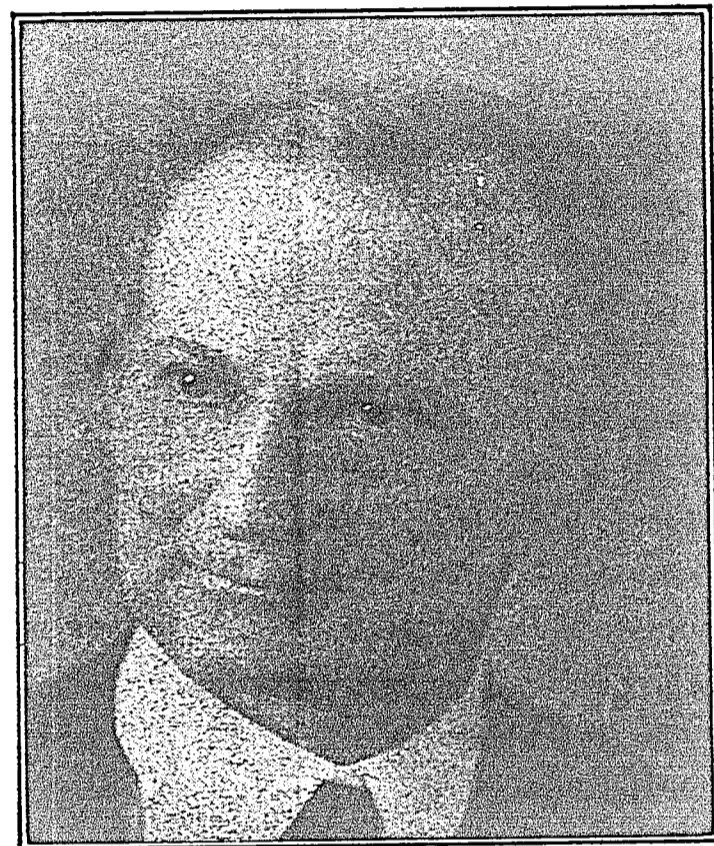


WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING

(DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP")

NILE, N. Y. — The annual church dinner and business meeting was held in the church parlors, Sunday, January 5, 1947. Dinner at noon was served to twenty-four.

The business meeting was called to order by the moderator, Paul Baker, at 1.30 p.m.



Rev. Ralph H. Coon

Continues as pastor at Nile, N. Y.

Reports were given by the church treasurer, trustees, and pastor. The Ladies' Aid Society president and Lord's Acre chairman also gave reports.

Officers elected for the year are: moderator, Paul Baker; clerk, Mrs. Paul Baker; treasurer, Mrs. Harriet Babcock; chorister, Jeanne Coon; organist, Marian Coon.

Pastor Ralph Coon was called as pastor for another year at a slight increase in salary.

A new gas furnace has recently been installed to heat the church auditorium.

Several committees were appointed to carry on the social, evangelistic, publicity, and stewardship activities of the church.

Correspondent.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — The December social was held in the church parlors. The kitchen committee was headed by Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Williams. Mrs. Claude Barber was in charge of the Christmas program which was presented after supper.

The program was made up of several songs and recitations by the younger ones, and a pantomime, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations," in which representatives knelt before the manger cradle while the hymn was sung by Mr. and Mrs. George Cox, with Mrs. Ava Johnson at the piano. While several carols were sung, led by Phyllis Babcock, George Clement drew an appropriate picture. Richard Babcock drew much applause with a beautiful solo.

At the close of the program, Santa appeared with generous treats for the children. As usual the collection taken was presented to the Nebraska Children's Home and amounted to \$31.31. For fifty years this Sabbath school has sent collections to this home.

"Chimes of the Holy Night," a cantata, was presented by the choir in place of the regular Sabbath service before Christmas.

The program opened by the playing of several Christmas carols on the organ by Mrs. Warren Brannon. The voluntary was played by Mrs. Ava Johnson on the organ and Mrs. Louise Brennick on the piano.

Soloists of the cantata were Gloria Babcock, Phyllis Babcock, Mrs. Menzo Fuller, Warren Brannon, and Richard Babcock. The obligato was sung by Carolyn Hamer, Delores Cox, Jeneanne Brennick and Phyllis Christensen. A large number of voices made up the choir, which was directed by Dell Barber.

The church was beautifully decorated with greens, candles, and blue and silver appointments. Mr. and Mrs. George Maxson were in charge. — Correspondent.

ADAMS CENTER, N. Y. — The Ladies' Aid had a Christmas party December 10 with an appropriate program and a tureen dinner; several men of the church were present also. Instead of the usual exchange of gifts, a collection, which netted over \$12, was taken for the Milk Bottle Fund for foreign children.

During December this church collected, packed, and shipped two large trunks and four packages of clothing to the Irvington,

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VILLAGE CONSTABLE IN CHINA READS THE GOSPEL



—American Bible Society.

"The church must provide a ministry there which can give a vital presentation of the Christ adequate for a needy world."

(See article page 57.)

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WHAT WHERE

TOWARD A MORE CHRISTIAN WORLD

White and Negro Baptists met recently in a joint session for one hour in what spokesmen for both groups termed a "precedent breaking move." Members of the Georgia Baptist Convention, in session in Savannah at the same time as the Negro General Missionary Baptist Convention, adjourned their meeting to go to the Municipal Auditorium where the Negro churchmen were gathered. Delegates to the white Baptist convention had voted unanimously to participate in the joint session. There was no unfavorable discussion from the floor when the matter was being discussed.

Requests for 20,119 individual copies of the Bible were received by W. Z. Betts, director of the North Carolina state division of purchase and contract, when it became known that he had been informed by the war department that surplus Bibles were available.

Healing a schism that has existed for one hundred nineteen years, Quakers in the vicinity of Philadelphia who have met in two separate Yearly Meetings since 1827 gathered as one body in the newly organized Philadelphia General Meeting. This meeting was the result of proposals brought before both Yearly Meetings in 1945 and is the natural outcome of various activities supported by the two groups for over twenty years, chief of which is the American Friends Service Committee. —Religious Telescope.

Persons who drink, advertise, manufacture, sell, or advocate the sale of liquor or in any way seek to promote liquor traffic are barred from official church positions in the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. A report of the board of temperance containing this provision was adopted at the last annual session of the conference.

Of the twenty churches seriously damaged or destroyed within the square mile that constitutes the city of London, eleven are to be rebuilt, the sites of three are to be used for church halls in which surviving parts of the ancient structures are to be incorporated, the site of one is to be used for a chapter house by St. Paul's, and the sites of five are to be sold and the proceeds used to help in the restoration of those damaged. —Gospel Messenger.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower will receive the Churchmen Award for the promotion of good will and better understanding among all peoples. Given annually since 1937, the award has been won previously by Franklin D. Roosevelt, Wendell L. Willkie, William Allen White, Bernard M. Baruch, Henry Wallace, and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Let your Sabbath go, and with it will go your Bible, and after that your liberty. I would like to see the much-scoffed-at old Puritan Sabbath come back again. —Talmage.

EDITORIALS

CHURCHES HAVE COMPETITION, TOO!

Business is religion, and religion is business. The man who does not make a business of his religion has a religious life of no force, and the man who does not make a religion of his business has a business life of no character.

—Maltbie Babcock.

Church people, as the writer above intimates, can learn some lessons from business people. Particularly is this true at the present time, an age when enterprises of all kinds are alert to capturing public attention through highly organized and highly specialized means of advertising, publicity, or other closely related forms of disseminating news. By and large, those who succeed are the ones who most skillfully use the mediums available. Perhaps the church would more effectively make its influence felt in business—and other phases of society—if church people were to employ more extensively the modern methods of publicity.

After all, the gospel is "good news." The evangelist is sent out to tell the good news. That is a method of publicity. Beginning with the ministry of Jesus himself, the best principles of publicity have been applied, consciously or unconsciously, by the organizers and promoters of the church. To the healed leper Jesus said, "See thou tell no man." The publicity, before the priests saw the cure, would be injurious. But to the man who had been freed from the demons he said, "Go tell thy friends how great things the Lord hath done for thee." It does not require much Bible knowledge to see the wisdom of the different attitudes in the two instances. They constitute a wise use of the principles of publicity.

Paul was a very good publicist. His letters reveal a cleverness in writing. The

book of Philemon offers a fine example of the value of the penned letter. "Paul has the proper style for direct mail," suggests one student of church publicity methods. "If he were the pastor of a church today, I think he would buy many postage stamps to carry his messages."

A careful scholar, Sir William Ramsey, has called attention to the fact that Paul actually took advantage of a so-called modern technique—the use of display type and space. In one instance, at least, he actually made certain words in his epistle large to emphasize the point he was making.

See with how large letters I write unto you with my own hand. (Gal. 6: 11. American Revised Version.)

"The very center of Christianity, the Bible, has been a marvelous example of publicity," writes William H. Leach. "Here is the word, written or printed, which contains the gospel of life. Without this word it is hard to imagine what our church might be. The lifeblood of Christianity is so tied up with the written expression of its God that the use of publicity methods for furthering its cause and extending its power seems the most natural thing in the world."

It is the same author who expresses the opinion that word-of-mouth publicity is the most valuable kind that a church can have. "If any church," he says, "can devise a method of making each of its members a 'go-teller,' it will have solved, to a large degree, the whole matter of church publicity."

Without doubt, all of us—to a greater or lesser extent—fall short of doing all we might for our church in making personal contacts. A determination to do more talking in more

places at more right times in more of the right ways is the first step. Specific methods and manners of approach will undoubtedly vary with individuals. Some of us may find that wearing one of the new Seventh Day Baptist pins will give us just the opportunities we need to "witness." Others may prefer to distribute tracts or special issues of the Recorder as a way of starting conversations. There is a time and place for every method, these mentioned and others. It is our responsibility to study the conditions about us, to analyze the people to whom we have opportunity to carry the Good News, and apply the means best suited. One thing is certain, news travels without publication by the printed word.

Using printer's ink is important, however, and should not be neglected. Several of our churches are to be commended for stepping out in front and leading the way for the rest of us toward more extensive use of the public press. The Plainfield Church, to name just one, finds the local newspaper very co-operative in printing (without cost) regular news items about the various activities of the church. To be sure, someone has to take the time to prepare the material. But to submit it in good form means that it is published. In most communities the same condition undoubtedly exists. Is someone in your community regularly sending in news items to your local paper?

The door to another powerful means of newspaper publicity can be opened with a moderate sum of money. Valuable advertising space is available in most newspapers, and at reduced rates to churches. In this field, too, a number of our churches are making progressive steps. The Richburg Church, for example, has run a well-planned and professional appearing series of display ads in the daily paper of a near-by large community. Two columns wide and two inches high, the ads all feature a simple cross at each side, a bold-faced caption to attract attention, a short message of importance from the Scriptures, the name of the church, and an announcement of its regular services.

The Shiloh Church, in addition to a steady radio ministry (another important medium of publicity whose resources we as a denomination have hardly begun to use), keeps the message of Seventh Day Baptists constantly before newspaper readers in that area.

PIN POINT EDITORIALS

"A sermon will be better if you listen as a Christian rather than a critic."

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Singing Bird

A man who had a sweet-singing canary felt that it was a great pity, when spring came, to keep the poor bird in the house. So he hung the cage under a large tree in the yard for the summer.

The tree was the home of many English sparrows, and before the man realized what was happening, the little canary had lost all its sweet notes. It had spent the summer in bad company, and its sweet song never came back. When it was taken in the house in the fall, its owner heard only a monotonous twitter, twitter, twitter.

—Southern Christian Advocate.

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"Let us not pray for a light burden, but rather for a strong back."

A recent bit of such publicity was a large, attention-commanding advertisement in a central location on the church page of the paper distributed in that area. A black portion at the top of the ad with white lettering made the challenge: "Think It Through." Below this was a thought-provoking bit of Bible evidence about the Sabbath. Another black section at the bottom gave the name of the church, listed its regular appointments, and issued a warm invitation for visitors to attend. To prepare and pay for such advertising is costly in time and money, to be sure. But who can deny that the results—seen and unseen—are not worth it?

Seventh Day Baptists have sometimes been accused of "hiding their light." Is the accusation true and just? If so, it is high time that we begin to let our light shine in every conceivable way. Personal, day-by-day contacts are important, more important than we realize. Newspaper and other forms of publicity are vital, more worth the cost than we may think.

We can find many precedents for the work of the church publicist. The word "publish," referring to methods of publicity, is a familiar one to those who study the Bible:

Because I will publish the name of the Lord. (Deut. 32: 3.)

Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon. (2 Sam. 1: 20.)

Publish, and conceal not. (Jer. 50: 2.)

Proclaim and publish the free offerings. (Amos 4: 5.)

But he began to publish it much. (Mark 1: 45.)

° Only a handful of churches in Shanghai are regarded as having any appreciable influence.

The Heart of Mission Work in China

— FACILITIES LACKING FOR THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

By Mary R. Davis and Albert N. Rogers

THE NAME of Paul Hutchinson is highly respected and he has done readers of the Christian Century a great service by reporting his current visits to places of religious significance in Europe and Asia. But his editorial correspondence written in Shanghai and published in the November issue of that magazine is of particular importance to us in that it touches the heart of mission work in China.

Due tribute is paid, by one who has long acquaintance with the Christian enterprise there, to the loyalty, courage, and genius of those who through eight years of war maintained the Christian witness in that part of China which was overrun by the invader. His understanding of the problems of reconstruction, both denominational and interdenominational, should be reassuring to those who bear that bewildering burden. It is clear that "rice Christians" were screened out by the terrifying war years and that those who came through may be relied upon to make bricks without straw, if anyone can.

It is illuminating, if not shocking, to read Hutchinson's report that of the approximately one hundred twenty-five churches in Shanghai only a handful are regarded as having any appreciable influence in the city. The educated Chinese, graduated from the many fine Christian colleges, many with post-graduate study abroad, have no church home, he says. Many attend one of the "foreign" services or nothing. When services were regularly held for the U. S. Marines stationed in Shanghai previous to December,

The ancients of Bible times found publicity important. Many men of today are capitalizing on various forms of advertising. Business men, for instance, find that it helps in meeting competition. The churches today have "competition," too, of various kinds. Perhaps they should take a hint from business—and from Jeremiah, too—and begin to "publish, and conceal not."

1941, these Chinese would jam the theater where the Marine chaplain was in charge. But they do not worship under the average Chinese Christian minister because he does not command their intellectual respect. They are the product of our missionary educational work, but they are outside the pale of the church!

The reason for this astounding fact is the lack of facilities for theological training. It is as simple as that; and yet few before Hutchinson have had the courage to say so. "Educational and medical work done in China has been one of the shining glories of the modern missionary movement," he affirms, but the actual church and its leadership has been considered a kind of stepchild in the mission family. In our own case the activities of Grace School and Liuho Hospital are much better known by Seventh Day Baptists in this country than the less spectacular work of our Chinese churches.

No College

Our China mission has had no college of its own, and for many years our high school department for boys was very small and had few graduates. Of these only a few entered college, although prepared to do so, since they came from families where their services as wage earners were needed. With an almost unbelievable increase in the number of boys enrolled and graduated from Grace School in the last two decades, larger numbers have of course gone on to college. As in America, only an occasional student decides for the Christian ministry, but opportunities to get either the basic or more technical training for that profession are beyond the reach of the Chinese.

It is clear that this is not a criticism of the established schools. The spirit of our schools, we can be sure, is definitely Christian. One feels this as he visits in the homes of students who have passed from one to twelve years in the Grace Schools. Nor is it a criticism of those who minister to the labor-

ing classes—farmers, ricksha men, river people, and the others. Christ came for these first of all, and devout men and women are working to win them and give them Christian leadership. But Christ and his gospel must also be made available to the rich in China—the industrial magnates, and the potential leaders of the nation—as Stanley Jones and others have done in India. The ministry must be shown to be a calling of dignity, with cultural background important and with training needed to meet intricate human problems. Non-Christian religious professionals in China do not build up respect for religious leaders in general. The church must provide a ministry there which can give a vital presentation of the Christ adequate for a needy world. Now is the time to catch the attention of the yellow race.

Nanking Theological Seminary is in good standing and equipped to serve, but more and similar schools in Shanghai and other centers would seem absolutely essential. We shall need to rely in this, as in medical training, on the pooling of resources possible through interdenominational channels. It is conceivable, however, that our Missionary Board might see fit to bring students to Alfred School of Theology as Socrates Thompson has come from Jamaica this year. Eventually an American worker also might be sent to China to give theological training there.

If and when we send out a minister to help the Chinese in this respect, let us as a people see to it that the main object for which he was trained is not allowed to become submerged in a multiplicity of duties—superintendence, making repairs, chauffeuring, purchasing, bookkeeping, and other details of operation. Those who have gone out on similar missions can testify that such all too often happens.

Certainly Hutchinson has called our attention to a critical need.

What will we do about it?

In a sermon preached at St. Mary's Oxford, before the University, August 24, 1744, John Wesley said:

"Let us take a nearer view . . . of that great work of God among the children of men, which we are used to express by one word, 'Christianity'; not as it implies a set of opinions, a system of doctrines, but as it refers to men's hearts and lives."

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT SAYS:

GIVE TO THE DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

It seems as though Paul reached a mountain peak of inspiration and faith when he wrote in his letter to the Corinthians, "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ." He was speaking of victory over death and the grave.

Then Paul continued, "Now concerning the collection for the saints," and he gave some practical ideas on the matter of giving.

To some of us this has seemed like coming down from the mountaintop of inspiration into the valley of hard work with a vengeance and a jolt. Well, perhaps some of us have needed a jolt. The Conference president got one when he learned that the Denominational Budget receipts have fallen off since Conference. Perhaps there are many reasons: other appeals, concern over local budgets, Christmas shopping—all quite understandable. But our Denominational Budget represents people, life, human needs, the spreading of the gospel of our Lord to the four corners of the earth. "Concerning the collection for the saints," brethren, we must be found faithful, for we are stewards and carry a sacred trust.

Let no one be deceived by a comparative statement on receipts in a recent Sabbath Recorder, for that includes the offering at Milton in August. Since that mountaintop experience we have come down into the valley of hard work and carried too little of our triumphant faith and joy with us. Our goal this year is \$28,100 as compared to \$24,000 last year. We dare not let down, nor let others down. Give generously in 1947 to the Denominational Budget.

Everett T. Harris.

Ideals are like stars; you will not succeed in touching them with your hands, but like the seafaring man on the desert of waters, you choose them as your guides, and, following them, you reach your destiny. — Carl Schurz.

The religion of Jesus is more than a passport to heaven. It is also a program of service. —Exchange.

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TASK OF THE LIVING CHURCH IN A TROUBLED WORLD

"—to Preach, Talk, Teach, Print, Advertise, Discuss, Apply and Practice the Gospel."

By Rev. David S. Clarke

The task of the Living Church, alive with Christ's Life, in a troubled world is not devising new and revolutionary methods to change the world. These means are at hand in abundance. The Living Church knows best of all (from experience) how the gospel of Christ alone is the source of real peace, security, and freedom—the watchwords of our day. And her task is therefore to preach, talk, teach, print, advertise, discuss, apply, and practice the Gospel. No other group has the will to do this, nor the God-sent determination to expend life and time and talent for it.

The Living Church's task is to use any method, no matter how revolutionary or evolutionary it may appear—any means God may open to us. That means close contact with him every day, and deep sympathy with those who dare to launch out on his guidance! The Church has tried many things in the past which have "failed," not because of the methods but because of the spirit behind them. The Church of Jesus Christ has the tools for winning the world to Christ!

Too often we say to the evolutionary church worker: "That's old! It won't work!" Perhaps the old way will work, if we will work it, if we will put new life and new spirit into it. The Church has the tools for winning the whole world to him. Whatever happens, let us not wait for revolutionaries to think up new names and new tactics before we pitch into making the immediate world around us better able to follow Christ. And let us be mighty cautious in opposing any method sincerely utilized in Christ's name.

From many sources, the call is not for new methods but for a new spirit in applying any method within ethics and reason. Witness the call of the Federal Council to a larger evangelism: "We call upon the churches to gain a fresh insight into the resources of the Christian faith through a new application of study and prayer. . . ."

Witness the spirit of the German Seventh Day Baptist leader after the war: "We are about to learn the great lesson better than ever, that the Holy Spirit will make use of each of us to become a more sacred and earnest witness for him, our Redeemer, and the glorious King of truth and peace!"

INCIDENT ILLUSTRATES EFFECTIVE PERSONAL WORK

From the first issue of the Sabbath-School Visitor dated January, 1851 ("published monthly by the Seventh Day Baptist Publishing Society") comes an illustration of "personal work" of the most effective nature. A Presbyterian minister tells this incident to encourage calling Sunday "Sabbath":

Not long since I was settled in D—, a village in the western part of New York State, where there were several families of Seventh Day Baptists, who, as is well known, always call the day they keep "the Sabbath day." One Lord's day, while I was engaged in the exercises of a Bible class, several little boys stopped in front of the church, earnestly engaged in their sports. Feeling somewhat annoyed by the circumstance, I went to the door, and, speaking sharply to them, told them not to make so much noise—that it was a shame for them to make so much disturbance on the Sabbath. Some immediately ran away; but one boy, not in the least disconcerted, looked up to me, with a bright and animated countenance, as if conscious of the power of the word he was about to utter, and said, "Mr. J—n, this is not the Sabbath—it is only Sunday." He then walked away in apparent triumph. Ah! thought I, what a power resides in that word "Sabbath"!

Need more be said to those who hold a truth so badly needed by the church of Christ and the world, but not yet universally accepted?
D. S. C.

MISSIONS

Rev. William L. Burdick, Ashaway, R. I.
Karl G. Stillman, Treasurer, Westerly, R. I.

DENOMINATION CONTRIBUTES TO RECORD IN MISSIONS

In the December 14 "Religion in the News" broadcast over NBC stations was this significant paragraph:

A new record in religion has been established. Six hundred seventy-five Protestant missionaries are sailing on the S.S. Marine Lynx for missionary work in the Orient. This is the largest number of missionaries ever to sail at one time from any nation. Two hundred twenty-five missionaries will leave on the S.S. Marine Falcon within the next few days. More than five thousand persons paid tribute to these nine hundred missionaries at a mass meeting in Oakland, Calif., on the eve of their sailing. The missionaries represent fifty-eight denominations and mission boards.

Seventh Day Baptists can be rightly proud that they were in the vanguard of foreign missionaries one hundred years ago and that they are contributing to this new record in missions by sending Dr. and Mrs. George Thorngate and Phillip on the S.S. Marine Lynx back to the Orient.

CHURCH MEMBERS

STEWARDS OF MONEY AND LIFE FOR CHURCH

One cannot help but sense the close tie-up between salaries paid for the work of ministers, teachers, and missionaries in the church and the thinking (or non-thinking) of church members, stewards of the money and life which must back up the church. In 1851, when we were thinking about expanding our China work and about sending missionaries to Palestine to the Jews, a Sabbath school teacher asked an able-bodied, thrifty man to take the Sabbath-School Visitor at the price of one shilling a year. He refused, because it was a great price for such a little paper.

That man, it was observed, loved his cigars. Six cigars, at a moderate estimate, cost as much as twelve Sabbath-School Visitors. Which is the cheaper?

The Sabbath school teacher observed, in telling the rest of the episode:

The cigars are soon puffed away and are forgotten. The "Visitor" remains, a faithful friend, with the best of instruction. I asked his little boy to take it, and the shilling was forthwith paid over. Now, if the mind makes the man, which was the man?

D. S. C.

PERSONAL WORKERS

CALLED TO LIVE BEYOND THE WORLD'S DEMANDS

Every Christian is a missionary, called of Christ to live beyond the world's demands, chosen of Christ to help uplift the world. John 15: 16. His example in personally contacting potential disciples is worth study. Study his life as follows:

1. He spoke to individuals in the crowd. Luke 19: 5, 9.
2. He strengthened the faith of his friends. Luke 10: 39.
3. He followed up a first interview. John 9: 35.
4. There were no limitations to his working hours. John 3: 1, 2.
5. Winning one, he won thousands. John 4: 39.
6. He sought out men in places of authority. Matthew 9: 9.
7. He spoke to men at their work. Matthew 4: 18, 19.
8. He forgot his own suffering in personal work. Luke 23: 43.
9. He commissioned others. Luke 10: 1.
10. He met distressing situations. Luke 8: 35.
11. Christ was not discouraged by failure. Luke 18: 18.

Using this outline, see how many references to his life can be made under particular topics. Perhaps the following "don'ts" for personal workers, used with the above study, will provide a whole new study of your life in comparison to Christ's.

DON'TS FOR PERSONAL WORKERS

Never lose interest.
Never be discouraged.
Never be offended.
Never argue with the sinner.
Never miss the real issue.
Never rely on yourself.
Never fail in prayer.
Never leave the sinner to think it over.
Never leave anyone you win until the whole Great Commission is fulfilled.

—"The Ministry of Personal Work" (Presbyt.)

WORKERS' MONTHLY BULLETIN NOW BEING PUBLISHED

The Missionary Reporter, of which you may begin to hear, is not a general publication. You will receive its benefits through your pastor, Sabbath school workers, or church officers. It is a workers' monthly bulletin published on the Missionary Society's new multigraph. Its name comes from a former Missionary Society magazine of

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET and Other Important Matters Considered

The Board of Directors of the Women's Society met in regular session in the Mrs. G. H. Trainer Sabbath School Room January 12, 1947, with the following members present: Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. M. C. Van Horn, Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Mrs. R. P. Seager, Mrs. Ottis Swiger, Mrs. John Randolph, Mrs. A. G. T. Brissey, Miss Alta Van Horn, Miss Lotta Bond, and Miss Greta F. Randolph.

Mrs. M. C. Van Horn led the devotions using as her theme, "Fear of the Unknown."

Mrs. S. O. Bond gave the treasurer's report showing the following balances: General Fund, \$105.21; Special Project, \$257.68; Helpers' Fund, \$286.19; total, \$649.08. Her report was accepted and placed on file.

Letters were read from Mary Alice Butler, expressing appreciation of the use of the Susan Minerva Burdick scholarship; and Mrs. A. J. C. Bond, concerning the board correspondent in the Western Association. Miss Lotta Bond was instructed to write Mrs. Bond urging her to continue as correspondent.

Mrs. Okey W. Davis gave a verbal report as editor of the Woman's Page, and Mrs. M. C. Van Horn gave a verbal report for the Peace Committee.

Mrs. R. P. Seager read the report of the Ways and Means Committee. The report was accepted and placed on file.

To the Board of Directors:

Your Ways and Means Committee would report that the campaign in Mississippi seems to be getting well started. Promoter Greene says: "We need the prayers of all members of the board and ask that others be invited to pray for the work here. God may have a place for Seventh Day Baptists in Mississippi."

Mr. Greene has suggested that ten cents per mile be paid when he travels with the trailer.

the 1880's. At present it is sent to pastors and Sabbath school superintendents. Of course, special requests for larger numbers to single groups or churches will be met where possible. "The Reporter" is intended to serve the best interests of pastors and leaders, especially in prosecuting evangelism and missions—preaching, teaching, spreading the gospel.

Since all expense of up-keep is paid by the board, we ask that the directors consider this suggestion and instruct the committee.

The plans for a Seventh Day Baptist devotional booklet are slowly developing. All the details of expense of publishing are not yet received. Our available funds for the evangelistic work are at low ebb just now, and we must seek those who will underwrite the beginning of this booklet. We are looking toward publishing this Seventh Day Baptist devotional book quarterly at ten cents per copy until the cost can be reduced later.

Today is presented for your approval a letter which is being prepared to send to the key workers of the women's societies.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, Chairman.

Mrs. Seager also read the reports from Promoter L. O. Greene.

Letters were read from Rev. Elizabeth F. Randolph concerning her work in Mississippi.

Mrs. Swiger gave a very interesting report of the meeting of the United Council of Church Women in Grand Rapids, Mich., November 11-15, 1946. Her report was requested for publication in the Recorder.

Mrs. Swiger read the report of the Christian Culture Committee. Her report was accepted and placed on file.

Your Christian Culture Committee met December 16 at the home of Mrs. Ottis Swiger with Mrs. Skaggs, Mrs. Brissey, Mrs. Seager, Miss Alta Van Horn, and Mrs. Swiger present.

A letter from Mrs. W. F. Randolph of Jamaica was read and discussed and the committee decided to recommend that the various women's societies of the denomination send contributions of cotton remnants, and embroidery and crochet thread for fancy work; or, if some prefer, send money to aid the Girls' Aid Society in planning a bazaar. The money may be sent to Mr. Karl Stillman or to Mrs. Randolph direct.

Mrs. H. E. Davis has volunteered to edit a Seventh Day Baptist devotional booklet similar to the Upper Room, if the board wishes to sponsor such a project. Suggestions for material were made by Mrs. Davis.

Mrs. Skaggs was instructed to correspond with Mrs. Davis for further information. The com-

WOMAN'S WORK

Frances Davis, Salem, W. Va.

mittee recommends that if the Ways and Means Committee can find financial backing the board write Mrs. Davis to undertake such a project.
Mrs. Ottis Swiger, Chairman.

Mrs. Okey W. Davis gave a verbal report for the Literature and Literacy Committee recommending the reading of "Wanted, A Global Language," by Frank C. Laubach, in the January National Education Association Magazine.

Voted that a working fund of \$3 each be allowed the Peace Committee and the Christian Culture Committee.

The annual letter to the societies from the Ways and Means Committee was read and approved.

Voted that \$10 be contributed to Rural Missions Co-operating of the Foreign Missions Conference.

Voted that \$5 be contributed to the American Bible Society.

These minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned to meet the second Sunday in March at 2 p.m.

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

WORSHIP PROGRAM

"LET US KNEEL BEFORE
THE LORD OUR MAKER."

By Alberta D. Batson

On Entering the New Year

God give us the fortitude to endure the things which cannot be changed, and the courage to change the things which should be changed, and the wisdom to know one from the other.

—Bishop Oliver J. Hart.

Scripture reading: Psalm 121.

Hymn: May Jesus Christ Be Praised.

Litany

Leader—Eternal Father, who art the same yesterday, today, and forever, whose throne is established in righteousness, whose compassions fail not, and whose love endureth unto all generations, lift the light of thy countenance upon us, pilgrims as all our fathers were, that thanking thee for all the way by which thou hast led us, we may as thy children set our faces toward eternity and our affection on things above, ere we pass hence and are seen no more.

Ladies—Heavenly Father, hear our prayer as we enter upon this new year.

Leader—We remember before thee, in penitence and humility of spirit, the blessings which we have received with too little gratitude, and have kept with too little care; the difficulties and trials in which courage has deserted us, and our faith has failed; the opportunities we have neglected, which come not back again. And we remember also with infinite thankfulness all that has enriched and ennobled our lives, the dear friendships which have blessed our days, the lasting gains of knowledge and wisdom, the higher aims and the worthier pleasures which are ours.

Ladies—For all thy gifts of the past year we give thee thanks, O God.

Leader—As we enter into the privileges and opportunities of this new year, let us not weaken our souls with vain regrets and idle musings, with self-pity or resentment, but rather, believing that all things work together for good to them that love thee, let us humbly seek to learn thy will, and be made strong to fulfill it, sure that in the doing of thy will alone shall we find rest unto our souls.

Ladies—Help us, O Lord, to commit our wills more fully unto thine.

Leader — Almighty and most merciful Father, in whose appointment our life standeth, and who hast mercifully brought us to see the beginning of yet another year, grant that we may continue to grow in grace and in the knowledge of thy dear Son. Increase our faith as thou dost add to our years, and the longer we are suffered to abide upon earth, the better may our service be.

Ladies—Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us thy blessing.

Prayer: Father, help us to realize the many blessings of the past year; help us to be truly appreciative. But, Father, show us how more vast will be our blessings in this new year if we think more of helping others, if we put forth more effort to do thy will and in all that we do, we put first things first. Guide our every action and keep us near thee always. We ask it all in Jesus' name and for our sake. Amen.

Hymn: A Charge to Keep I Have.

To keep the emphases in order, we might use the name

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

CHILDREN AND YOUTH need to gain a more complete knowledge of the church and its activities through the centuries. It is very important that their relationship to the church be a happy one and that it be one in which there is active participation in the local program.

Schools held in the summer are CHURCH schools. The term Vacation Church School should be adopted for that reason. Because this school is one of the most useful opportunities the church has to enrich the relationship of youth and children to its history and fellowship, it is right that the name should be used to help stress this importance.

The Bible is the chief tool and the greatest of all source books which the church uses to teach the truths of God and his church. It is not letting up in emphasis at all to speak of church school instead of Bible school. God as revealed in Christ comes first in our emphasis. To keep the emphases in order, we might well consider using the name Vacation CHURCH School.

Now is the time for all churches to plan for the 1947 session of the Vacation Church School. Teachers should be selected right away, because it is time to get started if handwork and other materials are to be collected and ready for use in the classes.

Now is the time, also, to start the community thinking about the importance of the summer-time school, so the people will want to maintain the tradition of having a school.

CHURCH MUST TRAIN FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

By Dr. Eugene Briggs
President Phillips University, Enid, Okla.

In order for a nation to be Christian, it must have Christian leaders. In order to have Christian leaders, young people with ability, talent, and courage must be discovered, dedicated, and educated in the Christian culture. In order to do this, churches and communities must realize their obligation to youth, giving them the challenge to live according to the highest principles of the Christian faith. Knowing subject matter is not enough. Literacy in world affairs and illiteracy in spiritual understanding proves destructive, not constructive. Right will triumph only when Christian leaders understand Christlike principles and act upon them.

Last year there were a number of churches where no school was held. It should be a TOTAL church concern! The church suffers a tremendous loss if no special educational program is carried on during the vacation period. Of course, other activities besides church school may form a part of the summer program, but please do not think there is a substitute for the Vacation Church School!

Write to me for the materials you need—textbooks, handwork, or other types of supplies. Be sure to see that your church gets busy at once.
H. S.

CHURCHES URGED TO HELP YOUTH GROUPS

This is Youth Week. Much has been said about the week because everyone is deeply interested in young people. Our leaders all speak of the importance of giving them the best kind of training in order to have for the future, a better adult leadership.

Out of the observance of Youth Week should come plans for the year which deal with study, discussion, service projects, and socials. Every church should help the youth group make and carry through such plans. They need counsel and help from the pastor and an adult counselor. Out of this observance should come a deeper consecration to Christ and his Church. This should result in personal commitment to various parts of the local church program. Pastors will help youth find these opportunities for commitment.

This section of the Recorder will carry reports of the observance of Youth Week.

Church in the Home

When the church is once more in the home, public worship will have a new glow, preaching a new grip on all life, the church school will have its rebirth, and our bloodshot world a Christian hope and health. — George A. Buttrick.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

ORIENTATION OF YOUTH TO CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES CONSIDERED VITAL

General Douglas MacArthur, writing to Roy G. Ross, general secretary of the International Council of Religious Education, in connection with this year's observance of Youth Week, made the following forceful and conclusive statement:

I know of no cause more worthy of support than that which lends direction and encouragement to the orientation of youth to the principles underlying our Christian faith. That faith has formed the sturdy cornerstone upon which has rested our national strength, standing unshaken and unshakable through the repetitious crises of war and peace.

There was the great moral force which steered the arm and steadied the aim as our invincible

armies stormed their way from Australia to the heart of the Japanese Empire. Thereafter, as we rested on our arms in the midst of our defeated enemy, it became these same high principles of human relationship—tolerance and justice, basic dogma of our Christian faith—that formed the very key arch to the philosophy underlying all policy governing the treatment of our vanquished foe in the occupation of Japan. History will record that so long as that philosophy prevails, reform here injected will survive and a people will emerge firmly dedicated as are we to man's dignity upon the earth and to the moral, spiritual, and material advance of the whole human race.

As the youth of today will assume responsibility for tomorrow, youth must understand, learn to live by, and defend that great moral force.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE HELD IN PLAINFIELD

"The Children We Teach" was the name of a First Series of leadership training course given at Plainfield January 10-12. Books had been read by a number of people before the class started, and this helped with the discussion.

The weekend was exceedingly busy for the people of that section. Several special meetings were scheduled besides the training course, including the regular meeting of the Tract Board. I had not had an opportunity before to attend such a meeting, and the experience was very helpful.

More than twenty people attended the class sessions. As teacher I would like to express my gratitude to these people who by attendance, participation, and deep interest, made the class very worth while.

It was my privilege to preach for the Piscataway congregation on Sabbath morning, January 11. This was my first visit to the church for a regular Sabbath morning service. It was a real inspiration to have this chance to worship with these loyal Seventh Day Baptists. Some of the church members were also present for part of the classes.

"The Children We Teach" is a course designed to serve both parents and Sabbath school teachers. The plan is to consider chiefly how parents and teachers can better help the child in the development of Christian character.

This class has been taught this year at De Ruyter and Plainfield, and will be taught at Berlin, N. Y., over the weekend of January 24-26, at White Cloud over the weekend of January 31 - February 2, and later in Alfred.

If your church is interested in having me help conduct this or other such courses, let me know. What the church does to build better home church co-operation will bring rich dividends in the future of the church.

H. S.

SPECIAL STUDIES PLANNED

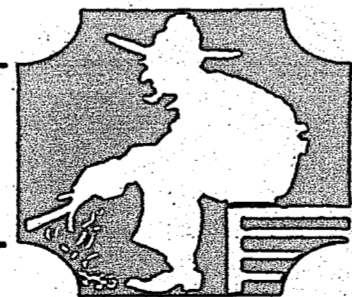
A series of studies entitled "Living What You Believe," written by Albyn Macintosh of Los Angeles, Calif., will appear in the Recorder beginning in the February 10 issue. Prepared especially for young people, the messages were originally used as the basis for special morning classes at General Conference last August.

Please consider using this material in your youth meetings. It will be as interesting to young people who were not present at Conference as it was to those attending, except the personality of Mr. Macintosh added a great deal.

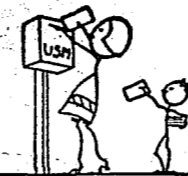
Reports from your youth group after this material is used would be welcome.

H. S.

OLD-TIMER
S E Z . . .



"When a feller gits so he's ashamed to wear neat, patched shirts, overalls, or underwear, he's lost one of the qualities that built our nation. If yer personality depends on the clothes ya wear, it ain't much ta brag about!"



OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I always enjoy reading the letters on your page in the Sabbath Recorder.

I attend the Berlin church and know some of the children who write to you.

Last summer I went down to Lewis Camp in Rhode Island. The Pearson boys also went to Lewis Camp. Carl Pearson was on the same work committee that I was. We had such jobs as pumping water, taking out the garbage and burying it, and washing dishes. Sometimes we worked into the "alone hour." The "alone hour" was a time when we took a walk and studied our Bibles alone.

After supper we went up on the hill for a sunset service. Then we returned to the camp and gathered around the campfire for games, stories, and songs.

I hope I can go to Lewis Camp next summer.

Your Christian friend,
Elmer Stuart.

Dear Elmer:

I am glad you had the pleasure and inspiration of spending those days at Lewis Camp and wish I could have had a similar experience when I was near your age. Our young people of the Western Association have their camp experience at Camp Potato in Pennsylvania. Isn't that a funny name for a camp? It is called that because it is owned by the Potter County Potato Growers' Association; the association kindly allows our young people to use the camp, and those who attend are very enthusiastic about it.

I was pleased to hear about your camp experience. Six young people from Andover went to Camp Potato a year ago last summer. They were sorry that home duties made it impossible for them to go this past summer, for there they learned many things which will help to make them better Christians.

Are you enjoying coasting and skating this fine winter weather? Walking by the hardware store on our street last evening, I saw a whole window full of sleds; but as I saw eager-eyed children looking in at them,

I thought they wouldn't be left there long. What do you think?

I am glad you enjoy the Children's Page and hope you will continue to do your share to make it helpful and interesting.

Yours in Christian love,
Mizpah S. Greene.

DECEMBER ON COLORADO PLAINS

By Lyle E. Maxson

The snow lies white on the landscape wide;
The sun is shining clear.
But everyone who goes outside
Finds a chill in the atmosphere.

The children coasting down the hill
Find joy this time of year,
When the bloom of health glows in the face,
Though there's chill in the atmosphere.

The widow and the invalid
Look on with sigh and tear.
'Tis dismal when the coal is low
And there's chill in the atmosphere.

Time is passing; we have seen
The closing of the year.
Have you done those good deeds you had planned,
And warmed the atmosphere?

Littleton, Colo.

Dear Mr. Maxson:

Thank you for sending the poems. Though not all are appropriate for the Children's Page, I have enjoyed reading them. There is surely chill in the atmosphere in Andover today, and for several days the pavements have been one glare of ice. I was walking carefully home from town the other day when I saw a small boy take a sudden fall. I asked him if he had hurt himself and he answered, "Nope, I'm too tough to get hurt." The way he looked at me I imagine he thought it would hurt me if I should happen to fall; and that I needed to go carefully, even if he didn't.

Sincerely yours,
Mizpah S. Greene.

The man who once most wisely said,
"Be sure you're right, then go ahead,"
Might well have added this, to wit,
"Be sure you're right before you quit."
—Ezra.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Mizpah S. Greene, Andover, N. Y.

TITHING A VERY ANCIENT CUSTOM

By W. R. Vester

The paying of tithes is a very ancient custom. Genesis 14: 20 tells of Abram paying tithes to Melchizedek, king of Salem.

On his way to Padanaram to get a wife, Jacob had a vision which is familiar to all of us. This event made a great impression on him, so that he set up an altar, vowing to give a tenth to the Lord. "And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee." Gen. 28: 22.

When the tribes of Israel came to take possession of the promised land, the Levites had no inheritance. The Lord was their inheritance. They gave their service to the tabernacle and were supported by tithes from the rest of Israel. Num. 18: 20-24.

Besides paying tithes to the Levites, the rest of Israel were to give them cities in which to dwell: "So all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites shall be forty and

eight cities: them shall ye give with their suburbs." Num. 35: 7.

The tithes were also used to help needy people, such as the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow. "At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shall lay it up within thy gates:

"And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest." Deut: 28, 29.

As shown in the texts quoted, the tithes were used for specific purposes and were holy unto the Lord.

"And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27: 30.

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET Statement of the Treasurer, December 31, 1946

Receipts		Total for	Disbursements	
	December	6 months	Budget	Specials
Adams Center	\$ 114.00	\$ 114.00		
Albion		219.99		
Alfred, First	410.68	1,089.68		
Alfred, Second		328.56		
Associations and groups		1,731.69		
Battle Creek	665.06	1,457.50		
Berlin	59.10	105.85		
Boulder		124.50		
Brookfield, First	15.00	71.80		
Brookfield, Second	6.00	92.68		
Chicago	30.68	186.90		
Daytona Beach	29.75	161.50		
Denver	32.39	435.25		
De Ruyter	96.50	237.85		
Dinuba		106.11		
Dodge Center	8.28	38.20		
Edinburg	11.00	48.05		
Farina	53.13	172.71		
Friendship		72.95		
Gentry	4.23	13.38		
Hammond	10.00	35.05		
Hebron Center		10.00		
Hebron, First		7.46		
Hopkinton, First	83.65	103.65		
Hopkinton, Second		1.00		
Independence		85.00		
Individuals	100.00	2,615.57		
Jackson Center		10.00		
Little Genesee	104.59	272.67		
Little Prairie		10.50		
Los Angeles		138.00		
Los Angeles, Christ's	10.00	15.00		
Lost Creek		320.75		
Marlboro		423.70		
Middle Island	6.50	72.47		
Milton	566.88	2,147.52		
Milton Junction	48.88	353.97		
New Auburn	101.14	198.79		
New York	55.50	478.28		
North Loup		187.27		
Nortonville		63.22		
Pawcatuck		1,193.92		
Piscataway	11.00	80.50		
Plainfield	160.93	1,169.57		
Richburg		111.75		
Ritchie		68.45		
Riverside	235.55	1,584.37		
Roanoke		15.00		
Rockville	7.87	88.85		
Salem	31.00	297.00		
Salemville	5.16	10.66		
Schenectady		20.00		
Shiloh	177.64	1,045.67		
Syracuse		15.00		
Verona	98.96	237.31		
Walworth		51.50		
Washington, Evangelical		100.00		
Washington, People's		23.00		
Waterford	10.00	76.00		
White Cloud		126.14		
Missionary Society		\$ 498.26	\$ 678.89	

Tract Society	273.98	12.00
Board of Christian Education	298.90	3.50
Women's Society	9.94	53.50
Historical Society	22.40	
Ministerial Retirement	124.60	124.96
S. D. B. Building	37.38	
General Conference	112.14	.68
World Fellowship and Service Committee on Relief Appeals	22.40	*993.86
American Bible Society		8.25
Bank of Milton		
December service	.94	

* Includes relief for German S. D. B.'s, \$666.12

Comparative Figures		
	1946	1945
Receipts for December:		
Budget	\$1,485.41	\$2,027.86
Specials	1,875.64	1,611.25
Receipts for 6 months:		
Budget	13,293.64	10,236.33
Specials	7,380.07	6,074.77
Receipts to date (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31)		
on 1946-47 Budget	\$5,002.98	
	L. M. Van Horn,	
Milton, Wis.	Treasurer.	

DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP" (Continued from back cover)

ences for both the pastor and the parishioners. Another of our ventures is a Second Century Fund campaign launched by our Sabbath school superintendent, Luther J. Hansen, and supported 100 per cent by every Sabbath school department from the cradle roll to the eldest class. During the quarter we have build-up programs which culminate in a special program and offering the thirteenth Sabbath of the quarter. Our collections for the fund to date are \$462; our average attendance is forty. We are now inaugurating a drive to make our two year offering \$1,000, and with our splendid leadership we are "on our way!"—Correspondent.

Dodge Center, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Derwin Bird, Mrs. Ruth Bird Bennett, and Miss Mary Thorngate have been home for the holidays. The Donald Payne family have been visiting at Bayard Rood's in Colorado, and Miss Dorothea Payne went by air to spend Christmas in Riverside, Calif.

All enjoyed the Christmas program and treats arranged by the Sabbath school. After the program the young people went around town carolling.

The Young Adult Fellowship had a Christmas party at the Roy Langworthy home and a watch night party at the Wallace Greene

home. To these meetings the members take a picnic supper and eat before their class discussion. They plan to buy a mimeograph for the church, and the Christian Endeavor has voted to buy a lawn mower. —Correspondent.

Marriages

Davis - Bailey. — S. Kenneth Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Courtland V. Davis of Somerville, N. J., and C. Jean Bailey, of Plainfield, were united in marriage in the Plainfield Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christ on Sabbath day, January 4, 1947. The former Miss Bailey is better known to the members of our churches as the granddaughter of Rev. H. C. Van Horn. The bride is, at present, working in the business office of the Recorder Press while the groom is attending Salem College in Salem, W. Va. The ceremony was performed jointly by Rev. Hurley S. Warren and Rev. Victor W. Skaggs.

Obituaries

Van Horn. — Rosa Nell Webb, daughter of Samuel S. and Adeline Davis Webb, was born February 16, 1876, and died at her home in Hinckley, Utah, on December 5, 1946.

The family moved from Wells, Minn., to North Loup, Neb., while she was just a child. Here in a prairie sod house she grew to young womanhood. Here also she was baptized and joined the North Loup Church, which membership she still retained at the time of her death.

On October 21, 1893, she was married to Loyal L. Van Horn, and once again took up her abode in a new sod house.

In 1909, with her husband and two adopted daughters, she moved to Fruitland, Utah, where she was again called upon to live the life of a pioneer. This time the family abode was a cedar log house.

From here the family moved to Heber, Utah, and thence to Hinckley. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Dan Granko, Oakland, Calif., and Mrs. Herman L. Hunsaker, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Services were held at the Delta Community church, Delta, Utah. Music was furnished by members of the Hinckley L.D.S. (Mormon) choir, and Rev. Mr. Bollinger of the Presbyterian Church at Mt. Pleasant, Utah, preached the sermon.

And so she sleeps, to await the call of the last trumpet and to hear the Saviour say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." C. D. G.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 8, 1947

Feeding the Five Thousand
Basic Scripture—John, Chapter 6
Memory Selection—John 6: 48

WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING

(DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP")

VERONA, N. Y. — Our former correspondent, Miss Susie B. Stark, is spending the winter with Mrs. T. J. Van Horn in Daytona Beach, Fla.

At the annual church meeting the pastor, Rev. H. L. Polan, was extended a call for



Rev. H. L. Polan

another year with a one-hundred-dollar increase in salary.

The young people's Social Club was entertained by Harley Soper at the G. Allison Smith home. A decorated Christmas tree and exchange of gifts followed the interesting program.

A delegation from the Verona Town Youth Council made their annual visitation to the Oneida County Home, where carols were sung and candy and oranges were distributed.

Before Christmas a dramatization of the story, "Why the Chimes Rang," by Raymond Alden, was presented at the church under the direction of George Davis. The background and various scenes were most effective. The choir directed by Alva Warner played an important part, as did also the beautiful costumes arranged for by Mrs. Doris Fargo.

Mrs. Alva Warner arranged the children's program given during the Sabbath school hour December 21.

A new oil burner has been installed in the church heating system.

The Hammond electric organ, toward which the young people and others have been directing their efforts, is expected to be installed in early spring. Contributions are still acceptable.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, of Oneida Castle, entertained at their home on December 28 from 2 to 6 p.m., the occasion being their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

A gathering in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warner's twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, which had been postponed on account of icy roads, was held at the church on January 4 following the monthly dinner. Instrumental numbers were played by Alva Warner and David Williams, accompanied by Mayola Williams. Readings were given by Mrs. Zilla Vierow and Mrs. Dorothea Warner. Mrs. Mary Emma Williams sang "Smilin' Through." The five Warner sons, Alva, Garth, Maurice, Richard, and Glen, harmonized in "Let the Rest of the World Go By," and "I Want a Girl Just Like the Girl that Married Dear Old Dad." John Williams, who was a guest at the ceremony, gave an account of the Warners' courtship and wedding. Pastor Polan after a few remarks presented the bride and groom of twenty-five years with a set of silver as an expression of the high esteem in which they are held. Both responded feelingly.

—Correspondent.

DENVER, COLO. — The Denver Church is enthusiastically planning for the installation services of our new minister, Pastor Francis D. Saunders. The service will be held in conjunction with our regular quarterly Boulder-Denver meeting here in our church February 1. There will be a morning service, lunch, an afternoon service, and a social in the evening.

We are particularly enthusiastic over the coming of the new pastor since we are putting into action a long cherished dream—that of supporting one of our young ministers in a manner that gives him a financial security befitting the modern family needs. With the purchasing of furniture for the parsonage and paying a salary of \$1,800 a year, we are anticipating many rich experi-

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