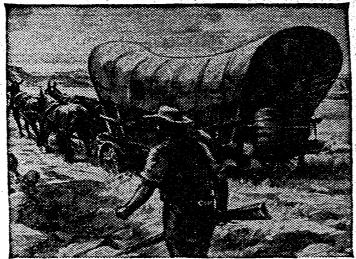
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The sound includes some top radio voices. Specially prepared music was played by the NBC Symphony Orchestra. This unusual sound track came into being as a network broadcast of the National Broadcasting Company. As a service to the American Bible Society, permission was granted for its use in this film strip.

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GOD KNOWS

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:

'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.'

And he replied:

'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'

Minnie Louise Haskins.

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NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

By W. W. Reid

"In these days of selfishness, materialism, and greed, our citizens must know and understand the principles of Christianity lest chaos and decay result," wrote FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover to the Christian Home League of Syracuse, N. Y. "Proper moral training in the home will produce men of character and of fortitude, well qualified to lead America as our forefathers planned. . . . By religious training in the home, the foundation stone upon which our country is built will be strengthened, and both God and our nation will be served."

One of the bright spots in literacy work in Latin America is the program headed by Rev. Raul Fernandez Beballos, secretary of the Cuban Council of Churches. During a two-year campaign, the "Laubach method" has been used in 117 towns and villages of Cuba. The first pupil in the campaign in Baguanos has in turn taught more than fifty others to read and write. The Committee on Co-operation in Latin America supplied the funds needed by the Cuban Council for ten thousand reprints of the "method" in Spanish, posters for publicizing the campaign, and Bible portions in simple language for the new literates.

The formation of an "anti-retirement league" to help abolish the present American "concept of retirement" and lead men to active work in the Churches and for Christian and welfare causes is advocated by Professor Elton Trueblood of Earlham College. He proposes that United Church Men — department of the National Council of Churches — work to develop a volunteer lay ministry of men no longer engaged in their active occupations to take leading places in Church work, even to becoming pastors of abandoned or pastorless congregations. "Christians, whatever the worldly expectation may be, should be people who rule out retirement as unchristian and absurd," he says. "There are countless tasks in the promotion of the Christian cause for persons who have retired from business. Men of commercial or industrial experience, as an example of the service these men could render, would be useful in the business management of Churches. The way out of the manpower shortage is to find men who are glad to volunteer their services to the Churches and thus engage in a productive lay ministry."

CONSECRATION

We are thinking here of "the state of being consecrated." As we devote our lives — time, talents, and means — to helping Christ's kingdom to come among men, we are consecrated.

A picket frozen on duty — A mother starved for her brood — Socrates drinking the hemlock, And Jesus on the rood; And millions who, humble and nameless, The straight, hard pathway trod — Some call it Consecration,

And others call it God.* -William Herbert Carruth.

Rather stern demands, these! Yet, we wonder if we are not getting too soft as Christians and as Seventh Day Baptists. The Christian life is one of exacting demands and discipline. Otherwise it is not Christian, if we understand the term. Possibly this is where many of us fail.

It may be human nature to shrink from the exactions of discipline. Yet, we cannot shrink if we would be most effective in the kingdom task. The Apostle Paul exhorted the young man, Timothy, "Take your share of suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything." 2 Timothy 2: 3-7 (RSV).

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews counseled, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."

Hebrews 12: 1, 2 (RSV).

The glorious experience of discipline radiates from these two exhortations.

When we think of the discipline evidenced by our Lord and Master at every

turn, how can we His followers do less than accept such disciplines as will help us to become more like Him?

Only those of us who will increasingly accept the disciplines of Christ which will release ever larger blocks of time for kingdom work, which will make ever more available our talents for his use, and which will stimulate an ever greater portion of our means for His work, will come to know more of the marvelous thrill of being consecrated.

The consecration which an entire surrender to Christ will make possible is the peerless privilege of all who will yield themselves to Him without reservation. Will you?

* From "Each in His Own Tongue," in Quotable Poems by Clark-Gillespie. Willett, Clark, and Colby, publishers. Used by permis-

"THE LAND OF THE FREE"

This is "the land of the free."

Recently we sat in the dentist's chair looking out of the window. A patient, whose appointment had "interspersed" ours, left the dentist's office to get into his new, shiny car.

Just then, our attention was drawn to a garbage collector's truck across the street.

Here is the key to an understanding of our democracy. This truly is a free land. Men are free to be dentists or to be garbage collectors as choice and circumstances direct. They are just as free to take care of the teeth as they are to care of that which the teeth do not chew. This comparison indicates the basis for the operation of honest free enterprise in the United States of America. This is a land of free enterprise.

Another lesson may be drawn. There was little, if any, way of knowing the profession of the patient who left the dentist's office. Judging from his features and dress, he must have been a professional man. We did not ask him. He did not carry the equipment of his calling.

Across the street from this man was the garbage collector's truck whose operator was unmistakably a garbage collector. It is possible that the dentist, the patient, and the garbage collector live in the same neighborhood. If they reside in a small town, their children probably attend the same school. When their children grow up and choose their occupations and professions, it does not necessarily mean that they will follow in their father's footsteps. This is "the land of the free" in the choice of lifework, limited only by ability and

opportunity.

Again, these three men may be of the same faith or they may be of different faiths. One may be a Jew, one a Catholic, and one a Protestant. On their day of worship, dressed in their best, only a few distinguishing features would give clue to their workaday contribution to the welfare of their fellow men. The garbage collector might even be driving the family to Church in as recent a car as the dentist or patient.

At any rate, these three are on an equal footing before their Creator in this "land of the free." They are free to worship as they choose.

Not so in every land!

Why is it that "twelve men," or one man, or six, will try to upset the balance of a free land in which men are free to choose what they will do, where they will go, and how they will worship? All in relation to the claims of God and their fellow man, of course!

In the answer to this question lies the peace and security of the world. We will arrive, God willing!

AN AFTER-CHRISTMAS PRAYER

By Irene Post Hulett

As Christmas' joyfulness departs
Stay Thou, O Christ, within our hearts!

May humdrum living never mar
The brilliancy of Bethlehem's star,
And may Thy manger ever be
A symbol of humility!

Throughout the lovely Christmastide Thy Presence has seemed amplified!

Oh, may we never lose the sense
Of comforting Omniscience,
And lest we miss Salvation's cost,
'Grave deeply on our hearts, Thy Cross!
Milton, Wis.

Items from the Corresponding Secretary's Office

American Sabbath Tract Society

From time to time I receive requests from individuals who are striving to do missionary work in their communities which are far from the influence of any of our Churches. They ask that we as Sabbathkeepers offer up prayers for the success of their work, for themselves personally and their homes, and the homes of those with whom they are working. I feel that this is not simply for a personal prayer but that it should include our Sabbath families.

To honestly comply with these requests, I will, from time to time, send them, with what details I have, to three or four of our pastors, asking them to co-operate by offering a prayer from their pulpits, thereby influencing members of their congregations to also remember these fellow workers in their private prayers.

Frank R. Kellogg, Secretary.

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FROM THE FITZRANDOLPHS

Late in October, a request was received from Rev. Wardner T. Fitzrandolph, 29 Charles Street, Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I., as follows:

"I want you to express through the Recorder the thanks of Mrs. Randolph and myself and our deep appreciation for the many cards and letters expressing a bon voyage and remembrance of our wedding anniversary. It would take more time than we have to express our appreciation individually, so we wish to take this way of doing so."

This expression of appreciation should have appeared sometime in November. The Sabbath Recorder regrets the omission and hopes that this delayed appearance will be nonetheless acceptable and appreciated.

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THE REINDEER THAT CAME TO ALFRED STATION

(A Christmas Greeting)

It isn't really a reindeer, of course, but it is a real deer and most of us call her Bambi.

At first we called her other things less romantic when she began visiting our gardens. We wrote the game warden. There was even talk of having her shot. But it was soon evident that she nibbled here and there instead of following a row. And we had to admit her feet were too dainty to trample things, so the village rather adopted her. Someone on the edge of town had fed her through the late winter, and she seemed to like our scores of children.

During the summer, traffic problems were caused by camera enthusiasts and those who stopped to pet Bambi. Front porches became a favorite haunt when she could hear the radio playing inside. Once she seemed to be watching the television through the window and once she all but walked into Church with the congregation. When hunting season arrived she disappeared, but the first day after it closed Bambi visited us to taste a few winter carrots and see if we were all all right.

Life's values seem sometimes to be all mixed — we wonder if the price tags have been changed around during the night, as William Temple put it. Often then a reindeer pays us a visit — meaning a factor in our environment of which we are not quite aware. Probably we are hostile to this unexpected influence, and ashamed afterwards like those who threw stones at Bambi. In the little town of Bethlehem there was "no room in the inn."

A pet deer is likely to meet a sad end sooner or later. But Alfred Station, or any town, can be glad for the renewing, transforming power of nature and kindness, and of God as we know Him in Christ.

Albert and Janette Rogers and Family.

Every child you have is a reason for hating the liquor traffic. — Clipsheet.

EVIDENCE OF A BLESSED PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP

This last Sabbath as the pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Dodge Center is in many ways a sad occasion. A time of parting is often sad; especially when it is for an indefinite period of time. Our family has grown in Dodge Center. Barby and Wayne have started to school here. We have come to enjoy the friendship of many people here, to know the fellowship of their homes. We have worked together for five and a half years in kingdom tasks. We have worked side by side in enlarging the physical plant of our Church.

The time has come that our relationship as a pastor, his family, and a people must come to an end. We follow the call of the Lord to the pastorate of another Church; you await the leadership of another pastor. I congratulate you on your choice of a pastor. I am sure that he will lead you in the kingdom work. He will be your friend: your pastor, ever ready to work with you, to counsel with you, to study with you as the occasion may demand. Welcome him as you have welcomed us. Take him into your homes and make him your friend. Hold up his hands that he may be given the faith and the power to guide where God directs. Ever keep the Gospel of Christ before you and ever remind yourselves of that mark of discipleship as found in John 13: 35, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

I could preach a farewell sermon, but I much prefer to bring a Christmas message. May God richly bless you all. May you move forward in kingdom tasks under the leadership of the one whom God is sending you. — Dodge Center, Minn., Church Bulletin, December 15, 1951.

A QUEER SITUATION

If someone came into your front room and advised your little boy or little girl to drink beer and other intoxicants, you would probably remonstrate with him very forcibly, but the brewers and wine makers come into your home and do that very thing under the protection of the United States Government. It's about time to get busy, brother! — Clipsheet.

ARMED FORCES PREACHING MISSION FOR 1952

President Truman's "earnest hope for the success" of an evangelistic program designed to carry the Christian Gospel to U. S. defense forces in this country was expressed in a message to a luncheon meeting launching the program at the Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y., on December 10.

Both President Truman and General George Marshall commended the plan for the 1952 Armed Forces Preaching Mission, scheduled to reach some 90 army camps and 30 naval bases next January and February, with week-long missions sponsored by the General Commission on Chaplains and the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.

"As we build up our military strength to secure the free world from aggression," President Truman wrote, "we must be equally diligent to strengthen the moral and spiritual life of our Armed Forces. The struggle in which we and our allies are engaged is, as the Apostle Paul so aptly put it: 'Against the rulers of the darkness of this world.' To keep such darkness from our nations, we must be constantly alert to those spiritual values on which our country was built.

"I commend the efforts to re-emphasize those truths that you and your colleagues in the clergy are making."

General Marshall lauded the evangelistic program "for its effective efforts to bulwark the spiritual strength not only of our men under arms but of the nation as a whole."

"Wherever freedom has been enjoyed in this world," the general wrote, "it was established by men who overthrew tyranny or broke the chains of slavery by the power they derived from spiritual strength. In this time of world crisis, spiritual strength again must be the foundation upon which we build the power to maintain freedom by repelling the evil which seeks to destroy it."

Other messages of appreciation were read at the meeting from Vice-Admiral Laurence T. Dubose, U.S.N., and from Chaplain Roy H. Parker, chief of chaplains of the U. S. Army.

The hundred luncheon guests, including ministers who will take part in the preaching missions and chaplains from installations in the New York area, also heard addresses by Congressman Walter H. Judd, of Minnesota, formerly a medical missionary to China; Chaplain Stanton W. Salisbury, chief of Navy chaplains, and Chaplain James T. Wilson, representing the Army chaplains.

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson, chairman of the General Commission on Chaplains, and head of the joint committee arranging the Armed Forces Preaching Mission, presided at the luncheon. Dr. Jesse M. Bader, executive director of the National Council's Joint Department of Evangelism, outlined plans for the evangelistic program.

More than 250 speakers, including preachers of 40 Protestant and Eastern Orthodox communions, will take part in the preaching missions to servicemen and women during January and February, he said. Each of the week-long missions, Dr. Bader stated, will open on Sunday and continue through the following Friday night. The mission program, he explained, will include mass meetings, individual counseling, discussion groups, services in guard houses and base hospitals, and conferences of team members with chaplains. Two or three civilian clergymen, he said, will comprise each evangelistic team.

Dr. Bader and Dr. Frederick Cropp, secretary of the American Bible Society, who also took part in the luncheon, are both officers of the committee planning arrangements for the missions, which have the over-all theme of "Christ Is the Answer."

Denominational leaders and representatives of the chiefs of chaplains of the Armed Forces are members of the committee. — NCCC Release.

He who is willing to work six days in the week, and who without fear, or thought of compromise, observes the seventh as a day holy unto God, will find his material wants supplied, while at the same time his soul is fed on the hidden manna. — Sabbath Motto.

Ten Years After the Day of Infamy

Ten years ago, on a Sunday afternoon, the editor of the Clipsheet idly turned on the radio.

"I can see great columns of smoke over Pearl Harbor," said the announcer, "and the explosions are terrific. Believe me, ladies and gentlemen, this is war!"

The listener ran out to the lawn and called to the Puerto Rican servant of Colonel (now General) Dalbey: "Tell your folks to turn on the radio. The Japanese are bombing Pearl!"

Millions of Americans were asking: "Has our confidence in the Armed Forces been unjustified?"

It was not unjustified. This was proved by the workmanlike way in which new fleets were created and manned and victory hewed from impossibility. The men who were taken by surprise at Pearl Harbor were unsurpassed in technical training, intelligence, and courage.

What explains their being caught "flat-footed"?

The Chicago Tribune recently protested the implication that drunkenness was responsible. It cited the finding of the Roberts Commission that sufficient men were present and in condition to defend the fleet, the airfield, and the city. We do not doubt it, but the point is a subtle one.

There is much testimony to the fact that liquor was everywhere on Saturday night preceding the attack. Bars were crowded. Thousands of uniformed men thronged the streets and the bars, three fifths of which were operated by Japanese. There is no doubt that the Japanese attacked on Sunday — and after payday because they believed that the "morning after the night before" was a propitious time. For this, they passed up the "dark of the moon." They say so and the Strategic Bombing Survey* says so. Presumably they did not expect to find drunken Americans on duty — and they did not but they did expect to find the defending personnel below par. And they did.

There is new evidence — that of the Japanese officer who led the attack. Certainly his evidence is worth hearing and it is in line with other Japanese testimony. He is Captain Mitsuo Fuchida, formerly of the Japanese Navy, who led the air order remained in effect.

raid which sank five American battleships, seriously damaged three others, not to speak of smaller vessels.

In a letter to Ernest Gordon, of Evanston, Ill., a man of high repute, Captain Fuchida says:

"I have often been asked why the attack on Pearl Harbor was made on Sunday morning.

"The plan was to open the war by attack on Pearl Harbor with the destruction of the American forces there. The American fleet was returning thither for weekend rest. This was the main reason. However, the Japanese High Command mentally assumed that American seamen would be drinking and on Sunday would be crippled for fighting.

"In fact, on Saturday and Saturday night before the attack, we aviators, listening in to the Honolulu radio, felt sure that there would be very much drinking among American seamen and soldiers. It would be payday and the drink shops would be running full steam. We heard jazz over the Honolulu radio all night long.

"So we smiled. We knew very well that on the following morning, there would be oversleeping and unpreparedness.

"Among us Japanese naval officers we too had had experience with drink, so much so that a certain American naval officer described the Japanese fleet as manned with drinking officers and washing sailors (i.e. laundering clothes). He added that 'if the Japanese officers gave up drink, it would be a fearful thing for the American Navy.'

"But during the days before and after Pearl Harbor, the Japanese did give up drink. We depended upon the American Navy's being 'caught wet.'"

That drink was a factor in the situation is conclusively proved by the action of General Walter C. Short, who, immediately after the attack, closed every drinking place in Honolulu. Crime, drunkenness, and disorder well-nigh disappeared. Traffic accidents dropped eighty per cent. Official records, which show 634 arrests during the first thirty days of repeal, showed 208 during the seventy-seven days during which prohibition by military order remained in effect.

Drunkenness has been the scourge of every armed force for the past thousand years — and more. But drinking — not drunkenness — with its resultant slackness, carelessness, waste, take-it-easy inefficiency, is the real peril. The reason that Honolulu did not have ample warning devices, adequately manned, was that the man responsible had been fooling away his time with drinking and "partying" instead of doing his job.

Drinking at Pearl! Drinking at Yalta, Teheran, Potsdam! Drinking which makes first-class leadership second-rate! Drinking, which makes thinking slow and inaccurate, reactions belated, and performance poor! Will it yet prove our doom?

America faces a worse danger today than it did on December 7, 1941. We stand face to face with destiny and the question is, "Shall the free world live or die?" Death at the hands of pagan barbarians — brutal, cruel, evil men, is possible. Still worse, we may not die but live to endure physical, mental, and spiritual slavery. It is no time to drink! — Clipsheet.

*"In view of the phase of the moon, the tenth of December would have been most suitable from a tactical standpoint, since the darkness would facilitate surprise. However, because of the general international situation and the possible advantages to be derived from a Sunday attack, the Imperial Headquarters . . . designated the eighth of December as 'X' Day." — From the Campaigns of the Pacific War, a report of the United States Strategic Bombing Survey.

The Vatican Issue

Reasons why the President of the United States should not appoint an ambassador to the Vatican:

It is against our constitutional policy of separation of Church and State.

It shows favoritism to one branch of

religion.

The Ambassador to Italy can handle any affair there as he is located in the same

city.

While it may be a "unique source of information," nothing would be disclosed to our ambassador that the pontiff thought unwise.

It would be an unnecessary spending of thousands of dollars.

"May the Lord give us wisdom to decide all issues wisely and the courage to act on our decisions." — Lost Creek, W. Va., Church Bulletin.

COMING EVENTS Meetings of Denominational Boards and Agencies

Tract Board — Bimonthly Meeting, Sunday, January 13, 1952, 2 p.m., at the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Plainfield, N. J.

(Announcements will be published in this calendar as received, but must reach the Sabbath Recorder office at least two weeks prior to publication date. Increasingly let us remember these events and meetings in prayer.)

Obituaries

Thorngate. — Guy Henry, son of Gaylord William and Mary Nurse Thorngate, was born January 13, 1897, in North Loup, Neb., and died December 7, 1951, at Fort Logan, Colo.

He was married to Elsie S. Green of North Loup, March 16, 1916. To this union were born three children: Mrs. Mary Wolfkiel, Alameda, Calif.; Gordon G., Denver, Colo.; and Mrs. Geraldine Van Dyke, Fort Logan. He is survived by his wife, children, four grandchildren, a brother, Paul G. of Denver, and a sister, Mrs. Mabel Wright of Boulder, Colo.

Mr. Thorngate was a member of the Denver Police Force for 25 years, retiring May 1, 1951. He joined the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church early in life, transferring his letter to the Denver Church where he shared in various Church activities. He was a loving husband and father and a jolly and helpful friend to those who knew him.

The memorial service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, December 10, 1951, at the Moore Mortuary, Denver. Interment was in Crown Hill Cemetery, Denver.

Pieters. — Johanna, wife of Henry Pieters and daughter of Johannes and Matilda Huykman Glaser of Haarlem, the Netherlands, was born May 31, 1881, and died November 10, 1951, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward W. Wells, 29 Woodside Avenue, East Aurora, N. Y.

She married Henry Pieters November 24, 1909, at Shiloh, N. J., where they resided until 1915. At that time they purchased the Alfred Bakery and moved to Alfred to make their home until shortly before her death.

Mrs. Pieters joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church in the Netherlands in her youth and belonged to the Shiloh and Alfred Churches in later years.

She is survived by her husband, by Mrs. Johanna C. Kesson, Christine Pieters, Mrs. Henrietta Wells, Mrs. Anne Fuller, and Mrs. Jeanette Cornelius; six grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Leonard Breeman of Brookneal, Va.; and a brother, David Glaser of Haarlem, the Netherlands; several nieces and nephews.

Farewell services were conducted at the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church by her pastor, Rev. E. T. Harris, with interment in Alfred Rural Cemetery. E. T. H.