

The Sabbath Recorder

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET Statement of Treasurer, February 28, 1950

Receipts		February	5 months		
				\$	
Albion				79.00	
Alfred, First	295.21			800.04	
Alfred, Second				200.50	
Associations and groups				252.16	
Battle Creek	115.70			592.17	
Berlin	23.00			214.09	
Boulder	29.85			121.65	
Brookfield, First				50.00	
Brookfield, Second	39.75			128.50	
Chicago	70.00			297.00	
Daytona Beach	44.06			139.41	
Denver	29.00			159.40	
De Ruyter				69.73	
Des Moines				10.00	
Dodge Center				55.82	
Edinburg	26.00			49.43	
Farina	51.80			121.80	
Fouke				15.43	
Friendship				22.85	
Gentry	4.65			11.88	
Healdsburg-Ukiah	10.00			30.00	
Hebron, First	21.10			64.54	
Hopkinton, First	60.20			177.80	
Hopkinton, Second	15.00			15.00	
Independence	50.00			159.00	
Individuals				616.00	
Irvington				100.00	
Little Genesee	2.00			305.47	
Los Angeles	72.00			115.96	
Lost Creek	134.55			229.58	
Marlboro	72.00			288.00	
Middle Island	6.68			36.02	
Milton	169.80			1,687.02	
Milton Junction	60.32			369.29	
New Auburn	7.16			66.14	
New York City, First				79.51	
North Loup	153.02			153.02	
Nortonville				53.75	
Pawcatuck		600.00		1,350.00	
Piscataway				78.25	
Plainfield				794.95	
Richburg		33.00		129.00	
Ritchie				30.00	
Riverside				285.13	
Roanoke		10.00		10.00	
Rochester				30.00	
Rockville		24.70		35.16	
Salem				188.51	
Salemville				48.02	
Shiloh		57.00		1,101.47	
Verona				7.50	
Walworth		26.60		36.60	
Washington, People's				50.00	
Waterford		29.37		112.23	
White Cloud				100.07	
Totals		\$2,343.52		\$12,323.85	

Disbursements		Budget	Specials
		\$	\$
Missionary Society		586.07	34.31
Tract Society		423.72	
Board of			
Christian Education		324.70	5.00
Women's Society		10.87	
Historical Society		50.43	
Ministerial Retirement		165.02	229.30
S. D. B. Building		59.65	
World Fellowship and Service		15.37	
General Conference		249.06	
Relief Appeals			25.00
Debt Reduction:			
Miss. Society	\$61.55		
Tract Society	71.95		
Board of			
Christian Ed.	19.14		
S. D. B. Building	12.38		
		165.02	
Totals		\$2,049.91	\$ 293.61

Comparative Figures

	Total Budget			Normal
Total Budget	\$37,250.00			
Receipts for October	\$1,489.99	4.00%	\$3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for November	1,508.67	4.00%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for December	3,841.75	10.30%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for January	2,000.14	5.37%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Receipts for February	2,049.91	5.50%	3,104.16	8 1/3%
Totals	\$10,890.46	29.17%	\$15,520.80	41 2/3%

Special gifts, designated:

October	\$ 348.19
November	120.00
December	506.09
January	165.50
February	293.61
Total	\$1,433.39

At the request of the Washington Evangelical Seventh Day Baptist Church, the item of \$110 which has appeared as a credit to the Church is now transferred to the item of Individuals.

D. N. Inglis,
Acting Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.



BRYANT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Long Island, Ala.

See article on back cover.

How generous will be your offering to the Denominational Budget on Second Budget Sabbath, March 25?

A soft answer has often been the means of breaking a hard heart. — Baptist Bulletin.

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Conference President's Corner

"FERVENT IN SPIRIT"

The Service of the Temple

Someone has ventured the opinion that the service of the First Temple, which includes its music, was the most stately and imposing that has ever been employed in the worship of Jehovah. Quite surely the music of this period represented the golden age of Bible music.

Several reasons could be given for this. The influence of a musical genius like David must have been felt for generations. The Levites who had been selected by God to administer His religion, were consecrated, they were paid for this service and on full time. They were vested in white linen and performed in a magnificent temple. Moreover the Levites were required to perform this service.

It was my privilege many years ago to have a friend, who was not a Seventh Day Baptist but, who was familiar with the music of our Churches. He told me that our music was superior to that of other communions of comparable size. Our singers are volunteers, we cannot draft them nor put them on full time as did ancient Israel. But we can consecrate them to this service and we can, if we wish, furnish vestments as they did of old.

If it is true that the music in our Churches is outstanding, then those of us who are able to perform in this capacity have the unique privilege of not only inspiring our own members, but attracting outsiders to our fellowship. This gives the opportunity of presenting the claims of Christianity including the Sabbath truth. But Christianity is promoted not only by music, the spoken word, and by example; it is also promoted by the resources freely given for that purpose by the people of God.

In our day, as in Bible times, the fruit of our labor is needed to keep the wheels of religion moving freely and smoothly. In ancient Israel the tithe was required for the support of the work of Jehovah. In order to hold and enlarge the religious sector entrusted to Seventh Day Baptists, we can hardly do less than meet the standards that were set up for the people of God in ages past.

Benjamin F. Johanson,
Conference President, 1927.

MAKING ROOM FOR GOD

Any season is a good time for reflection. Some Church leaders might be a bit shocked to learn that the Holy Spirit will not be confined to the pre-Easter mold any more than the grave could hold our triumphant Lord. Nevertheless, pre-Easter reflection is proper and profitable in that the great Christian Church has chosen to stress the examination of individual and group life in the light of our Lord's sacrifice and demands. There is real value in our reflecting when others are reflecting. What is needed is absolute obedience to the will of God which is revealed in seasons of meditation and prayer. To reflect and to forthwith forget defeats the purpose of the privilege and the exercise.

Another warning should be sounded. Pre-Easter denial is excellent. It should teach us again and again that we are stewards of the bounties with which God has blessed us — both physical and spiritual. But denial that is deserted on Easter dawn dissipates our spiritual energies and spoils the discipline of our souls. Christians cannot reach Eastertide without a joyous yet stern experience of the demands of the risen Christ. And to disregard His demands spells our spiritual doom.

One great enemy of our present day is secularism. As we view it, secularism is all sins rolled into one. Satan and his cohorts have been planning their strategy for many centuries. They have the great pot boiling. Around it they dance with glee. The rarest concoction of all time is being dispensed throughout the world. Satan has so much business that he has had to hire all available extra help. His closest, most trusted helpers are busy at the brew pit day and night. His sales force can hardly keep up with the demand for his deadly drug. The effect of the mysterious mixture is the same on all the victims of his traffic — it paralyzes their will power, saps their spiritual strength, and leaves them slaves to his dastardly designs — they have no room for God. This is secularism, pure and simple.

The pre-Easter season is a good time to make room for God. The only way that

Satan will be sent into the shadows is when the children of God make room for their Father — when we make room for Him. We cannot expect Satan's slaves to open their lives to God unless our lives are entirely open to Him.

Should it be necessary to waste the time and energy of the children of God in talking about giving God His rightful place? If we are converted, if we are born again, there should be no question about God's having first place in our thoughts and words and deeds all the time. We would not infer that the children of God are perfect, that they are without sin, that they have not tasted Satan's potion. By no means! What we do declare is that the new life begun, when through the pleading of the Holy Spirit we gave Jesus Christ first place in our lives, thus sending Satan into the shadows, is Christ's victory and Satan's defeat. And He will see us through to the finish.

Let us hear Him:

"And he said to all, 'If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for my sake, he will save it. For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.'" Luke 9: 23-26 (R.S.V.).

Jesus, and shall it ever be,
A mortal man ashamed of Thee?
Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise,
Whose glories shine through endless days?

Ashamed of Jesus! sooner far
Let evening blush to own a star.
He sheds the beams of light divine
O'er this benighted soul of mine.

Ashamed of Jesus! that dear Friend
On whom my hopes of heaven depend!
No; when I blush, be this my shame,
That I no more revere His name.

Ashamed of Jesus! yes, I may,
When I've no guilt to wash away;

No tear to wipe, no good to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

Till then, nor is my boasting vain,
Till then I boast a Saviour slain;
And O, may this my glory be,
That Christ is not ashamed of me!

—Joseph Grigg,
alt. by Benjamin Francis.

FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Sabbath Recorder,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Brethren:

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ. I received your monthly issues of the Recorder and do enjoy their timely visits.

I pastor the Church of God (7th Day) and find helpful material in your magazine. I do hope that the Sabbath truth will be more fully proclaimed in 1950 in face of the new proposed calendar. I admire the Recorder for the advancement of this truth in its papers. The Sabbath must be restored to the Christian Church. May God bless you at Plainfield in your work.

Sincerely yours,
Elder W. H. McCann.

1289 Swansea Court,
Willow Run, Mich.,
February 1, 1950.

To the Editor:

Much of the success of "One Great Hour of Sharing" was due to the extraordinary co-operation given by the press. Let me thank you for the part you had in making this united relief appeal such an outstanding event.

If any of your readers missed the opportunity to give, the local Church treasuries are still open. If one has no Church connection he may send his gift directly to Church World Service, 214 East 21st St., New York 10, N. Y.

Very sincerely yours,

Stanley I. Stuber,
National Director,

One Great Hour of Sharing.
March 17, 1950.

ALL CAN BE OF REAL SERVICE

The corresponding secretary of the American Sabbath Tract Society has on hand a new type of tract rack at a much lower cost than the one we have been using. The racks are very neat and substantial, with 5 pockets, at a cost of only 25 cents each.

How about some or all of our groups sponsoring a project of tract distribution through the use of these racks. It would be a very worth-while undertaking with a real service rendered. All that would be necessary would be to determine how many racks you could use to start with, then send in your order from one up, and enough tracts will be furnished free to fill them. Then order as needed to keep them filled with tracts of your own choosing. Suitable locations could be secured by talking it over with your friendly merchants. Ask for a wall space where the rack would be handy so that people could pick out a tract easily.

The rack could be placed in any kind of store or office, in coalyards, feed stores, garage, in fact, any place you feel it would be feasible.

The racks could be sponsored by individuals, young people's groups, Sabbath school classes, possibly by the Church and Sabbath school as a whole, maybe your Scouts, boys or girls, would like to keep them filled as a daily good turn. The project could be considered by any of you as a good turn not only for yourself, but for your Church, your denomination, and, best of all, for your Master.

So, get busy. Send in your order now for racks and tracts to this office and I will fill the order promptly.

Maybe from time to time I will report in the Sabbath Recorder the number of tracts used for this project with the names of those having the highest score. Try it and you will find it a great pleasure, and remember our motto, "Fervent in Spirit, serving the Lord."

Yours for real service,

Frank R. Kellogg,
Corresponding Secretary.

It is idle to commend the truth we do not obey. — Baptist Bulletin.

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROPOSED AT SALEM

Miss Alta L. Van Horn,
Chairman, Christian Education Committee,
Southeastern Association,
Salem, W. Va.

Dear Miss Van Horn:

The proposal by Salem College to establish a Department of Christian Education at the Salem campus raises questions of relationship between the new department and the School of Theology as well as the Board of Christian Education.

It was my privilege to spend some time at Salem recently and carefully to think through this problem with members of the Salem staff. I am personally convinced that as the Salem program is now outlined there is neither need nor immediate possibility for the development of tension or overlapping. I have consulted with members of the Committee on Higher Education of the Board of Christian Education, and with the dean of the School of Theology, and I feel that I am justified in representing them as in sympathetic support of the Salem plan.

As a point of fact, while each of the three educational agencies concerned keeps its own field of service and the needs of the denomination as a whole clearly in mind, the addition of the department at Salem to the educational team of the denomination gives promise of strengthening greatly the total educational program of the Churches. The concept of an undergraduate department of Christian Education which will give thorough professional training to some but will render its service to our Churches largely through training laymen for avocational service in the Church schools, offers only support to the program of the board.

Sincerely,

Wayne R. Rood.

December 19, 1949.

SPRING MEETING
PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION
OF SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS
RIVERSIDE, CALIF.
APRIL 7-9, 1950

SEMINARY STUDENTS DEBATE MINISTERS' SALARIES

A seminar, according to a popular definition, is "a group of graduate students engaged under a professor in original research." But the "semioccasional" meeting of the "General Faculty-Student Seminar" at the School of Theology at Alfred, is usually less formal. As a matter of fact, the Alfred experiment is planned primarily to provide an opportunity for students, faculty, families and all who are directly interested in preparation for the Christian ministry, to wrestle together with the common, practical problems that confront ministers.

At the first session of the General Seminar held recently at the Gothic, the subject for discussion was, "How to Serve the Lord on a Minister's Salary." Rev. Albert N. Rogers, pastor at Alfred Station and instructor in Public Worship at the school, presided at the session, and led the group into a consideration of such realistic questions as: What is a fair standard of salary level in a given community? Should a minister seek or accept part-time employment outside his parish? If so, what kinds of employment should be considered? Should the minister accept "clergy discounts" from his parishioners, or from nonmembers, or from public utilities? How much should a minister give to his local Church? When should a minister accept and when decline a call offering a higher salary than what he is receiving? When should he be expected to accept a call offering a smaller salary?

—Contributed.

CHURCH ADVERTISING

Advertising as it appears in the University paper at Minneapolis:

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH
Meeting Saturdays at 2:30
Central YMCA 30 S. Ninth
Room 203

Teacher: Stanley Rasmussen

It might be well if this type of advertising could be carried over to the dailies in both Minneapolis and St. Paul. If there are those who would like to help in such advertising, please see Pastor Cruzan. — Dodge Center, Minn., Church Bulletin.

NEWS FROM ALFRED UNIVERSITY Presidential Scholarships

The Presidential Scholarships, four full-tuition awards in the College of Liberal Arts, have been established at Alfred University, it was announced recently by William J. O'Connor, director of admissions.

Totaling \$8,000 in value, the scholarships are open to men and women from all states. They will be awarded first to students entering the freshman class at Alfred next fall.

The scholarships have been set up in memory of three past presidents of Alfred, William C. Kenyon, Jonathan Allen, and Boothe Colwell Davis. Honor students in the upper fifth of their graduating class will be eligible to apply.

Mr. O'Connor emphasized that the first step in applying for one of the scholarships is to complete an application for admission to the College of Liberal Arts. The dead line for this will be April 30, he said. Scholarship applications must then be completed by May 15.

In addition to high school and Regents' records, candidates for the scholarships will be selected on the basis of their standing on the aptitude test of the College Entrance Examination Board, participation in extracurricular activities, personal qualifications such as character and personality, financial need, recommendations, and a personal interview.

Each of the scholarships is renewable for the four-year course, provided the recipient maintains honor standards in the college. Each scholarship is worth \$500 a year, the full cost of tuition in the college. — George W. Ince, Director of Publicity.

LATEST NEWS FROM EL MONTE

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. K. Duane Hurley and daughters will rejoice to know that Mr. Hurley, according to latest information from a friend in the East, "is home from the hospital and doing some walking."

The Hurleys' address is: 854 Thienes Avenue, El Monte, Calif.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

(Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, March 14, 1950)

Edward B. Willingham, Chairman

Religious liberty is being attacked by powerful world forces today. Unscrupulous assaults have been, and are being, made against man's right of soul liberty. Danger threatens from philosophies and powers which deny the existence of God and the place of religion with men. Quite openly do the Communist leaders seek to destroy personal rights which have commonly been held sacred, and religious liberty has suffered severely at their hands. We place ourselves on record against the Communist threat to the right of all people everywhere to worship freely, and without restraint, in accord with the dictates of conscience. We must be alert to propaganda and intrigue which would undermine our cherished traditions and rob men of their God-given heritage. We must oppose all such danger with a positive proclamation of truth and fearlessly defend our liberties.

Danger also threatens religious liberty from those who have a religious philosophy which claims peculiar privilege to itself and denounces all others as heretical, to be tolerated only so long as expediency demands. The Roman Catholic hierarchy, responsible to the Pope in the Vatican, is identified with aggressive movements in various parts of the world today where religious liberty is either denied, throttled, or threatened. Vigorously would we contend for the right of Roman Catholics to hold to religious views in keeping with conscience. Just as vigorously do we place ourselves on record against the Church-State hierarchy which aspires to control governments and affairs of people through political and economic power with disregard for individual soul liberty and denial of the principle which we know as religious liberty.

Roman Catholic "religious toleration" is by no means to be accepted as identical with religious liberty. We must be alert to propaganda and intrigue which would undermine our cherished traditions and rob us of the God-given heritage for which

our forefathers contended and which has been safeguarded in our Constitution. We must oppose all threats to religious liberty and keep each new generation aware of the true meaning of the principle.

Religious Persecution in Italy

The recent persecution of missionaries of the Texas Churches of Christ at Frascati, Italy, gives cause for grave concern. Roman Catholic priests are charged with the promotion of the opposition to the missionaries which resulted in the stoning episode. The Italian Interior Ministry defended the incident by informing the United States Embassy in Rome that American Protestant activities in Italy often aid Communism. The charge was also made that "Communists are about the only Italians who join Protestant cults." It should be remembered that there are more Communists in Italy than any other country except Russia. Since Roman Catholics claim 98 per cent of the Italian population, we might ask what Catholics are doing about welcoming Communists among their number. Evangelicals in Italy have united in denying the false charges and they call upon "all Americans to compel the Italian government to abide by, respect, and execute Article 15, Section I, Part II, of the Peace Treaty, which Italy signed in Paris and which has been ratified by the governments concerned, which provides:

"Italy shall take all measures necessary to secure to all persons under Italian jurisdiction, without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion, the enjoyment of human rights and of the fundamental freedoms, including freedom of expression, of press and publication, of religious worship, of political opinion, and of public meeting."

The disregard of the principle of religious liberty in the above incident in Italy, which is not an isolated case, is but one example typifying the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church toward those who take issue with them, when they feel they are strong enough to resort to such tactics.

Roman Catholic Franco Regime in Spain

Special interest should center on Spain since there is much agitation to have the United States lend aid to the Franco government there. Even though the United

Nations and our own United States contend for religious liberty, consider a few of the tyrannies of the Roman Catholic Franco regime in Spain: (a) Protestants are denied the right to propagate their faith, although Roman Catholics have that right in Protestant countries; (b) Protestants must hold their services in inconspicuous buildings on a side street, and no sign or insignia indicating it is a Church is allowed on the building; (c) Protestants are not permitted publicly to bury their own dead with the rites of their own Church; (d) worshiping by gatherings in private homes is forbidden; (e) publication and sale of the Protestant version of the Bible is forbidden; likewise, Protestant hymnals, religious papers and books; (f) Protestant books sent in from abroad do not pass the censor; (g) Spanish Protestants are not allowed to have their own schools, although in Protestant countries Roman Catholics may have their own schools provided they pay for them; (h) Protestant children are subject to compulsory Roman Catholic instruction in state schools; (i) government permits to reopen Protestant chapels are refused; (j) no new permits for services have been granted to Protestants for almost two years; (k) permits to build new Protestant chapels are not granted; (l) no Protestant is allowed to hold a government position, teach school, or serve as an army officer. There are one or two Protestants in government positions, exceptions to this rule, but they hold these positions merely as a "blind" to disguise the actual practice. The foregoing does not include all the injustices practiced by the Franco Roman Catholic regime against Protestants, but they are enough to show the enormity of the regime's offenses against Protestants and Protestantism.

Religious Oppression in Latin America

The Roman Catholic Church-State has turned to Latin America. Its military agency and secular arm is the Madrid-Buenos Aires Axis headed by Francisco Franco of Spain and Peron, the Argentine dictator. With this military arm and secular power it hopes to make itself secure in Latin America and recover the continent of South America for Spanish control after

131 years of freedom, gained by the great liberators. Already several countries bear silent and unmistakable evidence of the fate that awaits other Latin American powers.

Take the example of the Roman Catholic massacre of Protestants in Bolivia. On December 24, 1949, eight evangelical Bolivians and Rev. Norman Dabbs, a Canadian Baptist, in the words of La Patris of La Paz, were "clubbed and chopped to death." The instigator of the crime was a Roman Catholic priest, Javier Tumiri, who incited an Indian mob to do the massacring. This unprovoked massacre was committed while the evangelists were peacefully at worship.

Clouds Over North America

Recent developments have been pyramiding to warn people in the United States and Canada of attitudes and intentions of the Roman Catholic Church-State. The Vatican is zealously seeking to extend more and more control over this continent. The utterances of Cardinal Spellman and his unsavory attack upon Mrs. Roosevelt are typical. The efforts to lay hold on public tax funds for Roman Catholic use in schools and Church charities should be a warning. Attention has been called to the power of the Roman Catholic Church-State over such vital agencies as: (a) The Press, including all news sources which it suppresses, colors or uses to its personal advantage; members of the Roman Church hold strategic positions in nearly all of the large periodicals and daily papers; (b) The Radio, and other news channels; (c) Catholic Action, which extends its control or influence to various boards and organizations such as education, labor, social, political, industrial, and financial.

We believe that the most immediate danger to religious liberty in this country is the threat to recognize an official representative from the United States to the Vatican. This would be a violation of the principle of separation of Church and State. We call upon all liberty-loving Americans to register their opposition to such a representative to the President and to the Department of State. Furthermore, we propose the following statement for the

consideration and adoption by this Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations.

Statement Concerning an American Representative to the Vatican

The Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, officially constituted by the Southern Baptist Convention, the Northern Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention, and the National Baptist Convention, Inc., representing a total constituency of sixteen million Baptists throughout the United States, in session in Washington, D. C., Tuesday, March 14, 1950, hereby **unanimously**:

(1) Records its satisfaction at the acceptance by the President of the United States of the resignation of Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative (ambassador) to the Vatican. This terminated a relationship which in the judgment of the Committee on Public Relations has for ten years constituted a violation of the American principle of separation of Church and State.

(2) Respectfully reminds the President of the United States of his pledge that this ambassadorship to the Pope would be terminated with the establishment of peace following the second world war. This pledge was made on two occasions to committees representing the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America with recognized Baptist leaders among those present, and by letter to the president of the Associated Church Press.

(3) Earnestly expresses the hope that, having accepted Mr. Taylor's resignation, the President will do nothing toward appointing a successor to him or toward continuing the office.

(4) Registers to the Department of State an intense disapproval of any proposal which might lead to the establishment of any official representative between the President or the government of the United States and the Vatican. We should deplore the divisive religious controversy which such a move would precipitate.

(Note: Rev. W. Allen Bond, pastor of the Evangelical Seventh Day Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., attended, as a representative of the General Conference, the meeting of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations held in Washington, D. C., March 14,

MISSIONARY BOARD MEETING

The January board meeting heard reports from officers and committees and looked forward to 1950 with anticipation of close financing, hard work, and effective service through its 9 missionary pastors in the U.S.A., its 4 tropical missionaries and 6 national workers, German pastors, and several Chinese workers. The secretary called for a year of "faith in God's power in the world of the atom and the hydrogen bomb, and daily patience so that Christ's love can salt the earth through us."

Second Century Fund

The Second Century Fund Committee reported total pledges of \$48,538.66 and that "many donors accepted a personal challenge and just would not stop sending in their contributions." This is remarkably close to the \$50,000 goal accepted at the 1946 Conference.

Expenditures during the quarter went to British Guiana, \$40; home field, \$550; and New Zealand, \$138.75. This brought the total expenditures to date to \$26,555.18. Most of us realize no doubt that the Jamaica field overdrew Second Century Fund amounts in the process of beginning Crandall High School so that General Funds now carry the load entirely. (Please see our annual report in the 1949 Year Book, p. 143.)

Investments

Investments during the quarter increased in value by \$2,793.23.

The Statement of Condition of December 31, 1949, reveals the following:

Assets:

Cash, loans receivable, travel advances, office furniture and equipment	\$12,067.27
Investments (stocks, bonds, and mortgages)	129,369.95
Real estate in China, U.S.A., Jamaica	201,159.04

Liabilities:

Accounts payable, notes payable	16,450.85
Excess of assets over liabilities	326,145.41

1950. He promptly made available the foregoing report which was adopted by the committee and released for publication.)

These amounts are applicable to:

Principal funds	161,519.32
Unexpended income funds	732.38
Special gift funds	87.64
Real estate equities	166,365.62
Deficit in General Fund less Debt Fund cash	2,559.55

Treasurer's Quarterly Report

The quarter's receipts and expenditures follow from the quarterly report of the treasurer:

Receipts	
Cash on hand October 1, 1949	\$ 3,701.69
Permanent Fund income	1,500.00
Denominational Budget	1,964.10
Organizations	609.25
Individuals	422.04
Gifts for special purposes	460.91
Second Century Fund	247.73
Memorial Fund	222.46
Securities exchanges	4,894.62
Refund of travel advances	105.02
Miscellaneous	11.25
	<u>\$14,139.07</u>

Expenditures	
Corresponding secretary, consultant, and expenses	\$ 1,085.80
Churches and pastors	1,292.21
China field	1,488.24
Gifts for special purposes	466.58
Jamaica field	1,346.95
British Guiana field	170.00
Office rent, heat, light, phone, and supplies	228.99
Treasurer's expense including attorney's fee on New York charter matter	329.79
Second Century Fund	473.15
Travel advances	528.25
Securities exchanges	3,769.46
Printing (share Year Book)	106.70
Loans repaid	250.00
New office equipment	65.17
Interest paid	67.50
Accounts payable - Germany	100.00
Foreign Missions Conference and International Missionary Council subscriptions and dues	406.00
Cash balance on hand January 1, 1950	1,964.28
	<u>\$14,139.07</u>

Indebtedness October 1, 1949	\$ 439.78
Indebtedness December 31, 1949	2,559.55

Increase in quarter \$2,119.77

Respectfully submitted,
Karl G. Stillman, Treasurer.

December 31, 1949.

The ministerial relief payments to Rev. H. Eugene Davis and Dr. Rosa W. Palmberg continue as before.

Other Items of Interest

The American Tropics Committee's decisions were to authorize Rev. Neal D. Mills to serve as supervisor in Jamaica during Rev. Wardner T. Fitz Randolph's furlough, and to approve study at Milton College for Socrates Thompson to receive his bachelor's degree in 1951. This means larger sums needed for the Jamaica Ministerial Education Fund, but a better equipped teacher for our school and minister for special evangelism in Jamaica. Through the Advisory Committee, Rev. Benjamin O. Berry's request for help in purchasing a suburban home near Georgetown was tabled because funds are not available for such plans. (See "To Buy or Not to Buy," February 13, Sabbath Recorder, p. 118.)

Ben Utter's analysis from the Foreign Missions Conference on Christian work in China appeared in the Sabbath Recorder for February 20, p. 137, and the China Committee report on p. 138. Mrs. Clarence Crandall's report on the Foreign Missions Conference as given at the January board meeting appeared in the February 27 issue, p. 155, under the title of "Our Greater Task."

The board expressed its sympathy to Mrs. Gerald D. Hargis and family by a telegram at the time of Rev. Mr. Hargis' death and further ordered a resolution of sympathy to be published in the Sabbath Recorder and spread on its minutes.

The Advisory Committee, which is made up of officers of the board and heads of the area committees, reported three meetings during the quarter and consideration of New Zealand, British Guiana, United States, and administration problems. These matters generally come out through the area committees, but receive joint discussion at advisory meetings in the society's office.

The treasurer reported on an action taken to qualify the society for benefit from New York Seventh Day Baptist Churches which might become extinct. Special legislation was secured by the New York City Church and Dr. Corliss F. Randolph, from the New York State Legislature in 1943. Our New York State charter of 1856 was considered to be in effect and a copy of it

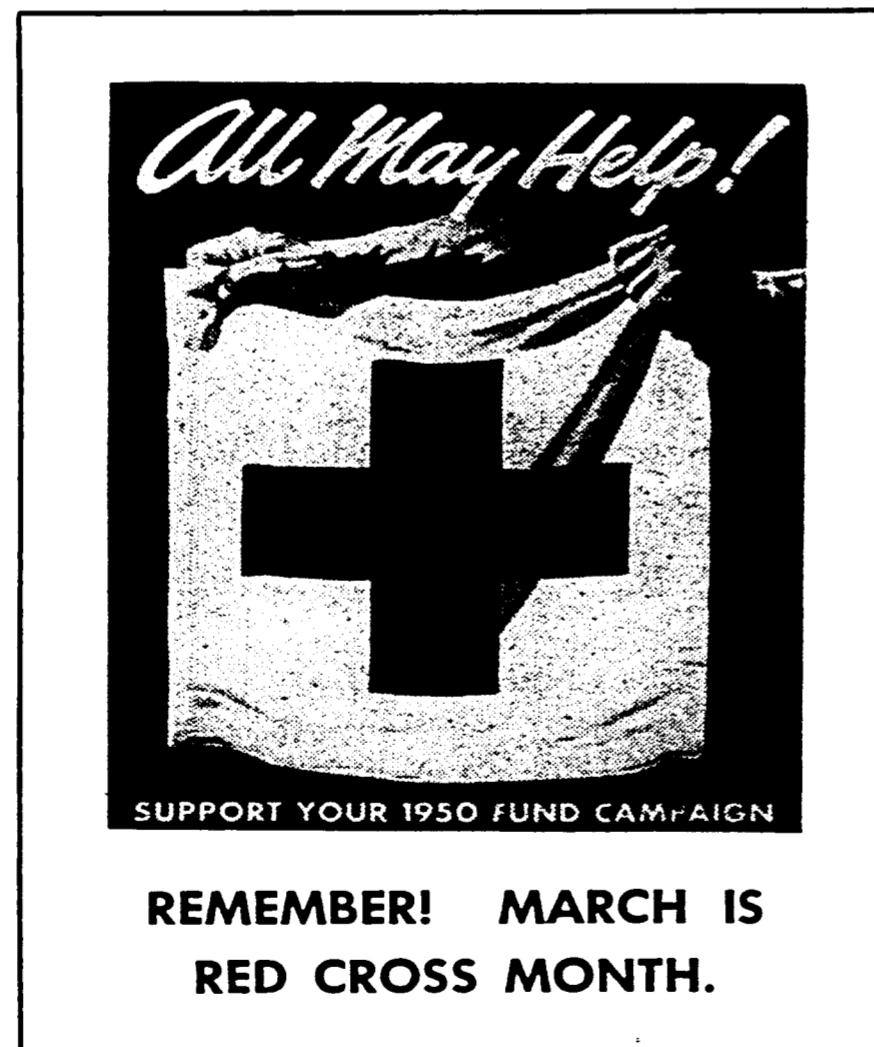
and the 1943 legislation was presented for the board's files. The board authorized "the study of similar legislation to protect the interests of the society in other states."

Fifteen members and one visitor were present. The treasurer presented his reports "in absentia" because of a serious respiratory ailment. Morton R. Swinney opened the meeting with prayer, and Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson gave the benediction.
D. S. C.

RANDOLPH FLIES TO BRITISH GUIANA

Rev. Wardner T. Fitz Randolph left Wednesday, March 15, by air liner for Georgetown, British Guiana, for a month or more of service among the Seventh Day Baptist Churches in the colony. He goes as board representative and as superintendent of the British Guiana field.

D. S. C.



SPECIAL NOTICE

A commission of \$1 is being offered on every new subscription to the Sabbath Recorder at the regular yearly rate of \$3.

WORSHIP PROGRAM

By Mrs. Lura Mae Crow

"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Ephesians 6: 10-17.

Spring, the season when we should be easily led to thoughts of faith and new beginnings, this year finds many minds engaged in thoughts of doubt and fear. So Paul's words seem peculiarly applicable just now, and as Christians we should study carefully his words, which will help to free us from the feeling of imminent doom.

We must stand, and put on the whole armor of God. The defensive armor, which protects us from the world, consists of a belt of **truth**, breastplate of **righteousness**, shoes of **peace**, shield of **faith**, and helmet of **salvation**.

But we cannot be content just to be protected from the evils of this world; we have a weapon with which we may free others from mental torment — "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

Let us resolve, in this time of world unrest, and perhaps peril, to put on the whole armor of God, use the weapon of His Word, and, as individuals and a group, try to help quiet the turmoil of mind and nation.

Texarkana, Ark.

Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
SALEM, W. VA., AUGUST 22-27, 1950

LETTER CONCERNING MAY FELLOWSHIP DAY

Dear May Fellowship Day Friends:

The fellowship of Christian women united to serve in their communities gives inspiration and hope in today's world. You are very important people, because you are helping to break down barriers, to build the ecumenical Church.

This year again the May Fellowship Day Committee has chosen a theme of fundamental importance to families: "Our Daily Bread" — A Christian Economy, the Concern of Church Women. Jesus included a request for bread in the prayer He taught His disciples, thus showing His concern for the physical as well as the spiritual needs of man. The program interprets bread as a symbol of man's needs for food, for shelter, and for clothing, and the opportunity to work for them, to enjoy, and to share them.

In an age of European Recovery Programs, Economic Co-operation Administration and mounting national budgets, Christian women must be informed and willing to examine their attitudes toward economic problems. Our opinions are no better than our information. Our communities and our Churches have barriers between economic groups which need to be broken down. The ecumenical Church must be built by an inclusive fellowship of Christians.

Our order blank describes the May Fellowship Day material for the 1950 observance. The material will be available from February 1 through April 21, two weeks before May Fellowship Day. No orders received after April 21 can be filled. If your state council customarily supplies May Fellowship Day material to you, please send your order to your state office.

Articles of interest and help in planning your May Fellowship Day program will appear in the March and April issues of the Church Woman. Watch also for the May Fellowship Day page of the Church Woman each month for suggestions to the May Fellowship Day Chairman.

May we remind you that May Fellowship Day presents an opportunity to each

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS NOTES

By Rev. Albert N. Rogers
President, Seventh Day Baptist
Board of Christian Education

◆ A sixteen weeks' course entitled "As Jesus Grew" is being offered in the Milton Church for eight-, nine-, and ten-year-olds. The class meets Sunday mornings from 10 to 11:30 and is taught by Kenneth E. Smith, assistant pastor of the Church.

◆ Young people and young adults from six Churches are sponsoring a community service Easter Sunday morning near the old Hartsville Seventh Day Baptist Church. The service will begin fifteen minutes before sunrise, but in the event of bad weather will be held in the Second Alfred Church at Alfred Station.

◆ We recommend for adult study groups the statement and topic reports of the National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life held in February at Detroit. Those who regard the Protestant Churches as a "pink fringe" should examine these documents and the roster of delegates who went to Detroit. Send to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y., for the conference literature order blank.

◆ "Fairest Lord Jesus" will be the Convention Hymn for the World Convention on Christian Education at Toronto, Can., August 10-16. It has been translated into several languages for use by the delegates who have already registered from 36 countries and others who are expected to register as time for the convention draws nearer.

◆ "If I had to choose between a Sunday school teacher with an eighth grade education who loves warmly and can accept boys and girls where they are and help them to face the world, and a college graduate who sees teaching a Church school class as a duty to be done with as quickly and with as little actual giving of self as possible, I would take the former every time." So said Dr. Jesse H. Ziegler, Chicago professor of psychology and mental

hygiene recently. So would we choose for our Sabbath schools.

STATEMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

ON CONFERENCE OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN AMERICA TO CONSIDER THE HYDROGEN AND ATOMIC BOMB POLICY

One thought is paramount in the minds of men everywhere: What does the hydrogen bomb portend for the destiny of mankind?

We, in this annual meeting of the International Council of Religious Education, have a sense of quickened conscience and of gratitude that the president of the Council appealed to men and women of all religious faiths in America to join in a conference where the resources of God through prayer, faith, and thought can be brought to bear upon the problem of finding the right answers to the question: What ought America's policy to be with respect to atomic and hydrogen bombs?

In this year of our Lord, 1950, the Christian Churches cannot accept in silence the prospect of mass slaughter. The Christian Churches cannot be callous to the claims of the gospel message they preach — a message of compassion and the oneness of humanity under God. Above all, Christians must not stand before the world paralyzed in an hour of crisis, submissive to the seeming probability of widespread or even universal annihilation.

Secular wisdom or preoccupation with political method are not enough to give us the answers we desperately need. Let the Church speak that men may regain confidence and renew hope and find a way of life rather than continue to stumble on the way to death. Men of religious faith must assemble and seek wisdom from Almighty God. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That this Council send immediately a communication to other national interdenominational agencies with which this Council is to unite in November, 1950, forming the new National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., proposing, that together we take steps whereby

Protestants, Catholics, and Jews can unitedly bring the religious mind and faith of America to bear upon the formulation of policy with regard to the hydrogen bomb, an issue of life and death for the nation, civilization, and for all mankind. — International Council Release.

NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK THEME ANNOUNCED

"God Works Through Homes" is the theme for the eighth interfaith observance of National Family Week from May 7-14.

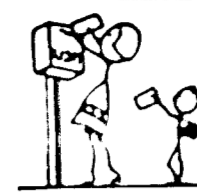
"The family has primary responsibility for the religious nurture of children," stated Rev. Richard E. Lentz, chairman of the Inter-council Committee on Christian Family Life, which sponsors the observance among the Protestants. "Influences of home create the foundation of character, morality, and religious faith."

Mr. Lentz, a former pastor at Wellsville, N. Y., is also director of adult work and family education for the International Council of Religious Education, which cooperates with the Federal Council of Churches and the United Council of Church Women in the inter-council committee.

Family Week is also sponsored by the Catholics and Jews through their own national official organizations.

"Church leaders will recognize the significance of National Family Week in combating delinquency and divorces," Mr. Lentz continued. "They will see also the opportunity to challenge their Church families to further religious development within the home."

Suitable material has been prepared to help families and Churches observe the week. Two leaflets, "Your Home and National Family Week" and "How the Church May Co-operate," at two cents each, may be ordered from any one of the three agencies. "Pages of Power for Home Religion" a five-cent devotional manual for Family Week may be secured from the I.C.R.E. Denominations and councils of Churches throughout the country also have special literature helps. — ICRE Release.



OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

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

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am seven years old and in the second grade. I have a sister and two brothers. We have two dogs, Snowball and Boots.

Our school is having a circus next week, with real animals and clowns.

We go to school in a bus.

Wayne will be two years old March 27.

Marcia is up at Grandma and Grandpa Nelsons. She will be four in May. Walter is sleeping. He is five years old.

Virginia wrote you a letter some time ago. She is nine.

Your friend,
Maxine Basler.

R. 4, Cuba Road,
Barrington, Ill.

Dear Maxine:

Your letter came in this morning's mail. It was just brought up from the post office, and was I glad to get it! It is the only children's letter I have received this week, so occupies the place of honor, right at the very beginning of our page. I had been hoping to hear soon from both you and Virginia, as I enjoyed her last letter, too.

My granddaughter, Joyce, once had a dog named Boots. He was so rough and destroyed so many clothes and things that they had to give him away to a farmer. Then when Joyce was five years old, her father gave her a little black rat terrier. He died last year which nearly broke her heart though she was a big girl of twelve.

You must tell me all about your circus the next time you write. It must have been fun. One time they had a circus at Alfred, but there were very few real animals. The animals were mostly people rigged up to represent animals. It was surely funny. For a long time afterwards many children played they were animals. One little boy came to our door barking and he really sounded very much like a dog.

Please try to write often for the Children's Page.

Your true friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

An Earnest Prayer Answered

Once upon a time there was a little girl named Stella. Her family was very poor and lived in a shabby cottage on the outskirts of a small town.

Stella had no neat, pretty clothes to wear like other little girls in her neighborhood. She had to wear shabby, much-patched overalls and was ashamed to let the other children see her.

Across the street from Stella's home was a pretty little red Church. On the Sabbath, Stella watched the well-dressed children coming to and from Sabbath school. How she longed to join them, but what would they think of her shabby clothes?

One little girl especially she longed to have for a friend. She was a sweet little golden-haired girl named Grace who wore a dainty blue dress and hat to match. She usually came out of the Church after all the rest. She was with a beautiful lady whom Stella knew was the Sabbath school teacher, and also Grace's mother. Grace's mother taught the class of children who were so near Stella's age.

One Sabbath when she thought everyone had left the Church, Stella slipped past the Church door which was ajar. She whispered to herself, "Mother says that God is always ready to answer our prayers if we truly try to be His loving children. So I'm going to kneel right here in this beautiful Church and ask Him for a dress to wear to Sabbath school so the other children will not be ashamed of me." So she knelt and offered this fervent prayer.

As she started to rise to her feet she was startled to hear a soft little voice at her side, "What is your name, little girl? Why don't you come to Church and Sabbath school?"

Stella tried to hide behind the seat nearest her, she was so ashamed of her shabby overalls. "You would be ashamed of me. I have no pretty dress to wear like the other little girls," she said.

Just then she looked up and saw the beautiful lady, Grace's mother. She tried to get still more out of sight. "Don't be ashamed, my dear," said the lady with a smile. "Your overalls are nice and clean. Please do join our Sabbath school class."

"Oh, Mother," cried Grace, "she is not as tall as I am. Can't I give her the pretty pink dress that's too short for me?"

"Of course," said her mother. "Let's go home now and let her try it on."

The pink dress was a perfect fit. Stella went home with a joyful heart because her prayer was answered.

Mizpah S. Greene.

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council for dramatizing the financial needs of our work together. Do we Church women believe in it enough to pay for it? The offering will go into service in three ways: one third to the local council, one third to the state council, and one third to the United Council of Church Women. Where your state's council office has arranged to receive two thirds of your offerings, it may be sent that way.

Thank you for your helpful reports of last year. I read them, every one. I would be very happy to have twice as many to read in 1950. So do take that extra moment to fill out the report blank in full.

Let us gather in our council groups on Friday, May 5, 1950, in the spirit of the Psalmist when he says, "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein," and remembering the words of Jesus, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Yours in fellowship,

Mrs. George B. Martin, Chairman,
May Fellowship Day Committee,
The United Council of Church Women.
January 2, 1950.

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE Milton, Wis.

May 15-18, 1950

CHURCH NEWS

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — A large crowd attended the fellowship dinner held in the Church basement Sabbath afternoon recently, immediately following Sabbath school. Those who attended brought their own food, which was served with coffee furnished by the social committee. The program which followed was in charge of Mrs. Ava Johnson. She presented Gary Cox, Nickie Smith, Phyllis Christensen, and Jeanette Williams in a quartet, also small Justine Layher who sang, assisted by her older sister, Karen. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Erlo Cox told of their trip to California and the many other states they visited recently. The group showed pictures they had taken and told of the many former North Loup people they had seen. They also spoke of the sights they were able to see while they were away. The talks were very interesting. The group was dismissed after singing "God Be with You Till We Meet Again."

The Sabbath of Sharing was observed in our Church on March 11. Opportunity was given to all who wished to contribute to do so following the regular service. A plate was placed in the foyer. The fund will be used to assist the Churches in war-torn countries. — Myra T. Barber, Correspondent.

PHILADELPHIA, PA. — The Philadelphia Fellowship of Seventh Day Baptists held a business meeting on February 18, 1950, at which the following officers were elected: President, Carlton Wilson; vice-president, William D. Parry; recording secretary, Mrs. Alberta Godfrey; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Parry; superintendent of Sabbath school, Willard Hildreth; assistant superintendent, Lewis May; superintendent of Junior Department, Miss Ethel Wilson; teachers, Jean and Patsy Hildreth; pianist, Mrs. Ahvagene Clarke; chorister, Mrs. Jean Hildreth, corresponding secretary, F. Kenyon Clarke.

Some time previous to this meeting, the Shiloh Church licensed Carlton Wilson to act as pastor. The writer believes he speaks for the group in saying that we feel fortunate to have this student of the Bible and man of God as our leader. We

certainly appreciate the opportunity to meet at his home in Cheltenham each week for our Sabbath worship, and study of the lessons in the Helping Hand. — F. Kenyon Clarke, Corresponding Secretary.

SHILOH, N. J. — In addition to officers already reported elected at the January Church meeting, others elected were: Church treasurer, Charles Dickinson; assistant treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Lupton. By a vote of the Church the following music committee was elected: The three choristers, the current organist, newly-elected trustee, and the pastor.

Plans are being formulated for the coming of Evangelist Lowell Martin of Salemville, Pa., on the weekend of March 31 to April 2; and for an Easter vesper on April 7 which will include special music with the three choirs participating. On April 8, the Houghton College Choir will give a sacred concert at the morning service. Houghton is known distinctly as a Christian college. Dinner will be served the choir by the Ladies' Benevolent Society.

Deacon and Mrs. Henry H. Ewing celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on March 8. — Martie T. Hitchner, Correspondent.

WATERFORD, CONN. — The engagement of Rev. Ronald I. Hargis, pastor of the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church, to Miss Barbara Kinney of Nebraska was announced at a supper and social hour held recently at the Church.

Both Rev. Mr. Hargis and Miss Kinney are students at the Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Conn. — Correspondent.

BIRTHS

Morrison. — A daughter, Susan Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison, 4419 Sansom St., Philadelphia, Pa., on February 7, 1950. Mrs. Morrison is the former Laura Ford, daughter of Susie Seager Ford and the late Glenn Ford.

Craw. — A daughter, Caroline, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craw, R. 1, Box 78, Texarkana, Ark., on February 28, 1950. Mrs. Craw, the former Lura Mae Fitz Randolph, is the daughter of Rev. Wardner T. and Bertha Pierce Fitz Randolph.

Obituaries

Holston. — Anna Wells, born September 2, 1875, in Nile, N. Y., and died February 16, 1950, in Battle Creek, Mich. A more extended obituary appears below.

ANNA WELLS HOLSTON

Anna Wells Holston, daughter of Henry and Sarah Brown Wells, was born in Nile, N. Y., September 2, 1875, and died in Battle Creek, Mich., February 16, 1950.

Mrs. Holston, widow of the late Rev. Edward M. Holston, loved and served the Lord from early childhood. She spent her elementary and high school years in Dodge Center, Minn., attended Milton College in 1897, returning to Dodge Center as a schoolteacher.

Later, she entered nurses' training in Battle Creek, Mich., being graduated in 1911. She practiced as a nurse at the Mayo Brothers' Clinic in Rochester, Minn., in California, and later served as a community nurse in Dodge Center. She married Rev. Edward M. Holston on May 26, 1927, while he served as pastor there, and they moved to McAllen, Tex. In 1932, they came to Battle Creek, upon acceptance of the pastoral call to the Seventh Day Baptist Church. Mr. Holston was called to rest on August 3, 1947, and Mrs. Holston continued as a nurse in the Battle Creek Sanitarium Hospital until the time of her extended illness last fall.

She had always been active in the Lord's work, whether in Dodge Center, Edinburg, or Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Churches. She was elected as a deaconess of the Battle Creek Church on April 3, 1948, and served very capably in that office during the remaining months of her earthly life.

The funeral service was held in the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sabbath afternoon, February 18, with interment at Walworth, Wis., the following day. Pastor Alton L. Wheeler conducted both of the services. A. L. W.

Do we use the word "Saturday" when we might say "Sabbath"? If we use the word "Sabbath" instead of "Saturday," it may be the means of bringing someone to the Sabbath truth.

NORTH ALABAMA MOUNTAINS

By Rev. A. T. Bottoms
(Principal, Bryant Junior High School,
Long Island, Ala.)

May we take this opportunity to report on our work here, and to express our appreciation for all the help so unselfishly given our efforts?

This year more than ever the truth of Matthew 25: 45 has become more real to us here in North Alabama as so many of our fine appreciative boys and girls come to school nicely dressed in the lovely things sent by Seventh Day Baptists from all parts of the United States.

A box arrives. The things are unpacked and arranged in our living room. We invite a certain needy group and listen to exclamations of delight as each garment or article is examined. When the room is cleared, nothing is left except perhaps an empty box or stray string.

Our latest venture is the opening of our school lunchroom. At present about 200 pupils are served each day. About 60 of them are from families who are unable to pay for a lunch even though the charge is only 10 cents. It is almost impossible to make ends meet with so many being served free of charge since food prices are high, and we have to pay two local women, who are most excellent cooks, \$3.50 each per day to prepare the food which is planned to meet the nutritional requirements for at least half of each pupil's daily requirements. All the pupils have gained in weight since they began eating in the lunchroom. One boy has gained 3 pounds in 5 weeks.

Our community has put forth a great effort to raise the money for this worthwhile project. We have succeeded in paying more than \$800 for repairs, electric wiring equipment, etc., but still owe more than \$250 for various items.

We are trusting that the Lord will help us in some way to raise this amount that we may continue to feed these undernourished children.

We expect to plant a large garden to produce vegetables for the lunchroom. This will be worked by the boys of our agricultural class.

May the Lord bless every one who has so liberally supported our work here.

The Sabbath Recorder

