

# The Sabbath Recorder

## PROPOSED CALENDAR CHANGE

"One of the inherent characteristics of practically all religions is that of SACRED TIME, and no calendar should be considered that denies to any group their rights therein."

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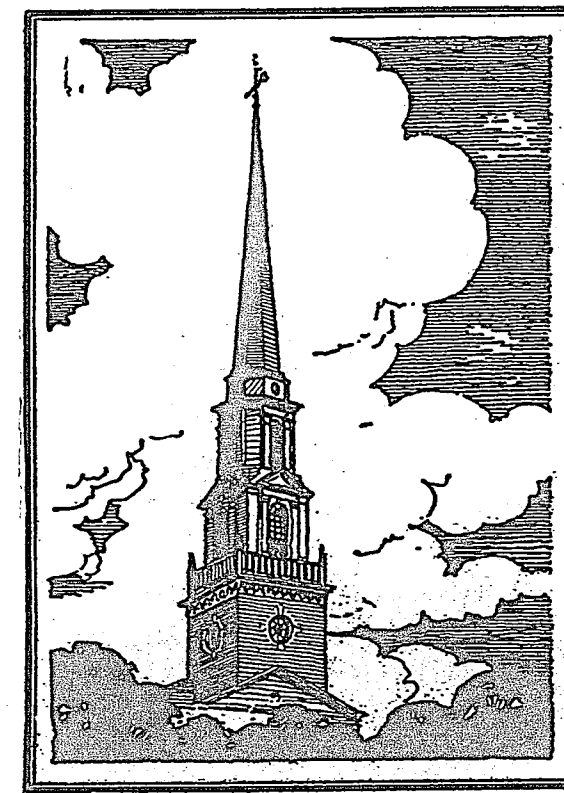
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## PAX VOBISCUM

*F*RIEND, you have come to this Church, leave it not without a prayer. No man entering a house ignores him who dwells in it. This is the House of God and HE is here.

*PRAY* then to Him Who loves you & bids you welcome and awaits your greeting.

*GIVE THANKS* for those who in past ages built this place to His glory & for those who, dying that we might live, have preserved for us our heritage.

*PRAISE GOD* for His gifts of beauty in painting & architecture, handicraft & music.

*ASK* that we who now live may build the spiritual fabric of the nation in TRUTH, BEAUTY & GOODNESS & that as we draw near to the ONE FATHER through our LORD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST we may draw nearer to one another in perfect brotherhood.

*The Lord* preserve thy going out and thy coming in.

The original of the greeting printed here appears in Canterbury Cathedral, England. The message has particular significance for the age in which we live.

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## Editorials

### A YEAR AFTER

**T**WELVE MONTHS have passed since the shooting stopped. What has happened in that time? How much progress have we made toward a lasting, Christian peace? Where is the ex-GI? What is he doing? How has the veteran faced the problems of reconversion to civilian life? What has the church done for the veteran?

These and similar vital problems ought to be seriously considered. Conscientious, prayerful contemplation will help toward right answers to the questions.

Various opinions about the problems of the world today have been compiled for this issue of the Sabbath Recorder. No attempt has been made to cover the subject completely; neither time nor space would permit. However, we hope a constructive line of thought will be started.

Recorder records about Seventh Day Baptist ex-service men are very incomplete. We would welcome letters telling about the present activities of those who served in any way during the war. If veterans have problems, we would be happy to refer them to proper authorities. A number of our own young men who were in uniform are now serving with various veteran organizations. They are in position to understand many matters of special interest to ex-GI's and have volunteered their help to other Seventh Day Baptists.

That spirit of mutual helpfulness points up one of the urgent needs of the day as we enter the second postwar year. Christian people must unite and work together if the ideals for which we strive are to be attained.

It has been said that courageous and inspired leadership and self-sacrificing heroism among all ranks won World War II. That is true. And someone has wisely added, "It will take leadership just as courageous and inspired and heroism among all ranks just as self-sacrificing to win the 'battles' of peace."

### A SURE DEFENSE

By Maeanna Cheserton-Mangle

**T**HE YEAR II in the Atomic Age is here. It is just twelve months since that fateful August 6, when the bomb that shook the world fell on Hiroshima. Having plumbed the deepest secret of Nature, man now holds in his hands the power to build a new world—or, like Sampson of old, to bring the present world crashing about his ears.

It is a frightening thought. And the scientists who produced the atomic bomb offer no hope. They know whereof they speak. They pull no punches in their forecasts: "In an atomic war," they say, "even the winner would be almost certain to lose all his cities and half his people. . . . Other nations can have atomic bombs within three to five years. . . . There is no defense, nor is there likely to be."

There is much to fear—but not the atomic bomb as such. Bombs do not drop by themselves. Their terrifying power is unleashed by man. In God's Word we are told to "Fear not those who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." What we have to fear lies within man—the outmoded spirit of nationalism, the selfish prejudices of race and creed that lead mankind to destruction.

The explosive forces of jealousy, rivalry, and bigotry are far more dangerous than any atomic bomb. For they can shatter the very foundation of peace, the understanding

between peoples and nations. Without the essential bulwark, only the power of God can prevent power-hungry leaders from fanning, once again, the flames of race hatred and religious prejudice, inciting men to trample on their neighbors and plunge the world into another war. General Eisenhower, speaking before the Commission of Army and Navy Chaplains in Washington last spring, warned us that "unless there is moral regeneration throughout the world, there is no hope for mankind, and we will all disappear in the dust of an atomic explosion."

"I believe," he said, "in organization as much as in moral regeneration. Through the Church, the forces of tolerance, good will, and sympathy may be used to save the world. We must show the world what can be accomplished by tolerance, love, and the appreciation of the hopes and fears of other peoples."

There is a defense that will save us from atomic ruin, but science cannot discover it for us. Our "defense is of God which saveth the upright in heart." "God is our refuge

### PIN POINT EDITORIALS

**The only conquests which are permanent, and leave no regrets, are our conquests over ourselves.**  
—Napoleon.

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#### Lest We Forget

General Jonathan Wainwright, hero of Corregidor, wrote the following prayer which we would do well to ponder as we enter the second year after the war's end:

O God, our Father, today we give thee thanks for the things we take for granted: for freedom, for security of life, for food and shelter, and the presence of loved ones. We thank thee that men long denied these blessings have, through sacrifice and pain, once more attained them.

We thank thee that once again men may have hope, opportunity to work and plan for a better future, a chance to secure peace, and an ampler life for themselves and their children.

Keep us humble in the day of victory, make us wise in the presence of great problems, strong and brave in face of any danger, and sympathetic and generous as we face the appalling need of a war-torn world.

In gratitude for all those who paid the price of victory, we now ask thy guidance as we dedicate ourselves to that cause for which they gave their last whole measure of devotion. Lord of hosts, be with us yet, lest we forget! Amen.

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**All governments are like wheelbarrows—useful instruments, but they need to be pushed.**

—The Bishop of Sheffield.

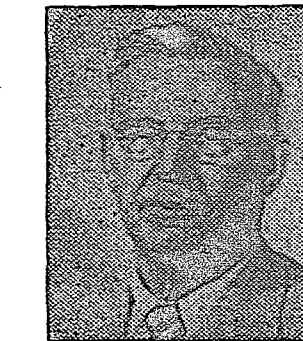
and our strength, a very present help in trouble." Even as only he can deliver us from our sin, so only he can deliver us from the wages of sin. Only he can develop within us the power of understanding and brotherhood. Only he can "create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us" so that free peoples of all races, creeds, and countries can work together in harmony and peace. The place to perfect this is first within our own hearts. Thus, as willing vehicles for him, that spirit of love will spread from our homes, our farms, our neighbors, our schools, factories, and churches to all peoples.

If we believe with David that "power becometh unto God," we, through him, can build a defense against even an atomic age, a defense that will scoff at those who threaten the body but cannot touch the soul.

### FIRST THINGS FIRST

#### Antiques

"It is three hundred years old." "George Washington slept here." "It was a prized possession of Buffalo Bill." "It came over in the Mayflower."



P. B. Hurley

We pay high prices for furniture and other things because it is the latest. We pay more because it is old or the oldest. Comfort or usefulness does not always enter into the consideration.

If the Van De Squeezers have it, we certainly cannot be without it regardless of price. We discard it because it is old. The other fellow buys it for the same reason and pays much more than we received.

What makes value? Are there priceless treasures? Do we not have one of those "priceless possessions"? What are we going to do with it?

The name "Seventh Day Baptist" is one of the oldest names in denominational history—a good name, a good history with an enviable reputation throughout that history; a reputation paid for by our forefathers in countless privations and in many cases persecutions.

Shall we discard all this because some have become careless with their treatment of it or because it is old? Shall we let it go into decay even though it has the best Biblical foundation ever? Why not take out some of those weak timbers—careless-

ness, indifference, selfishness, prayerlessness, etc.—then put into their places determination, alertness, love, and devotion? Then let us work together for the building of a larger, more nearly perfect, enduring structure. Why not get out of the antique class and still build our values on the Bible and do it with the use of modern methods to produce the rapidly growing people of God we should be?

We have something really valuable. Why not SELL it to the world?

P. B. Hurley,  
Conference President.



## STUDY to show thyself approved UNTO GOD

### THAT I MIGHT KNOW HIM

Thoughts from Philippians 3: 4-11

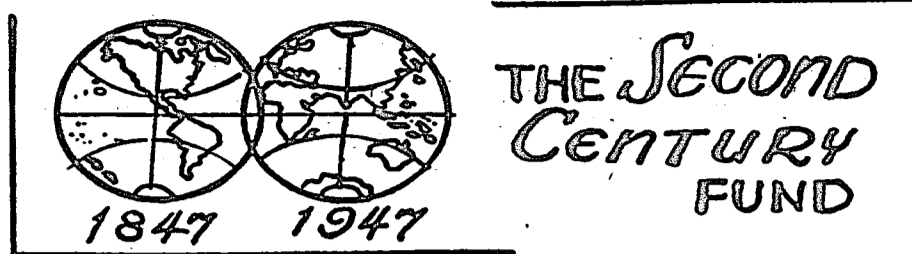
By Rev. Ralph H. Coon

"If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless." Philippians 3: 4-11.

The teachings of this passage are the same for us today as they were for the Christians in Paul's day. The specific aspects of the flesh in which we may be trusting are different, but the spirit of the passage applies to us. May I paraphrase these verses to bring them closer home to us?

Are we not tempted to trust in the flesh and say, "I have whereof I might trust; a Seventh Day Baptist, baptized by immersion, a member of a church which has for generations been considered one of the substantial churches of the denomination; concerning zeal, a regular attendant at church and a generous contributor to the Lord's work; as touching righteousness, a strict observer of the Sabbath as well as the other commandments."

I wonder how many of us can truthfully add with Paul, "But all that was gain to me, for Christ's sake I have reckoned as loss. . . . For his sake I have suffered the loss of everything that I may win Christ." (Weymouth.)



Total gifts and pledges, August 1, 1946,  
by church affiliation:

*Adams Center .....	\$ 99.00
*Albion .....	20.00
*Alfred .....	1,591.29
Alfred Station .....	147.50
*Ashaway .....	550.00
*Battle Creek .....	629.20
Berea .....	90.00
*Berlin .....	203.00
Boulder .....	253.00
*Brookfield, First .....	49.00
*Brookfield, Second .....	125.00
*Chicago .....	354.50
*Daytona Beach .....	152.05
*Denver .....	177.65
*De Ruyter .....	644.00
Dodge Center .....	63.50
Edinburg .....	75.58
Farina .....	228.35
*Fouke .....	5.00
*Gentry .....	23.26
*Hammond .....	100.00
*Healdsburg-Ukiah .....	42.40
*Hebron, First .....	80.70
*Hopkinton, Second .....	45.00
*Independence .....	352.00
Irvington .....	75.00
Jackson Center .....	185.00
Little Genesee .....	40.00
*Los Angeles .....	172.00
Lost Creek .....	10.00
*Marlboro .....	150.00
*Milton .....	653.80
Milton Junction .....	558.50
*Nady .....	15.00
*New Auburn .....	146.00
New York City .....	582.00
*Nile .....	115.85
*North Loup .....	460.23
*Nortonville .....	115.00
Oakdale .....	50.00
Piscataway .....	94.94
*Plainfield .....	1,235.55
Richburg .....	145.00
*Riverside .....	377.30
Rockville .....	185.50
*Salem .....	487.50

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Personal acquaintance with the Master, as we abide in him and work with him and for him, is the great thing to strive for. All obedience, all fruitful living, all joy, and all heavenly glory follow naturally. Let us keep our eyes on him!

## TIME FOR A DEPARTMENT OF PEACE

"If America does not take the leadership of keeping the peoples of the world together, utter chaos is going to result."

By Representative Jennings Randolph (West Virginia)

I FEEL that the time has come, and perhaps it is long overdue, when in the Cabinet of the United States we should have a secretary who would be definitely charged with the leadership of the United States of America in connection with the formulation of policies for peace. In compliance with my conviction, in June, 1945, I introduced H. R. 3628, a bill to create a Department of Peace. The bill on which the House Committee has held hearings is as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) there shall be at the seat of the Government an executive department to be known as the Department of Peace, at the head of which shall be a Secretary of Peace, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and who shall receive compensation at the rate of \$15,000 per annum.

The bill further provides for an Under Secretary of Peace similarly appointed.

Section II reads:

The Secretary of Peace shall have the duty—

(a) Of formulating and publicizing educational programs for promoting better understanding of the other peoples of the world and better understanding of the fundamental principles of international relations and of co-operation among nations;

(b) Of encouraging the interchange of ideas and persons between colleges, churches, civic organizations, and other institutions, organizations, and groups in the United States, on the one hand, and other similar institutions, organizations, and groups in other countries, on the other hand; and

(c) Of assisting educational institutions and religious organizations in the United States in formulating educational programs dealing with international relations, international co-operation, and the problems of peace.

I certainly have a very strong feeling that there is no reason to have conflict between a Department of Peace and the State Department. I think the State Department is charged with many duties that would not come under the scope of the Secretary of Peace. The trade relations and the structure which the Secretary of State heads involving matters of diplomacy between coun-



tries and with any number of subjects, I do not believe would be the proper function of a Secretary of Peace.

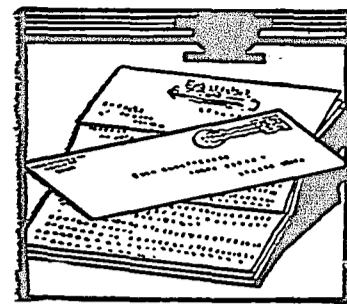
I feel that just now there is a need, more urgent than ever before, for the Committee on Foreign Affairs to focus its eyes on our own government structure. A special place where men are charged with jurisdiction would fall in a Department of Peace rather than in the War and Navy Departments or State Department.

We are living in a world where distances have shrunk to such a degree that, by means of planes, within approximately fifty hours from the time we leave our country we are in contact with people in any other part of the earth. Because it is absolutely necessary that we realize that the barriers that formerly kept people apart are gone, it is my personal feeling that it is utter folly to believe that we can keep secret the atomic bomb and other defensive warfare. This would raise a suspicion among other countries and cause them to develop substitutes which will be just as deadly and perhaps more so.

That the nations now are seeking to live as one family, does not take away my responsibility to work for the defense of this nation. Rather I feel that we are living in a new world; and if America does not take the leadership of keeping the peoples of the world together, utter chaos is going to result. It is my hope that America may assume this leadership in effective machinery for the continuing program to eliminate war.

Not only has David Lawrence, the columnist and student of public affairs, endorsed the proposals in H. R. 3628 but he has cited others with similar convictions. He says:

Senator Wiley of Wisconsin, Republican, had a good idea about this and made a speech about it in the Senate a year ago. He suggested that a department of peace be established to concentrate and specialize on the maintenance of peace. Nothing came of it because at the time America was engrossed in war. Now the United Nations has set up an organization and the time has come for



## LITTLE LETTERS TO LOVED ONES

By Pearle Halladay

My Dearest:

I am so glad for the great happiness that has come to you. Truly it is the gift of our heavenly Father. Surely you will remember Ephesians 5:20, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Sometimes there are cloudy days; but when the sun does break through the clouds, every raindrop is turned into a sparkling jewel and when burdens are lifted from our hearts, every tear turns into a beautiful rainbow.

What are you going to do with this precious gift! You can use it in such a way that it will grow to be not only a greater blessing to yourself but also to those around you. Some of our greatest blessings are not seen with our eyes or heard with the outer ear, but they are very real and help us to the "more abundant life" the Master said he came to give.

I am sure that the joy in your heart will overflow and gladness will touch the lives of others. Can there be a happier way to live than to share our blessings?

Lovingly,

I have learned that money is not the measure of a man, but it is often the means of finding out how small he is. — Smith.

America to take the lead in establishing a special department of government to carry on the all-important work of our participation in such a league.

It is necessary that we seek to co-operate with other nations toward the end that world aggression be ended and that fair international relationships be established on a permanent basis along with a good neighbor policy.

There must be a Christian basis for peace. We are perhaps guilty of not fully practicing the religion which we profess. We must be ready to conquer the dark forces working to bring a spiritual depression to the world. Victory begins in the heart. We are in real danger of being ill-equipped morally to meet the issues of peace. Christians can and should lead the way to an end of war—built on the never-dying doctrines of the Christ. — Submitted by the author and reprinted by permission from The Chaplain.

## SERVICE MEN'S CHRISTIAN LEAGUE

The Service Men's Christian League, outliving World War II, continues to minister permanently in the Army and the Navy.

As explained by Rev. Ivan M. Gould, general secretary of the league, merger with the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains provides a permanent basis for the program and activity of the war-born league.

"The Service Men's Christian League was organized in 1942 as the extension of the youth and adult fellowship groups of the Protestant churches of America in the armed forces," says Mr. Gould.

Mr. Gould states that thousands of local units of the Service Men's Christian League were organized during the war and many are still in operation. In addition, units are being formed now in permanent and semi-permanent bases. "The Link" continues to serve these groups as a monthly magazine with feature articles, illustrations, and program helps that aid and interest service men and women.

The timely message to those now in Army and Navy uniforms closes with this paragraph:

"A Christian fellowship of service men and women in the armed forces is of the utmost importance. Join such a fellowship, or if there is no unit near at hand, start one with the help of your chaplain. Remember that provision is now made for league units to continue permanently in the Army and Navy. We hope this merger will reassure those who hesitate before starting a fellowship group. Confident of the value of the league and secure in the provisions for the future, we can say, "Full Steam Ahead!"

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP RENDERS SERVICE TO CHURCH

Many churches across the country are seeking ways and means of putting returned GI's back into church and community service.

In St. Alban's Protestant Episcopal Church, Highland Park, Mich., the veterans have organized a Young People's Fellowship for single persons and married couples eighteen to thirty-five years of age. One of the group's first jobs was to soundproof a parish house room as a kindergarten, and to hold kindergarten classes there during the regular morn-

## REV. LUTHER W. CRICHLAW ELECTED PASTOR OF PEOPLE'S CHURCH AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Installation services of Rev. Luther W. Crichlow as pastor of the People's Seventh Day Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., were held on Sunday, July 21, at 3.30 o'clock.

Dean A. J. C. Bond of the School of Theology, Alfred, N. Y., preached the installation sermon; Rev. Lester G. Osborn, pastor of the Shiloh, N. J., Church, brought the Scripture lesson; and Rev. Harold E. Snide, pastor of the Evangelical Seventh Day Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., gave the charge to the church.

The charge to the pastor was given by Rev. Jerry A. Moore, Jr., pastor of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, and greetings were brought by Rev. D. F. Johnson, chaplain in the U. S. Army Reserve Corps, and by Col. West A. Hamilton, representing the office of the Secretary of War. Rev. W. M. Rustin led in prayer; Brother Leo Oxley was master of ceremonies.

Special musical numbers on the program were offered by Mrs. Lillian W. Crichlow, Mrs. Ruth Larkins, Mrs. Ella Bryan, and Miss Lillian Giles.

The Sunday installation service climaxed a week of special meetings. Beginning Monday evening, July 15, various church leaders, their congregations, and prominent laymen of Washington, D. C., met each evening to present programs in connection with Mr. Crichlow's installation. Sabbath morning worship was highlighted by a sermon from Dean Bond. A concluding service was held Monday evening as an appreciation of Elder George Steele and a reception for Mr. and Mrs. Crichlow.

The new pastor was born in Yazoo City, Miss., May 7, 1910. In 1935 he was grad-

ing church hour. The fellowship has secured and trained teachers for the lower grades in the church school, provides a choir from their numbers for the early morning communion service, and has taken charge of some of the regular church suppers. The fellowship has sixty members.

—W. W. Reid.

uated from Howard University with an A.B. degree. He was graduated from the School of Theology at Alfred with the class of 1938 receiving a B.D. degree. His ordination took place in Washington, D. C., October 9, 1938.

From November, 1938, to December, 1943, Mr. Crichlow was the missionary in charge of the Seventh Day Baptist mission work in Jamaica, B. W. I.



Rev. Luther W. Crichlow

In February, 1944, he entered the Chaplain's School, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. With the rank of first lieutenant, the chaplain was assigned to duty in March with the 494th Quartermaster Battalion, then stationed at Camp Ellis, Ill. With that battalion he went overseas in June.

During twenty-three months' service in the Pacific Theater, Chaplain Crichlow saw duty with the 481st and 387th Port Battalions, the 1865th Engineer Aviation Battalion, the 1871st Engineer Battalion, and the 1321st Engineer Regiment.

Chaplain Crichlow was separated from the service at Fort Meade, Md., and reverted to inactive status on April 12, 1946. He was elected pastor of the People's Church on June 1.

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.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society was held July 28, 1946, in the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson.

Members of the board present were Dr. Edwin Whitford, George B. Utter, Karl G. Stillman, Rev. William L. Burdick, Mrs. Alexander P. Austin, Lloyd B. Langworthy, Rev. Eli F. Loofboro, Mrs. James G. Waite, Mrs. G. Carlton Irish, Mrs. Harold R. Crandall, Rev. Paul S. Burdick, Rev. David S. Clarke, Rev. Harold R. Crandall.

Guests attending were Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, Dr. George Thorngate, Mrs. W. L. Burdick, Mrs. Etta Whitford, Mrs. Edwin Whitford, Mrs. H. G. Whipple, Mrs. Eli F. Loofboro, Rev. and Mrs. A. J. C. Bond, Miss Bernice Whipple, Miss Mary Whipple, Professor H. O. Burdick, Leland Davis.

The quarterly and monthly reports of the treasurer were presented and approved. The quarterly report and statement of condition as of June 30, 1946, were approved and ordered recorded. The annual report of the treasurer, July 1, 1945, to June 30, 1946, was received, approved, and ordered printed with the annual reports.

The quarterly report of the corresponding secretary was received, approved, and ordered recorded.

The annual report of the board was presented by Secretary W. L. Burdick. It was received and ordered printed as the annual report of the board to the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society and General Conference.

The quarterly report of the assistant to the secretary, Rev. David S. Clarke, was approved, received, and ordered recorded.

The annual report of Rev. David S. Clarke, covering the seven months of his employment as the assistant to the secretary, was approved, received, and ordered to be printed with the annual reports of the board.

Leland Davis, who has been engaged to do work in the field for the summer, was present, introduced, and spoke briefly.

For the China Committee, George B. Utter, chairman, said there had been no meeting of the committee. He said the feeling of the committee was that no actual new construction could be done in China at the present time because of the inflation of money values and the difficulty of securing material.

Dr. George Thorngate, recently returned from China where he has been with the Navy, spoke on the needs of the field and said the order of the needs, as he saw them in China, were as follows:

1. Repairs to property. He recommends \$2,000.
2. New workers—a man and wife—should be sent this autumn.
3. Church at Shanghai should be enlarged, and a parsonage should be built for the native pastor.
4. When possible a medical hospital should be built for the care of tuberculosis patients. A small clinic should be opened in Liuho.
5. The destroyed chapel in the Old City should be rebuilt to be used as a chapel and school.

Dr. Edwin Whitford, for the Missionary-Evangelistic Committee, read many letters from the workers in the home fields.

Lloyd Langworthy, chairman of the American Tropics Committee, presented a letter from the missionary, Rev. Wardner T. Fitz Randolph, dated July 24, 1946, and received July 27.

Karl G. Stillman, chairman of the Ministerial Relief Committee, presented the report on ministerial relief. The report was received, approved, and ordered recorded.

During the quarter ended June 30, 1946, monthly payments of \$10 each have been continued to Rev. R. R. Thorngate and Mrs. George P. Kenyon, and no change in rate or beneficiary is recommended for the next quarter. These payments are being made out of the General Fund of the society thus allowing the income from endowments to accumulate for future use. The sum of \$191.47 has been earned on these endowments during the past six months and added to our reserve increasing its total to \$606.93.

Karl G. Stillman also presented the Investment Committee report. It was received, approved, and ordered recorded.

The budget for 1947 was referred to the Budget Committee with power to act.

The Conference Program Committee reported their plans. The report was approved. The speakers will be Karl G. Stillman, Dr. George Thorngate, Rev. David S. Clarke, Rev. Zack H. White.

The treasurer reported that Dr. Ben R. Crandall is willing to go to Jamaica to make a survey for the needs of the school there. It was voted that he be sent.

The treasurer reported for the Second Century Fund that already \$15,730.60 has been pledged, and he said he is confident that the total will go well over \$30,000. The report was received and approved.

It was voted that the sum of \$949.16 be transferred from the Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Fund to the Second Century Fund.

Two requests for aid were received. One request came from the Piscataway church in New Jersey.

Voted: That the request be granted after investigation.

The People's Church in Washington, D. C. has employed Rev. Luther W. Crichlow. The church asks for temporary help. A letter from Mr. Crichlow told of his plans.

Voted: That an appropriation amounting to \$50 a month be made for the People's Church of Washington.

Voted: That the expenditure of \$530.49 for the multigraph be approved.

The treasurer said the time is near at hand when we should send someone to England and Germany to investigate the situation there.

Voted: That the treasurer be authorized to negotiate with Dr. Corliss F. Randolph about the trip to Europe in another year.

Voted: That the treasurer enter into a lease agreement with the Washington Trust Company for a room in the Washington Trust Building at the price of \$306 a year.

Voted: That \$500 be appropriated for furnishing the office of the board.

Voted: That the Second Century Fund be distributed according to the following schedule.

China .....	40.0%	\$10,000.00
Jamaica .....	22.5%	5,626.00
United States .....	22.5%	5,625.00
Germany .....	10.0%	2,500.00
Administration .....	5.0%	1,250.00
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		\$25,000.00

Assuming an oversubscription of \$10,000 the additional amounts will be apportioned as follows, or in any event will be prorated according to the percentages shown.

China .....	30%	\$ 3,000.00
Jamaica .....	10%	1,000.00
United States .....	30%	3,000.00
British Guiana .....	10%	1,000.00
Australia and New Zealand .....	20%	2,000.00
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		\$10,000.00

Voted: That four pastors be employed by the board to work under the direction of the assistant to the secretary, such pastors to be selected by the officers of the board.

Voted: That the recommendations of Dr. Thorngate be referred to the China Committee with particular attention to the first two recommendations, with power to act.

The minutes were read and approved. The meeting adjourned at 5:55.

George B. Utter,  
Recording Secretary.

SECOND CENTURY FUND  
(Continued from page 136)

Salemville .....	41.85
*Shiloh .....	279.57
*Stonefort .....	30.00
Syracuse .....	25.00
*Verona .....	124.75
Walworth .....	20.00
Washington (People's) .....	20.00
Waterford .....	71.00
*Westerly .....	2,792.00
White Cloud .....	75.00
*Miscellaneous .....	410.26
*Associations, camps, etc. ....	196.02
†Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Fund .....	949.16
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	\$16,989.76

\* Indicates an increase since the report of July 1, 1946.

† This sum represents funds previously set aside by the Missionary Society for reconstruction and rehabilitation and was transferred to the Second Century Fund by action of the Society at its July meeting.

"God loveth a cheerful giver."

David S. Clarke,  
Secretary.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON  
FOR AUGUST 24, 1946

Jesus and Right Use of Property

Basic Scripture: Exodus 20: 15; Deuteronomy 25: 13; 27: 17; Proverbs 30: 7-9; Micah 2: 2, 3; Matthew 5: 40-42; 6: 19-34; Luke 6: 27-36; 19: 1-8, 45, 46; 2 Corinthians 13: 7

Memory Selection: Matthew 6: 20, 21

## Woman's Work

Frances Davis, Salem, W. Va.

### WOMEN'S BOARD HOUR AT GENERAL CONFERENCE

	Friday, August 23, 2:30 - 4:30	
2:30	Devotions	Mrs. Paul Maxson
2:40	Theme: Co-operation in Operation; Workers Together with God	
		Several Workers
3:05	Co-operation in Evangelism	
		Rev. L. O. Greene, Promoter of Evangelism
3:25	Special Music	
3:30	A Christian's Responsibility for World Peace	
		Mr. Ottis Swiger
3:40	Christian Co-operation for World Order and Peace	
		Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell, Executive Secretary, United Council of Church Women
4:20	Moments of Consecration	

### ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED

The Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference makes the following annual report (1945-1946) through its Board of Directors.

The chief work of the board this year has been the promotion of evangelism. The Ways and Means Committee has planned and supervised that work. Rev. Leslie O. Greene, our promoter of evangelism, has made 258 calls on the field, given eighty-nine sermons and addresses, and written 434 letters. During the first part of the year, he and Mrs. Greene spent a weekend or longer with the following churches: Milton, Milton Junction, Albion, Chicago, Dodge Center, New Auburn, and Welton. He attended the E. Stanley Jones Christian Ashram at Green Lake, Wis., for ten days in July and the Commission meeting at Williams Bay in August. The month of October was spent at Salem doing various things in connection with the work of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene were in Washington, D. C., for a week at the time of the organizing of the new church there. They spent the rest of that month at Franklin City, Va., holding meetings which resulted in three conversions and a general awakening. The month of November was spent with the New York State churches: Alfred, Alfred Station, and Independence, and with the Alfred Theological Seminary in a series of sermons and conferences. They attended

one service with a very active group of Sabbath keepers at Rochester. Mr. Greene spoke to the Board of Christian Education of the proposed plan of the Commission for a Rural Life Commission, and he was a guest of the Hornell ministers at a luncheon meeting one day.

Mr. Greene attended the midyear meeting of the Commission in Chicago and a three-day meeting of the Federal Council in Columbus, Ohio. The months of January, February, and March were spent in Washington, D. C., where the new church is growing spiritually and numerically under the leadership of Pastor Snide and others who are capable and willing to assist. The colored church was also visited and given some assistance.

Much of the month of April was spent at Berea, W. Va. The trailer was put into use there for the first time after six months of storage because of lack of tires. May and June were spent in Salem with a busy schedule of special activities. An address on evangelism was given at the Southeastern Association at Salemville, Pa.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to all those who have responded so generously to our call for money to purchase a trailer. A secondhand one was purchased. Trailer-Tract Evangelism is being planned for the coming year. In Mr. Greene's own words, "It is hoped that the time will be given to making known Seventh Day Baptists to those who have not heard of our people. It will be our purpose to win souls to Christ and the Sabbath as we are led by God into such fields as he shall direct."

From our helpers' fund we have been giving some support to Mr. and Mrs. Chase who are doing splendid work on the Florida field.

The Peace Committee has urged all our people to keep informed, to form their own opinions on the issues that are before us, and to make them known to our representatives in state and national government. Brief résumés of timely articles have appeared on the Recorder page from time to time. A new channel of information will now be open to us through the reports of Miss Mabel

Head who has been chosen to represent the United Council of Church Women as an official observer at all sessions of the United Nations.

The Spiritual Life Committee has continued the promotion of the spiritual welfare of young people in military service. We are truly thankful that the work of this committee has been lessened by the safe arrival home of so many of our young people.

The Histories Committee still hopes to receive histories from all those societies which have not already reported.

The Christian Culture Committee has continued to prepare the worship service programs for use of the women's societies, and to read and study helpful literature.

The Goals Committee prepared the goals which were adopted by the board and recommended to the societies for their use.

Mrs. Okey W. Davis continues to represent the board on the World Literacy and Christian Literature Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference although she was not able to attend the committee meetings. As editor of the Woman's Page of the Sabbath Recorder, Mrs. Davis has furnished material for all issues of the Recorder.

Mrs. Frank J. Hubbard continues to represent the board in the Foreign Missions Conference and suggests and recommends our mission study books.

The reports from the societies show that they have been very active. Some of the activities were the following: work for U.S.O. and Red Cross, making blood donations, sewing for Philippine Relief, collecting clothing for European relief, preparing Christmas boxes for those in devastated countries, serving simple meals at regular prices and using the profit for famine relief, promoting World Day of Prayer and World Community Day observance, filling Blessing Bottles, giving thank offerings, holding sales, doing quilting, giving suppers, repairing churches and parsonages, helping to increase Recorder subscriptions, etc. One society in a winter resort maintained a housing committee for Seventh Day Baptists.

We are truly grateful for the co-operation and the hearty support which the board has received throughout the denomination. Our prayer is that our work may continue to grow.

The following statistical report is more evidence of the faithful work of the correspondents in the associations and the societies throughout the denomination.

Mrs. James L. Skaggs,  
President,

Lotta M. Bond,  
Corresponding Secretary.

### Financial Report

ASSOCIATIONS	Societies Reporting	Number Members	Denom. Budget	Local Work	Other Projects	TOTALS
Eastern .....	8	278	\$ 712.00	\$1,094.45	\$1,029.16	\$2,835.61
Central .....	5	138	192.00	473.69	269.75	935.44
Western .....	8	290	630.00	810.74	332.00	1,772.74
Southeastern .....	6	148	239.73	773.36	246.56	1,259.65
Northwestern No. 1 .....	7	245	434.37	1,071.65	464.46	1,970.48
Northwestern No. 2 .....	4	.....	100.00	497.91	274.35	872.26
Southwestern .....	.....	.....	10.00	2.57	5.00	17.57
Pacific Coast .....	2	32	50.00	82.09	136.00	268.09
Total .....	42	1,217	\$2,368.10	\$4,806.46	\$2,757.28	\$9,931.84

Mrs. James L. Skaggs, President,  
Lotta M. Bond, Corresponding Secretary.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF VICTORY** — A time for church people to check up. Is everything possible being done to make the postwar world what it should be?

**FROM THE WORD OF GOD** — "Be at peace among yourselves."  
"The harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace."

## Christian Education

Rev. Harley Sutton, Alfred Station, N. Y.

Sponsored by the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education

### BLESSED IS THE FAMILY WHICH KNOWS HOW TO PLAY

"And the open spaces shall be full of boys and girls playing there." Zechariah 8: 5.

Having fun together is an important phase of Christian living in the family. Laughter and gayety will ease tensions and banish irritations which are bound to appear even in the best of homes.

Many families set aside a specific night in the week for recreation. No elaborate or expensive program need be planned. Our night may include many different kinds of fun, depending on the season of the year, the ages of the children, and the interests of the various members. Some possibilities include a drive in the family car; indoor or outdoor games, including some from other lands; a picnic; a walk in the snow; stories; singing; or making gifts.

Attendance at an unusually worth-while movie may give a lift to family living—for example, seeing and talking over "Our Vines

Have Tender Grapes." Often it is possible to obtain from the producer free literature about the movies, which enhances its value for all members of the family.

Play, a part of Christian family living? Yes, certainly! To regard the wishes of others, to lose a game graciously or to win it humbly, to play fairly and to enter wholeheartedly into group activity—these are all ways of Christian living which may be practiced when the members of the family take time to have fun together.

For helpful suggestions about the enrichment of family living through play see Boettiger: Your Child's Play, Indoors and Out; Mapes: Fun with Your Child; Millen: Games from Many Lands.

—News Sheet, May, 1946.

### TRAINING IS IMPORTANT

Enough cannot be said about the need for better trained leaders in church work. Training is important not only for Sabbath school teachers but for every layman in the church.



Harley Sutton

It will soon be time for me to make out a schedule of fall and winter field work. It is the plan of the board that I am to be available to help with leadership training classes wherever they are needed. Will you and your fellow workers decide if your church should have

my help and make at least tentative plans for dates and kinds of courses needed? Already one pastor has asked me to come for a course; another, for special field work during the winter sometime.

There should be courses for parents, and perhaps the teachers should study along with the parents. In that way there could develop more of an understanding that both are dealing with the same children and the same problems.

H. S.

### LEWIS CAMP

The 1946 session of Lewis Camp officially opened at supper time Tuesday, July 30.

Campers registered are Clifford Greene, Janet Bullock, and Elmer Stuart from Berlin, N. Y.; David, Harold, and Carl Pearson from Amsterdam, N. Y.; Anna and Alice Fatato and Rose Torianni from Schenectady, N. Y.; Shirley Crozier, Mary Jane Huntsinger, Anne Trout, Naomi Davis, and Jean Dayton of Shiloh, N. J.; Paul Law of Plainfield, N. J.; Judy Burdick of Alfred, N. Y.; Marion and Leroy Burdick, Dorothy Palmer, and John Crandall of Rockville, R. I.; Kenneth, Donald, and Shirley Smith, and Harold Austin from Westerly, R. I.; Edwin James of Hopkinton, R. I.; Eleanor Brooks of Waterford, Conn.; Harriet and Fred Spencer, Middlefield, Conn.; Charles Lyman, of Middletown, Conn.

Pastor Paul Maxson and wife of Berlin, N. Y.; Pastor and Mrs. Wendell Stephan of Waterford, Conn.; Pastor Harmon Dickinson of Ashaway, R. I.; Pastor Paul Burdick and wife from Rockville, R. I.; Mrs. Albert Brooks of Waterford, Conn.; and Harley Sutton are the adult leaders for the group.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEEK OBSERVANCE ANNOUNCED

Calling upon churches, Bible schools, and church councils to consecrate themselves to the task of presenting and interpreting "God's Word for Today," Protestant forces of the United States and Canada will unite in the sixteenth annual observance of Religious Education Week, September 29 - October 6, it was announced by Dr. Roy G. Ross, general secretary, International Council of Religious Education, sponsor of the observance.

Local churches of forty Protestant denominations and one hundred seventy-three interdenominational councils of churches and religious education are co-operating, both in denominationally-planned programs and in community-wide interchurch activities, using the theme, "God's Word for Today," Dr. Ross stated.

Pointing out that the overwhelming concern of the western world today is "how to make secure the peace we have won," Dr. Ross declared: "Our apprehension at the precariousness of our diplomatic relationships, our uneasiness over domestic economic conflicts, and our concern about racial tensions are all a part of this insistent problem."

"While the Christian faith does not pretend to have specific answers to involved social problems, it does declare that men must have respect for each other," he averred. "It insists that we approach these intricate problems as Christian brothers. Only so will the solutions to our problems of peace be found."

Religious Education Week will open with Rally or Promotion Day with emphasis on educational evangelism, stressing increased enrollment and attendance. Monday will feature the Christian leader, while "family night" on Tuesday will bring out the place of religion in the family. Interchurch and community fellowship will mark Thursday's emphasis, and youth rallies are planned for Friday. The week's observance will climax on World Communion Day.

will attract attention to the work at hand, but allow for as much pupil activity and expression as you can. Don't apologize; do the best you can.

H. S.

On the daily program there is time for Bible study, a study of the Sabbath and of Christian stewardship, song services, swimming and games of various kinds for recreation, fun, and fellowship which comes from camp life.

During part of the time Lewis Camp is in session, camps in the Western, Central, and Southeastern Associations, and one at Battle Creek, Mich., are also in session.

H. S.

### WILLING SUBSTITUTES ARE ASSET TO SCHOOL

"A Good Last Minute Substitute" is the title of a very helpful article in the June International Journal of Religious Education. It is addressed to the person who receives a telephone call on Sabbath morning to come and teach a Sabbath school class.

The article describes a packet of materials which can be prepared for just such an occasion. It should contain materials which supplement the general trend of the lessons. Included may be several good stories that, if necessary, can be read to the children. They should be suitable to the age being taught.

Filed in the packet may be pictures which can be used to stimulate discussion, illustrate the theme, or give factual details. There might be Scripture passages which are a part of the memory work for all members of the department. A substitute teacher might well use a good deal of the time to drill on these passages since there is little time for drill during the regular sessions.

The packet might contain, in addition, a few suggestions for activities, according to the age of the group.

If you are known to be a willing substitute, keep one of these packets ready for use. A duplicate can be kept in the department room itself in case someone else has to be brought in at the last minute to substitute; but if you have one of your own, you can keep putting into it bits of information and additional materials that will make your lesson better.

Here are a few points to keep in mind when you teach a class of strangers: treat everyone courteously; thank them for their attention; have something to say at once that

# Children's Page

Mizpah S. Greene, Andover, N. Y.



## OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like to read your letters in the Sabbath Recorder. I will be in the second grade next year. Miss Elizabeth Randolph is helping me spell the hard words.

I have four brothers and two sisters. My brothers are all older than I am. I am eight years old. One of my sisters is five years old and the other nearly three.

I like to go to church. Mr. Chase is our pastor.

We have one dog and two puppies. Mamma has two cows and one calf.

Your friend,  
Ruth Ann Price.

Palatka, Fla.

Dear Ruth Ann:

I am ever so glad you have begun to write to me and hope you will do so often. Please thank Miss Randolph for me for helping you with the spelling.



Mizpah Greene

One of my little friends here in Andover is named Ruth Ann Huffcutt, and she, too, is eight years old. Isn't that a coincidence?

It must be fun to watch your little puppies play. Our next door neighbors have a rat terrier dog named Queenie, and a tiny black kitten. I enjoy watching them play together. The kitten will run and grab Queenie by the tail; then Queenie will turn around so fast that the kitten will lose his hold and roll over on his back. Then the play is on, for over and over they roll, first one on top and then the other. Queenie seems careful not to hurt the tiny kitten but has to take some pretty hard bites herself, which seems to be all in the game. The kitten's name is Cleo. He likes to visit me when I am working in the garden and is apt to nip my fingers.

Your Christian friend,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

A wonderful adventure began for me May 10, and the first part of it—the New England and Nova Scotia trip—was completed June 25. Perhaps I had better tell it in the form of a brief résumé with a little map, adding details at the most interesting spots, because there is so much to tell.

**Friday, May 10.** Starting on U. S. Route 50 from Salem, W. Va., we went toward Washington, D. C. I had been there before with my Daddy during the war and climbed to the top of Washington Monument, but this trip I got to see Washington's home at Mount Vernon. It's just like the pictures only on a grander scale, and the pictures never seem to make it clear that the Potomac River flows at the foot of the slope. In the Congress building we saw Congressman Jennings Randolph, who used to live at Salem and who is a Seventh Day Baptist. While here we went to visit the lady who makes out passports and thank her for making out ours.

**Monday, May 13.** We saw the famous Civil War battle ground at Gettysburg, Pa., and then we went to the chocolate town, Hershey, Pa., to stay for a while and eat chocolates. Now doesn't that really sound like a fairy tale to eat all the Hershey bars you want at the factory?

**Wednesday, May 15.** Next is the old Liberty Bell town, Philadelphia, Pa., and everybody always sticks a finger in the crack of the old bell displayed in Independence Hall.

**Thursday, May 16.** In New York City we stayed at the Hotel Pennsylvania across from the Union Station. While there we went to a Chinese restaurant with a Chinese friend of Uncle Joe's. Chinese food is most unusual. I am glad we didn't have to eat with chop sticks. We had a wonderful time shopping in New York City. There were lots of pairs of shoes to buy because Aunt Dorothy says it is very difficult to get shoes that fit abroad. And then as a special treat for my birthday coming on May 24, Uncle Joe and Aunt Dorothy bought me the most beautiful, long, fluffy, pink evening gown. It is to be sent ahead to Bombay, India, to be worn at the Maharajah's palace in No-

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vember. Maybe some of the boys and girls would be interested to know "rajah" means prince and "maharajah" means great prince in Hindu. But more about India later. We got our tickets for the S. S. Argentina instead of the Gripsholm as planned previously, because we cannot go to Sweden and get back through Denmark to Holland. A strip of Germany comes up and touches the North Sea between Denmark and Holland, and people are not permitted to travel in that portion of Germany yet.

I have always wanted to see the Statue of Liberty; even though I had been in New York City before, somehow I missed seeing it. This time we took a subway, then a boat to Bedloe's Island, after which we climbed up into the Lady's very crown. The tiny, spiral steps inside her often cause you to bump your head and to become dizzy, but it was wonderful to be in the top of the crown of the Lady given to us by France as a symbol many years ago.

This letter is long enough—maybe too long. How I wish you were all having this adventure with me; I'd love to share it.

Sincerely,  
Venita Vincent.

Dear Venita:

I have been waiting eagerly to hear about the wonderful journey you have been taking, and so I was delighted when I received your interesting letters. I am sure all your readers will enjoy them as much as I have.

I don't believe they would be able to publish your map in the Recorder; so I will save that for my own private property. It is very nicely drawn.

Yes, it would be fine if we could all share your adventure with you, but the next best thing is that we can have the pleasure of reading your letters.

Yours in Christian love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Rev. Wayne R. Rood, chaplain (major) in the U. S. Army for the past three years and former pastor at the Rockville Seventh Day Baptist Church, will supply the pulpit at Central Baptist Church for the remainder of the summer. — Westerly Sun.



## FAITH OF AN AMERICAN

By Pfc. Stanley E. Lindquist

TO SOME, America is home. To some, America is life. To some, America is opportunity. To me America is all of this and a part indelibly etched upon my consciousness, an open-eyed view into the future. I write as a train carries me to a hospital in my home state. My tour of duty is over. What does America mean to me, as I sit with legs in casts, a sightless eye unhelping the other one, which cannot see much in the sun?



I see America's wooden houses. Back there they were all of stone—gutted and leveled, the ruined hopes of thousands homeless. But soon—for matter is indestructible — those stones would be piled one on top of the other, as they no doubt had been many times before. The gaping holes would be closed, denying access to the wind and snow and rain. Out of the chaos of fallen stone would come again the ordered plan of a house. America means to me a place where homes can be built with no worry for a periodic destruction of war — built for the future, with only ravages of weather to be endured.

The long, brick factory . . . in Stolberg was one quite like that, and typical of many over there. Inside at regular intervals were miniature "pill boxes," with apertures controlling the immediate area. There a guard kept watch over the slaves in a gigantic program of forced labor. America means to me the opportunity to choose my work, a land of free enterprise.

The disorderly graveyard fades . . . into row on row of white, wooden crosses stretching seemingly to eternity. The hopes of the young wife, the aging father and mother, proud brothers and sisters, are represented here—so little for so much. America can mean the successful accomplishment of those things for which they died in trying to establish.

The American church spire in the distance surmounts a heterogeneous village. . . . One church over there was next to an old castle, on a hill dominating the town. They presented an interesting picture in the fading sunlight; the castle's tower, reminiscent of a feudal age, alongside a church spire which means opportunity for all. Inside, a German

choir sang, an American chaplain spoke, to a congregation of Germans and Americans—a portent of things to come.

So what does America mean to me, a wounded soldier? It means home, it means hope, it means faith for the future.

NOTE: A wounded soldier wrote these lines for "The Link," monthly magazine of the interdenominational Service Men's Christian League. They are reprinted by permission, because they show the spirit of numerous service men who return—as reflected in letters and other contacts by which the league came to know and warmly appreciate the men whom the churches sent into war and whom, with financial aid from the denominations, the war-born league served.

### MEN ARE WANTED

Many of our returning service men have trodden foreign shores. While most of them desire more than anything else to get back to "God's country," surely there are some who have seen the pathetic need of great masses in other parts of the world and have caught something of the Master's vision for them. Our boards are looking eagerly for ministers, doctors, and nurses for foreign fields. For the former soldier to preach Christ is to save men still and to build up those reservoirs of good will which feed the world's peace.—Dr. Francis M. Potter, Reformed Church in America, in the Christian Endeavor World.

### AS SERVICE MEN RETURN

"Make a speech for us. . . . Tell us what you have seen and heard. . . . Sing for us. . . . Come, lead us in prayer!"

That is the picture of many a church in its well-meant but blundering way, as it tries to welcome back its service men and women.

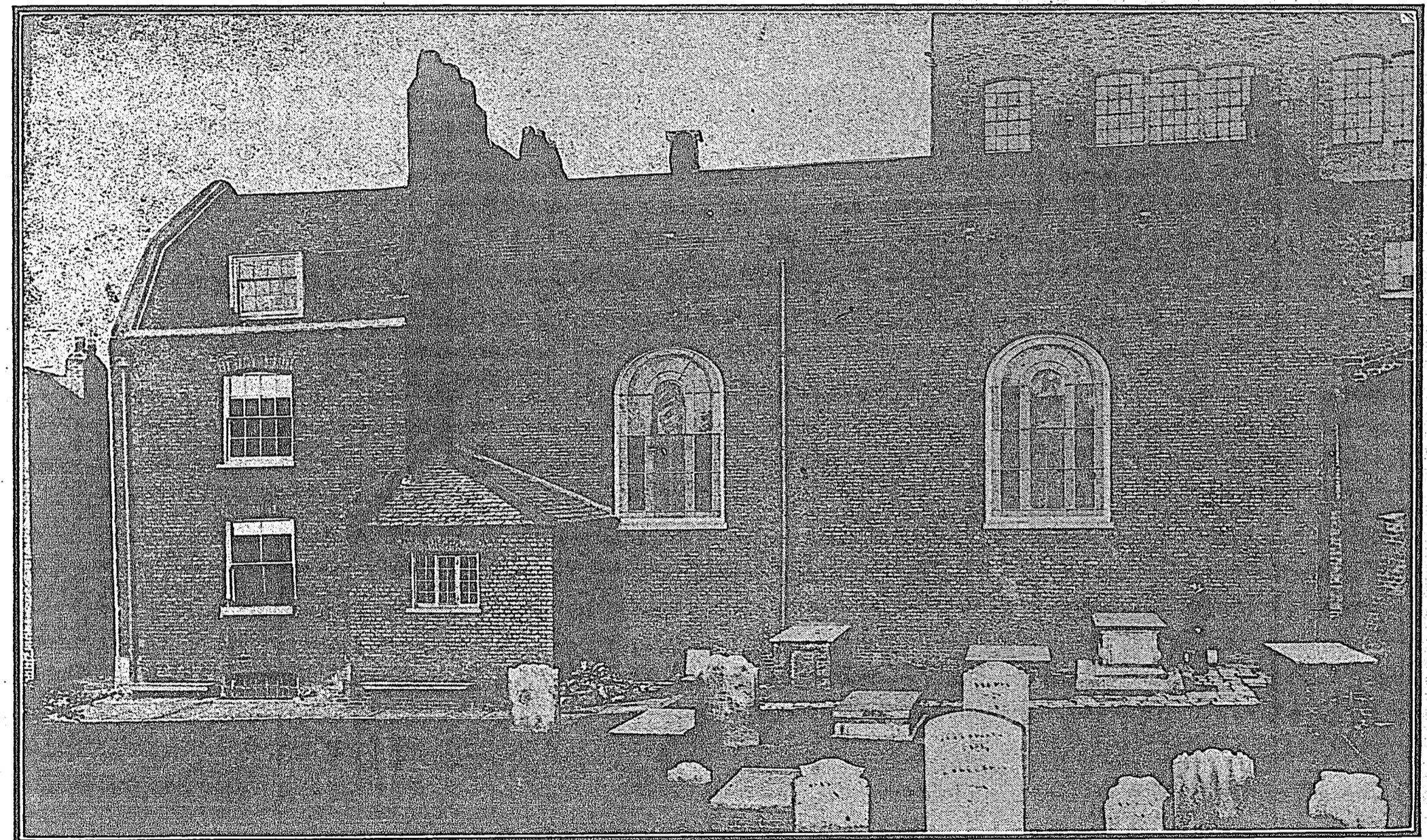
By all means, the veterans need to be tied into the local work, but they must have time for readjustment. A whole lifetime of forgetting could never erase some of the memories that torment them. To recall them is but to awaken bitterness and hate and resentment, which could fan the flames of another war.

So learn to put yourself in the other fellow's place, as did Ezekiel, when he wrote, "I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished. . . ."

For the church's sake, for the service man's sake, don't expect too much of him too soon!

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