

THE SABBATH RECORDER

Revival in Marshall Islands



U. S. Marine Corps Photos



Old-fashioned revival meetings are available to men stationed on one of the Marshall Islands atolls, as proclaimed by the big canvas sign stretched between two coconut palms (lower photo). Services are conducted by an ordained Baptist minister, Marine Corp. Leslie Watson of Linden, Tex., extreme left above. Assisting, left to right, are SC 3c Silas H. Jones, USNR, of Festus, Mo.; Marine Pfc. Lester M. York of Hollister, Cal., and AMM 2c Robert P. Chariton, USNR, of Pueblo, Colo.

SERVICEMEN RECOGNIZE THEIR BUDDIES NEED JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOUR

America needs more organized Christian revivals with each convert continually being encouraged with Christian guidance in his new way of life, helped to understand better God's word, and taught the personal value derived from a definite period each day for personal communion with our Lord and Saviour.

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Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.

2 Corinthians 9: 15.

Enter into his gates with Thanksgiving

Psalms 100: 4.

... with Thanksgiving

let your request be known unto God.

Philippians 4: 6.

Being enriched . . . causeth through us

Thanksgiving to God

2 Corinthians 9: 11.

Giving thanks always for all things unto God.

2 Ephesians 5: 20.

(See "Our Pulpit" for message on this theme
by Rev. Alton Wheeler of Nile, N. Y.)

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Editorials

THE SOUND IN THE MULBERRY TREES

W. W. Reid in his "News in the World of Religion" reports, as a by-product in the field of religion in England, an evangelistic effort known as "Religion and Life Weeks," sponsored by the British Council of Churches—the council itself a development of the war.

The aim of these weeks of evangelism is to "multiply the number of men and women who commit themselves to understand and to do the will of God in the sphere of our corporate life." In these weeks of meetings, being held in all types of communities and among all classes of people, there are not only community-wide gatherings, but also gatherings of doctors and nurses, of business men and trade union leaders, of social workers, of ministers, of youth, of soldiers, of teachers, etc.—each group considering the religious contribution it should make to the corporate life.

This is considered by some of their leaders as a modern improvement on former methods of evangelism. They are not new, however, to us in America. They are but modified methods used by Moody, Billy Sunday, the Federal Council's evangelistic meetings, and others of the past five years. Meeting of special groups, noonday meetings—high school groups, businessmen, etc., have in no small measure contributed to the success of "mass" evangelism of past as well as present.

It all adds up to doing all within our power—meaning Seventh Day Baptists as

well as other—to proclaiming Christ, testifying of his goodness and mercy, inviting people to accept the "cup of Salvation," and to obtain decisions for the Lord.

The times are propitious for evangelizing the home field. The Missionary Board is to stress home missions; the Tract Board is stressing and supporting Sabbath evangelism; the Women's Board has a promoter of evangelism on the field who has been challenging us to at least one thousand decisions for Christ and the Sabbath this year; the Board of Christian Education is putting out a strong co-ordinated program leading to similar results. Individual churches are catching the vision; some have and are supporting work near home; one church, at least, has a weekly program on the air; and individuals, here and there, are uniting in study and prayer groups for winning souls. Churches are calling for the services of Rev. Judson H. Stafford, a strong, personable evangelist of years of experience who has recently come to us.

Let us use every available means to win men, women, and youth to accept and serve the Christ; to develop Christian character and life; and to train for better service.

"And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the Lord go before thee." 2 Samuel 5: 24.

OBSERVATIONS BY THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

At Milton

Fifty-one years are a long time, but not long enough to obliterate the memory of the first days of the writer in Milton College. These memories were quickened as I walked again the streets and viewed once more the old campus. The old three-storied men's hall has long been gone; from its tower rang the college bell calling men and women to class and chapel. It would mourn today, one thinks, were it to know but thirteen males would answer its call. Some sixty ladies are enrolled. What a paradise for the "boys."

Two new generations at least have enjoyed the accommodations of Whitford Memorial and the gym with their many sanitary and other facilities; these were built since my time.

The Civic Club the other night in a re-organizational meeting entertaining several guests met in the Lincoln Room for lunch and business. This room, commonly called the cafeteria, in the early days was the chemical laboratory. This room is a nice one, and is used as a girls' dining hall.

Recently twelve pictures of Lincoln have been artistically hung on the walls. They are colored copies from the paintings of the artist Louis Honhajo and beautify and dignify the room in a most uplifting and satisfying measure. Every picture but the last of the group—the Memorial in Washington—gives a faithful likeness in some respect to the Lincoln as we know him. Among the pictures are The Boy (pictured reading by the light of the fireplace); The Rail Splitter; the Story Teller; The Country Lawyer; Signing the Emancipation Proclamation; and Lincoln Delivering the Gettysburg Speech, November 19, 1863.

It was good to be in a meeting of twenty-five or thirty men interested in community service and earnestly discussing better methods and means—with not a single cigarette being lighted or in evidence. This is so unusual as to justify this mention. Even in meetings of a ministerial group with which the writer is familiar the meal is never finished without incense being burned by several of those present to the god nicotine.

This reminds me that in the Sabbath school class in Washington the other Sabbath, the

teacher, Mr. Snide, read several resolutions passed by our General Conference in past years against use of liquor and tobacco somewhat to the surprise of some of the class members who had been under the false impression that Seventh Day Baptists were very "loose" in these matters. The quotations were taken from "Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America, Historical Papers."

The college under its new president is optimistically carrying on and plans to meet new situations and demands that will be imposed at the coming of peace.

The church has recently welcomed and installed its new pastor, Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, in a freshly redecorated parsonage as well as in its hearts and prayers. One hears nothing but praise and appreciation of him and his family as one calls or greets church members and townspeople on the street. A young new college president and three young pastors newly beginning their work in Southern Wisconsin gives promise of healthy growth and development in Christian ways of life.

Of these things observations will be made later.

On To Albion

Some forty-seven years ago the Albion Wisconsin Seventh Day Baptist pulpit hid the shaking knees of a young fellow attempting to preach his first sermon. It hid the same shaking knees now these years after, Sabbath morning, November 4, as your observer preached the ordination sermon of his half brother Kenneth Van Horn.

The people, 250 or more from the churches of the Southern Wisconsin Quarterly Meeting, met with a council called for the ordination of Albion's new pastor who was recently graduated from the Theological Seminary at Alfred, N. Y. Others will report the meetings and results of the council's work. I wish to make an observation or two.

In the first place, the Albion church is a live, ongoing organization that has served this community for over one hundred years. For many years it was the promoter of Albion Academy that furnished opportunity for education to many Dane County young people. Dane County, by the way, containing the state seat of government, is a large county exceeding in square miles of land surface the state of Rhode Island. Situated in one

of the finest farming sections of the state, the church has the opportunity of demonstrating the value of a life drawing most heavily its support from the soil.

Here is a fine group of young people. Evidence of their ability and loyalty was manifested in their presence and the fine music furnished by a large choir of all young people. Looking up to their pastor as their friend the choir surprised Pastor Van Horn, in the midst of the morning service, with a wonderful basket of chrysanthemums.

We foresee a fine pastoral service here, with gratifying growth and upbuilding of the kingdom. Certainly this will eventuate under the blessing of God if Pastor Van Horn fulfills a ministry as charged by Dean Ahva J. C. Bond. Dr. Bond charged the newly ordained minister with a "Pod of Four Peas": Pray, Preach, Pastor, and Practice.

The new pastors at Milton, Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, and Milton Junction, Rev. Orville W. Babcock, gave an appropriate charge to the candidate and his welcome into the ministry. These three new, young, enthusiastic, and consecrated pastors—with their equally consecrated wives—give hope and promise for the churches of Southern Wisconsin.

Kenneth is the tenth dedicated minister coming out of the old North Loup Church—besides four missionaries sent to China as doctors, teachers, or nurses.

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FIRST Missionary Journey

(Concluded)

One night on the trip was spent with our son Duane and his family at Marysville, Calif. It was nearly a sleepless night because of much discussion of many things, including common interest in kingdom tasks.

Another night spent with Brother and Mrs. Easterly at Berkeley was rich in discussion of scripture and its application, exchange of ideas for future work, etc. It was especially interesting to listen to Brother Easterly relate experiences of Sabbath keeping on government jobs as well as in large corporations. He has been the architect and builder of many State and County buildings and more recently has had to do with many government jobs. When he has lost a job

because of refusal to work Sabbath day, it has always been to get something much better. We hope he may share those experiences with you in these pages.

One morning in Eureka some hours were spent in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hemline who have been asking for evangelistic work to be done there. When the man-power shortage was shown to them Mr. Hemline determined to go to work himself. He plans to distribute literature and tracts left with them—not at random, but in house-to-house calling. In this way he hopes to find some who will come to their home Sabbath day for Bible study. We need more men and women, laymen, willing to go out on their own to do such work.

I have the promise of one in Colorado, to establish a Bible school in her home Sabbath days. How about some of you up in Washington, Idaho, and other states? We should be known and have organizations in many more than half the states of these United States. Let's go to work! P. B. Hurley.

CHRISTMAS BULLETIN COVERS

Because of the lack of sufficient orders from the churches to cover the expense of printing special Christmas bulletin covers as previously announced, it does not seem advisable to print them this year. The paper is of too poor a quality to print extra ones for use in future years. H. C. V. H.

THANKSGIVING ON THE AIR

A nation-wide Thanksgiving service with an address by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of New York will be heard on stations of the Blue Network, Thursday, November 23 at 10:30 a.m. EWT. Artists of the network will provide both orchestral and vocal music. The message will touch upon postwar relief and reconstruction movements of the several denominations. The program is sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches.

Since the use by local stations of the network of sustaining programs, such as this, depends either upon previous commitments or the program director's appraisal of listener interest, his knowledge of the desires of the public can be influential.

Missions

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

Correspondence should be addressed to Rev. William L. Burdick, Ashaway, R. I. Checks and money orders should be drawn to the order of Karl G. Stillman, Westerly, R. I.

WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE?

The missionary program of the Christian Church rests upon world-wide responsibility of the individual and the Church. Christ's kingdom has advanced in proportion as this has been recognized. The twelve apostles, recognizing that they were responsible, went forth proclaiming salvation through Christ, gave their all to the cause, and established churches in all countries of the world as it was then known. Though all except one (John) became martyrs, others took up the work. Thus it has been through the centuries, and we owe the boundless privileges and glorious hopes for eternity to those who have met the responsibilities for the saving of men from the tempter.

But who are responsible today for the extension of Christ's kingdom? Responsibility rests upon two things—namely, the need and the ability.

Is there need today? The need never was greater. Look at the need in your own community where there are multitudes untouched by the gospel. Look at our country where less than one half are Christians. Look at other lands around the world, and behold less than one fifth of the people are Christian and countless millions have never heard of Christ, their Redeemer. There is incomprehensible need. We all recognize this fact.

What is our duty? In a general way, it is the duty of those who have heard the message of salvation to surrender all to Christ. Having done this, we will find abundant opportunity to give the light to others, beginning in our homes, communities and churches. All cannot be missionaries and preachers; but all can meet their responsibilities by helping to support the work in various ways, one of which is to send others. When Christ appointed the Twelve, he said unto them: "Freely ye have received, freely give." We are responsible, and our responsibility is measured by what we have received.

W. L. B.

JAMAICAN CHURCHES SUFFER

(Gleaned from Pastor Smellie's letter to the churches, September 25, 1944, concerning the hurricane.)

It is with much sorrow that I have to send you this letter informing you of the postponement of Conference this year. Those of you on the western side of the Island may not have the same experience as the brethren on the northern side, and so you may wonder why this postponement.

Correspondence with the field shows that some are in a distressed state, and that very few of our brethren would be able to attend Conference. In my estimation Conference should be planned to bring the greatest good to the majority and not the minority. The latest information to hand shows Higgin Town place of worship down and some of the homes of the brethren destroyed, Oracabessa down, Watervalley down, Brooksland must be taken down, Bowensville Church roof badly damaged, Derry down, Waterford only four families' homes are standing. In all these places the government has come to their help. Under the existing circumstances shall we have Conference? No, a thousand times no, but we shall plan to have it as early as is convenient in 1945, D. V.

From every hand the report comes, "We are not discouraged. If Christ is in the boat with us we shall smile at the storm."

REPORT OF C. L. SMELLIE

(For Quarter in Jamaica Ending September 30, 1944)

For the period in question I attended Bible school each Sabbath except when I was ill or hindered by rain. With two associate leaders in Kingston and one in each church or group I took morning services six times and preached the sermon on fifteen occasions. Six infants were brought forward to have God's blessing asked; while the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed five times, apart from two occasions when I took it to the homes of sick members.

On one occasion I availed myself of the opportunity of attending Ladies' Aid at 27

Charles Street when plans were laid to raise money for our School Fund.

At our Advisory Board meeting held in July, Conference was fixed for November 22-26 at Bath in St. Thomas, and evangelistic services were arranged for Brooksland, Thornton, and Watervalley, from September 1-30; but neither of those appointments hold good today. Continuous rains prevented the evangelistic services, and the storm of August 20 has made it impossible for us to think of Conference this year, due to the destruction of churches, homes, and plants. It was no fun keeping up with the correspondence of the field and abroad especially after the storm.

I attended prayer meetings whenever possible, gave two addresses to our Bible school and presided over one program. For the quarter I gave one missionary sermon at Wakefield where all seemed happy to have me and joyful for the message. Five pounds and ten shillings was raised. Pastoral visits are highly appreciated in Jamaica, so I made twenty-four family and sick visits, many long to be remembered, especially where a mother is a permanent cripple for ten years and the father an invalid for two years. The raven which fed Elijah was not more welcome than I, as I tried to administer to soul and body. I conducted one baptismal service when one candidate was immersed by Pastor C. S. Lyons. I've conducted many business meetings.

Since Friday, September 8, each week I have had to visit the doctor for a torpid liver with little or no improvement, but as occasion allowed I did whatever I could.

Respectfully submitted,
C. L. Smellie.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY STATEMENT

September 1, 1944, to September 30, 1944

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| Karl G. Stillman, Treasurer, In account with the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society Dr. | |
| Cash on hand September 1, 1944 | \$3,715.07 |
| Dr. Edwin Whitford, Westerly, R. I., for Home Missions | 50.00 |
| Dr. Edwin Whitford, life membership | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Vernie S. Whitford, life membership | 25.00 |
| Clifford P. Lamson, E. Taunton, Mass., for Missionary Evangelistic Work | 20.00 |
| Chicago, Ill., for Missionary Travel Fund | 10.00 |
| Mrs. A. S. Maxson, Milton Jct., Wis., for Dr. Grace F. Crandall | 11.00 |
| Associated Mission Treasurers for heirs of Anna M. West | 161.64 |

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| Dodge Center, Minn. | 17.17 |
| Second Brookfield, N. Y. | 25.00 |
| Permanent Fund income | 209.24 |
| Memorial Fund income for quarter ended August 31, 1944 | 556.20 |
| | <u>\$4,825.32</u> |
| Cr. | |
| Interest paid on notes | \$ 36.43 |
| Interest saved on notes transferred to Debt Fund | 43.13 |
| Recorder Press, printing annual report | 92.75 |
| Jamaica payments as follows: | |
| Rev. C. L. Smellie, salary | \$66.00 |
| Native workers | 39.57 |
| Travel expense | 2.50 |
| | <u>108.07</u> |
| Rev. Neal D. Mills | 27.50 |
| Rev. Earl Cruzan | 27.50 |
| Rev. Orville W. Babcock | 27.50 |
| Rev. Verney A. Wilson | 16.66 |
| Rev. John F. Randolph | 27.50 |
| Rev. Clifford A. Beebe, salary | \$27.50 |
| Travel expense | 11.67 |
| | <u>39.17</u> |
| Rev. Wm. L. Burdick, salary | \$125.00 |
| House and office rent | 25.00 |
| Clerk hire | 33.34 |
| Office supplies | 6.33 |
| | <u>189.67</u> |
| Rev. Herbert L. Polan | 10.00 |
| Rev. E. S. Ballenger | 20.00 |
| Treasurer's expense | 20.00 |
| Rev. David S. Clarke | 27.50 |
| Mrs. George P. Kenyon | 10.00 |
| Rev. R. R. Thorngate | 10.00 |
| China payments as follows: | |
| Rev. H. Eugene Davis | \$75.00 |
| Dr. Rosa W. Palmberg | 30.00 |
| | <u>105.00</u> |
| British Guiana payments as follows: | |
| Rev. William A. Berry | 50.00 |
| Cash on hand September 30, 1944 | 3,936.94 |
| | <u>\$4,825.32</u> |
| Accounts payable as at September 30, 1944: | |
| China | \$3,211.61 |
| Germany | 2,250.00 |
| Holland | 2,275.00 |
| | <u>\$7,736.61</u> |

UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER

The 1945 Universal Week of Prayer will be observed January 7-14. In the United States the week is sponsored by the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches. In other countries it is sponsored in the same week by the World's Evangelical Alliance with headquarters in London.

The Prayer Topics for 1945 have been written by Rev. Hampton Adams, pastor of the Union Avenue Christian Church, St. Louis. The general theme for the week is "Pray—Thy Kingdom Come."

The Week of Prayer booklets are now printed and ready for use and can be obtained in any quantity at the rate of 3c per copy. Send orders to the: Department of Evangelism, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Woman's Work

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

DIRECTORS' MEETING

Minutes of the Directors' Meeting of the Women's Society

The Board of Directors of the Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist Denomination met in regular session in the Mrs. G. H. Trainer Sabbath School Room with the following members present: Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. M. C. Van Horn, Mrs. Ottis Swiger, Mrs. Roswell Seager, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Miss Lotta Bond, and Miss Greta F. Randolph. Also present were Rev. and Mrs. L. O. Greene, Mrs. John Randolph, and Mrs. Gordon Sanford.

Mrs. L. O. Greene led the devotionals using as her theme "Listen, Learn, and Obey," based on selections from Matthew 11 and Acts 5.

Rev. L. O. Greene gave a very interesting report of the work he has been doing and explained some of the plans for the future.

Mrs. S. O. Bond gave the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$1,017.57. To date \$302.20 has been received designated for the "Helpers Fund," \$125.00 of which has been sent to Mr. Arthur Burns to start his work in Welton, Iowa.

Mrs. Okey Davis gave a report for the World Literacy and Christian Literature Committee.

Voted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Okey Davis as member of the World Literacy and Christian Literature Committee and to ask Mrs. Frank Hubbard to take this place on the committee.

Mrs. Ottis Swiger gave a report of progress for the Committee to Promote the Spiritual Welfare of Seventh Day Baptists in the service of their country. Incorporated in the report is a valuable suggestion from Chaplain Wayne Rood, which appears of too large proportions for your committee to undertake. An excerpt from his letter follows:

I'm certain that the roster of Seventh Day Baptist service men and women which you mention was published in the Sabbath Recorder of July 10 would be welcome to all of us. I have often had the feeling which I imagine is shared generally by our service men that there is probably some Seventh Day Baptist near me, but I have no way of knowing. A roster of addresses would help us

get together. Also, I have personally lost track in the maze of rapidly changing addresses of a number of my friends with whom I would like to correspond.

That brings me to make another suggestion which may involve a project of greater proportions than the committee can undertake. Many men have been receiving from their home churches a monthly "news letter" or "bulletin." This is usually a mimeographed sheet or two containing bits of news from other members of the church also in the service, notes from worship services and the families at home, and a personal message from the pastor. These bulletins are small but they come regularly and are greatly appreciated by the men who receive them. I know that to be true, for the men are proud enough of their own bulletins to bring them to the chaplain for him to read, even though he doesn't know a thing about the special church involved.

I would like to suggest for your consideration a similar project for our denomination, and I can think of no group within the denomination better fitted to carry out such a publication. It certainly lies within the sphere of work that the board has developed for itself during the past several years. The mailing list would not be prohibitively large, I'm sure. The bulletin could be mimeographed, and I'm sure there are machines available to the board. It could contain short bits of news, such as might be gleaned from the "Hook-Up" column of the Recorder. It could keep us in the service up to date on the changing addresses of our fellows. A brief message from one of our pastors would be welcome. Occasional reports of the business of the denomination would keep us informed. And though it would contain some of the same material as the Recorder, the focus of the entire bulletin would be directed especially to the needs and interests of the service men in a way that the Recorder cannot be. It would, in other words, be "our" paper. I am sure that in a total Sunday atmosphere such as we must live in during our military service, such a contact would keep our loyalties more active.

Mrs. Edward Davis read the report of the Ways and Means Committee. This report was accepted and placed on file.

To the Board of Directors:

Your Ways and Means Committee met the evening of November 8 with Promoter and Mrs. Greene present.

Mr. Greene led the group in prayer after which the committee listened to a summary report of his travel and work of the last eight months. The promoter's monthly reports on file give the details of this work. Mr. and Mrs. Greene are optimistic; they are gratified with what progress has been made and are courageous to continue building the spirit of evangelism in our midst.

Your committee would commend these workers and urge that the Women's Society and its Board

of Directors look forward with great faith and courage to the expansion of the evangelistic project and to the development of individual responsibility. Mr. Greene reports 356 signers to the pledge to endeavor to win at least one to Christ within the year.

The "Helpers Fund," though still small, we begin to draw upon. Some of it is designated for the Welton, Iowa, field. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burns of Berlin, N. Y., are beginning work on that field early in November. They have received the first check on this fund and will receive support as the fund is sufficient. Mr. and Mrs. Burns are willing to work to help support themselves, if necessary.

Mr. Greene is hoping to place other workers soon on other fields.

Plans for the immediate future and through the months to the time of the General Conference were considered in outline and listed tentatively.

The work this year will continue to strengthen the spirit of evangelism among all of our people. The efforts of 350-400 or more Christians, definitely alert and consciously working to win others to accept Christ, should bring a great blessing to workers, to those won, and to the whole denomination.

Out of the deliberations of the committee have developed the following recommendations:

1. That the board allow four cents per mile for the trip to the southwest.
2. That the board consider adding a small sum to the promoter's salary to more generously cover exigencies of travel.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, acting chairman,
Mrs. Edward Davis,
Mrs. S. O. Bond.

Children's Page

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

My Aunt Rotha just wrote me a letter about her pet chipmunk. I think other children would like to know about him, too.

Your friend,

Anita Jewel Rittenhouse.

207 Crosman Terrace,
Rochester 7, N. Y.

My dear Anita:

I will write to you and tell you about Teeny, a little chipmunk who has lived in our bank and wall for a year and a half. He has countless little holes where he dodges out of sight whenever anything startles him. And sometimes he stands up so straight

Voted that the board allow four cents per mile for the trip to the Southwest.

Voted that the salary of Rev. L. O. Greene be increased to \$95.00 per month.

Voted that the bill of \$6.50 for typing be paid Mrs. Gordon Sanford.

The president announced the following committees:

Histories—Mrs. Joseph Vincent as chairman, and Mrs. Eldred Batson; Christian Culture—Mrs. Roswell Seager as chairman, Mrs. Eldred Batson, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. Ottis Swiger, Miss Greta F. Randolph, and Mrs. Frank Hubbard; Peace—Mrs. M. C. Van Horn as chairman, Miss Lotta Bond, Mrs. Joseph Vincent, Mrs. A. G. T. Brissey, and Mrs. Oris Stutler; Spiritual Life of Seventh Day Baptists in Service—Mrs. Ottis Swiger as chairman, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Mrs. Joseph Vincent, and Mrs. A. G. T. Brissey; Ways and Means Committee—Mrs. Oris Stutler as chairman, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Miss Greta F. Randolph, and Mrs. J. L. Skaggs; Goals—Miss Lotta Bond as chairman, and Mrs. M. C. Van Horn.

Mrs. John Randolph, Southeastern Associational correspondent, reported that Mrs. Wendell Stephan is using the Sarah G. Davis Scholarship in Salem College, 1944-45.

Voted that \$25.00 be advanced to Mrs. Roswell Seager for the expense of her attendance at the Biannual Assembly of the United Council of Church Women to be held in Columbus, Ohio, November 14, 15, and 16.

These minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned to meet the second Sunday in January at 2:30 p.m.

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, president,
Greta F. Randolph, Secretary.

Salem, West Virginia,
November 12, 1944.

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

with one or both tiny paws over his heart. Then how he washes up, just like a cat, only with such quick motions.

He has little pouches in his cheeks that he stuffs so full of food that he looks as though he had the mumps. This he stores away in the bank for winter. Sometimes he fills the pouches with dry leaves to make a warm cozy bed for winter.

If we throw out an ear of corn he works as fast as he can shelling it off and carrying it away before the sparrows get it. The sparrows chase him sometimes, but one day Uncle Lewis saw Teeny go right for two of them and pull out some feathers.

We have often wondered that he was content to live here all alone, but never

until last week did we see another one. Then I thought I saw one that looked smaller, and soon I was sure, for I saw two! I was so excited and told Uncle Lewis when he came home. We did not know whether Teeny had a fall bride or a baby. Then Uncle Lewis saw two smaller ones and finally we saw four. For a week now we have seen them scampering along the wall, eating apple cores and grain, washing up, and lying in the sun. Teeny certainly stole a march on us. We have decided we don't know anything, but we think Teeny is the mother of four frisky young chipmunks.

Oh yes, I forgot to tell you about the doughnut. I broke one in two and threw it out by the walk. Teeny took a piece in his tiny paws and stood up straight nibbling at it. Then something frightened him, and he scampered for the main entrance of his bank home. He got stuck—it was so big—but finally he went in first and pulled the doughnut after him. Soon he came back for the other piece.

You see, I have called Teeny "he" for so long I can't change over, even though I have decided "he" is a mother chipmunk.

Your loving

Aunt Rotha.

"Aunt Rotha" is Mrs. Lewis F. Randolph of Ashaway, R. I.

Dear Anita:

I have enjoyed reading your letter from Aunt Rotha. I'm sure you did, too, and also that all the other Recorder children will. I hope some day to get a nice long letter from you. Many thanks both to you and Miss Ruth Marion Carpenter who suggested that you send me the chipmunk letter.

Sincerely your friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I haven't written to you for a long time, so I thought I would write now. I have to go to town school this year because we can't get a teacher. I stay with my Aunt Delpha Smith. Her sister-in-law goes to high school, so she has two girls. Her name is Wilma Smith. My Aunt Delpha's husband is in France.

My teacher is Marcia Rood. There are ten people in my class. I am in the fifth grade. There are about eight in the sixth grade. We had two pupils move out of our room; they moved to Oregon. They are Mary Ann and Jimmy Clement. I am ten years old.

We have four cats. Their names are Tip, White Paws, Mousey and Frieda. I am about to get my page full.

Yours truly,

Eulala Davis.

North Loup, Neb.

Dear Eulala:

I am very glad you did decide to write to me once more, for I have missed hearing from you.

Your uncle must be greatly missed from his home, and France seems a long distance away, doesn't it? Our son is still farther away, somewhere in the Philippines. We didn't know just where until the other night we found a picture of an evacuation hospital in the Buffalo Evening News, and in the very center of that picture was our doctor son. We certainly were glad to know where he was and to see how well he was looking.

I, too, seem about to get my page full.

Your true friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

NATION-WIDE BIBLE READING

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| Sabbath, December 2 | John 3 |
| Sunday, December 3 | Isaiah 40 |
| Monday, December 4 | Psalms 46 |
| Tuesday, December 5 | Romans 12 |
| Wednesday, December 6 | Hebrews 11 |
| Thursday, December 7 | Matthew 7 |
| Friday, December 8 | John 15 |

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

The class in Old Testament Theology at Alfred is in need of one or more copies of "Old Testament Theology" by A. B. Davidson. Any one having a copy please get in touch with Professor E. D. Van Horn, Alfred, N. Y., who would be glad to purchase or rent such. This book is out of print and will not be reprinted until after the war.

Our Pulpit

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING

By Rev. Alton L. Wheeler

Thankfulness has been termed the poor man's payment. It is a virtue which all may possess. It was a virtue of which the Apostle Paul frequently reminded himself and his churches. He told the Ephesian disciples to give "thanks always for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father." (Ephesians 5: 20.) He exhorted the Philippians: "In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." (Philippians 4: 6.) To the Thessalonians he wrote: "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you-ward." (1 Thessalonians 5: 18.)

As Paul's advice to the Ephesians is pondered upon we readily conceive of giving thanks in two respects: "always" and "for all things."

First, then, our thanksgiving should find expression at all times. Obviously enough, not a day passes for any of us when there is nothing for which to be thankful. Our several holidays throughout each calendar year serve excellently as periodical reminders of varied events and emphases; yet, there is the danger that we may tend to make life one of many compartments. We should not think of the birth of our Lord simply at Christmas, nor of his crucifixion and resurrection at Easter. Nor should we conceive of a day in November giving adequate occasion for our expression of thanksgiving to God for his plan of unfailing providence.

It has been said that when a barrel of pork was received into Benjamin Franklin's boyhood home and grace before meals had been given for days, he inquired why it would not do just as well to make one blessing over the whole barrel, with that blessing sufficing as long as the meat should last. Many share with him that feeling. They tend to "lump" their thanksgiving instead of expressing daily gratitude. But Paul considered it more genuine to give "thanks always." On our national calendar only one day is set aside for Thanksgiving,

wherein President and Governor exhort us to cease from our daily work, and in our homes and accustomed places of worship to give thanks to the Almighty for the many and great favors we have received.

One writer has suggested that "it would be preferable to have just one day wherein to voice our complaints, our disappointments, our dissatisfactions, and our grumbings, and to leave the other three hundred and sixty-four days in which to bless the Lord, who satisfies our mouths with good things, who forgives all our iniquities, who redeems our lives from destruction, and who crowns us with lovingkindness and tender mercy." As Ebenezer Scrooge tried to keep the spirit of Christmas every day, when it once penetrated his heart, so should we honor Thanksgiving in our hearts and observe it throughout the year. It used to be a law in some of the old monasteries that the chanting of praise should never cease. When one brother ceased, another took up his chant; and as praise continued night and day, so should our days be filled with continued praise, giving thanks unto our Lord.

Many of us of the younger generation have already experienced drought, depression, pestilence, war, and other unpleasanties of life; yet, through the constraining power of Christ, these only enrich the exhortation of Paul, that we should "always" give thanks unto the Lord.

Again, the apostle inspires us to give "thanks always for all things." In everything! he insists. This comes as somewhat of a surprise when one considers the vicissitudes of human life—sickness and health, poverty and prosperity, joy and sorrow—are all ingredients of the cup placed to human lips; so all must come within the scope of thanksgiving. How profound is the assurance that "all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

There may be those who wonder if there is adequate occasion for a thanksgiving season this year as the gigantic and devastating wheels of warfare roll on, bringing death and destruction in many parts of the earth. Here at home, at the present time certain restric-

tions on commodities which would normally be considered necessities, are being imposed upon us. We may complain because we have had to make what we consider to be sacrifices. At times we almost pity ourselves, when the truth is that there is no people on earth enjoying as much luxury as we are now. There are many whose hearts are filled with anxiety, worry, and tension because of loved ones whose lives may be in jeopardy as they serve their country. Even so, the Lord will bless them daily with prevailing faith, strength, and courage if they only put their trust in him.

When our pilgrim forefathers came to this country, they were unable to provide adequate shelter for their families, and the wintry blasts claimed the lives of half their number. The following summer they harvested none too bountiful a crop; nevertheless, that fall they celebrated that first Thanksgiving. As Governor Bradford wrote, "We gave thanks unto God for the increase of our harvest." They remembered to give "thanks always for all things."

Again in thinking of Paul, we do well to remember that he was ever mindful of the more harsh realities of life. His letter to the Ephesians was written while he was in prison. As he reminded the Corinthians in his second epistle to them, he had been beaten, stoned, shipwrecked, and had experienced almost every type of peril; he had endured weariness, painfulness, hunger, thirst, nakedness, and said "beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches." (2 Corinthians 11: 24-28.) Yet ye could say, "Give thanks always for all things." Surely this is a wonderful demonstration of how God's providential plan is all-sufficient.

A blind Scotch lassie once said, "If I dinna see, there's naeboddy in the glen can hear like me. There's not a footstep of a Dromtochty man comes to the door but that I can tell his name, and there's not voice oot on the road that I cannot tell. The birds sing sweeter to me than to anybody else. I've lost naething; my life has been all getting."

So life is what we interpret it to be. As Benjamin Franklin has said, "Some persons grumble because God placed thorns among roses. Why not thank God because he placed roses among the thorns?" Certainly

life is neither a bed of fragrant roses, nor an endless entanglement of thorny bushes. Life is indeed what we interpret it to be.

As you would make your shopping list of gifts for Christmas, so try making one of blessings for Thanksgiving. First, think of all the things you are thankful that you have. Then, when inspiration has failed you, imagine that you now live in wartorn England, France, Italy, Poland, or in Germany. Dream of how you might now be living in Greece, India, China, or in Japan. Perhaps now your list of blessings will be lengthened. Again, make another list of things you do not have that you do not want. How true is the testimony of the Psalmist when he said, "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation."

Should you sense only one blessing, be thankful for it. Thankfulness for one blessing may secure the reception for another, and a greater one. The Samaritan came to thank Jesus for the cure of his leprosy, and received from him the salvation of his soul.

Let us be thankful for our temporal blessings—for our country, our churches, our schools, our industry. Let us be thankful for our homes, for their warmth, for our food and raiment. Let us be thankful for our spiritual blessings—for our salvation through Christ; for our blessed and endless fellowship with God; and for the blessed assurance, not only that he will give us strength for each day, but also that "nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus."

"In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus."

Nile, N. Y.

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

Alfred, N. Y.

At its October meeting in New York City the Board of Trustees of Alfred University agreed to grant the request for retirement made by Dr. J. Nelson Norwood as president of Alfred University, to take effect next spring.

Dr. Norwood became acting president in December 1933 upon the death of Dr. Paul E. Titsworth who had served only since August that year. Reluctantly he moved from his office where he served as dean and as professor of history and political science

from 1910 to the administrative office where he has served ten years, being inaugurated as president in June 1934. Reluctantly he moved, because he was a teacher who liked to teach.

The president of the Board of Trustees of Alfred University has appointed a committee to recommend to the board a successor to President Norwood.

—The Alfred Sun.

De Ruyter, N. Y.

The annual business meeting of the De Ruyter Seventh Day Baptist Church was held on Monday, October 9, 1944. At this all-day meeting, officers were elected, reports read, and several matters of business transacted.

Mr. Harry Parker of Truxton was re-elected as moderator of the church. Two trustees were elected: Leon J. Parker, to succeed himself, and Wendell Burdick to succeed Dewitt B. Coon. Mr. Coon was given a vote of appreciation for his many years of service. Other officers are as follows: assistant moderator, Elna Phillips; clerk, Mrs. Nina Coon, assistant clerk, Lyman Coon; treasurer, Wendell Burdick, assistant treasurer, Lyman Coon; choristers, Wendell Burdick, Mrs. Ethel Dickinson; organist, Mrs. Mildred Blowers, assistant organist, Miss Leola Phillips; head usher, Willard Burdick; correspondent to the denominational paper, The Sabbath Recorder, C. Harmon Dickinson; agent for Sabbath Recorder, Wayne Burdick.

A budget for the year of \$1,528.75 was adopted by the church, and in addition a goal for giving to the denomination was set at \$300.00. The anticipated purchase of a new furnace for the parsonage and labor costs for painting the parsonage raise the budget for this coming year to a considerably higher figure than last year's.

Membership in the De Ruyter Community Council was discussed and an eagerness to co-operate in anything for the betterment of the community was indicated. Wendell Burdick was appointed as representative to the council.

Rev. L. O. Greene was with the De Ruyter Church a few days including Sabbath Day, September 23. There were five meetings in all, including one with the young people. A fine spirit was shown throughout the

meetings. Altogether there were fifteen persons who signed the pledge signifying their desire to try to win at least one person to Christ during the coming year.

On the next week end Rev. Harley Sutton was here to help us with the program of Christian Education in the church. During the noon hour on Sabbath Day the different families ate a picnic lunch together at the church. Dinner was followed by an afternoon service. It was felt by all that these meetings were well worth our time and effort.

At the present time we are having our prayer meetings in the different homes of the church. A special series of studies with "How to be a More Efficient Witness for Christ" as the theme are given at these meetings. At our last service, November 3, there were twenty-two present.

A new furnace has been installed in the parsonage. Those who are familiar with the yellow paint on the De Ruyter parsonage will find that its color is changing the next time they see it. At first plans were made to repaint the house yellow with brown trim to match the church, but due to the limitations in the choice of color due to the war it was decided that white would be better than buff which was the choice. The painting is being done by the pastor on the nice days as they chance to come and on such days as he can spare the time.

Correspondent.

The Sabbath books came from the Tract Society. Many thanks.

Hebron, Pa.

Ordination services were held at the First Hebron Church, October 28, 1944, when Steven Snyder was ordained deacon of The First Hebron Church and Burton Hemphill was ordained deacon of the Hebron Center Church. Rev. Charles Bond of Little Genesee, N. Y., gave an inspiring sermon in the morning on "The Whole Armor of God." A ladies quartet from the First Hebron Church sang "Doing His Will." Zack White of Alfred, N. Y., assisted in the morning service.

After a tureen dinner at the Community Hall, we met at the church for the afternoon meeting which was called to order by Dean A. J. C. Bond of Alfred, N. Y. Dean Bond was chosen to act as moderator of the or-

dination council and Zeruah Stearns to act as clerk.

After the call to ordination of the two deacons, Steven Snyder and Burton Hemphill, they each gave their statements of belief. The charge to the deacons was given by Rev. Alton Wheeler of Nile, N. Y.; The charge to the church was given by Rev. Everett Harris of Alfred, N. Y.; A solo, "The Lord Is My Light," was sung by Rev. Albert Rogers of Alfred Station, N. Y.; dedicatory prayer, by Dr. Walter Greene during the "laying on of hands"; welcoming of the Deacons by Deacon Stearns of the First Hebron Church; and benediction by Pastor Rex Zwiebel.

The churches of the Western Association sent delegates to the service and it seemed that even nature helped to make it a wonderful day. A visiting pastor said, "It was a grand inspiring service—a spiritual thrill for those attending."

Mrs. Don Stearns, Clerk.

Hopkinton, R. I.

A full house in the Second Hopkinton Church greeted the evangelist Rev. Judson Stafford and musicians Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Prati on Sabbath afternoon, October 28. Special music with piano-accordion by Mrs. Prati and guitar by Mr. Prati was featured. The evangelists also taught three of the classes in Bible study.

Mr. Stafford preached a most powerful sermon on "The Crucified Christ," bringing the scenes of the crucifixion to the hearers in a vivid manner. He said the Christ had changed the life of millions of people—"He can not die." Our worship is mockery if not in the spirit of truth. We must be willing to give up the things of this transitory world. If we have not the spirit of Christ we are none of his. Do we mean it when we sing "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go?" Enter into his courts with praise, and by their fruits ye shall know them.

Mr. Stafford and Mr. and Mrs. Prati were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Randolph.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kenyon met with the evangelists and several other guests at the Randolph home for an evening to be remembered.

Talks by Mr. Prati and Rev. Mr. Stafford featured the hours, interspersed with the music of Mr. and Mrs. Prati. Mrs. Sutton showed some lovely colored picture slides.

—The Westerly Sun.

Little Genesee, N. Y.

Oct. 30—The Rev. Mr. Cook of Bolivar was guest speaker at the Seventh Day Baptist Church here, Sabbath morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sanford and son Don, and Rev. and Mrs. Charles Bond and son Ronald, attended the ordination of deacons at the First Hebron Church on Sabbath.

Rev. Harley Sutton and Lyle Palmiter of Alfred Station were overnight guests at the Mark Sanford home on Friday night.

On Sunday afternoon Pastor Bond and Misses Laura Burdick and Virginia Traver went to the County Home at Angelica to conduct a service there.

Miss Anne Beebe of Olean was a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Bond Sabbath day. She attended church here.

The Junior C. E. was organized Sabbath afternoon. The officers are: president, Dick Lundy; vice-president, Mimi Foster; secretary, Margit Winterberger; treasurer, Marilyn Reynolds.

—The Alfred Sun.

Salem, W. Va.

Allen Bond, a senior of Salem College, has been elected president of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Bond has been an active member of this organization for four years.

Wendell Stephan, a senior, has been recently elected vice-president of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Stephan has also been elected treasurer of the Salem College Glee Club. He has been an active member of this vocal organization for four years. With an enrollment of forty-eight members, this club is planning many special programs for the current year.

The Young Women's Christian Association of Salem College has elected Mrs. Audrey Stephan president of their organization.

—The Nortonville News.

The home of Mrs. Ottis F. Swiger on West Virginia Avenue, was the setting for the October business and social meeting of the Fidelity T. E. L. class of the Seventh Day Baptist Sabbath School. Mrs. E. O. Davis gave a comprehensive review of E. Stanley

Jones' book, "Christ of the American Road." Mrs. Isabelle Flanagan was the winner in the bible story contest. During the social session the hostess, Mrs. L. D. Lowther, Mrs. Will Randolph, and Mrs. A. M. Swiger, served refreshments to the twenty-four guests present. They were assisted by Mrs. Ottis Swiger.

—The Salem Herald.

Verona, N. Y.

The Young People's Social Club held a Halloween social in the church parlors on the evening of October 14. George Davis received a prize for the best impersonation; Mrs. H. S. Polan, for the most clever costume; and Muriel Sholtz, for the prettiest costume.

The quarterly meeting of the Verona Town Council of Religious Education was held in Durhamville Baptist Church Thursday evening, October 19. Rev. Mr. Otter, pastor of the First M. E. Church at Oneida was the speaker. Miss Herrick was guest soloist. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Howard Davis. The M. E. Church of Verona was awarded the attendance banner.

The Young People's Club invited the young people of the Bartlett Baptist Church where Pastor Polan preaches to join them in a Halloween party at the home of Allison Smith. About forty ghosts and goblins were present to enjoy the occasion. Prizes were given Jean Sholtz for the prettiest costume and David Williams for the most original.

The Doer's Sabbath School Class was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams for their October meeting.

Our all-day church service was held November 4; Pastor Polan preached the morning sermon. Following Sabbath school, dinner was served. In the afternoon a workers conference was held. The C. E. society met for their meeting and Mrs. Polan was leader for the children's Loyal Temperance Legion. Several children had short papers on different kinds of liquor telling how they are made and their harmful effects. Others told about tobacco and cigars.

In the evening about eighty attended a reception at the parsonage for Pvt. and Mrs. George Sorenson who were recently married. Pvt. Sorenson is a son of the late Rev. George Sorenson a former pastor of our

church. After an interesting program Pastor Polan, in behalf of friends in our church, neighbors, and the Young People's Club presented the bride and groom with a wool blanket. They also received other gifts.

The October meeting of the Ladies' Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Sholtz. Mrs. Alva Warner had charge of the worship program. Red Cross sewing was the work for the day. Correspondent.

Obituary

Ball. — Mrs. M. Luella Higley, daughter of John R. and Sarah M. Hedge Higley, was born in Homer Township, Potter County, Pa., and died at the home of her younger sister, Mrs. Hazel Bunker in Corydon, Pa., October 21, 1944.

In 1884 she was married to Lewis R. Ball of Hebron Center, Pa. After the death of her husband in 1935 and with declining health she made her home with her sister and family in Corydon, Pa. She was a loyal member of the Hebron Center Church and is highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

She is survived by Mrs. Hazel Bunker, Mrs. Frank Hardy, Mr. George Higley, and Mrs. Frank Higley.

Farewell services were conducted at the Schutt Funeral Home at Coudersport, Pa., by Rev. Walter L. Greene of Andover, assisted by Pastor Rex E. Zwiebel. Interment was in the Ford Hill Cemetery near Hebron, Pa.

W. L. G.

Burdick. — Mary P., daughter of Horace W. and Sarah Davis Palmiter, was born May 7, 1854, in Hartsville, N. Y., and died October 12, 1944, at Bethesda Hospital, Hornell, N. Y., following a long illness.

She was the wife of Samuel D. Burdick who preceded her in death many years. She was a member of the Hartsville Seventh Day Baptist Church, serving as clerk of that church for many years. She was baptized by Elder Nathan V. Hull. In earlier years she was a successful school teacher and had also served as a practical nurse.

Survivors are her brother, Judson; two nephews, Saverne and Shirley Palmiter; and one niece, Mrs. Judson Stearns.

Farewell services were conducted in the First Alfred Parish House with Rev. Everett T. Harris officiating. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

E. T. H.

Comstock. — Edgar De Will, was born at Orwell, N. Y., February 15, 1857, and passed away at the home of his oldest daughter, Mildred Comstock Davis, of Union City, Mich., on October 3, 1944, where he had gone recently for a visit.

His early years were passed in northern New York State. He owned and operated a harness shop in Leonardsville, N. Y., for several years. In 1898 he moved to Custer County, Neb., where

he farmed for about twenty-five years. Thereafter much of his time was spent with his sons in Illinois. In 1881 he was married to Nettie Crandall at Brookfield, N. Y., and three children were born to this union: Ralph J., Mildred C. Davis, and Edgar D. Comstock, Jr. His wife passed away in 1895. In 1897 he was married to Jennie Freel of Leonardsville, N. Y., who passed away in 1929. Four children were born to this union: Donald F., Myron P., Leonard G., and Martha Jane C. O'Malley. He was always a strong believer in the finer things in life, and he impressed on his children the importance of honesty, temperance, and clean living. He had been a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church for many years.

In addition to the children mentioned above he is survived by his sister, Martha Vandenberg, and his brothers, John and William. Twenty-five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren survive him.

He was laid to rest in Douglas Grove Cemetery near Comstock, Neb.

J. W. Comstock.

Phillips. — Henry W., son of Albion and Mary Jane Harper Phillips, was born April 18, 1862, at Lincklaen, N. Y., and died at his home in De Ruyter, N. Y., October 11, 1944.

He was united in marriage January 17, 1886, in the Lincklaen Center Seventh Day Baptist Church to Mary Amanda Justice, who died August 16, 1943. To them were born four daughters, three of whom survive: Mrs. Bessie Henshaw, Mrs. Mildred Blowers, and Miss Leola Phillips of De Ruyter.

Early in life he joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church of De Ruyter and for many years served as one of the trustees. He was a successful farmer in the community and always interested in community affairs.

Farewell services were conducted by the pastor and assisted by Rev. A. L. Briddon. The burial, assisted by the I.O.O.F. was in the Hillcrest Cemetery, De Ruyter.

C. H. D.

Prentice. — Lily LaForge, daughter of Abial T. and Margaret Getchell LaForge, was born in New York City, March 16, 1875, and died at the W. R. C. Home in Oxford, N. Y., on October 3, 1944.

She was orphaned at the age of five, and she and her twin sister, Mrs. Rose Maxson, were raised by an aunt, Mrs. Susan LaForge Potter. At the age of fifteen she was baptized and joined the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church. In later years, she moved her membership to the New York City Church, and she remained a consistent and faithful member the rest of her life. One June 27, 1897, she married Alfred C. Prentice, and to them were born two children: a son Carlyle and a daughter Margaret.

She is survived by her husband, her daughter, her son, two grandchildren, two brothers, and her twin.

Services were held in the Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx, N. Y., conducted by Victor W. Skaggs of New Market.

V. W. S.

Teegardin. — Sgt. Leslie Dean, son of Jay and Mildred Teegardin, was born August 20, 1918, in Angola, Ind.

He was united in marriage with Hazel Jeanice Crandall, February 23, 1940. He was inducted into the army in July, 1943. He was wounded in wrist and forearm in the first ten minutes of D Day invasion of Normandy; he was hospitalized in England. Word came that he was slightly wounded on September 1, and a telegram came September 10 saying that he had died from wounds. He received the purple heart and is in line for an oak-leaf cluster. He was a valued friend to the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Battle Creek where his wife is a member.

He is survived by his family; his wife, Jeanice; and two children, Larry Dean and Karyl Lynn.

Memorial service was held in the church at 4:45 p.m., Sabbath, November 4, in charge of Rev. G. D. Hargis.

G. D. H.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR DECEMBER 2, 1944

World-wide Christian Fellowship

Scripture—John 17: 18-23; 1 Corinthians 1: 1-3; 12: 4-14; 2 Corinthians 8: 19.

Golden Text—John 17: 20, 21.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, TANYA

From your American friends

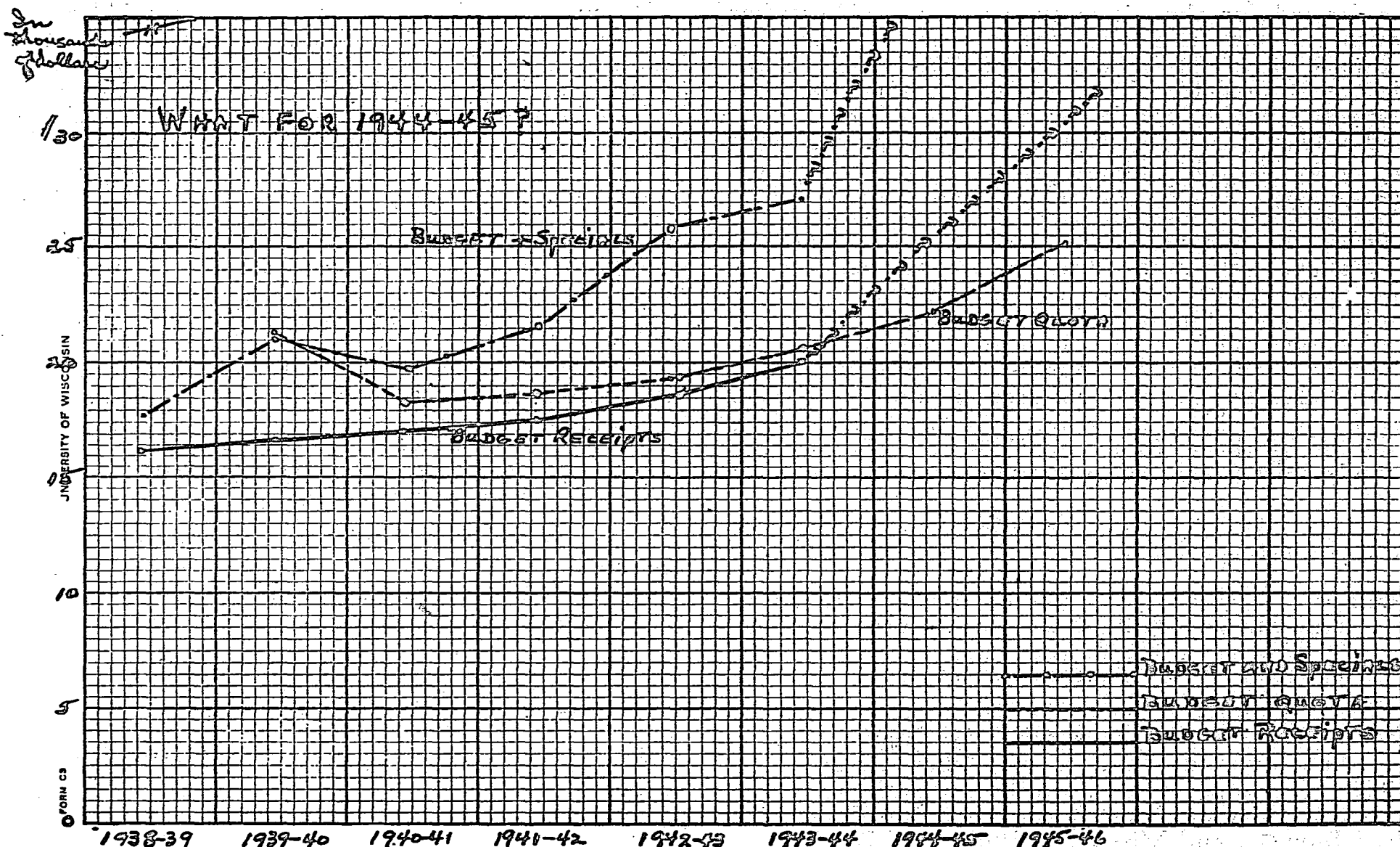
Tanya Skorovina saw her very first Christmas tree in a Leningrad hospital. She has known only war in her brief three years of life, and the frightening shock and wounds a Nazi shell can bring. Tanya's mother isn't with her. She died in the second year of Leningrad's siege. Her father lies among the honored dead at Stalingrad.

Tanya, and three million more like her, will have a brighter Christmas in 1944. The enemy is finally brought to bay and they need no longer live in fear of crippling bombs and Nazi overlords. Life is secure, but life is hard in a devastated, war-torn land.

American hearts are warm to Russia's children, orphaned by the war. Now in this Christmas season Americans can warm the hearts and bodies of Russia's Tanyas through Russian War Relief's campaign to send them a Christmas shipload of warm, attractive new clothes. Your organization can help us send the real and personal message to our small allies that we will not forget their sacrifice in our common cause.

For further information and campaign materials, see your local Russian War Relief Committee or write to: Russian War Relief, Inc., 5 Cedar Street, New York 5, N. Y.

(Russian War Relief, a participating agency of the National War Fund, does not solicit or accept cash contributions for the purchase of gifts in this campaign.)



LOOKING AHEAD

In the October 16 issue of the Sabbath Recorder appeared the Conference message prepared by Professor Leland W. Hulett of Milton concerning the "Need of a Reserve Fund." This "rough" graph was prepared by him at the request of the Committee to Advance the Financial Program; it shows the trend in budget receipts since 1939 as compared with the budget quota. The series of question marks is inserted simply for emphasis. Budget receipts have never equalled the quota during the period illustrated; it took the specials to bring the line above the quota. The graph for 1944-45 suggests that this year we should try to get budget receipts above the quota and let the specials be "extras."

"Why don't you get some new toys?" said the modern mother to the toy dealer. "You are selling the very same kind that I had when I was a girl."
 "Ah, madam," replied the wise old toy dealer, "what need of new toys when we have new children all the time?"—Texas Outlook.

DO I HEAR A SECOND?

Brother Hulett's article in the Recorder of October 16 rang true to many of us. So, let's do something about it! For what are we waiting? Come on with your approvals—backed by a bill or two. We know it's right! Let's do it! —Paul Mahoney, California.

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REV. VICTOR W. SKAGGS
 Pastor of the Piscataway Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Market, N. J.
 (See this issue for his statement of belief and the summary of his ordination service.)

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