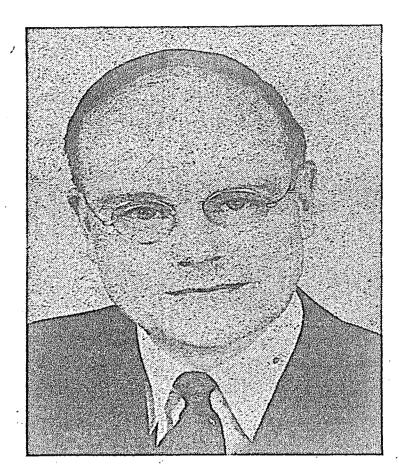
## WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING

(DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP")

NEW AUBURN, WIS.—The annual church dinner and business meeting was held at the Ivar Pederson home, January 5, 1947. A bountiful dinner was served to about forty people, including children.

At two o'clock the business meeting was called to order by the church president, C.



Neal D. Mills

B. Loofbourrow. The pastor's yearly report was given, followed by reports from the clerk and treasurer. Reports were given from the Ladies' Aid, Christian Endeavor, and the Sabbath school. The church and Sabbath school have a good balance on hand to start the year.

Election of officers resulted in the following being chosen: pastor, Neal D. Mills; president, C. B. Loofbourrow; vice-president, Mrs. Arthur North; clerk, Clara Loofboro; trustee for three years, Ivar Pederson; pianist, Mrs. Mills; chorister, Mrs. Robert Roth; ushers, Paul Pederson and Warren North.

The Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. Douglas North's home on January 8, and will meet at Mrs. Elmer Nelson's, February 12. The year's program for 1947 has been fully arranged by Mrs. Arthur North and Mrs. Elmer Nelson. Mrs. Mills was elected president.

dent last July, and Mrs. Douglas North, secretary-treasurer.

The Christian Endeavor held a social at the parsonage January 18. The evening was spent playing games. Pop corn, apples, and peanuts were served at 10:30. The evening of Christian fellowship was closed with a worship service of songs, Scripture reading, and poems.

BROOKFIELD, N. Y. — Monthly church night socials have been held—a Halloween masquerade in October, a box social in November, and a Christmas program and tree in December.

The Ladies' Missionary Aid Society held a supper and sale December 5, which netted about \$80.

The choir and friends held a New Year's Eve party at the home of Mrs. Herman Palmer.

The young people, under the leadership of Mrs. Herman Palmer, conducted a very impressive morning worship service January 4 in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Jay W. Crofoot, who was attending the Conference Commission meeting. The theme for the New Year was "Opportunities for Everyone."

—Correspondent.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF. — It has been said, "All things come to those who wait." Thus, after long waiting, the Riverside Church has a pastor. Praise the Lord!

We are very happy to welcome Rev. Leon M. Maltby and his family to our church fellowship. We are looking forward to their leadership and help in our service to our Master. Much work in the way of repairs, redecorating, and refurnishing has been done in the parsonage to make it comfortable for them.

Thanksgiving Day began with a service of thanksgiving and praise held in the church. Following the service one hundred thirty four people gathered in the social hall for a turkey dinner. After dinner we all enjoyed a short musical program and fellowship together.

On the evening of November 30 a reception was held in the social hall of the church to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Maltby, their

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## The Sabbath

# Reconder

# A Unique Warmth and Fellowship AN EDITORIAL

O THE GOODS GET THERE? Are they appreciated? These two are among the most popular questions asked about relief supplies sent through the churches and the interdenominational agency, Church World Service. The answers are emphatic. Church-collected clothing, food, and



Carload of eleven-pound relief parcels packed at Verona, N. J., "shipping center" ready for mailing overseas.

money do reach their destination! The aid thus given is appreciated, more than mere words can express!

According to reliable figures losses of all relief agency shipments abroad are estimated at no more than 2 per cent. Church World Service losses to date are about ½ of 1 per cent. All CWS shipments are covered by Marine insurance and so far all claims have been adjusted 100 per cent. These are the facts from the united church setup.

As accurately as can so far be determined, most packages sent directly to Seventh Day Baptists overseas have also been received in good order. Pastor John Schmid, whose Irvington church group is supervising shipments to Germany, asserts that packages are going through without delay, and many heart-warming replies are coming back. A number of parcels, it is reported from Hamburg, have been opened; notes from censors have been enclosed, but very few items have been missing from the boxes on arrival.

Recently received at the Recorder office was a bundle of letters from Germany forwarded by Frank Schober, who is (Continued on page 107)

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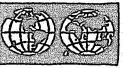
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#### WHAT



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TOWARD A MORE CHRISTIAN WORLD

Stories told by Abraham Lincoln, anecdotes concerning him, and estimates of his life and character featured many sermons during the early weeks of February. Lincoln, it is told, while never a member of any church during his mature years, was a believer in God, a Christian in heart and deed. His speeches attest his belief; his deeds of kindness and understanding attest his Christianity. He rose above denominational strife, which was bitter during his day. Mrs. Lincoln is quoted as saying of him: "He never joined a church, but still he was a religious man by nature. He first seemed to think about the subject when Willie died, and then more than ever about the time he went to Gettysburg." — W. W. Reid.

The World Day of Prayer, annually observed by church women throughout the world, falls this year on Friday, February 21. Observance of the day will be made in churches of almost fifty nations. The offerings from American churches will assist the work of union Christian colleges for women in Asia, and of the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students in the United States. In America, the observance is fostered by the United Council of Church Women, the Federal Council of the Churches, and the Foreign Missions Conference.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America has called upon its entire constituency to continue its unstinted support of the united program of overseas relief and reconstruction, describing this ministry of physical and spiritual welfare as "one of the supreme opportunities for Christian witness in our age." In a message to the churches of this country, adopted at its biennial meeting in Seattle, the Council pointed out that the churches have "joined through the channel of Church World Service in a world-wide ministry of compassion to mankind."

During 1947, the message said, "people of more than thirty countries in Europe and Asia will hang their hope of survival and recovery upon the response of American church people. Governments will be struggling to provide food and shelter, agricultural and lindustrial recovery for their peoples. But to help arouse the people from spiritual apathy, to give the churches of those lands the means with which to heal their own people, and reach a helping hand to the distressed beyond their own community, the fellowship and giving of the ecumenical church are necessary."

Crime in the United States is up 8.1 per cent for 1946, J. Edgar Hoover reports. The biggest increase was in the eighteen to twenty-four age group. Moreover, persons under twenty-one accounted for 17 per cent of the 500,000 fingerprint arrest records reviewed. Arrests of women for the first nine months of 1946 decreased 22.2 per cent, compared with the same period in 1945.

## EDITORIALS

#### UNIQUE WARMTH AND FELLOWSHIP

(Continued from front cover)

doing the clerical work involved in the German relief project. Submitting the letters for publication, he made this explanation: "These copies of letters from Germany were translated into the English language by Sister Wray, daughter of our late Brother Stoll. We thought it would be a good thing for all the churches and members who have given so much to see how thankful the people are over there." Unfortunately space does not permit the printing of all the communications, but a few representative paragraphs will help to reflect the gratitude in the hearts of the German people, will give further insight into conditions there, and will serve to convey thanks to those in America who have given of their time, money, food, and clothing.

A letter signed by Nelly, Henrich, and Lorenz Bruhn reads in part:

We feel very deeply how much work and effort you must put into those wonderful packages that you so kindly send, both in the buying and packing of same. But it is great pleasure and relief they give us, to say nothing of the help. Our plight is undescribable. . . . The food supply here in the British Zone is too meager for words, and there is no relief in sight for a long time. May God bless you, for there is nothing we can do in the least to show our deep-felt appreciation. We hope you will never have to pass through times like these. . . .

The chicken soup is the best we have ever had, and everyone is so pleased about it. You cannot imagine how wonderful it is when we receive your packages and when we see all the wonderful things which we have not had for years. The shoes are just what we needed, and we immediately put them on. They fit so well, just as if they had been made to order. Also the other members of our church are able to walk in theirs very well, too. Tell everyone who helped towards sending these to us how happy we are.

That letter was dated November 23. Another letter from Mr. Bruhn, dated December 2, says:

The last weeks have been miserable here; we just cannot buy a thing as to food and flour, and this before Christmas—the shelves are all empty. But we will not complain. Thanks to your great help, we have some of the essentials. We are looking forward to Christmas, and we are getting

ready to send some packages to our members in other parts of Germany.

I am now getting things together to meet here with the different elders December 27 and 28. We hope to receive some more packages by that time, so that everyone will be able to take some of those wonderful things home with them. This is the first meeting since 1942. The last meeting was ended because of bombing in a neighbor's house, and we all had to help extinguish the fire.

A letter sent on December 10 from Mr. Bruhn indicates that he had already started to forward packages to the other places in Germany, and he enclosed a reply from a lady in Kassel who signed herself, E. Rocholl. In her letter she thanked Mr. Bruhn for some literature he had sent. "The spiritual leaflets . . . are so helpful, and our dear Brother Balke is so pleased, too," she reported, then continued:

These are wonderful things you so kindly send us; hope you did not run short yourself. It was interesting to see how well the food was preserved. in the cans. Thanks to all our dear friends in America, whose hearts and minds were opened to find such favor with us. May our dear Father in heaven bless all those who wish us well.

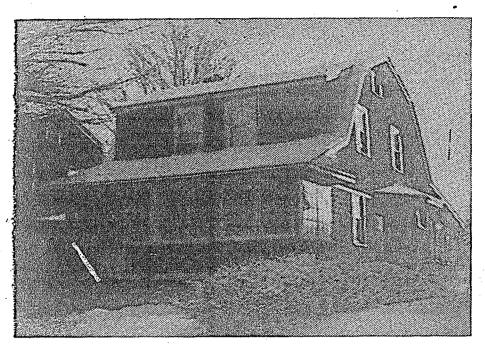
Other letters have come to the Irvington group since these, making specific reports as to the number of packages received and giving itemized accounts of their contents. Help is reaching most of our brethren in Germany, and the Irvington group is continuing the work as conditions permit. A few packages have now gone to the Russian Zone also, shipping made possible because of the partial lifting of the ban. Food may not be shipped, but clothing is admitted. However, the cost of sending into the Russian Zone is nearly double that to the American and British Zones. The prescribed eleven-pound packages go into the latter areas for \$1.54 each: into the former for approximately \$3. With shipping costs running high and with the heavy giving by our churches apparently past, the Irvington people find themselves somewhat restricted by limited funds.

"Let's keep the funds coming," urges Dr. Corliss F. Randolph, who has promoted this special cause from its inception. "Additional funds are the immediate need."

CWS makes a similar plea for the larger ministry of sharing, adding also that the extreme suffering in many lands will only be met if church people in this country send a mounting stream of garments, shoes, and bedding. Continued reports from church sources abroad indicate the dire need.

During 1946 the Protestant churches of this country unitedly shipped overseas twelve

#### "SHIPPING CENTER"



Home of Pastor John G. Schmid in Verona, N. J., where relief supplies have been processed by Irvington church members for shipment to Germany. Cartons of goods received from churches can be seen stacked in glass-enclosed porch.

million pounds of clothing, bedding, shoes, milk, vitamins, babies' and children's kits, cereal, and medical supplies, contributed by millions of church members and interested citizens. Indicative of the spirit of loving sacrifice is the fact that the clothing given was of such high quality that 95 per cent of it was sent on with a minimum of processing expense. These supplies were distributed by church groups in twenty-eight countries.

Eye witness reports and photographs attest the deep gratitude, new hope, and courage imparted by these gifts to those whose misery and dejection and illness hinders recovery. The Seventh Day Baptist Committee on Relief Appeals has had many letters directly from those who have benefited from goods contributed through CWS.

From James C. Flint, representing Protestant relief in Berlin, comes this word:

Members of Seventh Day Baptist Churches have already helped to meet the need of the sufferers here. . . I can honestly report that the German people are deeply grateful for all your assistance. I can further report that there is now a greater

need than before. That may be hard to comprehend, but it is true.

Another letter addressed to Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, chairman of the denominational relief committee, was sent from France. The writer says:

I am the minister of the Protestant church of Orleans in the center of France, and it was I who received, during the course of the year, your most welcome parcels, and who had the pleasure of distributing their contents among about ten of the families belonging to our faith. On behalf of them I tender you our heartfelt thanks for your kind gifts. . . . I am convinced that such generous actions cannot fail to tighten the cords of friend-ship, already very close, between our two nations and also between the Protestant churches of France and America.

The following is a paragraph from a letter from Rome:

On behalf of all the denominations at work in Italy, and especially on behalf of the people of this country who have benefited by your kind and fraternal generosity, I wish to express the most heartfelt gratitude. There was and still is a great deal of distress, but I can assure you that much anxiety and sorrow has been relieved and soothed by the means of your Christian fellowship at this time of need. There will always be people who are grateful and people who do not know how to express their gratitude, but I am sure that your people will realize that if the right hand does not know what the left is doing, there is Someone who knows.

Similar warm and personal messages have been received from Athens, Budapest, and other widely separated places, where the Seventh Day Baptist arm of Christian love and sympathy, made long through CWS, has reached out and given a healing, helping lift to suffering humanity.

Rev. Herbert C. Lytle, Jr., assistant director of the Service Division, CWS, just returned from Europe, says one does not have to travel far on the continent of Europe to find the answer to the question, "Do our church-sent supplies reach the needy?"

"As I saw these people receiving their gifts," he explained, "their gratitude was inescapable. The fact that the gifts came from church people gave the gifts a unique warmth and fellowship, for they were given in the Christian spirit with no strings attached, no political color. They accepted them as gifts from one brother to another. This firsthand witness of a truly magnificent Christian undertaking was both impressive and inspirational. It was a bright sign of hope on a continent dark with sickness, restlessness, and want."

#### OARD OF MANAGERS HOLDS QUARTERLY MEETING

# ACTION TAKEN ON IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- © Customs on Jamaica Car
- New Workers in China
- British Guiana Students
- Other Matters

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society was held January 19, 1947, at the Pawcatuck church at 2 p.m.

Rev. Everett T. Harris of Alfred, N. Y., president of Conference, which meets in Westerly this summer, was present and opened the meeting with prayer.

The members of the board present were: Rev. Harold R. Crandall, Morton R. Swinney, George B. Utter, Karl G. Stillman, Dr. Anne L. Waite, Rev. William L. Burdick, Mrs. Alexander P. Austin, Walter D. Kenyon, John S. C. Kenyon, Hiram Barber, Jr., Elston H. Van Horn, 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. C. Harmon Dickinson, Wendell Stephan, Edmond T. Smith.

Guests present were: Mrs. W. L. Burdick, Mrs. Allen C. Whitford, and Rev. Everett T. Harris.

The quarterly and monthly reports of the treasurer were presented and approved. The quarterly report and statement of condition as of December 31, 1946, were approved and ordered recorded.

The quarterly report of the corresponding secretary, Rev. W. L. Burdick, was received, approved, and ordered recorded.

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

Rev. Everett T. Harris, president of Conference, and a former member of the board, spoke, saying he looked back on his ten years of service on the board, and the program of the day reminded him of those days. He referred to the expanded work—the stepping out—as being encouraging. He felt that work of the Missionary Board is the key to strengthening the home churches. The Commission, he said, was very apprecia-

tive of the program the board has undertaken to arouse the denomination to greater responsibility.

He spoke of the place in the Conference program he would like to have the board take on Wednesday morning. He also desires a sermon for that evening and a pageant at the close of the Conference. He spoke of the problems to be brought before the Conference.

The report of the Second Century Fund by the secretary, David S. Clarke, was received, approved, and ordered recorded.

Lloyd B. Langworthy, chairman of the American Tropics Committee, said there had been no meeting of his committee.

The treasurer said there had been some question about duty on the car sent to Jamaica. The car had been run in the States, but the British authorities considered it a new car, and demanded more than \$400 as customs. Dr. Ben R. Crandall is in Jamaica and money was sent so as to release the car.

George B. Utter, chairman of the China Committee, reviewed the action taken by the board at the last three quarterly meetings.

In April, 1946, the board sought information about the Lottie Baldwin Fund, Milton, Wis., which pays the salary of Miss Mabel West, in Shanghai, but no further information is at hand.

In January the board met a request of the China Mission for \$2,000 for repairs. The sum of \$2,400 was sent in 1946, and no other request has been received. It is presumed that additional expenses up to the present time are being financed in China.

New workers were asked for in July. Dr. and Mrs. Thorngate are on the way.

, In October arrangements were approved to bring Mr. Chang, principal of the Shanghai School, to the United States, the details to be arranged at Shanghai.

A nurse had been asked for, and as a result, Miss Sarah Becker offered her services.

#### MISSIONS

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

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The chairman said that all requests that had been made in a regular way by the China Mission have been met.

Ten thousand dollars is being held in the Second Century Fund, earmarked for the hospital, when it is felt it is time to build. Other money is available for repairs.

Need for a young doctor and a clergyman with administrative ability has been made known to the denomination. It is hoped that volunteers may be found and prepared when the time comes for sending them.

Voted: That a call be extended Miss Sarah Becker, a member of the Riverside, Calif., Church, to serve as a missionary nurse in the employ of this society in China, to begin her services as soon as conditions warrant,

Voted: That we accept with appreciation the offer of the Riverside Church to contribute the sum of \$100 monthly for seven years for the support of Miss Becker as a missionary nurse in China.

Karl G. Stillman, treasurer, gave the Ministerial Relief Committee report. It was approved and ordered recorded.

The report of the Investment Committee was accepted, approved, and ordered recorded.

For the Evangelistic Committee, the corresponding secretary reported there was no missionary in the southwest field, Rev. Zack H. White having accepted a call to the church in De Ruyter, N. Y.

Voted: That \$85 be appropriated for Bibles for Germany, as suggested in a letter from Dr. Corliss F. Randolph.

Voted: That the budget for 1947 be **\$38,986**.

Voted: That the president and treasurer be authorized to sign an affidavit in connection with the education of Mr. and Mrs. Beniamin O. Berry of Wakenaam, British Guiana, stating that the society guarantees to support these individuals for a period of one year during which they will be students at the Alfred Theological Seminary.

Voted: That \$30 be appropriated for a case to care for the banner which was made years ago by the women of China, which is now at the Historical Society in Plainfield.

Voted: That the president appoint a committee to have charge of the Conference program.

The minutes were read and approved. Prayer by Rev. Eli F. Loofboro closed the meeting which was adjourned at 5:35.

> G. B. Utter, Recording Secretary.

#### MISSIONARY PASTOR REPORTS UNION SERVICES

Dear Secretary Burdick:

Perhaps you would like a brief report of the union Week of Prayer services held in South Woodbury Township. The attendance was fair each night, considering the facts that it is a rural community of scattered peoples and that community-wide union services have not been the practice (only union services of two or three churches at the most being held). Eight churches united in these meetings.

I was the speaker at the first service, held at the Koontz Church of the Brethren. This church is in the open country with not even a village from which to get its name. Tuesday night we met at the New Enterprise Church of the Brethren. A lay preacher of the Koontz Church was the speaker. Wednesday night we met at the Waterside Church of the Brethren. The Methodist pastor of Martinsburg, serving four churches including Loysburg, was the speaker; Thursday night we were at the Loysburg Methodist church, and Pastor Frank King of the Seventh Day Baptist "Brick" Church spoke. The closing service was at the "Brick" church in Salemville Friday night at which time the Brethren pastor of New Enterprise gave a challenging closing message.

We chose as our theme the "Lord's Prayer," and each speaker's topic was a division of the prayer. My part was "Our Father, who art in heaven." Other topics were: "Thy kingdom come," "Thy will be done," "Give us . . . our daily bread," and "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." I think the presentation was inspiring and of splendid unity considering the fact some speakers did not hear the one preceding his. We chose this treatment, feeling that it would be more unifying than some other theme.

VISITS VISITS EX-STRUCT PAND ABROAD HERE CATCHING UP OURSELVES

Gifts and pledges total \$28,009.05 at the latest figuring, but pledges due at the present, but not paid, amount to \$500. This means some of us must catch up with ourselves if the total program keeps moving ahead. Check tonight to see if your pledge is paid. If the cash is not at hand, plan to catch up soon, for this is God's work and deserves priority.

Gifts and pledges according to churches

are as follows:		
Church	12-15-46	1-15-47
Adams Center\$	104.00	\$ 124.00
Albion	40.00	40.00
Alfred, First	1,873.84	1,918.63
Alfred, Second	239.50	239.50
Andover		2.00
Ashaway	600.00	644.20
Battle CreekBerea	899.20	1,042.46
Berea	140.00	140.00
Berlin and Sche-		
nectady Mission	311.00	311.00
Brookfield, Second	282.00	327.00
Boulder	377.70	415.70
Chicago	5,613.50	5,615.50
Daytona Beach	272.05	272.05
Denver	435.15	440.15
De Ruyter	634.50	643.50
Dodge Center	73.50	73.50
Edinburg	110.16	115.66
Farina	228.35	228.35
Fouke	5.00	5.00
Friendship	115.85	115.85
Gentry	28.26	_ 28.26
Hammond	110.00	110.00
Healdsburg-Ukiah	52.40	5,2.40-
Hebron, First	80.70	80.70
Hebron, Second	10.00	10.00
Hopkinton, Second	60.00	60.00
Independence	348.00	363.00
Irvington	75.00	75.00

You will be interested to know that the church at the quarterly business meeting last night voted to increase my salary at the rate of \$100 a year, beginning with January 1. Sincerely,

Trevah R. Sutton.

New Enterprise, Pa., January 12, 1947.

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Jackson Center	190.00	190.00
Leonardsville	84.00	84.00
Little Genesee	79.89	100.54
Los Angeles	272.00	322.00
Los AngelesLos Angeles, Christ's	5.00	10.00
Lost Creek	10.00	10.00
Marlboro	362.00	362.00
Milton		1,042.24
Milton Junction	678.50	678.50
Nady	20.00	24.25
New Auburn	199.00	227.00
New York City	622.00	632.00
North Loup	577.23	577.23
Nortonville	387.00	412.00
Dakdale Pawcatuck	50.00	50.00
Pawcatuck	3,207.65	3,242.65
Piscataway	119.94	130.1E
Plainfield	1,367.55	1,367.55
Richburg	160.00	160.00
Riverside	642.96	642.96
Roanoke	20.00	20.00
Rochester Fellowship	32.00	32.00
Rockville	185.50	185.50
Salem	537.50	565.50
Salemville	51.85	51.85
Shiloh	457.20	494.84
Stonefort	35.00	35.00
Syracuse	25.00	45.00
Verona	185.75	231.84
Walworth	21.50	26.50
Washington, Evangelical	100.00	100.00
Washington, People's	20.00	20.00
Waterford	66.00	66.00
White Cloud	135.00	135.00
Yonah Mountain	50.00	50.00
Associations, etc.	217.05	217.05
Miscellaneous	1,720.27	1,974.53
Totals\$	26,954,44	\$28,009.05

NOTE: Two churches have jumped into the \$1,000 class, making six churches with gifts over \$1,000. Seven churches are between \$500 and \$1,000. At least two we know of in the under \$500 bracket have set \$1,000 goals for themselves. What are your goals? David S. Clarke.

#### A PRAYER

An old prayer found in Chester Cathedrall Give me a good digestion, Lord, And also something to digest; Give me a healthy body, Lord, With sense to keep it at its best. Give me a healthy mind, Good Lord, To keep the good and pure in sight Which seeing sin is not appalled But finds a way to set it right. Give me a mind that is not bored, That does not whimper, whine, or sight, Don't let me worry overmuch About the fussy thing called "I" Give me a sense of humor, Lord, Give me the grace to see a joke, To get some happiness in life And pass it on to other folk. -Riverside Church Bulletin.

# CHURCH APPEARANCE SHOULD REFLECT LOVE

Training Course Conducted in Berlin, N. Y.

Every church should show by the looks of its buildings and grounds that someone loves it!

The Berlin church building, both outside and inside, is beautifully redecorated. It impressed me deeply again about the importance of love for the church expressed in this way.

Another expression of love in Berlin was the way a loyal group of laymen joined with the pastor and his wife in a study of "The Children We Teach," which I conducted there over the weekend of January 24-26.

On Sabbath morning Harold Pearson, Sr., gave the sermon. He is a real estate salesman who lives in Amsterdam, N. Y., and who believes very deeply in Jesus Christ and the Sabbath. He is anxious to serve any of the churches of our denomination within driving distance of Amsterdam by preaching or conducting meetings. He has four sons and three of them play musical instruments and are a great help in the services.

There was a good delegation of people from Schenectady for the Sabbath morning service.

On Sabbath afternoon it was my happy privilege to worship with the Schenectady folks. They rent a room at a Baptist church for their Sabbath day services. After the church service the young people presented a program. Peter Fatato was in charge. Musical numbers were given by Anna, Esther, Alice, Ralph, Eugene, and Peter Fatato, and by David, Carl, and Harold, Jr., Pearson. There were Scripture readings by Fred Pearson and Esther Fatato. It was a real inspiration to see these fine people taking such an active part in the work of the Mission.

It was very profitable to me to have Lewis and Nicholas Fatato tell me of their experience of breaking away from the Roman Catholic Church to accept the Sabbath and the Protestant faith. Their deep religious faith based on belief in Christ and the Bible was a real help to me. I hope that many more Recorder readers may have the opportunity to meet these people.

H. S.

#### NEW YORK CHURCH COUNCIL HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

In Albany, N. Y., on January 22, the New York State Council of Churches held the annual meeting. Rev. Harley Sutton represented Allegany County Bible School Association.

Protestant churches in New York State during the past year received help from this State Council in conducting the total church program in the following special ways: publishing "The News Sheet," a mimeographed paper for children's workers; leadership in vacation and week-day school work, from Mrs. Mary Esther McWhirter, who also sponsors activities in all the Children's Division work; help in youth work and young adult work, from Rev. Garland Lacey a new member of the staff; rental of hundreds of books, slides, film-strips, recordings, from the State Council Library; strong leadership in helping fashion legislation in the state government, from a Social Action Committee. These and other ways show why every Protestant church in New York State should support the work of United Protestantism which the council advances.

# WESTERN ASSOCIATION YOUTH HAVE SUPPER PROGRAM

About fifty young people from all but one of the churches of the Western Association met at Alfred, N. Y., January 26.

Rev. Rex Zwiebel was toastmaster for the supper program. He called on Roger Baker of Nile to give a short talk on his experiences at Camp Potato last summer. Stanley Harris gave a report of experiences at the pre-Conference Retreat held last August at Milton. Students of the School of Theology at Alfred were introduced and spoke briefly. The Conference president, Rev. Everett T. Harris, spoke to the group. Rev. Albert N. Rogers led the song service.

A closing worship service was conducted by the Alfred young people, with Willard Sutton as leader.

Miss Marion Coon of Richburg is president of the Association Fellowship. This

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

What sort of person would I truly like to be, not superficially, but in my deepest desires?

# Living What You Believe

#### -Second in a Series of Studies on Everyday Problems

By Albyn Mackintosh

TEXT I would like to point out the necessity of looking at our own lives to see what we believe. You should read the poem entitled, "Just Stand Aside and Watch Yourself Go By." In Galatians 6: 4 we read, "But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another." In 2 Corinthians 13: 5 we read, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." Few people ever stop to examine themselves to see what they do believe, or to see why they do what they do.

An ancient writer offers this analysis of church attendance:

Some go to church to take a walk; Some go to church to laugh and talk; Some go there to meet a friend; Some go there their time to spend; Some go there to meet a lover; Some go there a fault to cover; Some go there for speculation; Some go there for observation; Some go there to doze and nod. The wise go there to worship God.

Some people do think, I suppose, but for most, it seems they must be stopped—usually by some event in their lives, quite often by the death of someone close. Saul was abruptly stopped on the road to Damascus and blinded. Thank God Saul was willing to obey God even though it cost him his friends, his everything in life up to that time! Yes, Saul became Paul, and the whole world has felt the impact of his life.

There are aptitude tests and vocational counsellors available to help young people, but first I am interested in each person discovering himself as far as possible. Within each of us there is an inner world, and if we wish to analyze ourselves we must discover that world and be able to look at our-

group has been planning for special work to be done by gospel teams. We will expect to hear more from them later. selves objectively. This is one of the first steps in learning to meditate and is most useful in learning to shut out the bustle of this world and be alone with Jesus Christ.

In order to discover the world within us, let me suggest that you begin by getting yourself in the most comfortable chair in the house and all alone. Relax deeply and persistently, the most complete relaxation you know how and with the mind as blank as possible. Remain this way for a few minutes. Now while you are relaxed and your eyes closed, watch yourself go to the bedroom, prepare for bed, and retire. Notice all of the details through which you go. Then in your inner mind get into bed, and then see if you can think through one day in your life, while you are in bed in your inner mind, although still seated in that chair. After you have gone through the details of the day, visualize yourself seated in the most comfortable chair in the house and examine yourself there. Notice that in the inner world you have three dimensions in which you can move. Add to these time, and you have a fourth dimension.

Now, make use of this is discovering your-self. Get thoroughly relaxed, with the out-side world shut out. Then bring up the question, What sort of person would I truly like to be, not superficially, but in my deepest desires? In order to achieve an integrated self we need a clear, shining, vivid idea of what we really want to be. Then we can talk about living. You should not have to struggle or agonize to have that inner desire come into your view. Let your creative desires have full sway. Do not be afraid of ideas.

Solomon said, "Where there is no vision the people perish." Proverbs 29: 18. One of the great fallacies of thought in our generation is the belief that material things are powerful and that ideas are weak and faint. It is exactly the other way around. The powerful thing is the clear, integrated idea.

Ideas have toppled kingdoms and empires. Ideas have brought nations to birth. Ideas have vanquished disease, have multiplied the productivity of farm land and of factories. Ideas are the potential powers of the world. Your idea of yourself as you should be can change your personality, can make it over, more and more, into the strong integrated, creative being that you want it to be.

What is your inner picture of yourself? Let it come clear whatever it is. You start to ask, "What is my real dream for myself?", and immediately you are thinking about what she said or what he said or about that new car or hat. Then it is time to clear your mind and start over again. It will probably take some time, but we must learn to meditate, to hold the focus of attention steadily. People train to be athletes, spending hours practicing techniques and exercising muscles, or they train to be musicians. How many hours a day does a violinist like Fritz Kreisler practice? But when it comes to the mind, few people take any time to find out what they have inside of their heads. You might have a hundred horsepower engine under the hood of an automobile parked in the garage. What good would the engine be to you if you did not use it? You have something in your heart and head which can change your life. It may be well to investigate. There might be hidden talents.

Before we turn to the most important side of meditation, there is one more aspect that it would be well to notice about yourself. It is that most people are afraid of themselves—alone in the dark. Admiral Byrd took several trips into the polar regions, and one of the principal problems he faced was the choice of personnel. People want change, to be on the move. Did you ever tie that to Elijah's experience? It was in the still, small voice that he heard God. I have heard people tell how nervous and restless they were. I wonder if they were telling me something about their spiritual condition! When it came to the final and hardest phase. of his expedition to the South Pole, Byrd spent almost five months alone taking observations through a cold winter night. He had plenty of time to face everything alone, and interesting are these words in his diary as he went through his hardest hours: "I find

#### CONFERENCE PRESIDENT SAYS:

Did your church place an item in the budget for assisting your pastor to attend General Conference in August at Westerly, R. I.? It will soon be time to arrange for

AVED TO UERVE those who are to take part on the Conference program. When some pastors are asked to take part, they cannot consent to do so because they are uncertain about attending. If the churches would make this matter clear to

their pastors and set aside a definite amount to assist them on their expenses, it would be a great help in making plans.

This is equally true of the ministers' meeting at Battle Creek, Mich., in May. For many years the annual conclave of the ministers has been held at Alfred, but some pastors in the western section of our country have felt it was too far to travel. In an effort to hold the meeting at a more central place, Battle Creek was decided on as the next meeting place. Then, too, some pastors have been unable to attend because the usual date in June conflicts with their time for holding Vacation Bible School. By setting the date in May, it is hoped that more can attend.

Last year an effort was made to equalize the cost. Those traveling a short distance shared the expense with those who traveled far. It is hoped that this year the churches will help the pastors to attend, and the plan for pastors to share each others expenses will be improved so that it will not be such a burden upon those who travel farthest.

We need this meeting of pastors for fellowship, inspiration, the sharing of practical plans and techniques of work, the solving of mutual problems, and the facing together of our common objectives. Churches, help your pastors to go to Battle Creek in May. It will strengthen your pastor; it will strengthen our denomination; it will make stronger the Cause we represent.

Everett T. Harris.

that I must take charge of my mind or it will take charge of me." The question is, Can I face myself alone in the dark?

(To be continued)

# WOMEN'S SOCIETY PROPOSES DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET

Mrs. Eugene Davis Chosen As Acting Editor

(Annual letter from Ways and Means Committee—Continued)

This committee is now considering how to finance a new project. We would like to sponsor a Seventh Day Baptist daily devotional booklet, to be published later this year. The plan for such a publication is under way with Mrs. Eugene Davis acting as editor. How shall we finance the first quarter? It has occurred to us that there might be individuals and societies who would contribute to a fund to underwrite this project. If so, please send your contributions to Mrs. S. O. Bond, Salem, W. Va., marked for this particular interest. You will hear more of this booklet as the plan develops. Watch the Woman's Page in the Sabbath Recorder. .

Now let us consider where we stand as a Women's Society—a National Seventh Day Baptist Women's Society sponsoring a project in evangelism. A measure of responsibility rests with each woman. We must seek to understand the modern attitudes, needs, methods, etc., of evangelistic effort. But basic to all this is the inner foundation. Before we can be helpful media through which God can work, we must have a geniune experience in our own hearts. Then will follow the urge to carry his message to others. It may be possible for Christians to be saved by their faith, yet fail to develop that inner life which makes Christianity a vital force in the world. Is it possible to profess to "stand on holy ground" as Moses stood humbly by the burning bush, but fail to put on our shoes after hearing his voice? "Come now, therefore and I will send thee . . . " "Certainly I will be with thee . . . . " "Now therefore,

It is not far to go sometimes! There may be people about us, in the church, in the community, touching elbows with us, but touching hearts with none. Christians must come to realize that God is made real to people by people. Ten million Protestant women with all other Christians, living the Christ-life, working together, guided by the Holy Spirit, could change America and the

world. How important that we remember midst the trying problems and confusion of our times that the power of God is abundant. It is free to those who seek to let it work through them. "He is able to do exceeding abundantly, above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."

The urgency in these days comes to us in these oft-repeated phrases: "It is Christ or chaos." "Time is of the essence." "One world or no world." "Christians must hold the world together." "It is later than you think." Our promoter of evangelism has urged that each one win at least one—while the Japanese leaders now urge each Christian to win at least three in the year.

Now a summary in concrete suggestions may be helpful:

- 1. Pray every day for our field workers, for the campaign in Mississippi, for your Board of Directors.
- 2. Arrange to send that evangelistic number of the Sabbath Recorder (the first one each month) to others. It may guide a soul in finding the new Light.

3. Study, "They Said It Wouldn't Work in Vermont . . . But . . . It Did." See Christian Herald, November, 1946, p. 45.

- 4. For study, "Evangelism on the March," a manual for laymen (lay women) giving many experiences in personal work, 25 cents. Address, Mr. Harry Hines, 609-12, Gulf States Building, Dallas, Tex.
- 5. You will hear more of seeking to establish a family altar in every home when the new devotional booklet is at hand. We hope for the necessary funds; the details may appear soon.

6. To build the Helpers' Fund, may our societies plan goal Number Five on their lists of membership rather than on members present at regular meetings.

7. A Women's Co-operative! No organization needed; one requirement only for membership—a willingness to spend at least one hour a week in personal work for Christ, either individually or in some group activity. Some do more. Can we all do that much?

We close with deep appreciation of the loyal support you have given the evangelistic work we are doing together; with a hope that the urgency of lifting Christ up before our own nation and the whole world may possess us all in greater measure in this new

WOMAN'S WORK

Frances Davis, Salem, W. Va.

year. Send any suggestions to any member of this committee, Salem, W. Va.

So let us pray, work, give, live that His message may be proclaimed effectively through us.

# LETTER DESCRIBES ACTIVITIES IN JAMAICA

Dear Mrs. Swiger:

You have no idea how welcome your let-

ter, program, and little paper were.

I have suffered so much lately with neuralgia and toothache that I repented my decision to wait until I returned home, and had five teeth extracted. The two boys were at school and my husband in the country. I went to my bed almost with that low state, self-pity. But in the next mail after your cheering and encouraging letter, more mail arrived than in any other one day since we came.

I have no gift for writing or for any special work and will certainly appreciate any literature or suggestions. Thanks for the program for the World Day of Prayer.

We are glad the Woman's Board is sending a representative to the Assembly of United Council of Church Women. It is time all Christians began working together for Christ.

Our Kingston Seventh Day Baptist C. E. Society visits another C. E. Society in the city at least once a month. We find it helpful and inspiring.

I am a member of the Executive Council of the Island W.C.T.U. and enjoy the execu-

tive meeting once a month.

Mrs. Charles Smellie is president of our Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Woman's Board. Articles in the Recorder about the U. S. Woman's Board and its work inspired her to organize the women of Jamaica. They are anxious to employ a special worker or evangelist, over and above the regular field routine.

Mrs. Smellie is enthusiastic and earnest, a talented leader. Her brother, her father, and her uncle are all ministers. When the Smellies became Seventh Day Baptists, we gained some trained and consecrated workers.

Our Woman's Board secretary is Mrs. Hamilton. She too is a well-trained worker. Her husband is a leader in the Kingston Church and a deacon.

All of us have cards for collecting funds, but as they are folders and rather heavy, I have neglected mailing any. However, if you know of any one who would like to contribute to this fund, the money could be mailed to Mrs. B. Smellie or Mrs. Hamilton, or to me at 27 Charles Street. This is the church address, and the caretaker will see we get it. Or the money could be sent to Karl G. Stillman, P. O. Drawer 515, Westerly, R. I. We prefer to receive money through our denominational treasurer; only be sure to label it for the Jamaica Woman's Board, as I am supposed to be soliciting funds for them at this time.

November 25: This letter has been delayed because our small son Ronald (10 years old December 1) has been ill for a week with "flu." He is so active that even though his fever was at times 104 degrees, someone needed to stay near and see that he kept quiet and remained in bed. He is well again.

One of my great joys here is our girls. They meet once a week and help each other sew, crochet, embroider, weave baskets, etc. They use club money to buy materials; and then when they have quite a few things made, they have a program and sale. After the sale they are able to buy more material to work with. I have wished for remnant bundles from the U. S. many times but know things are taxed out of reason, we think. A lady here told me she ordered remnants from the U. S. every year before the war. I wonder if anything will ever be the same again.

It is very difficult to know what to say to these girls, or how to say what you know needs to be said. It is especially hard in Kingston for a young spiritual-minded girl. I am trying to keep them together and interested until we can get a school started. If and when that happens, I will be very happy. Surely someone will be on hand who will be able to know how to guide them and help them.

Sincerely,

Mrs. W. T. Fitz Randolph.

Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I.

To my early knowledge of the Bible I owe the best part of my taste in literature, and the most precious, and on the whole, the one essential part of my education. — Ruskin.



# OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Just a line to let you know that I am all right; hope you are the same. Today is Sabbath, and we are having communion in our mission. Next Sabbath we are having Children's Day.

Thank you for what you said about me being faithful in writing for the Sabbath Recorder. I am always happy when I write to you because I know I'm pleasing the Lord.

I wish that some day the Lord will open the way for you to come to our mission.

We thank the Lord that he has helped my mother for she now feels better.

This is Sabbath eve, and we are waiting for some members of our mission to come to our house to have Bible study. My Daddy takes charge of the Bible study, and my Uncle Nick takes charge of the prayer meeting. We all enjoy our meetings because we know that it is the will of the Lord.

This will be all for now, and may God bless you and all your loved ones.

Esther Naomi Fatato.

Schenectary, N. Y.

Dear Esther: I will answer all three of your letters next week, so that I may have room for one more letter in this issue.

Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Mother is writing this letter for me. My birthday will be February 6. I will be six years old. I have a sister fourteen years old, a brother ten years old, and a little sister.

I go to Sabbath school and Junior on Sabbath day. Carol Kagarise is my teacher.

My daddy brought a Collie pup home to me the other day. His name is Lassie. Eileen Kagarise.

New Enterprise, Pa.

Dear Eileen:

I know you will have fun with Lassie, but I'm guessing the puppy will get into a lot of mischief. I was calling on a friend the other day, when all of a sudden my scarf was almost pulled off. The little pup belonging to the daughter of the family was taking possession of it as fast as he could, but I decided I wanted to keep it myself.

I must close now as my page is full.

Mizpah S. Greene.

#### MORE ADVENTURES IN IRELAND

(Venita Vincent, who returned to Salem, W. Va., recently from an extended trip, continues here to recount her experiences.)

Leaving Blarney Castle we walked, still in the rain, to St. Ann's for tea and sandwiches. St. Ann's is a rest resort, and many people from England were there. Uncle Joe had heard of it, but we never guessed it would be a two mile walk in the rain before we reached it.

We drew up chairs to a small grate fire—something like our coal and wood fires—to dry ourselves, and for the first time I saw peat burning. The peat was in the form of bricks, brownish black in color. I learned that they get it in swamp areas by cutting it and placing it in rows on the ground for six or eight months to dry. Then it is ready to burn. A fire made from peat is not very hot; nevertheless, I burned my white socks in attempting to dry them and warm my feet. After we had had tea and were dry, the man at St. Ann's drove us back to Cork and the Metropole Hotel. The sun had come out, and it was a lovely drive.

Friday, July 5: We went shopping in the morning, then boarded the train about noon for Killarney, County Kerry, a town of about 5,000, to visit the famous lakes of Killarney. We left the train to find a high-wheeled contraption, with a green and white awning top, drawn by two horses. This wagon was yellow with Lake Hotel painted on the side in green. We climbed a ladder about four feet high to get into it and felt as if we were riding in a circus wagon. It was real elegant—and fun!

The hotel room was enormous, with three big double beds in it and a dresser with lots of adjustable mirrors. All in all the room looked like it had come out of King Peter's

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Mizpah S. Greene, Andover, N. Y.

Palace—and had been through the wars besides. The hotel stood on the edge of a lake; and mountains rose on all sides, giving one such a protected feeling. I learned that there are three lakes of Killarney—the Upper Lake, Muckrose or Middle Lake, and Lough Learne or Lower Lake. These three lovely lakes, with the view of the highest mountains in Ireland, make what is said to be the most beautiful scenery in all the British Isles. Back of the hotel a gravel path sloped down to what had been an island on which once stood a stone castle. Years ago it had evidently fallen into decay, and now it formed a peninsula instead of an island. Around this resort hotel were large estates and the best looking homes I saw in Ireland.

The next day I found out there was a horse at this hotel; so, wishing to spend my Sabbath alone and in the open, beautiful countryside while Aunt Dorothy and Uncle Joe shopped, I decided to go for a ride. Uncle Joe said it would be safer than walking. Here is where the excitement begins. It took three men to hold the animal; and when they let go, he dashed away and skidded down the road from the pasture to the hotel. Aunt Dorothy and Uncle Joe had no more than left when I "flew" past. I finally pulled the reins so hard the horse had to stop and consider. Several times the stable man and porter had asked me, before I got on the horse, if I could ride well. Well, I wasn't that good, but I stuck on! I turned him toward the open road and passed several nice, private roads but didn't dare go up them. Finally I came to a beautiful road that followed the lake. The big iron gate was open, and I rode past a lovely, little, stone house. Just as I rode past a man came out, and to be on the safe side I said, "Sir, would you care if I ride down this lane a little ways? It's the only road I find that follows the lake." He hesitated but finally said, "You may ride till you come to the forked roads. Take the left one and it will get you back onto the highway." I thanked him and trotted away. On my right was the beautiful, beautiful lake that was in front of the hotel, and on my left, the newly cut fields with hay drying. Soon I came to a shadier part of the road with trees overhanging, and on farther an old church and gravevard that had fallen in ruins—Muckrose Abby, I learned—but I was afraid to

#### DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"

(Continued from back cover)

sulted in giving \$368.34 to relief. Another such meal is being planned. The people have sent money and several useful articles, including a pressure cooker, to the Jamaica field. Dr. Ben Crandall, who is there now in the interests of the denomination, carried the gifts with him.

The primary department of the Sabbath school is helping to care for a four-year-old Dutch boy in Holland. Clothing and lesson helps have been sent to Rev. Ary Bottoms at Gurley, Ala., to help in his missionary work there.

Pastor Harris was unanimously elected as pastor for another year with a substantial increase in salary. — Correspondent.

WATERFORD, CONN.—The annual business meeting of the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church was held at the church on Sabbath afternoon, January 4, 1947. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Morton Swinney. Prayer was offered by the pastor, Wendell Stephan. Then followed the election of officers.

It was decided to hold the Sabbath school election of officers separate from the church. A nominating committee consisting of Mrs. Audrey Stephan and Mrs. Kay Fitzgerald was chosen to bring in a list of officers on Sabbath day, January 11.

The pastor gave a very splendid report, in which he suggested that the business set up of our church be reorganized. According to the new plan, the work of the church will be placed under a system of five committees as follows: Finance Committee — Mrs. Walter Fitzgerald, chairman, Selena Swinney, Helen Maxson; Parsonage Furnishing—Mrs. Selena Swinney, chairman, Helen Maxson, Mrs. W. Fitzgerald; Evangelism and Sabbath Promotion — Thomas Fitzgerald, chairman, Morton Swinney, Albert Brooks; Music Committee—Josephine Avery, chairman, Ellen Swinney, Mary Brooks; Advertising Committee—Ruth Swinney, chairman, William Dickinson, Eleanor

dismount and read the tombstones, as I had done in New England, for fear I would never get on the horse again.

(Concluded next week)

Brooks, Audrey Stephan; Social Committee
—Mrs. Mae Jensen, chairman, Phebe Briggs,
Damarn Getchell, Emily Sisson; Nursery
Committee—Kay Fitzgerald, chairman. This
last committee is independent of the board.

It was voted to accept this proposal. The church also voted to sponsor the project of "selling" insulating material to be used at the parsonage. Morton Swinney is in charge of this, and he hopes to interest enough members in buying boxes of "bats" so that there will be no expense to the church.

It was voted to allow the pastor an amount not to exceed \$25 to be used for incidentals during the year.

We have gained three new members this year, Thomas Fitzgerald, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Jensen. They are all young people with a mind to work.

We feel that our church has been wonderfully blessed during the past year. We are very fortunate in having such a consecrated young man for our pastor. We hope that the new year will be one of greater service.

—Church Clerk.

ASHAWAY, R. I. — The annual meeting of the First Hopkinton Church was held in the Parish House on Sunday, January 5. 1947.

Dinner was served at noon under the direction of Byron C. Taylor. Assisting him were the men of the church.

The business meeting was held at two o'clock with Merritt Kenvon, president, presiding. Yearly reports from the organizations of the church were read and accepted. Several business items were discussed. Following the business, officers for the ensuing year were elected, including R. Merritt Kenvon, president; James L. White, vice-president; Mrs. Tracy Saretzki, clerk; Clarence

#### OLD-TIMER SEZ



"These here live stock fellers is purty well organised. They got local associashuns, and state ones, and a whale of a national one. They git places! That shows me that churches and denominashuns and big federashuns kin git religeous work done that lone wolfin' as just single folks can't git done."

Crandall, treasurer; Mrs. Florence Wells, chorister; Edmund Smith, auditor; Miss Eileen Niles, corresponding secretary for the Sabbath Recorder.

Other officers elected were the following: trustees—Miss Abbie Hakes, one year; Harold Collings, Sr., two years; Earl D. Burdick, three years; Albert Arnold, four years; Ira E. Murphy, five years; deaconesses—Mrs. Ethel C. Kenyon, Mrs. Elrene Burdick, Mrs. Helen Waite; obituary committee—Mrs. Abbie A. Hakes, Mrs. Helen Waite, Rev. William L. Burdick; flower committee—Mrs. Ethel C. Kenyon; denominational budget committee—Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson.

The Senior Christian Endeavor Society was designated as an agency to procure subscriptions for the Sabbath Recorder.

There were twenty-eight members and

six visitors present.

Correspondent.

## Marriages.

Crandall - Hilburn. — At the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Crandall near Farina, Ill., their youngest son, Howard, was married to Miss Eva Joan Hilburn of Bloomington, Ill. The wedding took place at 10 a.m., Rev. C. L. Hill, pastor of the groom, using a double ring ceremony. The newly established home is in Bloomington, Ill., where the groom has employment.

## Obienanies

Williams. — George N., son of George F. and Susan March Williams, was born at Higgins ville, N. Y., March 17, 1874, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Paul Saltarelli of Utica, N. Y., November 19, 1946.

Mr. Williams was a lifelong resident and a widely known cattle dealer of Higginsville. His wife, Mrs. Nattie Grossman Williams, died in 1924. Besides his daughter he is survived by two sons, George J. Williams of Higginsville, and Adelbert

D. Williams of Verona, and two grandchildren.
Funeral services were held at his home at 2 p.m.,
November 22, conducted by Rev. Herbert L.
Polan, pastor of the Verona Seventh Day Baptist
Church, and burial was in the Rathbunville Cemetery.

H. L. P.

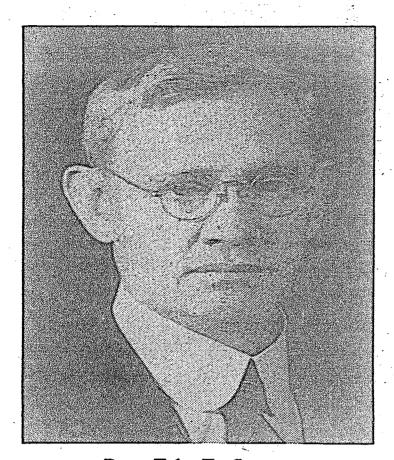
#### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR MARCH 1, 1947

Jesus Sums Up His Claims
Basic Scripture—John 12: 12-50; Mark 11: 1-10

## WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING

(DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP")

BOULDER, COLO. — The annual church dinner and business meeting were held January 5. Dinner was served to sixty. The following officers were elected: moderator, Orville Rasmussen; treasurer, Daisy Allen;



Rev. Erlo E. Sutton

clerk, Jane Bottoms; pianist, Jean Bowen; chorister, William Saunders; assistant chorister, Daryl White; trustee for three years, Paul Hummel. Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, who came to us November 1, was given a call for another year.

Interest is growing for the securing of a parsonage, and a considerable sum of money is now in the Parsonage Fund.

The young people had their annual New Year's Eve banquet, social, and devotionals. This group has recently organized a fellowship and prayer circle, which will meet each Sunday night.

Some weeks ago several large cartons of clothing were sent to John G. Schmid of Verona, N. J., for Seventh Day Baptists in Germany.

Correspondent.

INDEPENDENCE, N. Y. — Our Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Alice Clarke January 13 for our annual business meeting. Mrs. Celestia Clarke, our president, presided.

We have not served as many suppers as usual, because of the scarcity of sugar, butter, meat, and other items of food, but have paid money instead.

We have voted in three new members, served a dinner to the members of the Whitesville Exchange Club, taken care of expenses at the Parish House, voted to send \$15 to the Woman's Board to help pay the Promoter of Evangelism, also \$15 for a helper, and \$50 for the Denominational Budget. The Educational Committee made arrangements with Mr. H. O. Burdick to come to our last Ladies' Aid supper to show pictures and tell of his experiences in India.

Mrs. Celestia Clarke was re-elected president for the coming year. Others elected were Mrs. Niña Clarke, first vice-president; Mrs. Naomi Clarke, second vice-president; Mrs. Alice Clarke, secretary; and Anna Laura Crandall, treasurer. Grace Spicer was elected key worker.

We have a balance on hand of \$308.44 Mrs. Robert A. Clarke, Press Committee.

ALFRED, N. Y. — The annual business meeting of the First Alfred Church was held Sunday evening, January 12, in the Parish House, preceded by a delicious tureen supper. Flute and piano music was rendered by some of the young people.

The Lord has truly blessed us, spiritually as well as financially, this past year. In addition to Rev. Everett Harris' inspiring sermons, Rev. Wayne Rood conducted a series of meetings on the topic, "Parables for Our Day." There have been quarterly consecration services held the Friday eve before Communion, which have been well attended. Friday evenings a group of people are meeting in the Parish House to study the book of Mark. In August there were hymn sings on the Gothic lawn. Rex Burdick supervised an excellent Vacation Bible School.

The church had thirteen new members during the year; five were by baptism, one by confession of faith, and seven by letter.

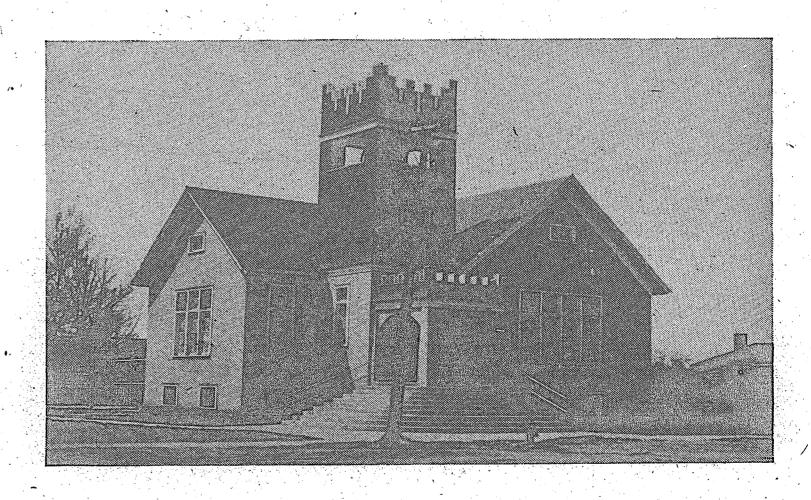
We have helped the needy at home and abroad. The following are some of the highlights: twelve boxes of clothing were sent to the German Seventh Day Baptists in Europe; there were two meals of sharing which re-

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## The Sabbath

# Reconder

## WHITE CLOUD, MICH., SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH



"People over the denomination do not realize what a strong church there is at White Cloud."

(See article page 126.)