

The Sabbath Recorder

A Letter to Sabbathkeeping Christians

Dear Friends of the Sabbath Cause:

Now is the time to act! Or, forever after to take the consequences of our inaction!

The World Calendar Association has succeeded in getting its plan for calendar revision placed upon the Provisional Agenda for the next meeting of the United Nations Assembly at Lake Success, N. Y., beginning September 20, 1949.

Secretary Heber H. Votaw of Religious Liberty Association, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington 12, D. C., writes as follows:

"The ugly and dangerous feature of the World Calendar plan is that it leaves the last day of each year, and the day following the last of June in each leap year, unnamed and undated days. These days would not be included in the count of the days of the week; therefore, they would completely disrupt the historic week and set the sacred days of the week to wandering through the new synthetic week of the so-called World Calendar. The age-old Sabbath would disappear.

"... The danger that the United Nations Assembly will recommend the adoption of this 'blank-day' calendar is serious. If it comes up for consideration at the Assembly session, the delegates at the United Nations meeting from the United States will be instructed how to vote on the matter. It is therefore most urgent that those who are opposed to disrupting the sacred days of the week shall make their protest in writing to the Secretary of State, Washington, D. C., in order that the United States delegates may be properly instructed in the matter. We therefore urge that you write on your business stationery to the Secretary of State, explaining the menace to religious liberty inherent in the blank-day calendar for those who have regard for the historic sacred days."

Every Sabbathkeeping Christian who reads this open letter should sit down immediately to write a letter to the Secretary of State, Washington, D. C., protesting "blank-day" calendar revision which "would completely disrupt the historic week and set the sacred days of the week (including the seventh-day Sabbath) to wandering through the new synthetic week of the so-called World Calendar."

Let's act now! Tomorrow may be too late!

Yours for Christ and the Sabbath,
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A LAST MESSAGE

We saw today the spot where Sutter's sawmill stood one hundred years ago, in the millrace of which James Marshall found some chunks of shining metal which he carried to his employer, John Sutter. The nuggets proved to be gold and the news of the discovery started the celebrated "gold rush of the forty-niners." Evidences of the "diggings" are visible all through the gold country. Even in recent years the old "diggings" have paid rich returns with more careful, scientific methods of mining. But the most valuable result of all the courage and daring and faith of the "forty-niners" was not the gold they mined, valuable though that was. The real result is the Golden State with some of the richest agriculture, some of the greatest industry, some of the highest standards of education, and some of the finest culture in the world. Quite apart from its majestic mountains, gigantic trees, and breath-taking waterfalls, its enchanting deserts and unusual climate, California is a great state. But the "gold rush" really started it all.

Seventh Day Baptists came to California this August from many states and various foreign countries in search of the "gold of the spirit." And they were not disappointed. Day after day we were challenged out of the unsearchable riches of God's Word not only to dig gold for ourselves, but also to provide it for others. The needs of China, Japan, New Zealand, Jamaica, British Guiana, Germany, Holland, England, Africa, and India were all brought to our attention — golden opportunities for service everywhere! The special Sabbath Love Offering amounted to more than \$2,000. That is encouraging indeed, but in order to meet our budget in full some \$8,000 more will be needed before September 30. Will the vision of God and His "unsearchable riches" lead us to the faith and devotion and sacrifice that will meet that challenge in full? If we have such courage and faith as inspired men a century ago nothing less than success will satisfy us.

Loyal F. Hurley.

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom." Luke 6: 38.

THE CLEAR STREAMS OF GOD

At Harpers Ferry, W. Va., where three states join, the Potomac River runs clear. Next to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad track, between the Potomac and the track, is another strip of water. But this water is green and scummy and stagnant. Why? Because it has remained still too long.

The Potomac rushes vigorously and merrily along as it leaps from rock to rock, stream vying with stream in their onward rush toward the sea. The Potomac is known the world over. Not so the green-coated water near the track. It has no name so far as we know. We had it with us for several miles, but the Potomac was lost to our view as it coursed its way and we stayed with the rails.

We noticed a startling feature of the stagnant strip of water — it was fed by a running stream of water which flowed under the railroad.

Are not these two waters a parable on life?

Conference, a Spirit-filling Experience

Seventh Day Baptists have recently held a General Conference at Riverside, Calif. It was a thrilling, Spirit-filling experience. The Spirit of the Lord used mightily all who participated in making the Conference possible, and its program and activities. Those present feasted upon the Bread of Life and were spiritually refreshed by the Water of Life. The clear streams of God were flowing free to cleanse and re-create the souls of those present.

To change the figure — this truly was a mountaintop experience. With delegates and representatives present from all parts of the United States and from Holland, Germany, China, and New Zealand, it was genuinely good for us to be there. But the inspiration, thrill, and uplift could not go on forever. There are valleys to be served, and through these valleys of want and need, opportunity and responsibility, will flow the clear streams of God — if we are true to our high privilege. And into the lives of those with whom we work will come the boon of "Workmen Approved of God."

But we were more courageous at Riverside than we will be at Plainfield and

Ashaway, Salem and North Loup, Los Angeles and Milton, and many another place from which the delegates came and to which they return. Yet, if we are faithful to our God-given mission, Riverside cannot, will not have been just another Conference.

Let us return to the two streams with which we started — the Potomac River and the unnamed green-surfaced strip near Harpers Ferry. The Potomac River fed by the springs and streams from high up in the mountains affords life and beauty and grandeur, then joins itself to the great sea.

The unnamed, stagnant strip of water becomes lifeless and ugly and paltry, and would take the very life committed to it. It has no touch with the great sea. And why? Because it has no outlet.

Conference, a Spirit-giving Experience

Now our high experiences at Conference may be compared with these two streams. They may afford life and beauty and grandeur to all around as they flow forth from the clear streams of God, or, they may become lifeless, joyless, and petty, having no outlet and no touch with the great sea of God's love toward which the influences and impressions of Conference should be pushing us.

A friend was commenting on the aftermath of Conference and as we discussed the highlights and uplift we were led to wonder if we would go back to our Churches to redouble our efforts through genuine sacrifice and unremitting service.

It was a great Conference. There is a great year ahead of us. Will General Conference at Salem, W. Va., August 22-27, 1950, find that Seventh Day Baptists have been more active for Christ and the Sabbath? If our Church activity and fellowship, our family and community relationships, become widened, deepened channels for the flow of God's grace and power, the answer will be yes. If, in these blessing-fraught relationships, we become narrow and shallow, the answer will be no. Will it be yes or will it be no?

If we are completely, unreservedly, wholeheartedly God's men and women, the answer inevitably will be yes. Let us

be His altogether, without reservation, and with the whole heart.

And how can we be His? Simply by letting Him have His way in our lives. "There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High." Psalm 46: 4.

As the streams of our lives are supplied by these clear streams of God, we go bounding toward the great sea of His eternal love, affording life and beauty and grandeur as we go.

O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

—George Matheson.

SALEMVILLE, HUB OF THE EASTERN CHURCHES

So far as the location of Seventh Day Baptist Churches is concerned, Salemville, Pa., stands in a strategic position. It is in a nearly direct line for traffic going north and south between the Churches of West Virginia and Alfred or Brookfield, N. Y. It is also near the east-west line of traffic between the New Jersey Churches and Jackson Center, Ohio, or Chicago. It is about 15 miles north of Bedford, Pa., from the great Pennsylvania Turnpike. The distances are about as follows: Alfred, 200 miles; Plainfield or Shiloh, 225 miles; Salem, 150 miles; Jackson Center, 325 miles.

Salemville lies at the south end of a broad valley called Morrison's Cove, which is noted for its fine farm land. The composition of the rock in the neighboring mountains is limestone. Alfalfa, wheat, oats, and corn grow well in this section, and it is also the location of some good orchards. Anyone thinking of settling in this place should contact Deacon Lawrence Kagarise, whose address is New Enterprise, Pa., who was appointed by the Church as its representative on the Conference committee on vocations and employment.

Anyone traveling through Pennsylvania, and wishing to stop overnight, will find a cordial welcome in any one of the homes

of the community. We are always glad to become better acquainted with the leaders of the denomination, and welcome your assistance at our Sabbath services, if you can stop for a weekend.

Those desiring to get in contact by phone should call Albert Blough, 43R11, Loysburg Exchange.

Rev. Paul S. Burdick.
R. D., New Enterprise, Pa.

THOSE UNSENT OBITUARIES

As this issue of the Sabbath Recorder goes to press, no obituary remains in the files that has not been set in type.

We hope to publish in this issue all obituaries that have been received and that remain unpublished.

Now and again we are asked, "Why has not the obituary for a certain person appeared in the Sabbath Recorder?"

A chief reason is that the Sabbath Recorder has not received it yet. We cannot publish obituary sketches until we receive them.

Once in a while the Sabbath Recorder falls behind with the publication of obituaries as is the case when a regular issue is omitted or a special issue breaks the sequence of the regular issues. The Sabbath Recorder sees no advantage in having such sketches accumulate in its files. Consequently, the aim is to publish obituaries in the earliest possible regular issue after receiving them.

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES

Inadvertently "A Magazine List" recommended by Rev. Lester G. Osborn of Shiloh, N. J., was used as a filler in the Sabbath Recorder for August 29. Upon inquiry of Rev. Mr. Osborn some months ago we found that Christian Life and Times had combined with Sunday as Christian Life, 434 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 5, Ill., \$3.00 for one year \$5.00 for two years. Christian Digest remains the same. Moody Monthly, \$3.00 for one year, \$5.00 for two years. King's Business remains the same. The editor regrets this error in that he thought corrections of "A Magazine List" had been made when they had not.

REPORT CALLS FOR SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST INITIATION OF UNITED EVANGELISM

We have called for:

United Sunset Prayer for our usefulness to God,

A Preaching Mission in every Church next year,

Visitation Evangelism in every Church next year,

Redemptive witness to all local agencies for good and to unchurched areas,

World mission study using Let's Act Now and other literature,

Systematic, sacrificial, planned giving of ourselves to missions and evangelism.

Through the United Evangelistic Advance, we have challenged you with:

1. Spiritual renewal of our ministry and membership,

2. Reaching and winning the vast unchurched multitudes,

3. Careful instruction and assimilation of every new member,

4. Enlisting members who have moved residence but not membership or identification with any local Church.

Time-tested methods for Community Religious Census, United Prayer, World Communion Day and Church Attendance Crusades, for Reformation Day Services, Special Ingathering Seasons, Visitation Evangelism, Preaching Missions, Ten-Day Co-operative Crusades, Membership Transfers, National Christian Teaching Missions, High School Missions, University Christian Missions, and Prison Missions are readily available if God leads us to use them.

Hence we reiterate our challenge to cooperate in spreading facts about the Protestant and Seventh Day Baptist world mission enterprises, and to take the initiative to evangelize by simultaneous local efforts through the United Evangelistic Advance.

We express again our prayer and hope and plan that branch Churches or Fellowships may develop under the leadership of our pastors close to new interests, thus keeping the witness of the Church's pastors connected with a fellowship active and organized in His name.

We emphasize local co-operation on a positive basis — sharing, wherever possi-

ble, common plans and hopes with other Churches, expressing redemptive faith through use of social betterment agencies.

We restate our challenge to higher stewardship standards for every Christian individual or family, partly because Christ seems to speak through the following needs which you might serve through your Missionary Society (plus many local projects He calls especially to the attention of your Church):

1. Enlarging education and evangelism in Jamaica, B. W. I.

Rev. and Mrs. Neal Mills' support by the Second Century Fund is already over-drawing allotted funds, and General Funds must be had next year to pay these workers.

Rev. Wardner T. Fitz Randolph is due for a furlough in 1950 and travel to and from Jamaica must be provided, as well as for possible allowances for travel in evangelistic work in the United States.

1950 will bring the time for travel of Jamaican students training in this country, Socrates Thompson returning for service in his native island, another student coming to the U. S. A. for theological training.

2. Expanded work in British Guiana.

Addition of two more native workers on our Salary Aid Plan and the return of the Berrys will exhaust Second Century Fund moneys for British Guiana. General Funds must take over entirely in 1951.

In mid-1950, a representative must be sent to British Guiana to work with Pastors Berry and Trotman and the people there. Travel costs will be well worth the contact.

3. Continuing preparation for China evangelism, medicine, and education.

Miss Sarah Becker's study requires additional amounts for her tuition fees, over regular salary which Riverside and Pacific Coast Association are continuing.

The board desires to prepare for the return of Miss Becker and Miss West as soon as possible after 1951.

The board still seeks a doctor and an evangelist for the China Mission, and definite appropriations are called for.

4. New Zealand's enlarging work will exhaust Second Century Fund moneys so that our short-term evangelist as well as

the New Zealand pastors will need General Funds for vigorous pursuit of their mission. Their own mission giving to the Nyasaland and South India Missions will draw heavily on their resources, even with swelled numbers and deepened loyalty.

5. The continuing Evangelistic Movement in the United States, including the United Evangelistic Advance, will soon use up Second Century Fund resources for advance work, and in 1950 and 1951, exchange of pastors as evangelists, travel for evangelistic teams, new missionary and evangelistic literature, and campaigns for branch Churches will demand new stewardship loyalty for all Seventh Day Baptists — money gifts, full-time service commitments, time and energy gifts, giving up selfish and self-styled ideas.

D. S. C.

UNITED EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE PLANS

Several local Church councils have already scheduled (as of July 6, 1949) united evangelism programs. Seventh Day Baptists are urged to co-operate where possible, and even more, to take the lead in beginning united evangelistic campaigns in every Seventh Day Baptist community, including college campuses. We give below the date, place, and kind of mission for those scheduled to date.

- Oct. 9-13, 1949—Watertown, N. Y., Visitation.
 Oct. 23-28, 1949—Watertown, N. Y., Preaching with Dr. E. Stanley Jones.
 Oct. 23-27, 1949—Syracuse, N. Y., Visitation.
 Nov. 27-Dec. 1, 1949—Boulder, Colo., Visitation.
 Feb. 26-Mar. 2, 1950—Indianapolis, Ind., Visitation.
 Fall of 1949—Indianapolis, Ind., Preaching Mission Team.
 Mar. 19-23, 1950—Denver, Colo., Visitation.

Lutherans are emphasizing Visitation Evangelism by States as follows:

- Sept. 25-Dec. 2, 1949—New York, Northern New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, etc.

SECOND BROOKFIELD WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY

(Annual Report)

The society held ten monthly business meetings this past year with an average attendance of eight members. We have a total membership of twenty-seven ladies.

Members were divided into monthly committees to choose their own plans for raising money. The projects included a community birthday calendar, two public suppers, a carry-out supper, a bake sale, a sale of aprons and handiwork at the fair, serving a dinner to county supervisors and highway superintendents and their wives, thank offering boxes, and passing a patchwork apron for members' contributions. A donation dinner was served to the association last summer, and the proceeds were given to the Lord's Acre program.

Our society contributed \$50 to the Denominational Budget, \$45 to the helpers' fund, \$75 to the general Church fund, \$5 to the Red Cross, as well as sunshine gifts and Sabbath Recorder subscriptions for the families of three of our young members.

Each monthly meeting included a devotional period, a business meeting, and a lesson study. At the end of each meeting, tea was served by the hostesses.

Newly elected officers for the coming year are: President, Frances Palmer; 1st vice-president, Florence Camenga; 2nd vice-president, Alice Bacon; secretary, Ruth Palmer; treasurer, Wilma Lang-

- Oct., 1949—Wisconsin.
 Oct. 9-Nov. 23, 1949—Ohio, etc.
 Feb. 5-Mar. 3, 1950—California, etc.

National Christian Teaching Missions
 Oct. 6-13, 1949—Denver, Colo.
 Nov. 3-10, 1949—Indianapolis, Ind.
 Fall of 1950—Syracuse, N. Y.

University Christian Missions
 Feb. 5-9, 1950—University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo.

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worthy; keyworker, Erma Van Horn; sunshine committee, Maud Curtis and Merletta Friar.

Respectfully submitted,
 Ruth Palmer,
 Secretary.

LADIES' AID OF THE BATTLE CREEK CHURCH

(Annual Report

July 1, 1948, to July 1, 1949.)

Our Ladies' Aid has held regular meetings the first Wednesday of each month in the homes of the members. The meeting last September was held at Holston Camp. A carry-in luncheon preceded each business meeting except for one evening meeting when refreshments were served. Each meeting opened with helpful devotional services.

Our membership totals 63, 40 of which are active members, and 23 associate members. The average attendance for this year was 22. Three have had perfect attendance. Two of our members have moved away, and one, Mrs. Fremont Monroe, was taken by death.

The plan of cash contributions has been carried out. In addition, we have served two banquets, a Thanksgiving turkey supper and bazaar, and a chicken pie supper for the choir robe fund.

Our various committees have been at work on the following activities: comforting the sick, remembering special anniversaries, contributing funeral sprays, giving five bridal showers, providing transportation for the meetings of our society, and mailing news letters to absent members each month.

Our society has taken an active part in the Council of Church Women. Thirty purses were filled for overseas relief and ten pack-a-towel relief bundles were sent for Church World Service. We participated with the Battle Creek Council in observing the World Day of Prayer held in the Y.W.C.A. parlors on March 4. Our president, Doris Fetherston, represented our society at the State Convention of the Council of Church Women held in Detroit, May 10, 11.

We have been mindful of both foreign and local relief work. Two local families whose homes burned were helped with

clothing and household articles. Regular contributions amounting to \$64.64 have been sent to Pastor John G. Schmid for overseas German relief, and 142½ lbs. of clothing were sent to him to be forwarded for distribution through Seventh Day Baptist Church members in Germany. We have made further contributions to the following: \$55 to the leper fund in aid to the American Mission to Lepers, \$100 to the Crandall High School in Jamaica, \$135.20 to the Women's Board for evangelistic work (we now pay \$.25 per member), \$50 to the treasury of our general Church fund, \$5 to the Church benevolent fund, \$5 to Starr Commonwealth for boys, \$35 toward work in the Indianapolis Church, \$66.10 to the Church treasurer for choir robes, and \$50 for Conference expenses for our pastor's wife.

Our tithe for the year, amounting to \$58, goes to the Denominational Budget.

Tables in the social rooms of the Church were repaired. Dishes were bought from the sanitarium for the Church dining room, a buffet and six chairs were purchased for the parsonage, and 24 mattresses were furnished for Camp Holston.

We have had interesting reports on the various Churches in our denomination which are to be recorded for a book to be used in the children's department of the Sabbath school.

Officers for the year 1949-50 are: President, Doris Fetherston, vice-president, Leo Lukens; secretary, Mae Lippincott; treasurer, Mrs. W. B. Lewis.

We are glad to have ways to raise money for the Lord's work but much more important to us are those things which are undertaken in the Lord's name, for these cannot be measured in dollars and cents. We surely enjoy our fellowship together, and as we co-operate in unison for one great cause, we are truly blessed in the service of our Lord and Master. May we never forget our aim — to be mutually helpful to each other and of benefit to our fellow man, but most of all and above all, pleasing to our Heavenly Father.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mae Lippincott,
 Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

(As adopted by General Conference at Riverside, Calif., August 21, 1949.)

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Lottie Baldwin Association

For one year—George E. Crosley, Milton, Wis.
For two years—James H. Coon, Milton, Wis.
For three years—Elmo F. Randolph, Milton, Wis.
For four years—Charles C. Burdick, Milton Junction, Wis.
For five years—George E. Coon, Milton Junction, Wis.
Upon adoption of the foregoing report the following recommendation was presented which was also adopted.

Your Committee on Nominations would recommend that President Lloyd D. Seager be authorized to formulate the plans of the Conference president's office for the ensuing Conference year and that the officers of Conference and the members of the Commission be asked to co-operate with the work of carrying out such plans.

Members of the Committee on Nominations were: Harley D. Bond, Chairman, Mrs. Alton L. Wheeler, Secretary, Hurley S. Warren, P. B. Hurley, Davis S. Clarke, Don Richards, Mrs. Lester Nelson, Mrs. Daisy Allen, Mrs. Paul C. Saunders.

LETTER FROM WOMEN'S BOARD

Greetings:

To the women of our sixty-one societies and to all who have their names on a Seventh Day Baptist Church roll.

In common, all have the same faith and ideals in Jesus Christ as Saviour, Example, and Guide. Therefore, all have a declared purpose in life, a guide to show the way to a goal.

Our Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference has a purpose which is wisely worded and widely comprehensive. You will find this statement on page 69 of the 1948 Year Book. Consider well the wisdom of bringing the information and inspiration of this purpose to the women of each local society during the year.

We trust the goals here presented for 1949-50 may prove to be steppingstones in helping all of us to study, pray, and work together toward the high ideals of the purpose of our organization.

May we look forward with a faith equal to our time as we seek with courage through another year to plant our feet more firmly on higher ground.

Yours for a Purpose, a Program, and Workers approved of God.

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs,
President.

SUGGESTED GOALS FOR 1949-50**I. Spiritual**

1. Encourage family devotions in every home by making available devotional helps such as "The Upper Room," "The Secret Place," and others.

2. Plan your society program around the home and foreign mission study books.

3. Send to the Women's Board a resume of at least one supplemental book to be exchanged with other societies.

II. Service

1. Study world conditions and emphasize universal brotherhood by giving for relief through such agencies as the Irvington Church and Church World Service. Keep a record of all such giving not only by your society but by all your Church members; the amount of money and the pounds of "goods" sent.

2. Observe World Community Day, November 4, 1949; World Day of Prayer, February 24, 1950; May Fellowship Day, May 5, 1950.

3. Co-operate with your pastor in the use of special issues of the Sabbath Recorder and the distribution of tracts.

4. Sponsor a young mothers' group and groups for teen-age girls in your Church and community.

5. Contact your nonresident Church members regularly.

6. Ally your society definitely with the temperance movements.

III. Financial

1. Practice tithing or some other form of proportionate giving.

2. Increase your contribution to the Denominational Budget.

3. Assist in paying the Conference expenses of a representative from your society.

4. Make direct gifts to the Women's Board to carry on their Conference project of evangelism.

IV. Special Projects

1. Send a quarterly news letter from your society to the board.

2. Sponsor a Bible class for one hour each week for the children of your neighborhood from six to twelve years of age.

(Information about Teachers' Training courses and study material will be furnished by the Women's Board Christian Culture Committee.)

**ANNUAL MEETING
AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT
SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY**

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New Jersey, for the election of officers and trustees and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, September 18, 1949 at two o'clock.

Franklin A. Langworthy,
President,

Frederik J. Bakker,
Recording Secretary.

DENVER SABBATH SCHOOL

(A summary of the last quarter — April, May, and June — and also the yearly report as compiled by the outgoing secretary, Mrs. Ada Davis, and read July 9, 1949.)

The fourth quarter showed an enrollment of 91. Two new members were added and two names dropped for non-attendance. Thirteen persons had perfect attendance for the quarter — twelve missed only one Sabbath, and ten missed two. Seven were absent three Sabbaths.

Attendance for the year was 2,483 or an average of 52 weekly; there were 188 visitors. New members added during the year, 10. Number dropped, 9. One member has had a perfect attendance for two consecutive years. There were two others who missed only one Sabbath, four who missed twice, and 3 missed 3 times.

The Sabbath school gave its old song books to our summer camp for its use. Our special collections have gone to the American Sabbath Tract Society this last year.

The juniors have been very active under the leadership of Mrs. Maude Davis, calling on the sick and shut-ins in the neighborhood, bringing cheer with songs, Scripture, and prayer. They paid a scholarship for some child to attend the Jamaica school.

A basket was filled with food and given to an unfortunate family at Christmas time. We had our usual Christmas program and treats for the children.

We paid into the Denver Council of Churches and Religious Education, toward the purchase of choir robes for the Church choir, and also contributed toward the completion of the new classroom in the Church basement.

The Sabbath school bought treats for the Vacation Bible School picnic.

The home department reported 36 names on the mailing list. One hundred twenty-five copies of the Helping Hand and 178 copies of the Upper Room were mailed out.

Vernette Van Horn,
Secretary.

3424 S. Quivas,
Englewood, Colo.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR

Camp Joy was held June 27 - July 3 at Camp Caesar, Webster Springs, W. Va. Sixty-six, including the staff, were enrolled for an inspirational experience of camping. At four o'clock Monday afternoon, registration of the campers was made by Rev. John F. Randolph, camp treasurer. Mr. Randolph deserves much credit for his willing work which took added responsibility off of the director. After the evening meal, the purposes and aims of Camp Joy were discussed at a special campfire.

Activities of each day went successfully, according to schedule. The Camp Caesar staff deserve our thanks for their splendid, enthusiastic co-operation in every detail. The meals were fine and all requests of the director were immediately worked out.

Morning devotions were held in the rooms and led by staff members. Many campers learned to pray publicly. Our meals were a time of fellowship with Camp Luther, our Lutheran friends of West Virginia. Miss Marion Burdick led the combined groups in songs and choruses.

Classes were given in Bible study, Sabbath study, music, leadership, and handicrafts. I firmly believe that God led in the selection of the camp staff and then led them in their work at Camp Joy.

Special mention should be made of the S. V. E. projector brought from Washington, D. C., by Rev. Allen Bond. The slide strips on Salvation, the Crucifixion, Baptism and Service were most inspiring to the campers. Many were brought to a saving knowledge of Christ by this modern means of gospel presentation.

Swimming was scheduled twice a day with special instruction given to beginners by the co-operative life guard at the pool. Campfires were held right after the inspiring vesper services. This left a fine note of joy and fellowship. The day closed with devotions again in the rooms.

Sabbath day was made holy by a special program. Rev. Paul Burdick directed a pageant concerning the change from Sabbath to Sunday. At the chapel service, Rev. Allen Bond brought a message of evangelistic work to be done by young

people. Later, Professor H. D. Bond, Salem College, led a nature study hunt and forum.

Many campers were not sure of their personal relationship to Christ before coming to camp, so emphasis was placed upon being fully persuaded. Thirty-two campers testified in writing that they came to a full conviction of their Saviour while at Camp Joy. This one fact makes Camp Joy a wonderful success, for, after all, the real and great purpose of the Christian mission is to win souls for Christ.

Much praise goes to those who worked and prayed this camp to fulfillment.

Members of the staff were: Pastor Kenneth Smith, camp director; Rev. John F. Randolph, assistant director and treasurer; Mrs. Pearl Bond, girls' director; Rev. Paul S. Burdick, Rev. Allen Bond, and Mrs. Orla Davis, instructors in Bible study; Miss Greta Randolph, handicrafts; Mrs. Lois Hutson, leadership; Miss Marion Burdick, music.

Kenneth Smith.

BUILDING BETTER HOMES

By Mary Pederson

(Given at the Semiannual Meeting in New Auburn, Wis., on June 18, 1949.)

Since the war, there has been a great demand for houses. People want these homes equipped with modern conveniences. But it takes much more than that to make a good home. A beautiful house can be no home at all and a very poor cottage can be the best of homes. So, it isn't the building but the spirit within that counts. For these reasons, I would say Christianity is the foundation on which to build. A good beginning for that foundation is family fellowship around the table, or in the evening, in which each child should be given a part to do. Companionships between parents and children form a deep devotion in the home. This, in turn, gives the children a sense of security. There is no place like home for a child's security, well-being, happiness, and comfort. A development of responsibility gives the child a sense of belonging. He may have his wraps or a small part of a room to take care of. Then again, if he has a part in the family devotions he feels that he is

needed. A Christian character brings out faith, trust, and unselfishness.

So, every way you look at it, Christianity is the main factor in building a good home. Homes will fall apart and nations will disintegrate unless they are Christian. During the dark ages, when there was very little Christianity, progress stopped. For centuries there was very little progress anywhere, and if we leave out Christianity now, progress will again cease. So we as young people should think more of the spiritual side of home building and less of the material. We should decide to hold high the light of Christian living as a bulwark for better future homes.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22: 6.

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10: 10.

ANNUAL MEETING AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New York, for the election of officers and directors and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, September 18, 1949 at two-thirty o'clock.

Franklin A. Langworthy,
President,

Frederik J. Bakker,
Recording Secretary.

RECORDER WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

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

FARM FOREMAN WANTED — On a farm where the raising of purebred Hereford cattle is the major enterprise. Both horses and tractors are used to do the farm work. Four room house with basement, natural gas, and electricity. Year-round employment with monthly salary. Sabbathkeeping community. Write Carroll Bond, Jane Lew, W. Va. 2t



OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

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

Dear Recorder Children:

When Lynn wrote a letter to Mrs. Greene, I didn't know she was going to print the letter that I wrote to her, but as long as she did, I thought I would write another one and tell you about an experience I had in Colorado. Our children, Roberta and Lynn, went to camp in the Rocky Mountains with the children from Denver and Boulder. On Sabbath afternoon they had a Church service in camp and invited the parents and friends to come up; and I do mean up. The camp is located on top of a mountain twenty miles from Boulder, and you have to drive the last few miles on a little, rough, narrow, and steep mountain road that leads back to a cattle ranch.

Well, boys and girls, do you know that our Ford just naturally decided it wouldn't climb any more without a drink of cold water. So it stopped dead still with its nose pointed up to the sky and the rear wheels on the rocks! There was nothing to do but for Grandpa and me to start on foot up toward camp about a mile away. Just as I got out of the car a big buck deer scampered across the road in front of us. So I picked up a rock (a pretty, but small one) just in case something else scampered out of the woods. We hadn't walked far when we came to an old gold mine and Grandpa looked down the old shaft. There was plenty of water there but we had nothing with which to bail it out.

Gladys S. Randolph.

Milton, Wis.

(To be continued)

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I read with much interest your page for children and the children's letters in the Sabbath Recorder. Some weeks ago, mention was made of Alaska and its cold climate. I had a similar conception of that beautiful territory until after I had been stationed with the United States Army on Ladd Field, Fairbanks, Alaska.

I thought that the children might like to learn something about a part of Alaska from one who had been there.

I arrived on Ladd Field in July, 1943. The first few days I cultivated beans, carrots, lettuce, peas, cabbage, and flowers. It was only about 120 miles south of the Arctic Circle. The reason that, during those 100 frost-free days, crops grow so luxuriantly is because the sun, for a period of time, shines about 20 hours out of the 24-hour period each day. The earth has no opportunity to grow cold. That same month I helped to pick about 40 quarts of strawberries, so that we had strawberry shortcake in our mess hall.

The fall of 1944, many soliders during their free days harvested about 250 tons of potatoes raised within four miles of our field. One day that summer I saw the thermometer reach 80 degrees. On June 21, each year, a baseball game is played out-of-doors at night in Fairbanks without artificial lights. The reason that the sun shines so many hours is the fact that God in His great wisdom made the north and south poles flat, and as the earth turns on its north-south axis, it also tilts so that an abundance of sunlight falls on those parts of the world during the respective seasons.

In mid-August it commences to rain, and about a month later the first snow flurries appear. I never saw more than 30 inches of snow on the level where we were stationed. The total amount of moisture which fell in our area was about 30 inches per year. I want to make it clear that Alaska has a variety of climates as we have in the States. In winter time, 30 degrees below zero is quite common. I saw three days one winter when the thermometer stood at 55 degrees below zero. During the cold, snappy days the Northern Lights (or Aurora Borealis) are beautiful. They can be described as a rainbow pattern printed on silk, fluttering in the breeze. The Northern Lights have all the colors of the rainbow.

I have seen robins, bees, toads, sea gulls, and many other familiar creatures about our barracks. Those who know the geological history of Alaska, state that it once had a semi-tropical climate, but that during the Ice Age all this was changed.

That is the reason that prehistoric elephant tusks (called mastodon tusks) are unearthed whenever gold is mined. These ivory tusks are exactly the same as the ivory tusks from elephants of Africa. I made a letter opener from a part of a mastodon tusk which I use all the time in my office.

Sincerely yours,
Frederik J. Bakker.

1339 Belleview Ave.,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Mr. Bakker:

Thank you for your interesting letter. It was an eye opener to me as I imagine it will be to many others.

Sincerely yours,
Mizpah S. Greene.

MRS. B. A. SMELLIE VISITS SHILOH AND MARLBORO

Mrs. B. A. Smellie, wife of Rev. Charles L. Smellie, one of our pioneer Seventh Day Baptist ministers in Jamaica, spoke at the Church service at Shiloh and at the Sabbath school hour at the Marlboro Church on Sabbath, August 20.

Mrs. Smellie was in America in attendance upon the Diamond Jubilee Convention of the W.C.T.U. in Philadelphia and sought a Church of her own faith where she might worship among her own people on the Sabbath day. At the request of those in charge she spoke briefly at the close of the morning worship service in Shiloh and then was taken by Rev. Lester G. Osborn to the Marlboro Church where she spoke again.

In her talk at Shiloh, Mrs. Smellie emphasized the important place which Crandall High School is making for itself in Jamaica but deplored the fact that many of our young people outside of Kingston could not enjoy its privileges because of inability to defray the cost of board and room. She expressed the hope, too, that there might shortly be much more technical and vocational work given in the school.

Jamaica has just celebrated, she told us, twenty-five years of Seventh Day Baptist

BIRTHS

Smitley. — A daughter, Virginia Beth, to Margaret L. and the late Chester J. Smitley of Milton, Wis., on July 10, 1949.

Accessions

Boulder, Colo.

Baptism:
Sylvia Loraine Bolton and Shirley Ruth Hard were baptized on July 30, 1949, and received into the Church on Sabbath, August 13, by Pastor Leland E. Davis.

Richard Pierson and Ronald Pierson were baptized on August 6, and received into the Church on Sabbath, August 13, by Pastor Leland E. Davis.

Testimony:
Mrs. Bessie L. Hard was received into the Church by testimony on August 13.

Letter:
Pastor Leland E. Davis and Mrs. Gertrude D. Davis were received into the Church by letter. Rev. Erlo Sutton, former pastor, extended the welcome.
L. E. D., Pastor.

Marriages

Rase - Wingate. — Daniel E. Rase, student at Alfred University, and Margaret Wingate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wingate of Alfred, N. Y., were united in marriage June 16, 1949, at Alfred, Rev. Everett T. Harris officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Rase will make their home in Alfred during the coming school year.

Hudson - Burdick. — Robert W. Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hudson of Milton, Wis., and Carol R. Burdick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Burdick of Alfred, N. Y., were united in marriage June 19, 1949, at Alfred, N. Y., Rev. Everett T. Harris officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson's address is Milton, Wis.

Reid - Ormsby. — Berwyn Reid, son of Mrs. Lois Holmes Reid and the late Dana Reid of Alfred, N. Y., and Mary Jane Ormsby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ormsby of Almond, N. Y., were united in marriage July 17, 1949, at Alfred, N. Y., Rev. Everett T. Harris officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Reid are at home at Almond, N. Y.

work in that island. The work has prospered and there is every evidence that the next twenty-five years will see a much wider spread of the knowledge of the gospel, the Sabbath, and the whole Bible.
—Contributed.

Obituaries

Fitz Randolph. — Alva, son of Asa and Marvel Maxson Fitz Randolph, was born in Berea, W. Va., April 20, 1867, and died at his home in Alfred, N. Y., July 17, 1949.

He was a member of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, N. Y., joining by letter from Ritchie, W. Va., March 10, 1894.

As a pioneer in the formation of the Allegany County Farm Bureau and as an active worker in civic affairs of the village and town of Alfred during the past fifty-five years, he has lived a useful life, in addition to being a successful farmer.

Mr. Fitz Randolph married Mary Hoff at Auburn, W. Va., May 3, 1888, who preceded him in death April 19, 1944.

To this union were born four daughters and one son, all surviving except Mrs. Elden Lee (Florence) Caledonia, who died in September, 1927. Survivors are: Miss Fucia Fitz Randolph of Alfred, Rev. Elizabeth Fitz Randolph of Daytona Beach, Fla., Dr. Lowell Fitz Randolph of Ithaca, and Mrs. James T. Barrs (Vida) of West Newton, Mass.; also three brothers, Virgil of Stannards, Aloas of Sutton, W. Va., Delvinus of Monterey Park, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Cleora F. Jordan, Roulette, Pa.; six grandchildren, Robert, Jane, and Rane Fitz Randolph, Dorothy, Ann, and Andrew Barrs; and several nieces and nephews.

A prayer service was held at the home followed by the Church service with Rev. Everett T. Harris, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Alfred Rural Cemetery. E. T. H.

Sisson. — Harriet Lena, daughter of John F. and Rachel Hoard Sisson, was born September 9, 1874, at Almond, N. Y., and died July 12, 1949, at her late home in Alfred, N. Y.

She was a member of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, N. Y., joining by baptism on June 9, 1893.

During the past thirty years she has been a seamstress of unusual ability. For fifteen years she lived at the Champlin Club House where she served as house hostess.

She felt keenly the loss of her brother, J. Leon Sisson, who preceded her in death, June 2, 1949.

A sister, Mrs. M. E. Dikeman of Binghamton, N. Y., a niece and nephew, Marcia and Roger Hamilton of Westerly, R. I., are the survivors.

Farewell services were conducted by Rev. Everett T. Harris at the Community House, July 17, and burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery. E. T. H.

Rogers. — Walter E., son of A. C. and Alice E. Rogers, was taken suddenly and unexpectedly ill in his home in Milton, Wis., Tuesday forenoon, August 9, 1949, and died in Mercy Hospital, Janesville, Wis., early Thursday morning, August 11, 1949.

A sister, Agnes (Mrs. William Saunders), and a brother, Orra S. Rogers, have gone on

before him. He is survived by his wife, the former Mrs. Cordia Slater, whom he married in December, 1939, and by a younger sister, Ruth (Mrs. Alfred E. Whitford), of Alfred, N. Y. He was almost seventy years of age, having been born May 10, 1880.

His first wife, who passed away twelve years ago, was Miss Kathryn Bliss, daughter of Ferd and Margaret Bliss. They had one son, Robert, who came by airplane from Phoenix, Ariz., where he lives with his wife and two children.

Farewell services were held in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church where he has been a long-time, loyal, consistent member, and burial was in the Milton Cemetery. The service was in charge of President Carroll L. Hill and Rev. Edwin Ben Shaw. E. B. S.

Hull. — Richard Loyal, son of Richard and Jennie Buirley Hull, was born in Milton Township, Rock County, Wis., August 24, 1880, and died in Mercy Hospital, Janesville, August 15, 1949, after several weeks of severe illness following two or three years of failing health.

Two brothers, Mark and Lester, and one sister, Harriet (Mrs. Fred Garthwaite), have gone on before him. One brother, Frank, and two sisters, Mrs. Grace Oakley, and Berta (Mrs. Fay B. Coon), are living in Milton.

He was married November 21, 1906, to Miss Rena May Green, daughter of Clark Witter and Ursula Monroe Green, who survives him together with their five children, Harold, Mildred (Mrs. James Hughes), Ronald, Kenneth, and Richard Wayne. He was the grandson of Rev. Hamilton Hull, who was a brother of Oliver Perry, Nathan, and Varnum, all of them having been Seventh Day Baptist clergymen and pastors.

Funeral services were held in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church where he had been a long-time, loyal, consistent member, and burial was in the Milton Cemetery. In the absence of the pastor, the services were conducted by Rev. Edwin Ben Shaw. DuLac Lodge No. 322, I.O.O.F., had charge of the burial service at the grave. E. B. S.

NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

North Central Delegates and Visitors:

All coming to Albion, Wis., for the association, October 6-8, 1949, please notify Charles Williams, R. R. 2, Edgerton, Wis., who is the secretary of the North Central Association. The Northland Greyhound bus strike is ended and Albion now has bus service.

The first meeting of the association will be Thursday evening, October 6.

Mrs. Pearl Sheldon,
Correspondent.

The Sabbath Recorder

*Baptismal Class
Shanghai, China*

Candidates for baptism at the October, 1948, baptismal service of the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Shanghai, China.

(See Miss Mabel L. West's article on page 169.)

SOME CONFERENCE STATISTICS

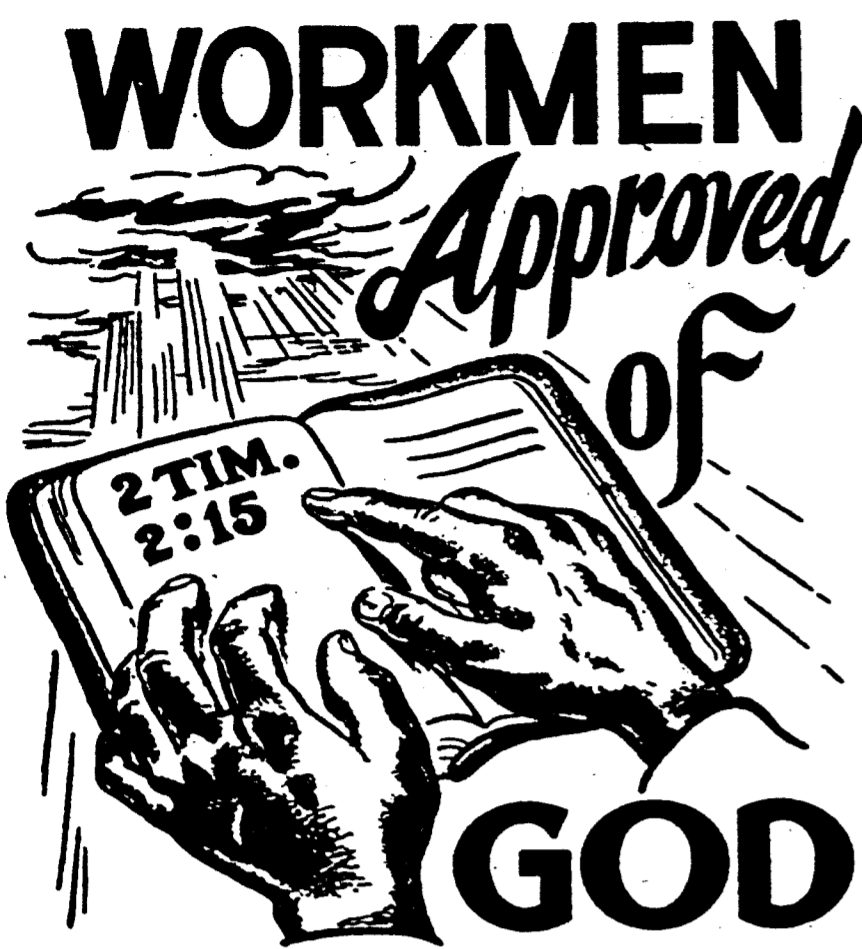
According to the Committee on Credentials, the following delegates were present from the Churches in the Continental United States:

Albion, Wis.	7
Alfred, First, N. Y.	13
Alfred, Second, N. Y.	1
Andover, N. Y.	3
Battle Creek, Mich.	8
Boulder, Colo.	7
Brookfield, First, N. Y.	1
Brookfield, Second, N. Y.	1
Chicago, Ill.	2
Denver, Colo.	6
De Ruyter, N. Y.	1
Dodge Center, Minn.	3
Farina, Ill.	3
Gentry, Ark.	2
Healdsburg-Ukiah, Calif.	1
Hopkinton, First, R. I.	4
Independence, N. Y.	2
Irvington, N. J.	5
Jackson Center, Ohio	1
Little Prairie, Ark.	1
Los Angeles, Calif.	10
Los Angeles, Christ's, Calif.	3
Lost Creek, W. Va.	7
Marlboro, N. J.	3
Milton, Wis.	8
Milton Junction, Wis.	5
New York, N. Y.	4
North Loup, Neb.	12
Nortonville, Kan.	4
Old Stone Fort, Ill.	1
Pawcatuck, R. I.	3
Piscataway, N. J.	1
Plainfield, N. J.	4
Reedley, Calif.	3
Ritchie, W. Va.	1
Riverside, Calif.	18
Salem, W. Va.	13
Salemville, Pa.	1
Shiloh, N. J.	1
Verona, N. Y.	7
Washington, Evangelical, D. C.	2
Waterford, Conn.	1

In addition to the foregoing delegates, there were delegates present representing Holland, Germany, China, and New Zealand. Miss Ploon Dijk from Amsterdam, Holland, and Herr Heinrich Bruhn from Hamburg, Germany, represented the Churches in their respective countries.

Further, the

Number of Churches represented	42
Total registration at desk	441
Number of official delegates (this number includes 8 duplications)	147
Number of visitors	251
Number of pastors present	26
Number of ministers present not serving as active pastors of Churches	10



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SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCHES AND SABBATH SCHOOLS

CHURCHES REPORTING 5% OR MORE GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP:

HEBRON	5.8%
IRVINGTON	8.0
WASHINGTON EVANGELICAL	21.7

SABBATH SCHOOLS REPORTING 10% OR MORE GAIN IN ENROLLMENT:

ALFRED	30.6%
BERLIN	11.0
DAYTONA BEACH	62.0
DINUBA	28.5
DODGE CENTER	20.6
FRIENDSHIP	40.0
GENTRY	37.0
FIRST HOPKINTON	18.1
STONE FORT	28.0
RICHBURG	16.6
RIVERSIDE	17.4
SALEM	30.2
WASHINGTON EVANGELICAL	50.0
WATERFORD	24.3