money to start with encourages wrong thinking on the part of some local members, who then would shirk their individual responsibilities. Hence this slow growth.

Eight weeks have passed since May 22. During this period a total of 268 door to door calls in vicinity of the Dray family included as many pieces of literature, nine successive numbers so far per home, in proper rotation respectively. Total number of homes covered last week was fifty-seven.

The first two to three weeks the neighboring children attended a couple of times under the influence of the Dray family. As soon as the parents learned the children were being drilled in memorizing the Ten Commandments, etc., the parents prohibited the children from attending.

At the end of the sixth week two to three families who had been influenced by reading the literature, assisted by the personal call, began to promise to attend the Sabbath school. On the eighth week two homes were represented in our Sabbath school, and we can say that the literature home-to-home campaign won the battle for good. There are several homes that will respond in the near future.

Our treasurer is to mail you \$1 this week, as you will notice on the enclosed record No. 7.

Elmer M. Juhl.

July 19, 1943.

ALCOHOL A DEPRESSANT

It is strange that so many people believe alcohol to be a stimulant. It is not. Concerning this there is no difference of opinion in the scientific world. A stimulant has been defined as "a substance which will increase the force, frequency, speed, amount, or effectiveness of one or more of the functions of the body."

Alcohol is not a stimulant; it is a depressant. A depressant has been scientifically defined as "a substance which alters one or more of our bodily functions by reducing speed, strength, or quality."

The apparent stimulating effect of alcohol is due to its suppression of the inhibitions. Functioning is not increased in power or speed, but it "runs wild," uncontrolled by the higher brain. This is why the drinker "talks like a fool"; he or she has temporarily lost the restraining influence of discretion and discrimination.—The Voice of Bd. of Temperance, Methodist Church.

MARRIAGES

Bottoms - Putnam. — Miss Maxine Jeanne Putnam, daughter of Mrs. Minnie Putnam of 69 Walter Avenue and the late Delmar M. Putnam, was married to Lieut. George D. Bottoms of Lexington, Ky., son of Mrs. B. H. Bottoms of Athens, Ala., on July 3, 1943, in the Seventh Day Baptist church, Battle Creek, Mich., with Rev. E. M. Holston officiating.

Burdick - Norman. — H. Lawrence Burdick of Milton, Wis., and Dorothy V. Norman of Parkersburg, W. Va., were united in marriage in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church on June 29, 1943, Pastor Carroll L. Hill officiating. The new home is at 325 W. Main St., Apt. 101, Madison, Wis.

Clocker - Lowther. — Edwin T. Clocker of St. Paul, Minn., and Virginia G. Lowther of Milton, Wis., were united in marriage in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church on May 23, 1943, Pastor Carroll L. Hill officiating. The new home is at 1366 Raymond Ave., St. Paul (8), Minn.

Fitz Randolph - Vail. — Pvt. Charles Irwin Fitz Randolph, son of Rev. and Mrs. John Fitz Randolph of Milton Junction, Wis., and Miss Marian Suzanne Vail, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Vail of Benton, Wis., were united in marriage on June 26, 1943, in Army Chapel 1020, at Camp Crowder, Mo., by Chaplain Claude S. Dayton. They were attended by Pvt. Ivan H. Fitz Randolph and Mrs. Don McCarthy. Twenty-five members of the groom's company attended the wedding.

OBITUARY

Coon. — In Westerly, R. I., June 23, 1943, Adele Bowman Coon, wife of the late Louis S. Coon, aged 78 years.

Mrs. Coon was the daughter of Charles and Mary Kingham Bowman and was born at Ashaway, R. L. October 26, 1864. She was united in marriage with Louis S. Coon and came to Westerly to live more than fifty years ago. She was a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church. For many years she was a teacher in the Sabbath school. She was active in the work of the Woman's Aid society and had served as president. She loved the beautiful and was artistic in decorative work. Community interests claimed a share of her time. It was with great reluctance that she relinquished her labors because of ill health.

Mrs. Coon is survived by her son, Louis Bowman Coon of North Plainfield, N. J., and by a grand-son, Louis Bowman Coon, Jr.

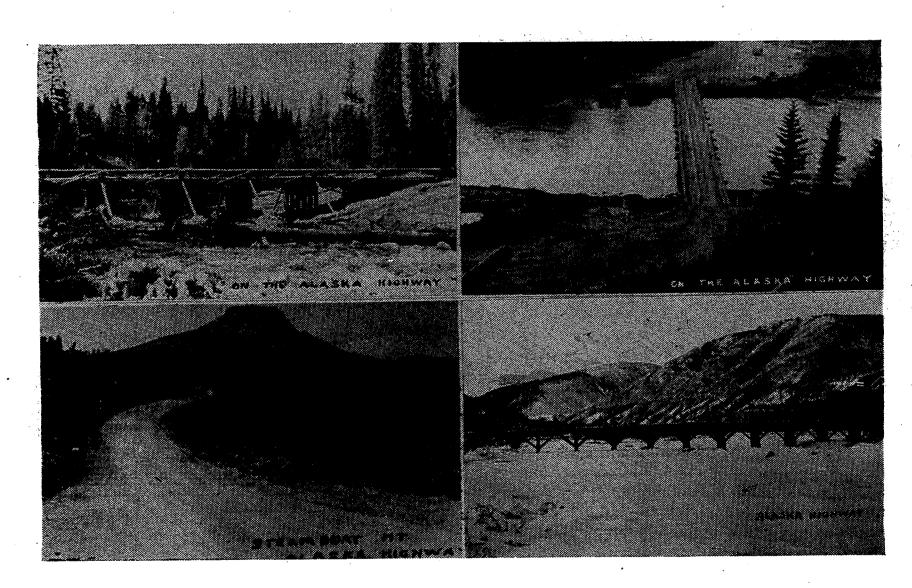
Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon at the Avery Funeral Home and interment was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Ashaway. Her pastor, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, officiated. H. R. C.

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EDITORIALS

THE LAYMAN EXPECTS OF HIS MINISTER

That he be first of all a Christian man and that he be approachable. Said a sincere Christian professional man not long ago, "Sometimes I wish I were a Catholic with a priest to go to, to whom I could tell all my troubles." In his case it was not that someone should assume his responsibility, but that he would be assured of someone who would not be apologetic, but tell him somewhat authoritatively what he ought to do. Should not the Protestant minister be trained and competent to fill the need of such an honest seeker?

The layman expects his minister, as one expressed it, "to be a pastor and call upon the people faithfully." Some ministers seem to think it is beneath the present day dignity of the minister to visit his people, unless the call is occasioned by sickness. This is all wrong. The sick should be visited; but there are well people who are sick at heart, discouraged, a condition that may grow into lukewarmness, indifference, and even worse sin unless met sympathetically by a pastor who cares and is willing to forgo some of the things which seem so essential and demanding in order to minister to this need. The prophet Ezekiel by the waters of Babylon was sent as a watchman, and leaves the testimony, "I sat where they sat," and in so doing sensed the need of a despairing people. Not until then was he ready to give the message in prophetic utterance to his people. The minister who looks upon "calling" as merely a tea-sipping occasion has never had

the vision of service which his own calling presupposes.

Few who know will feel that there is anything effeminate about the ministry of Dr. William L. Stidger. He offers a strong word in approval of ministerial visitation in an article in March Church Management. He says that the Sunday following a week of calling upon many people, "most of those people showed up at church services." Many of us of long pastoral experience can testify that calling results in larger church attendance and a deeper interest in Christian living and service. In the article referred to, the doctor had found that the writer, the reporter, the lecturer, the radio speaker "would die of unreality if they did not source their writings in the lives of humanity." He concludes out of his own many years of experience and observation, what many of us of lesser experience believe, that the soul of any ministry comes out of pastoral work.

The layman expects his minister to adapt his Scriptural messages, the great principles and inspirations of the Bible, to the experiences of life as impinged upon by economic conditions, political situations, and social attitudes. He does not want his minister to be a religious isolationist, divorcing church and spiritual life from life in the community, nation, and world. Christ prayed that his followers be "kept in the world," not taken from it. Neither the Christian nor his minister can successfully be a human armadillo. Let him fill the world, as far as his influence goes, with the love of God and compassion of God, as a saved man, and not be filled by the world or love of worldly things. The minister will not assume the place of solving

the problems of civic, industrial, and political life. But he should not hesitate to point out their errors and fallacies. He has a message to which the principles and teachings of Christ give edge. This he should not fail to proclaim. The layman expects it.

FALL OF MUSSOLINI

The fall of the bombastic dictator, Mussolini, has wrecked many plans, and Scripture interpretations. By a good many well meaning but cock-sure interpreters, Mussolini has been heralded as the Antichrist, or the Beas., head of the resurrected Roman Empire, restorer of Israel to the Promised Land, or what have you. Lengthy articles have been printed, whole books written, lurid sermons delivered showing him as the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Scriptures. Zealous adherents have almost tearfully urged acceptance of such interpretation as a part of the divine plan of redemption. While one is not particularly interested in how these interpreters will now turn, he does feel a sadness in the sorrow and disappointment of those who have been influenced by such misplaced faith.

The fall of Mussolini would scarcely merit our attention, outside its war news interest and significance, except that it is a striking illustration of the grave danger of identifying personalities now on the world's stage with the prophecies of Scriptures. Every great war has produced those who have declared "This is Armageddon," or "This man is the Beast," or "that" is the particular fulfillment of a certain prophecy.

Since Jesus was so guarded against setting times and seasons, it would befit his followers to be careful of going further than he did. "Watch and pray," he warned, "lest ye enter into temptation." The naming of Mussolini as the one who would restore the Jewish people to the Promised Land seems now to have been a sad mistake. We should be warned to be cautious and careful in handling the Scriptures.

OBSERVATIONS OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Home again! What a thrill the traveler experiences when his last objective has been reached and he turns face once more toward home. This emotion possessed your observer the other day as he boarded a train at Milton Junction, Wis., for Chicago, New York, and Plainfield. The home coming is not yet quite completed as this contribution to the Sabbath Recorder is being written. An hour's wait for the final min lap is being used for this writing. Otherwise an impatience to be home would too much possess one's soul.

The last two or three days in Wisconsin were spent at Milton, Milton Junction, and Albion, cal' ng on friends and relatives, and holding conferences with people interested in church and denominational work. The home of a son and his family, with open homes of other relatives and friends, made these days pleasant and seem all too brief. "Won't Grandpa get a big kick out of Judy?" a remark by a little near-four-year-old. was fully realized by the said grandfather. Some who read this will understand.

We found people of southern Wisconsin busy at regular and seasonal tasks, and doing war work in factories and on farms besides. School men and some pastors are spending vacations in this way to promote the war effort. Help, as everywhere, is hard to get, regardless of wages. Hay crops are heavy, grains ready for harvest, truck and canning pressing, and the corn outlook very promising.

Among "retired" ministers and others we found Rev. Willard D. Burdick among the busiest. From early till late he is to be seen in his magnificent garden, either cultivating and hoeing, or harvesting peas, beans, other vegetables, or berries. In a brief afternoon call the doorbell rang three times by folks to buy the luscious raspberries gathered from his bushes. Just as busily at proper times is this consecrated minister at work in the interests of the large Sabbath school of which he is superintendent. Dean Main once said to us in the seminary that he would as soon be superintendent of a certain Sabbath school as pastor of the church. Certainly such a position offers a fine opportunity for service, and carries with it grave responsibilities.

A few hours in Chicago afforded an opportunity to have lunch with two lovely and dear nieces, one of whom smilingly met me at Union Station gates. Of these sisters one is on the teaching staff in the Medical School of the University of Chicago, while the other is working on her master's degree in social science. Both are enthusiastic in their work.

A full day was spent in Rochester, N. Y., with a dear friend, a lone Sabbath keeper, who keeps in close touch with the affairs of our churches through reading the Sabbath Recorder. His deep interest in the work of slackens. While I made the visit at his request, and for the purpose of lending him encouragement, I feel that I was the one to find new courage and increased faith. In such ways does the Lord bless us in the pursuit of duty and love. Several hours were spent with this friend, and in the home of his charming daughter and family.

The day closed by making a call with him on the leader of a city mission of the Volunteers of America. An interesting hour was spent here and I was asked why we did not have a Seventh Day Baptist church in Rochester. The head of the mission, who holds our friend in highest esteem, assured us there was a splendid field in Rochester for our church, and that he would be happy to help us all he could were we to establish such in the city.

As I think over the number of Seventh Day Baptists living and working in Rochester, I wonder that they have never thought of such a possibility. Why not a church in this promising and cultured city?

And now I am writing the last word of these observations at my own desk. The hour struck and I am home. My eight and a half weeks on the field have been pleasant, if strenuous. But it is good to see all the home and office folks, and to hear them say —"Well, see who's here."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

American soldiers overseas, except those in Alaska, Hawaii, Panama Canal Zone, and Puerto Rico, may now send money home by radio. In a recent week more than 9,000 soldiers sent nearly \$1,000,000, in amounts of \$10 or more, with no maximum limit. Money may be transmitted to an individual payee. or to a bank. The process is speedy and sure. If a soldier desires to do so, he may also purchase war bonds by this method.

—Salem Herald.

Ration food, if you will. Ration coffee. Freeze the price of milk. Put a farmer in jail for selling the hind quarter of a beef killed on his own feed lot. Do anything in the wide world, under the star-spangled dome of heaven to win this war. But if you touch liquor you are just a wall-eyed crepe-hanging fanatic. Behold the sacred cow who has to be spoon fed with ambrosia and myrrh! Whosoever tries to ration her diet down in

which he once had an active part never common chop feed is condemned into the seventh hell with a white hot waffle iron grid of public opprobrium pressing his tummy and warping his backbone.—Editor Wm. Allen White, in Emporia (Kan.) Gazette.

> Wanted.—By American couple with two small children, four or five room furnished house or suite. Will pay good price. If you don't like children, we will gladly drown them.—Ad in Edmonton (Canada) Journal.

THE COMMISSION AT ALFRED

President Hurley S. Warren

By majority vote the Commission of the General Conference will meet at Alfred, N. Y., Thursday evening, August 12, at eight o'clock, God willing.

The Commission will expect to continue in session until all matters to come before it are considered and necessary business transacted.

Assurance has been given by a number of Alfred folks, both officially and unofficially, that the members of the Commission will be most welcome to go to Alfred for the meeting. They will be entertained overnight and for breakfast in some of the Alfred homes. Arrangement is being made with the management of the Coffee Shop for the other two meals of the day. Sessions will be held either in a room at the Gothic or in President J. Nelson Norwood's inner office in the Carnegie Library of Alfred University.

Local arrangements for the Commission meeting are being made by Rev. Everett T. Harris in co-operation with Dean Ahva J. C. Bond, President Norwood, and Mr. George Bunnell, manager of the Coffee Shop.

On behalf of the Commission we ask an interest in the prayers of the Sabbath Recorder family that we may be directed by and obedient unto the will of God throughout our

May God graciously bless and keep you each and all.

A LETTER FROM NORTH AFRICA

Dear Editor Van Horn:

I received your letter of March 18 a short time ago. I was very glad and not at all surprised, to hear from you. Wherever I have been since you left the pastorate of the Lost Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church, you have always sent me letters and papers of interest from our denomination. I appreciate this very much. Your letter was one of the first I received in Africa since the beginning of hostilities, and, after one hundred twenty letterless days, you can understand part of the reason it was so welcome.

I have been in places where a prayer to God would pass the lips of an atheist. More than once I have thanked him for allowing me to live. All the men in my outfit have had the occasion to kneel to him and they unhesitatingly do it.

Our chaplain is the most popular man in our unit. During combat we had little chance to attend a service, and only when he came to us did we hear him.

On Mother's Day our guns were in position to fire. We were awaiting the word when the chaplain came. We left our guns and assembled in the center of our position where for ten minutes we listened to some of the most touching words we had heard. For ten minutes the chaplain held the unwavering attention of one hundred twenty dirty, tired men. A short prayer, and the chaplain was leaving us to take his message to others. Before he had left our position, the field radio gave us the news that Gen. Von Arnim had surrendered. Since then, that certain meeting has held a special significance for us. We have been very fortunate in having a chaplain with us. Some units do not have one.

We are waiting for the next step. We know that many will not return to America, but each has the same thought, ". . . when I go home . . . "

We ask your prayers for us, even as we ask God to take care of you at home. When the time comes, we are ready; and through Sincerely, God we will win.

William Curry.

SHANGHAI INTERNEES REPORTED TREATED WITH CONSIDERATION

MISSIONS

Rev. William L. Burdick, D.D., Ashaway, R. I.

Correspondence should be addressed to Rev. William L. Burdick, Secrétary, Ashaway, R. I.

Checks and money orders should be drawn to the order of Karl G. Stillman, Westerly, R. I.

Since the news reached America that our missionaries in Shanghai were in concentration camps, many have wished we knew how they are being treated and whether they are keeping well. The letters which have come to America have indicated that they are faring as well as could be expected, and this view harmonizes with a report which appeared in the last issue of the Watchman Examiner. Under the caption, "Missionary News Notes,' the situation of Baptist missionaries in foreign countries is treated and a considerable space is given to "East China." Though what is said is in line with what has already been received, it is gratifying to have the same facts from other sources, and we quote the following sentences from the article:

"From various sources we have received considerable information regarding internment at Shanghai. Single men and men whose wives are in this country are interned at Pootung, across the river from Shanghai. Wives and children, and in some cases elderly people, are at the Great China University campus, not far from St. John's University. British men and women have been sent up the river to Yanchow. Still another group is interned at Lunghwa.

"From all reports, the Japanese are treating the internees with consideration. There is almost complete segregation between the men and women. . . . There are doctors, nurses, and dentists in the camps, and in addition to the regular food provided by the Japanese, a comfort allowance of U.S. \$8 per person per month is given." W. L. B.

CONCLUSION OF ANNUAL REPORT OF

The foregoing paragraphs, together with the treasurer's report, give a brief statement regarding the work of the board during the year now past; but there has been much of endeavor and sacrifice on the part of many

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

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people which cannot be stated in words, and only eternity can reveal the good that has been accomplished.

As we, Seventh Day Baptists, begin another year, we must strive to increase every form of missionary work. Both the worth and the success of a denomination depend upon its missionary spirit and activity. The Master is calling us to undertake greater things for him in his name, and to refuse is denominational suicide. The most difficult fields can be made to yield abundant fruitage if we are willing to pay the price in the spirit Christ paid for our redemption.

The missionary task is the same as that to which God the Father set his hand when he sent his Son to earth in the flesh. It was important then; it is just as important now. It is the noblest task to which men or angels ever applied themselves. When undertaken in the spirit of Christ, it thrills the entire being and causes the soul to glow with joy divine. It comprehends all other worthy tasks and all things else should be made to contribute to it.

Human institutions are passing through great changes. All seem to be in a flux. In spite of the woes which enshroud all nations, it is the greatest missionary day ever seen. The doors of all the world are thrown open to the gospel as never before, and the hearts of men are struggling for light. The relief can only be found in Christ. As the poet wrote:

"We are living, we are dwelling, In a grand and awful time."

All are called upon to have part in this colossal undertaking; none are excused. For Christ to do his part in the world-wide missionary enterprise, it was necessary for him to lay all on the altar and pay the supreme price. Those who succeed in mission work must also lay all on the altar; some may be called upon to pay the supreme price with their lives. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

In behalf of and approved by the Board of Managers,

William L. Burdick, Corresponding Secretary.

Westerly, R. I., July 25, 1943.

THE LAYMEN'S RESPONSIBILITY

By Mr. Edward S. Jouett

Vice-President and General Counsel of the
L. and N. R. R. Co.

An organization of laymen for promoting Christian missionary work is peculiarly appropriate since upon them rests perhaps the main obligation for continuing and expanding Christian missions. It is placed upon them by our Lord himself in the Great Commission, which takes in all Christians.

Since many necessarily are unable or unqualified to go in person, by necessary implication such ones are required to go by representation, that is, to send. This calls for money to meet the expense of travel and sustenance of those consecrated souls who are sent. For this Christ looks almost solely to the lay members of his Church; and if our religion is not a farce, if we laymen really believe what we profess, then loyally, liberally and, if need be, sacrificially, we will do this financial feature of the Master's command and rejoice in the privilege of finding some definite service we can render for him.

But we are so busy that we sometimes forget. An important function then, of this great organization is to help the churches keep before their laymen the fundamental facts that our Lord's command is not outmoded as some seem to think, but stands unrepealed and in full force; that the field is still ripe unto the harvest with the workers still far too few; and that in these troublous times, more than ever before, our Lord's pleato the heart and conscience of each of us cannot be ignored, but must be granted gladly and generously.—Taken from Laymen's Missionary Movement.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY STATEMENTS May 1, 1943, to May 31, 1943

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In account with the
Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society

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SABBATH RALLY DAY AT SHILOH, N. J.

God of the Sabbath, unto thee we raise Our grateful hearts in songs of love and praise; Maker, Preserver, all to thee we owe; Smile on thy children waiting here below.

With this verse of Daland's "Sabbath ymn" as the hymnic call to worship, the niloh Church began its Sabbath Rally Day rvice. Following the invocation all joined singing Joseph Stennett's "Another Six bays' Work is Done." The rest of the music as of more recent date, the hymn before the ermon being "We Thank Thee," by Mrs. Emily Betson and Mrs. Mabel Main. Mrs. Bessie Rainear and daughter Verle sang "Thy Holy Will," by Mr. and Mrs. George Main, as a duet. Even the anthem was composed by a Seventh Day Baptist, one of our own members. The choir of twenty-five voices, under the direction of Mrs. Ella K. Sheppard, presented "I Love the Lord," by David S. Davis.

Pastor Osborn's sermon topic was "Her Jewel Case," setting forth some of the blessings and benefits which God has put into the Sabbath for us. The "jewels" he mentioned were cessation from the week's activities, with the resulting physical and spiritual refreshment; worship in God's house, finding, responding to, and enjoying his presence on his day; opportunity for assembling with kindred Christian spirits; quiet for meditation on things divine; time for doing the Lord's work; the blessing of doing God's will; and living by faith. He closed with a plea to all to honor him upon whose brow "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned," by honoring the day of which he is the Lord.

The service closed with the singing of Samuel Stennett's hymn, the last verse of which is a pledge of complete love and devotion:

Since from his bounty I receive Such proofs of love divine, Had I a thousand hearts to give, Lord, they should all be thine.

[The sermon follows.]

HER JEWEL CASE

(A modern parable)

Once upon a time there lived a beautiful princess; her charm and her loveliness were the talk of the kingdom.

This princess had a lover, a knight of noble countenance whose prowess was only matched by the purity of his lofty soul. He would fain have claimed his princess, but he was under compulsion of a quest which could not be denied; a quest for a kingdom which, when he obtained it, would be the endowment for his fair bride.

Before he went away he gave into the keeping of his princess a jewel case, exquisitely wrought of purest gold. "Keep it, cherish it," he said, "guard it with your life if necessary, for it is the emblem of our perfect love." When the princess opened the jewel case she found therein a store of gems. Their sparkling beauty filled her young heart with delight, and, clasping her treasure to her breast, she vowed to be faithful to her trust.

Her knight was gone a weary time and oft this maiden pure longed for his return, but every Sabbath, as her lover had told her, she warmed her ofttimes sad and lonely heart by the contemplation of her gems. As she fixed her eyes upon them, all unrealized by her, her character seemed to partake of their scintillating beauty. The crimson of the ruby gave

warmth and glow to her service, and the blue of the sapphire was reflected in her unswerving fidelity. The green of the emerald lent verdure to her love, and the pearl shared its luster to enhance her charm, while the clear white diamond shed a pure brilliance over all.

But the years lengthened and the princess became entangled with this or that worldly pursuit. Tawdry things lent passing fascination, and her jewel case gradually lost its charm. For "this or that" she parted with her gems one by one, and one day she found, to her amazement, that the gold of her jewel case was dimmed and its beauty departed. All unknown to her, those around her saw her loveliness slowly fade, but knew not why, nor did she realize that her life no longer reflected the beauty and brilliance of her gems.

And those who heard the parable asked its meaning, and the Narrator said:

The jewel case is the Sabbath, delicately fashioned by the blessing of God the Creator in the beginning of time, when he set apart the seventh day and put into it his holy presence, and the jewels are its priceless privileges: cessation from the week's activities, quiet for meditation and the reading of God's Word; worship in his house and fellowship with his people; time for errands of mercy and opportunity for the soul's expansion.

"And what! Would one part with such? What would one accept in exchange for such treasure?"

"Alas! It is sold for paltry gain!"

The multiplication of activities, the endless call of mere things steal away the Sabbath leisure. The lure of the glorious out of doors—God's own handiwork—and the popularized week-ends interfere with attendance at God's house. Harmless social activities rob the soul of time for meditation. The newspaper and magazine have too often displaced the Word of God in the home, and the soul is cramped by the frivolous things which occupy his holy day.

And what of the children growing up in the home? Instead of the Bible story book, the comics, crude, unrefined. Instead of the Bible story time, the questionable radio program. Instead of the vesper hour with the sweet old hymns of the church, the popular ditties of the day. "In *Christian homes?*" Yes, alas, in "Christian homes."

The jewel case of God's Sabbath day is tarnished with disuse and its jewels are scattered and lost. The men and women of tomorrow in the turmoil of tomorrow's world will be

robbed of the priceless treasure of the remembrance of a *ballowed day;* of a family circle around the Word of God; of verses memorized, of Bible school lessons studied, and the sweet refrain of gospel songs; of the father's voice lifted in prayer, and the mother's encircling arms, with her usually busy hands resting upon little heads.

The jewel case no longer yields the ruby glow of service, the sapphire blue of fidelity, the soft luster of the pearl to refine, the verdure of the emerald green, and the effulgence of the pure white diamond—jewels fit to deck the bride as she awaits her Lord whose coming is certain, though he tarry long.

(Adapted from the Sunday School Times.)

WOMAN'S WORK

Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Salem, W. Va.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BATTLE CREEK LADIES' AID

July 1, 1942, to July 1, 1943

The Ladies' Aid has held regular monthly meetings either at the church or in the homes of members; one meeting was held at Willard Park, Goguac Lake. A carry in dinner is always enjoyed at noon, followed by the business meeting.

There are fifty-nine members on the regular roll and nine associate members. Two new members have been added this year, Mrs. Eloise Spells and Mrs. Fern Severance. Mrs. Archie Moulton who went to Connecticut in the early part of last year has returned to the society. Our average attendance was nineteen; one member, Mrs. W. B. Lewis, had perfect attendance; Mrs. Jennie Kolvoord attended eleven meetings; and Mrs. George Arnold, Mrs. Nellie Ellis, and Mrs. E. M. Holston each attended ten meetings.

Very helpful devotions have been prepared and conducted by the program committee. Doctor Palmborg, one of our returned missionaries, was a visitor at the October meeting and spoke to the group on missions in China. A mission study book on Latin America, entitled "On This Foundation," was purchased and left to a committee to plan the study. Owing to so many activities of service outside the church and many of our members being in defense factories, the book has not yet been reviewed.

The Ladies' Aid participated with the Battle Creek Council of Church Women in the observance of the World Day of Prayer, March 12; the service was held at the First Methodist church. We participated also in the survey made of unchurched children in the community, and we assisted in securing a complete directory of city churches of all denominations; the directory is posted in certain buildings at Fort Custer for the convenience of the soldiers. Mrs. E. H. Clarke, president of the council for two terms, is retiring this year.

Many of our group have been active in the work of the W.C.T.U., having had part in the devotions and programs during the year. They helped with the Flower Day mission project, furnishing bouquets with Bible verses attached for patients in all the hospitals of the city and the Veterans' Hospital. Mrs. Nettie Crandall was president of the W.C.T.U. for two terms and is retiring this year.

Our gifts this year have been varied. Toward the church debt we gave \$450; \$244 on the work of decorating the social room and kitchen; to the East End mission \$6; to our missionaries in British Guiana \$10; \$60 to the Women's Board for the evangelistic field worker; purchased fifty books, "Guide to Christian Living," one for each of our boys in the U. S. service; gave \$10 to the Red Cross Relief Fund, together with other items of less importance. Our tithe for this year amounted to \$99.06. The whole amount was given to the Denominational Budget.

The relief committee has made many calls on the sick; clothing and groceries were furnished a poor man; cards and letters have been sent to shut ins and absent members.

The flower committee has sent flowers to our sick members, friends, and to funerals; collections amounting to over \$13 have been taken during the year for this purpose.

The social committee gave bridal showers for Christine Kolvoord, Polly Boehm, and Maxine Putnam; this committee sponsored the house warming for Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Holston.

The supper committee had a profitable year. Suppers were given from July 1, 1942, to December, 1942. They served a special Thanksgiving supper; and in November they served a supper for the Milton College Club of Battle Creek; they purchased a quantity of sugar and Crisco, some of which was used

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for baking cookies for the U.S.O., and other for 'two years, for the benefit of the soldier baking for social affairs; they replenished dishes and gave a dish towel shower. A flag was given by Mrs. Nellie Ellis, to be displayed in the social room during the suppers, and a standard was secured for it by Mrs. Bessie Armand.

Owing to rationing and difficulty in securing certain foods, it was voted to discontinue the suppers; a letter was sent out to our regular customers advising them of this action of the committee. It was voted to try a plan for two months of giving cash contributions instead of serving suppers. The plan proved successful and has been continued to this date, July 1. The total amount taken in by suppers, dues, and the contribution plan for the fiscal year is \$997. Mrs. Doris Fetherston was chairman of this committee. News letters have also been sent out by the committee since January 1.

The work committee has had a busy year sewing for the Red Cross, meeting seven times to make garments, aside from their regular work each month; eighteen shirts were made; twelve dresses; four blouses; eighteen head bands; blocks for blankets; two comfortables were tied; three lap robes were made for soldiers in wheel chairs. They conducted a Christmas sale. They secured and mailed to our missionaries in British Guiana clothing and thread, which were especially requested. Mrs. George Arnold was chairman of this committee.

One member of the Ladies' Aid worked with the Traveler's Aid for the year; one * served three days a week at Red Cross headquarters; two took the Nurses' Aid course, and two the nutrition course. About 115 dozen cookies have been furnished the U.S.O. and Veterans' Hospital. Weekly volunteers served at the Salvation Army U.S.O.; six cakes were donated for the Sunday coffee hour at the U.S.O.; music, too, was furnished; and packages were sent for Christmas & creative abilities. This is a wise statement to our soldiers. For a time travel kits were since the word, "creative," would denote given out to the service men, but this has been discontinued; a total of 55,000 kits were

We offered to purchase canned fruit individually for the Starr Commonwealth. Ten subscriptions were taken for McCall's Magazine, netting the society \$8. We subscribed for the Geographic Magazine and Reader's Digest for one year, and the Christian Herald

patients at Percy Jones Hospital; and donated twenty-five vases to the hospital. Because of this service we, as a group, were invited to attend the awarding of the Purple Heart ceremonies in the hospital.

Officers for the year 1943-44 were: president, Mrs. La Roy Maxson; vice-president, Mrs. Paul Crandall; secretary, Mrs. Ernest Thorngate; treasurer, Mrs. W. B. Lewis.

The work rendered this year cannot be measured by money earned and expended, for the object of the existence of the society is to be mutually helpful to each other and of benefit to the community we serve, and, most of all, to do that which is approved by our heavenly Father.

> Mrs. A. W. Fifield, Secretary pro tem.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

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NATURE'S OPEN WINDOWS TO GOD

By Gertrude B. Dickinson

Standard Senior Christian Endeavor Topic for Meeting of August 21

Some people claim they do not believe in a personal God, but deep in their hearts very few doubt his existence. We may turn in every direction in an attempt to disprove his existence, but in the final analysis we must admit we are totally dependent on him.

God is the Divine Creator. No man can create, although we hear much talk in our schools today of teaching students to he "creative." Our educators very emphatically say to the new teachers, "Above all, try to discover and help your pupils develop their doing something constructive. It is good to teach the child how to build or invent somedistributed. We paid \$5 a month to this thing out of the many materials God has created. Then, too, a person can mature into a great personality by adjusting to the proper environment, by acquiring the best knowledge, and by habitual use of his finest hereditary factors. This outstanding personality is made of the best stuffs God has created for our betterment. If we ask God's

help, the things we make and the bodies and minds we develop, will certainly be of superior quality.

God is the bountiful Provider. Many do not believe this. They have too often seen the less fortunate starve and go without adequate clothing. Man cannot lay this fault upon God. If we had divided our lands without greed, perhaps this World War could have been prevented. If our own government would distribute food and clothing when and where it is needed we would have little fear of depression years. The Bible says in John 12: 8, "For the poor always ye have with you." Since this is true, why do we abuse the provisions and laws God has made for the care of the poor? In Old Testament times, each harvester was compelled to leave a portion of the crop in the field for the poor to glean. Then, if a man was forced to sell his property, the Jewish law returned it to him in the year of Jubilee. In this same year, slaves were also set free. Years later, when the Christian Church was started, the disciples and apostles said it was the duty of the Church to provide for the poor. Have our churches failed in this task?

God is the perfect Planner. He provided a way of salvation that would care for both the spiritual and physical needs of his people. Man is also a planner, but his attempts for perfection are only in direct proportion to his love for God. Man made this complex machine age, but alas, something is amiss! Great doctors claim that the physical machine, the human man, becomes broken under the strain of his own inventions in iron and steel. Mental strain is increasing at an alarming rate. Man cannot stand the nervous tension and rapid pace. In Matthew 4: 4 we read, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Here is the fault with man's planning; we have forgotten to build our spiritual lives. Each man must prevent this fatigue from ruining his life by coming back to God's laws of nature. We must "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5: 17), and we must talk in secret to God (Matthew 6: 6). By talking to him we are acknowledging our utter dependence on him. We will brush away our fears by saying, "If God so clothe the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, how much more will he

clothe you, O ye of little faith?" He will open our eyes to the finer things of nature, and lead us into new horizons where we can clearly see Jesus and his atonement for us.

Shiloh, N. J.

WHO'S WHO AMONG SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE?

Gertrude B. Dickinson

Gertrude was born in Shiloh, N. J., where she received her elementary education and has been an active member in the Shiloh Church. She was graduated from Bridgeton High School in 1939 and entered Salem College the following fall. While in Salem College she majored in home economics and social science and was active in all church and college activities. Gertrude was an active member of the glee clubs and mixed chorus as well as the Y. W. C. A. She was also vice-president of the Red Cross Chapter and president of the Theta Epsilon Chi in 1942. In June, Gertrude received her A.B. and is employed to teach in Swedesboro High School in New Jersey next year. Her main interests are singing, sewing, cooking, home decoration, and planning and collecting materials for young people's programs. Gertrude prepared our helps for our senior C. E. meeting of August 21.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS MEET IN UNUSUAL SETTINGS

"I have found a way to help our Christian Endeavor work here," writes a U. S. Army chaplain. "One of the men volunteered to enlist interest and support for the Unit among the military personnel.'

This message comes from an internment center. It is one of the first reports to be made to the World's Christian Endeavor Union of Christian Endeavor activities among the staff and personnel of such camps. Both here and in Europe, groups use Christian Endeavor helps and methods in the Christian ministry to interned persons and to prisoners of war. Also the society serves in Japanese relocation centers.

Familiar to many is the story of unusual meetings conducted by a young officer of the marines. He kept his Quiet Hour group together from Honolulu to Cavite, on Bataan, then on Corregidor.

At least one fighting ship lost in action was the scene of many Christian Endeavor meetings. On one of the newer ships commissioned for service, Christian Endeavor activities were being planned and announced as soon as the crew came aboard.

Army hospitals are providing a setting for C. E., as in the report from a newly organized group in the Rocky Mountains. Nurses, enlisted personnel, and an officer's wife give leadership to this group.

Twelve states were represented in a recent Christian Endeavor Unit meeting, conducted by and for the men of a signal training regiment. Corporal James F. Cochran, assistant to the chaplain, writes:

"Our meeting was led by a New Jersey endeavorer, the organist was from Pennsylvania, and the boy reading the Scripture was from Indiana. Others were from Washington, Oregon, Texas, Wisconsin, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska. It is encouraging to see the influence which Christian Endeavor has spread throughout the nation evidenced in so definite a way."

LEWIS CAMP STAFF

(August 3-12)

Director—Rev. Ralph H. Coon, Ashaway, R. I. Instructors—Rev. Lester G. Osborn, Shiloh, N. J., and Rev. Trevah R. Sutton, Rockville, R. I. Counselor—Mrs. T. R. Sutton. Cook—Mrs. L. G. Osborn.

TRY THIS WITH YOUR JUNIORS

There are many uses for the flannel board. One group likes to have "Scripture candles." The sponsor makes cardboard candles of various colors and lines them with flannel so they will stay on the board. Each junior who wishes comes to the front of the group, repeats a verse of Scripture, and is given a candle to put on the flannel board. If he recites a new memory verse he puts on two candles. The idea is to see how bright the board will be with Scripture candles. Geo.

OUR OWN POETS

Patriotism

By Myra Thorngate Barber

They loved it here—the farms,
The quiet stars, the sunset lights,
The misty hills, with windy charms
The fancies of the geese in flight.

They loved it here, and yet today
They left to take themselves the name
Of soldier, knowing this the only way
To freedom, for they cannot claim
That war is pretty. All too well
They knew that they might fall
In battle field or that a crutch would tell
Of missing leg, or sightless eye appall.

They loved, and yet they went away
To keep with death their tryst.
God hold them safe, we humbly pray,
For they are sadly missed.

North Loup, Neb.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

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

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am fine. How are you?

I have three big cats. I did have five baby cats but something happened to one of them.

We have seven ducks and two hundred chickens. I have one dog.

I am eight years old. I am in the third grade. Sincerely,

Lucie Ann Swanson.

Ericson, Neb.

Dear Lucie Ann:

Yes, I think I, too, am fine as to health and contentment; I'll not try to mention other conditions.

We have neither cat nor dogs nowadays, but we have new neighbors next door and they have two dogs, one black and one black and white. In addition, our little grandchildren, Joyce and Gretchen, bring their little rat terrier, Blackie, with them nearly every time they visit us, so we can still enjoy pets. I am sure you must enjoy all your nice pets; yes, and the ducks and chickens, too. I don't believe any girl or boy can be perfectly happy without pets, and the boy or girl who is kind to his or her pets and other animals is pretty sure to be a kind and helpful child to people as well.

Sincerely your friend, Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

It has been a long time since I wrote to you last. When I wrote to you before I lived in the sand hills, and now we have

moved to North Loup. I go to church on the Sabbath.

I take music lessons and I think it is fun. I have two little kittens. They have lots of fun playing together. My little brother likes to play with them.

That will be all for this time.

Eulala Davis.

North Loup, Neb.

Dear Eulala:

It was good to hear from you again, but I hope you will not wait so long before writing next time. I am glad you are enjoying your music lessons and I am hoping that before many years you will be able to bring pleasure to others through your music.

It is nice to have two little kittens for they have so much fun playing together and it is fun to play with them, too. One of our neighbors has a cute little Persian kitten. He hides in some bushes when I go by and then jumps out suddenly to grab my foot and play with me. I guess he is lonesome for a playmate.

Your true friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

WHAT GOD CAN DO WITH LITTLE THINGS

The Little Boy's Lunch

(Concluded)

The boy watched intently, and he was amazed to notice that there seemed to be no end to the buns; the more Jesus broke off, the more there seemed to be, so that when all the five thousand people were fully satisfied, there was food lying about on the ground uneaten, and each of the disciples brought back a full basket of pieces.

What a huge supply the little boy's lunch made! Who would have thought it? Not only did the boy get a good dinner himself, but everybody else did, too! And why was it? All because the boy had placed his lunch in the hands of Jesus.

Maybe you haven't much that you can call your own. Maybe you don't even have a lunch you can give him; but you can be sure of this, that the same Jesus who took those five buns and two little fishes and made them feed five thousand people is able to take all you will give him and multiply it a thousandfold for the blessing of others. You try it and see. Say to him tonight in the words of that beautiful hymn:

Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to thee; Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of thy love.

Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages for thee; Take my silver and my gold—Not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

--Sent by Mrs. Raymond Prati, Schenectady, N. Y.

OUR PULPIT

POOR RELATIONS

Read 2 Samuel 21: 1-10.

One evening about two years ago we received a strange request. It is unparalleled in our ministry. A fine, upstanding young woman who had battled her own way from her early years and who had asked favors of none except her God, came to me and half in jest and half in earnest asked me to preach a sermon about "Poor Relations." We wondered at her request, but after a few weeks of meditation on the subject we complied.

A Broken-hearted Mother

What do you suppose was the text? It concerned the unfortunate house of dead King Saul. Saul had been cruel to the Gibeonites. After his death a law was invoked against his house. Read the story and you will find that some of Saul's poor relations literally "got it in the neck." They were hanged on a high hill and Rizpah, their mother, kept over their bodies an unceasing watch. It is a heart-rending picture, brightened only by the deathless love of Rizpah. I suppose a good many poor relations like those sons of Saul "get it in the neck," or like Rizpah are left with a broken heart.

A Villainous Looking Tramp

Maybe I am too sombre. Let me do the Lincoln act. When his heart was heaviest he usually told a joke. A certain railroad some years ago decided to enforce rigidly its law against the free transportation of tramps. One day, seated on his throne in the cupola of the caboose, a conductor noticed a villainous looking tramp crawling over a car only

a short distance down the line. The conductor called to a brakeman, "Jim, there's a tramp about five cars down. Go and boot him off." The brakeman obeyed orders in so far as he could. The tramp pointed a gun at him and told him to scat. The brakeman obeyed that order, too.

"Did you throw him off?" asked the con-

ductor.

"No, I discovered that he is a cousin of mine and I decided to let him stay on."

"Cousin or no cousin, he goes off this train. I'll put him off myself."

The scene was repeated.

"Did you put him off?" asked the brakeman when the conductor returned.

mine, too."

P. T. Barnum in later life when questioned about his own mental strength made answer, "My mind is as sound as that of any rich man who has poor relations." Barnum, who loved the Bible as well as a good show, and who read the Good Book daily, one time received a letter from one of them who evidently was currying favor. It read as follows, "god Nose I am pore. Plese to help me. I tak pleshur in Readin my bibel, speshily the Proffits." There is pathos in that appeal. Whether or not he granted it, I do not know.

Dissolute Dan

Sir Walter Scott had a goat brother named Dan. Dan was dissolute to the extreme. He became a moral bankrupt. The day came when Sir Walter repudiated all connection. He even refused to attend Dan's funeral. He said empathically that he regarded Dan as an undesirable poor relation. There was one of the Scott family who refused to take that attitude. You may guess who it was, and I'll wager that your guess is correct. The mother's love toward that worthless son was never quenched. It rivaled that of Rizpah. It is the type of love that moves the heart to cry,

"O mother, when I think of thee, 'Tis but a step to Calvary."

Christ's Poor Relations

I wonder if you and I aren't Christ's poor relations. "Whosoever doeth my will," said he, "the same is my brother, or sister, or mother." Many of Christ's poor relations have little of the material. Let no one sneer at an empty purse. Most of us have known

it and we are not ashamed of it. So many of Christ's choicest followers have little or no money now. At the risk of life they are true to their Lord, not knowing when or where they will get their next meal. They are linked with the immortal band of the eleventh of Hebrews, of whom it is said, "They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented. Of them the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth."

They are also in concentration camps. They include your Niemollers of Germany and your heroes and heroines of Norway. Christ's poor relations? In one sense, yes! "No, I found out that he is a cousin of In another sense, No! This world has never seen richer souls, and we wonder if our Lord and Redeemer doesn't say to them as he said to the church at Smyrna, "I know thy works and tribulation and poverty. But thou art rich!"

> I wonder if we have the stamina to follow in their steps.—The United Presbyterian.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

Hopkinton, R. I.

The Second Hopkinton Church has had the pleasure of having three guest speakers recently. Sabbath afternoon of June 19, Rev. William J. Kimshel, pastor of the Pine Street Gospel Chapel, Middletown, Conn., preached the sermon. He also gave us inspiring messages in song accompanied on his guitar.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. C. Bond, Alfred, N. Y., representing the Board of Christian Education of the Seventh Day Baptist Conference, spoke at our service July 17. Mrs. Bond presented a message concerning the Bible, and Mr. Bond, dean of the School of Theology of Alfred University, presented matters of interest concerning the history and work of the board. Both also had special messages for the children and young people.

-Rockville Church Echo.

Rockville, R. I.

The Rockville Church observed the ordinance of baptism on June 12. Following the sermon the congregation adjourned to the mill trench where the following young people were baptized: Nancy Crandall, Clifton Woodmansee, Richard, Elizabeth, and Dorothy Palmer, Robert Palmer, Robert and Elsie Gordon.

Two weeks later they were voted into the membership of the Rockville Church and the hand of fellowship was extended.

Rev. W. J. Kimshel and wife of Middletown, Conn., were guests at the parsonage Friday and Sabbath day, June 18 and 19. At the Friday evening prayer service we all enjoyed his words of worship and songs accompanied by his guitar. He also spoke at the Sabbath morning service.

Rev. A. J. C. Bond, D.D., Dean of the School of Theology at Alfred, N. Y., spoke at a special meeting on the evening following the Sabbath, July 17, at the church. Rev. and Mrs. Bond represented the Board of Christian Education of the Seventh Day Baptist Conference.

Rockville Church Echo.

Alfred, N. Y.

We understand that Rev. Albert N. Rogers, pastor of the New York City Seventh Day Baptist Church, has accepted a call to the Alfred Station Church, and will come to the new charge about January 1.

-Alfred Sun.

Milton, Wis.

A movement to create a Milton College foundation has been instituted by a group of prominent southern Wisconsin men and women who have long been acquainted with the accomplishments of the century old college.

CHINA LETTERS

Written by

Dr. Rosa W. Palmborg Seventh Day Baptist Medical Missionary to China, 1894 · 1940

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-Milton Junction Telephone.

Plainfield, N. J.

Sabbath Rally Day was observed May 15. Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn delivered a stirring morning sermon, using as his theme, "Breaking Pitchers," and his text, Matthew 5: 16.

In the afternoon the German Seventh Day Baptist Church of Irvington held its tenth anniversary service in our church. It was an interesting service—being conducted in both the German and English languages. Pastor Warren and Rev. H. C. Van Horn were two of the speakers.

A special offering was taken on May 29, for the missionary work in the north Florida field. Some gave pledges for the work, to be paid later. A substantial sum was rea-

On Sabbath, June 26, a dedication service was held for the men of our number who are in the armed service. An appropriate framed Honor Roll was presented.

The Women's Society closed its year's work with a picnic luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Lobaugh. Although it was too rainy outside to enjoy much of the lovely garden, their spacious home afforded a splendid place for the luncheon and social time. Because of war restrictions the usual suppers and other means for making money have had to be abandoned, for the most part. Funds for their work have been raised almost entirely by dues and pledges of the members. All of their obligations have been met by this means-which is a great satisfaction to all.

Our group was invited to join with the Piscataway Church at the Friday evening meeting, July 9, to hear Dean and Mrs. A. J. C. Bond, who represented the Board of Christian Education. The following day the Piscataway Church joined in our morning services and afternoon forum, to hear Dean and Mrs. Bond. In the morning service Dean Bond preached a strong and challenging sermon on "Christian World Leadership." He intimated in the beginning that it was almost presumptuous for him to attempt to speak on such a large, world-embracing subject. But by logical reasoning he brought his listeners to see that by each one's doing his best in his own community and at his own job, the collective results would bring about the desired Christian world leadership.

Following the morning services a basket luncheon and social time were enjoyed. At 2.30 a forum meeting was held. It was begun by a splendid paper by Mrs. Bond; then Dean Bond gave an interesting talk on the work of the Board of Christian Education. Questions were asked by those present and an interesting discussion was had regarding the work of the board and the School of Theology.

The community Vacation Bible School closed its three weeks' sessions with a demonstration of their work' on Friday evening, July 30. Pastor Victor Skaggs of the Piscataway Church was the supervisor, and some of the children from that church attended. There were several other churches of Plainfield represented by the children attending.

Our church voted on July 31, to follow their usual custom of discontinuing services during August. Pastor Skaggs has extended a cordial invitation for any who may wish to attend the services in the Piscataway church.

Correspondent.

MARRIAGES

Davis - Robinson. — Pfc. George Edwards Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Okey Davis of Salem, W. Va., and Miss Virginia Lee Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Weyman Robinson of Lumberport, W. Va., were united in marriage on June 27, 1943, in the First Methodist church of Fort Myers, Fla., by the pastor of the church, Rev. Dr. W. A. Myers. Pfc. Davis is a member of the 912th Guard Squadron of the Fort Myers Gunnery School. The new home is 2126 Royal Palm Ave., Fort Myers.

Hull - La Fond. — Wayland E. Hull of Milton, Wis., and Helen V. La Fond of Cheboygan, Mich, were united in marriage at the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church on June 19, 1943, Pastor Carroll L. Hill officiating. The new home is at 616 Salem Ave., Oxford Apt. No. 2, Dayton, Ohio.

Jacobson - Ling. — On June 24, 1943, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. A. Ling, Esther A. Ling became the wife of Mr. Reed Jacobson of Waupaca, Wis. C. B. Loofbourrow, a former pastor of the bride, officiated. The new home is at 376 South Washington St., Waupaca, Wis.

Knoll - Ling. — On March 31, 1943, Naomi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Ling of New Auburn, Wis., was married to Irving Knoll of Clayton, Kan. A former pastor of the bride, C. B. Loofbourrow, officiated. The new home is at Clayton, Kan.

OBITUARY

Ernst. — Kate Strong Ernst was born in Plover, Wis., June 11, 1862, and died at New Auburn, Wis., June 30, 1943.

Mrs. Ernst was the youngest of three daughters born to Lewis and Emmeline Strong. When a young woman she united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Alden, Minn.

On June 14, 1885, she was married to Henry Martin Ernst at the home of his parents at Alden, where a denominational meeting was being held. After residing at Alden for some years she moved, with her family, to Dodge Center, Minn. In 1919, the family came to New Auburn, where she has since lived.

Mrs. Ernst is survived by four children: Mrs. Clark W. Greene of So. Milwaukee; Justin V. Ernst and Mrs. R. C. North of New Auburn; and R. Burdette Ernst of Stillwater, Minn. There are three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. C. North, on July 2, 1943, conducted by her former pastor, C. B. Loofbourrow. Interment was in New Auburn cemetery.

Rounseville. — Mary North Rounseville was born in Princeton, Ill., May 29, 1856. When she was about four years old, she came with her parents to a farm near St. Peter, Minn. She was united in marriage to Daniel T. Rounseville December 27, 1881.

This union was blessed with a daughter, Grace, now Mrs. Lester Burdick, of Minneapolis, Minn., and a son Irl, of Decorah, Iowa. She leaves seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

While living near St. Peter, Minn., she belonged to the Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Auburn, Minn. In 1892, they moved to Dodge Center where she was a resident and a faithful member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church until she passed from this life July 21, 1943.

Farewell services were held from the Seventh Day Baptist church, conducted by her pastor, on Friday, July 23, 1943. Interment was made in Riverside Cemetery. C. W. T.

Ten minutes spent in Christ's society every day, aye, two minutes will make the whole day different.—Drummond.

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Blest day of God! And therefore blest
The type of everlasting rest.
Blest day! Thou to the world art given
To guide our wandering feet to heaven.

How welcome are thy hours so sweet!

Those hours, which I with rapture greet;

Glad that the six days' work is done,

Their toil and vanity are gone.

J. Stennett,In Shiloh Bulletin.

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