

**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
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,904.60</b>	<b>\$4,468.10</b>

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	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,603.07</b>	<b>301.53</b>

**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.

DECEMBER 29, 1952

# 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.**

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## PRAYER TOPICS AVAILABLE

There will be a fellowship of prayer around the earth January 4-11, during the Universal Week of Prayer. Christians of all lands, representing many denominations, will participate.

Rev. Lynn J. Radcliffe, minister of Hyde Park Community Methodist Church of Cincinnati, Ohio, has prepared the topics for the churches in the United States. The general theme is "Seven Steps Toward Spiritual Progress."

In urging local ministerial associations and councils of churches to plan for a united observance of the Universal Week of Prayer, Dr. Jesse M. Bader, executive secretary of the Joint Department of Evangelism, said:

"Churches that pray together stay together. Prayer strengthens the ties of fellowship among Christians across race, class, and denominational lines. If in a community there are two or more churches that can be found to observe this Week of Prayer unitedly, great and abiding results can be realized." — National Council Outlook.

## How to Find Help from Bible Reading

1. Read carefully and unhurriedly. "Time exposures" not snapshots should be the rule.
2. Read thoughtfully and prayerfully. Try to imagine the scenes.
3. Read expectantly and reflectively. Look for the personal message for you in each day's passage.
4. Read till a verse strikes fire. Your inner response to God's message is vital. When He condemns, bow penitently. When He offers help, place your hope on that assurance. When He commands, obey. When He guides, follow.
5. Copy out a key verse daily. Carry it with you, refer to it, and repeat it again and again throughout the day.
6. Set aside and keep a regular daily time for reading.
7. Make it a habit.

— Bible Advocate.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON  
for January 10, 1953  
Confessing and Following Christ.  
Scripture: Matthew 16.

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## MEMORY TEXT

"But this one thing I do, 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 Prayer

These are the gifts I ask  
Of Thee, Spirit serene:  
Strength for the daily task,  
Courage to face the road,  
Good cheer to help me bear the traveler's  
load,  
And, for the hours of rest that come be-  
tween,  
An inward joy of all things heard and seen.

These are the sins I fain  
Would have Thee take away:  
Malice and cold disdain,  
Hot anger, sullen hate,  
Scorn of the lowly, envy of the great,  
And discontent that casts a shadow gray  
On all the brightness of the common day.  
— Henry van Dyke.

## THE NEW YEAR

The old year passes, the new comes on with hurrying feet. One who has come to the age of understanding can scarcely fail to take account of the days just gone.

Such questions as these must surely come to mind. What have I done worth while? What have I learned? What fault have I laid aside? What sin have I conquered? What virtue have I gained?

It is too easy to drift, to pass our days in the same routine without making any real progress. Peter, in his second letter, writes, "Grow in grace." Often we forget to emphasize the "grow."

When we have reviewed the past, let us raise some questions as to the future. Do we purpose to spend more time with the Bible that we may discern more fully what is God's will for us? Do we plan to give our church our full support in every way possible? This includes financial support; the making of its claims upon us more important than social obligations; the giving of time and talent as they are needed; the constant prayerful support of the pastor and those who make plans for its continuing work.

Shall we plan more carefully for our family life? In these days when everything, good and bad, even to very bad comes into our homes over radio or television, it is time to plan carefully and with firmness concerning what our children shall see and hear at home. It is time to give the family altar its proper place.

It is time to look about at our neighbors, far and near, and determine what we can do to relieve the needs of the many whose situations are so desperate.

It is time to lay careful plans as to our participation in civic affairs, local, state, and national, that through the power of Christian citizens the blight of inefficiency, and unbearable corruption may be removed from the high offices of our government.

The world outlook is gloomy and forbidding and trying to our faith. There seems little we can do about it, but in our own homes and communities there is much that we can do, perhaps more than we now think.

The subject of New Year resolutions has become more or less a cause for jokes; but the end of the old year and the beginning of the new is time for serious and prayerful thinking. May we find the lessons the old year can teach us and, with high aspirations and renewed faith, go forth into the new.

## A New Leaf

He came to my desk with quivering lip—  
The lesson was done.  
"Dear Teacher, I want a new leaf," he said,  
"I have spoiled this one."  
I took the old leaf, stained and blotted,  
And gave him a new one all unspotted,  
And into his sad eyes smiled,  
"Do better, now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering  
soul —  
The old year was done.  
"Dear Father, hast Thou a new leaf for  
me?

I have spoiled this one."  
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,  
And gave me a new one all unspotted,  
And into my sad heart smiled,  
"Do better, now, my child."

— Kathleen Wheeler.

## THE SECOND ALFRED CHURCH



Second Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church  
Alfred-Station, N.Y.

The Second Alfred Church is in several respects a community church serving the suburban and farm families of Alfred Station. It is the only church in an area shaped by York State hills into forms like four giant cuts of pie — three- or four-mile cuts — and dates back to 1831 when horse-and-buggy worshippers found it too far to drive to Alfred Centre.

Through Sabbath worship, social activities for women, for young people, and sometimes on a family basis, and through Sabbath school and Vacation Bible school, the church serves its parish as well as by providing a resident pastor. Prominent families have included Austins, Burdicks, Clarkes, Lewises, Ormsbys, Palmers, Palmers, Pierces, Whitfords, and many others.

Unique in the last ten years has been Second Alfred's successful use of the Lord's Acre plan and chicken dinners drawing a Sunday clientele that averages 200 from neighboring cities and towns, Dr. Edgar D. Van Horn, pastor for many years, was on the faculty of the Alfred University School of Theology as is also the present pastor. Rev. Elmo F. Randolph who succeeded Doctor Van Horn

was professionally active in the Boy Scouts of America on a part-time basis.

The congregation rebuilt and redecorated the church after World War II bringing out its eighteenth-century charm and classic purity of design. It is responsible for a hall in the village which is known as the Community House, used by firemen for their meetings and equipment and currently as overflow quarters for the Alfred-Almond Central School a mile and a half distant. Second Alfred is helping to build the Western Association's Camp Harley on a site within the bounds of its parish.

With its intense local interest the Second Alfred Church has a wholesome denominational outlook through the Board of Christian Education and the General Conference to which delegates are sent yearly. Rev. and Mrs. Harley Sutton and family contribute much to this outlook by their membership. Three adult Sabbath school classes use the Helping Hand and ten families subscribe to the Sabbath Recorder. The resident membership is approximately 200; listed in the Year Book, 256.

Items of interest concerning Second Alfred members: Mrs. Ivanna Lewis and Harry Austin are long-term employees of the U. S. Post Office Department, the latter possibly the only rural carrier in the nation who stays home on Sabbath day and travels his run on Sunday. Elmer A. Willard is a member of the House of Delegates of the New York State Teachers Association. Irving V. Palmiter is a member of several Farm Bureau county committees. Clinton Burdick and his family are active in the Dairyman's League. Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Pierce are officers of Pomona Grange and their sons Lloyd and Donald have both been masters of the local grange.

When publication of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible was celebrated in Alfred last September, Mrs. Nettie Brague was presented with a gift copy in recognition of her 54 years' continuous service as a Sabbath school teacher. Fred M. Palmer, director of Second Alfred's senior choir, is superintendent of buildings and grounds for Alfred University. Leo Shaw is service manager for the G. L. F.

Cooperative in this area. Leon and Robert Lewis are building contractors, and Robert is active in the county American Legion work. Lyle Palmiter operates a chick hatchery and Judson Stearns a poultry farm specializing in quality frozen products. Miss Rubie Clarke is one of the editors of the children's paper, the Sabbath Visitor.

And so the list might be extended — hardheaded, warmhearted people.

— A. N. R.

## HOW A CHURCH CAN HELP THE PASTOR

David D. Allen

(Continued from last issue)

What should be said about the pastor's residence? Many churches supply a parsonage, manse, or rectory, and shoulder the responsibility for its upkeep. That is as it should be. The housing of the pastor is the responsibility of the church in spite of the hundreds of churches which shirk such responsibility.

Recently I was speaking to a board member of a particular church that was desirous of calling a new pastor. He told me that the sexton had lived in the parsonage for about fifteen years, and that the first thing the new pastor would have to do would be to locate a place to live in a city that had an acute housing shortage.

The preacher's residence should belong to the church and be kept in just as good condition as the church building. Some churches pay expenses in connection with the parsonage, like the water bill, gas and electric bill, telephone bill, and fuel bill. Churches will invariably find that it pays in the long run to be generous with their ministers.

Pastors, being human, appreciate a vacation. Occasionally you meet people who jeer, "Why should the preacher get a vacation? The devil never takes one." They overlook the fact that the devil does not have a body such as we have either. Had he a human body, he, too, would need a vacation. Many assemblies give their spiritual leader one week's vacation with pay and think they are exceedingly liberal. Others grudgingly grant two weeks. Yet I know of business houses,

operated by unsaved men, which give their employees three weeks' vacation with pay. There is no reason why a pastor should not be given a month's vacation with pay. The church would benefit by hearing new voices and seeing new faces in the pulpit during his absence. Moreover, he would come back refreshed and invigorated, with the church receiving the benefit.

We are all more or less aware of the fact that a plumber needs his wrenches, a carpenter his saws, and a tailor his needles. These are tools which are essential to their work. Just so a preacher needs books. They are his tools. A wrench will last a plumber years and a saw may stand up for a carpenter as long. But a preacher constantly needs new books, more tools. A bookless preacher is indeed handicapped. He may not be able, on his salary, to purchase the volumes he needs. He should not buy books at the expense of his children. A well-stocked library and poorly shod kiddies speak ill for the minister.

There is no reason why the church should not place a bookcase in the pastor's study and permit him to stock it with the books he needs at the church's expense. These volumes would be the property of the church and would be left behind when the pastor moved. The church would soon detect new depth, meaning, and vitality in the messages. Thus again it would be the church that would ultimately profit.

Many a man of God feels the need of getting away from the field to listen to others minister the Word and to fellowship with other Christian workers. Churches manned by energetic official boards have made a yearly practice of sending their ministers away to a Christian workers' Bible conference for a week with all expenses paid. The minister invariably returns with a new fire in his heart, a greater passion for souls, and a new appreciation of the saints. He proceeds to pass on to his congregation the choice morsels that he has received. Again the church benefits by its generosity and forethought.

The large denominations of Christendom have various systems of pensions

whereby they take care of their men grown old in service. They have financial security when they are old and unwanted. Millions of workers are now covered by social security. It must be borne in mind that there are literally thousands of churches that are not affiliated with the large denominational institutions and therefore their pastors have no assurance of financial security. Neither is this vast host of ministers covered by governmental social security.

Some churches with unusual insight have made provision for their pastors by taking out an annuity and meeting the premiums. Thus when the pastor reaches the age of 65 or so he will have an income for life of a hundred dollars or so a month. The cruel business world has many firms that provide a pension for their employees. Should the churches do less for their pastors than the firms do for their employees?

Many churches complain of a mediocre ministry. A wide-awake church can make an excellent preacher out of an ordinary one. Let's try it! — From "Christian Life," August, 1947.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

At the present time Salem College has more Seventh Day Baptist students enrolled than have been for 3 years. There are 26 enrolled representing 13 different states. — The Highlighter.

A revision committee in Tokyo is engaged in preparing a new translation of the Japanese Bible into Kogotai (colloquial or modern Japanese). The work is being subsidized by the British and Foreign Bible Society, in conjunction with the American Bible Society. The present version of the Japanese Bible dates from 1887 and its text is in classical Japanese. — W. W. Reid.

### Commission Meets

Commission is scheduled to hold its midyear meetings at the Seventh Day Baptist Building in Plainfield, beginning Sunday afternoon, December 28, and continuing through Wednesday, December 31.

### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**DODGE CENTER, MINN.** — No words can express our feeling of loss since the Heavenly Father called our beloved former pastor, Charles Thorngate, home. We are so thankful he did not suffer long but was able to work in his garden, preach, and give counsel in religious matters to the very last.

When Mr. Thorngate came here as pastor, with Mrs. Thorngate and Mary, in 1937, the church was in dire distress, a house divided against itself as it were. In his own quiet way he encouraged unity in the spirit, was successful, and had the church well on its way again before he felt he must resign from the active ministry. His work was by no means finished as he filled the pulpit when needed and assisted the pastor with funerals and weddings and taught his Sabbath school class until his death.

After Pastor Cruzan left for Adams Center, N. Y., he acted as counselor and pulpit supply until Pastor Van Horn was free to come to us in June. He lived a full and useful life until the very last but was ready and willing to go when his Master called.

Our church was well represented at the North Central Association at New Auburn, Wis., in October. There were about 30 in attendance, among them Mr. and Mrs. Thorngate.

The Sabbath school is active as usual. Just recently we sent money to our Nyasaland and Jamaica Missions. At the election last Sabbath night, we voted that no officer could succeed himself more than once consecutively in the same office. We hope that this will encourage people to accept offices and discourage the practice of a few carrying the responsibility of leadership over a long period of years. The new officers for 1953 are: Superintendent, Clare Greene; assistant, Eva Payne; secretary, Seili Bond; assistant, Joyce Langworthy; treasurer, Ethel Greene; chorister, Arthur Bond; assistant, Lester Greene; superintendents: temperance, Pastor Van Horn; missionary, Mary Thorngate; cradle roll, Alice Bonser; home department, Dorothy Lippincott; graded department, Donald Payne; assistant, Ardith

Greene; Junior Christian Endeavor, Doris Van Horn; assistant, Millicent Greene.

We have just completed another Lord's Acre program. Although financially not quite as successful as previously, we netted a goodly sum, part of which was designated to go to missionary work. The members on the committee in charge this year were Mr. and Mrs. Claston Bond and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Langworthy. The Ladies' Aid Society bought some chickens and after one member had raised them as her project, there was a highly successful chicken dinner as part of the plan.

The plans for our annual Christmas program are progressing nicely with Pastor and Mrs. Van Horn and Claston and Seili Bond as the committee. We are hoping to have a blessed Merry Christmas and a fruitful Happy New Year here in Minnesota. — Ardith Greene, Correspondent.

**VERONA, N. Y.** — The union Thanksgiving service of the Lutheran and the Seventh Day Baptist Churches was held in our church Wednesday night, November 26. Rev. Richard Bertram, pastor of the Lutheran Church, was the speaker. The combined choirs furnished the music.

The Sabbath school officers were elected for the coming year: Superintendent, Olin Davis; assistant, Orville Williams; secretary, Richard Warner; assistant, Marian Sholtz; treasurer, Janice Sholtz; assistant, Marie Waters; corresponding secretary, Kenneth Davis; organist, Louise Hyde; pianist, Twila Sholtz; chorister, Mary Williams; assistant, Jean Vierow; superintendents: junior, Mayola Warner; assistant, Eula Sholtz; missionary, Carol Crandall; temperance, Iva Davis; cradle roll, Jennie Sholtz; home department, Zilla Vierow. Several committees and teachers were appointed.

Our annual church business meeting was held Sunday, December 7, in the church social rooms with a fellowship dinner at noon. Pastor Skaggs reported for the eleven months since he became pastor here. The average attendance for the year was 80.2. He has preached in several of the surrounding churches during the year. He is conducting Bible studies on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Reports of the local and denominational treasurers

showed an increase in receipts and expenditures for the year with a balance on hand. Several committees reported. Tithing was strongly advocated by the finance committee. Since this system has been followed by more of the members, results have shown an increase in giving. It was voted to increase the pastor's salary.

Pastor and Mrs. Skaggs spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Skaggs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Coon, of De Ruyter. Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Perry left last week for Daytona Beach, Fla., where they will spend the winter. — Correspondent.

### REV. RILEY G. DAVIS

Rev. Riley George Davis, son of Cornelius R. and Louisa M. Sutton Davis, was born May 2, 1863, at Greenbrier, W. Va., and died December 1, 1952.

He became a member of the Greenbrier Seventh Day Baptist Church, which licensed him as a pastor. He later attended Salem College for four years and was then called to serve the Berea Church where he was ordained. He served the churches at Salemville, Pa., Scott, West Edmeston, and Syracuse, N. Y.

He came to Des Moines, Iowa, in February, 1920, where he spent the remaining years of his life. He is survived by a brother, Creed, of Wolf Summit, W. Va., an adopted son, Arthur George Davis, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren, all of Des Moines, Iowa.

Services were held Thursday, December 4, at the Fisher Funeral Home in Van Meter, Iowa.

He was laid to rest in the Van Meter, Iowa, Cemetery by the side of his wife, Viola H. Davis, who preceded him in death by many years. — Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Davis.

### COMING EVENTS

The Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Wisconsin and Chicago Seventh Day Baptist Churches will be held at Milton on January 16 and 17, 1953. — May Burdick, Secretary.

There really isn't any use in thinking there isn't any use. — Westerly Sun.

## "NINE WENT AWAY"

Edwin Raymond Anderson

Ten men came to Jesus one day, ten men with nothing to be thankful for — they were lost in the pit of leprosy. With nothing further to lose but everything to gain they came, cried, and claimed His cure. Then in one glorious, blinding moment they had everything to be thankful for! Their leprosy had been cured and they had found a new life of restoration!

But there is a bitter tragedy in the very heart of this testimony of triumph. It is a tragedy which has been repeated over and over again down the long corridor of years, upon the very part and from the very heart of those who profess Christ. It is a tragedy of which YOU may have been guilty over and over again, and all without knowing it!

It is the tragedy of forgetting that an experience in the heart and life is always meant to exercise itself in the expression of the lips and the voice. A touch from the Lord is always meant to teach us to say, "Thank you, Lord!"

Only one of the ten men remembered and returned. The other nine just went away — happy but heedless; remembering to tell loved ones, no doubt, but forgetting to thank the One who healed them. They were like so many present-day Christians — so filled with the good things of the Lord, but so empty in returning praise and thanksgiving.

Perhaps these nine never knew it — perhaps they would have been frightened or humbled if they had known, but in a solemn, spiritual sense, they went away to form the charter membership of one of the most Christ-wounding societies on the face of this earth, which since that time has tragically grown to cover the earth with a membership that is not even aware of its existence; and even less aware that they are an active part of it!

The society? It can go under many names. I choose to call it, "The Ancient Society of the Thankless Nine."

There is only one mark for membership. When I call it to your attention, I pray that you will bow your head, humble your heart, and let a solemn hush steal over your soul. Here is the mark:

Just forget to say "Thank you" to the Lord Jesus, whenever He has done some-

thing for you. — From tract published by American Tract Society, 21 West 46th St., New York 36, N. Y. Copies may be secured from the society.

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## Churches in Shanghai

Churches in Shanghai today include about ten different Protestant denominations represented by 139 churches, according to the pro-Communist China Monthly Review, published in Shanghai. These churches are listed by this publication as including: Church of Christ in China, 14; Baptist Church, 15; Anglican Church, 12; Methodist Church, 6; Salvation Army, 3; Seventh Day Adventist Church, 5; Spiritual Work Fellowship, 36; Lutheran Church, 1; Chinese Independent Church, 23; and 24 independent churches. These figures are reasonably close to those given for the year 1950 in the reliable China Bulletin of July 2, 1952. — EPS.

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## Three Things

I know three things must always be  
To keep a nation strong and free.  
One is the hearthstone bright and dear,  
With busy, happy, loved ones near;  
One is a ready heart and hand  
To love and serve and keep the land;  
One is a worn and beaten way  
To where the people go to pray.  
So long as these are kept alive  
Nation and people will survive.  
God keep them always, everywhere,  
The hearth, the flag, the place of prayer.  
—Clarence Flynn,  
in Religious Telescope.

## Accessions

Los Angeles, Calif.

Letter:

Mrs. Grace Lewis Parsons

Testimony:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferro

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