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THE SABBATH RECORDER

By the time these lines reach the readers, there should be a steady stream of Sabbath Recorder subscriptions reaching the business office here. Judging from certain indications, this ought to be the case. Pastors and clerks of Churches have been co-operating most commendably by sending their membership lists for checking. Miss Mary Alice Butler, secretary in Mr. L. H. North's office, and Mrs. Warren have been sharing this task. Copies of the lists, with the necessary information, have been returned to the pastors and clerks as early as possible.

The Committee on Distribution of Literature of the American Sabbath Tract Society is sponsoring the Sabbath Recorder campaign. April was selected as Sabbath Recorder Month. Doubtless there will be a carry over into May, as some Churches have barely begun their canvasses. It is hoped that the Sabbath Recorder emphasis will become a strong support to the forum meetings which are being promoted in our Churches by the American Sabbath Tract Society through its corresponding secretary, Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, and which will culminate with Sabbath Rally Day, May 15.

We should like especially to express our appreciation of the fine publicity that contributing editors have been giving to Sabbath Recorder Month. This thoughtful, commendable support on their part has not been solicited by the Sabbath Recorder. It comes from some sources as a complete surprise. Since it comes unsolicited, it is of far greater value. All of which augurs well for the future.

It is physically out of the question at present to thank individually the many writers for their "briefs" and items which are "boosting" our denominational paper. This is to say, "Thank you very much, indeed."

Let us press on until the Sabbath Recorder is found on the reading table of every Seventh Day Baptist home.

We need to remember that man-made plans are of little avail unless they have God's approval through Jesus Christ who is Lord of all. The Sabbath Recorder would continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit who is our Lord's presence in the world today.

THE CHURCHES AND THE EUROPEAN RECOVERY PROGRAM

By Karl G. Stillman

President, Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, Westerly, R. I.

On March 11, 1948, a special service in behalf of the Churches and the European Recovery Program was held at the Washington Cathedral, Washington, D.C., under the auspices of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America in co-operation with the Washington Federation of Churches. Bishop John S. Stamm of the Evangelical United Brethren Church presided.

At this service, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of the Methodist Church read the lesson, and addresses were given by the Rt. Rev. Angus Dun, D.D., Bishop of Washington; Mr. John Foster Dulles, an authority on international problems, and the Hon. George C. Marshall, Secretary of State.

Seventh Day Baptists were honored by the receipt of a special invitation for the Conference president to take part in the procession and to sit with the speakers in the choir of the cathedral. It was also my privilege to be one of a group of seven churchmen who called on the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Hon.

Joseph Martin of Massachusetts, and the President of the Senate, Hon. Arthur Vandenburg of Michigan, to urge the prompt passage of the European Recovery Program.

A petition signed by approximately seven hundred prominent churchmen of America, including Rev. Ahva J. C. Bond of Alfred, N. Y., was presented to the two congressional leaders, urging that the action referred to above be taken.

Mr. John Fulton, moderator of the United Presbyterian Church, and I, president of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, headed the procession of approximately twenty-four Church leaders, through the Washington Cathedral to places of honor in the choir for this very impressive service, which was attended by President Truman and family, together with other prominent government officials.

It was a matter of great pride to me to represent Seventh Day Baptists at this ceremony and to tell several other Church representatives about our beliefs.

ATTENTION, PLEASE, THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS

In recent years the Memorial Board has experienced some difficulty in distributing the funds available for aiding theological students to accomplish the greatest amount of assistance to all applicants.

It is obvious that the limited amount available (approximately \$600 per annum) cannot be divided among a large number of applicants and be of material benefit to any individual.

In order to assist the Memorial Board in carrying out the purposes for which the fund was established, and to accomplish the greatest possible benefit for the great-

est number of applicants, the board requests the co-operation of all present and prospective theological students who are in need of assistance in the following manner:

1. Make application for needed scholarship aid before July 1.
2. State as accurately as possible your financial needs and available resources with which to meet them.
3. Give references, scholastic record, and any other information which you believe would be of assistance to the board in reaching a decision.
4. Send application promptly to Seventh Day Baptist Memorial Fund, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J.

SABBATH RALLY DAY

By Rev. Victor W. Skaggs
Corresponding Secretary
American Sabbath Tract Society,
Plainfield, N. J.

Sabbath Rally Day is almost here! For some years the Seventh Day Baptist Churches of the United States have been observing the third Sabbath in May as a day of special emphasis upon that tenet of our faith that makes us a distinct people. This year, as we face new opportunities for the advancement of the cause of Christ and of His Sabbath, and as we face new problems of implementation we need to emphasize to an even greater extent than usual this special truth.

In relation to its work as a part of the Co-ordinated Denominational Activities, the American Sabbath Tract Society is urging pastors and their Churches to use the weeks from now until Sabbath Rally Day, May 15, 1948, for special study of the Sabbath, its meaning, and its blessings. To aid in this study we suggest that each Church hold four forum hours. The first three of these forums might be led by lay people on the following topics: (1) The Sabbath and the Bible, (2) Successful Sabbathkeepers of This Church in Days Past, (3) Sabbath and Sunday—Why I Am a Seventh Day Baptist. The final service should be on Sabbath Rally Day, led by the pastor. A suggested topic is, "The Spiritual Significance of Sabbath-keeping."

These are suggestions to aid all of us in effective study and discussion of the Sabbath and the problems related to it. Such a series as is suggested has proved very beneficial and highly interesting where tried. Let us renew our knowledge and look for inspiration as we join in a personal reconsecration of self to the service of God and the observance of His holy Sabbath day.

Look for Sabbath Rally material in the May special issue of the Sabbath Recorder.

Anywhere, provided it be forward.
—David Livingstone.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

CALLING ALL MINISTERS.—Please take special notice of the Wednesday afternoon meeting, May 19, on **Shop Talk**. This promises to be one of the richest sessions of the conference.

You are invited to share with us some good practical ideas that have worked for you in relation to the Sabbath school, Vacation Bible School, summer camps, or any part of the Church program. Bring the materials you will need in presenting your plan to the group.

For example, in our Sabbath school the International Bible School Lessons are presented each week before the entire school by the use of the flannelboard. This has proved very much worth while. Perhaps you would like to know the cost of these materials and where they can be purchased. These questions can be answered in the **Shop Talk Session**.

Every minister is constantly on the alert for new ideas and materials. We will be interested in anything from a simple object lesson for the children to the Tower Music System. I trust that you will have something to share that none of the rest have thought of. We want to go home packed full of workable ideas.

We all know the power of the printed page. **Please bring sample copies** of your Church bulletin, Church paper, and any other printed materials that have been of value. Perhaps they are leaflets used in an evangelism campaign, or in the stewardship program, etc. (These materials will be on display throughout the conference.)

Do you have a part on the program of the Ministers' Conference? You do! When you think of the Ministers' Conference think of the **Shop Talk Session**.
Charles H. Bond, Leader.

Theological students who expect to share in the funds to be distributed by the Memorial Board should make application before July 1. See item elsewhere in this issue for particulars.

Too many folks conduct their lives on the cafeteria plan—self-service only.
—The Moravian.

SMALL PUBLIC FORESTS

By H. N. Wheeler
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The community and school forest movement had a very small beginning in this country, but is now extensive throughout New England, New York, Michigan, and Wisconsin, and is spreading to other states in the East, Midwest, and South. Such forests serve a number of purposes. They furnish lumber and wood for local needs, regulate streams and springs, prevent soil erosion, and furnish homes for birds and wild animals. They temper the cold winds of winter and the hot breezes and bright sunshine of summer. Not the least service rendered by them is furnishing a place for human recreation. National and state parks and forests are often far away, but the small community forest can be visited often. Here one may find peace and quiet, away from the stress of business and the cares of family life.

The school forest is especially valuable for the study of forest, soil, water, and wild life. Education is undergoing a revolution. It is not enough now to confine our education to the regular classroom work of the three R's, as important as they are. The lifeblood of our existence as a nation depends upon our natural resources. Therefore, we should know more about them, by careful study actually on the ground. The school forest supplies this opportunity. In some localities it may be that the Church is the agency to supply this outdoor need.

The first community forest in America was established at Newington, N. H., in 1710. It contained twenty acres of tax delinquent land, but now has 112 acres within its borders. It has supported the local preacher for more than one hundred years, has built a new Church and a community house, and at last accounts contained \$5,000 worth of white pine. The Danville, N. H., forest has netted \$4.25 per acre every year for one hundred years. Other examples could be given, but enough to say that these small forests are financially profitable. Our country

ENDURING VALUES

An enduring value is a good that lasts, that does not wear out, as, for example, gold, a faithful friend, or a mother's love. There are many others. I choose to give examples of one, namely, worth-while co-operation. I call it Good and Company, or, Good Incorporated.

When the sun, the rain, the air, the wind, and the soil co-operate around a good germ cell in an acorn, we have a sturdy oak—a Good Incorporated.

When the director, the singers, and the players co-operate around a good musical theme, we have an excellent concert—a Good Incorporated.

When students, faculty, trustees, alumni, and other friends co-operate around good statesmanship, we have a first-rate college—a Good Incorporated.

When capital, labor, and management co-operate around a good article, we have a fine production—a Good Incorporated.

When power and justice and beauty and wisdom and righteousness and love and personality work together and are embodied in one, we have a Good Incorporated—the most enduring value that mankind knows and experiences—the idea of God. —Edwin Ben Shaw, '88, in the Milton College Review.

Churches have a hard time to properly support their minister. A Church forest would help financially, besides rendering these other services to the community. With such a forest it would be no longer necessary to hold that Sabbath school picnic in someone's cow pasture. Is there not someone in your community who is tired of paying taxes on a bit of ground of little use for ordinary farming purposes, but well suited to timber growth, study of wild life, and for recreation? With such a gift to the community, local citizens could plant trees and care for the area, making it a real asset to the Church or school and community. Things like this are being done even close to these metropolitan areas of Washington, D. C., and Baltimore, Md. Why not in your community?

EVANGELISM — AT HOME AND ABROAD

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (In process of formation)

Department of Reconstruction
and Interchurch Aid
17, Route de Malagnou, Geneva

March 26, 1948
Good Friday

Members,
Department of Evangelism.

My dear Brethren:

This is Good Friday. The offices here are closed from Thursday at 6 until Tuesday morning. As I hear the Church bells toll, and I sit here all alone, I envisage the meeting of the department. I weep a little as I think of that fine company of people, consecrated to the greatest work in the world. I rejoice in the wonderful way in which we have learned to work together in the spirit of obedient disciples of Christ. I never quite realized what a privilege it was to meet in a land that is free and untouched by the ravages of war. But this privilege is such a responsibility. For us in America it is still day—the time of opportunity. Do we prize it? I think of you coming from great distances, without having to pass customs and national boundaries and speak several languages on the way, and then when you arrive having to contend with languages and even traditional institutions which, because of the age and their suffering in recent times, have become even more precious. You meet in a time of tension, to be sure, and I suppose for you the tension of the international situation is more acute than it is for me. But here the tensions are tempered somewhat by the long tensions and "brokennesses" of the war, the ruined cities, the old Europe gone, never to be restored as it was, new voices rising to fill the vacuum left by even a decaying democracy that has lost its drive and morale and ends in mere protest and shouts of war.

Here we take a day at a time. We are not accustomed to big headlines placarding half-truths that startle one and give him a false perspective of the world sit-

uation. We work a day at a time. We have seen the worst; it is sometimes hard for us to see even any good. But we do know that Jesus Christ is Lord, and that His faithful are blest with things that are not of this world. But it is a simple faith, a kind of living current down deep in the soul. I could tell you of all sorts of things, but I do not think they would be half as important as the thing I have just said. You see, we live in a world that has pretty largely failed, the end of a long period of glorious history. There is not talk of a return to normalcy, for that is impossible. Besides who wants that normalcy, if it leads through what we have seen?

Now, I know you want to know something about my work, and perhaps something about evangelism in Europe. I have a double task. First, is that of building up a working Department of Evangelism. We hope that the Amsterdam Assembly will approve the establishing of such a department, and if that is done, the new secretary can step into this position and have something with which to work. I also hope to do something in the way of evangelism, through the various Churches. But, we must remember that we are dealing with many Churches over here, and that if evangelism is to be done, it must be done by the Churches. Except for Britain, there is little history of united evangelism in Europe. It is impossible for us in Geneva to set up a program of evangelism for the Churches when these Churches have no evangelism committees. Ecumenical evangelism committees exist only in a few countries. That does not mean that the Church of Sweden, for instance, which enrolls nearly all the people of Sweden, is not concerned about evangelism. But they feel that it is their task, and what they want is information about how to do the work better. In Hungary, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, France, and other countries, there is an evangelism committee under the Reconstruction Committee. Through these we can get information out. Just how much can be done is another question. This work is new, and we cannot work too fast. Much of my time has been consumed in writing letters, building files of

materials of information, securing literature (and thanks so much for what has been sent by the various secretaries), meeting with representatives from various nations, attending conferences, etc. During April I go to Germany and France to visit, work, and attend conferences. After that, it is my hope to go to Poland, Prague, Budapest, London, Belgium, and other places. This work must be rooted and grounded in national committees, in a fellowship of evangelists all over Europe. There are two things I must add about the new department: (1) Do not let anyone say that this new department is going to force a new kind of World Council theology upon the Churches. The Churches have their own theology; (2) nor do we hope to stir up a kind of syncretistic theological brew that is finally agreeable to everyone. This department is solidly based upon the work of the Spirit, who is demanding that the Great Commission be taken seriously by all Churches and Christians who claim Christ as Lord, but who often do not do what He commanded!

May I say that some of the bright spots in Europe from the evangelistic aspect are Finland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, France, and possibly Poland. This evangelistic interest is growing. Even in Germany there is great concern. I cannot begin to tell you about the specific methods that are used. Of course, the British Churches have been evangelistic. I really thrill at the reading of the French evangelistic journal of the Central Society. It is called, "The Call to Evangelism." The various methods used here are mass meetings, Bible weeks, films, dramas, religion in life weeks, academies (like Bossey, Bad Boll, Kerk en Wereld) where laymen are taken for days and weeks and where the problems of life in vocations are discussed with a view to finding what Christianity has to say, a new kind of religious newspaper, good tracts; France has a school for colporteurs, Bible distribution, pastoral visitation; Sweden has Bible study groups in homes; Finland had mass meetings, youth meetings, university missions, seminary missions—all with pastoral counseling, etc.

There is great faith over here in the cell idea, like Ionia. Evangelism has to

be carefully thought through here, for you have to know what you are evangelizing for. They will not dissociate evangelism from the Church or Christian community. It seems as if every nation and culture has its peculiar problems. There is no uniformity. A great barrier to evangelism here is the institutional Church, often a cold old building to which few people go. It is hard to break through that old conception of what Christianity was, to find out what Christianity really is now. I forgot to mention that the Greek Church (Orthodox) is a lively Church, and that it has one of the most widely-read press services of any Church in Europe in proportion to the size and population of Greece. Think of it—the Church papers there are more widely read than the secular papers. The Greek Church has Sunday schools; it carries on an active social work.

I must bring this long letter to a close. You must have patience with this work. I think that one day it will be the largest department of the World Council. Much cultivation of personal relations needs to be done. And when I think of the ramifications of this work, in radio, press, cinema, in world missions, etc., I am overwhelmed. The staff needed will, of necessity, be large. But we must start slowly, I think, and work surely, establishing this work upon the Churches. There are many thoughts that come to mind. Europe is ready for the gospel, but much depends upon who brings the gospel to men and in what spirit it is done. I think often of the Franciscans, poor men, going to the people with the simple story of the poor Jesus, working with their hands, and possessing nothing. I sometimes feel that this is the thing needed in our times. If we are not exactly poor, we must be poor in spirit, humble, and possessed of a real love for people who are caught in a tragic era of history. The gospel has the answer, but not the secular answer. It is a higher and more satisfying answer.

May God bless you in your meeting. I think the plans for the 1948-1950 program are excellent, and they will surely stimulate us over here. I hope to get that word out to the Churches. I am sure it will be possible to have European preach-

WORSHIP PROGRAM

By Alberta D. Batson

GOD'S PRESENCE

Hymn: O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go.

The springtime does something to the individual who loves nature and who communes with God through it. If one ever has a feeling that God is far away, surely that feeling is gone when spring comes around. God has many ways of making us feel His presence if we are but responsive. Well do I remember the walks through the fields my father and I used to take some Sabbath afternoons each spring. I always looked forward to those walks. Although our talk usually centered around the budding trees, the gentle breeze, the clear blue sky, or perhaps we

ers for that campaign, too, and the sooner I can learn the dates and qualifications, the better. The tremendous zeal of the American Churches, as I see it from here, is astounding. I know how external all this may seem to the critics, but the training of laymen and ministers to actually **take this work seriously enough to do it** is worth so much. Yes, much more than the number of people reached. I am convinced that what we need over here is a new kind of theological education, a new Christian education, a new leadership which has the spirit of conquest as well as the spirit of conservation. And the layman needs to be trained and released for Christian work.

Thank you again for sending me such fine literature. And thank you for listening to this rambling letter.

With warm regards to each of you I am

Very sincerely yours,

E. G. Homrighausen.

(Editor's Note: Dr. Elmer G. Homrighausen, professor of Christian Education at Princeton Theological Seminary and chairman of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, is on the continent of Europe to help form "a permanent department of evangelism for the World Council of Churches.")

walked in silence, God seemed so very near. He speaks to us in so many ways. Surely, we do not have to see Him to realize that He is very near to us.

Robert Frost in his poem, "The Tuft of Flowers," brings out our relationship to man, even though he is absent, in such a way as to be very applicable to our relationship with God—how we can feel His presence—we are not alone. Frost says:

I went to turn the grass once after one
Who mowed it in the dew before the sun.

The dew was gone that made his blade so keen
Before I came to view the levelled scene.

I looked for him behind an isle of trees;
I listened for his whetstone on the breeze.

But he had gone his way, the grass all mown,
And I must be, as he had been—alone.

"As all must be," I said within my heart,
"Whether they work together or apart."

But as I said it, swift there passed me by
On noiseless wing a bewildered butterfly,

Seeking with memories grown dim over night
Some resting flower of yesterday's delight.

And once I marked his flight go round and
round

As where some flower lay withering on the
ground.

And then he flew as far as eye could see,
And then on tremulous wing came back to me.

I thought of questions that have no reply
And would have turned to toss the grass to dry.

But he turned first, and led my eye to look
At a tall tuft of flowers beside the brook.

A leaping tongue of bloom the scythe had spared
Beside a reedy brook the scythe had bared.

I left my place to know them by their name,
Finding them "butterfly weed" when I came.

The mover in the dew had loved them thus
By leaving them to flourish, not for us,

Nor yet to draw one thought of ours to him,
But from sheer morning gladness to the brim.

The butterfly and I had lit upon,
Nevertheless, a message from the dawn.

That made me hear the wakening birds around,
And hear his long scythe whispering to the
ground,

And feel a spirit kindred to my own,
So that henceforth I worked no more alone.

But glad with him, I worked as with his aid,
And heavy, sought at noon with him the shade,

And dreaming, as it were, held brotherly speech
With one whose thought I had not hoped to
reach.

THE SABBATH RECORDER IN THE HOME

"The Sabbath Recorder in the Home" answers these two questions: Why I take the Sabbath Recorder, and what the Sabbath Recorder means to me. We would express our grateful appreciation to these women who have shared their thinking with us. May these sincere expressions be a blessing to all who read—even a motivation to renewed effort to have our Sabbath Recorder in every Seventh Day Baptist home.

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs,
Acting Editor.

Battle Creek, Mich.

First, I do not take the Recorder for its inspirational reading alone. I could get plenty of religious reading from other magazines, books, and papers.

I would be rather lost without the Recorder, to learn what is going on in the denomination. To be a loyal Seventh Day Baptist, I want to be informed on the plans of the Conference president, the boards, and study their reports. The news letters are of value to let each other know what is being done in the Churches. Often we read of some good work being sponsored by a Church, and it quickens

"Men work together," I told him from the
heart,

"Whether they work together or apart."

Yes, God is near—we see His handiwork all about us. We see things grow and prosper under His love and care. How near to us He really is! What a joy to know that we work not alone—He is ever present to guide, direct, cheer, and comfort us.

Hymn: O Master Let Me Walk With Thee.

Scripture reading: Psalm 19.

Prayer: O Thou divine, most loving Father, hear our prayer for guidance and protection, we do humbly beseech Thee. We thank Thee for Thy assurance that Thou art ever near us. May we feel Thy presence at all times. Help us to see clearly and work earnestly and honor Thee in all things. We ask it in Jesus' name and for our sakes. Amen.

us to greater endeavors. I am always interested in articles appearing in the Recorder written by those whom I know or know of.

So I take the Recorder because I am a Seventh Day Baptist and am anxious to see the work of the denomination move forward.

Mrs. W. B. Lewis.

Nortonville, Kan.

To me the Sabbath Recorder is a means of knowing what our people are doing in our Churches and our missions, and a means of inspiration through reading its articles and sermons. It is of great encouragement and hope for the future to see our young people rallying to the work.

Alena M. Bond.

Reading the Sabbath Recorder has been a lifetime habit with me. I began reading it to my grandmother when I was a small child. Every week when the Recorder came Grandmother would say, "Read me the deaths first," and that also formed such a habit that I still begin to read the back page first.

The Recorder is our chief means of keeping in touch with our denomination. We especially enjoy the "Church News," as it keeps us informed about many of our friends and several activities in most of our Churches.

Mrs. Fred B. Maris.

There is so much to enjoy in the Sabbath Recorder that it is hard to tell what I enjoy most. The denominational news is always of interest to me and I like to read the death notices, of which I would learn in no other way.

Jennie Hurley.

I subscribe to the Sabbath Recorder because I do not want to miss reading any of it. Many of the fine articles it contains are a real inspiration to me.

Mrs. Floyd Coon.

I like the Sabbath Recorder because it is the medium by which I can keep in touch with the other members and Churches of our denomination. I like to think of it as a Sabbath visitor which comes into my home each week to keep

me informed concerning the activities of all our Churches. I would dislike to be without its weekly visits.

Mrs. Verney A. Wilson.

Jackson Center, Ohio

The Sabbath Recorder is like a letter from home. It tells of the ideals and hopes as well as the plans and activities of my brothers and sisters. It reports the part our Churches are taking in promoting Christ's Church. It proclaims the "good news" to all who read. In all these ways it inspires me to more and better work in His service.

Georgia B. Greene.

Salemville, Pa.

I like the Sabbath Recorder because it is like a letter from a friend. It is a means of keeping those of the same faith tied together, though they be many miles apart. Also we receive strength to overcome trials, because of others' giving their ideas about something they have to face.

The Recorder also helps keep the Sabbath before our family.

Mrs. Jerome Boyd.

Denver, Colo.

The Sabbath Recorder means to me the connecting link between my Church life and my denomination.

Minnie Davis.

Little Genesee, N. Y.

When I was a child, my grandparents always took the Sabbath Recorder. It was then an eight-page folded sheet. Sabbath mornings it was my privilege to go over to Grandpa's to hear him read "The Children's Story." Later the Sabbath school lesson was added. Later came interest in denominational news. That interest has always lingered. Hence, the pleasure each week, of my Recorder.

Lucy D. Wells Champlin.

Brookfield, N. Y.

The Recorder means many things to me, but first of all it has seemed a bit like a family letter, and as I read it week by week I find many familiar names, some of them friends of my girlhood. I read where they are and what they are doing,

and I think "these are people who were worth knowing."

If there are times when the personal sacrifice that is necessary in order to give to our Church and denominational work seems great, I have only to read in the Recorder of the wonderful work of our unselfish missionaries, doctors, ministers, nurses, and teachers, at home and abroad, to see clearly my sacrifice is small indeed.

If the planned work of our Church and societies seems too difficult, then I remember the difficulties of other Churches and how they have been overcome, and I realize, anew, the power of consecrated Christianity.

In short, the Recorder is a "continued story" of what fidelity and earnest Christian purpose to work for the good of this needy world can accomplish.

Florence Clarke Camenga.

Verona, N. Y.

First, I think every Seventh Day Baptist should have the Sabbath Recorder to read and pass on to anyone who would be interested to read it.

There are so many good articles, it is difficult to decide which are the most interesting. I have greatly enjoyed the items by Rev. Lester G. Osborn and Mr. Leo Wright about the new Church in Indianapolis, Ind. It is so nice to have new Churches established and know so many people are being led to the Saviour and to see the light and to observe the true Sabbath.

The articles by young people, Children's Letter Exchange, and Church News are very interesting. Also the news about our China Mission, other missions, and the home field are extremely interesting, and I wish we could do more to aid them in their wonderful work.

One of the Verona Ladies' Benevolent Society.

Andover, N. Y.

There are some things which are associated with my childhood experiences as a Seventh Day Baptist; not the least of these was the regular visit of the Sabbath Recorder in our home. We also had Dr. Miles' Almanac which my Grandmother Greene consulted to see what time

the sun set to "usher in a day set apart," also on the night after the Sabbath, so that she could put the clothes to soak for the following wash day. The Sabbath Recorder has come to take the place of a round robin letter in our family.

Many of the fine young people who are doing us credit in their various fields of endeavor have been guests in our home while they were in Alfred preparing for the ministry. We are proud of these representatives who have gone out into all the world to teach and preach the gospel. Through the Recorder we follow them and learn of their needs.

Every Seventh Day Baptist should have the Sabbath Recorder in the home. Personally, I cannot see how interest and loyalty to the Sabbath can continue without it.

Mrs. Milford Crandall.

New Market, N. J.

The Sabbath Recorder was taken in our home prior to my earliest recollections. On Sabbath afternoons my mother read aloud from its pages before I could read for myself. Gradually I began to read some of its articles written for children or young people, until in time all of its departments were included in my scope of reading.

Today I feel that it is one of the most important factors in holding together our denomination. Through what other medium could our members, so widely scattered, keep in touch with the vital work of the various societies and boards?

Many of the men and women who contribute to the pages of the paper or who are mentioned therein are personally known by their readers; others soon seem like acquaintances as their articles, addresses, and sermons are read from time to time. One of the advantages of belonging to a small denomination comes from the friendly feeling that develops through knowing so many of its members. Reading the Church News is like getting a letter from home.

Matters about which I know nothing do not greatly interest me. The regular reading of our denominational paper, however, helps to keep me both interested and in-

formed. Did you ask why I subscribe to the Sabbath Recorder? Briefly, it is because I cannot afford to be without it. As a Seventh Day Baptist I need it for information, influence, and inspiration.

Ethel C. Rogers.

Jane Lew, W. Va.

The Sabbath Recorder is one of the most important links in our denomination. To be a true Sabbathkeeper, one must have a frequent source of denominational information of home and abroad.

It is quite important that we follow the activities of our leaders and through them be able to carry on denominational work among our people, also to reach those who are lone Sabbathkeepers.

With children in the home it is extremely important that the Sabbath Recorder be their leading magazine for Christian enlightenment and inspiration. It is the chief source of the truth and our relationship to it.

Mrs. Carroll Bond.

Houston, Tex.

Among the magazines stretched across our living room table, is the Sabbath Recorder. It is the representative of our denomination in our home. We find in it news of our Churches, our missions, our leaders. We look in it to see what our denomination is doing about the problems of today. We expect to find in it help for our Sabbath devotions, and stimuli for Sabbath-day thinking. Since we do not have the privilege of attending Church on the Sabbath, the Recorder is to us, especially important. We would not be without it.

Mrs. James I. Stillman.

Gentry, Ark.

The coming of the Sabbath Recorder each week is, to me, like a visit from an old friend who tells of events and places of which I wish to hear. I cannot remember when I did not know and love the Recorder. Before I could even read, parts of it were read to me. Now it furnishes inspiration, information, and material for conversation, both at home, and with friends. The special monthly issues, especially, set forth the Sabbath truth, while

not neglecting the other nine commandments. I need the Sabbath Recorder, both as a mother and as a Seventh Day Baptist.

Mrs. C. A. Beebe.

Indianapolis, Ind.

A kind person at Alfred, N. Y., sends me the Recorder by mail; also I get it at our Church here in Indianapolis. I want to tell you how much I enjoy it, and how much I enjoy the many fine articles. The "Call of the Crowd," a sermon by Allen Bond, was real good. The article, "Are We Able?" seemed to impress me very much. I thought, "We who have gone up the first seven steps of the golden stairs and are professing Christians, why aren't we able?" We have temptations, trials, and tests; but when we are able to conquer, it only makes us stronger. The Bible says we must not faint. We must go on, and not turn back. We must put on the whole armor of God, and fight the evils of this world and conquer for Jesus, so that we can win a place in the kingdom. He is not willing that any should perish, but all should have everlasting life. We should be about our Father's business, which is to help others find Jesus.

How I enjoyed reading the poem, "The Ladies' Aid," by Mrs. Annabel Bowden. At our last meeting I read this poem to our Missionary Society. It was enjoyed by all. I also liked the poem, "Ten Per Cent." My thoughts ran back to the "depression years," when we had such a struggle trying to find a few pennies to take to Church. Now we have higher costs of living, but still God must put it in our hearts to give a "tenth" of all our income. If it were not for God, we wouldn't have anything to put in our pocketbooks. Our pocketbooks should be converted, too. God made us what we are. We owe everything to Him. We should be willing to give Him what belongs to Him. He only asks for one tenth of all He gives to us. Why should we be selfish?

I am so glad I have learned that the Ten Commandments have not been done away. I am glad I have learned to keep all ten of them. I am so glad I have learned not to break the fourth command-

ment. I am so glad I find it a great blessing to be a seventh day Sabbathkeeper instead of a first day Sundaykeeper. Since I have learned about the Seventh Day Baptists I have received literature from other Sabbathkeeping groups. I am so glad to learn that there are people of other denominations who are stepping out on God's promises and are restoring the long lost Sabbath day that God set aside for rest, the seventh day, or Saturday. It was that day that He hallowed and sanctified as His holy day. It is proper for us to be obedient to the Lord's commands. It is the whole duty of man to keep all ten of the commandments.

Here is a little poem I always liked:

"Get them out, get them gone,
All the little rabbits in the field of corn.
Envy, jealousy, malice, and pride,
All of them in my heart abide."

Mrs. Mae Henke.

(Editor's Note: Items from North Loup, Neb., on the subject of "The Sabbath Recorder in the Home" appeared as a part of "Woman's Work" in last week's issue.)

YOUR PASTOR CAN'T LIVE YOUR CHRISTIAN LIFE

Just where this idea came from we do not know, but it is of great antiquity. It resides in the hearts of many Church members. They have hired a pastor, so they can sit back and relax so far as their Christian responsibility is concerned!

It is high time that these Church members woke up to the fact that, because they pay their minister a salary, it does not follow that they can take life easy. God in no way excuses the average Christian from personal participation in the challenges of the Christian life. The only way he can discharge his responsibility is personally to do the will of God in his own life.

It is strange the way that many Christians regard the Christian life. After spending the week feverishly serving themselves, endeavoring to pile up earthly treasure, once a week at Church they sit through a thirty-minute message and feel that their obligations are fulfilled. Do

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GOD ANSWERS PRAYER

It is very difficult to find appropriate words to express my appreciation and that of my family for the period of prayer in my behalf held in the Churches and homes from coast to coast, on Sabbath morning, April 10, 1948. We would like to thank the anonymous friend or friends who circulated the printed letter throughout the denomination suggesting the idea, the pastors who carried out the plan, and all who joined in prayer. My prayer was joined with yours, first, in thanksgiving to God for His love, His forgiveness, and His mercy; then for my family and my many friends, and a prayer for all who need the healing touch of God. My prayer concluded, as I am sure yours did, with, "Nevertheless not my will but thine be done." Spiritual strength has very definitely come to me from this experience and an ever-increasing realization of its significance will bring strength for an indefinite period of time.

It was suggested in the printed circular that people were invited to contribute financially (not to exceed \$1 per person) toward a fund to be used for expenses involved in the treatment of my illness. A large number of friends have contributed to this fund, for which we are very grateful. Our greatest trust is not in material things, but as we face the uncertain future this financial help gives us a feeling of greater security.

What would we do without the Sabbath Recorder? There is no other way by which we could thank our anonymous friends except through its pages.

It was just before Christmas that the doctor told me that I have a rare nerve disease which causes a gradual loss of the use of the motor muscles, and for which there is little known treatment. With some people it takes several years for it to run its course. Many dark days and nights followed as I thought of all that might happen, such as getting to the place where I could no longer work, and becoming so helpless that I would be a burden to my family. **GOD ANSWERS PRAYER!** I have always preached that God would answer prayer, even though the answer does not come to our liking but

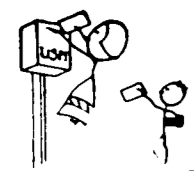
according to His plan, and that people can be so strong inside that they are not defeated by that which happens to them from the outside. It has been a real spiritual experience to do the best that I can in practicing what I have preached. I have been drawn closer to God, my family, and my friends by this experience. Through faith and prayer I have been able to get a pretty good hold on myself and during the last month I have been feeling much better mentally and spiritually. However, the gradual weakening of the muscles is continuing. I am able to be up and around, and with the help of my family I am able to carry on the office work. Please do not hesitate to correspond with me regarding any services which the Board of Christian Education may render.

I am under the care of our local doctor and a specialist located in New York City, who is considered one of the best in this field. These doctors along with "Dr. Jesus," as one person so reverently stated in a letter, are doing all that can be done for me.

We again wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped us in any way. **GOD ANSWERS PRAYER!**

Harley Sutton.

"The ideologies of today are challenging the youth of the world for their loyalties and their service," Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, missionary executive of the Methodist Church, recently told a youth gathering. "There is a call for Christian youth to grasp the meaning of various ideologies and to understand better the significance of their own faith, the meaning of the Church as a fellowship, and of our wider ministry of service and life devotion, such as no generation of youth has faced hitherto in the history of the world. In this conflict we know our job and are firm in our loyalties. We Christians have nothing to fear. We must reject economic determinism. We must reject statism, and all that it means for the individual to have his life destiny determined in terms of his service to the state. We must uphold a free, voluntary way of discovering the will of God and of doing His bidding." — W. W. Reid.



OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

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

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I'm so sorry I haven't written before. It has been so long since I have written. I hope you will forgive me.

Lucile Ann Swanson and Homer Brannon have written to you before. They are my cousins. I will try to get them to write to you again.

I am thirteen years old and I am in the eighth grade at Hillside School. It sits on a little hillside by the highway. There are eleven pupils, six girls and five boys.

It is quite windy here today; some branches are blowing out of the trees. The buds on the trees are about to bloom. It sure is pretty.

We are having Conference at North Loup this fall. Are you coming? I hope to see you.

Your Recorder friend,
Eulala Davis.

Dear Eulala:

I hope you will be able to get Lucile and Homer to write again, as well as other North Loup boys and girls, for I surely need more children's letters.

Fallen limbs and twigs on the Church and parsonage lawn keep me busy these days, for we, too, are having plenty of wind, more like March than April weather, it seems to me. However, our lilacs are in bud and soon the leaves will be out, while the daffodils are beginning to blossom.

I do wish I could attend Conference in North Loup this coming summer, but it will be impossible. I have always wanted to visit North Loup. The summer that Pastor Greene and I were married we could have gone to North Loup, but it was his last year in Divinity School, and he thought it best to finish his course before accepting a pastorate. They wanted a pastor and wife, and that one condition we soon supplied, if the other wasn't.

Hoping you will write again and often,
Your Christian friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

In my last letter, Uncle Joe had gone with Judge Manley O. Hudson, ex-judge of the World Court, an authority on international law, to the Nuremberg trials. Since we couldn't go into Germany ourselves, Aunt Dorothy, Tim, and I went back to the place we thought was one of the loveliest in the world, Interlaken. For almost a whole week we just loafed, getting up when we pleased, eating when we pleased (we did a lot of that), going to bed when we pleased. In fact we did just about every crazy thing that we hadn't had time to do before. It was really a "seventh heaven." On Sunday we had the hotel cook pack us a lunch and we took a steamboat, like the one on Lake Lucerne only smaller, and went for a boat trip on the smaller of the two lakes which are on either side of Interlaken. The name of the lake is Brienz, and it is located west of Interlaken. The day was beautiful for the trip—sunshine and a cloudless sky, with just enough of a breeze to keep one cool. The Swiss Alps showed their every detail in the bright sunlight as they rose straight out of the water. We had the feeling of looking through a magnifying glass. Every now and then we could see a Swiss chalet (house) perched high on top of a rocky, steep mountain, with apparently no road or means of reaching it. We rode to the end of the lake and back, which took about two hours; but we weren't in any hurry, so if it had taken twice as long we wouldn't have cared.

I'd like next to tell you about the Swiss pastries which we indulged in during our stay in Switzerland. They're simply "out of this world." Tim and I would stand at one of the many pastry shop windows with our mouths watering in anticipation until we had decided just how many of each kind we wanted. Then we'd buy them and carry our prizes back to the hotel to eat—first a creamy little tart affair, then perhaps a crisp Napoleon, and then, maybe, a crescent filled with custard or mince, and uncountable other goodies of every description. Take my advice, and if you ever get a chance to try them you'll be missing something de-

CHURCH NEWS

DODGE CENTER, MINN. — The first of the year our Sabbath school began planning to take a child, either in Europe or China, to support or educate. We wrote the Thorngates about this, and they turned our letter over to Mabel West. This is her reply in part:

"There is a Christian mother with a girl and a boy who want very much to study in our school again, but she cannot pay the tuition and buy books. Before the father died, a year ago, they were a well-to-do family and sent the children to our school. The tuition for one child for a year would amount to approximately \$50, and a little more for books."

Our Sabbath school voted to take the boy and help him get an education; he is now in the fourth grade. It will be interesting to follow him through school and, perhaps, he will make a minister, teacher, or missionary. We were wondering if some other Sabbath school would like to do the same with the girl. She is in the sixth grade. — Ethel Greene, Sabbath school secretary.

LITTLE GENESEE, N. Y. — A series of Lenten services for all in the community were held each Sunday night. Pastor Charles Bond is giving a series of very helpful sermons on "The Lord's Prayer," and the service of song seems to be enjoyed by all.

The "Belfry Staff," composed of young people, faithfully continues to meet at the parsonage twice a month for work, editing the paper containing Church and community news. This little paper seems to find a welcome place in many of our homes.

A large crowd, coming from far and near, gathered at our "Community Center," opposite the Church, to partake of a pancake supper, put on by the men of the community, in order to raise funds to

licious if you don't. They are really as good as they look.

Venita Vincent.

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help complete the building. Two invited guests rendered special music during the evening.

Lenten boxes were filled and returned at the Easter season, to help those in need.

The Sunshine Society (Ladies' Aid) meets once a month for work, dinner, a program, and visiting. The last meeting was held with Mrs. Wilma Sanford.

Sabbath school membership has been rapidly increasing. Thanks are due those who feel the need of Christian training for all children. Several have been willing to go out with their cars to bring children in for religious instruction. Pastor Charles Bond, with the aid of a flannel-graph, tells the lesson prior to class work.

—Correspondent

WHITE CLOUD, MICH. — A project sponsored by the choir of the Seventh Day Baptist Church resulted in the installment of a new Estey electric organ, recently. Contributions received from members of the congregation and friends of the Church have all been highly appreciated.

This organ is to be dedicated to the memory of Robert Branch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wells Branch. Robert gave his life in the service of his country in World War II.

Rev. Orville W. Babcock of Milton Junction, Wis., has accepted the pastorate of the White Cloud Seventh Day Baptist Church. He expects to be in White Cloud by June 1.

The Auxiliary and Ladies' Aid are remodeling the kitchen of the parsonage. The front of the building has been improved, too. The porch was torn down, and a glassed-in entrance was added.

The semiannual conference of this district has been postponed from May until June. The new pastor will be in charge then. — Zoe Branch, Corresponding Secretary.

NORTONVILLE, KAN. — Rev. and Mrs. V. A. Wilson packed and mailed two boxes of clothing which was donated by the congregation for our people in Germany. Last month the Sabbath school sent \$29.51 to Pastor Schmid for food for our people in Europe. A large milk bottle was placed on the table before the

pulpit, and donations from the heart were requested. One smaller class gave its mite-box collection of several weeks. Little Stanley Bond, six years old, gave all the money in his bank.

Pastor Wilson's class has received a letter and pictures from the Chinese mother of the little boy the class is helping in China. The mother has asked for a picture of her husband's grave in Texas. He was in the service.

The men of the Church, supervised by Alfred Wells and Roy Crouch, installed new lights in the Church in time for the Christmas candlelight service, which was planned and directed by Miss Nannie Greeley.

Forty-seven persons attended the annual New Year's dinner. Deacon Clifford Maxson made a wooden Communion chest and presented it to the Church at the business meeting following the dinner.

Last quarter Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Wheeler wrote and mailed the Church letters of news and best wishes to all nonresident and shut-in members.

The Sabbath school has voted to buy chairs for the little folks' Sabbath school class. The Sabbath school has also sent potted plants to sick members during the winter and brought cheer to many homes.

Daily Vacation Bible School plans are under way. School will begin May 16. It will be in session from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. It will close May 21, followed by a children's service on Sabbath morning.

The faculty consists of Mrs. Laurence Niemann, supervisor; Rev. Mr. Wilson, intermediate teacher; Mrs. Merlin Wheeler and Mrs. Charles Wheeler, junior teachers; Mrs. Winston Wheeler, beginners teacher. Mrs. Hubert has charge of all music classes. — Mrs. Laurence Niemann, Correspondent.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — Easter was fittingly observed at the morning service Sabbath day. Two anthems were sung by the choir, "Triumphantly Sing" and "Easter Dawn." Mrs. Johnson, pianist, and Mrs. Brennick, organist, played "The Holy City" as the voluntary and "Easter Fantasy" as the offertory. The pastor preached an appropriate sermon, using as

his theme, "Resurrection," the text being, "Because I live ye shall also live," John 14: 19.

The quarterly Church meeting was held Sunday afternoon in the Church parlors. Several important matters were discussed. It was voted to allow the pastor to attend a ministerial retreat to be held in West Virginia, May 18-20, also to allow him to take his vacation at this time. It was also voted to plan another recital by Mr. Johnson in the future, the choir to be in charge, to consider the Lord's Acre project, and to ask the Evangelical United Brethren Church choir to present their cantata in our Church.

At an executive meeting of the Bible school it was voted to hold our camp for the boys and girls from ages 10 to 14 at Ericson, beginning August 8, and continuing to the beginning of the pre-Conference retreat, and that we invite those who are to direct the retreat to come early and direct the camp.

The Boy Scouts have been granted the use of our big tent on their trip to the Black Hills.

The first Sabbath in May is Roll Call Sabbath. All who cannot attend are asked to send a letter.

Mrs. James Johnson reports that about \$70 was cleared from serving at the Zanger sale on Wednesday. It will be used to apply on the cost of Church decoration.

M. T. B., Correspondent.

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they not donate to the pastor's salary, and does he not spend his time in works of charity for them? Such an attitude is a stench in the nostrils of God.

Let it be understood that while the pastor has a place as a leader of God's people, and while his salary ought to be sufficient, and commensurate with his needs, there are real and definite responsibilities which devolve upon every member of the Church of Christ, from which no one is excused. These responsibilities are personal, individual, and require the service of a full and sincere heart. Concerning this service Christ will make inquiry of every Christian at His judgment seat. — Editorial in "The King's Business" for March, 1948, sent by L. G. O.

MRS. MAUD HOWE ELLIOTT

By Dr. Corliss F. Randolph

83 Jefferson Ave., Maplewood, N. J.

Readers of the Sabbath Recorder will regret news of the recent passing of Mrs. Maud Howe Elliott, the last surviving daughter of Julia Ward Howe. Mrs. Elliott died at her home, Lilliput, Lovers' Lane, Newport, R. I., March 19, last, in her 94th year. Her mother, author of the widely known "Battle Hymn of The Republic," was a direct descendant of Samuel Ward, a colonial governor of Rhode Island, a member of the Continental Congress, and a member of our Newport, R. I., Church, the Church which was the parent of our American Seventh Day Baptist Churches.

Mrs. Elliott's interest in the old Newport Church and in the "Old Meeting House" was deep and genuine. She was most helpful to me in my preparation for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the erection of the Old Meeting House in 1929, and her interest appeared to grow with our successive pilgrimages to the old shrine, first annually, then once in five years. After repeated invitations to attend, she finally accepted, and came.

No one who was present at that service will ever forget Mrs. Elliott as, clad all in black because of the recent death of her husband, she stood in quiet dignity on a small platform in the midst of the audience and expressed her pleasure in meeting with us. She then told of her last visit to the Old Meeting House while it still stood on the opposite side of Barney Street from where it now stands, and farther down the hill toward Spring Street. Then it still retained the original family box pews, like those yet to be seen in Trinity Church, a short distance away, each pew set apart for a given family.

Her story ran about like this: When Mrs. Elliott was a young girl in her teens, probably thinking mostly of new gowns, parties, and other girlhood activities, one day her mother (Julia Ward Howe) took her to the Old Meeting House, where they found and sat in the old time-honored box pew of the Ward family, the pew of Gov. Samuel Ward, the pew of his father, Gov. Richard Ward, and the pew of the

mother's girlhood. The mother now, with her young daughter beside her, sat in deep, solemn, and apparently retrospective silence, doubtless indulging in tender memories of the distant past and meditating on all that this sacred house of worship had meant to her and to her forebears. Meantime, the daughter occupied her time in looking about—at the unique, but beautiful, stairway leading up to the high pulpit, at the small desk on the pulpit, covered with purple velvet, to hold the Book of the Sacred Scriptures, at the Tables of the Law above the pulpit, which are said to have protected the Church from desecration by the British troops when they occupied Newport in the time of the Revolution, and at other interesting features of this classic interior. At length, the mother quietly rose and, accompanied by her daughter, silently left.

Her story concluded, Mrs. Elliott quietly resumed her seat in the congregation and joined in the remaining portion of the service; for, on that day, that young daughter now nearly, if not quite, fourscore, had returned to the scene of her mother's memories to pay tribute, in turn, to the memory of that now sainted mother, and to worship and to partake of the Lord's Supper with those of the "Faith of Her Fathers."

The daughter has gone to join her beloved mother. Seventh Day Baptists have lost a sympathetic friend, and this writer has lost an esteemed and valued friend.

DR. LLOYD R. WATSON

Lloyd Raymond Watson, son of Charles and Olive Mulkin Watson, was born September 7, 1876, at Cuba, N. Y., and died February 26, 1948, at Bethesda Hospital, Hornell, N. Y.

A graduate of Alfred and Cornell Universities, he was an internationally known bee expert. He taught at Storrs Agricultural College in Connecticut, and served for a time as apiculturist in the Bureau of Entomology, Washington, D. C. He taught in the New York State School of Agriculture at Alfred, and lately in the School of Liberal Arts. He retired from active teaching in 1946, to devote his time to bee research.

He was instrumental in securing the Davis Memorial Carillon, which was sent to Alfred from Europe. He made a personal trip to Europe, and contacted specialists, who secured bells from various parts of the continent.

In 1905, Dr. Watson married Olive F. Sherman, who survives him. Also surviving are two sons, Huber of Rochester, N. Y., and Sherman of Madison, Wis.; also a brother, Huber of Andover; and two sisters, Mrs. Milton Groves of Olean and Mrs. Tilman Teller of Buffalo, N. Y.

He was a member and deacon of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, serving since 1933. His prayers were especially helpful to others, expressing in moving language the close fellowship he felt with God.

Farewell services were held at the First Alfred Church February 28, 1948, conducted by his pastor, Rev. Everett T. Harris, assisted by Dean Ahva J. C. Bond. Immediately following the service at the Church a memorial carillon concert was played by Dr. Ray Wingate. Burial was made later in the Alfred Rural Cemetery.
E. T. H.

Marriages

Barnett - Siems. — On January 30, 1948, at the Baptist Church auditorium, Salem, W. Va., Dean W. Barnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Barnett, McKeesport, Pa., and June Siems, Fremont, Mich., were united in marriage by Rev. James L. Skaggs, assisted by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley. Mr. and Mrs. Barnett are students at Salem College.

Rew - Campbell. — Cecil V. Rew of John Day, Ore., and Iva M. Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zuriel Campbell of Kent, Wash., were married at the home of the bride on February 26, 1948, by Rev. E. M. Shipman. The new home will be in John Day, Ore.

Obituaries

Watson. — Dr. Lloyd R. Watson, son of Charles and Olive Mulkin Watson, was born September 7, 1876, at Cuba, N. Y., and died February 26, 1948, at Hornell, N. Y. (A more extended obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.)

Clark. — Mary Olive, daughter of Charles and Sara H. (Davis) Spicer, died in Hopkinton, R. I., November 9, 1947, in her 94th year.

Mrs. Clark was born in Hopkinton, November 25, 1853. She was the widow of George F. Clark. For eighty-two years she had been a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church, in which she took an active part as long as her health permitted. She was a member of the Woman's Aid society and the Phebe Greene Ward Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Clark leaves a granddaughter, Miss Bette Clark of Westerly, who gave her devoted attention in her declining years. Those in Lewis Camp in its first seasons will remember "Grandma Clark" and her visits to camp, when she brought lovely cakes, cookies, and other goodies to delight the young campers. In addition to her granddaughter, Mrs. Clark leaves several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon, November 11, conducted by Rev. Eli F. Looboro, retired pastor of the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church, in the absence of Pastor Harold R. Crandall. Interment was in River Bend Cemetery.
H. R. C.

Brayton. — Frank W., son of James and Lucy (Pendleton) Brayton, died at his home, 20 Moss Street, Westerly, R. I., November 19, 1947, aged 91 years.

Mr. Brayton was born in White Rock, R. I., October 6, 1856. He was a machinist, entering C. B. Cottrell and Sons Company in 1874, and working there till his retirement seven years ago. His wife, Fanny Parks Brayton, preceded him in death. He was a loyal member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church for many years. He is survived by a daughter, Helen, Mrs. Norman Wilcox, and a sister, Mrs. Albert D. Burdick, both of Westerly, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held at his late home on Friday, November 21, conducted by Rev. Alfred L. Murray, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, in the absence of his pastor, Rev. Harold R. Crandall. Interment was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Taunton, Mass.
H. R. C.

Clark. — Albert F., died in Westerly, R. I., November 29, 1947, in the 90th year of his age. He was born February 16, 1858, the son of Benjamin Franklin and Emily F. (Kenyon) Clark.

Mr. Clark was united in marriage with Annie L. Langworthy, September 13, 1882, and they had celebrated their sixty-fifth anniversary. At an early age he was baptized and united with the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, who gave him patient and loving care in his declining years, and three brothers: Deacon J. Perry Clark, John S. Clark, and E. Howard Clark, all of Westerly; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the Avery Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 2. In the absence of Pastor Harold R. Crandall, Rev.

Eli F. Looboro and Rev. B. U. Hatfield officiated. Interment was in River Bend Cemetery.
H. R. C.

Sugden. — Maurice, died at the Westerly Hospital, January 28, 1948, at the age of 87. Mr. Sugden was born in Yorkshire, Eng., April 27, 1860, the son of Abraham and Hannah (Murgatroyd) Sugden.

He was a machinist by trade and was employed for twenty-five years at the plant of the C. B. Cottrell and Sons Company. He was a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church and regular in his attendance upon its appointments as long as he was physically able.

Mr. Sugden's wife, the late Eliza Taylor Sugden, died some years ago. He leaves an aged sister in England; two daughters: Mrs. Flora Chipperfield of Westerly, and Mrs. Mina Burdick of Hartford; six grandchildren, and eighteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sabbath afternoon, January 31, at the Avery Funeral Home, with interment in Pocassett Cemetery, Cranston. His pastor, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, officiated.
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(The average age of these four members of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church was nearly ninety-one years.
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Jones. — Leoti, daughter of Albert and Mary Hughes Davis, was born June 29, 1874, on a farm near Jackson Center, Ohio, where she grew to womanhood. She died in the hospital at Sidney on Sabbath morning, February 21, 1948, in her 73rd year.

In early life she joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church and has remained an active member during these many years.

On July 4, 1895, she was united in marriage to Samuel S. Parent. To them were born three children: Doris, who died in infancy; Reo, now living in Detroit, Mich.; and Mrs. Wilda P. Howell, of Eaton, Ohio. She has lived in several cities in Ohio, and spent about six years in Battle Creek, Mich.

She was married June 28, 1937, to J. D. Jones of Jackson Center, where they have lived ever since. The past year or more she has been in poor health, some of the time spent in the Sidney hospital. She has been tenderly cared for by her husband during the last weeks of intense suffering. Besides her two children and four foster children, she leaves five grandchildren, many other relatives, and a host of friends and neighbors who mourn her departure.

The memorial service was held at the Van Horn Funeral Home in Jackson Center on February 23, by her pastor, Rev. Leslie O. Greene, and she was laid to rest in the Jackson Center Cemetery.
L. O. G.

Rose. — Etta Blanch, oldest child of Deacon Charles and Frances Holt Polan, was born in Blandville, W. Va., December 25, 1872, and passed away at her home in Jackson Center, Ohio, March 2, 1948, at the age of 75 years.

When a child of eleven years she moved with her parents to Jackson Center, where she has spent most of her life. She joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church when a girl, and has retained her membership here during these years. She prepared herself in music and in earlier days made much use of it in connection with the Church.

She was united in marriage with Jacob A. Rose November 6, 1890. Until his death in 1915, much of the time was spent on their farm north of town. To this union were born nine children, all surviving except one daughter, Mrs. Glen Peterson who died in Newark, N. J., in 1941. Those living in Jackson Center are: Mrs. Ray Morris, Mrs. William Rose, and Charles Henry. Others living in Royal Oak, Mich., are: Mrs. Harry Smith, Claude, and Mrs. Forest Drake. Ernest lives in Saginaw, Mich., and Mrs. Vernard Burden in Wapakoneta, Ohio. There are also sixteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She leaves three brothers: Guy of Milton, Wis., Herbert of Verona, N. Y., and Ray of Alfred, N. Y. Her two sisters are Mrs. Grace Babcock of Milford and Mrs. Nina Potter of Royal Oak.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. L. O. Greene, from the Seventh Day Baptist Church at 2 p.m. on March 5. Burial was in the Glen Cemetery at Port Jefferson.
L. O. G.

Greene. — Dr. Francis L., son of Leonard R. and Catherine Pearl Burdick Greene, was born at Adams Center, N. Y., August 18, 1869, and died at his home in Adams Center on March 4, 1948.

He received a Ph.B. degree from Alfred University in 1891, after which he attended the New York College of Dentistry and the University of Buffalo Dental College, from which he received his D.D.S. degree in 1897.

He practiced his profession in Canajoharie, N. Y., Hazelton, Pa., and Binghamton, N. Y., returning to Adams Center in 1917, where he cared for his aged mother and continued his practice as a very efficient dentist until about the close of last year, when he became ill.

He united with the Adams Center Church in early life. He served the Church well as clerk and as trustee for many years. His wise counsel was greatly appreciated by his pastor and the lay people of the Church.

On June 24, 1920, he married Mabel Louise Whitman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darius Whitman of West Chazy. Mrs. Greene is the only survivor.

Funeral services were held in the home on March 8, at 2 p.m., conducted by his pastor, Rev. Emmett H. Bottoms, assisted by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley of Salem, W. Va., brother-in-law and former pastor of the deceased. Burial was in the Union Cemetery of Adams Center.
E. H. B.

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of the Treasurer, March 31, 1948

Receipts		March	6 months
Balance on hand March 1 \$		28.77	
Adams Center			75.25
Albion	64.00		157.70
Alfred, First	227.70		1,223.58
Alfred, Second			184.50
Andover			15.00
Battle Creek	207.86		1,832.52
Berlin	3.00		68.56
Boulder			187.68
Brookfield, First			86.50
Brookfield, Second	34.75		76.75
Chicago			198.40
Daytona Beach	31.50		152.00
Denver	28.96		246.42
De Ruyter	53.00		88.00
Dodge Center			88.57
Edinburg	5.79		21.79
Farina	15.00		101.00
Fouke	12.45		26.35
Gentry	5.44		24.64
Hammond	10.00		20.00
Healdsburg-Ukiah			15.20
Hebron, First	10.50		37.60
Hebron Center	17.00		27.00
Hopkinton, First			135.00
Hopkinton, Second			26.30
Independence	114.00		241.00
Individuals	40.00		237.52
Little Genesee	122.41		257.48
Little Prairie	10.00		25.00
Los Angeles	85.00		190.00
Los Angeles, Christ's			10.00
Lost Creek	244.73		244.73
Marlboro	200.30		537.80
Middle Island	16.00		31.77
Milton	511.93		2,092.08
Milton Junction	74.35		447.78
New Auburn			135.62
New York	43.15		96.79
North Loup	111.00		419.25
Nortonville	10.00		96.00
Pawcatuck			1,162.66
Piscataway	41.25		115.00
Plainfield	156.68		1,070.41
Richburg			137.50
Ritchie			75.00
Riverside			368.79
Roanoke	6.00		6.00
Rockville	23.93		51.39
Salem			114.04
Salemville			17.23
Shiloh	79.00		692.50
Stone Fort			28.00
Syracuse			12.00
Verona			114.11
Waterford	11.66		89.03
White Cloud	29.59		80.62
Totals	\$2,686.70		\$14,313.41

Disbursements

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$ 768.24	\$ 121.90
Tract Society	419.10	2.00
Board of Christian Education	419.10	
Women's Society	14.08	90.00
Historical Society	31.46	
Ministerial Retirement	238.48	150.20
S. D. B. Building	45.32	
General Conference	235.18	
World Fellowship and Service	29.04	
Committee on Relief Appeals		64.50
Bank service charge40	
Balance on hand March 31	57.70	
Totals	\$2,258.10	\$ 428.60

Comparative Figures

	1948	1947
Receipts in March:		
Budget	\$2,229.33	\$2,294.52
Specials	428.60	874.06
Receipts in 6 months:		
Budget	10,261.64	10,615.38
Specials	4,051.77	7,623.67

Receipts in six months on the current budget have totaled \$10,261.64, which amounts to 32.5 per cent of the total budget of \$31,500. A year ago \$10,615.38 had been raised in six months, but that amounted to 37.8 per cent of that year's smaller budget of \$28,100.

L. M. Van Horn,
Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.

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— W. W. Reid.

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