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Workmen Approved of God

"Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2: 15 (ASV).

The verse above states that "workmen approved of God" are those who handle aright the word of truth. Your Conference president would like to make four special emphases concerning the slogan for the year. They appear below.

Loyal F. Hurley,
Conference President.

WORKMEN APPROVED OF GOD

IN

1. KNOWING THE WORD
2. LIVING THE WORD
3. SHARING THE WORD
4. REAPING THE WORD

Greetings to
The First Seventh Day Baptist Church
of Indianapolis, Ind.
Organized November 1, 1947

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Beginning the first Sabbath in November, the Evangelical Seventh Day Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., will be meeting in a larger and nicer hall at 2600 16th St., N.W., with services as usual — Sabbath School at 10:30 a.m., and Worship Service at 11:30 a.m.

The address of the pastor, W. Allen Bond, continues to be 5010 Edmonston Road, Hyattsville, Md., phone WAfield 2713.

W. Allen Bond, Pastor.

"STRENGTHENING THE FOUNDATIONS OF FREEDOM"

This is the theme of American Education Week which is being observed throughout our nation, November 7-13. Public schools will present special programs stressing the place that the foundation stone of education occupies in the freedom structure of our land. Institutions of higher learning will be in the forefront also in emphasizing the part that education plays in preparing for the privileges and responsibilities of life and citizenship. All this will be for the good. What is said and done during American Education Week will serve to impress more deeply upon all, both present and future citizens, the requirements of democratic citizenship and the price of freedom.

The Circular Letter from the Office of the Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Army, dated November 1, 1948, points out that "A well-rounded education means preparedness for freedom — for the enjoyment of freedom and the defense of freedom. More education means less racial tension, less religious bigotry, and fewer social maladjustments. More and better education means greater civic activity, a stronger community spirit, and a broader understanding of the workings of our complex world.

"The groups sponsoring American Education Week are: the National Education Association, the American Legion, the United States Office of Education, and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. However, the education of our youth is our problem, and not something that we can surrender completely to the professional educators. A citizen who does not acquaint himself with what is going on in his neighborhood school is like a citizen who fails to vote. The education of the youth of our land is the responsibility of every one of us, not only as parents, but as citizens in a freedom-loving land. As Thomas Jefferson once said, 'If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be.'"

Seventh Day Baptists have always stood staunchly for the free public school and its improvement. They have pioneered in

the field of higher education. They have supported loyally, generously, and sacrificially the needs of our colleges and university. Witness Alfred and Milton and Salem of the present day!

In other lands also, Seventh Day Baptists continue to be in the vanguard of education for the folks of mission fields. Grace School of China and Crandall High School of Jamaica are notable examples.

Our great concern is that all education is a preparation for the abundant life and a continuance therein. This cannot be unless educational materials be Christian-centered, unless educational methods are planned, imparted, and employed with Christian aims and ends in view, unless teachers and professors are Christian in character and conduct.

The Master Teacher came that all might have life and "have it more abundantly." Can we do less than be Christlike in our teaching?

GERMAN RELIEF WORK CONTINUES

Interested folks throughout the denomination have been asking if food, clothing, and funds are still needed for the relief of our German brethren. The answer is definitely, "Yes."

Our friends of the German Seventh Day Baptist Church of Irvington, N. J., assure us that a real need exists, and that they continue to make shipments of food and clothing for distribution among the needy ones in the Seventh Day Baptist Churches of Germany.

The cost of shipping food and clothing to Germany has been cut somewhat by the lifting of the ban on freight shipments to certain sections of that country. Thus, a part of the funds formerly used in paying parcel post charges, can now be used for buying food.

The time is short! Winter is close by in Germany!

Therefore, let us send clothing and money in any negotiable form to Pastor John G. Schmid, Irvington Seventh Day Baptist Church, 27 Otsego Road, Verona, N. J., right away.

LATEST NEWS FROM ALFRED SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

By Dean Ahva J. C. Bond

Latest Faculty Member

Rev. Marion C. Van Horn, A.B., B.D., pastor of our Seventh Day Baptist Churches at Leonardsville and Brookfield, N. Y., is teaching two classes in the School of Theology. He drives to Alfred from his home in Brookfield each Monday, returning Friday afternoon in order to be with his Churches Sabbath day. Part of the time he will take a student with him who will preach for him.



Rev. Marion C. Van Horn

Mr. Van Horn teaches a class in "The Rural Parish," a subject in which he has made a special study, and a field in which he has had fruitful experience. There is a fast-developing literature in this field, and considerable reading is required upon which is based class discussion. His other subject is "The Acts of the Apostles." This subject, both teacher and pupils are finding informative and inspiring.

Latest Student Enrollment

Mr. Sigurd Gunvik of Stokmarknes, Norway, is the latest student to arrive in Alfred to take work in the School of Theology. Mr. Gunvik has studied rather

extensively in the schools of Norway, and is preparing himself for Christian service. He has been a Sabbathkeeper for a good many years, and has spent some time and traveled several thousand miles in an effort to find Seventh Day Baptists. He finally met up with them in Los Angeles, Calif., and after attending services for some weeks, joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church there. He conferred with Pastor Hargis of that Church as to his next step in acquainting himself further with our people, and Mr. Hargis recommended that he come to Alfred, and sent a letter of introduction to the dean. The student rooms at the Gothic are all occupied, but we were fortunate in finding a room for Mr. Gunvik in a good Seventh Day Baptist home. He is interested in the school and its subjects, and seems capable of doing excellent work.

Next Year's Student

The first student to be accepted as an advance registrant for next year is Don Sanford. Mr. Sanford will receive his bachelor's degree at Milton College next spring, and will enter the Alfred School of Theology in the fall of 1949. Recently Mr. Sanford represented Alfred at a conference of theological students held at Rock Island, Ill.

Latest Gift of Money

The General Conference at its recent session at North Loup, Neb., authorized the continuance by the School of Theology of the Continuous Support Plan for financing our enlarged program. The latest contributor to this worthy and much-needed fund is our good friend, G. Zijlstra of Rotterdam, Holland.

Latest Student Room in the Gothic

A small room off the first landing of the stairway, used until now as a catchall and storage room, has been fitted up for a student room. Mr. Van Horn occupies it during the four days each week that he is in Alfred, and finds it very comfortable and quite adequate. It was built with Jay Koo of Shanghai in mind, and we hope he will be able to occupy it during the last semester of the present school year.

Latest Piece of Equipment

One item in the program of advance of the School of Theology is a wire recorder, particularly for the homiletics class. Money sufficient to purchase such an instrument together with several spools of wire, has been donated for that specific purpose, and the class is eagerly awaiting its arrival. (The "Wire-way Recorder" has been received recently.)

Latest Senior Class

The largest class to be graduated from the School of Theology since the present dean came to Alfred was four, and the year was 1940. Next spring five students will receive the B.D. degree from Alfred School of Theology. These are listed below:

Carl Maxson, a graduate of Milton College, and who came to Alfred in 1946, is taking his third year in Alfred while serving as pastor of the Independence and Andover Seventh Day Baptist Churches. He will receive his B.D. degree next spring.

Kenneth Stickney, a graduate of Hope College, Holland, Mich., and pastor of the Piscataway Seventh Day Baptist Church of New Market, N. J., is taking his third year at Alfred. Mr. Stickney has had more than half of his seminary work at New Brunswick Theological Seminary. These credits, together with twelve hours allowed for work done in Moody Bible Institute, bring him within the required year in Alfred to satisfy credits for graduation. The Piscataway Church has given Mr. Stickney a nine-months' leave of absence on pay to make this year in Alfred possible.

Raymond Taylor, an Episcopalian who is supplying the Andover Methodist Church, has his bachelor's degree from Buffalo, and a master's degree from Alfred University. He entered the School of Theology this fall with practically enough credits from other schools to graduate. He is taking a full year's work at Alfred, required as a minimum for graduation, and will receive his B.D. degree next spring.

Ronald Hargis, who has had two years in Alfred School of Theology, coming to Alfred with a bachelor's degree from Kala-

THE SERVICE OF GOD

By Frederick W. Kates

If a man chooses the service of God as the Master he will serve in and with his life, what then? He must be prepared for the following, at least:

1. He will not be able to live by a time clock. The servant of God knows no end or limit to his labors. No forty-hour week with extra pay for overtime is his lot. But he is to be envied in that he is a fortunate man engaged in work and activity he enjoys with all of his being, and is not trapped in some boresome job which is only to be endured for the wages it pays rather than the higher satisfaction it gives.

2. He has cut out for himself the hard task of living by a vision. For layman and clergyman, it is the same: the servant of God lives by a vision, the vision of life lived in the power of the beauty of Christ and for Christ's purpose, the kingdom of God.

This is a hard task, for in the heat and dust and noise of the daily round the vision is apt to fade, grow dim, even vanish utterly. But this is the challenge of the task the servant of God has elected to take upon himself midst the fever and flow of life to keep the vision bright.

3. Serving God as Master will mean constant warfare against sin, the world, and the devil — all three of them intensely real and active enemies — and it will mean unremitting struggle against discouragement, depression, giving-in to a

mazoo College, Kalamazoo, Mich., is completing his work at Hartford, Conn., while serving the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church. He expects to receive his degree from the Alfred School of Theology at the next commencement.

Wendell Stephan had one year at Alfred after being graduated from Salem College. He has since had work in Yale Divinity School, and New Brunswick Theological Seminary. He is continuing his work in New Brunswick while serving as pastor of the Plainfield Seventh Day Baptist Church. He expects to receive his degree from Alfred School of Theology next June.

spirit of drifting with the tide and saying "What's the use?"

4. Serving God as Master means the duty of loving as high as God and as wide as the boundaries of humanity. And say not, thoughtlessly, that this is easy, for nothing is harder than to love all the time, be it God as the object of our love or be it our fellow men. "Our hearts are not strong enough to love every moment," Thornton Wilder tells us, and we know it without his telling. Both God and men do severe, cruel things to us at times, things that make us doubt whether God is love and whether our fellow man is aught but a snake that ought to be crushed. But the service of God involves this fearsome duty, this obligation to love and to love all the time, and especially when anger and hatred rise in a torrent in our breasts.

Finally, for him who would serve God there is suffering to be endured, hardships to be borne, burdens to carry; but, of course, without pain there is no glory. The servant of God will have plenty of opportunity to discover what the cross means and why it is the symbol which to mankind reveals its deepest insight into and its highest knowledge of the character of God.

Choosing God as my Master will mean all these things, at least; but choosing God as the Master one will serve has also its rich rewards. Among many, they are: The knowledge that one is spending one's life as God wishes men to use it; that one is aiding the further establishment of the kingdom of God; and that one is being, in some modest measure, of help and comfort and service to one's fellow men. — Rochester, N. Y., Democrat and Chronicle. Sent by Pastor Kenneth A. Stickney.

A RULE

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.

—John Wesley.
—Shiloh Church Bulletin.

100 SABBATHS OF SERVICE

TRACT DISTRIBUTION

A tract was left at a home in western New York. It was put up behind the clock. When the man was ill, and out of reading matter, his wife jokingly said, "Here's this old tract." He asked for it, saying he had to do something, and it would take up some time. He became interested. He read it to his wife. They began to study. One Friday night he came in from the field early, put up the horses, and went to the house. He found his wife had her "Saturday baking" all done. She asked why he had quit so early. He replied that he just thought he'd take a little time off. Then he asked why she had her baking done a day ahead of time. She said she thought she'd get it out of the way. They looked at each other for a minute, then one said, "Are you convicted?" The other said, "Yes, are you?" From that time on that couple observed the true Lord's Day.

Part of the "100 Sabbaths of Service" is the distribution of gospel and Sabbath tracts. Someone said, "Only 75 for Shiloh's quota?" Yes, but let's make it at least 100 per week. If each one hands out a tract, or mails one to someone, or slips one in a letter, it will be easy for everyone. See Mrs. Mary Ayars for your tracts. — Shiloh, N. J., Church Bulletin

From the Riverside, Calif., Church

"Further shipments of tracts to us should perhaps be in lots of 100 instead of 50. We don't know what to do with just 50."

L. M. M.

DEAN BOND'S POEMS

The recently published collection of the poems of Rev. Ahva J. C. Bond is now available. This collection comprises poems written during his pastorates in New York, Wisconsin, West Virginia, and New Jersey, as well as those of the later years at Alfred. Only a few copies of the limited edition remain unsold. Most of them were subscribed for before printing. They are obtainable at the Recorder Press, Plainfield, N. J., at \$2.50 per copy.

Fall Meetings of Our Churches

NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Farina, Ill., October 7-9, 1948

The second annual meeting of the North Central Association was held at Farina, Ill., October 7-9, 1948. Delegates were in attendance from Stone Fort, Ill., Milton, Milton Junction, and Abion, Wis., and Dodge Center, Minn. The meetings began on Thursday evening when, after a praise service, welcome was extended by Glenn Wells and a response given by Professor D. N. Inglis. Rev. Earl Cruzan brought a message on "The Community Needs Christian Teaching."

On Friday morning following the praise service, Professor D. N. Inglis spoke on "The Church, Example to the Community." Friday afternoon, Rev. Kenneth Van Horn brought a message on "The Community Needs Christian Homes."

At four o'clock on Friday afternoon the association was called to order to transact the necessary business. Vice-President D. N. Inglis presided.

The invitation from the Albion, Wis., Seventh Day Baptist Church to convene with them in 1949 was accepted, the date to be determined by the executive committee and the entertaining Church.

A letter of greeting from the Southwestern Association was read to which the secretary was directed to make appropriate reply.

The nominating committee, appointed by the moderator, was composed of Mrs. Eva Payne, Glenn Wells, and Mrs. Lillian Campbell.

Appreciation for the hospitality of the Farina Seventh Day Baptist Church was expressed.

Among other items of business considered were: the Des Moines Bible College, concerning which the secretary presented a report which was adopted as a report of progress and the secretary "was asked to continue in the same capacity for the coming year"; the treasurer's report showed a balance of \$31.32; an assessment of five cents per resident member was levied against the Churches for association expenses; and it was voted that the minutes be mimeographed and copies sent to the Churches.

On Friday evening Rev. Claude Hill brought the message, "The Community Needs Christ." This was followed by an inspiring conference meeting.

On Sabbath morning sixty-five people received Communion as the sacraments were administered by Reverends Claude and Carroll Hill, assisted by the deacons of the Farina Church.

There were over one hundred in attendance on Sabbath morning when Rev. Carroll Hill brought the message, "The Church and the World Community."

On Sabbath afternoon the work of the denomination was presented by a panel of ministers and laymen speaking on the work of the Missionary Society, the Tract Society, the Board of Christian Education, the Vocational Committee, the Evangelistic Outreach, and the Denominational Budget.

On the evening after the Sabbath a short business meeting was held at which time the report of the nominating committee was read and adopted — thus electing the following officers: Dr. Forrest Branch, president; Harry Crosley, vice-president; Charles Williams, secretary; Donald Gray, assistant secretary; Miss Ethel Butterfield, treasurer.

Rev. Elmo Randolph brought the closing message, "The Church and Community Co-operation." — From the Minutes of Rev. Earl Cruzan, Secretary.

CONCERNING CONFERENCE

Mrs. Alena Bond of Nortonville, Kan., writes to Mrs. John S. C. Kenyon of this community as follows: "Yes, we went to North Loup — wonderful hospitality, wonderful weather, wonderful fellowship, wonderful expedition of business, wonderful, inspiring messages, wonderful absence of friction, wonderful presence of the Holy Spirit. A common thread ran through all of Conference that today the time is ripe for us as a people to launch out and work to spread the gospel of salvation through faith in Christ, and of loving, loyal obedience to the Sabbath of God along with all the rest of God's will for us, because we are saved." — The Ashaway Messenger, October, 1948.

MISSIONARY BOARD

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 24

Secretary's Report

During the quarter from July 1 to September 30, your secretary has been engaged in relations with General Conference and associations to a considerable extent—Eastern Association Camp (Lewis Camp) courses taught one day and chapel talks two days; Southwestern Association with a sermon, discussion, and showing of slides at Nady, Ark.; Pre-Conference Retreat, acting on the staff and teaching a course in missions entitled "Tomorrow Is Here"; General Conference with its interviews and board program, also a display of our materials; and reports to New England Churches of associational and Conference meetings. In the president's absence, I presided at the board program at Conference. Also on the field I have preached and visited at Rockville, Hopkinton, Providence, North Loup, and twice at Salemville.

During the quarter two more Evangelism Work Retreats were conducted with good results in the Appalachian one and lesser results here in the Atlantic retreat (through the inability of most of the pastors to attend, although a good session with eight laymen was held the second evening of the retreat). We do feel, however, that reaction letters indicate readiness on the part of our pastors to step out in evangelism with their laymen. There does seem to be tremendous need on our part to provide literature for our pastors and laymen — manuals on techniques, message and program with our peculiar emphases, and tracts adapted to the needs of families and individuals caught in a maze of excuse making.

Much time was spent in preparing the annual report and there has been some interest in having parts of it reprinted for general study. This may be done through the "Missionary Reporter" with study helps. Study of the "Advance" programs of the Federal Council Department of Evangelism and of the Foreign Missions Conference have taken time and thought. A course outlined for youth was prepared and used at Pre-Conference Retreat.

I have helped secure the statistics of foreign Seventh Day Baptist Churches for the Year Book at the request of the Conference corresponding secretary, and have attended two Tract Society meetings (one in company with G. Benjamin Utter), two meetings of the co-ordination group, one at North Loup and one at Alfred Station in connection with the Appalachian work retreat.

The quarter has brought much of stimulation and reward in planning programs and working with our pastors and laymen. Never did the work of making Christ's gospel widely practical and widely known seem more important.

Your secretary would respectfully urge the board to realize and act upon the critical issue of "One World in Christ or No World at All." Our people are seeking for lasting outlets for their efforts to make a good world through Christ's teachings and example. So many of earth's millions — even in our midst — are turning to secular and political avenues of protection and security when the gospel still holds all the promise and security of an abundant life, that we are amazed at our ineffectiveness. Richard Baker (in "Let's Act Now") points out that no organization even approaches the Church of Christ in aggressiveness, and that our amazement at communist, secular, and materialistic systems' power should rather be focused on ourselves as inactive Christians.

In light of the pressing importance of world-wide missionary extension or advance, and considering our growing responsibilities in America itself, I recommend a committee to study our Board of Managers as a working unit. (I have been preaching that the Church is the only safe fellowship in all the world where we can make a turnabout from our old ways — where we can bare our souls to one another and expect to be realistic about examining our ways.) I would suggest a committee of the officers and committee heads to be appointed to spend considerable time on this matter and to report at the January meeting, if possible, on such things as an over-all advance program geared to the Foreign Missions Conference

Advance with provision for opening new fields in the future; an advisory committee to deal with promotion, publications, and policies; type and uses of the annual report; time of meetings; co-operative relations with the Foreign Missions Conference, the Federal Council Department of Evangelism; budget and stewardship promotion within the framework of our Denominational Budget system; interviewing and recruiting of missionary workers.

Relative to our relations through the Foreign Missions Conference with the proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., I would recommend that the society instruct its delegate (to the Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference in January, 1949) to vote in favor of the Foreign Missions Conference's becoming a division of the National Council, with the understanding that this board would nominate to our own General Conference the members of the division. The unifying of Christian forces in America is essential to an effective foreign missions advance and the National Council would seem to expedite the witness and work of Protestants. Inclusion of foreign missions planning and program in the public relations of the National Council is important.

In the event a vote for the Foreign Missions Conference to become a division of the National Council is lost by a large margin, I recommend that this board instruct its delegate to express our desire for continuation in the Foreign Missions Conference. In the event the vote is lost by a narrow margin, I recommend that this board instruct its delegate to vote according to his judgment for the best proposal that will further the harmony and aggressiveness of American evangelism.

I further recommend in this field that every board member buy two copies of "Let's Act Now," by Richard Baker, that he or she digest the book and pass on one copy by sale or gift to someone not interested or convinced of the importance of today's missionary enterprise in which North America carries a heavy load. (The secretary sold the books almost according to plan, and expects to sell many more when once a taste of the vision, freshness,

and challenge of the Advance Program in the book has been had.)

Indicative of future relations with our own Churches, a letter will be sent to all pastors with the suggestions or amendments of this board and of the co-ordination group meeting next week in Alfred Station. (You Sabbath Recorder readers will soon hear of this letter from the pulpits of your Churches, or through promotion of our 1949 program if you are a lone Sabbathkeeper.)

Respectfully submitted,

David S. Clarke

The above report with its recommendations was adopted with the addition of the names of Mrs. Elisabeth K. Austin and Rev. Eli F. Looffboro to the committee to study the Board of Managers as a working unit. Other items of interest from this quarterly meeting will be published soon, and your pastor and Church school superintendent will receive full copies of the minutes in their next quarterly "Missionary Reporter." Ask them for information, or write us if you have any questions or desire to offer ideas or plans for our most vigorous advance.

NEW STUDENTS ENROLLING IN CRANDALL HIGH SCHOOL

The Caribbean High School opened September 6, 1948, with twelve students. At the formal dedication, October 6, when the name was changed to Crandall High School (because of conflict with the name of another school in Kingston), there were twenty-three students enrolled. A total of eight scholarships had been received from individuals and groups in this country. The boarding dormitory has not been opened, but probably will be the first of next year. Our missionaries, the Randolphs and Millses, are much encouraged over the work. D. S. C.

DID YOU KNOW THAT —

Thirteen missionary pastors reported forty-three conversions and sixteen Sabbath conversions to the Missionary Board last year?

NEWS ITEMS AND NOTES FROM THE WOMEN'S BOARD

Conference Year 1948-1949: A new Conference year for Seventh Day Baptist women has begun. No doubt our women's societies are already "buzzing" with plans to make this a banner year of service in the community and the denomination and in world relations.

It was interesting to note a new society was organized in Washington, D. C., last summer. We learn from correspondence that these people, with Mrs. Martha Phillips as leader, are making a real self-giving effort to send help to some very needy people of Europe. Watch the Recorder for some description of this work and the help needed to carry it on.

Encouragement: A note received from the Dr. Grace Missionary Society of North Loup, Neb., enclosed a check to cover the sum of one month's payment on our trailer, \$38.50. In the same mail came a check from our sister, Miss Golda Gerat, a lone Sabbathkeeper at present. Such checks bring a real encouragement to an anxious board.

Evangelistic: Rev. Elizabeth F. Randolph is working in the vicinity of Columbus, Miss. Her regular weekly schedule this October is one service held on Thursday evenings south of Columbus, a Sabbath afternoon service in our Church in the city with twenty to twenty-five in attendance, one service in Community Grove, north of Columbus, on Sabbath mornings, and two services each Sunday. Many other Bible study groups are held in homes. Several are inquiring about the Sabbath. Two more have asked for baptism. Fourteen of the boys and girls of Miss Randolph's Vacation Bible Schools have been baptized, though they do not yet "Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy."

News: Please do not fail to send us ideas and news of activities that will be of interest to other societies across the country. So let us go forward together while we seek increasingly to be "workmen approved of God."

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs.

FIRST HOPKINTON WOMEN'S SOCIETY

(Report of treasurer and secretary of Ladies' Aid of First Hopkinton Seventh Day Baptist Church, Ashaway, R. I.)

During the year nine regular monthly meetings have been held. Several times the ladies have met to sew. There are now forty-five members. We have added six new members since last June, and lost three. Two have moved out of town and one, Mrs. Annabel Arnold, passed away.

An auction, the annual sale and turkey supper, a food sale, and a rummage sale have been held during the year. The society has collected clothing for European relief, purchased choir robes for the junior choir, and helped the Church. In September a water system was presented and installed in the parish house. Also a gift of money to purchase new equipment for the kitchen has been received. These gifts are greatly appreciated. A new gas range has been installed in the kitchen.

A social in October, the Christmas party in December, and "stunt night" in May were enjoyed at evening meetings.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts	
Balance June, 1947	\$ 392.22
Rental, parish house	48.00
Sale of aprons, fancy work, etc.	144.45
Auction	194.22
Supper	203.60
Gifts	207.00
Dues	31.40
Total	\$1,220.89
Disbursements	
Light and fuel	\$ 111.30
Gifts	378.99
Flowers	34.08
Pump pit	159.40
Turkey for supper	79.20
Insurance	20.00
Laundry	3.43
Advertising	8.16
Repairs	21.75
Janitor	2.00
Material	17.93
Total	\$ 836.24
Balance	384.65
Total	\$1,220.89

HONOR ROLL

October 1, 1948, was the end of the first year of the Sabbath School Enrollment Campaign sponsored by the Board of Christian Education. Cards were sent to all Sabbath schools on which a report of enrollment increase was to be made. Twenty-three cards have been returned. Only those schools which had an increase of 10 per cent or more will appear on this honor roll. Words of commendation are due all of the schools which made a real attempt to increase their enrollment by 10 per cent. Some schools which did not have this increase worked harder than those who were able to make the 10 per cent increase.

It was not part of the plan of the Board of Christian Education for awards to be made at General Conference at North Loup. I hope there is no confusion regarding this campaign. Listed below are the names of the Sabbath schools which have reported and which have had an increase of 10 per cent or over. The Board of Christian Education would like to express appreciation to all the Sabbath schools co-operating.

Honor Roll

First Alfred Battle Creek Berlin Second Brookfield Dodge Center Gentry	First Hebron Jackson Center Los Angeles Old Stone Fort Salem Schenectady
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Sixteen of the schools reporting have enlisted in the second year of the campaign to strive for another 10 per cent increase, and to have at least one "Leadership Education" class before October 1, 1949. Twenty of the schools reporting have agreed to strive for the 10 per cent increase in enrollment.

It is **very important** that reports be sent in from the other forty-two Sabbath schools, giving the per cent of gain during the past year and action regarding the two goals for the second year of the campaign.

This Sabbath School Enrollment Campaign makes an appeal which for many of us is more difficult to answer than are appeals for money. It is a challenge to

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EDINBURG, TEX.

Seventh Day Baptists, if you are planning to spend the winter in the South, why not come to Edinburg, Tex. Edinburg is known as the gateway to the Lower Rio Grande Valley, a garden spot rich in citrus fruit and vegetables. There are many warm, sunny, winter days with the temperature seldom dropping below freezing.

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Rev. C. B. Loofbourrow,
Pastor.

bring in people instead of dollars. In the words of a gospel song, "If you win the one next to you and I win the one next to me, in no time at all we'll have them all. So win them, one by one." This is a denominational program which is as important as the Great Commission given by the Master. It is a campaign which depends upon the local Sabbath school for success. It is very important for your Sabbath school to have occasional meetings to make plans for the conducting of this campaign. It is also very important to enlist every member of the school in the effort to visit all of the people of your Church and community who should be in Sabbath school.

The success of this campaign depends upon the Sabbath school working as a whole. This means that you can do a great deal to make it a success by assuming your share of the responsibility.

Be sure to share your plans and successes with other Sabbath schools, by sending reports to me for use in the Sabbath Recorder.

Harley Sutton.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEEK REPORTS

ASHAWAY. — Sabbath morning, September 25, a special service of installation for Sabbath school teachers and officers was included in the regular Church service. Rally Day for the Sabbath school was also September 25.

On Tuesday night of Religious Education Week, five teams of laymen called in ten homes in the community. These workers met at the parish house for a basket lunch after which there was a brief period of instruction and a discussion concerning the people on whom they were to call. Pastor Dickinson reported that this visitation was very much worth while, and it is planned to try it again in November.

The following is taken from the Church bulletin of September 25: "This week we are thinking especially about the educational ministry of our Church, particularly the work of the Sabbath school. Yet the Sabbath school is not separate from

the work of the Church; it is a distinct part of the active and growing Church. Through its teaching the Sabbath school is able to give all ages a better knowledge of the Bible, the Christian faith, and practical Christian living. Consider the value of the Sabbath school for you, your family, your Church, and community. Let's rally around the Sabbath school and make it strong."

BATTLE CREEK. — Mrs. W. B. Lewis sent the following report: We considered the Sabbath of September 25 as the first day of the observance. It was the regular time for promotion in Sabbath school with Rally Day emphasis in the Church service. The pastor's sermon was entitled, "Weigh Anchors, Hoist the Sail."

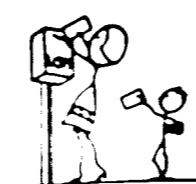
We endeavored to get as many Sabbath school classes as possible to have social gatherings. Out of eleven classes, seven had get-togethers with an attendance of about one hundred. The three youngest groups of the children's division did not meet.

On Sunday night, September 26, our teachers and leaders met at Holston Camp for afternoon and evening meetings and a carry-in supper. We reviewed the work we were doing and looked ahead to things we hope to accomplish. We had a work period in which pictures were sorted and listed, in order to make them more usable. We voted that it would be very worth while to have monthly workers' meetings.

These meetings will not start until November, as we are now having a community Leadership Training School, which will continue for six weeks. At our first meeting, we will attempt to appraise what we have gained from the leadership school.

Our home department will continue to send out a sheet of notes on the Sabbath school lesson, along with the weekly Church bulletin that is being sent to those who do not attend the Church service. The Sabbath school voted to strive for a 10 per cent increase in enrollment by October 1, 1949.

SECOND ALFRED. — Mrs. F. J. Pierce, superintendent of the Sabbath school, was in charge of the Rally Day service. In the worship service a responsive litany of



OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

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

Dear Mrs. Greene:

In my last letter I told of the departure for home and how I stayed in my bunk most of the time because I was a little seasick. (Not much though.)

Maybe you would enjoy hearing about our roommates now. Aunt Dorothy, Tim, and I by chance got into the stateroom first. It was evident that it had been used during the war for officers, because it was on the best ship level and only held six bunks. On the two sleeping decks below us there were sometimes a minimum of thirty bunks and a maximum of one hundred in a room. The price you paid for your room had nothing to do with the stateroom you got, for all passengers, according to the postwar transportation laws on the S.S. Washington, were to pay the same price for passage. We were just lucky in getting the stateroom we did. Our roommates were a lady from Bristol, England (I cannot remember her name): Madame Myriam, French actress and beautician, and a Miss Gabriel, a United Nations secretary coming over for work at a United Nations meeting.

The British lady must have been somewhere between 60 and 75 years of age, and was very "prissy" and "fixy."

As the motion of the ship kept us from wandering often from our room except for meals and occasional walks on deck, we had much time for talk and during one of her friendly chats she offered to tell my fortune — I remember I was to have a long life span — I had a sympathetic heart — but most of all she emphasized I had a great determination which, used in the right way, would become an outstanding asset. All the time she appeared

dedication for the whole school was used. The beginners, primary, juniors, and intermediates, each had a part in the program. Certificates of promotion were handed out by the teachers. H. S.

very serious. It was fun to hear what she would say.

Directly above the English lady's bunk was Madame Myriam. I couldn't guess her age but she hinted she was around 45, although she looked quite young and took great interest and pride in her stylish new clothes. When she first came to our room and began to unpack I was astonished to see she had one small suitcase that contained nothing but cosmetics, combs and brushes, each wrapped neatly in wads of tissue paper. I chuckled inwardly to myself as I thought what a miserable time I would have had on the trip if I had brought what she did because we had to unpack and pack so many times. She spent the greater part of an hour tinkering with her cosmetics and clothes. When time dragged she got very chatty and told us all about herself. She had two children, a boy twenty-three and a girl twenty. She ran an exclusive beauty salon in Paris and was traveling to New York to establish a branch of her business there. She had two huge hat boxes full of hats — each as expensive and beautiful as the other. She insisted that we all try them on. They all agreed that I looked best in an elaborately-made wide brimmed tan straw hat — it wasn't really straw for its texture and finish were much more smooth and glossy but I forget what she named it. She said it only cost three hundred dollars but it would sell ordinarily at twice that sum in France. Because she ran an elite beauty establishment they had sold it to her for half price to exhibit in the U. S. Another of her hats had a beautiful bird of paradise on it. We wondered how she would get it through customs here in the United States for it is against the law to have rare birds on hats in this country. She did not know that it was against the law but Aunt Dorothy did. And I still wonder how she managed.

Miss Gabriel, the United Nations secretary, was coming into the United States for a committee meeting. Her nationality was French but she spoke English quite well. She was very quiet and spent most of her time getting a sun tan out on deck. The only time she was very talkative was

CHURCH NEWS

ALFRED, N. Y. — The program of redecoration of the Church is nearing completion. The outside was repainted its traditional white and the inside a combination of pastel shades. Work is under way for rearrangement of the pulpit and Communion table, as well as the replacement of the choir curtain and the addition of a dorsal.

Sabbath School Promotion and Rally Day was held in the Church October 2. Dr. Ben Crandall resigned last year as general superintendent of the Sabbath school, and at this time he was given a citation award for outstanding service. He has served for many years as superintendent and teacher with loyalty, devotion, and consecration. A citation award was also given to Miss Flora Burdick, who has given over forty years of her life to the Christian training of little children and who by her unselfish, untiring effort has guided the lives of hundreds of children in laying the foundation of Christian living in their early years.

Sabbath afternoon, October 2, there was a service of ordination for our two newly chosen deacons, Dr. Ben R. Crandall and Professor Gerald Burdick. Deacon Lynn Langworthy gave the Charge to the Deacons, Elder E. D. Van Horn the Charge to the Church. Elder A. J. C. Bond offered the Ordination Prayer and conducted the Laying on of Hands. Deacon A. E. Whitford gave a Welcome to the Deacons.

The commemoration of the Lord's Supper was observed October 9.

Sunday evening, October 10, the quarterly business meeting of the Church convened in the parish house parlors, following a tureen supper. The special guests

when she and the other French lady got together and conversed in rapid French which I could not understand.

The other three bunks belonged to Aunt Dorothy, Tim, and me, which, as I stated before, was the number our room held.

Sincerely,
Venita Vincent.
(To be continued)

were the Seventh Day Baptist students in the university. At the table program, Gayle Harder, who was with the Unitarian Work Camp in England, and Russell Langworthy, who was with the Experiment in International Living in France, this past summer, told of their experiences.

A Leadership Education School for Church school workers is being held one evening a week for six weeks. The schools participating are Alfred, Alfred Station, and Almond.

At the last meeting of the Ladies' Evangelical Society, Mrs. A. J. C. Bond gave a talk on the work of the Women's Board.

Preparations are being made by the Ladies' Aid for the annual Election Day rummage sale in the parish house. — Mrs. Lynn Langworthy, Correspondent.

SHILOH, N. J. — With the coming of Rev. A. Donald Moffat of Philadelphia, who is affiliated with Baptists for World Evangelism, the weekend of May 1 was filled with messages of personal consecration for the Shiloh congregation. Mrs. Moffat, a talented pianist, accompanied him here.

On May 8, a Mother's Day vesper and "family tea" were held in the Church and dining room. Over one hundred guests were present. Sabbath Rally Day was observed on May 22, with music by Seventh Day Baptist composers and writers including the senior anthem, "I Love the Lord," composed by David S. Davis, our assistant choir director. The sermon dealt with "Practicing the Rests." Karl G. Stillman was with us over the Sabbath of May 29, bringing Conference messages.

Children's Day was June 19, a combined service of songs, recitations, and exercises planned by the superintendent and the primary teachers. Rev. Lester G. Osborn brought a message on "The Child in the Midst." There were five babies with their parents included in the "dedication of babes" service.

The annual service for graduates was held on June 5. Miss Eleanor A. Dickinson, a graduate of Salem College in June, is teaching home economics in the Salem High School, Salem, N. J.

The Benevolent Society has chosen a committee of three who will develop plans

for a drive to raise funds to add to the already growing "nest egg," to be used for redecorating the Church interior.

The Advisory Board, in planning the fall program, will include a program of visitation and tract distribution and guest speakers for the weekends at the end of each month, with emphasis on the advance in evangelism and Sabbath promotion.

The 134th annual meeting of the Shiloh Female Mite Society was held in the auditorium of the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church, October 9. An organ recital preceded the meeting with Mrs. Roeland de Wilde, Jr., at the console.

The Scripture reading was in charge of Mrs. Ella T. Dalbow and prayer was offered by Rev. C. Rex Burdick.

The vice-president, Mrs. Lillian D. Harris, presided with Miss Katherine Davis acting as secretary. Due to the resignation of Miss Eleanor D. Schaible, who has held the post of treasurer for several years, Mrs. Bernice M. Davis was elected.

Announcement was made that there are more than one hundred members in the organization, which was organized in 1814. New members received included Mrs. Lucy F. Davis, Miss Lorraine Rainear, Mrs. Sara F. Bowen, and Mrs. Arabelle H. Cook.

This being the year for the election of officers, the following were elected: president, Mrs. Beulah Davis; vice-president, Mrs. Martie Hitchner; secretary, Miss Katherine Davis; treasurer, Mrs. Bernice Davis.

A hymn, "This Is My Father's World," was led by Mrs. Gertrude D. Davis. The president introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Lloyd D. Seager, a member of the Philadelphia Fellowship and the son of a former pastor.

Dr. Seager had represented the Seventh Day Baptist denomination at the World Conference of Churches in Amsterdam, Holland, and spoke before that assembly.

A duet was sung by Mrs. Ruth L. Harris and Mrs. Martie T. Hitchner. Mrs. Grace de Wilde accompanied on the organ. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Lester G. Osborn. — Mrs. Martie T. Hitchner, Correspondent.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, corresponding secretary of the American Sabbath Tract Society, gave the sermon Sabbath morning, October 9, and in the afternoon explained the Hundred Sabbaths of Service plan. He gave an opportunity for questions.

The Church social was held Sunday evening, with the usual plans being followed.

A reception and shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Lester Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Williams, and Mrs. Joan Clement Klug of Milwaukee, Wis., was held Sunday evening, October 17, in the Church parlors, sponsored by the Men's Brotherhood. Each family brought a pie for the lunch which was served after the program and shower.

The junior choir sang in the morning service on Sabbath, October 23. They are trained by Mrs. Gladys Christiansen.

M. T. B.

DODGE CENTER, MINN.—The Dodge Center Church is meeting once a month for an all-day Church service. Dinner is brought and eaten in the Church basement. In the afternoon a denominational forum is held at which time reports of the various boards to General Conference are being presented and discussed. We have had two such meetings and plan to continue them throughout the winter months.

Earl Cruzan, Pastor.

VERONA, N. Y. — Showers were held in the Church parlors for two young couples: Garth and Mayola Warner, and David and Jeanne Williams. Interesting programs were given on both occasions, while the guests of honor were recipients of many beautiful and useful gifts. David and Jeanne are students in Salem College.

Over \$210 was realized from the Harvest Supper sponsored by the Booster's Class on October 5 at the Seventh Day Baptist Church.

The fall session of the Central Association which met at Verona on October 9 was well attended, with Rev. Emmett Bottoms of Adams Center as the morning speaker. The choir of the host Church sang the anthem, "Stand Up for Jesus,"

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directed by Alva Warner. The theme of the afternoon session was "Efficiency for Evangelism" with a five-minute talk being delivered by a representative from each of the five Churches. Garth Warner spoke for the local Church. A trio made up of Dorothea Warner, Jean Vierow, and Mary Williams sang. Mrs. Eva Bates, of Watertown, gave a Syrian's interpretation of the 23rd Psalm, followed by a solo, "The Lord Is My Shepherd," by Mrs. Sarah Bottoms Burnash.

A round-table discussion was held by the teen-age group with Robert Langworthy as leader, while the children's group was under the direction of Mrs. Herman Palmer. Pastor Polan gave the summary. The closing hymn was, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord." The benediction was pronounced by Rev. E. H. Bottoms.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Williams entertained fifty guests on the evening of October 23 at their home, honoring the seventy-ninth birthday of Mr. Williams' father, Irving J. Williams, of Rome. The group was entertained by songs, readings, and contests. Refreshments were served including a decorated birthday cake. — Mrs. Zilla T. Vierow, Correspondent.

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Mrs. E. C. Bird,
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Erlo E. Sutton, Pastor.

Marriages

Whitcomb - Spaid. — On Sunday afternoon, October 24, 1948, Daniel F. Whitcomb, son of Frank and Elma Kuntzsch Whitcomb, and Dorothy Claire Spaid, daughter of Clinton and Edith Cross Spaid, were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony conducted in the Rockefeller Methodist Church by the pastor of the bride, Rev. Herbert L. Polan, assisted by Rev. Mr. Clemens of the Rockefeller Methodist Church. They are at home at 724 Winton St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Obituaries

Summers. — Marion P., age 54, an instructor in Salem College, Salem, W. Va., since 1934, passed away Friday, September 17, 1948, while returning to his home at Glenville, W. Va.

He was born in Gilmer County, W. Va., the son of M. B. and Ella Arnold Summers. He attended Glenville State Normal and Salem College. His A.B. and A.M. degrees were granted by the University of Michigan. He had studied toward his doctorate at the University of North Carolina.

Before going to Salem College, Professor Summers taught school in Braxton County and was superintendent of schools at St. Albans for about fifteen years. He had served as head of the social science department of Salem College for twelve years.

As professor at Salem College, he became respected as an authority and a scholar in his chosen field and greatly admired by many students and townspeople.

Professor Summers united with the Presbyterian Church of Glenville at an early age and later taught in the Church school when at home over weekends. He also taught in the Salem Baptist Bible school when in town on Sundays.

He is survived by five brothers: Arnold of Glenville; Porter of Birmingham, Ala.; Hugh of Pittsburgh, Pa.; O. B. of Clarksburg, W. Va. and Worthy of Oklahoma; and three sisters: Mrs. Stella Van Horn of Arcadia, Calif.; Mrs. Manoka Brooks of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Goldie Furr of Glenville.

His nephew, Bruce Summers, with whom he had made his home in Glenville during vacations, was with him at the time of his death.

Funeral services were conducted from the Otterbein Church, near Glenville, on Sunday, September 19, by Rev. Cornelius De Block. Interment was in the Church cemetery.

The next day, Monday, September 20, Salem College paid tribute to Professor Summers in a memorial service held during the chapel hour. — Gleaned from the "Salem Herald" and the "Green and White."

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