# DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET Statement of Treasurer, May 31, 1950			North Loup Nortonville Pawcatuck		362.83 86.75 1,926.67
Receipts		Piscataway		127.75	
receipt	May	8 months	Plainfield	354.40	
A 11 ·	ivia y		Richburg		154.00
Albion	150.00	\$ 101.00	Ritchie		50.00
Adams Center	150.00	150.00	Riverside		1,494.16
Alfred, First	400.08	1,578.73	Roanoke		16.00
Alfred, Second		300.46	Rochester		30.00
Associations and groups	2 # 4 . 2 2	252.16	Rockville	2.91	65.62
Battle Creek	251.02	1,098.19	Salem		539.51
Berlin	21 77	223.74	Salemville		48.02
Boulder		186.11	Shiloh		1,272.47
Brookfield, First		105.00	Verona		426.55
Brookfield, Second	34.30	187.65	Walworth		73.20
Chicago		367.00	Washington Poople's		50.00
Daytona Beach		212.53	Washington, People's Waterford	12.63	158.03
Denver	<b>5</b> 5.08	251.81	White Cloud	12.03	150.66
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Des Moines		10.00	T : 1	2 200 22	621 502 70
Dodge Center		181.70	Tôtals\$	2,300.22	\$21,382.79
Edinburg		64.18	Disburseme	ents	
Farina		332.90		Budget	Specials
Fouke		134.56	Missionary Society\$		\$ 1.00
Friendship		37.85	Tract Society		
Gentry		16.88	Board of		
Hammond		65.00	Christian Education	352.10	
Healdsburg-Ukiah		40.00	Women's Society		
Hebron, First	16.29	112.20	Historical Society		
Hopkinton, First		497.47	Ministerial Retirement		56.35
		21.00			30.33
Hopkinton, Second	<b>51</b> 00		S. D. B. Building	04.09	
Independence		226.00	World Fellowship	16.77	
Individuals		671.00	and Service		
Irvington		100.00	General Conference	270.08	20.00
Little Genesee	7 00	318.22	Relief Appeals		20.00
Little Prairie	7.00	7.00	Debt Reduction:		
Los Angeles	114.00	251.96	Miss. Society \$66.74		
Lost Creek		229.58	Tract Society 78.02		
Marlboro	72.00	504.00	Board of		
Middle Island	7.64	57.16	Christian Ed 20.76		
Milton	341.00	2,991.00	S. D. B. Building 13.42		
Milton Junction	61.52	623.91	•	178.94	
New Auburn	5.00	105.84	-		
New York City, First		185.22	Totals	\$2,222.87	\$ 77.35

#### Comparative Figures

Total Budget	udget\$37,250.00		Normal	
Receipts for October	\$1,489.99	4.00%	\$3,104.16	81/3%
		4.00%	3,104.16	81/3%
	3,841.75	10.30%	3,104.16	81/3%
	2,000.14	5.37%	3,104.16	81/3%
	2,049.91	5.50%	3,104.16	81/3%
	3,284.59	8.80%	3,104.16	81/3%
	2,858.21	7.67%	3,104.16	81/3%
	2,222.87	6.00%	3,104.16	81/3%
Totals	\$19,256.13	51.64%	\$24,833.28	662/3%

#### Special gifts, designated:

October	\$ 348.19
November	120.00
December	
January	165.50
February	293.61
March	480.28
April	335.64
May	
Total	\$2,326.66

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Milton, Wis.

THIRD BUDGET SABBATH **JUNE 24, 1950** 

# The Sabbath Recorder

# WAR or PEACE

Something has gone wrong with our nation, or we should not be in our present plight and mood. It is not like us to be on the defensive and to be fearful. That is new in our history. . . . What we lack is a righteous and dynamic faith. Without it, all else avails us little. The lack cannot be compensated for by politicians, however able; or by diplomats, however astute; or by scientists, however inventive; or by bombs, however powerful. . . .

Our greatest need is to regain confidence in our spiritual heritage. . . . There is no use having more and louder Voices of America unless we have something to say that is more persuasive than anything yet said.

> John Foster Dulles, From "War or Peace."

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# ETERNAL LIFE AND IMMORTALITY

By Rev. Loyal F. Hurley (Prepared by request)

We would be saved from our confusion regarding these different ideas if we would grasp the Bible teaching that Eternal Life may be a present possession, while Immortality must be a future bestowment. They

are not synonymous at all.

Man was created in a state of dependency upon God. His peace and prosperity were contingent upon the recognition of, and obedience to that dependency. But man chose to be independent, to act on his own, to disregard God, to do as he pleased. The results were sin, alienation from God, the loss of Paradise, and universal death.

Ti: first step toward the repair of this tragic damage is for man to return to the fellowship of God. This is possible here and now, and this is what distinguishes the "saved" of this present evil age from the "unsaved." Through Christ man can be saved and restored to the fellowship of God. This is Jesus' definition of Eternal Life (and the only one I know that is given in the Bible). "This is life eternal that they may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." The saved have that fellowship with God now; the unsaved do not.

But present fellowship with God, though in our Bible translations called Eternal Life, is not Immortality. For two thousand years the saved have been dying, just as the unsaved have done. Both are mortal. At some future date "this mortal must put on immortality," and be so changed that "death hath no more dominion over him." "Eternal Life" is spoken of in the Bible as a possible present possession. "Immortality" is always spoken of as a future bestowment. Let us keep them clearly distinguished in our thinking.

Salem, W. Va.

# ATTENTION, YOUNG PEOPLE!

If you plan to be at General Conference in Salem, W. Va., next August, and are interested in helping to serve the meals at the college cafeteria, be sure to contact Kenneth V. Hulin, Salem, W. Va., at your earliest convenience.

# RETHINKING PERSONAL AND FAMILY FINANCES

Let us read and reread the Jamaica Mission article which appears in the Missions section of this magazine.

Then, let us rethink our personal and family finances in the light of the growing possibilities in Jamaica and on other mission fields. The only way that some of us will ever help to meet the physical and spiritual needs among our brothers and sisters of other lands is through our giving.

Definitely our praying will help to remove mountains of material and spiritual difficulty. But unless our praying is backed by our offerings we are two-faced, miserable men.

This phase of our work demands our generous support along with the work of Christian education, publication, evangelism, preaching, teaching, camp projects, and other forms of aggressive service for Christ and His Church.

This is the time to rethink our personal and family finances with a view toward sacrificing yet more so that a lagger and more effective work can be done in Jamaica and elsewhere.

#### THE HUMAN FACTOR

So much depends upon the human factor in any and every situation of life. •

God uses humans to work out His designs. His principal design is to bring home to Him all His children. How long this will require only He knows.

What we do know is that we should live and labor in harmony with His design. For this purpose God placed manin the world. All that man does to carry forward the revealed design of God brings nearer the time of the Great Homecoming. Whatever man fails to do to carry forward God's design retards the time of His gathering His children home.

A look at humans in the present hour may afford little grounds for hope. Nevertheless, God's design is being worked out through the lives of "the likes of us." In His own good time we shall go home to Him. Our times are in His hands.

Not through coercive convenience but by means of His matchless love God is

drawing His children toward Him. Through us humans He is working out His design.

# "THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS"

Guest Editorial

This is a time of widespread controversy -- political, economic, social, theological. But we need not be greatly disturbed by this fact. Most important questions are controversial. In a democratic society, moreover, it is through the giveand-take of discussion and the confrontation of opposing views that we hope to arrive at a clearer understanding of the issues and their sound solution.

What is deeply disturbing, however, is that at the present hour so many controversialists are unconcerned to be truthful about those who hold differing views. Even within Christian circles a reckless disregard of ordinary standards of veracity has appeared. To take a single illustration (which, unhappily, could readily be multiplied), a clergyman at the annual meeting of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, as reported in the Buffalo Courier-Express of May 18, 1950, said that the aim of the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council is "to establish a world Church which comprises people of all faiths."

This statement is an outright falsehood It has no basis whatever in fact. Yet it was uttered by a Christian minister before a group of fellow Christians and broadcast to the general public through the press.

Doubtless the speaker imagined that he was telling the truth but it is difficult to find an excuse for such shocking ignorance. The International Missionary Council, through the whole period of its development from the Edinburgh Conference of 1910, has been committed to the one goal of the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. The World Council of Churches, in the first article of its constitution, proclaims itself to be "a fellowship of Churches which accept our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour." Yet with complete recklessness a speaker describes the International Missionary

Council of Churches as aiming to comprise "people of all faiths."

Honest controversy within the Christian circle may be useful but dishonesty in presenting the facts — or the kind of irresponsibility which does not take the trouble to know the most elemental facts — is reprehensible. The commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour," still stands even when one is engaged in controversy. — Federal Council Bulletin, June, 1950. Used by permission.

# SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

(Continued from June 19)

"More things are wrought by prayer Than this world dreams of."

Tennyson.

Thus wrote the poet.

The Conference at Prayer

Thus we who had the rich privilege of attending the Ministers' Conference at Indian Trails Camp came to know with fresh certainty and a new experience.

Well do we recall that at the Ministers' Conference at Alfred, N. Y., last year certain interests and objects of prayer were mentioned. At the time fervent prayers were offered in keeping with suggestions and requests. This year appreciative expression of being helped by the prayers of the brethren during the year was made. We know what it means to have our brethren interested in and praying that we may become more obedient to the will of the Lord and more co-operative and effective in doing His work. While some areas of our personal, Church, and denominational life have been helped by the Holy Spirit through His power bestowed through prevailing prayer, there are yet areas which need the "energizing presence and power of God." We must be ever alert and diligent in this matter also.

Grace at meals was sometimes said and sometimes sung.

The morning devotions and evening prayer prepared the minds and hearts of those present for the mounting privileges of the conference and aided in further crystallizing forms of fresh devotional patterns

Those who led the periods referred to were: Rev. Albert N. Rogers, Rev. Kenneth B. Van Horn, Rev. Lester G. Osborn, Rev. Francis D. Saunders, Rev. Paul S. Burdick, and Rev. Kenneth A. Stickney.

#### The Practice of Private Devotions

The practice of private devotions is a must if the present day minister is to meet adequately the demands upon him for spiritual guidance. He must be in close touch with the source of power if he would lead others to victorious faith and living.

On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons Rev. Loyal F. Hurley conducted a workshop in "The Practice of Private Devotions." Brother Hurley made available to the conference a wide selection of devotional literature with which, from our observation, many of those present spent considerable time.

"To be religious and to pray are one and the same thing," declared Mr. Hurley as he opened the workshop. And, "Great praying roots in great believing." By means of suggestions offered, a consideration of some of the laws of prayer, a glance at the different points of view of two eminent authors, a sharing of techniques of private devotion and types of devotional reading, and the results of these two, led to the question, "How are we going to develop our rootage out of which will come our fruitage?"

These two workshop sessions stirred us to a more faithful, fruitful, private devotional life.

Methods of Sermon Preparation

Following this early afternoon workshop, the conference divided into two sections for late afternoon workshops.

The pastor of the host Church, Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, was selected to conduct the workshop in "Methods of Sermon Preparation." From the comments made and the interest in evidence on the part of those who participated, the two afternoon sessions were of great benefit and value.

Brother Randolph who was chosen because of his enthusiasm and experimentation in this field, shared his experiences with the group and gave opportunity for informal and free discussion of this all-important subject. It is helpful to learn

of new methods of sermon preparation. Some of us need to make better use of the methods that we already know in preparing to preach the Word of God.

Radio Techniques

Parallel with the workshop just mentioned was the one in "Radio Techniques." The program committee and the conference considered themselves favored in being able to secure Professor Herbert Crouch from near-by Milton College to conduct "a radio speech clinic."

The first afternoon, by means of prepared outlines of material, a copy of which was placed in the hands of each one there, Brother Crouch helpfully presented the principles of "microphone speaking" which included the public address system and the radio. He also called attention to the "general criteria for a radio sermon."

The procedure on the second afternoon included individual recordings of the fifteen or so voices, each person reading in turn a brief Scripture or devotional selection. The recordings were then played back so that "we might hear ourselves as others hear us." Helpful suggestions and constructive criticisms were offered.

The value of the radio workshop was expressed by one who has had considerable experience in radio when he said to Professor Crouch, "This has helped me."

A Continuing Fellowship

Necessary announcements were made at mealtime so as not to infringe upon the precious time of programmed sessions. At the Wednesday noon meal appreciations were expressed and greetings were received from several ministers who were not permitted to be present. In return, the conference sent greetings by those who brought them.

As we think back over the years of former Ministers' Conferences, we are deeply impressed that this truly is a continuing fellowship.

Worthy of Further Mention

Comfort on damp days and chilly evenings as we sat in session was due to the industry of those who provided wood for the large fireplace and of those who kept the fire burning.

Further comfort was assured by the thoughtfulness of the host Church in fur-

nishing folding chairs for the meeting place. It was noticed, however, on the occasion of a larger evening group, that some of our visiting friends endured the backless benches.

### The Quartet

A member of the program committee, Rev. E. Wendell Stephan, arranged for a conference quartet consisting of Reverends Albert N. Rogers, Orville W. Babcock, Francis D. Saunders, and Wayne R. Rood. The quartet effectively closed the session each evening and assisted at times in the devotional services.

#### Faith in Our Young Men

It was most enheartening to hear Rev. Erlo E. Sutton preface the Bible studies with touching remarks concerning his great confidence in the future of our denomination because of our young ministers.

As we know, one of the young men asked later, "Are the young men going to fail God and the older men?"

We think not.

The Communion Service

Purposely the program committee placed the 'Communion service at the close of the conference sessions. Rev. Claude L. Hill and Rev. Carroll L. Hill conducted the service. Rev. John F. Randolph and Rev. C. Rex Burdick served as deacons. Communion trays and plates were loaned by the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church and the bread and grape juice were brought by Rev. Kenneth B. Van Horn. We learned that a member of the Albion Church prepared the bread and another cared for the Communion linen.

As we entered the lodge room made ready for this intimate fellowship, and our minds and hearts were guided in reverent and searching meditation by Brothers Claude and Carroll, we sensed the very presence of Christ and were drawn to deeper devotion and higher loyalty to Him.

THIRTEENTH QUADRENNIAL
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# THE MATTER OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL AGAIN

By Dean Ahva J. C. Bond

For more than forty years, or since its organization, Seventh Day Baptists have been associated with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Periodically during that time, someone has advocated action by the General Conference to sever that relationship, and just as often the Conference has voted to continue this co-operative relationship with other Christian denominations concerned, with us, in maintaining a common front against rampant secularism and practical paganism. To withdraw now would seem to register a retreat at a time when as never before the world situation calls for a united stand on the part of the spiritual forces represented by the Churches. Shall we fail at this critical juncture to do our bit in this co-operative Christian service?

It has been suggested that the Conference this year set in motion the process whereby a vote of the Churches may be registered for a report a year hence. That would be a proper procedure under certain situations. However, it hardly seems necessary when the question is a matter already so often decided and always in harmony with Seventh Day Baptist polity and principles for three hundred years.

I could not accept the decision of the judge of a civil court as a definition of Congregationalism, whether spelled with a capital "C" or a small letter. Of course, if this procedure were adopted, since the question is on getting out of the Federal Council, the vote to withdraw would have to be unanimous for the motion. If only one Church should vote to stay in, then we would be obliged to stay in. I do not think that plan is in harmony with democratic principles, such as we are supposed to practice.

Another count against this method is the fact that the Federal Council as such will go out of existence nine months before the Conference meets in 1951. To be sure, there will be another organization to carry on the work of the council, and of more than a half-dozen other nation-wide organizations with which our denomina-

tion has long been affiliated. The Conference has already approved this merger, and both the Conference and the denominational boards, respectively, have agreed to participate in this new method of cooperation, co-operation in which only the method is new.

# MAY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON .

The May Fellowship Luncheon of the United Council of Church Women was held Friday, May 5, in the basement of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at North Loup, Neb. The covered dish lunch was served from long tables decorated with gay flowers. The members of the Dr. Grace Society were in charge.

Mrs. Edward Christensen presided in the absence of Mrs. Carroll Thomas, president. During the program there were two musical selections by the young ladies' trio, Mrs. Menzo Fuller, Mrs. Nels Jorgensen, and Mrs. George Cox, accompanied by Jeneane Brennick. Mrs. Donald Hutchins and Mrs. Cloyd Ingerson sang "The Lord's Prayer" as a duet. The devotionals using the theme for the day, "Our Daily Bread," were in charge of the ladies from the Mira Valley Evangelical United Brethren Church.

The address of the afternoon was given by Myra Thorngate Barber, who spoke on "Our Daily Bread and the Women of the Bible."

During the business session, Mrs. Harlan Brennick was elected president; Mrs. Elmer Hornickle, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Ralph Sawyer, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Vernon Thomas, secretary; and Mrs. Donald Hutchins, treasurer. — Contributed.

# **HELP WANTED**

We have a good position open for a young woman with knowledge of shorthand and typing to take over our "denominational desk."

If interested, write

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### FAITH IN OUR TIMES

(Central Association, Verona, N. Y., June 2-4, 1950)

The 111th annual session of the Central Association of the Seventh Day Baptist Churches came to a close Sunday night, June 4.

### Further Peace Efforts Requested

Resolutions urging further efforts to assure world peace and steps to outlaw the use of the hydrogen bomb highlighted the final business session.

The association is composed of ministers and laymen of Churches in De Ruyter, Brookfield, Leonardsville, Adams Center, Syracuse, and Verona, and the three-day series of meetings opened Friday night, June 2.

G. Allison Smith, Verona, was elected moderator, succeeding Chris Langworthy, Adams Center.

The first of the two resolutions passed at the business meeting requested President Truman to "enter into further sincere attempts" for world peace, "either through official channels or through personal efforts."

The second resolution urged the President to use his influence to outlaw use of the hydrogen bomb "or to guarantee that the U. S. will not initiate its use on any occasion other than the defense of the country."

#### New Officers

New officers elected to serve with Mr. Smith were: First assistant moderator, Donald Greene, Leonardsville; assistant moderators, Harry Parker, De Ruyter; Robert Langworthy, Brookfield; and Mrs. Nellie Barber, Adams Center.

Recording secretary, Mrs. Craig Sholtz, Verona; assistant recording secretary, Miss Glenice Welch, Leonardsville; corresponding secretary, Miss Bernice Rogers, Leonardsville; treasurer, Garrelt Bakker, Adams Center.

Members accepted an invitation from the Brookfield Church to hold the annual fall association meeting October 7 in that village. Members voted to hold the next annual spring association meeting June 1, 2, and 3 in Leonardsville.

The three-day meeting opened Friday night with a vesper service at which Rev. W. Allen Bond, Washington, D. C., spoke on the topic, "Personal Faith for Our Time," following the association meeting theme of "Faith in Our Time."

A Communion service was held under the direction of Rev. Herbert L. Polan, pastor of the Verona Church, assisted by Rev. Emmett H. Bottoms, Adams Center.

On Sabbath morning the service was led by Rev. Albert N. Rogers, pastor of the Second Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, Alfred Station, N. Y., and a member of the Alfred University School of Theology faculty, who spoke on the topic, "Worlds in Collision and the God Above."

#### Mock Trial Held

The Sabbath afternoon program was featured by a mock trial, entitled "Christian Youth on Trial." John O. Evans, Verona, served as judge. Prosecuting attorneys were Kenneth Davis and Roger Davis, while defense attorneys were Miss Jean Stone, Gerald Sholtz, and Olin Davis, all of Verona.

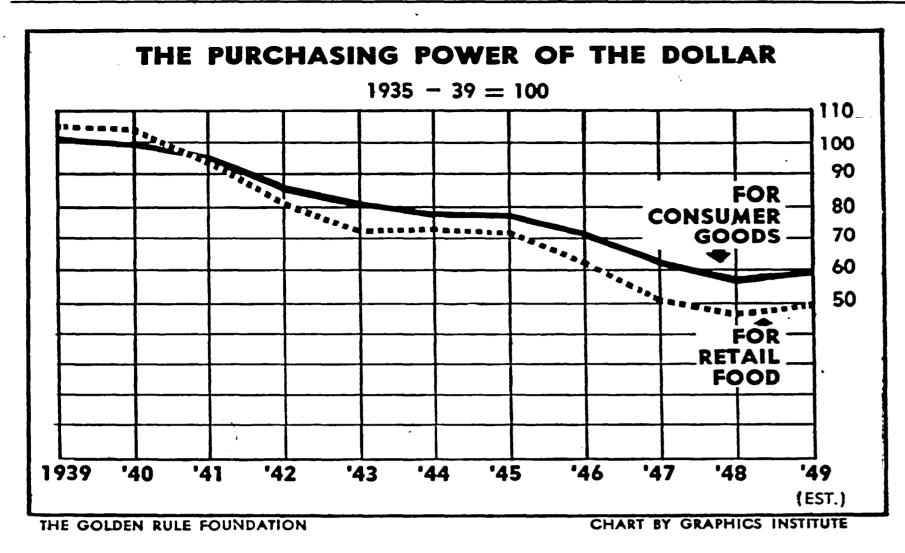
Warner Thayer, Jr., impersonated the character, "Christian Youth."

While the jurors, chosen from the audience, were deliberating, a talk was given by Mr. Rogers. Later, jurors announced they had been unable to agree on a verdict.

On Sabbath night a dinner was served to 137 persons in St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Churchville. Maurice Warner, Verona, was song leader, while George Davis served as toastmaster. Speakers were: Rev. Victor Skaggs, Little Genesee, and Duane Davis, a student at the Alfred University School of Theology.

Reading of entries in an essay contest on the topic, "Faith for Our Times," marked the closing meeting. Judges announced a four-way tie for first place with \$20 in prize money being divided among the contestants.

The winners were Miss Bernice Maltby, Adams Center, whose selection was read by Miss Louise Hyde, Verona; Miss Shirley Cagwin, Adams Center, whose essay was read by Miss Twila Sholtz, Verona; Richard Warner, Verona, and Glenn Phillips, De Ruyter. — Contributed.



### WHAT IS YOUR DOLLAR WORTH?

By Dr. Robert M. Hopkins
President, Golden Rule Foundation,
New York, N. Y.

The immediate reply is that a dollar is worth one hundred cents. How we like to say, "One hundred cents to the dollar."

But something has been happening to the American dollar. In common with almost all the national currencies of the world, our money has suffered from processes that resemble an inner decay, invisible but nonetheless devastating. Indeed, we have witnessed kingdoms rise and fall in these eventful days, on account of fluctuations in currency.

A recent release by the U. S. Department of Commerce, reviews the purchasing power of the dollar. The standard of measurement is the consumers' purchasing power during 1935 to 1939.

In World War II, the dollar fell rapidly. In 1940 it was worth 99.8 cents. In 1941 it dropped to 95.1 cents, then to 85.8 in 1942, to 80.9 in 1943, and to 79.7 in 1944.

The war came to an end, but the decline of the dollar did not. For the next four years it continued its downward

career, 77.9 cents in 1945, 71.8 in 1946, 62.8 in 1947, and 58.4 in 1948, the last date for which figures are given. The low mark was in July and August of 1948, when the American dollar for purchasing purposes was worth only 57.3 cents.

For the man dependent upon his earnings, this has meant that wages must be increased, even at the point of economic eruptions, for inflated dollars must be multiplied to care for a mounting cost of living.

For the man in retirement on pension, or living on savings, this has meant that the \$1,000 laid aside through insurance or otherwise, or coming through pension provisions, to meet old age requirements, is now worth only \$584, a little more than half the sum anticipated. New sources of income, therefore, must be found, or the standard of living greatly reduced.

For the college, the hospital, the Church, indeed for all agencies dependent upon voluntary support for maintenance, this depreciated dollar must be multiplied by two, or the budget correspondingly cut. Even if added to voluntary contributions an endowment has been available yielding a steady income, these income dollars also are

worth only about half their 1935-1939 value. Moreover, endowment income has been even further reduced in the majority of cases, because interest rates have been lowered.

One further factor must not be over-looked. In the budget for the cost of living, the largest item is the purchase of food. The Department of Commerce reports that in 1948 about thirty per cent of all consumer expenditures was devoted to the purchase of food. The retail food price value of the dollar, has, in this demoralizing decade, fallen even lower than the value of the dollar computed on the basis of total consumer expenditures. The 1948 figure for the food dollar is only 47.6 cents, as compared with the 58.4.

In other words, in the purchase of food, so essential to all life, our dollar has its lowest value. In the homes of both the laborer and the retired pensioner, for the clergyman in the Church, for the teacher and the pupil in the school, for the patient, the nurse, and the doctor in the hospital, for children in the orphanage, and aged occupants in the old people's home, indeed for all of us, the food dollar today in reality is less than half a dollar, just 47.6 cents.

It is well to commend advances reported in the support of benevolences, as we contemplate our stewardship responsibilities. But unless those advances in ten years approximate 100 per cent, they have really not compensated for that inner decay in our currency through which all contributions are made.

# THE SABBATH RECORDER SUBSCRIPTION PRICE

Recently several renewal subscriptions to the Sabbath Recorder have been received accompanied by \$2.50, the former yearly subscription rate.

On July 1, 1949, the subscription price of the Sabbath Recorder was increased to \$3 per year.

We feel sure that it is an oversight on the part of those who remit at the old rate.

We here call attention to the date which appears on your address label. All who have been sending \$2.50 instead of \$3 will notice that the date on the label has been advanced ten months instead of twelve.

# THE JAMAICA MISSION

# Sacred Program Effectively Presented

Students at Crandall High School, 29 Charles Street, Kingston, Jamaica, presented so beautifully a varied program of sacred music and drama on April 2, that the Kingston W. C. T. U. asked them to repeat their drama in order to raise money to send a delegate to England for the world W. C. T. U. Convention. Rev. Neal Mills, school principal and choirmaster (among other offices), directed the program, and Mrs. Mills was accompanist for the cantata.

The Spanish class presented three songs in Spanish and English; a boys' quartet and a girls' quartet each sang favorite Christian songs, and the rest of the program was taken up with Burkholder's cantata, "The Lord's Prayer," and the drama, "Diana of the Ephesians." The cantata consists of nine choral, duet, or solo groups and closes with the congregation praying the Master's model prayer. The drama was portrayed by five students and recounts the familiar story of Demetrius the silversmith of Acts 19.

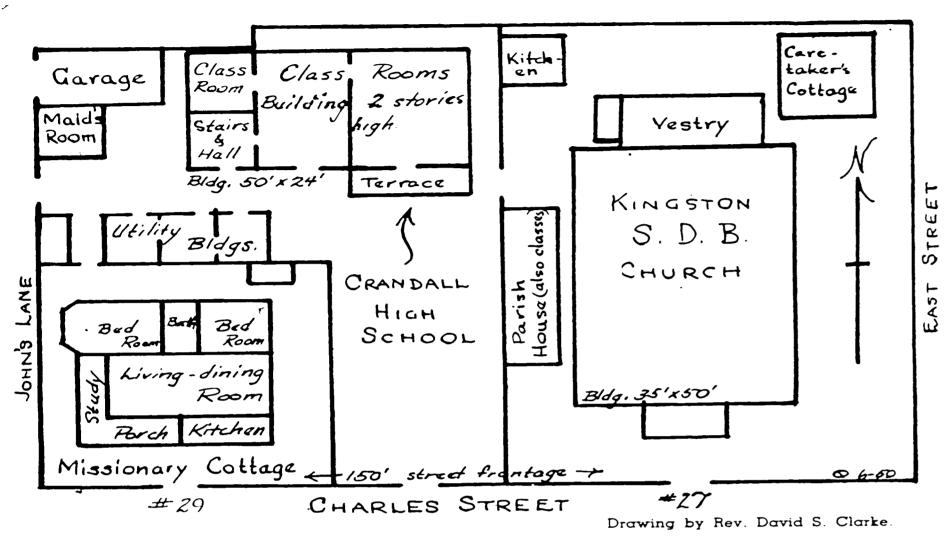
The advertising on the back of the mimeographed program was: "Crandall High School, a Christian secondary school—experienced teachers, modern equipment, good library, Cambridge courses, also commercial, preparatory, sewing, and music courses. Aim: To provide a sound education of secondary grade designed to fit young people for a fruitful Christian life and develop their abilities for the highest service to themselves and to society."

#### Selfless Service

Rev. Wardner Randolph, headmaster, chief Jamaican missionary, supervisor of our British Guiana field, Jamaican Conference corresponding secretary, pastor of the Kingston Church, teacher of the senior classes in history and geography, has more to do than most of us would care to look at squarely.

Rev. Neal Mills, principal, is in charge of attendance records, tuition fees, scholastic grades and records, and is treasurer of the school. He puts in full time as

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a teacher, and directs the Church choir once or twice each week. To help draw more funds into the school, Mr. Mills tutors advanced mathematics, English, and arithmetic four nights a week. With other obligations, that makes seven full evenings a week.

Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Randolph do not sit idly by. Mrs. Randolph teaches geography, serves in numerous women's group activities, runs her home, and is the Jamaica Conference treasurer. Mrs. Mills is busy all day in the schoolroom teaching in the preparatory department, and teaches music in the evenings. She has oversight of janitorial service, and serves as the Kingston Church treasurer.

And if our missionaries' children — Ronald Randolph and Miriam Mills — are not engaged in many duties in home, Church, and school, we'll be very much surprised. These youngsters share their parents' challenging and strenuous life at a time when all of us ought to be especially mindful of our Jamaican mission needs and of the sacrifices of our missionaries.

### New Pastor, More Students

It does not take much imagination (if any at all) to recognize the tremendous duties devolving on our Jamaicia missionaries at this stage in the development of our school and the Churches in the Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Conference.

Evangelistic work in the various fields has been so fruitful that in Portland Parish (County) a new native pastor, Stanley Sterling, has been placed by the Jamaican Conference without asking further aid from the American Conference. With Pastors Lyons, Grant, Burke, and Sister Smikle each serving specific fields, a considerable force of workers serves our twenty organized Churches and seven groups. Your Missionary Society sends \$50 each month toward the support of these pastors. Interest is continuing toward evangelistic work in still other cities and towns in Jamaica, and the securing and direction of leadership is an unmet need there as it is here in America.

In Crandall High School, the boarding department was discontinued earlier this

year to allow more room for classes, and now between 15 and 20 more pupils can study. This means that about 65 students are now enrolled, and that for the first time the school operated within a single term on an "operating profit." (The school has a deficit of about \$105.) With use of the boarding department's three rooms, the regular three classrooms and hallway, and the parish house in the churchyard, the enlarged enrollment is quite nicely accommodated. Plans now are to reopen the boarding department again when the agricultural vocational department can be developed in the country.

And there is still greater need for the kind of education Crandall High is prepared to give, if it had more resources, more teachers. "So many fathers come to me," writes Rev. Mr. Randolph, "saying that they wish that they could send their boys to school. They cannot finance it. . . . The boys can no longer go to government schools." There are many bright boys who need to be in school today and who will be lost to the Church and to the parents next year. Crandall High School has its staff of seven teachers, its co-operative, its music, commercial, and sewing departments, its close affiliation with the Kingston Church. But there is need for more scholarships, for more equipment and housing, for a teacher to replace Rev. Wardner Randolph while he is on furlough.

#### Teacher in Specialized Internship

Socrates Thompson of Kingston and Waterford, Jamaica, is securing the best possible training he can to teach in the school upon his return, and to serve as an evangelist wherever occasion may allow. His expenses at Milton College are met only partly by the board's present budget, yet Milton College, Sc crates himself, and the board are moving ahead in faith that the best preparation is needed for the high aim set for Crandall High's Seventh Day Baptist training of leaders for Jamaica. This summer, Mr. Thompson will be taking an Agricultural Missions - U. S. Department of Agriculture Extension Internship at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. His work there will involve a ten-day institute at Tuskegee and nine weeks of actual ex-

perience with a selected county extension agent whose Christian character and Church interests are known to the Tuskegee director of such work. This "internship" is part of Agricultural Missions' many services to nationals and missionaries, and was discovered through our Foreign Missions Conference affiliation.

As now planned, Mr. Thompson will complete his degree work in the spring of 1951, and will return soon thereafter to take up duties in the school and Churches of his native country.

Can God Answer Prayers Through You?

Perhaps you are one who has not directed a reserved part of your income to a specific Christian project. Would not the Denominational Budget be the best possible place you could help God to answer the prayers of our Jamaica missionaries for more adequate supplies to meet their people's needs? Your part in the Denominational Budget would benefit our Jamaican missionaries also in the sense that they would know that the crying needs of others are being met along with their own great problems, would it not?

Perhaps you are one who has a desire to help some individual with Christian friendship and with funds for life training. Would not a Crandall High scholarship of \$40 (junior) or \$50 (senior) afford that opportunity?

Perhaps you have a "yen" to share books, sewing equipment, or other project materials with Christians of other lands. Is not Crandall High School a splendid opportunity for putting materials to Christian purposes?

Write the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society, Westerly, R. I., regarding any of these kingdom opportunities. D. S. C.

#### MEETING HOUSE STORY REPRINT

Herbert O. Brigham, librarian, Newport Historical Society, has announced that in response to numerous requests the society has reprinted "the story of the Seventh Day Baptist Meeting House originally written by Mrs. R. Sherman Elliott in 1929." Copies may be obtained from the Newport Historical Society, 82 Touro Street, Newport, R. I., for twenty-five cents each.

# **WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR JULY**

By Mrs. Annabel Bowden

Hymn: "Lead on, O King Eternal!"

Scripture: Psalm 1.

Theme: Sacrifice.

We are approaching the birthday of our great nation. How happy the people were when they heard the old Liberty Bell ring out our independence! They were overjoyed because they realized that the bell was proclaiming our freedom from the tyranny of a mighty power. This freedom was gained by the sacrifice of brave men and women who gave their lives to establish a nation in which all might have equal rights and opportunity to worship God in their own way. Even the country which fought to prevent that freedom came to recognize that America is really a great nation. America has never been an aggressor country but always has shown a willingness to help and protect the oppressed.

If the same high standards of our country which were established by our fore-fathers are to be maintained in the future; we must look well into the education of our youth. The three great institutions which are largely responsible for the training of our future citizens are the home, the school, and the Church.

Much emphasis is being placed upon intellectual attainments today. This is necessary and to be commended, but there is still a greater objective for which to work and that is the objective of Christian living. To truly follow the words and example of the greatest teacher of all teachers, Jesus Christ, we must be willing to have faith in the power of the Father and to sacrifice our personal desires for the welfare of others.

While we are nearing July fourth we should remember the holiday which we recently celebrated — Memorial Day. It is the day on which we pause to decorate the graves of the noble heroes who are enshrined in our memories, because they made the supreme sacrifice to give us the privileges and freedoms which we now enjoy. We too should be willing to sacrifice in order that all may share the

blessings and privileges of our democratic way of life.

Too many people pray with the same spirit as the little boy who astounded his mother when he said: "Dear God, please make me a better boy if you can, but if you can't, don't bother; for I'm having a mighty good time as it is." They want to serve God on the one hand and participate in worldly pleasures on the other.

God wants His followers to be sincere in their efforts, generous in overlooking the faults of others, forgiving in spirit, and ready to extend a hand to the needy.

When we see so much of evil in the land it is heartening to feel and know that there are thousands of loyal Christians where trying to follow the teachings of s, and who are brave and self-sacrificing. They are the ones who have been the builders in the past, and the ones who in the days of fear and frustration are seeking to bring order out of chaos and to hold to the things that will build for peace and not destruction throughout the world.

Prayer: Dear Father, help us to so live that we may so glorify Thee that others may learn of Thy love for all mankind. Help us to forget self in service for others and to be willing to sacrifice that Thy will and not our will may be done. Accept the deep gratitude we feel for the blessings which Thou hast bestowed so mercifully upon us. Help us to live in simplicity, to work for human uplift, and to be good citizens of our great country. We ask all in the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." Shiloh, N. J.

**LEWIS CAMP** 

Ashaway, R. I.

July 18-27, 1950

Ages 12-18

CAMP HOLSTON Battle Creek, Mich. 1950

Intermediates — July 23-30 Juniors — July 31 - August 2

### DAY CAMPING POSSIBILITIES

In planning your summer-time program for children, have you thought about day camping?

Day camping combines the wholesome life of camp with the advantages of living in a familiar environment and the opportunity of parent participation. It is less expensive than residence camping, and consequently available to a larger group of children.

During recent years there has been a rapid growth in the number of day camps planned for children. Now Churches are having day camps, recognizing the advantages of a camp program in a close-to-home setting so the camper may sleep and eat his morning and evening meals at home but during the day he may live in an out-of-door environment. The fellowship of a day camp should approximate a Christian community with its opportunity to grow in wisdom, stature, and favor with God and men.

Experimentation is still being made with the type of program which will be most rewarding in a Christian day camp. But here are a few principles which are generally accepted as valid. They will guide the planning committee interested in starting a local day camp.

- 1. Choose a site which, if possible, is within thirty minutes traveling time, which has adequate sanitary facilities, a building which may be used in case of rain, and a place for outdoor cooking.
- 2. Remember this is a camp, and not a vacation school moved out-of-doors. Build a camp program emphasizing outdoor activities hikes, nature discoveries, campfires, cook-outs, nature crafts, swimming and boating, etc.
- 3. Have a minimum of one leader for each six children and organize the day's activities so most of them are planned and are carried out by this "Counselor Group."
- 4. Plan at least one program in which the parents may share, for example a closing picnic and campfire.
- 5. Eliminate rewards except as they come for group achievement and individual growth not for success in competition.

Day camping is growing. It is a thrilling summer adventure for the children and leaders alike. And it is an appropriate type of program for the Church to sponsor. Additional guidance material on day camping will be available through the International Council of Religious Education in the near future. If you are interested in further information, write to the Board of Christian Education, Alfred, N. Y. We will also be interested to hear of any day camps which you direct or in which you share this summer. R. I. H.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS NOTES

By Rev. Ronald I. Hargis
Executive Secretary, Seventh Day Baptist
Board of Christian Education

- ◆ Churches in the area might take note of the Religious Drama Workshop to be held at Green Lake, Wis., August 7-18, 1950. This is a field rich in possibilities for the local Church program.
- ◆ The Board of Christian Education would be interested to hear about the results of camps in the associations. Information such as number attending, program, leadership, and follow-up planned are essential to the records of the board.
- ◆ Pre-Conference Retreat, August 17-21. It will be a vital program of inspiration and training you will not want to miss. Plan now to go.

# PACIFIC PINES CAMP Crestline, Calif. 1950

Young People — June 18-25 Children — June 25 - July 2 Adults — July 2-9

PRE-CONFERENCE RETREAT

Camp Caesar, W. Va.

August 17-20, 1950

# Children's Page

#### Towser to the Rescue

If there was any one thing Judy and Harry Warren wanted more than anything else, it was a nice collie dog for a playmate.

"Just think, Mommy," said Harry longingly, "how nice it would be if we had a nice brave collie dog. Then no old thief would dare to break into our house."

"Yes," added Judy, "and if we had a nice brave dog no bad boys would ever dare to plague or harm us."

And every day, first one and then the other would beg, "Oh, Daddy! Please get us a nice big dog. Just think what a fine playmate he would be!"

They wanted the dog so badly that they began to think they would surely have one some day. They formed the habit of saying over and over, "When we get Towser what fun we will have."

At last Judy and Harry's father did come home one night bringing them a fine, big collie dog, and how happy they were! They learned to love him dearly and he was devoted to them. He followed them to school every morning, rain or shine, and was always on hand to join them when school was out. No bad boy dared to bother them for no dog was ever a braver protector.

Not far from their home was a beautiful lake and their father would often take them out in a shining new rowboat. He cautioned them against going out for a row alone, although Harry had become quite skillful in rowing, and even Judy could row pretty well.

But one summer day, when it seemed bright and balmy, Harry said, "I can row almost as good as Daddy. I don't believe he'd care if I rowed just a little way from shore. It's such a nice day."

Judy agreed and they climbed into the boat. Soon Harry was rowing out from shore. But in his pride and excitement Harry rowed out much farther than he had expected. Although the day had seemed pleasant, one of those sudden windstorms came up. Towser must have realized it before they did. He kept barking and pulling at Harry's coat as the clouds

began to roll up and the wind began to blow.

"Oh, Harry!" cried Judy, "we must get back to shore as soon as we can or the boat will tip over. Just see how it rocks."

In his hurry to get the boat to land, the oars slipped from Harry's hands. They were two very frightened children, for the boat rocked from side to side. But Towser, to their surprise, seemed to know just what to do. Over the side of the boat he leaped and began to swim towards the shore. As soon as he reached the shore he raced home. Mrs. Warren was ironing Judy's best white dress when Towser barked furiously at the kitchen door. When it was opened he pulled at Mrs. Warren's dress, and then ran out of the door barking furiously. Mr. Warren who had just come in started after him. All at once the thought came to him that the children might be in danger because of the storm, and so he hurriedly pulled down a length of clothesline and hurried after Towser.

As soon as they reached the shore the dog took the end of the clothesline which the father, suddenly seeing the rocking boat and the frightened children, threw to him. Finally after much effort Towser reached the boat.

"Harry, tie the rope to that iron ring in the front of the boat," called his father. Soon the sobbing boy had succeeded in tying the rope to the boat.

"Hold tight to the boat," shouted father. Then grasping the rope he pulled with all his strength and after several minutes had the children safely on shore. It was just in time, for the boat suddenly tipped over.

"Oh, Daddy!" cried the little boy, "It was all my fault. I tried to think you wouldn't care if I rowed the boat when you weren't there, but really I knew you would. You should punish me very hard."

"You have had punishment enough," said his father softly. "I think you have learned your lesson the hard way and will not be tempted to disobey again."

"Aren't you glad Towser is such a smart dog and that he is ours?" asked Judy.

"Yes, indeed," replied father.

Harry put his arms around Towser's neck, as wet as it was, and cried, "Thank you, Towser, for saving our lives."

Is Towser the only one you should thank?" asked father. The children said reverently as with one voice, "Thank you, God, for making Towser such a smart dog. That's why he helped to save us from drowning." Their father joined in a reverent "Amen."

Mizpah S. Greene.

### **CHURCH NEWS**

VERONA, N. Y. — About one hundred delegates from the Churches in the Central Association were in attendance at the sessions held in the Verona Church June 2-4. The meetings were interesting and uplifting.

Pastor Polan recently attended the 40th anniversary commencement of his class at Milton, Wis. He visited his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Turck, en route to Milton.

The Young People's Social Club was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stone. Canastota, on the evening of June 10. At the close of the literary and musical program, refreshments were served by the hostess consisting of a delicious, beautifully decorated cake and grape juice punch in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sholtz who were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

In the absence of Pastor Polan on Sabbath, June 10, the young people had charge of the Church service. After an anthem by the choir a sermon was read by Olin Davis. Others who assisted in the service were: Joyce Sholtz, Morris Warner, Twila Sholtz, and Craig Sholtz. — Press Committee.

#### UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

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# ——— BIRTHS

Guyer. -- Sherman Axthle, born April 3, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Axthle Guyer of New Enterprise, Pa.

# Marriages

Ebersole - Musselman. - In the Salemville Seventh Day Baptist Church on May 10, 1950, occurred the wedding of Duane Ebersole and Adelene Musselman, Partor Paul S. Burdick, officiating. Their address is Route 1, New Enterprise, Pa.

### HELP!

The Sabbath Recorder Fund is low. That is, the balance in the fund is small.

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Also, money is transferred from the Sabbath Recorder Fund to provide subscriptions for certain native leaders on some of our mission fields.

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# Thine is the Glory

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