

March 13, 1948 — What Is It?

DENOMINATIONAL STEWARDSHIP SABBATH

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP SABBATH? It is a day assigned by the Denominational Budget Committee to call to the special attention of every Seventh Day Baptist Church member the present financial condition of our denomination.

The work of all departments is suffering from lack of funds, and much of the work is threatened with complete stoppage. Approximately 50 per cent of the amount needed has not been forthcoming. The situation is really grave.

Let us think of our denomination as a tree. The various departments are its branches. As the life of the tree depends on water supplied through its roots, so the activities of the various departments or branches are dependent on a steady flow of money from the treasury. Regular weekly subscriptions is the ideal way to sustain our denominational tree, but at present it is suffering from a severe drought. In such an emergency, water should be carried to the tree in bucketfuls, so must we come immediately with emergency aid to the denominational tree with generous donations. The situation is grave indeed.

Many members are already giving their full share, but the Denominational Budget Committee would like to see established a better continuous supply, by regular giving on the part of more people, and may God bless each one on his or her effort to further His work.

Denominational Budget Committee.

P. S. After having read the above letter be sure to read the sermon on "Tithing."

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PRAYER

By Morgan P. Noyes

O God, Who hast taught us how to live through One Who went no easy way, but bore the burdens of the world even when they led Him to a cross, we pray for a spirit like His, that we may confront our life undiscouraged, undismayed, and undefeated. Make us forgetful of ourselves, that in the face of the world's great need we may have the freedom of those who live for Thee. Give us clearer understanding of the issues that confront us, that with decision and with faith we may take the way that leads toward Thy kingdom. Grant us grace to hate wrong, with malice toward none. Strengthen us to forgive those who wrong us, as we pray to be forgiven for wrongs that we do to others. Help Thou our unbelief, that though wrong be powerful, we may dare to trust that Thou art the Ruler yet. Set us in the train of all bold followers of Christ, that we may catch the spirit of His Cross, and gladly spend and be spent for the sake of those for whom Christ died. Amen. — *Presbyterian Tribune.*

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## REPORT OF GERMAN RELIEF WORK

July, 1946 — December 31, 1947

Receipts

Through the Conference Committee  
on Relief Appeals in the Churches —\$3,192.92  
From other Churches and individuals — 3,560.64  
From Irvington, N. J., Church ..... 1,956.36

\$8,709.92

Disbursements

For food, etc. ....\$4,902.28  
For parcel post fee for 1952 packages 3,730.36

\$8,632.64

Balance December 31, 1947 ..... 77.28

\$8,709.92

Shipment of Used Clothes and Shoes

November 22, 1946—December 31, 1947

515 packages at 11 lbs. .... 5,665 lbs.  
176 packages at 22 lbs. .... 3,872 lbs.

691 packages ..... 9,537 lbs.

Shipment of Food, Etc.

July, 1946—December 31, 1947

864 packages at 11 lbs. .... 9,504 lbs.  
397 packages at 22 lbs. .... 8,735 lbs.

1,261 packages .....18,238 lbs.

Total Shipment

July, 1946—December 31, 1947

691 packages clothes and shoes ..... 9,537 lbs.  
1,261 packages food, etc. ....18,238 lbs.

1,952 packages .....27,775 lbs.

Frank Schober, Clerk,  
Irvington Church.

January 27, 1948.

### CORRECTION

Dr. Rosa W. Palmborg, 1326 Maryland Street, Los Angeles 13, Calif., under date of February 7, 1948, writes:

"... And yesterday came the January 26 Recorder with my letter—or Mabel West's to me. In my addition to it I made a mistake when I said, 'These people are all Liuho people.' Of course I meant only the Chinese workers toward it. Mr. Dzau was with us many years, but he was a native of Shanghai. Could you make that correction, please?"

"Sincerely,  
"Rosa W. Palmborg."

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# Heroes for Peace

Some folks apparently are not very much interested in self-preservation unless they can blast somebody to bits. Unless in war's wake there is devastation, rubble, destroyed homes, blasted hopes, maimed bodies, blighted minds, sullied spirits, the stench of defeat, and the odor of victory—aggressors and defenders seem dissatisfied. For these give evidence of a ghastly job well done.

When the minds and morals of men become so depraved that men think that they "can solve everything by slaughtering their own children," to use George Sokolsky's figure as mentioned by Dr. Paul Scherer in "The Chaplain," January, 1948, we find ourselves in a rotten state. Too long have we tried to muddle our way through. Too long have we counted on human effort without respect to or benefit of divine resource. It would almost seem that one philosophy of life dictates armed conflict in order to bring out the heroic in man. We are stunned by this sudden sweep of perverted thought and cry out, "What price heroism!"

To those who glory in the heroism of war, we would challenge: "Look to the heroism of peace!"

Frederick Lawrence Knowles has expressed the spirit of the heroes of peace in his poem:

The New Patriot

Who is the patriot? He who lights  
The torch of war from hill to hill?  
Or he who kindles on the heights  
The beacon of a world's good will?

Who is the patriot? He who sends  
A boastful challenge o'er the sea?  
Or he who sows the earth with friends,  
And reaps a world-wide fraternity?

Who is the patriot? It is he  
Who knows no boundary, race, or creed,  
Whose nation is humanity,  
Whose countrymen all souls that need.

Who is the patriot? Only he  
Whose business is the general good,  
Whose keenest sword is sympathy,  
Whose dearest flag is brotherhood.

—Frederick Lawrence Knowles.

Further, Mr. Sokolsky points out that "this mad human race . . . goes on picking

out the little problems like Hitler and Stalin," and party politics and personalities. "And everybody still missing the big problem: the utter wantonness of rotten character." We've got to leave our pipe dreams . . . and grovel in the black earth, until we've pulled down the horrible structure we've built as an altar of sacrifice, not to a God of fair dealing, but to bloody Baal."

This true approach to the big problem can be made when the proper value is placed upon life itself in terms of God, the giver of life. For, as Dr. Scherer continues, "God becomes a conscious necessity to the man who has quit underestimating life. That's one point. This is the other: God becomes a conscious necessity to the man who has begun to shoulder his appropriate share of the responsibility that life is thrusting on all of us nowadays as never before."

Heroes for war will shirk this responsibility. Heroes for peace will shoulder this responsibility. Which are we?

### SUMMARIZED REPORTS OF GERMAN RELIEF WORK

Receipts for November, 1947

From individuals and Churches .....\$659.85

Disbursements

For food, etc. ....\$187.32  
Parcel post fee for 122 packages ..... 350.16

Balance on hand, November 30 .....\$537.48

122.37

\$659.85

Receipts for December, 1947

Balance on hand .....\$122.37  
From individuals and Churches ..... 507.19

\$629.56

Disbursements

For food, etc. ....\$255.20  
Parcel post fee for 100 packages ..... 297.08

Balance on hand, December 31 .....\$552.28

77.28

\$629.56

Frank Schober, Clerk,  
Irvington Church.

## AMSTERDAM VOLUMES ARE GOING TO PRESS

Leading Scholars and Laymen Prepare for Amsterdam. Nearly fifty leading theologians, students of social conditions and international affairs, are collaborating in producing four study books dealing with the subjects which will be discussed at the coming World Council of Churches Assembly at Amsterdam, August 22 to September 4. The four volumes will deal with the general subject of the Assembly, "Man's Disorder and God's Design." The titles of these volumes are "The Universal Church in God's Design" - "The Churches' Witness to God's Design" - "The Church and the Disorder of Society" - "The Church and International Affairs."

The fourth volume will appear first as a series of pamphlets, which will be printed in book form following the Assembly. In this pamphlet series Mr. John Foster Dulles of the United States and Professor J. L. Hromadka of Czechoslovakia are authors of two separate statements dealing with "Christian Responsibility in Our Divided World." Baron F. M. van Asbeck, Kenneth C. Grubb, Dr. Roswell P. Barnes, and Dr. O. Frederick Nolde are among the authors of related subjects in the field of the Church and international affairs.

These three volumes and series of pamphlets will serve as the material for study in the four sectional conferences of the Amsterdam Assembly, and will appear in a four volume series following Amsterdam. — Excerpts from Ecumenical Press Service, Contributed.

The Seventh Day Baptist delegate is Dr. Lloyd D. Seager. Conference appropriated \$500 toward his expenses last August. The balance necessary for the trip is being contributed by the delegate himself.

## ADDITIONAL CREDIT

The "Reader's Digest," Pleasantville, N. Y., informs us that the "NEA Journal" also should receive credit for William G. Carr's "comment on the United Nations." (See the Sabbath Recorder, March 1, 1948, page 144.)

## SECRETARY SKAGGS REPORTS

November 8, 1947 - January 11, 1948

During the two months just past, the corresponding secretary has spent almost all of his time in or near Plainfield. Lack of finances has continued to hamper the board and prevent any plans for extended field work.

Letters of inquiry seem to have begun to come in again after a lapse of some weeks. . . . In one mail there came inquiries from three Christian workers. One has been a Methodist preacher. He is Charles H. Tuck of Fort Wayne, Ind. He has asked for baptism at Indianapolis and it is probable that he will join the Church there. In addition to answering inquiries, the secretary is in constant touch with other board secretaries of the denomination.

Early in December, the first issue of the lone Sabbathkeepers' paper, "The Loadstone," was sent out to those on our mailing list. This was in place of the regular quarterly letter to lone Sabbathkeepers.

The replies that have come in have been, with one exception, very favorable to the change, that is, from a letter to a paper. Several very valuable suggestions have been sent in, some of which will be incorporated in the next issue of the paper, and others at later dates.

The secretary was privileged to travel to Westerly with President Langworthy and Editor Warren to attend the December meeting of the president of Conference and the board representatives. We met in the auditorium of the Pawcatuck Church on Sunday, December 14. . . . The following were two of the resolutions which were adopted:

Whereas present receipts from the Denominational Budget are woefully inadequate to continue needed and waiting work in the boards' program; and

Whereas the representatives of our denominational agencies meeting with the Conference president in planning session for the year 1947-48 feel the necessity of urging immediate action to meet financial needs; be it

**Resolved,** That all Churches and pastors be immediately notified of the urgency of Denominational Budget work and be urged to cooperate to the fullest measure immediately.

**Resolved,** That, in view of and in the interest of the expanding program of Seventh Day

## THE KING OF ALL THE KINGS AND THE LORD OF ALL THE LORDS

Sermon by Elder Otto Bock  
Gelsenkirchen, Germany

(As rendered in the English by Translator Kurt Gotz, also of Gelsenkirchen.)

In Micah 5: 2 it is announced to Israel, where her King comes from; and in Matt. 2: 5, 6 and Luke 1: 31-33 we learn the same thing by divine revelation. Other examples we have in John 12: 20-31 and Rev. 12: 7-9 and 13-17.

In Rev. 12: 1, 2 a woman is described to us, clothed in the sun, under her feet the moon, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She seems to be in great pregnancy and good hope, and Satan realizes that from her a new congregation will arise. It is a divine revelation, which Satan tries to disturb, as he also does by Joseph (Matt. 1: 1-19). But Joseph is instructed by the angel of God (Matt. 1: 20-23) that the prophecy of Isa. 7: 14 is fulfilled. And now, what a noble spiritual discipline and chastity of Joseph, not to trouble his wife until the announced offspring of David was born. And after

Baptists, we would respectfully urge the Commission of General Conference to give early consideration to ways and means of placing the Sabbath Recorder in every Seventh Day Baptist home.

During the past two months, most of the secretary's time has been spent in preparation for his work at Alfred. As the time of preparation draws toward a close the secretary feels . . . the need of prayers . . . for this important work into which he is entering.

This report contains two recommendations:

Recommendation 1: That the board cooperate in the effort of the Finance Committee and approve May as the month for special emphasis on Tract Society interests.

Recommendation 2: That in view of the increase of the price for binding "Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America" to \$4.50 per set, the sale price be increased to \$5.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor W. Skaggs,  
Corresponding Secretary.

that Joseph was to get his rights of nature as a man (Matt. 1: 25), for it is proved by Luke 2: 41-52; Matt. 13: 53-58; John 7: 3, 5; and Mark 6: 3 that they lived together, and that they had several children. The Acts of the Apostles (15: 13) tell us, too, that a brother of the Lord became a leading apostle at Jerusalem (Gal. 2: 8; 1: 18-20). Those are proofs for all men of faith, who keep the commandments of God, and who believe in Jesus Christ (Rev. 12: 17).

Now I will write the conclusion of the whole letter, dealing with the problem: Who is the woman, and where does she stay, for Satan is fighting against all the others of her seed (Rev. 12: 17).

The woman, from whom all the others of her seed derive, was Israel in the old covenant and in the new one (Mal. 3: 1-18). Jesus says to His disciples (Matt. 10: 5, 6): Do not walk on the road of the pagans and do not enter the Samaritan towns, but go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. That was before His crucifixion, but yet our Father in heaven had resolved that, after the death of His Son, the believers of all the peoples should be included, so that His house should be full. (John 10: 16; 11: 51, 52; Matt. 28: 18-20.) And so St. Peter said to the Jews (Acts 2: 39): For this promise is to you and your children, and to all the men whom God, our Lord, will call. And who does not believe, will not belong to the people of God (Acts 3: 19-23).

What sort of character have "the others of that woman's seed"? (Rev. 12: 17.) They are said to keep the commandments of God and to have the testimony of Jesus Christ. According to Rev. 19: 10 the testimony of Jesus is the sense of prophecy. So we can conceive that this happy troop is counted first (Rev., chapters 7 and 14), before the large troop from all the other religions. These, too, must be washed in the blood of the Lamb (Rev. 7: 14), for in this way they are adopted by God into the congregation of Jesus Christ (Rev. 7: 15).

It is of special use that those 144,000 are mentioned as the first to come to God. According to Rev., chapter 7, they are all Hebrews and Israelites. Therefore many Christians mean they cannot be with

the first. But Rev., chapters 12 and 14, teach us another thing. Let us remember the wonderful declaration of St. Paul in Rom. 9: 22-26, his blame of Israel in 9: 27-29, and his praise of the pagans (9: 30), who do not run against the word of God but believe. Israel, too, ran against it, as well as all the pagans and many Christians still do today. (Rom. 9: 32, 33).

God told them the way to go home (Matt. 2: 12). And the angel of the Lord let Joseph know that Satan was on the way to kill the new-born baby (verse 13). Therefore Joseph was to take his wife and child on a mule to Egypt. Satan kept raging by means of Herod, who felt wise enough to reach his aim for Satan's sake (verse 16). And by that, two prophecies were fulfilled in a wonderful way (Hos. 11: 1; Jer. 31: 15), as well as all the other prophecies according to the words of Jesus to His disciples (Luke 24: 25-27, 44-49).

A great number of children up to two years of age being concerned, misery and lamentation were immense among the women of Bethlehem, when the dragon raged. So the verses 16-18 had to be fulfilled according to the prediction of God.

Can people understand that Satan could do such work with the permission of God, without knowing His word? Therefore people must be regenerated, as Jesus said to Nicodemus (John 3: 3-8), who could not understand that either, though being a scribe (verse 9). And the Lord blamed him saying: You are a master in Israel, and you do not know that (verse 10). How will you know that, dear soul, as you know or understand the Scripture even less? But it is written: All men will be taught by God, and he who learns comes to Me (John 6: 45). And he who has will have plenty, but from him who has not, will be taken away whatever he has (Matt. 13: 10-12). All this will be again by Satan's cunning and cheating, as well as by signs, forces, and miracles (2 Thess. 2: 8-11). And as the men do not believe in the truth of God, they will be judged for having a mind for injustice (verse 12). They will become

children or slaves of Satan by serving the devil and contradicting the truth in their devilish and carnal mind (James 3: 15; John 12: 48).

And such a devilish mind was shown to Jesus by some apparently pious persons among the Jews (John 8: 30-44), who defended themselves by such carnal arms, and said, they were Abraham's and God's children. But the Lord and Saviour of the world taught them that they knew nothing of God (44-47).

Now Jesus educated other people to be His community, which He also called bride. John 1: 37-51; 3: 29; Matt. 10 (entirely) prove that His disciples or His community always have Satan and his servants around them under these conditions of life, as well as in family, Church, and friendship (verses 21-25, 34-39; Revelation 12: 12). Can you, dear soul, understand such a thing, without having experienced it? No, you cannot. You must attend the school under the cross and learn to bear your cross as the Lamb did (Matt. 10: 38-40), then you will perceive your Saviour, who, after victory, sat on the right of the Majesty in heaven (Heb. 10: 12, 13; 1: 3; Mark 16: 19).

Will you overcome yourself, too, dear soul? Then you shall sit on Jesus' throne (Rev. 3: 21), like His disciples according to Jesus' word (Matt. 19: 28). Is it not worth while, and is it not an honor?

And now, dear brethren, I ask you, who is that woman in Rev. 12: 1-6, 13-17, and where is she (verse 17)? And who are the others of that woman's seed, against whom the dragon fought (verse 17)? Our Lord and Saviour gave us this wonderful revelation, so that we may be informed that Satan is doing in Christendom as he did in that world of Jewish belief. In Revelation, chapters 17 and 18, we are told about another woman, of whose seed none of us might be. In the same way as the believing Jews were revealed by Jesus (John 8: 30-59), people are revealed nowadays, not to be what they pretend to be. And how are we? Do we act in a better way? If so, we may stand behind Jesus in a gay belief according to His word. And that will be our spiritual armour (Eph. 6: 10-17).

## GRACE HOSPITAL

By Miss Sarah Becker  
(Concluded)

### Liuho Landscape

One Sabbath afternoon the sun was warm and bright, so we decided to take a walk in the country. The country is very flat around Liuho and, except for the clumps of bamboo about the homes, you can see for quite a distance. There are canals everywhere, but they are often ten to fifteen feet deep—to water level. I used to wonder how the farmers got the water on the rice paddies until I saw the remains of the water mill where the water buffalo does the treading. I have seen the men and women dipping water with a long-handled wooden dipper into wooden buckets, carry them by yoke to the plants, and dip out the water to each plant. No wonder the garden plots are small. We saw many interesting things on our little trip, such as a hand loom, drying turnips for sale, and bean curd processing. Most every family has something it makes to sell. It may be cloth, yarn, shoes, salted greens, or brooms that the family specializes in, but no one is idle. Many women have learned to knit and sew, in fact the seven and eight-year-old schoolgirls often walk along knitting on their way back home, and they do a pretty nice sock or scarf at that!

### Christmas in China

The Sabbath before Christmas Mrs. Koo, the Bible woman from the Shanghai Church, came to hold the services and distribute Christmas treats of peanuts, oranges, and a few candies, to the people. We had quite a crowd and they sang lustily. We hope that they learned and retained some of the Christmas story. We can plant, but the Lord must give the increase. Many have returned since then, but not always the same ones. We hope that by next year we may have help in getting up a real Christmas program.

I spent Christmas and the following weekend in Shanghai with the Thorn-gates and the Wests, and had a most enjoyable time. The young people of the Church and the choir put on a Christmas program that packed the Church to the limit. Then Christmas eve they caroled

## TRACTS IN GERMAN

The Missionary Society office is in possession of nine different tracts written in 1940 and 1941 by Johannes Bahlke, the



Johannes Bahlke

only field worker among our German Churches. Of course, they are printed in German and are available for reading by those who care to borrow them. Write us stating what subjects you are interested in.

"Christus der Herr; im Lichte der Frohbotschaft."

"Bibelbetrachtungen: Die Briefe des Apostels Johannes, I, II & III."

"Bibelbetrachtungen: Die Briefe des Apostels Petrus, A, B, C."

"Bibelbetrachtungen: Der Jakobus Brief" (One in April, 1941; one in May, 1941).

all around the compound and several places outside. They sang several pieces in English for us. Their voices harmonized beautifully. We did appreciate them very much. Christmas day reminded me much of home with all the excitement of unwrapping gifts and a big dinner shared with friends. How much we all have for which to be thankful. May we all strive to represent the Prince of Peace in our daily contacts with those who do not know Him.

Brother Bahlke writes how he was called to minister and to edit their monthly paper, "Wahrheit, Licht, Leben," following the death of Brother L. R. Conradi and W. Losch. "So I was kept in charge of this work as good as possible under the war conditions but without a real salary. . . . I am doing this work still and want to expand it by a good evangelization and to give all the Church members a spiritual education on progressive knowledge to Bible truth and widen their hearts to receive the warmth of Jesus' love!"

Following the Conference of Seventh Day Baptists at Braunschweig-Brunswick late in September, 1947, Brother Bahlke visited Churches in the Ruhr district and Westphalia "to serve with bread from heaven." He speaks of their being short-handed for a vigorous evangelization work, remarking how he has "no one to deal and to talk with in best fellowship as a colleague on all matters and spiritual things which concern our earnest and deepest interest." He recalls conferences which he attended in 1937 to 1940 at Molln about 60 kilometers south of Hamburg, his present home. These were convened by Lutherans and known as "Mollner Theologische Lehrkonferenz." "It is nice to be in touch for some time with colleagues from different Churches, but it will surely be more warming," he continues, "to meet the brethren, friends, and colleagues from the absolute equal ministry and missionary work. . . ."

Sermon topics and ideas on evangelism will be shared with Church workers through the "Missionary Reporter." Perhaps you can share Sabbath Recorder subscriptions, letters, etc., with our German brethren. (Addresses upon request.)

David S. Clarke.

### BOARD OF MANAGERS ITEMS

(Partial report, Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society. Concluded from February 23.)

The Investment Committee report was received, adopted, and ordered recorded.

The report on the Ministerial Relief Fund was presented, accepted, and ordered recorded.

The Committee on Work in China presented a budget for its work of \$7,200;

the American Tropics Committee for work in Jamaica and British Guiana a budget of \$3,550; Missionary-Evangelistic Committee for work in America a budget of \$8,070. Germany was allotted \$1,450, \$700 for aid to Churches and \$750 for travel expense. For administration, a budget of \$8,500 was adopted.

Itemized budget considered as a whole. Voted to adopt the budget of \$28,770 for calendar year of 1948 as a whole.

(Note: Above items lifted from the minutes of the Missionary Board meeting, Elston H. Van Horn, recording secretary, and prepared for publication by Acting Secretary David S. Clarke.)

### RADIO CITATION

(An opportunity is here offered to all Church women to unite in building a strong influence. Just make a ballot like the one below for each woman who will vote. Sign name and address and mail as directed.—Mrs. J. L. S.)

Again this year the United Council of Church Women joins in helping to name the outstanding radio programs portraying family life. This is a part of the observance of National Family Week, to be held May 2-9, 1948.

Last year, through the thousands of votes cast by Church families, ten programs were given citations. This year we ask again for careful, thoughtful listening. Then fill in and mail the ballot printed below. Circulate copies of the ballot widely. The result of this balloting should indicate to ourselves, to the radio industry, and to radio program builders what Christian people most appreciate and value in family radio programs. It is your opportunity to influence the type of programs kept on the air. Give careful thought to your choices.

Citations will be made to radio programs portraying family life which receive the highest number of votes.

On the basis of the questions listed below, which three programs do you think are the best family programs? (Programs should meet 7 out of 10 requirements.)

1. Is the family true to life?
2. Is the family democratic—recognizing the rights of others?
3. Does the family recognize God in its everyday living?

4. Is there a high moral tone to the program?
5. Is the sponsoring commercial in keeping with the best in family life?
6. Does the program make you want to have a better life?
7. Is there a high type of humor?
8. Does the family show an interest in the community, the nation, and the world?
9. Is the home the center of security and strength?
10. Does the program portray the family as improving?

Name of Program Station Town or City

1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Be sure to mail by April 1, 1948 to The United Council of Church Women, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

### THE REAL SAINT PATRICK

Saint Patrick, patron saint of Ireland, whom the world honors by the wearing of the green on March 17, was not an Irishman, but a Roman. He was born in England about A. D. 389, when Britain was a part of the widespread Roman Empire. He was a son of a Roman official, a person of dignity in the community. He was given the Roman name of Patricius, and brought up to believe that the Roman Empire was the best and greatest of all countries in which to live, and that all lands outside its boundaries were only crude barbaric wastes.

His father owned an estate in Ireland. Ireland in those days was divided into several tribal states, each ruled by its own king. It had never been conquered by Rome, but occasionally forays were made on the mainland by hostile tribes.

On one such foray, made by King Niall of Connaught, the estate of Patricius' father was raided and the boy was carried off as a slave. For six years Patrick tended the king's sheep on a mountainside. He grew more homesick daily, but he also grew in faith and strength. Often he would rise before dawn and go to the woodland or mountainside to pray.

One night in his dreams, Patrick heard a voice saying, "Thou doest well to fast; thou shalt return to thy native land. Behold, thy ship is ready."

The next day Patrick left the fields of his master and tramped one hundred

eighty miles across Ireland, in hourly peril of capture, to an eastern port, from which he sailed with heathen traders to Gaul (now France).

Patrick studied Christianity in Gaul, and after a few years he again heard a divine call to return to Ireland, whose people he had learned to love. Patrick was not the first to bring Christianity to Ireland, but he set himself to win the tribal kings, who were pagan and all-powerful, to the new religion. King Loigaire was the High King, above all the smaller tribal kings. King Loigaire resisted all attempts of Patrick, but finally granted him protection.

It is said that Saint Patrick won the High King over by tests of strength and power with his druid priests, who were also magicians. On the first Easter eve in Ireland, Saint Patrick lighted a fire on the hill of Slane. A celebration was being held on the opposite hill of Tara, where King Loigaire reigned. And it was the custom on this night that no fire be lighted before Tara flared.

But Saint Patrick's fire glowed first on that night, and the magicians of the king said to Loigaire, "O King, unless this fire which you see is quenched this same night, it will never be quenched, and the kindler of it will overcome and seduce all the folk of your realm."

The High King, disturbed, went forth with all his retinue and his priests and magicians to meet the Christian missionary. Thereupon the plain between the two hills was chosen as the proving ground. The druids brought great masses of snow, and the fire of Tara could not melt it, but the fire of Saint Patrick on Slane soon melted the snow. The druids caused darkness to fall on the valley, but the fire of Slane lighted it up again, showing that while the powers of darkness and evil are strong, the powers of God and light are far stronger, and can ever triumph over evil.

Thus Patricius the slave came back to Ireland as a great missionary, the greatest, some claim, since Saint Paul the apostle.

Ever since, each year on the anniversary of his death, hundreds of pilgrims do honor to Saint Patrick by wending their

**"IF CHRIST WERE LORD OF OUR WORLD"**

By Barbara L. Knowles  
Westerly, R. I.

(Given at the Youth Week Program)

If Christ were Lord of the world, it would certainly be a different place in which to live. I don't think we have made too much progress toward world brotherhood, although we may be on the way. Jesus' teachings, such as the golden rule and the Ten Commandments, can be applied in everyday business life, trade relations, and world affairs.

The Christian nations have invited Him to our peace table. These nations realize that the idea of Christian brotherhood is the way to world peace. We are trying to do our best to bring Christianity to China, Jamaica, British Guiana, Germany, Russia, and other countries that need this help, by sending missionaries, doctors, food and clothing, and other supplies to these countries. This is a start toward world peace.

An increase in Church attendance right here at home will aid world peace, because His world will be reached by more people who will go out and try to teach what they have learned. Others will go out to something bigger, but just as important, such as doctors, missionaries, and ministers at home and away. It is the lack of understanding rather than fundamental differences and beliefs that keep the countries of the world at odds. If we understood the beliefs of these countries and they ours, we could get along without wars, or at least without so many. I think that empty stomachs rather than confused minds are what cause so many wars. If all people were fed the way they should be, and in the Christian way, they would very likely be won over to the Christian way of thinking.

way to the west coast of Connaught to toil up the steep ascent of the hill of Slane, now called Croagh Patrick, after the boy who tended sheep on its slopes and dreamed dreams that led him to become a missionary and Ireland's patron saint. — From Sunshine Magazine, March, 1948. (Adapted from Blandford Brown, in New Horizons.)

Education, exchanging school students, and members of all these various international organizations and associations would bring people around to the same way of thinking, or at least would get these problems talked over in a peaceful way.

Citizens of a community, as a whole, work more effectively together than they do as a special organization or group, so why can't we enlarge on this and make the community the world? If more people could state what our economic problems are, we might be able to realize the other fellow's point of view and see what he is lacking and help him, and so win him to the Christian way of thinking.

The county, national, and world problems are by no means more important than community activities, because all these programs start with the community and enlarge from that. Too many of the youths of today believe that there is too little opportunity for them to take part in world affairs. They can assume responsibility in community affairs, which would be training them for the time when they might have to assume responsibility in world affairs.

We certainly hope the day will come when this will be a world of united brotherhood.

**MINISTERS' CONFERENCE 1948**

A committee met recently to plan for the annual Ministers' Conference. Rev. E. T. Harris is chairman of the program committee and the other members are: Rev. Ralph Coon, Rev. Charles Bond, and Rev. A. N. Rogers, ex officio. The Salem people have invited the ministers to come there for the conference this year. There is a possibility that the place of meeting will be at Jackson's Mill, which is a wonderful place for such a meeting. No definite date has been set, but the last few days in May are being considered.

Most of the Churches whose pastors attended the conference last year paid all or part of their expenses. The Board of Christian Education hopes that the Churches will pay the expenses of their pastors to the conference this year. The fellowship, inspiration, and instruction received at this conference is very much worth while.

H. S.

**SPECIAL WORKERS FOR THE SUMMER**

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held Sunday, February 29, it was decided to employ someone for the three summer months who would help in vacation schools and youth camps. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bond have been asked, but have not given their answer yet. A call has come to the board for workers to help in the Florida field, and this is being considered as an important place for the special workers to work part of the summer.

H. S.

**THE GARDEN OF MY LIFE**

By Ken Smith,  
Westerly, R. I.

My life is like a garden plot  
Where God has sown the seed.  
He gives it rain and sunshine,  
And answers every need.  
'Tis not too much He asks me,  
To watch each little rose,  
To pluck the weeds and till the soil  
And guide it as it grows.  
I know that where the thorns come up  
The flowers cannot live,  
And so the beauty of this plot  
Depends on what I give.  
And when the silver trumpet sounds  
And all the saints shall meet,  
The flowers are the trophies  
I shall spread at Jesus' feet.

**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**

Statement of the Treasurer, February 29, 1948

Receipts		February	5 months
Balance on hand Feb. 1		\$ 1.13	
Adams Center			75.25
Albion			93.70
Alfred, First	240.83		995.88
Alfred, Second			184.50
Andover			15.00
Battle Creek	283.95		1,624.66
Berlin			65.56
Boulder			187.68
Brookfield, First	30.00		86.50
Brookfield, Second	20.00		42.00
Chicago	75.00		198.40
Daytona Beach	21.50		120.50
Denver	27.07		217.46
De Ruyter			35.00
Dodge Center	28.36		88.57
Edinburg	3.00		16.00
Farina	15.00		86.00
Fouke			13.90
Gentry			19.20
Hammond			10.00
Healdsburg-Ukiah			15.20

Hebron, First		27.10
Hebron Center		10.00
Hopkinton, First	70.75	135.00
Hopkinton, Second		26.30
Independence	53.00	127.00
Individuals	17.00	197.52
Little Genesee		135.07
Little Prairie		15.00
Los Angeles	25.00	105.00
Los Angeles, Christ's		10.00
Marlboro		337.50
Middle Island	5.78	15.77
Milton	429.95	1,580.15
Milton Junction	69.45	373.43
New Auburn	35.37	135.62
New York		53.64
North Loup		308.25
Nortonville		86.00
Pawcatuck		1,162.66
Piscataway		73.75
Plainfield	98.40	913.73
Richburg	77.50	137.50
Ritchie	50.00	75.00
Riverside		368.79
Rockville	7.64	27.46
Salem		114.04
Salemville	17.23	17.23
Shiloh	100.00	613.50
Stone Fort		28.00
Syracuse		12.00
Verona		114.11
Waterford	12.07	77.37
White Cloud		51.03
Totals	\$1,814.98	\$11,655.48

**Disbursements**

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$ 523.80	\$ 177.72
Tract Society	285.75	1.00
Board of Christian Education	285.75	
Women's Society	9.60	
Historical Society	21.45	
Ministerial Retirement	162.60	28.20
S. D. B. Building	30.90	
General Conference	160.35	
World Fellowship and Service	19.80	
Com. on Relief Appeals		77.98
Bank service charge	1.31	
Balance on hand Feb. 29	28.77	
Totals	\$1,530.08	\$ 284.90

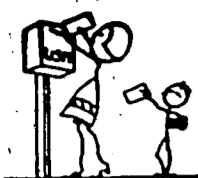
**Comparative Figures**

	1948	1947
Receipts in February:		
Budget	\$1,528.95	\$ 965.26
Specials	284.90	707.24
Receipts in 5 months:		
Budget	8,032.31	8,320.86
Specials	3,623.17	6,749.61

Denominational Budget for year Oct. 1, 1947-Sept. 30, 1948 is \$31,500, of which \$8,032.31 or 25.5 per cent has been raised in five months.

L. M. Van Horn,  
Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.



## OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

Address: Mizpah S. Greene  
Andover, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

How are you and your loved ones feeling? We are all feeling quite well ourselves.

We are having snowy weather today. It is snowing very hard and it's getting quite deep. How is the weather there?

Today is Sabbath day and this afternoon I will be going to Church. I am sorry to say that our Pastor Maxson and his family will not be able to be at Church with us today, because Pastor Maxson got in an accident with his car while driving someone to the hospital. He was hurt quite badly and they had to rush him to the hospital. We're all praying that he will be healed very soon.

This will be my last year in elementary school because I am in the sixth grade. Next year I will be going to junior high school. I just can't wait.

February third was my birthday. I was twelve years old. I had a lot of fun.

Well I guess this will be all for now as I am running out of words. May God bless and keep you always.

Your Recorder friend,  
Esther N. Fatato.

Dear Esther:

I guess weather conditions are much the same in most parts of New York State and other parts of the country as well. After a short period of seemingly spring weather, when walks and streets were almost free of snow, the boys and girls were out on roller skates and bicycles, and I joked with them about their soon playing marbles. But now streets and walks are buried in snow again, and one of the chief sports is snow balling.

We were very sorry to hear of your Pastor Maxson's accident, and hope and pray that he will soon recover from his injuries.

It is good to know that you are progressing so nicely in your school work. May you enjoy every bit of it.

I'm wondering if you cannot persuade some of your young friends to join our

band of Recorder children. Letters have been very few and far between for some time and I miss them greatly. I greatly appreciate, too, your faithfulness in writing.

Yours in Christian love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

### OUR SWEET BABY DARLING

By Alice E. Everett  
Ardmore, Okla.

(Patterned after "This Is the House  
That Jack Built.")

This is our Baby Darling.

These are the cheeks so rosy and red  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

This is the milk on which she was fed,  
That made the cheeks so rosy and red,  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

This is the cow that stood in the barn,  
That gave the milk our baby was fed,  
That made the cheeks so rosy and red,  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

This is the man who lived on our farm,  
Who milked the cow that stood in the barn,  
That gave the milk our baby was fed,  
That made the cheeks so rosy and red,  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

This is the grass so tender and green,  
That was cut by the man who lived on our farm,  
Who milked the cow that stood in the barn,  
That gave the milk our baby was fed,  
That made the cheeks so rosy and red,  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

This is the sun that so often was seen,  
To shine on the grass so tender and green,  
That was cut by the man who lived on our farm,  
Who milked the cow that stood in the barn,  
That gave the milk our baby was fed,  
That made the cheeks so rosy and red,  
Of our sweet Baby Darling.

### CHURCH NEWS

**BATTLE CREEK, MICH.** — The members of our Ladies' Aid have been very active, although you haven't heard from us in a long time. The relief and work committees have kept us very busy with local and foreign relief. Many quilts have been pieced and tied. Used clothing is continually being collected for Greece and the German people. Two German school children were completely outfitted for school in connection with World Community Day of the Federated Council of Church Women.

Two quilts were tied and sent with blankets and a bedspread for a family of eleven in our city, whose home burned just before Christmas. Seventy-three cancer bandages were torn and rolled at our November meeting.

For Jamaica the society prepared a box of articles for the bazaar that the women of Jamaica were putting on to raise funds for the new school. At Thanksgiving time our ladies gave a turkey supper. The popularity of our suppers was proved again, for we made a profit of \$100, which we sent to the Jamaica Fund. At Christmas we sent another \$100 to them.

We hold our meetings once every month and are entertained at the homes of our members. We greatly enjoy the fellowship of carry-in-dinners, planning and working together in Christ's name to further His kingdom here on earth.

This year's officers are as follows: president, Mrs. Oma Morley; vice-president, Mrs. Beulah Maxson; secretary, Mrs. Mary Lou Casler; treasurer, Mrs. W. B. Lewis.

At present we are looking forward to the Milton College choir concert, to be given here on March 2. This concert is being sponsored by the society, friends, and alumni of Milton College. We wish the choir much success on their present nine-state tour. — Mary Lou Casler, Secretary.

**CHICAGO, ILL.** — It has been some time since any news from the Chicago Church has appeared in the Church News of the Recorder. While the Church has suffered two distinct losses since the first of the year, there is also much to be said on the credit side.

Pastor and Mrs. Loyal F. Hurley's departure, during the holidays, for their new field of ministry in Salem, W. Va., was truly a loss to the Chicago Church. Much as we wish they might have remained with us, we could but bid them Godspeed to their larger field of endeavor. We are thankful for the little more than two years we had the privilege of their friendship and ministry and the opportunity of gaining a more comprehensive understanding of the Bible, gleaned particularly through Pastor Hurley's series of sermons on the Book of Romans, continued

with a discussion during the Sabbath school hour.

While there has not been so large an increase in attendance as hoped, there has, however, been a healthy growth, with an average attendance of about twenty. Some who formerly attended only occasionally are now present nearly every Sabbath.

Miss Ethel Butterfield, Church clerk, organist, primary teacher, and home department chairman for many years, retired from her duties as a Chicago public schoolteacher at the end of the first semester in January and is now living in her new home in Walworth, Wis. It was largely through Miss Butterfield's interest and efforts that this little Church survived during the many years it was pastorless. She will be greatly missed.

As a farewell to Miss Butterfield and also to Pastor and Mrs. Hurley, members and friends met for dinner on two occasions recently. Following services on December 27, twenty gathered in a private room of a tearoom in the Fine Arts Building for a social time and farewell visit with Pastor and Mrs. Hurley. Several who would have been present, were out of the city for the holiday season.

Also following services on the Sabbath of January 31, twenty-two met at the same place for a get-together dinner, with Miss Butterfield and her friend, Miss Rosalie Haight of New Orleans, as guests of honor.

The Church welcomed into membership during the past year Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Nida, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lawton, and Mr. Ned Crandall. Mr. Bond was received by letter from the Roanoke, W. Va., Church; Mrs. Bond by baptism. Mr. Nida was formerly from White Cloud, Mich., Mrs. Nida from Shiloh, N. J., Mr. Lawton from Battle Creek, Mich., Mrs. Lawton from North Loup, Neb., and Mr. Crandall from Hammond, La.

Mr. Nida and Mr. Lawton are students at Northern Baptist Seminary, and since the first of the year have alternately been conducting the Sabbath services. They, with their wives, are actively interested in the welfare of the Church and we are fortunate in having them with us, especially at this time. These young people

are also alternating in conducting the services at Walworth.

Special music at Sabbath services has added interest to the hour of worship, as well as a children's sermon preceding the regular sermon. Within the past four months, members of another Sabbath-keeping denomination, who do not have a Church home in Chicago, have been welcome additions to our small group—also occasional visitors of Sabbathkeepers in the city on the Sabbath. Miss Rua Van Horn of Washington, D. C., a former member of the Chicago Church, was present at two consecutive Sabbaths recently.

These and others who are in the city on the Sabbath are more than welcome to attend services at 2:30 p.m., 8th floor, Fine Arts Building, 410 S. Michigan Ave.

—L. W., Correspondent.

VERONA, N. Y. — The various organizations of the Church have been active despite some illness among us. Your correspondent (recovering from a major operation) is sorry to have been remiss in reporting.

After the Christmas cantata, the note on the Hammond organ was burned, thus signifying its payment in full. The Booster Class and all others who assisted in this worthy purchase are to be commended.

At the annual Church meeting the following officers were elected: moderator, Craig Sholtz; clerk, Mrs. Anna Smith Davis; treasurer, Olin Davis. Pastor Herbert L. Polan was extended a call for another year.

On the first Sabbath of the month the custom of Church day continues. Following dinner the Junior and Senior Christian Endeavor societies conduct their meetings while the members of one of the organized classes plan a program for the adults.

The Ladies' Aid furnished clothing for special age groups, also attractively packed boxes of school materials, for overseas relief. A special dedicatory service for these bundles, including an exceptionally fine reading by Anna S. Davis, was planned and executed by the pastor.

The Boosters met with Alden and Jean Vierow on the evening of February 28.

Pastor and Mrs. Polan were in charge of devotionals, using the theme, "Now Is the Hour." Some interesting thoughts were developed from this topic.

Just now we are anticipating the privilege of hearing the Milton College choir. On Monday evening, March 8, they are to give a concert in the First Methodist Church of Rome, N. Y. The choir is being entertained in the parlors of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Verona preceding the concert.

The Pearl Seekers held their recent meeting with Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Perry in Oneida.

Mrs. Polan conducted the worship period, which centered around the Easter season. Portions of the Scripture read by the class during the month were discussed. The class voted to give \$10 for denominational purposes and adjourned until April 25, at the home of Mrs. Elise Williams. — Mrs. William J. Vierow, Correspondent.

#### "LINES"

By Mrs. John L. Wright  
(Mother of Leo L. Wright)

Rules laid down in the Scriptures  
Are meant for help on our way,  
If we study them, and practice them,  
Each and every day.

Not because of necessity,  
But because of love,  
And accept the teaching  
Which comes from the Father above.

If in our heart His word is hidden  
And we obey as we are bidden,  
We can claim His promise, "If my words abide  
in you,"

We can ask what we will, and He'll be true.

So let's read and study the Word,  
Meditate and treasure it in our heart,  
Remembering it came from the Lord;  
We should never from its teaching depart.

God will not leave us alone in life's race,  
For He is preparing for us a greater place.  
But we must trust Him every moment of the  
day,  
For victory is surely on its way.

Our Lord is coming soon again.  
We must be ready and watching then.  
Perhaps we will hear him say, "Come. You  
have been true;  
Enter into the home prepared for you."

Richmond, Ind.

#### THOMAS J. BOTTOMS

Thomas Jefferson, son of Eliza Hartsfield and James Bottoms, was born at Janesboro, Ga., December 12, 1860, and passed away at his home at Athens, Ala., on November 12, 1947, after a brief illness.

When "Tommie" was four years old his father died, and at the age of fourteen he was forced to leave school and care for the farm and his widowed mother, as his elder brother was married. He proved to have the stamina required for such a task, however, and possessed a desire for learning, so much so that he spent long hours at study the remainder of his life. He collected a small library of books—all Bible helps and religious books.

He became a Christian at an early age, uniting with the Corinth Missionary Baptist Church (first day) of his community. At the age of 22 he was married to Talulah Gilbert of Janesboro, Ga., who was also a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. She preceded him in death in March, 1946.

About the year 1897, he felt the call to preach the gospel of Christ to the lost, and was granted a license by the Baptist Association of which Corinth Church was a member. He wanted to go to a Baptist seminary, but the way did not open up.

In early manhood, his attention was drawn to the seventh day Sabbath by the arrest and trial in Atlanta, under the "Sunday Blue Law," of a Seventh Day Adventist, who worked on Sunday and who used the Bible to defend himself, instead of a lawyer. The study of a circulated leaflet publicizing this event convinced Tom Bottoms that the seventh day of the week was the Sabbath of God, and that it was his duty to live those convictions. After several months his Church began discussions concerning his dismissal, whereupon he called for a letter of peaceful dismissal.

He bought a farm in Cullman County, Ala., where there were no Sunday laws, and moved his family there in the fall of 1899. Here he was not located conveniently to a Seventh Day Baptist Church and, having a large family to support and educate, he felt it his duty to be a lay

preacher instead of an ordained minister. He, therefore, preached occasionally to groups interested in the seventh day Sabbath (and this was not only to the white race). Through his work and influence several families were led to become Sabbathkeepers. After a few years he learned of a Seventh Day Baptist Church at Attalla, Ala., where he and his wife placed their membership, later moving it to Cullman County upon the organization of a Church by Rev. D. W. Leath. In the year 1913, he sold the farm and bought in Limestone County (Athens, Ala.), where Oakdale Church was organized; with his good wife and all his children and their families, who lived near, he placed membership there. He was a man who was always full of courage and deep convictions, one to whom it seemed stupid for anyone to even admit the rightness of anything and fail to live up to it wholeheartedly. He always said that if only one person were led to see the Sabbath truth by his influence, he would feel that his efforts were not in vain.

He and his wife had many devout friends among the needy whom they always befriended, and even the Negroes who were their neighbors loved them for their kindness to them.

To them were born ten sons and two daughters. Three sons died in infancy. George D. died in World War I, and David Mattison, who was superintendent of men nurses at the Battle Creek Sanitarium passed away in 1924. Surviving him are five sons and two daughters, as follows: Rev. A. T. Bottoms, Princeton, Ala.; Dr. R. R. Bottoms, Crestwood, Ky.; Rev. E. H. Bottoms, Adams Center, N. Y.; Gilbert A. Bottoms, Sedro Woolley, Wash.; Burrell H. Bottoms, Athens, Ala.; Mrs. Robert L. Butler, Woodville, Ala.; and Miss Mollie Ruth Bottoms, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Berry Copeland, a Presbyterian minister who was a good friend of Mr. Bottoms for many years. Burial was in the Bottoms Community Cemetery. A. B.

Do you want Christ to represent you above as you represent Him here on earth?



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER AT NORTH LOUP, NEB.

World Day of Prayer was fittingly observed Friday afternoon when several women and a few men gathered in the Methodist Church. The service based on the Lord's Prayer was arranged by Mrs. Fred Bartz, and committee. Mrs. Bartz acted as leader. Music was given by members from the Mira Valley Evangelical United Brethren Church, and by Richard Babcock, accompanied by Alice Meyers, who sang "The Lord's Prayer" as a fitting close.

The Scotia Methodist WSCS was welcomed into membership. The president, Mrs. Myra Thorngate Barber, announced the nominating committee to be Mrs. R. O. Babcock, Mrs. Elmer Hornicle, and Mrs. Maude Bundy. The next meeting will be the May fellowship luncheon, which is to be held May 7, in the Mira Valley Church. The ladies of the Church will plan the luncheon. The program committee will be Mrs. Menzo Fuller, Mrs. Lyle Sintek, Mrs. Alfred Burson, Mrs. Esther Bussell, Mrs. Nathan Maxson, Mrs. H. J. Hoepfner, and Mrs. Barber. A meeting of the council will be held at a dessert luncheon on April 5, with the president. — M. T. B.

### RECORDER WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale, Help Wanted, and advertisements of a like nature, will be run in this column at ten cents per line for each insertion, minimum charge 50c. Cash must accompany each advertisement.

WANTED — Housework in Seventh Day Baptist family in or near Adams Center or Alfred Station, N. Y., Westerly, R. I., or Plainfield, N. J. If interested, please write Mrs. Grace A. Ladd, R.D. 2, Mannsville, N. Y. 3-8-2t

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## Marriages

**Le Blanc - Godfrey.** — Frederick A. Le Blanc of New Orleans, and Rolleesa Marie Godfrey of Hammond, La., were united in marriage on February 28, 1948, by Rev. Mr. Flowers. The new home will be in Hammond, where Mr. Le Blanc is a music student at Southeastern College.

## Obituaries

**Bottoms.** — Thomas Jefferson, passed away at his home at Athens, Ala., on November 12, 1947. (A more extended obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.)

**Clarke.** — Esther E., oldest daughter of William and Cynthia Osborn, was born near Milton, Wis., October 28, 1851, and departed this life on February 5, 1948, in a convalescent home in Janesville.

When fourteen years of age she was baptized and joined the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, and later transferred to the Milton Junction Church as a constituent member. Failing health the past few years prevented the continuance of her previously active life in the Church, where she worked in the Sabbath school and Ladies' Aid society. As a schoolteacher she spent over thirty years in the schools of Dane and Rock Counties. She was married to Irving B. Clarke on August 3, 1903, and they have lived in Milton Junction except for five years in another section of the state.

She is survived by her husband; three stepsons, Roy, Howard, and Harlow Clarke; one stepdaughter, Mrs. O. H. Crandall; four nieces; and several grandnephews and grandnieces.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Orville W. Babcock, from the Church on February 8, and burial was in the Milton Junction Cemetery. O. W. B.

### SABBATH RECORDER MONTH

April, 1948, will be Sabbath Recorder Month. Pastors and Churches soon will receive publicity material for use during this month of special emphasis. Some pastors are already writing for lists of present subscribers to the Sabbath Recorder so that they will be ready when the campaign opens. The business office of the Seventh Day Baptist publishing house informs us that it will be a big help in furnishing subscription lists if pastors and Churches will send the names of their nonresident members, since the office is not informed as to which Church some folks belong.

Thank you!

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"I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

—John 11: 25.