

The Sabbath Recorder

join the California Thorngate Clinic. The fourth son, Philip, now in college plans to take up medicine and join his family in future years.

Two Seventh Day Baptists were among the five Salem College seniors named recently by President K. Duane Hurley to have their biographies published in this year's edition of **Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges**. These students are Owen Probasco, son of Mrs. John W. Probasco, Shiloh, N. J., and David L. Beebe, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Beebe, pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Carraway, Fla. Owen is president of the college student body and a very active student in campus affairs, especially in the music organizations. David is editor of the college newspaper, the *Green and White*, and is serving the nearby Middle Island Seventh Day Baptist Church as pastor.

Bible on the Radio

Dr. Francis Carr Stifler of the American Bible Society will be heard on Mondays at 12:45 p.m., EST, beginning December 1 through January 26, over WOR. His themes will be:

December 15—The Bible in American Life
 December 22—The Year's Finest Day
 December 29—What Shall We Do With New Year's Day
 January 5—The Bible in Song and Story
 January 12—Japan's Best Seller
 January 19—Matching Yourself With the Bible
 January 26—The Everlasting "Yes"

Obituaries

Knight. — Charlotte Temple Lippincott, daughter of Elizabeth Babcock and Curtis Lippincott, was born in Logan County, Ohio, on March 14, 1864, and died on November 29, 1952, at Edelstein, Ill.

Mrs. Knight was baptized and joined the Jackson Center Seventh Day Baptist Church in 1879.

In 1885 she married James M. Knight and they moved to Garwin, Iowa. They later moved to Oklahoma City, and to Gentry, Ark. Mrs. Knight was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Gentry until her death.

In October of 1949 she moved to Edelstein, Ill., and has been in poor health since that time.

She is survived by a daughter, a sister, two brothers, and numerous nieces and nephews. Mrs. Knight was known affectionately as "Aunt Lottie" to her many friends.

The funeral service was held at Bouton Memorial Home in Princeville on December 2, conducted by Rev. Edward K. Heininger. Burial was in the West Hallock Cemetery. E. K. H.

Lowther. — Eva Elizabeth Willis, daughter of Granville and Mary Margaret Broadwater Willis, was born in Doddridge County, W. Va., March 12, 1872, and passed away at her home near New Milton, W. Va., on November 21, 1952.

She was married to Varnum B. Lowther who preceded her in death, July 1, 1950. She is survived by two sons: Chester W., Minerva, Ohio, and J. H. (Bob), New Milton; two daughters: Mrs. C. T. (Edna) Hyat, West Union, W. Va., and Mrs. J. E. (Maude) Sutton, Pleasant Grove, Utah; 8 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She came from a Methodist background but turned to keep the Sabbath with her husband and was, for many years, a faithful attendant at the Middle Island Seventh Day Baptist Church.

The funeral service was conducted from the Middle Island Church on November 23 by David L. Beebe, pastor. The body was laid to rest in the nearby cemetery. D. L. B.

Alexander. — James Stewart, son of John William and Grace Stewart Alexander, was born October 3, 1888, in Yonkers, N. Y., and died November 14, 1952, at his home in Cortland, N. Y.

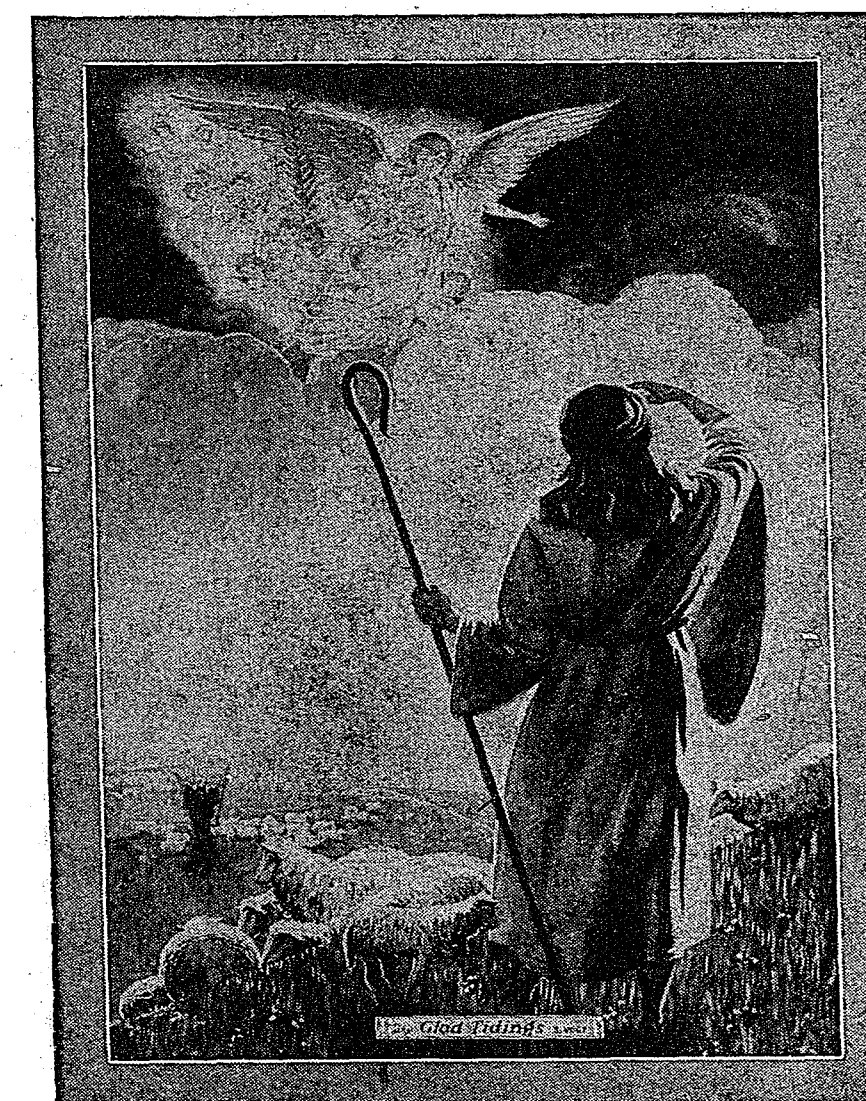
In September, 1916, he married Miss Abbie Kenyon of Alfred, N. Y., and to this marriage three children were born. Mrs. Alexander died in 1933, and in 1934 James married Mary Poole Gates. He was a member of the University Lodge of Alfred, N. Y. He is survived by his wife, Mary, one daughter, two sons, five grandchildren, three sisters, and two brothers.

Farewell services were held at the Beard Funeral Home in Cortland, N. Y., with Rev. Victor W. Skaggs officiating. Burial was at Alfred, N. Y., following brief Masonic services, with Rev. Hurley S. Warren participating. V. W. S.

Welcome

"To all who mourn and need comfort — to all who are tired and need rest — to all who are friendless and want friendship — to all who are lonely and want companionship — to all who are homeless and want sheltering love — to all who pray and all who do not but ought — to all who sin and need a Saviour and whosoever will, this church opens its doors, and in the name of Jesus the Lord says — WELCOME!" — Denver Bulletin.

FOR SALE — Mimeo Bible Study Outlines. Individual or class use. Philippians, Peter, 1 John, "From Death to Life," 25 cents each. Acts, Revelation, 50 cents. Osborn, Ashaway, R. I.



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 and on earth peace,
 good will toward men"*

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Conference President's Corner

In faith, hope, and love we greet our Seventh Day Baptist yokefellows in Christ this Christmastide!

How soul-stirring is the faith of the Nativity of Christ! It is the faith of an ancient prophet foretelling that "the people that walked in darkness have seen a great light." It is the humble faith of the expectant Mary as she says, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour." And for all of us, world-weary and sin-burdened, it is the blessed faith that "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son."

How vibrant is the hope that springs to life with each new telling of our Saviour's birth! Shepherds shared that hope with kings as they made their pilgrimage to Bethlehem, guided by the Christmas star. Focused in the light of that star, the Messianic hope of Israel came to glorious fruition at Jesus' manger birth. Thanks be to God that Israel's ancient hope is become our salvation through Christ! "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father."

How all-embracing is the love that Christmastide reveals to us and calls out in us! In a day when the rule of Rome cast its hateful shadow upon the world, the birth of a baby, as God's messenger of love, marked a new epoch in human history. "For this is the message which ye have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another."

The "Call of Christmas" to us in this year of our Lord, 1952, rings as clear as did the angels' song on Galilean hills so long ago. It is a call to worship and adoration, in faith. It is the urgent challenge to our time to make the hope we have in Christ a reality. It calls us to practice and experience the power of love in the affairs and relationships of all men everywhere, beginning where we are.

"Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ," writing to Christians some sixty years after Christ's birth, reminded them that "we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morn-

MEMORY TEXT

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." Matt. 2: 11.

CHRISTMAS

"Christmas time has come again,
Christmas pleasures bringing.
Let us join our voices now
And Christmas songs be singing.

"Years ago, one starry night,
Thus the story's given,
Angel bands o'er Bethlehem's plains
Sang the songs of heaven.

"Angels sang, let men reply
And children join their voices,
Raise the chorus loud and high
Earth and heaven rejoices."

— From an old song.

The Christmas season is here again bringing with it many of life's happiest memories. Christmas should be, and often is, the most joyous day of the year. The fondest of recollections cluster round it; scenes of childhood joys, and happy days of love and fellowship of mature years come to mind as one looks back at times which are now gone by.

Best of all, we think of the first Christmas with its songs in angel voices of "peace on earth, good will to men." If such promise seems long of fulfillment, yet in our own hearts its message may come true.

There are great contrasts in the two accounts of the birth of Jesus given us in the Gospels. In one, the revelation is made by angel song to simple shepherds near by on Judean hills. In the other, learned men, wise in the lore of the East, travel great distances as they follow the star. In both, men come to worship, and adore. The shepherds had little in the way of possessions, but the wise men

ing star rises in your hearts." So be it this Christmas for all men of good will!
Elmo Fitz Randolph.

brought the mostly costly gifts to lay at the feet of the infant Jesus. In the hearts of all was sincere and reverent worship.

God gave His Son as a gift for all men, wise and simple, rich and poor. To all of every race, nation, and station in life is offered salvation in return for faith and obedience.

Let us take to our hearts anew the true meaning of Christmas, and reverently join the glad carols that proclaim the coming of the infant King.



Christmas Prayer

We thank Thee, Father, for the Gift that came to earth so long ago in the Babe of Bethlehem.

We thank Thee for angel song and worship of lowly shepherds; we thank Thee for wise men with costly gifts from far. We thank Thee for all the good news coming to us from the pages of Thy Holy Word.

Humbly would we worship Thee on this day dedicated to the memory of Thy Son. We would bring Thee our best gifts of love, adoration, and service.

We pray that the news of His coming may spread abroad through all the world until peace and good will shall dwell now and forever in the hearts of men. Amen.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for January 3, 1953
The Roots of Character.
Scripture: Matthew 15.

IS THERE STILL ANOTHER GIFT?

Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson

By Christmas Day nearly all the gifts will have been presented and opened. Brother receives a sled and sister receives a doll. Perhaps both have pairs of warm pajamas from grandma.

Sometimes a gift is received from a friend who you thought had forgotten you, a pleasant surprise. By this unexpected present, the flame of friendship is rekindled.

Despite careful planning, someone will undoubtedly be left out. How many of this Recorder family will be saying as they read this, "Have all the gifts been presented? Is there still another gift that should be given this Christmas time?"

Christmas Represents the Best Gift of God to Man

Giving is emphasized at Christmas because we think primarily of a certain gift — the Gift of the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ.

God has given His children many gifts: the blessings of creation consisting of the physical necessities of life, the fellowship of the family, and a priceless spiritual heritage. But no gift of God can compare with His greatest Gift, the giving of Himself through the divine incarnation and supernatural birth of Jesus.

"All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: 'Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel' (which means, God with us)." Matt. 1: 22, 23 RSV.

The gift of God's love can hardly be more beautifully expressed than in the words of that favorite of Scripture verses, John 3: 16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (RSV.)

Christmas Expresses Gratitude for God's Supreme Gift

The gifts we give to others should indicate our gratitude for the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ into the world.

The wise men noticed the star in the East and went to Bethlehem to worship the Christ that the prophets had written

was to come. They fell down before the Holy Child, offering as further tokens of their adoration, gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Likewise, the material gifts, the financial stewardship, which we present to our Lord are the outward expression of our inner love for Him.

"At Christmas Time"

"I cannot bring gifts rich and rare
As wise-men did of old;
Gems from the Orient, costly fair —
Myrrh, frankincense, and gold.
But I can give Him all I own,
A sinner's heart to be His throne."

— Author unknown

What more appropriate gift at this season, than to give your heart to Jesus Christ? Or having done so, than to give to Him a deeper spirit of consecration?

Christmas Includes Receiving as Well as Giving

The wise men gave because they first received the joy of Jesus' birth. They would not have taken the long journey over the miles of hot, dry desert without having first received and acknowledged the sign that the Messiah had come.

When a Christmas gift arrives, it is rude and impolite not to accept it, even though it is felt that the donor should not have given it, or couldn't afford to give it. Yet how thoughtless it is for the world to observe Christmas and reject the Christ by making substitutions for the real meaning of the season. It must grieve our Heavenly Father exceedingly that there are so many abuses of what Christmas signifies.

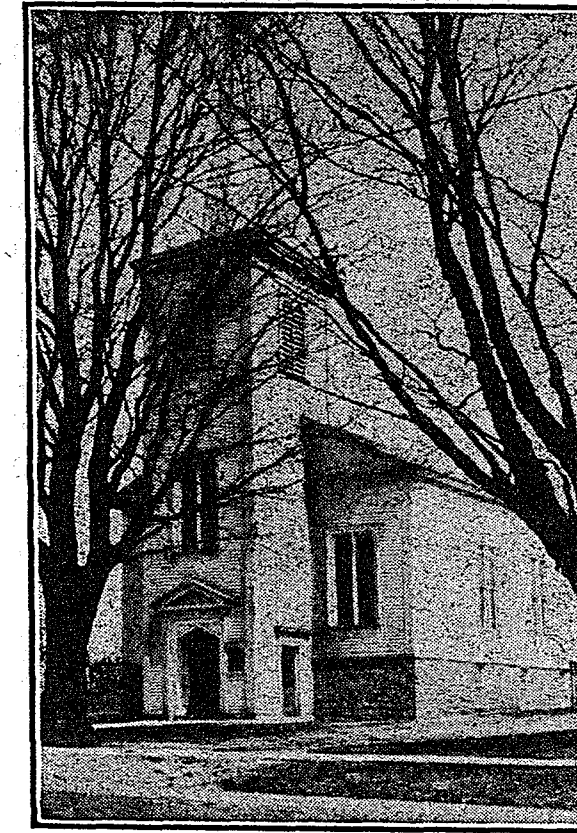
Friends, are you celebrating Christmas this year and leaving Christ out? Are you giving gifts without having received the only Gift that matters? Think a minute. Isn't there a gift you should have remembered? Don't fail to give your heart to the Lord Jesus Christ, or pledge anew your allegiance to the King of kings.

Accessions

New Auburn, Wis.

Baptism:

Mrs. Norris North
Mrs. Loyal Pederson
Roger Loofboro
Norman Loofboro
Carolyn Nelson

ADAMS CENTER CHURCH**Sermonet — What Seest Thou?**

Why is there such a tendency in life to keep looking back instead of taking hold of that which is before us and so order our days by what the future promises?

Looking backward, we lose our forward vision. One secret in keeping young is to look forward to each day with keen searching as to what it contains, rather than to look back and bemoan what might have been done yesterday, or what we did last year.

We must have a forward look, facing each day for what it holds for us if we will but receive it.

Sometimes we look back because we are afraid. We do not always know just what we are afraid of, but we often fear to look ahead. We are afraid of what the past holds for us; and yet the past holds nothing. It is the future which is full. We can do nothing with our yesterdays, but our todays may always be full.

Some are inclined to look back upon the past and think of the thrills, so-called, that they experienced as they gave reign to their passions, as they lived a life of evil without a knowledge of Christ. What they thought of as pleasure was a thrill which lasts but for a moment; yet leaves

them tense and unsure. It does not bring true happiness.

One may look back at such happenings either in longing, or in heaping blame upon himself. Either one is dangerous and one almost as much so as the other. One must feel guilt in his knowledge of God, but as he knows the forgiveness of Jesus, his past is blotted out and the pathway that opens before him is lighted with the light of Christ, if he will keep his eyes fixed upon Him. Too much remorse over the past will keep one from making the most of the present.

If one looks back with longing for some of the experiences that were his in a life of sin, he has failed to find the true joys in the Christian life. He has not given his whole attention to the Christ, the one who has promised to lead the way. He has only half heard the instructions, and he has been unable to keep himself squarely on the right road, such a man won't be sure of himself — for in his fear that he may have missed something in the life he has given up, he will fail to find true happiness in Christ.

As we look around we see so much evil about us, and as we look back at the "good old days" when we were young, little do we realize that we are looking with a different pair of glasses than we are using for the forward look. We look around us with glasses that need cleaning — they so readily pick up the dirt and evil. It works the same way on my projector lens — dust when thrown on the screen makes an ugly spot and causes grotesque shapes. But as we look back, we quickly substitute the amber glasses and what we see takes on a golden tint.

One reason is that we have remembered only those things from our youth which we most wanted to remember. We can't remember it all, and we have forgotten the things which were not pleasant—those things which did not meet the approval of the society of that time. We remember the things which fit into the pattern which we have accepted for life, and those things which do not fit most easily fade away. We remember more readily the things of which we approve.

Christ has told us that our sins are

blotted out as we place our trust in Him. He has told our neighbors and our friends the same thing about theirs. Let us not lose sight of that great verse from Paul, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3: 13, 14.

A man in Christ needs to forget the past. The past is not important any more. The present endeavor is that which offers hope and opportunity. Our forward look needs to have for its main vision, Jesus Christ. We need to look where the vision is lighted by the light that came into the world to dispel the darkness. The more this light shines, the more it illumines us and the more it lights the pathway of others.

Earl Cruzan.

The purpose of the Seventh Day Baptist Church is to foster a fellowship of Christians who hold similar beliefs; to assemble themselves together for divine worship on the Sabbath; to study together that they may grow in the understanding and practice of the Christian life; to give to their children Christian training; to reach out in sharing of the Gospel of Christ with others and to witness for the truth of the Sabbath of God; and to bring others to accept it.

Members, 100; Recorder subscribers: Mrs. Evelyn Avery, G. F. Bakker, Mrs. Nellie Barbur, Mrs. Margaret Bates, Rev. Earl Cruzan, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dibble, Mrs. Bert Greene, E. De Chois Greene, Gerald Greene, Frank S. Jones, Mrs. Chauncey Reed, Harold L. Scriven, Mrs. Grace Ladd, Mrs. Paul D. Greene, Mrs. A. E. Whitford.

Rev. Riley G. Davis

Rev. Riley G. Davis passed away on Monday, December 1, 1952. He had spent the last few years of his life in a hospital or nursing home in Des Moines, Iowa.

Rev. A. Clyde Ehret

News has been received of the death of Rev. A. Clyde Ehret. Mr. Ehret, who has been in poor health for some time, had resigned the pastorate of the De Ruyter Seventh Day Baptist Church and recently moved to Adams Center.

KEY TO UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE

Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen

(Continued from last issue)

So far, we have considered the human aspect of the origin of Biblical writing. It has long been recognized that the writings of the Bible carry us also into the mind of divinity. Let us now consider what part the Divine Spirit played in the production of "The Holy Scriptures." Here the suggestion of Peter seems valid. He says: "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." (2 Peter 1: 21.) According to Peter, it was the men who were inspired.

What part could the Divine Spirit play in the writing of history? First of all, who controls history? Is it not God? Does He not create history. If so, then God Himself is the source of all the events of which the Biblical historians wrote. We may also believe that God's Spirit could impress these writers with what was important and what was not important so far as His plan for man was concerned; also with an understanding of the underlying forces of history, the causes of progress and defeat, and of God's purposes and plans. Actually, God is revealing Himself in history. **Bible History**, then, stems from tradition overshadowed by a sense of God's purpose.

What part did the Divine Spirit play in the writing of Bible song? To answer this question, let us ask, Who created man's emotions? Is it not God? And does not God often reveal Himself through our emotions? through the crises that come into our personal experience? and through nature, that great stimulator of noble emotions? One of the chief characteristics of the Psalms is the sense of the nearness and goodness of God which they convey. Can we not then say that **Bible Song** stems from the emotions of man overshadowed by a sense of God's presence — His providence, His mercy, and His kindness?

What about prophecy? We said earlier that prophecy finds its source in man's

conscience — his consciousness of right and wrong. Who placed that conscience within man? Who ordained the moral law that instructs our conscience? Again, is it not God? And can we not say that **Bible Prophecy** stems from man's conscience overshadowed with a sense of God's moral requirements — His law and His righteousness?

We come to philosophy. Again, let us ask, Who made man's mind? Who established the laws of reason that guide the mind in its pursuit of truth? Who placed within it the urge to know and understand? Who ordained the facts of nature studied by the mind? Again the answer is God. God, then, is ultimately the source of what the mind perceives as truth, as well as the source of the mind's power to seek and discern truth. And when truth is found, somehow, the devout mind believes that it but thinks God's thoughts after Him. Let us therefore say that **Bible Philosophy** stems from the mind of man overshadowed with a sense of God's intelligence.

Truly, as Peter suggests, it was the men who were inspired by God's Holy Spirit, rather than the words. These men perceived the thoughts of God, but each in his own way, according to his own bent and talents. Each was free to express these insights in his own manner.

A certain knowledge of historical events, coupled with a perception of God's providence and purpose in human history moved certain men to record those events in history which point out that providence and purpose, in the historical sections of the Bible.

An emotional perception of God's presence, His kindness and His help, moved others to tell in song how they themselves experienced that presence, that kindness, and that help.

A perception through the conscience of God's moral character and of His moral requirements, moved prophets to plead with burning, fiery words for the dedication of men's lives to His service, in the prophetic portions of the Bible.

A perception of logic, of ultimate reality, worth-whileness, and order of the universe and in the world, led students, thinkers, to record the process and product

of their thought and study in the philosophy of the Bible.

The wonder is that in different ways, all four paths lead us to the same end. Through history, emotion, conscience, and mind, God speaks one Word to His children. We believe the writers of the Bible were thinking the thoughts of God after Him, and that therefore the Word of God is to be found in the Bible. To perceive that Word, unifying all the Bible, to enter into firsthand, personal, conscious, loving, and co-operative relationship with the God of that Word — this is to understand the Bible! This is to fulfill its purpose and God's purpose for your life!

THE WAITER AND GOD

Now it came to pass on a Day at Noon that the editor was a guest of a certain rich man. And the lunch was enjoyed at a popular restaurant. And the waiters were very efficient. And the food was good.

Now when the end of the meal was at hand, the waiter brought in to the host the check. And the host examined it, frowned a bit, but made no comment. But as we rose to depart, I observed that he laid some coins under the edge of his plate. I know not what denominations the coins were; howbeit, the waiter who stood nearby smiled happily, which being interpreted, means that the tip was satisfactory.

Now this Parable entereth not into merits or demerits of tipping. But as I meditated on the coins that become tips throughout our nation, I began to think of tips and tithes. For the proverbial tip should be at least a tithe, lest the waiter turn against you.

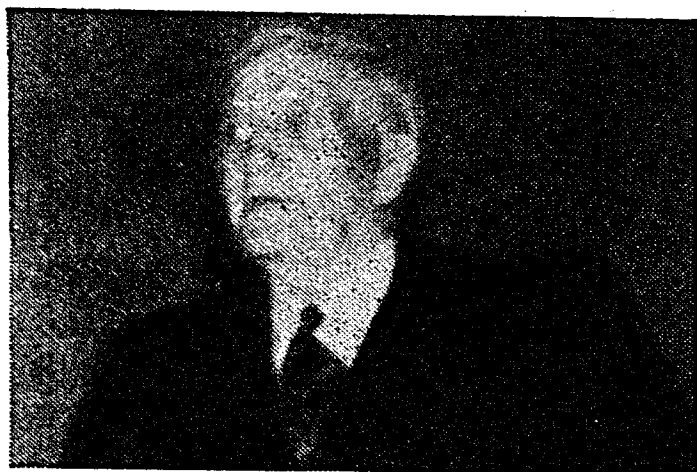
And as I continued to think of these things, it came unto me that few people who go to church treat their God as well as their waiter. For they give whatever they think will get them by.

Verily, doth man fear the waiter more than he feareth God? And doth he love God less than he loveth the waiter? Or doth the waiter do more for him than his God?

Truly, truly, a man and his money are past understanding. — New Jersey Baptist Bulletin.

PASTOR CHARLES W. THORNGATE

Charles W. Thorngate, younger son of George and Arlouine Crandall Thorngate, was born near Brookfield, Mo., September



2, 1868. He died peacefully, after a brief illness, November 6, 1952, at his home in Dodge Center, Minn., aged 84 years.

When he was a young boy, he, with his father and mother and elder brother, Ray, all of whom have preceded him in death, moved to Valley County, Neb., where the family lived for some time. Because of wounds suffered in the Civil War, the father was incapacitated. The two boys, at an early age, had, perforce, to take upon themselves the care of the family.

On September 5, 1891, he was united in marriage with Ethel Babcock, who survives him. They have been spared to each other for 61 years. To Mr. and Mrs. Thorngate, six children were born, all now living: Mrs. Myra Barber, Ord, Neb.; Dr. George, Alfred, N. Y.; John, Eau Claire, Wis.; Mrs. Marguerite Clapper, Dodge Center, Minn.; Mrs. Wesley Baldrige, Montgomery, Minn.; and Mary, Eau Claire, Wis., and Dodge Center, Minn. There are 14 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. In the family there have been but four deaths until his passing: two grandchildren and two sons-in-law.

His life was active and varied. For some time he was a pioneer thresherman in Valley County where he also farmed. Later he took up the craft of carpentry.

In later life he was baptized and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church of North Loup, Neb. The present edifice in North Loup is a memorial to his building ability, as well as many homes and barns in that area. He also built the Seventh Day Bap-

tist Church at Exeland, Wis., where he served for a time as pastor.

Later he accepted the call to "go and preach." Licensed from the North Loup Church, December 27, 1911, he and his faithful wife moved to Exeland, Wis.; from thence to Stonefort, Ill.; to Albion, Wis.; and to Dodge Center, Minn., where he served the churches of his faith in these several places. He was with the Dodge Center Church for 12 years. While in the service of the Lord it was his privilege to assist in the marriage of his sons, George and John, and to perform the marriage ceremonies of his daughters, Marguerite and Kitty, and his grandchildren, Billy, Charles, Jr., Stephen, and Peggy. Likewise as a minister of the gospel it became his privilege to serve his family in the funeral services of his sons-in-law, Clyde Clapper and Jake Barber, and his grandchildren, Laurie Clapper and Kathryn Baldrige.

In Dodge Center, where he retired from active pastoral duties, he was one of the gardeners of the city, his vegetable garden being one in which he rightfully took great pride.

Modest and hard-working, he did what his hand found to do. He was a true Christian, and earnestly served the Master, whom he loved. No further tribute need to be given to him, save that he was loved by all, and that his children can rise up and call him blessed.

He was buried in the Dodge Center Cemetery, with Rev. Kenneth Van Horn officiating at the service.

Myra Thorngate Barber.

Twenty-five Million Homeless

Any doubt about the tragic need for Christ in the modern world should be dispelled by figures showing that there are twenty-five million homeless folk in 1952. Ten million refugees in West Germany; eight million in India; five million in Pakistan; two million in Formosa. How many more behind the Iron Curtain? There is nothing like it in recorded history. These figures should cause us to get down on our knees and ask God's forgiveness for the inadequacy of our discipleship. —Presbyterian Tribune.

Christmas Bells

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along the unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep!
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men!"

Till, ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

Bible Distribution

A spot check made by one of the district secretaries of the American Bible Society during two weeks of duty as a Naval Reserve chaplain, showed that only one in 27 recruits reporting to the Naval Training Station had his own Testament. The Bible Society has for years supplied New Testaments to all new trainees who have no Scriptures. To help this situation of Bible-less service men even before they come of service age, the Bible Society is increasing its distribution of Scripture Portions among Boy Scouts. Last year 10,500 Gospels were distributed to interested young readers by Boy Scout chaplains.

After fourteen years indefatigable work on the part of two missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Jalla, the whole Bible has just been published in the Lozi tongue by the British and Foreign Bible Society. Lozi is the language of the inhabitants of Barotse-land, in Northern Rhodesia. Pastor Marc Boegner, during a visit to South Africa, presented the first copy of the complete Bible to King Mwanawina of the Malozis.

W. W. Reid.

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS

Isaiah 40: 3-4, "... Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain."

Everywhere preparations are going forward for Christmas. We hear whispered conspiracies as gifts are hidden in out-of-the-way corners of the house. At school and in the shops and in our homes we make the ordinary things beautiful and colorful for this happy occasion. Young people are coming home from college. Parents go about their work with a quickened step. Oh, it's coming again, this happiest of occasions when we celebrate the birthday of our Saviour!

But of all the preparations we make, the most important is the preparation of our own homes and hearts. It is so easy to forget the real significance of the season that some definite thought must be given to it. Many churches are publishing a suggestive worship service for use in our homes on Christmas eve or during the day. If our pastors and leaders take the time and thought to prepare such a service, let us be sure to use it, making plans for a service around the table or the fireplace. The memory of this service with the mingling of our prayers in the home will surely cast a warm spiritual glow over all the rest of the Christmas observance. And this devotional service will be the very heart of it all.

When Isaiah cried, "Prepare ye a highway for our God," I feel certain that he meant prepare the way into our hearts for the coming of the Christ. In some ways this preparation is similar to the building of a highway. Did you ever watch a road gang making one of our modern highways? First, the steam shovels tear down the hills and fill in the valleys. The bulldozers make a great noise as they do their work on the roadbed. Then they straighten out the crooks and bank the curves and finally smooth out the surface and cover it with cement or asphalt.

In a similar way there are several neces-

sary steps to be taken in preparing a highway into our hearts for the King of kings. First we must tear down the hills of pride, anger, and hatred and fill up the valleys of despondency and doubt. Then we need to make straight the crooked things in our lives and smooth out the rough places in speech and actions.

It is far more important to prepare our hearts for Christmas than it is to prepare gifts and a big dinner. Which is more important, a man's stomach or his soul? It is a shame that such a question has to be asked, but in the light of our present-day actions, our hustle and bustle, the preparations that take most of our time and thought, it is very evident that we consider a man's stomach to be of primary importance.

Oh, stop a while, my brethren, and give thought and preparation to making a highway into each heart for Christ our Saviour this Christmastime. We would remember that "where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in."

I would close with a prayer taken from "A Family Altar for Advent" by Rev. Edward W. Brueseke.

"God of all truth, Lord of the ages and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bow before Thee on this Christmas Day, rejoicing in the mystery of the incarnation. We do not pretend to know the 'how' of self-revelation in Jesus Christ. We only know that in Him, we see Thee, for in Him there is the light and grace and truth of God. He is at once the revelation of Thy Holy Will for man and Thy judgment on our sin, and He is, too, The Way of our redemption. Help us, O Lord, that we may do more than re-echo the angels' song of 'glory to God in the highest.' Grant us, we pray, the wisdom of truly wise men, so that we may move beyond the uttering of a hymn of praise, to an acknowledgment of Christ's Lordship over us, through humble service and devotion. Bless us, we pray, at this Christmas time. Bless our home with joy and peace. Bless our friends and loved ones with the favor of Thy sustaining fellowship. Bless our nation, our world, yes, bless our enemies, with a concern for justice, a bent toward mercy, and the will

NEWS FROM MISSION FIELDS

From Auckland, New Zealand, Rev. Francis S. Johnson writes that he recently visited the Seventh Day Baptist brethren of Christchurch and assisted in the ordination of William T. Ellis as a deacon, at a service held in his home. A Sabbath service was held in the home of William A. Ward with observance of Communion. Mr. Ellis will serve as lay leader of our interests in Christchurch with an occasional visit from Pastor Johnson.

From Nyasaland, Africa, Rev. Ronald Barrar writes, "Thanks for your letter which I received upon my return from Mphangala where I had been to dedicate our new Kimberly brick church. We had a fine group of meetings starting on Friday and ending Sunday. The average attendance was 200. Twenty of our newly formed boys' group (Crusaders) went with me and presented a play based on Matthew 18: 23-35. It went off very well."

From Kingston, Jamaica, Rev. Wardner Fitzrandolph writes of having been ill with the flu as also was Mrs. Fitzrandolph, but that they are feeling better now. A part of his letter states, "Yesterday we removed from 3 South Camp Road to 5 William Street, Raetown, Kingston. It does not change our rent but it gives us much better living conditions. We have a whole house to ourselves — drawing room, dining room, two bedrooms, an office for myself, and a kitchen all under one roof. There is a nice yard (with high fence around it), necessary outbuildings including garage. It troubles me about paying rent when there could be a place built on the Charles Street property and the rentals could be going into increasing the value of the property."

From British Guiana, quarterly reports have been received from three of the four active pastors on that field. Sufficient funds have now been forwarded to Mr. Berry to build a footbridge from the road to the entrance to his home and the chapel on the ground floor. Pastor Trot-

to walk humbly with our God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

E. T. H.

man writes, "For this quarter I have been doing much open-air evangelistic work. The meetings have been fairly well attended and rapt attention paid. However, only one convert is reported to date." Pastor Belgrave writes, "We have had to close down our meeting hall on account of the incongeniality of the place. We now meet in a sister's home." E. T. H.

OUR MISSION TO THE CHINESE

More than a century ago Seventh Day Baptists sent their first missionaries to China. In Shanghai and in Liuho, with years of gratifying progress and other times of interruption by internal wars and invasions of other nations, the work has gone on.

The most serious interruption and the most disheartening conditions are those of the present day. We are now not only unable to carry on there, but we can learn nothing definite regarding our friends, the Chinese Christians, whom we confidently believe are faithful and consistent in their lives.

The opportunity to send has been ours; now opportunity has come to us. How are we — people of America — meeting it? More than 6,000 Chinese are now residing in our land. Probably a third of these may hope to settle down here as permanent residents. Will they be ignored, denied reasonable privileges, and made to feel unwelcome or will they be encouraged in the Christian life? Will they experience a welcome to our churches and be made to feel that they are part of the Christian family? Here is an opportunity for individuals as well as groups; an opportunity to do foreign missionary work at home. These may one day take a measure of Christian influence and the Christian message as they return to their own land. We can benefit these people, if we will — and who knows what worthwhile contribution they can make in the communities where they may be and to this land of ours! H. R. C.

Victorious Christian living must be pursued with renunciation, repentance, faith, and devotion. — Church Management.

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Worship Thought for January

Wise and Wary Walking

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

— Tennyson.

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WISE AND WARY WALKING

Mrs. Albert Rogers
Associational Secretary

Eph. 5: 15. "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise."

This passage suggests to us as we enter the new year we should wisely choose the way in which we spend our time, making the most of our opportunities and at all times seeking to understand the will of God in all we do. This is important whether it is in our own personal lives or in the work we do as members of a woman's society.

Edith Lovejoy Pierce has written an appropriate meditation for the beginning of the new year in which she says:

"Yes, let us write that kind letter we have hesitated over so long, greet that wayfarer we pass by in the street, invite that stranger in to dinner. 'Thereby some have entertained angels unawares.'

"Let us open the door. See, outside the snow has fallen, altering the landscape, obliterating the known ways. Let us go out and walk in the snow, making our own path. There is no longer any boundary between our garden and our neighbor's garden, no exact geographical line where we could raise a fence if we wanted to. Under the white benediction all distinctions are erased — of creed, of color, of class.

"Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

"Over our world snow has fallen, silent and soft. Let us go out and walk in the snow." — From Meditations for Women.

Our Children's Letter Exchange

Dear Althea:

I was sorry not to be able to answer your letter before but my page was more than filled after I had copied it. It made me think of a boy about your age who, when he was asked on Thanksgiving, "Don't you want a little more turkey?" said, "I'm so full I can't swallow my mouthful."

A little neighbor boy often comes to call on me. Yesterday he came in just before noon and said, "Have you got anything good for me?" I gave him a little box of raisins and as he started for the front he said, "I've got to hurry home for dinner and save the raisins for the end."

Of course you are all over the chicken pox by this time and just feeling fine. Please write often and I hope I'll never again be so long in answering your letters.

Yours sincerely,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like to write to you although this is the first time I have written.

We have a new calf. I named it Sugar Lump. My sister and I named the mamma cow, Ann. We like the name Ann.

This is the end of my letter.

My regards,
Eric Bond.

Rt. 1, Lost Creek, W. Va.

Dear Eric:

I was pleased to receive your letter and hope you will send me many more. Some of my Recorder children grow up so fast that pretty soon they stop writing. Then what should I do if I did not gain new ones? Do you know, I sometimes receive letters now from the children of those who were once my Recorder children?

You surely gave a calf a very sweet

name. My granddaughter, Gretchen, has named her kitty Ann, so she, as well as you, must like that name.

Please don't forget to write again soon.

Sincerely yours,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like to write to you. This is only the second time I have written to you.

I am nine years old. I am in the fourth grade this year. Last week was test week for us.

My brother, Eric, is writing to you too. He is in the third grade this year. I have two other brothers in school. One is in the sixth grade and the other is in the first grade. I have two sisters. One is four years old and the other is one year old. I have one brother who is not in school. His name is Jack. He is two years old. I like all my brothers and sisters. Altogether there are nine people in my family.

Sincerely yours,
Eleanor Bond.

Rt. 1, Lost Creek, W. Va.

Dear Eleanor:

You surely have a nice large family and as the years go by will have many happy times together. You may know that I like your name and repeat it many times for that is also my daughter's name. Did I get your two-year-old brother's name right? I'm not sure. Nancy Gibbs, who lives next door to me, is just your age. She just came to my back door and asked if she could borrow my stepladder. She said she wanted to get on top of their chicken coop, call it her high tower, and gaze into the distance. I'm afraid she will not see very far as there is a large three-story house on the next street shutting off her view. But then of course she and her brother, Don, are just having a pretend game.

I'm glad you decided to write to me again and hope you will not wait long before writing again.

Yours sincerely,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

This little yarn is not too big to be true, and is word for word true.

Adella's daddy is ill in a sanitarium. Her mother goes to see him three times a

week. Adella, being only five, has to be left with high school girls who have to study. Auntie was visiting Adella recently, and was amused to see her spread three grown-up books on the table with notebook and pencil. Seating herself at the table she remarked, "Don't talk, Auntie. I am studying and I must concentrate." "What are you studying, dear?" asked Auntie. "I am studying research on salivation," she answered.

R. Marion Carpenter.

Alfred, N. Y.

Can You Keep Christmas?

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness — are you willing to do these things even for a day?

Then you can keep Christmas.

— Author unknown.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — It has been a rather busy summer and fall in North Loup. Several members of the church attended Conference in Denver and reported a profitable time spent there.

During Pop Corn Days the ladies of both missionary societies sponsored a lunchroom. Nearly every able-bodied person in the church assisted in one way or another. The result was a profit of around \$450 which was divided among the church and the two societies.

The ladies of the church have cooperated with other church women in the United Council of Church Women, and

were hostesses to the World Community Day meeting.

Our church entertained the Mid-Continent Association and enjoyed the fellowship with about 70 guests from Denver, Boulder, and Nortonville. We feel that these meetings are very profitable to all who attend.

Two weeks of special meetings have been held in our church. Pastor Saunders has been assisted by Rev. Albert Tebay of California.

The pastor and a male quartet plan to go to Denver the first weekend in December for some special meetings.

Several of our members are spending the winter in other parts of the country.

Four of our young men are or are soon to be, in the armed services. Richard G. Gowen, son of Mrs. Addie Gowen of Lincoln, and Russell Clement, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Clement, are already stationed. Ronnie Goodrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Goodrich, and Joe Babcock, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Babcock, expect to be called early in the new year.

A beautiful electric clock was recently presented to the church by Mrs. Lois Swenson in memory of her late husband, Carroll B. Swenson. In this she was aided by gifts from a number of his friends. — Correspondent.

FOUKE, ARK. — Men and Missions Sabbath was observed in the Fouke Church on November 15. A varied program was presented which included selections by a men's chorus, addresses by Dr. Lloyd D. Seager and Pastor Trevah R. Sutton. The paper, "Sabbath School in Kingston, Jamaica," by Rev. Wardner T. Fitzrandolph which has already been published in the Sabbath Recorder was prepared for this occasion and read by Wardner E. Fitzrandolph. — From Fouke Bulletin.

LITTLE PRAIRIE, ARK. — The Little Prairie Church witnessed a two-and-one-half-week revival conducted by Brother Wayne Marona and family beginning October 16 and ending November 2, 1952.

During this revival we enjoyed the wonderful sermons delivered by Brother Marona. We feel that we as Christians moved forward in faith. May we as a Church say as did Brother Marona that what the

Church needs today is a spiritual awakening. We need a Church with power from God. What the world needs is to go back to the ancient landmarks and get old-fashioned religion.

During this revival four people were saved. Four received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many came into a closer walk with the Lord.

There were healing services conducted and people felt they were healed as Christians prayed.

May the Lord bless Brother Marona and family in their work for Him. — Onedia Mitchell, Correspondent.

HOW A CHURCH CAN HELP THE PASTOR

David D. Allen

Christians, for the most part, are more interested in how their pastor can help the church than how their church can help the pastor. A conscientious pastor diligently plans ways and means of being a blessing to his people but rarely do his people plan ways and means of being a blessing to him.

Alert church members can assist their pastor both spiritually and materially.

Their spiritual help should begin by praying daily for the pastor. It is appalling how few Christians remember the minister before the Throne of Grace. They think he does not need the prayers of his people. If the folk in the pew were as quick to pray for the preacher as they are to criticize him, there would be new power in the pulpit immediately. Preachers stand in need of the prayers of God's people more than anyone else in the household of faith. No matter what else is done for him, prayer is the most necessary.

The next thing that will greatly aid him is the regular attendance of his people at the stated services. Nothing will be of more encouragement to him. It is folly to pray for the preacher and then never come to hear him. Empty pews eat the heart out of a pastor. Most nominal church members attend church only on Sabbath morning. As a result the other services are poorly attended. Then when these services are discontinued, as is the case

all over the country, the people who complain the loudest are those who never came. Each time you absent yourself from the house of God you have cast a vote to close its doors.

The people who attend the midweek service are the ones who are a tower of strength to their minister. The sweetest fellowship is found there. The substantial, reliable, consistent Christian will always be in his place at the midweek meeting to pray and to praise. Thus he helps himself, his church, and his pastor.

There are some churches which hinder the pastor by the unreasonable demands they lay upon him. In some instances he must be a master of ceremonies, public relations officer, real estate agent, insurance man, taxi driver, janitor, efficiency expert, financial wizard, and advertising ace. A church can help its pastor by not wasting his time on secondary matters. If he is forced to spend his time on non-essentials or things that someone else could do just as well, he has that much less time for preparation of heart and mind to minister the Word.

The ways in which a church can help the pastor materially are numerous. The peculiar position that a pastor holds in a community places obligations upon him that other people do not have. The world classifies a minister in the professions along with doctors, dentists, and lawyers. They, of course, expect him to be as well dressed as the doctor, to have as splendid a study as the dentist's office, and to educate his children as thoroughly as the lawyer. But what no one seems to consider is that the average doctor, dentist, and lawyer makes at least five times as much money as the average preacher.

Many churches do not give a great deal of thought to the material welfare of the pastor. Rising prices and war booms mean nothing as far as paying the preacher. "Let him live by faith and eat less," seems to be the attitude. The Bible states, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel" (1 Cor. 9: 14). A church should adequately pay its preacher using whatever methods it feels to be honoring to the Lord.

His work demands work clothes. Unlike

the tradesman, his work clothes are dress clothes, thus more expensive. A suit of clothes costs more than a pair of overalls. A carpenter can wear any kind of overalls to work and never be censured because they are shabby, but not so a preacher. He needs more clothes than a workingman who gets dressed up only twice or three times a week. Such expense few ever consider. A well-paid war worker was once heard to say that one suit was plenty for any preacher. Being in the public eye so much of the time the people would soon grow weary of looking at the same shabby suit.

It is interesting to hear various church boards discuss pastors and their income. Invariably they compare the pastor's salary with that of the average unskilled worker in the congregation. "The pastor should not make any more than Bill Jones," is generally the verdict. They compare preachers with grocery clerks, office boys, and gasoline station attendants instead of with other preachers. No apology is made for saying, without fear of adequate contradiction, that the average preacher in our country is woefully underpaid. For every large church with a well-paid minister, there are scores of smaller churches pastored by men who receive a stingy stipend.

Of course the preacher is expected to have a large family and all of the children must be well shod. The pastor's family is in the public eye and if his wife or children appear a little shabby, abuse is poured upon the head of the preacher instead of upon those who keep him stripped of cash. As an official of one church prayed at the installation of its new pastor, "Lord, you keep him humble and we'll keep him poor."

Then there is the pastor's automobile. He must be prepared to dash out any hour of the day or night in response to a telephone call. He makes his calls at the hospitals and homes to help sick, sorrowing, suffering saints. The doctor makes his calls in a new streamlined Buick and gets so much a call, the pastor makes his calls in an antiquated jalopy and often does not even get a "thank you" for his call. Some churches, alive to the situation, have either purchased a new car for

their pastor or substantially aided him in such a purchase. A church has never been heard of that did such a thing and found it to be a poor investment. On the contrary it generally paid splendid dividends.

Driving hither and thither in pastoral work and often operating a free jitney service is a sizable source of expense to a pastor. Most all business concerns provide their mobile salesmen with expense accounts to cover car expense incurred while engaged in company business. A church geared to the age could underwrite the automobile expenses of the pastor and never go bankrupt by so doing.

(To be continued)

OUR SERVICEMEN

Pvt. Richard G. Gowen, RA17328027
Hq. Svc. Bty.
4th Field Art. Bn. (Pk)
Camp Carson, Colo.

Pvt. Russell Clement, RA17367218
Co. C. 1st Sch. Bn.
Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Pvt. Alois F. Randolph, US52122125
T & T Co. 4th Sig.
Bn. Corps, APO 909
c-o P. M., San Francisco, Calif.

John F. Williams S. A.
(O.E. Div.) USS Block Island (CVE 106)
FPO, New York, N. Y.

Openings in Alfred

Two good business opportunities are open for any of our people who would like to locate in Alfred. Mr. Lynn Langworthy is retiring and will dispose of his plumbing and sheet metal business, with all equipment and materials. A restaurant business is for sale and the building it occupies. Owner would rent to the right party. Ben R. Crandall, "Key Man," will be pleased to answer any inquiries. — (For the Vocational Committee.)

Danger — Men Sleeping

"The great danger of the church is not communism, nor fascism, nor statism, but somnambulism." — Rev. Gaston Foote, quoted in Philabaptist.

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer, November 30, 1952

Receipts		November	2 months
Balance on hand Nov. 1	\$	64.14	
Albion		48.84	48.84
Alfred, First		402.81	402.81
Associations and groups			45.00
Battle Creek			914.00
Berlin		86.00	107.00
Boulder		51.21	95.34
Brookfield, First		35.00	35.00
Brookfield, Second		43.50	77.85
Chicago		40.00	82.00
Daytona Beach		32.50	72.10
Denver		55.12	55.12
De Ruyter		20.00	20.00
Dodge Center		50.00	50.00
Edinburg			11.25
Farina		15.00	30.00
Fouke		23.13	23.13
Friendship			5.00
Hebron, First		10.85	10.85
Hopkinton, First			250.45
Hopkinton, Second			20.00
Independence			9.00
Indianapolis			16.00
Individuals		25.00	30.00
Little Prairie		3.50	3.50
Los Angeles		79.50	79.50
Marlboro			300.00
Middle Island		6.10	21.65
Milton		241.90	422.80
Milton Junction			176.63
New Auburn		16.78	16.78
Nortonville		10.00	95.00
Philadelphia		22.50	44.50
Piscataway			42.50
Plainfield		85.50	292.07
Richburg		63.00	63.00
Roanoke			16.00
Rockville			13.25
Salem		125.00	125.00
Verona		70.00	152.00
Washington		40.00	40.00
Waterford		13.52	28.98
White Cloud		124.20	124.20
Totals	\$	1,904.60	\$4,468.10

Disbursements		Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$	505.92	\$ 141.78
Tract Society		198.08	
Board of			
Christian Education		274.40	5.00
Women's Society		36.32	30.00
Historical Society		60.80	
Ministerial Retirement		181.76	74.75
S. D. B. Building		50.88	
World Fellowship			
and Service		9.60	
General Conference		282.24	
S. D. B. Memorial Fund			50.00
Bank of Milton,			
service charge		.97	
Balance on hand		2.10	
Totals	\$	1,603.07	301.53

Comparative Figures

	1952	1951
Receipts in November:		
Budget	\$1,538.93	\$1,770.47
Specials	301.53	503.14
Receipts in 2 months:		
Budget	3,904.46	4,137.27
Specials	563.64	979.89
Annual Budget	46,635.00	43,825.00
Percentage of budget raised to date	8.4%	9.5%
	L. M. Van Horn, Treasurer.	
	Milton, Wis.	

BIRTHS

Brissey. — A son, Charles Theodore, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Theodore Brissey of Laurel, Md., October 11, 1952.

Tamburrino. — A daughter, Anita Rebecca, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tamburrino (Dorothy Brissey) of Baltimore, Md., November 7, 1952.

Obituaries

Langworthy. — Edna L., daughter of John S. and Mary L. Langworthy, was born on August 8, 1871, in Ashland Township, Dodge County, Minn., and passed away after a prolonged illness on September 2, 1952, in Dodge Center, Minn.

She leaves to honor her memory a sister-in-law, Lottie Langworthy, and many nephews and nieces. She was interred in the Dodge Center Cemetery, with Rev. Kenneth Van Horn officiating at the service. K. V. H.

Price. — Mrs. Helen, was born May 30, 1878, in S. Wales, and died on November 24, 1952, at 74 years of age, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Mrs. Price was a daughter of the late Daniel and Anna Davis. She came to America with her parents while still a young girl, and had resided in the Wilkes-Barre area ever since. She was the widow of Thomas C. Price, and is survived by five of her thirteen children.

Together with two of her daughters, Mrs. Christy and Mrs. Clauss — also Mr. Christy and Mr. Clauss — Mrs. Price became a charter member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Wilkes-Barre on October 13, 1951, when that church was organized. For several years she had been called upon to endure much suffering, but her faith in God and prayer was constant. Though her eyesight was severely impaired, she continued to show a keen interest in the reading and study of Scripture. One of her recent requests was for a Bible with larger print that she might continue to read from the Book. She especially enjoyed the Psalms.

Funeral services were held on November 26 in the Luther M. Kniffen Funeral Home in Wilkes-Barre, Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen, pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas, Pa. C. W. P. H.

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The Sabbath Recorder

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit:
for theirs
is the kingdom of heaven."*



The greater the self-love, the less the self-loveliness.