E. A. Witter. They were active in the Coloma Church, which Mr. Greene helped to build, and from which he never withdrew his membership.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Carroll L. Hill. Burial was in Milton cemetery.

C. L. H.

Lykens. — Alice Lupton Lykens, eldest daughter of the late Charles and Beulah Harris Lupton, was born in Bridgeton, N. J., January 19, 1873, and died at her home near Shiloh, N. J., on May 4, 1941.

She received her education in the public schools of Shiloh and at Alfred University. She taught art for a time at Salem College. In 1901 she was married to George F. Lykens, who survives her. Besides her husband she is survived by two sons and two daughters: Donovan E., J. Ross, Mrs. Harold Shorts, and Mrs. Henry Howell; six grandchildren; and two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Wayde S. Allen, Mrs. Earl J. Bowen, and Mr. Harry C. Lupton. At an early age she joined the Shiloh Church of which she was an active and loyal member until her death.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, and interment was in the Shiloh cemetery.

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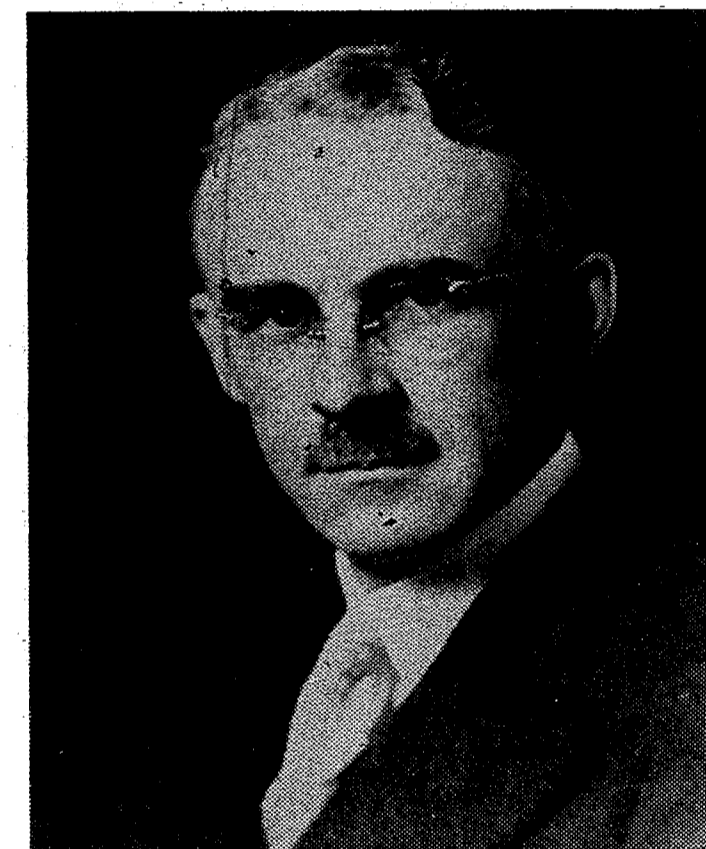
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