

A small registration fee charged this year and other contributions by the churches and individuals leave a nice balance of \$38 ready for next year.

The June church social was held Sunday night in the basement of the church. After the supper an interesting Tom Thumb wedding program, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Babcock, was the chief feature of entertainment.—Ord Quiz.

Milton, Wis.

Rev. John Fitz Randolph, pastor of the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church almost eighteen years, has resigned this pastorate, effective in August, to accept another in Berea, W. Va.

Rev. Carroll L. Hill, who resigned the pastorate of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church to accept the presidency of Milton College, will be succeeded by Rev. Elmo F. Randolph.—Milton Junction Telephone.

Verona, N. Y.

The Mothers' and Daughters' annual banquet was held in our church parlors on the evening of May 23. Over forty were present and Miss Geraldine Thorngate acted as toastmistress. Mrs. H. D. Holmes, of Rome, N. Y., was guest speaker and gave an interesting and helpful talk of love, faith, and service. A letter from a former pastor's wife, Mrs. A. L. Davis, was read by Mrs. George Davis. The men of the church served the banquet.

The annual commencement of the Verona Weekday School of Religious Education was held in the Verona Presbyterian Church. Seventy-eight pupils received certificates of recognition. After the worship service, officers for the coming year were elected. Rev. H. L. Polan was elected assistant dean, and Mrs. Polan one of the faculty.

The Young People's Class met with Mr. and Mrs. George Davis Sunday evening and organized with George Davis elected president and Mrs. John Williams, teacher.

The Town of Verona Youth Council met in the Lutheran Church Monday evening after the worship program. Garth Warner was elected president.

The Young People's Social Club was entertained by Jean and Twila Sholtz on the evening of June 10. David Williams led the group in singing.

Over forty-five from our church attended the Central Association held with the Adams Center Church, June 2-4.

The Ladies' Society held their May meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hyde. Mrs. Carrie Smith had charge of the worship program. Red Cross work was done.

Pastor and Mrs. Polan attended the ordination of their son-in-law, David Clarke, at Jackson Center, Ohio, on June 17, at the semi-annual meeting of the Ohio and Michigan churches. Jackson Center was Pastor Polan's boyhood home.

Children's Day exercises were held in our church, June 17. The children did fine under the direction of Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Claude Sholtz, and Miss Muriel Sholtz. The church was artistically decorated for the occasion.

Rev. Harley Sutton of Alfred Station, Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, attended the State Convention in Syracuse and later was a guest at the parsonage where he held a meeting of the teachers and officers of the Sabbath school.

—Correspondent.

Marriages

Crowell - Baton. — Charles Claude Crowell, U. S. Navy, and Miss Gladys Mae Baton, both of Rockville, R. I., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Baton, late Sabbath afternoon, June 17, 1944, Pastor T. R. Sutton officiating.

Obituary

Boyce. — Myra Clarke, daughter of the late Rev. J. Bennett Clarke and Eunice Alvord Clarke, was born at Verona, N. Y., February 3, 1865, and died in the Buffalo General Hospital on June 5, 1944.

She was married to Luther Clifton Boyce on September 2, 1918. Mr. Boyce died about two years ago. She was a nonresident member of the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church; she maintained her interest in and support of the church.

Surviving are a brother, William R. Clarke of New York City; a sister, Mrs. A. N. Annas of DeKalb, Ill.; and nephews and nieces.

The ashes were brought to Alfred and interment took place in the Alfred Rural Cemetery Sabbath afternoon, June 10; the service being conducted by Rev. George B. Shaw, assisted by Pastor E. T. Harris.

— E. T. H.

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Our Flag

What means our Country's flag,
Of red and white and blue?
Why to these stars and stripes
Should every heart be true?

This flag was bought with blood—
A living sacrifice.
Ours is the rich reward,
Our fathers paid the price.

The battles for our peace,
They suffered for our gain;
These stars that thrill our hearts
Were born of grief and pain.

Strong were our sires, and brave,
Who won our liberty;
God, make us brave and wise
To set the whole world free!

—Thomas Curtis Clark,
in *Religious Telescope*.

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Editorials

EVANGELISM IN OUR CHURCHES

The Women's Society of the denomination is to be congratulated on the work its secretary, Rev. Leslie O. Greene, Promoter of Evangelism, is doing. In his visits among the churches his thoughtful, uplifting sermons are stirring the people to the important responsibility of reaching the unsaved. From fifty to seventy per cent of America's population are not Christian. These are not his figures but a matter of statistics. Every community where we have a church has its own quota. The Seventh Day Baptist Church has its share of responsibility of winning these for Christ.

It is not enough for the local church to be interested only in serving its own constituency; of maintaining its own worship services, its social and ethical activities—important as they are. The Call of Christ and the Commission of Christ is to all of his followers. "Saved, saved to tell others" should impress us all with the responsibility and privilege, love and loyalty to our Lord. Salvation indeed brings us peace and capacity to enjoy life more fully than otherwise, but that in itself is not the goal. Others are the goal. To win others to Christ not only blesses them but blesses the one who carries the message.

The challenge Brother Greene is throwing out to the churches is 1,000 new converts to Christ and the Sabbath in 1944. A dream? Well, why not? God is still the God of the living, and if Seventh Day Baptists are still

living—we do not by any means suggest they are dead—he is our God and is able. His word is "quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword." The Gospel of Christ is "the power of God unto salvation." He has promised that he will be with us unto the end if we carry the message. It may seem too big a task, but Christ in me, the hope of glory, is our strength. If we rise to this challenge we will find renewed the experience of Paul's faith, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

A new experience—one of joy and glory—awaits the individual who rises to the challenge to bring at least one new convert to Christ and the Sabbath. Many have never tried to render this service. Why not try it?

One thousand new converts to Christ and the Sabbath during 1944. With men it is impossible, but not with God; for "with God all things are possible." Is our faith big enough for the task? Are we willing to consecrate ourselves wholeheartedly to the work and let God use us for his glory? He can do the impossible through us, if we will let him.

Last night, this is written July 3, ten people out of less than forty present gave themselves to the acceptance of the challenge. The others who listened to the appeal almost unanimously came forward pledging themselves to pray and otherwise back up the work of winning souls. Praise the Lord!

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AT WORK

In a radio address on June 25, Visser t'Hooft, general secretary of the World Council of Churches, said that one of the most urgent tasks before the Church and World Council today is "pioneering in the realms of radical spiritual reconstruction." This, he declared, is the ministry of the churches to refugees and prisoners of war.

Describing the work of the World Council with refugees, Dr. t'Hooft said that its task was "to strengthen the hands of all who minister to refugees through financial backing, through bringing refugees to places of safety, and through giving spiritual aid." At a considerable risk to themselves, as lists of imprisoned pastors show, Christians have gone out of their way "to show to the homeless that the Church of Christ is a home for all."

He reported that the biggest part of the work is in France, where "churches and Christian youth movements are saving thousands of refugees from physical and spiritual death."

The World Council's part in the work among prisoners of war, he reported, is in the care of churches in prison camps. The majority of these, he said, are spontaneous lay groups which owe their origin to revolt against the boredom of prison life, but which still exist after many years of "soul-killing circumstances."

Working through the World Council, the churches minister to these groups by providing them with Bibles; books written for prisoners (250,000 in five languages were sent in the first four months of 1944); and arranging pastoral visits from neutral countries; and sending pastoral letters.

Truly the Council is justifying its cooperative purpose and the vision of its member churches.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Ministers and laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, interested in the carrying forth of a missionary and evangelistic service to deaf people, have organized a society in New York City for that purpose. According to Rev. Guilbert C. Braddock, editor of "The Silent Missionary," and one of the leaders of the society, it aims to "preach the gospel to the deaf, to train men to minister

to the deaf, to organize and advance the work in new missionary districts, to disseminate information about the missions to the deaf, and to advance the deaf in all matters educational and social to their benefit as a class."

We don't know how to pronounce it either, but the Zulu word "Ukukulelangoqo" in the old days of Africa meant "spoils for the king," or in modern language "loot" or "booty." When the fierce Zulu warriors made their marauding wars on their less war-like neighbors they killed the men but returned with captured women, children, cattle, and other plunder. The spoils were divided; the best went to the king. Now that Christianity has tamed these fierce warriors, and there are no more wars upon unsuspecting neighbor villages, the word "Ukukulelangoqo" has taken on a more civilized meaning. It is now the equivalent of our "harvest home festival." Each South African autumn the Zulus carry to market the best of their herds and their farm products; these are sold in the school or church compound; and the proceeds are made an offering to the church—the "Ukukulelangoqo for the King of kings."

—Selected.

A VISIT TO VERONA AND SYRACUSE

By Harley Sutton

Sabbath Recorder readers will be interested in the people and plans of the Verona Sabbath school.

Mr. Craig Sholtz, a busy farmer, is superintendent. His deep interest in the work is evidenced by faithful attendance and the time and thought given to planning. Mr. Bill Arthur, who came to Verona from Alfred Station, is the assistant superintendent. Mrs. George Davis is primary superintendent. She had used the flannelgraph and feels that it is a worthwhile method of visual instruction. She is looking for and uses new ideas and materials.

The following teach classes for adults: Pastor Herbert L. Polan, Deacon Ira A. Newey, Mrs. Howard Davis, Mrs. Stanley Warner, and Mrs. John Williams. Allison Smith teaches intermediate boys. Mrs. Claude Sholtz has the older primary class. Mrs. Polan leads the high school group, and Miss Muriel Sholtz the kindergarten. Mrs. Carey Smith is in charge of the home department.

There are six organized classes. Before the war these classes met each month for business, program, and a social time. They carried out special money-raising projects. Now that gasoline is rationed it is impossible to keep up these features of the work, but occasional meetings are held.

Recently a most interesting worship service was conducted by George Davis during the Sabbath school hour which honored the young men in the armed service.

The school co-operates in weekday religious instruction for the Verona public school. This is carried on by all the churches of the community working co-operatively.

Conferences of teachers and workers are held occasionally in the afternoon of all-day meetings.

The Verona Sabbath school is one of our very substantial schools. Congratulations to all who help to make it so!

A number of the teachers and workers met at the parsonage, June 12, with your secretary. There were a number of important matters discussed: work of the Board of Christian Education, new materials, and the need of family instruction in religion.

At Syracuse Mrs. Jennie Seamans is the superintendent. It was the pleasure of your secretary to have supper with the Seamans and to have Mrs. Seamans tell about the Sabbath school.

Mrs. H. C. Cross teaches the adult class; Miss Marian Parslow teaches the children.

The enrollment is not large but as is true of all of our small churches the spirit of loyalty is very strong.

It was a spiritual uplift to visit with Raymond C. Burdick and his wife. They have such a deep interest in Seventh Day Baptists and the work of the denomination as a whole.

Alfred Station, N. Y.

Missions

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

EFFICIENT EVANGELISM - ITS CONTENT

Though the word evangelism does not appear in the New Testament, and its kindred term, evangelist, only three times, it has come to be a subject much used and it is well that we consider carefully what it includes.

What is evangelism? Doubtless we would find upon inquiry a variety of answers; but these answers would not be so far apart if we understood them and one another. Most of our differences come from misunderstanding one another, and we misunderstand one another because we are too narrow-minded to look at a subject from another's standpoint.

I. Securing Decisions

The word evangelism means good news or the bearing of good news if we go back to the root idea of the word. The first and most common idea of evangelism is the leading of men to accept Christ as their Savior, friend, and guide. This thought is expressed in a score of different ways; but it is the prominent one, if not the only one, in the minds of most people in the use of the term and this work is important.

Men need God; they must perish without him; there is no escape; they need him more than all things else in the universe. Multitudes of men know him not; they may have an intellectual knowledge of his power, but they know not his love and his fatherhood. Therefore, they must be brought to live at home with the Father now as well as in the great hereafter. Men are estranged from truth and they must be brought into harmony with it. Men might better kiss a thunderbolt than live out of harmony with truth and out of fellowship with the Father. The first thing in evangelism is to help men know God and his love, and get them to decide to walk in fellowship with him, and in truth, and in righteousness. It is to save them from the consequences of not thus doing; it is helping men to the best in life and to the hope of the best in all eternity.

Surely this phase of evangelism is important. There is a tendency sometimes, if I mistake not, to minimize this first step—the act of becoming a follower of Christ and a professed Christian. Away with the ignorance that ignores the importance of the beginning of the Christian life and on

this account causes men to oppose revival meetings; away with the scholasticism that ignores Christ's dictum, "Ye must be born again"; away with that indifference that palsies individuals and churches till they make no effort to get men to make this all important beginning! Any beginning is important, whether it be that of a human life, or of a church, or of the marriage relation; but the most important beginning is when one surrenders himself to God the Father and to Christ's way of living. God bless the men and women in all the walks of life who are earnestly striving to lead others to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world. "He that winneth souls is wise." The inference from this passage is that he who does not is foolish. No greater folly can come in the life of any one than not to strive to get men to take this first step.

II. Helping Christ's Followers Become True Disciples Throughout Life

Securing decisions is not all there is to efficient evangelism. Evangelism that stops here is not efficient. The mistake some make is to ignore the importance of leading men to begin the Christian life and to decry revivalism; the mistake others make is to talk, if not to think, that all there is to evangelism is to get men to profess Christ. One is as gross an error as the other.

The work of evangelism is only commenced when you have led men to accept Christ as their Savior; there is still the greater part of the work, a work extending over years. Instruction in the Christian life must be given, for many perish for lack of knowledge and the soul of man was made to know more and more of truth forever. Men have grievous and wicked propensities, and they are to be helped to overcome these. Men are lacking in strength, beauty, and grace of character; and they are to be helped to adorn life with all the graces of Christ. The Father intends that men be consecrated servants of Christ in all things, and they need encouragement in the work. All this work belongs to efficient evangelism and any conception of it that ignores this last phase is faulty in the extreme. To get men to begin the Christian life and then leave them to struggle along is culpable. The mistake comes not in getting men to profess Christ, but in leaving them to starve and perish

after they have made the start. There is no greater neglect on the part of the Church and Christian people than this second phase of evangelism.

Efficient evangelism includes both the securing of decisions and helping Christ's followers live the Christian life. It is the principal work of every Christian, every church, and every denominational board, whatever name it may bear. W. L. B.

NEED ONE KNOW?

What more have we learned about the future life than was made known to his disciples by Jesus?

With our imperfect senses we cannot understand perfection. The human mind can conceive but little beyond that which it has in some measure realized. John thought of the Eternal City in terms such as gold, jasper, pearl—choicest of earthly possessions that he had ever known; further than that he could not go, even in describing his visions.

In the future Kingdom we know of some things that will not be; we cannot imagine what will be, that which has not entered the thought of man. One who is true and loyal here need neither worry nor guess; the perfect future sometime will be revealed to perfected souls. Why not, trusting, enjoy living, as our Creator has planned?

A. S. B.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY STATEMENT

May 1, 1944, to May 31, 1944

Karl G. Stillman, Treasurer,
In account with the
Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society
Dr.

Cash on hand May 1, 1944	\$2,755.36
Jamaica Mission School gifts as follows:	
1st Hopkinton, R. I., Sabbath school graded department	\$13.20
1st Hopkinton, R. I., Jr. C. E. Society	8.00
Mrs. T. M. Campbell, Hammond, La.	5.00
Tri C Class, Shiloh, N. J., Sabbath school	5.00
Riverside, Calif.	20.00
Mrs. T. M. Campbell, for American Bible Society	51.20
Mrs. H. E. Davis, Alfred, N. Y., for Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Fund	1.00
Jane Davis land income, Milton, Wis.	5.00
Mariboro, N. J., Ladies' Aid Society, for Missionary Travel Fund	10.70
Los Angeles, Calif.	25.00
Clifford F. Lamson, Raynham Center, Mass., for work of Rev. Elizabeth F. Randolph in Florida	26.15
Second Brookfield, N. Y.	10.00
Denominational Budget	25.00
Rockville, R. I.	775.58
Shiloh, N. J., for work of Rev. C. A. Beebe	2.08
Battle Creek, Mich.	5.00
Milton, Wis.	1.00
Gentry, Ark., Sabbath school	25.00
Irvington, N. J.	3.56
	150.00

Marlboro, N. J., for work of Rev. C. A. Beebe ..	7.00	Office supplies	8.11	
First Hopkinton, R. I.	20.00	Clerk hire	33.33	284.22
Adams Center, N. Y.	5.00	Rev. Herbert L. Polan		10.00
New Auburn, Wis.	35.00	Rev. E. S. Ballenger		20.00
Riverside, Calif.	1.00	Treasurer's expense		20.00
Riverside, Calif., for native Jamaica worker ..	5.00	Rev. David C. Clarke		13.75
White Cloud, Mich.	5.00	Mrs. George P. Kenyon		10.00
New Auburn, Wis., Sabbath school	10.00	Rev. R. R. Thorngate		10.00
Chicago, Ill.	6.00	China payments as follows:		
Miriam Shaw, for Dr. Grace I. Crandall	5.00	Rev. H. Eugene Davis	\$75.00	
Alfred, N. Y., for China	10.00	Dr. Rosa W. Palmberg	30.00	105.00
Verona, N. Y.	10.00	Recorder Press, share cost supplement to ..		4.80
First Hebron, Pa.	10.00	1943 Year Book		101.24
Walworth, Wis.	1.00	Debt Fund share May Denominational Budget ..		40.33
Walworth, Wis., for Ministerial Retirement Fund ..	1.00	Reconstruction and Rehabilitation share ..		40.33
Permanent Fund Income	359.45	May Denominational Budget		40.33
	<u>\$4,362.02</u>	7/8% U. S. Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness ..		2,000.00
Jamaica payments as follows:		due June 1, 1945		2,000.00
Rev. C. L. Smellie, salary	\$66.00	American Bible Society, gift of Mrs. ..		1.00
Travel expense	17.45	T. M. Campbell		1.00
Native workers	39.59	Rev. Elizabeth F. Randolph, gift of Clifford ..		10.00
Jamaica mission school gifts for May ..	51.20	F. Lamson for work in Florida		1,398.27
Riverside, Calif., gift for native worker ..	5.00	Cash on hand May 31, 1944		1,398.27
	<u>\$179.24</u>			<u>\$4,362.02</u>
Rev. Neal D. Mills	27.50	Accounts payable as at May 31, 1944:		
Rev. Earl Cruzan	27.50	China Field	\$3,258.27	
Rev. Orville W. Babcock	27.50	Germany	2,083.34	
Rev. Verney A. Wilson	16.67	Holland	2,025.00	
Rev. Marion C. Van Horn	27.50			\$7,366.61
Rev. Clifford A. Beebe	27.50			
Rev. Wm. L. Burdick, salary	\$125.00			
House and office rent	25.00			
Travel expense	92.78			

Woman's Work

Mrs. Okoy W. Davis, Salem, W. Va.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Adams Center, N. Y.

Cpl. Welcome Harold Bakker
Cpl. E. W. Barbur
A/C Alan Gilmore
Cpl. Albert C. Gilmore
Pvt. Lloyd Hoke
Kenneth F. Horton P.O.R.C.A.F.
Cpl. Ruth Horton Larson
Pvt. Lyle Langworthy
Pvt. Earl Saunders
Sgt. Holly A. Trowbridge
TM 1/c Frank William Trowbridge
Pvt. Robert D. Trowbridge
Pvt. William W. Trowbridge
Cpl. Cornelius A. Verrey
Pvt. John P. Verrey
Pvt. Nelly W. Verrey
Pfc. Raymond W. Verrey

Albion, Wis.

Gerald Bond
Donald L. Greene
Herbert H. Greene
Rollin C. Greene
Harry Palmiter
William M. Saunders
Claire Slagg
Norman Whitford

Alfred, First, N. Y.

Kenneth Burdick
Nathan Burdick
Mary Lou Giece
Ralph Jacox
Louis Phillip Jones
Waldo Jones
Russell Langworthy

Frank E. Lobaugh
Kenneth Olson
Robert Place
Phillip Post
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Pfc. Wayland Cornelius
Sgt. Maxson Davis
Harold Drum
Pfc. Basil Emerson
Sgt. Leland Emerson
Sgt. Robert Lewis
Donald Lippincott
Harley Miller
Gilbert Norton
Lavern Norton
Clinton Ormsby
Clayton Ormsby
Clinton Palmiter

Sgt. Edward Palmiter
Pvt. Randall Palmiter
Cpl. Ronald Palmiter
Franz Pierce
Wayland Pierce
Earl Saunders
Lavern Shaw
Lynn Shaw
Stanley Shaw
Frank Whitford
Max Whitford
Pvt. Elmer Willard
William Woodruff
W. Burr Woodruff
Richard Worrell
Cpl. Walter Worrell

Berea, W. Va.
EM 3/c Orville Bonnell
Pvt. Reuben M. Brissey, Jr.
Alvin Dobbins, U.S.N.
Pvt. Preston Penegar
Lewis Simmons, U.S.N.
M/Sgt. Clive B. Sutton
Pvt. Earl Sutton
Pvt. Harold Sutton

Berlin, N. Y.
George Schaefer
Raymond Schaefer
Roy Warren

Boulder, Colo.
Don Bowen
Floetta Burdick
Joe Carson
Roland Carson
Don Fraser
Thoren Jenner
William Jenner
Ben Kejr
Rudolph Lusic
Howard Muncy
Wayne Muncy
Richard Steele

Brookfield, First, N. Y.
Clifton White

Brookfield, Second, N. Y.
Pfc. Victor H. Corbin
Sgt. Clifton R. Curtis
Pfc. Robert S. Langworthy
S 2/c Harold I. Morse
Pfc. Douglas Rogers
Lt. Col. Malcolm G. Spooner

Denver, Colo.
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Joe D. Jeffrey
Lewis E. Maxon
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De Ruyter, N. Y.
Sgt. James Burdick
Pvt. Stanley Phillips
2nd Lt. Harlow Truman

Dodge Center, Minn.
Milton Adams
William Baldridge
Derwin Bird
Claston Bond
Ormond Bond

Howard Churchward
Ralph Churchward
Clifford Greene
Walter Greene
William Greene
Lee Langworthy
Darwin Lippincott
Lorna Payne
Max Seadon (Killed in action)

Edinburg, Tex.
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Dorothy Fisher
Kenneth M. Fisher

Farina, Ill.
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Pvt. Victor J. Davidson
S.K. 3/c William DePew
A.S. Floyd Giebell
S. 2/c Claude N. Guilford
Sgt. Earl Guilford
Sgt. John W. Guilford

Hammond, La.
Sgt. Purcell H. Coalwell
A.M.M. 2/c Ned L. Crandall
Sgt. Everette R. Stillman

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Cpl. Arch Casey
George Paul Kenyon
Sgt. Clair Saulter

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T.M. 3/c James Arnold
Pvt. Harold E. Arnold
T/Sgt. Russel Austin
Cpl. Theodore A. Austin
MM 3/c Fred Arthur Brayman
S 2/c Daniel H. Brayman
F 1/c Harry C. Champlin
Cox. Roderick D. Chester
Pfc. Wilbur Chester
Pvt. Harold L. Collings, Jr.
A.S. Lloyd R. Coon
Ens. Elizabeth J. Crandall
Pvt. Lloyd Robert Crandall
Pvt. Alex Dinwoodie
Lt. Rolfe W. Dinwoodie
A/c Eugene Clive
Stanton Langworthy (Honorable discharge)
Pvt. Robert Morgan
S 2/c Dorothy Palmer

S 2/c Harold Palmer
Sgt. George Walter Partelo
Maj. Elisha Peckham
Sgt. Clifford E. Perrin, Jr.
Y 2/c Glendon Perrin
Louis Savy (Honorable discharge)
Pvt. Robert W. Smith
Sgt. William H. Smith
Pfc. Daniel L. Taylor
T/S Kenneth C. Taylor

Hopkinton, Second, Hopkinton, R. I.

A.R.C. Ruth Kenyon
M/Sgt. Harold M. Lewis
T/s Irvin R. Lewis

Independence, N. Y.

Ph.M. 1/c Bernard Bertrand
Lt. Francis Clarke
Cpl. Wallace Clarke
G.M. 3/c Norman Drew
S 1/c Claude Drew, Jr. (Killed in sea action)
Pfc. Arnold Harks
Sgt. Jason Hawks
Lt. Donald Lewis
Pvt. Leo Lewis
A/s Franklyn Nye
Pvt. Louis Nye
Pvt. Raymond Rogers
A/s Carl Seymore
Cox. Joe Seymore

Jackson Center, Ohio

A.S.U.-S.N.R. Leland Davis
S 2/c William E. Dobie
A.R.T. 2/c R. F. Hughes
Pfc. Zina K. Hughes, Jr.
Gerald Kennedy
Dwein Parks
Dwight Parks

Little Genesee, N. Y.

Pvt. Donald Bliss
Sgt. Dean Burdick
A/s Merle E. Joy
A/s James S. Reeland
Pfc. Gordon Sanford
Pvt. Richard C. Sanford
A/s Robert S. Sanford
Ens. Byron Whitford
Pvt. Robert Whitford

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Alice Virginia Jeffrey

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Pfc. Willard R. Barnes
Pfc. Don H. Bond
Pvt. Robert L. Bond
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Pvt. Robert Conley
Pfc. Luther R. Curry, Jr.
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Cpl. Everett O. Davis
Y 1/c Jesse B. Franklin
S/Sgt. A. S. Gatrell
Cpl. Chandos Heater
Pfc. Erlo Kennedy
Pvt. Harry Kennedy
Pvt. Jesse Kennedy
Pfc. Manning H. Kennedy
A/c O. G. Kennedy
S 3/c Carroll E. Nepps
A/C Donovan F. Randolph, Jr.

Pfc. Hubert Rymer
Paul E. Sleeth
Pfc. Philip V. Van Horn
Pvt. Newton Van Horn
S/Sgt. W. B. Van Horn, Jr.
Pvt. Mary E. Curry Venettoza
A/s Charles M. Williams
Ens. R. L. Williams
S 2/c Carl Winters

Marlboro, N. J.

Cpl. Morton Allen
Cpl. Harold Davis
Lt. William R. Lawrence
Lt. Alfred Lewis
Cpl. Murray Lewis
A.C. Norman Lewis
Sgt. Philip Lewis
Lt. David Sheppard

Milton, Wis.

Gn. 3/c Leonard Babcock
Pvt. Norman Bowers
Capt. Forrest M. Branch
Lt. Lawrence Burdick
Pfc. William L. Burdick
T/5 B. Elwin Coon
Doris Crandall (Marine)
Pfc. Robert T. Daland
Pvt. Arnold C. Davis
C.S.F. A. Duane Davis
T/Sgt. C. Allison Davis
Cpl. C. Burton Davis
Capt. M. D. Davis
T/Sgt. Winthrop Davis
Lt. LeRoy DeLand
Lt. Edward M. Ellis (Honorable discharge)
Sgt. Kenneth Emerson
A/s H. Theodore Greene
S 2/c R. Wayne Hull
Cpl. Dale Hurley
Lt. Marcus Hutchins (Honorable discharge)
Capt. Woodward Kerr
S/Sgt. Darwin Lippincott
Pfc. Lawrence Lippincott
Lt. (j.g.) Leslie Lippincott
Lt. Warren Lippincott
Ens. Vernon Loofboro
Pfc. Earl E. Maxson
Pvt. Kenneth Maxson
Pvt. Rolland Maxson
Pvt. Nolan Nelson
Lt. Roger Polan
Lt. Russell Polan
Pvt. Robert Rogers
Capt. Paul Sayre
Lt. Merton Sayre
F/o Dalon Severance
S/Sgt. Duard Severance
Pvt. Howard Severance
Pvt. Joe Stevens
Ens. Hugh Stewart
A/s David Thorngate
M/s George Thorngate IV
H.A. 2/c Stephen Thorngate
Pvt. Merle Van Horn
Pvt. Stanley Van Horn

Milton Junction, Wis.

Oran Babcock
Harris Bond
Robert Hull
James Newman

Oakdale, Ala.

Sgt. A. T. Bottoms, Jr.
1st Lt. James E. Butler (Missing in action)
Ens. Robert L. Butler, Jr.

Old Stone Fort, Ill.

Harry Vernon Lewis
James R. Lewis
Lester Lewis
Ralph L. Lewis
Ray M. Lewis
Richard Walker

Pawcatuck, Westerly, R. I.

Charles S. Barker
William M. Barker, Cox.
James D. Beebe, D.M. 2/c
Lt. Doris E. Burdick, A.N.C.
Lt. Stanton A. Burdick
Bette Clark, C.G.R. (T)
Col. Reginald L. Dean
Lt. Alexander C. Ferguson
Lt. Philip C. Greene
Rodman T. Greene
Lt. A. Prentice Kenyon
Pvt. Elwin A. Kenyon, Jr.
Lt. Com. Donald A. Langworthy
Robert M. Lihou
Jean Loofboro, C.G.R. (T)
Pfc. Henry U. Maxson
Douglas Owens, S/C 3/c
Harry E. Owens
Raymond Owens, C.M. 3/c
Sgt. Carl W. Saunders
Lt. Charles W. Utter
George H. Utter
Pfc. Donald C. Whitford
Sgt. Theodore S. Whitford
Maurice Young, S 2/c
Raymond Young

Piscataway, N. J.

Pvt. Myron Burdick
Lt. G. Roger Dunham
Sgt. Roy Harris
Pfc. Thomas G. Harris

Plainfield, N. J.

Pfc. Frederik J. Bakker
S/Sgt. Gordon R. Clarke
A/c Hartwell D. Clarke
Cadet Mid. Robert H. Clarke
Pfc. Courtland V. Davis, Jr.
Pfc. Stanton H. Davis, Jr.
Maj. Norman R. Harris
Pvt. Frank E. Lobaugh, Jr.
1st Lt. Nathan F. Randolph
Lt. Com. Robert T. Spicer
Lt. Com. John E. Whitford
Mid. Roger C. Whitford

Richburg, N. Y.

Sgt. Jesse Eugene Burdick
Cpl. Asil Floyd Linza
William Saunders (Honorable discharge)
S/c Terry S. Young

Riverside, Calif.

Donald Gardner
David H. Henry
Robert R. Henry
Ben Herbert
S 2/c Hershel Hibbard
Pfc. H. N. Hibbard
Pfc. Roy Hibbard
Bob Howard

Wayne Nourse
Charles Irwin Randolph
Ivan Randolph
James Shelton
Loran Shelton
Curtis Whitford

New Auburn, Wis.

S 1/c Perry U. Dangerfield
Sgt. Roger W. Dangerfield
Clarence Earl Chapman A.S. (Deceased)
T/Sgt. Dale E. Churchward
F.C. 3/c Russel A. Churchward
Pvt. Elmer L. Loofboro
Pvt. Wyman W. Loofboro
Cpl. W. Donald Loofbourrow
Maj. Philip C. Loofbourrow
Sgt. Victor V. Pederson
Sgt. Shirley Sheffield

North Loup, Neb.

ARM 3/c Albert H. Babcock, Jr.
AMM 3/c Allen R. Babcock
Pvt. Iradell Babcock
AMM 2/c Lowell Wayne Babcock
Mervin Babcock
Lt. (j.g.) Richard O. Babcock
AMM 2/c Darrell Dean Barber
Pvt. W. F. Brannon
Everett Byron
Dean Comstock
Leon Comstock
S 1/c George Cox
Reed Davis
Sgt. Menzo Fuller
Pfc. Melford A. Goodrich
Sgt. John W. Hamer
Russell Hayden
Maj. Paul Hemphill
M/Sgt. Edwin Johnson
Pfc. Ned Larkin
Pvt. Wade Loofboro
Carl Maxson
Pvt. Herman Maxson
Sgt. Roy L. Maxson
Pfc. Merlyn F. Stillman
Carroll Swenson
Ben Van Horn
Pvt. Harold Van Horn
Lynn Van Horn
Cpl. Merlyn Van Horn
Pfc. William Van Horn
Richard Wilson

Nortonville, Kan.

Osmond Babcock
Forest Bond
Hubert Bond
James Bond
Ramond Bond
Boyden Crouch
Mrs. Pearl Prentice Davenport
Donald Maris
Quintin McClure
Cecil Stephan
Curtis Stephan
Eugene Stephan
Leonard Stephan
Marvin Stephan
Wilmer Stephan
Harry Van Horn
Archie Wear
Bob Wheeler
Wilmer Wheeler

Y 2/c Richard Howard
Earl Orr
Pvt. Floyd A. Orr
Ph. M. Kenneth E. Orr
Pfc. Louis H. Orr
Pvt. Donald E. Richards
S/Sgt. Donald Ring

Roanoke, W. Va.

Pvt. George Bond (Honorable discharge)
Capt. Ian H. Bond
Willard Hevener
Sgt. Stanton Tillman

Rockville, R. I.

SPC 3/c George Donald Crandall
Ens. Ruth Crandall
Chaplain Wayne R. Rood
Lt. Eugene Palmer

Salem, W. Va.

Lt. (j.g.) Edwin Bond
Pfc. C. Eugene Bond
Pvt. Harold Bond
Cpl. Robert L. Bond
CBM William E. Bond
Lt. Edwin Neil Brissey
A/c Howell E. Brissey
S/Sgt. William O. Brissey
William Childers
Lt. Col. B. J. Conyers
Pvt. Madge B. Conyers
Pfc. Leighton Costilow
A/s James A. Cotrill
Jennings Bond Davis
Pvt. Carlton D. Davis
Cpl. George E. Davis
Sgt. Harvey E. Davis
F 2/c Hayward F. Davis
Pvt. Rosalle A. Davis
Sgt. Norman Davis
Robert Davis
Pfc. Aubrey R. Flanigan
S 2/c William G. Flanigan
Pfc. Samuel L. Ford
Ralph Fulmer
Capt. William Whitney Kenneally
Pvt. Clyde Kinney, Jr.
Lt. (j.g.) James Ford Lewis
Pvt. Glenn Post (Honorable discharge)
Sgt. Garland Powell
Pfc. Gaylord Powell
Lt. (j.g.) Sanford Randolph
Lt. (j.g.) C. M. Rogers
C. W. Sadler
Gale W. Sadler
Glenn A. Sadler
Pfc. John A. Siedhoff
Lt. James Leland Skaggs
T/Sgt. Clayton E. Sutton
T/5 Marion L. Sutton
T/5 Robert L. Sutton
Cpl. Richard F. Sutton
Lt. Ottis F. Swiger
S.C. 2/c Samuel W. Swiger
Joseph L. Vincent (Red Cross)
S 3/c Robert L. Welsh

Salemville, Pa.

Pvt. Robert Kagarise
Pfc. Paul Kagarise
Capt. Russel Kagarise
Corliss Franklin King

Shiloh, N. J.

Lt. Earl Joseph Bowen
Pvt. Walter C. Bowen
Pvt. Millard Buckson
Ph. M. 2/c Norman E. Davis
Pvt. Steelman S. Fraser
Capt. E. Claire Greene
Pvt. Edward S. Harris
ARM 3/c Joseph L. Johnson
T/Sgt. William Henry Kuyper
S 2/c Kent E. Osborn
Pfc. Loren G. Osborn
Lt. John Elmer Ott
Lt. Robert E. L. Probasco

Note: Lt. Robert E. L. Probasco has been a prisoner in Germany since May 28, 1944. He was cited for meritorious achievement a day or two before. This was his seventh bombing mission.

Sgt. Norman E. Sherwood

Verona, N. Y.

S 1/c George Talbott Davis (Hon. discharge)
Pfc. Walter Ray Davis
S/Sgt. Orrin James Fargo
Pfc. Russell La Monte Langworthy
S 2/c Roger Benjamin Lennon
Ens. William Stanley Lennon
Sgt. Harold Jay Millen
Pvt. Howard George Nadeau
Lt. (j.g.) Dighton Lewis Polan (Killed in action)
Warrant Officer Paul Otis Saltavelli
S/Sgt. George Allison Smith (Hon. discharge)
AS Warren Arthur Stone

Waterford, Conn.

Henry W. Briggs
Morris Briggs
Raymond Briggs
Daniel Cruson
William Dickinson
Richard E. Dodson
Thomas Fitzgerald
Arnold Holm

White Cloud, Mich.

Don Basford
John Bauck
Bob Branch
Forrest Branch
Gail Branch
Louis Branch
Melvin Branch
Ronald Branch
Robert Cole
Donald Cruzan
Marion Cruzan
Florence Emery
Chaplain Leon M. Maltby
Melvin Nida
Wayne Parker
O. Lloyd Towne

Long ago William Shakespeare said, "All the world's a stage." Today the stage on which our service men and women are appearing is the world. But the act is not of their choosing. They are in action not for the fun of it, not for the mere pleasure it brings themselves and others, but they are in action with the grim forces of destruction, and they are in it for us, for the freedom of humanity, that this world may be a better place in which to live. Truly for this action there is cheering from the audience. Yes, we are cheering

you, our players, our actors, our self-sacrificing brothers and sisters. We are indeed proud of you and of the sacrifices you are making to bring about the dawn of a new and better day for all the world. May God bless you!

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

FOR JULY 22, 1944

Woman's Part in National Life. Scripture—
Judges 4 and 5.

Golden Text—Esther 4: 14.

Young People's Work

Jeanett B. Dickinson, Editor

Please send all material and suggestions
to 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J.

CONVERSION

By Melvin G. Nida

(Testimony given during young people's service
at Eastern Association)

It has been said by some that conversion is emotionalism, but I say conversion is Christ.

I know, because once I experienced him come into my life.

Not that suddenly all the cares, the problems, and the burdens of life disappeared; but suddenly there was the abiding presence of the one who could give strength to bear the burdens, wisdom to solve the problems, and direction through the cares of life.

It is that abiding presence that we young people need to own today. It is that abiding presence that can help us face the future with undaunted hopes and courage. Jesus has the strength we need and with him there is no problem too hard to solve.

First of all, he will lead us to the truths we need to know. The problems ahead of us young people demand that we know what is true—what is the right course to follow. In following him there shall be direction to that which is truth, that which is everlastingly right. Have you witnessed him leading in your life? As you look back can you see that he has directed to that which is best for you?

It is with thanksgiving that I can witness to his leadership. He saved me from an unguided life—only by his mercy and his love. He led me to the truth of the Sabbath—by his mercy and his love. He is leading now—directing the way, I pray, to greater service.

I know not why he should have loved me. Neither do I know why he instilled me with love for him. I only know it is the greatest thing in life; and that you have the same opportunity, just now, to find your master and feel his abiding presence!

Will you take him into your heart and life that he may lead?

SHIPS IN THE NIGHT

By Alice Annette Larkin

The Story Thus Far

Linda Sherman, a consecrated Christian, is now at Hilltop Farm helping to care for her Aunt Penny who is seriously ill. Aunt Penny's own son left home several years ago when his mother spoke unkind words about his bride-to-be. No one in the family has heard from him since. Living with Aunt Penny are two young children, Lucy and Peter, who are very grateful to Aunt Penny for taking them into her home.

Chapter VIII

Slowly the winter days passed. At Hilltop Farm none differed from another, except that some days more snow fell; and that meant more clearing of paths to the hen houses and out to the mail box a quarter of a mile away, as well as more trips to the woodhouse for fuel to keep three fires going. There were days when the snow was so deep and the cold so severe that Miss Penny wouldn't allow Lucy and Peter to undertake the long walk to school. Later they learned there had been no school. There were days when they were even unable to go to the nearest farm for milk, and for the first time Linda realized what canned milk meant in an emergency. No wonder Aunt Penny had to keep it on hand and carefully saved the few points necessary for its purchase. She couldn't send to a handy little store just around the corner for a bottle of milk, if the milkman failed to arrive on time. Linda was realizing how many things she had seldom appreciated back there in Edgewood.

Hardest of all to bear was the slowness of the mail. For nearly two weeks there

was no letter from home, and no word had come from Bob. She was writing to him every day though she didn't know where he was. She knew only that letters were to be sent in care of the Postmaster, San Francisco. Fear that something terrible had happened to him clutched at her heart. She tried not to let Aunt Penny see that she was worried about anything. The severe weather was making Aunt Penny's rheumatism worse, and at times she was very fretful. It was hard for her to resign herself to being waited upon, and having to be idle gave her more time to think of Donald and the plans she had crushed with one blow.

Had it not been for Lucy and Peter, who thought it a beautiful home, life in the big old house would have been almost unbearable to Linda.

Linda tried to talk with Aunt Penny about some of the trips she had taken only to have the subject changed quite abruptly. She had seen Uncle Henry very seldom; when she had seen him it had been for a very short time, and she would like to know more about him and the minerals in which he was so interested.

Linda's heart ached for Aunt Penny. She knew what it meant to be separated from one she loved dearly, but no bitter words had been spoken between Bob and herself. But one thing, the war, was keeping them apart.

Back in Edgewood, James Sherman put down the telephone receiver and turned to the family which was anxiously awaiting the results of the calls he had been making.

"It doesn't look as if it's going to be easy to find out anything about Donald," he announced. "I had hoped that his father's brother might have kept in touch with him, but he hasn't heard from him since he left home. They never did correspond much — guess Don takes after his mother in that way. I did learn that the girl he married came from somewhere in the middle west and was studying in the city where he attended high school when he met her. But that doesn't do us much good. Don't look so downhearted, everybody. I had better luck with the other call. There is a truck going to a town only ten miles from Hilltop Farm the last of next week, and the driver will take the things you have ready to send, if they don't add too much

weight to his load. He thinks, unless the roads are extremely bad, he'll be able to find someone to carry them the rest of the way."

"Oh, Dad, that'll be swell!" declared Phyllis and Ted almost in the same breath. And Ted added, "If I could only go along to look out for 'em. I suppose I can't."

"Indeed, you can't, son, but suppose you show me what you have. Then I can call Mr. Duncan and tell him about how many pounds there are."

So they all trooped down to the basement where, carefully packed and ready for shipping, the articles waited. The family had had a wonderful time getting them together. Little did Linda dream that such a delightful surprise was coming her way. Paul and Patty were thankful they hadn't used the radio too much—the battery ought to last a long time. A brand new sled was there—a sled for which the twins had emptied their banks, and everyone else had contributed something. "Linda'll think Christmas has come all over again," said Paul happily. "I hope she likes the puzzles I got."

"I hope she likes the games 'n' everything," put in Patty, "but I wish she'd come home. I miss her awfully much."

"So do we all," declared Phyllis.

"But we're glad to lend her to Aunt Penny when she needs her so much, aren't we?" Mother was speaking now, and in chorus came the answer, "Sure!"

"Somebody's on the porch!" Ted suddenly announced, starting for the stairs. "Bet it's the postman—beat you to him, Phil!"

Back he soon came, waving a white envelope. "A letter for Linda from Bob Williams!" he cried. "A letter from Bob and it's a jolly, fat one, too. Won't Linda wish she was here. Oh, boy! What do we do with it, Dad?"

"Send it on to her immediately," answered James Sherman, "and be thankful from the bottom of your heart that it's come at last. Linda may need it more than we know."

(To be continued)

ENDEAVORGRAMS

Writes Dr. Raymond M. Veh, editor of the Evangelical Crusader:

"A few years ago the International Christian Endeavor Convention was held in Philadelphia. At the communion service Sunday

WALKING WITH GOD

This is the Old Testament way of describing a holy life, and it is worth remembering. Enoch "walked with God," and he walked with men at the same time. He did not leave the earth to do it. He did not even get out of business, nor shut himself out from all the activities of men. We cannot imagine that he failed in any of these things—and yet he walked with God. He simply found God's way in the forest and the field, in the market and in the home, and he took it. He found out where God was, and he went with him. He became God's man, and as such he shared the peace of God, the joy of God, and finally the rest of God.

—Christian World.

morning the crowd was so large that there were not enough cups of wine. The leader requested that one cup of wine be used for two persons. In one of the last rows, a Negro took a sip and passed the cup to a white lad, his neighbor. We wondered what would happen. The lad took the cup and drank it—and then we knew that the true essence of Christ's giving his life for all mankind had been fulfilled."

"This was Christian Endeavor in all of its reality—for the meeting was international, interdenominational, and inter-racial," was the word sent home by two former C. E. officers. They had been attending a Hawaiian C. E. "singspiration," in which 350 to 400 young persons participated, including many service men.

Children's Page

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

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I will be in the sixth grade when school starts again this fall. My brother Ernest is writing you. His letter is in this envelope with mine. I believe this is the first time he has ever written you.

My birthday was April 4. I am ten years old. I like to go swimming. There is a creek right down over the hill from our house.

We have a new baby chicken. We set a hen on sixteen eggs and it only hatched one chick. We have a calf. Its name is Spotty. Daddy gave me an Angora wool rabbit. I named it Patrica. It is very fluffy and white. Daddy clips the wool off of them and ships it away. It is used at the present time for lining aviators' jackets and helmets. I am enclosing a picture of one of the rabbits.

Well this is all I can think of to say.

Yours truly,

Marie Bee.

Fairmont, W. Va.

Dear Marie:

I congratulate you on your promotion into sixth grade. You are making good progress in school.

I am glad you are learning to swim and that you have a nearby creek in which to swim. I think all girls and boys should

learn to swim as early as possible. Our children first learned to swim under the bridge at Independence when they were quite young.

I wonder if your hen is like the one we read about who thought her one chick better than any other chick in the world. Were the eggs or the hen to blame for the poor hatch?

Your Angora wool rabbit must be quite beautiful to judge by the picture you sent me. I wish it could be printed in the Recorder so that all the children could see it. I never saw one before.

Your sincere friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

School is out and I got promoted to the third grade. My birthday is on July 31. Daddy has given me an Angora wool rabbit. Its name is Snow White. I will be eight years old. There is just one day between Mother's and my birthday. Her birthday is on July 29.

Well, this is all that I can think of to say.

Yours truly,

Ernest K. Bee, Jr.

Fairmont, W. Va.

Dear Ernest:

I am pretty sure you will find third grade more interesting than second grade and I congratulate you, too, on your promotion. I

hope six years from now you will write to me, "I have just been promoted to High School." And then I hope you'll not stop writing for the Recorder.

I'm thinking Snow White was your birthday present. Am I right? I am sure such a rabbit would be a fine birthday present. Our boy Claire had a pair of Belgian hares for his birthday when he was about your age. He was very proud of them, but they were of course not nearly as pretty as your Snow White.

Your true friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am eleven years old and will be in the sixth grade next year. I go to Sabbath school almost every Sabbath. My brother and I were baptized and joined the Ritchie Church June 10. Our pastor, M. C. Van Horn, and his family moved to Lost Creek where he is now pastor. We miss them very much.

This is my first letter to you, but I have been putting off writing to you for a long

Our Pulpit

BEGINNING FROM JERUSALEM

By E. Marvin Juhl

The great deal of study, observation, and effort given by our brethren to the various phases of missionary activities in the Church is surely God's way of "going into all the world."

Most of us have sufficient knowledge and experience to "preach the Gospel" each as he can best, but too often some of our efforts do not develop into the realities we set out to accomplish. The purpose of the following study is to give Bible foundation to the writer's own conviction that if we plan a proper beginning in our efforts, God has promised to give the increase. The following text will serve as a starting point. It is pointed and definite.

"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Luke 24: 47, R.V. These are the words of Jesus given to a group of men who were to be entrusted with the responsibilities Christ himself had carried all alone up to this

time, but when the letters got so scarce I thought I would have to write. I enjoy reading the Children's Page very much. I will close for this time.

Your friend,
Nancy Lou Kelley.

Berea, W. Va.

Dear Mary Lou:

I congratulate you, too, on your fine progress in school and hope and expect you will keep up the good work.

You must indeed miss Pastor and Mrs. Van Horn and their little ones. They have a warm place in our hearts also. The Lost Creek Church must be very happy to welcome them there, for what is your loss is their gain. I hope soon you may have a new pastor at Berea.

I am glad you did not put off writing to me any longer for I was very much pleased to receive your letter and hope you will write often.

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

time. Preparatory days were now in the past; each one of these men was now fully informed—not only about the duties that lay ahead, but also about the proper method of procedure for best results. In addition, the past had been fully explained to them. Their understanding had been "opened," the baccalaureate sermon was in full process of delivery; and then the investiture, "Ye are witnesses of these things."

Immediately following this occasion Christ again reminded these men of the instructions previously given: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1: 8. We have every reason to believe the Apostles adhered closely to the plan of procedure as originally outlined by Christ. In fact, one of them on one occasion referred to it by saying: "He commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify." Acts 10: 42. In fact, so well did the apostles carry out their charge, that it was said of them: "And the word of God increased; and the number of disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great com-

pany of the priests were obedient to the faith." Acts 6: 7.

Just before the Apostle Paul began a life filled with the duties and many details arising from the establishment of a network of churches he was destined to establish, we find him on his way to Jerusalem to see Peter. Without a doubt the same charge, the same plan Christ gave the apostles, Peter in turn gave to Paul who later in life referred to his fifteen day visit with Peter stating: "But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother." Galatians 1: 19.

Even though some commentators would reason that Paul received his charge independently of what instructions he may have received from the apostles, we notice a striking parallel or close adherence to a definite plan in the development of the work of God both in Palestine and in Paul's three journeys. As we follow Paul's missionary tours, we find him continually at work at the centers of population. His last trip took him to populous Rome.

The apostles likewise followed a definite plan of work. "And every day in the temple and at home, they ceased not to teach and to preach." Acts 5: 42. Later we read they "preached the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans," Acts 8: 25; and finally, Peter "went through all parts" of the country. Acts 9: 32. With few exceptions, our first missionaries headed for the commercial centers in each community to which they came. Here they "began" to preach and thus expanded into every village and hamlet.

With all the God-given power at their command, the apostles "hit the bulls eye first" because this spot affects most quickly all other nerve centers of the entire body. Their forward command was positive. The direction as to how and where to begin was mapped out, and today we read of the success of their efforts as follows: "But, I say, did they not hear? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world." Romans 10: 18.

God's people have not always followed the blueprint. Notice for instance the failure of Ai, a suburb, and afterward the successful conquest of Jericho in Joshua 7: 3. Most of us are familiar with the experience of Jonah and the whale. Then we have the

instance mentioned by Matthew 17: 14-21 wherein is given the reason for failure on the part of the disciples in healing a certain son. Many other Bible references could be mentioned for the purpose of pointing out something definitely lacking from the very beginning as the actual cause of failure or lack of success. Usually had the beginning been well planned, the results would have been sure to follow.

Now is the opportune time to reconsider our own missionary activities. Questions such as the following may well be worth giving close attention. Are we making the proper beginning? Do we need to wonder about the kind and quality of the result if we in advance were positively certain the groundwork had been well laid? Therefore, it is my conviction that our best missionary efforts should be centered and established in our largest cities first. From these places we can then take full advantage of the situations as they may arise.

The positive and forward command: "Go ye," also implies where and how to begin to go. May all of us enjoy a greater measure of success for the Kingdom of God, always remembering God's words and what they imply when he said, "Begin from Jerusalem."

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

Salemville, Pa.

Children's day was observed in our church on Sabbath, June 10. The program consisted of songs by the group of about twenty children and individual recitations. Miss Carol Kagarise planned and directed the program and was assisted by Mrs. Mildred Robinette at the piano.

The Live Branch Class held their monthly business meeting and social on the evening of June 3, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blough. Because of an interruption of electrical service the first part of the evening was spent in candlelight. Games were played and refreshments were served.

A party was held on the evening of June 10 by the Optimist Class at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Foster. Games were played and refreshments served.

Carol Kagarise is the newly appointed representative from this church on the District No. 4 Young People's Executive Council.

—Parish News.

A SONG OF THE SOUTHLAND

By S. S. Powell

(Written forty years ago after a trip south from Adams Center, N. Y.)

Through the aisles of the woodland majestic and wide

Of Southland where pines ever sigh,
Mid the odors of balm and the far-sounding tide
Of murmuring branches on high.
I wandered enchanted and heard there a song
That thrilled in my heart and it lingered there long.

Through the murmuring echoes of mountainous dell,

Where waterfalls dash from above,
Where fountains up-murmur and streams ever swell
With cadence that whispers God's love,
There I heard the sweet songs that for ages along
Unto poets and minstrels their music prolong.

Through the mingling of murmurs like humming of bees,

Of waters and winds intermixt,
As the echoes reverberate up through the leaves
Of trees that give shelter betwixt
The cool, shady glen and the clear sky of blue,
I heard that sweet song—'twas a song that I knew.

Oh! the thrilling delight of that rapturous song,
Like to fire that gleams in the night,
Like to gold bright and shining all metals among
Or orb of the day streaming light;
Let the song rise and fall, let its melodies swell,
All its treasures outpour and its mysteries tell.

Marriages

Thorngate - McFarland. — On Sunday afternoon, June 25, 1944, in the Baptist Church at East Aurora, N. Y., George Thorngate of Buffalo, N. Y., and Helen McFarland of East Aurora were married. The ceremony was performed by the groom's grandfather, Rev. George B. Shaw, of Alfred, N. Y.

Obituary

Bassett. — Elnora Bloss, daughter of Hiram P. and Mary J. Brown Bloss, was born July 8, 1869, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. David Smith of Hallsport, N. Y., June 14, 1944.

November 4, 1891, she was married to Louis S. Bassett and lived for many years, until the death of her husband, at Independence. Since that time she has made her home with her daughter. She is survived by her daughter and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Wildman Funeral Home at Whitesville, June 17, 1944, conducted by Rev. Walter L. Greene of Andover, with interment at Independence. W. L. G.

Dudley. — Bessie Young, daughter of Charles and Flora Adelaide Stryker Young, was born in Scio, N. Y., January 15, 1889, and died May 30, 1944, in the Jones Memorial Hospital at Wellsville, N. Y.

She was married in January, 1913, to Harry Dudley; he died in 1925. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Edith Place; one son, Sgt. Charles Dudley (both of Alfred); and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Cora Cartwright, Mrs. Florence Sheets, Mrs. Jessie Wykoff, Mrs. Grace Buckley, and Willard and Wilford Young.

She was a member of the Scio Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Farewell services were conducted at the home of her sister in Scio, Mrs. Grace Buckley, by Pastor E. T. Harris of Alfred. Interment was in the Scio Cemetery. E. T. H.

Gavitt. — At Westerly, R. I., May 16, 1944, Olivia R. (Dickey) Gavitt, wife of Horace E. Gavitt, at the age of 66 years.

Mrs. Gavitt was born in Northport, Me., June 18, 1877, the daughter of Wesley Dickey. She was united in marriage with Horace E. Gavitt on February 16, 1909. Since then her home has been in Westerly. Besides her husband, her five children survive her: Munson E., Stanton W., John W., Joseph L., and Mrs. Howard C. Brown, Jr. Also surviving are two step-daughters, Mrs. Thelma Pattajo, and Mrs. Robert Shaefer; a sister, Mrs. Lydia Conant; and eight grandchildren.

Mrs. Gavitt was a loyal member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church, of which her son John is junior deacon and superintendent of the Sabbath school.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Harold R. Crandall and interment was in Riverbend Cemetery. H. R. C.

Jett. — William, Jr., son of William and Sophronia Lowther Jett, was born near Berea, W. Va., on June 20, 1883. He died June 20, 1944, in the Sidney Hospital as the result of injuries inflicted by a tractor upset.

He was baptized in the Ritchie Church and continued his membership in the Jackson Center Church since 1930. He was married to Miss Bessie Overfield on February 16, 1914. To them were born seven children, all of whom survive their father: Mrs. Virginia Grace Goltz, Wayne, Walton, Mrs. Lucille Butts, Dale, Annabelle, and Willard.

Memorial services were held in the Jackson Center Seventh Day Baptist Church by Rev. D. S. Clarke and Rev. W. L. Davis. Burial was in the Glen Cemetery at Port Jefferson, Ohio. D. S. C.

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And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

Genesis 2: 2, 3.

The sabbath was made for man. . . . Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

Mark 2: 27, 28.

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