

**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**  
Statement of the Treasurer, Jan. 31, 1954

	Receipts	
	January	4 months
Balance, January 1	\$ 30.99	
Adams Center	97.00	197.00
Albion	10.00	169.17
Alfred, First	202.39	736.23
Alfred, Second	188.50	188.50
Associations and groups		25.80
Battle Creek	840.41	1,596.17
Berlin		160.30
Boulder		101.92
Brookfield, First	40.00	76.50
Brookfield, Second		64.85
Chicago	140.00	389.00
Daytona Beach	21.55	133.90
Denver	104.04	268.70
De Ruyter	30.00	141.00
Dodge Center		166.45
Edinburg		12.20
Farina	15.00	60.00
Fouke	85.86	85.86
Hammond		40.00
Hebron, First	7.99	36.66
Hopkinton, First	189.05	548.95
Independence	50.00	210.00
Indianapolis	6.40	35.10
Individuals		100.00
Irvington		200.00
Little Genesee	109.45	130.55
Los Angeles		77.47
Lost Creek	68.28	463.62
Marlboro	270.00	841.06
Middle Island	8.05	36.22
Milton	529.40	1,590.19
Milton Junction	103.28	650.29
New Auburn	18.60	30.10
New York	25.00	81.22
North Loup	420.25	420.25
Nortonville	113.82	131.82
Pawcatuck	1,305.20	1,585.20
Philadelphia	20.00	60.00
Piscataway		59.00
Plainfield	1,126.37	2,488.54
Putnam County		10.00
Richburg	43.00	115.85
Ritchie		50.00
Riverside		516.01
Roanoke	15.00	15.00
Rockville		13.37
Salem	230.00	330.00
Salemville		24.78
Shiloh	260.00	1,026.99
Verona	39.00	133.00
Walworth		25.00
Waterford	18.73	69.12
White Cloud	15.29	96.33
Wilkes-Barre		25.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$6,797.90</b>	<b>\$16,840.24</b>

	Disbursements	
	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$2,039.96	\$ 808.44
Tract Society	473.72	10.00
Board of Christian Education	898.04	
Women's Society	288.08	95.00

Historical Society	123.76	
Ministerial Retirement	504.40	392.72
S. D. B. Building	140.92	
World Fellowship and Service	20.80	50.00
General Conference	710.32	
American Bible Society		45.75
S. D. B. Memorial Fund		150.00
Bank of Milton, service charge	1.66	
Balance, January 31	44.33	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5,245.99</b>	<b>\$ 1,551.91</b>

**Comparative Figures**

	1954	1953
Receipts in January		
Budget	\$5,215.00	\$ 3,110.27
Specials	1,551.91	514.81
Receipts in 4 months		
Budget	13,147.33	12,076.17
Specials	3,692.91	2,325.06
Annual Budget	63,121.22	46,635.00
Percentage of budget raised to date	20.8%	25.9%

L. M. Van Horn,  
Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.

**Marriages**

**Monroe - Gladen.** — Glathan Monroe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Monroe, and Julia Gladen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shade Gladen, both of Fouke, Ark., were united in marriage by the bride's pastor, Rev. Trevah R. Sutton, at Fouke on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, 1953.

**Obituaries**

**Jenners.** — William, was born at Hastings, Mich., Jan. 4, 1877, and died at Boulder, Colo., Jan. 15, 1954, after an illness of about two years.

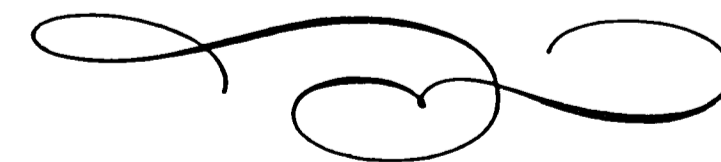
He was married to Nellie E. Sweet at Grand Island, Neb., Nov 2, 1901. He is survived by his wife and eight children: Delbert of San Fernando, Calif.; William and Eldon, Pendleton, Ore.; Thoran, Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Rose Lackey, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Louisa Pierson, Mrs. Bessie Hard, and Mrs. Ena Bolton, all of Boulder, Colo. There are also four sisters: Mrs. Grace Gereck, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Maggie Johnson of Oregon; Mrs. Louella Moore, Grand Island, Neb.; and Mrs. Sylvia Straub, Puyallup, Wash.; and one brother, Benjamin, Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. Jenners was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Boulder, Colo. They had lived in Boulder since 1902. Funeral services were held in the Howe Mortuary, Boulder, January 19, conducted by the interim pastor of his church, Rev. Erlo E. Sutton. Interment was in the Mountain View Memorial Park, at Boulder.  
E. E. S.

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# The Sabbath Recorder

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, saith the Lord: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.  
Jeremiah 31: 31-34.



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## Prayer Thought

A spiritually discerning pastor said to his people one day: "You are all mouth Christians. None of you have it in your feet." Let us pray:

"Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee."

Praying for His kingdom to come should send us forth to help bring it in.

## GIVING HALF TO GOD

History, drawing upon all the treasures of time, often contains more gripping stories than can be found in our contemporary experience. A reader sent us a clipping about a collection of old timepieces being displayed in the Newark, N. J., museum. One of them is an English candle 12 inches in length with notches one inch apart. It is thought to be of the type contrived by King Alfred the Great prior to A.D. 900. He wanted to measure time so he could give half of it to God.

Time was not the only commodity which Alfred sought to divide equally with God. The church historian Schaff tells us that he gave half of his income to God and education. In both these areas he tried to teach his people by example as well as precept.

His life is cast against the darkest background of English history. He brought his country out of the chaos following the invasion of the heathen Danes and Normans. His was a time when even the clergy had lapsed into barbarism and had no knowledge of the meaning of the Latin formulas they tried to recite.

A man afflicted with epilepsy and other physical disorders, he was a brilliant military leader, the builder of a navy, a great administrator, lawgiver, scholar, and writer. He found time after he was 36 years of age to learn Latin and translate Greek. He found time by carefully dividing time. Historians tell us he is esteemed "the wisest, best, and greatest king that ever reigned in England." Freeman in his History of the Norman Conquest, Vol. 1, speaks of him as "the most perfect character in history."

The character of Alfred is portrayed by John Richard Green in "The Conquest of England," page 179, as follows:

"Religion, indeed, was the groundwork of Alfred's character. His temper was instinct with piety. Everywhere, throughout his writings that remain to us, the name of God, the thought of God, stir him to outbursts of ecstatic adoration. . . . Little by little men came to recognize in Alfred a ruler of higher and nobler stamp than the world had seen. Never had it seen a king who lived only for the good of his people. . . . 'I desire,' said the king, 'to leave to the men that come after me a remembrance of me in good works.'"

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Few men properly divide either time or money until they have a passion for God and a love for their fellow men. Alfred had both. His collection of the laws of England began with the Ten Commandments. He was the first to conceive of national popular education. The story of his invention of timepieces is told in the following words in the many-volume work of Hume (Vol. 1, p. 97):

"He usually divided his time into three equal portions: one was employed in sleep, and the refectation of his body by diet and exercise; another in the dispatch of business; a third in study and devotion: and that he might more exactly measure the hours, he made use of burning tapers of equal length, which he fixed in lanthorns; an expedient suited to that rude age, when the geometry of dialing, and the mechanism of clocks and watches, were totally unknown."

This little expedition back into the dawn of English history was by means of books in the editor's library and the library of the Historical Society on the third floor of the denominational building. The moral of the story ought to be apparent. When we look back a thousand years, we can find a few religious giants whom we could well emulate in a God-centered division of our time and resources.

## More About Church Attendance

When we wrote our editorial on church attendance for the February 15 Recorder, we wished that there were figures from other denominations to compare with our own. There has just come to hand the Jan. - Feb. issue of the Sunday Guardian with just such an article in it.

An independent commercial opinion research firm has made a survey for the Catholic Digest. This survey indicates that although 99 per cent of the people of this country may believe in God not many of them show it by regular attendance at church. The report takes into consideration only adults (18 and above). In the over-all picture only 35,000,000 attend every week.

Catholics, as expected, lead the field with 62% attending every Sunday and 18% who never attend. Grouping all Protestants together 32% never attend

## MEMORY TEXT

"And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive a hundred-fold, and shall inherit everlasting life." Matthew 19: 29.

church and only 25% attend every week. Another 43% attend from 1 to 3 services a month. In the major denominations, Baptists seem to rank highest in regularity of worship, if it is permissible to use the superlative when 28% attend regularly and 26% attend not at all. They are virtuous only by comparison. Congregationalists appear to hit the bottom with 42% who do not attend at all and 10% who are at church every week. In between are Methodists, Presbyterians, Lutherans, and Episcopalians. Other denominations lumped together are given the figure of 32% nonattending and 31% present every week.

Relating these figures to Seventh Day Baptists it appears that our November attendance figures were somewhat above the average for other denominations. Exact comparisons cannot be made since the surveys were not conducted on the same basis. Small denominations with relatively smaller churches ought to average better. For instance, the Baptist Church of Riverside, Calif., with the largest attendance of any church in the city never expects to see half its membership at a service. The building would not house 50% if they came. Let us break no arms in back-patting. We say again that we who hold a precious truth ought to be ashamed of ourselves if our devotion to our church is not the talk and the envy of all other churches.

Here is one thing more to think about. In other denominations the 18-24 age group is more regular in church attendance than any other group. How is it in our church?

The purpose of the church is not only to comfort the afflicted but to afflict the comfortable. — Bahnsen.

## RECORDER PRESS NEWS

The denominational printing establishment in Plainfield, N. J., is known locally as the Recorder Press. This rather modern printing plant, unlike the relatively quiet denominational building which stands in front of it, hums with activity both in the offices and the shop.

Changes of personnel and equipment are to be expected in any such organization. Some of these changes are newsworthy. A few weeks ago we mentioned the installation of one of the finest folding machines on the market, which is now doing most of our folding at speeds up to 12,000 pieces an hour. A postage meter just secured will speed the mailing process. Delivery is expected soon on a much-needed heavy-duty freight elevator for moving tons of paper to and from the basement. These improvements are made possible by operating the plant at full capacity under favorable business conditions.

Our readers may be more interested in the changes of personnel. Twice this year the business manager, L. H. North, has advertised in the Sabbath Recorder or by letters to our churches for help in the office. He was unsuccessful in securing a Seventh Day Baptist bookkeeper when that position was vacant. More recently Dorothea Warner Paquette who has been handling all subscriptions since September, 1950, found it necessary to give up her position. Her place at the denominational desk has now been filled by Etta North O'Connor, who was familiar with the work five or six years ago. Our readers will be glad to know that all problems relating to Recorder subscriptions will continue to have the considerate attention of one who is vitally interested in our cause.

There are two girls and one man connected with the office who are not of our faith. The other Seventh Day Baptists besides the manager and editor are Gladys Wooden Poulin, part-time secretary, Frankie L. Davis and Janet Whitford, proofreaders. In the print shop the regular employees include 2 linotype men, 3 compositors, 5 pressmen, 1 cutter, 1 folder, 1 janitor, 1 handyman, and 3 or more women in the bindery and mailing

*President's Column***I've Been Wondering**

**What impression are we Seventh Day Baptists making on our communities?**

Do people take us for granted? Do they just accept the fact that we are "peculiar" in the day we keep, and ignore us, leaving us alone? They shouldn't! They should "sit up and take notice." They should watch us to see what is going on. They should take an interest in the things which we are doing. It might even be antagonistic interest, but that is better than indifference.

**What are we doing to show people the way of salvation?** We should be bringing them to the One who can forgive their sins, and deliver them from the burden of guilt. We should be winning them to Christ as Saviour and Lord.

**What are we doing to help them in their spiritual and devotional lives?** We should be bringing them into contact with the power for right living, showing them the source of strength to meet the tempter. We should be helping them to know Jesus better, and to grow in Christian character.

**What are we doing to lift the moral tone of our communities?** We should be meeting and combating evil conditions, and working to expel the forces of unrighteousness.

**What are we doing to make our com-**  
 department. During the past year 64 different people have been on the payroll. The usual weekly payroll is about 25. During December it averaged \$1,848 per week exclusive of the editor's salary.

Three Seventh Day Baptist workers moved to Florida early in the fall and Frank Kellogg, who had been working in the shop until recently, has taken another job. This leaves the shop for the present without any workers who are members of the Plainfield or Piscataway churches, though some of them attend occasionally. The exceptionally high quality commercial work done is what keeps the printing establishment running, but there is no employee who does not assist in denominational printing part of the time.

communities Sabbath conscious? We must show them that the observance of the seventh day is not just a "freak notion" which we hold just to be different and stubborn. We must show people the blessing of Sabbath observance, and inform them about Seventh Day Baptists.

**What impression are we making on our communities?**

Listen to what one of our pastors wrote me in a letter recently: "I am more convinced than ever that if we want to spread the Sabbath truth we will first have to convert Seventh Day Baptists. I know my Seventh Day Baptist affiliation has not helped me any in my community as far as telling people about the blessings of Sabbath observance."

Does that "bring you up short" as it did me? Try to "shrug it off" as a snap judgment of a discouraged preacher! You can't if you examine the influence of your own pastor in your community in the light of your attitude toward and observance of God's Holy Day.

**Look at it through your neighbor's eyes!** What impression does he get of the importance of the Sabbath and of its value by looking at you? That, I think, is what this pastor meant. He preaches the value of the Sabbath, the blessing of doing God's will in this matter. Then his people go out on the Sabbath "doing their own ways and finding their own pleasures." Their neighbors see them shopping, attending socials and entertainments, going to ball games, taking part in civic affairs, and many other things — desecrating God's day, making it appear unimportant, even a burden — and the pastor's words are nullified! **What can people think?**

If we are to make the impression on our communities which we should, we must live these things ourselves! "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you" is that which is part of our own experience. We cannot give or share what we do not have ourselves — salvation, victory, the joy of observing the true Sabbath. May Acts 4: 13 be true in our lives!

Beloved in the Lord, we need, above all, to pray! Make these things a matter of concern in your prayer time.

L. G. O.

*Secretary's Column*

We can begin to take some encouragement from the report of the treasurer of the Denominational Budget if the month of January can be considered an index of what we will accomplish the rest of the year. For the first time since the present Conference year began, the January receipts were in excess of one twelfth of the year's requirements.

Because of the light receipts during the first three months of the current fiscal year, it would take five more months of giving at the level reported for January to bring receipts up to current requirements. As it stands at present, although a third of the year has now passed, our total giving is still less than one quarter of the amount required for the year.

Another encouraging factor is revealed when the giving of individual churches is compared with previous giving by those churches. Some time ago your executive secretary sent to each church a suggested monthly target for its giving, the target being based on the proportion contributed by that church during recent years. The treasurer's report as of the end of January shows that eighteen of our churches are meeting or doing better than the suggested targets. These are the churches at Adams Center, Albion, Battle Creek, Hammond, First Hopkinton, Independence, Irvington, Lost Creek, Marlboro, North Loup, Pawcatuck, Philadelphia Fellowship, Plainfield, Putnam County, Ritchie, Shiloh, and Wilkes-Barre. If these eighteen churches will but continue their good work, and if the remaining forty-seven churches will bring their giving up to the suggested targets we can end this Conference year with our budget met.

When looked at from the point of view of percentage of the budget raised, our accomplishment so far this year compares unfavorably with a year ago. On the other hand, our total giving to date this year is approximately \$3,000 more than it was at this same time last year. The fact that some projects which were not covered in last year's were incorporated into this year's budget by Conference was expected to result in an increased total

## INTERPRETERS OF CHRIST

Edgar F. Wheeler

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. . . . Do all things without grumbling or questioning, that ye may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world." Matt. 5: 16; Phil. 2: 14, 15.

Are we aware that as Christians our responsibility goes deeper than superficially "telling about" Jesus Christ? The large majority of people will recognize the historical fact that He lived and walked on the earth, that He was crucified, rose again, and ascended to heaven. But the multitudes are puzzled over the significance of Christ for them. We Christians must be interpreters of Christ and His way for them.

Men are seeking peace with God; they are searching for victorious power and incentive for a better life of purity, goodness, and godliness; they long for the secret of peace with their fellow men.

Ours is the task — rather let us say the privilege — of interpreting Christ as the answer to all these needs. Christ declared Himself to be the Redeemer from sin, the Way to God, the Giver of the new Spiritual life. Whether or not we are willing to be held responsible for our impressions upon others, many will pass judgment on the Christian way and the validity of Christ's claims in the light of our life testimonies. The very name "Christian" — "Christ-like" — implies that our lives are a reflection of His likeness.

The man who declares, "If that is what it means to be a Christian, I don't care to be one," has seen an interpretation of Christ and His way, false though that interpretation may be. Careless indifference to God and His will, so often manifested by professing Christians, appears as a

budget giving, and it has, but of course it also resulted in a larger budget and we must still all apply ourselves diligently in order to make the budget successful this year.

A. B. C.

denial that Christ is the Redeemer who brings sinners into harmony with God. The anxious and fretful disposition of those who most readily declare their faith in Christ pictures Him as disinterested in those who put their trust in Him, and unable to give them poise and power. The grudges and antipathy harbored among self-declared Christians interprets the Christian way as not being the way to love and harmony among men. Shallow, inconsistent living denies the power of Christ to give victory over sin. Christ and His way are frequently tragically misinterpreted before the world by those who profess His name and likeness.

There is a "gospel according to you" read by all who come in contact with you. And it may not be reduced to a mere formula. It must be a **living demonstration** of the redeeming, vitalizing power of Christ at work in every area of your life! It is an interpretation of Christ written in terms of confident faith, godly living, a loving and forgiving spirit, a life of righteousness flowing spontaneously from a heart filled with love for Christ. — De Ruyter Church Bulletin.

**The time is short.** The other day we saw a picture of an atomic fireball disintegrating a steel tower. The camera of revolutionary design without moving parts was set for what might be called a time exposure. How much time? One millionth of a second!

Let it be remembered that our scientists are doing much better on the infinitesimal than on the infinite measuring of time. They are accurate to the millionth of a second but when they glibly roll off millions of years in their description of the mutations of man they are just guessing.

We do well to remember also that the eye of no camera can be as quick or farseeing as the eye of God. It is an expression of divine power in human terms which says, "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye." Science cannot get ahead of God in measuring time or in any other area; its function is rather to discover the laws by which God ordinarily works. Let us so trust Christ that when "the elements melt with fervent heat" it will hold no terror for us. Ed.

## SHALL WE CHEER, BOO, OR JOIN THE TEAM?

Rev. Albert N. Rogers

Condensed by the author from an address given at the Battle Creek General Conference

It would be hazardous for a "York State" man to attempt to make comments on Michigan baseball, but perhaps he may be permitted an observation regarding two of the clubs in New York. The New York Yanks and the Brooklyn Dodgers have acquired whatever attention you may wish to give them not alone by playing ball. Ebbets Field is known for the pop bottles they throw, and the Yankee Stadium has its own forms of behavior which contribute to the morale of the Yanks.

Without the fans, baseball would be much less interesting, nor could it pay its way. Here is a modern parable as we consider the educational work of Seventh Day Baptists carried on by the Board of Christian Education. I want to ask for teamwork in the denomination and I do not mean to stifle the cheers and boos. Our traditional principles of freedom of mind and conscience, local church autonomy, and the responsibility of each individual before God cannot endure without complete freedom of utterance. Nor can our General Conference survive without the strength that comes from diversity.

Have you ever made a character study of the twelve men Jesus chose "that they might be with him." What a variety; yet each was chosen carefully. The well-known disagreement between Peter and Paul, and Paul's difference with Barnabas regarding John Mark, may be evidences of the natural healthy tendency in people to differ in viewpoint or emphasis.

Henry Ford, who was an industrial and social pioneer in this great automobile state, illustrates the truth that whereas we have glorified competition in America our economy has been built up by the process of co-operation. Ford not only had a good mechanical invention and capitalized on it, but he saw clearly that if he paid his workmen a good wage they could buy Ford cars as well as build them. And we know that because Ford paid well the

farmers of the country could sell to Ford employees and also buy Ford cars.

Cheers and boos, plus paid admissions, are what it takes to support organized baseball. Co-operation is essential to build automobiles and support the nation. And this same sense of belonging, this we-group spirit which is inclusive of all individual differences, is what we must have in our church life. During the first half of this century we have declined as a people while stressing individual beliefs. In the next half century let us gain by co-operative believing. Now let us look at two parts of our educational work.

Rev. Melvin Nida has been sharply criticized for his work as editor of the *Helping Hand*. He has received commendation also for his scholarship and originality. Mr. Nida regards his writing as a part of teaching and welcomes letters from his readers. He personally planned the last quarter 1953 lessons to be written by several different ministers. The Board of Christian Education laments the canceling of subscriptions because that is like walking away from a man when you have been arguing. (It's better than fighting, of course, but you can never patch up the argument until you start talking again.)

I hope any of you who have canceled your *Helping Hand* subscriptions will go home and renew them. You are asked to do this not out of loyalty to us at Alfred, and not because it costs us proportionally more to print a quarterly for a smaller circulation than for a larger one, but because you and I and Melvin Nida are on this Seventh Day Baptist team together. We weaken our witness to ourselves, to the world, and to God who loves us all if we divide that fellowship in any way.

The School of Theology has come in for criticism this year, also. This has happened, of course, before. The Conference Committee on Theological Education has been very fair in its study of our work and we have tried to assist it in every possible way. I hope many of you will talk with me about the school and with Rev. Loyal F. Hurley who has been such a help at Alfred this past year.

Training of ministers cannot be done by one or two professors alone. If education was "Mark Hopkins on one end of

a log and a student on the other," what a log it must have been! Classes are to be held in Bible, in Theology, in Church History, and in Practical Theology — the minister's professional skills. But we need students as well as professors, and financial support, library, administration, laboratory work in nearby churches, on-the-spot training in evangelism and youth work, contacts in the denomination, special orientation toward our Seventh Day Adventist neighbors with whom we are frequently confused to their dissatisfaction and also to ours. And this is not all we could wish for in training leaders for our churches, as important as we believe these things to be!

Your support is needed, and that of every single Seventh Day Baptist, if we are to train ministers effectively. We need the point of view of the most conservative and of the most liberal among us. We want the country and the city to help us, and those of every occupational group represented on Seventh Day Baptist membership rolls. We shall be poor without the mellow riches of maturity, and we shall die without the vitality and idealism of youth. At different times we have had all types at Alfred and we pray that the give-and-take may continue.

The purpose of the Alfred University School of Theology is not to train liberal Seventh Day Baptist ministers or conservative Seventh Day Baptist ministers; it is to train men and women for Seventh Day Baptist leadership! Dean A. J. C. Bond has said many times that we can do this better than any other school even though we may not be able to do some things other schools can do.

According to our polity a student for the ministry may choose his school, and we would not change that right. There are good reasons for studying at one or another of the better seminaries in our country. Some of them offer advanced work and fields of specialization which we could not hope to do. Several happen to be near one of our churches so that a student may supply the pulpit during his course as I had the privilege of doing at Waterford. We are concerned, however, when a student fails to take any of his work at Alfred, because we believe

he is weakening his effectiveness as a Seventh Day Baptist minister and weakening our denominational solidarity. He needs to be there for a year at least to absorb the intangibles of our heritage and to learn with those who will be his fellow ministers.

Speaking personally, I had two and a half years at Yale Divinity School and one year before that at Alfred. If I had to give up one or the other it would not be the year at Alfred, grateful as I am to Yale. Dean Main died the year I was in Alfred but the imprint of his mind, the outlook of the Alfred churches and those of the Western Association, and my contacts with the university and community will always be part of me.

It would seem best in general for the theological student to enroll at our School of Theology his first year out of college. Then if he decides to continue his course in another school he will have our blessing. But if it is more feasible for him to study elsewhere first, we would hope that he would come to Alfred for a year before ordination. Such is the requirement of most denominations. I may add that it has always been Alfred's policy to welcome men and women as special students when they did not wish to or could not qualify for the degree course.

Theological education is much less expensive than medical education or the training required for lawyers, dentists, or nurses. I have reason to believe that our per-student cost is about midway between that of the least expensive and the most expensive theological training obtainable. Obviously it would cost us less per student if a larger number of men were in training at Alfred. Less than six and a half per cent of our Denominational Budget has gone to the School of Theology this year; but one large denomination recently marked thirty-eight per cent of its budget for ministerial training.

Rev. George B. Shaw years ago described the School of Theology as several hens trying to hatch a few eggs. The same number of hens could cover a larger setting. My message is not primarily on the cost, but on the way in which our ministers are trained. We must train them to know and trust each other, and to lead churches that will co-operate in denomi-

### APPRECIATES TRACTS SENT

The secretary of the New Zealand Seventh Day Baptist Churches, G. Gilberd, writes that the Auckland Church appreciates the large order of denominational tracts sent out from the headquarters at Plainfield, N. J. He mentions in particular the little leaflets, *Was Paul Wrong?*, *The Lord's Day*, and *By What Authority?*, as tracts that are very usable in their country.



Among the several snapshots sent by Mr. Gilberd for possible use in the Sabbath Recorder we are sharing the one above. It is the meeting place of the Auckland Church which they recently purchased. They had formerly met in a rented hall, the trustees of which gave them enough seats for the new building. Part of the upper floor is used for Sabbath school classes.

The car on the left is the one used by Pastor Tonge in his work for the United Leper and Medical Board. Another partly hidden car belongs to Pastor Johnson.

The church has a young people's meeting on Sabbath afternoon in addition to Sabbath eve and Sabbath morning services. Mr. Gilberd reminds us that they are the first people in the world to welcome the Sabbath. It will be recalled that the World Day of Prayer begins in New Zealand.

national programs at the same time each one makes his own distinctive contribution to our group thought and action.

We have to cheer, and boo, and play the game if we are to survive.

### ANOTHER LAYMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

It should be of interest to all men in Seventh Day Baptist churches located relatively close together that so-called "Laymen's Fellowships" are springing up which may prove to be a blessing. The Western Association is closely grouped. Those churches in western New York and northern Pennsylvania have such a men's fellowship.

Word now comes that another fellowship among our New England churches is in the process of formation. The following news item comes from Conference President Osborn of Ashaway, R. I.:

"Fourteen laymen and ministers from the New England churches met in Westerly, Sunday night, January 31, to discuss plans for a laymen's fellowship. Around coffee, sandwiches, and cookies we gave our ideas, after electing Morton Swinney temporary chairman, and Lewis Randolph temporary secretary. The upshot of the matter was that we appointed a meeting for February 28 to which we are going to invite all the laymen of the churches to talk things over, organize, elect officers and a program committee, etc. Morton Swinney and Rev. Everett T. Harris were appointed program committee for that meeting."

The Sabbath Recorder would like to publish the aims, blessings, and achievements of these laymen's fellowships when they become sufficiently clear. There may be other sections of the country where some such organization would be feasible or perhaps already exists.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for March 6, 1954.

Lord of Life and Death  
Basic Scripture: John 11: 1-54.

### 1953 Year Book Available

The long-awaited Seventh Day Baptist Year Book is off the presses and has been mailed to the churches. What was deemed a sufficient number of copies was mailed to each church on February 12. Pastors or church clerks will make them available to those who are interested in the Conference minutes and in the board reports. Additional copies are available at the publishing house in Plainfield.

## Missions

### Strengthening the Fellowship At Mill Yard

Word has been received that Pastor E. J. P. Hansen of Copenhagen and Pastor Johannes Bahlke of Hamburg are accepting the invitation of Pastor James McGeachy to make a friendly visit in London and enjoy the fellowship of the Mill Yard Seventh Day Baptist Church members and friends. The proposed time of their meeting at London is Friday, February 26. It is expected that Brother Hansen will travel first to Hamburg and be there for a short visit before traveling on to London accompanied by Brother Bahlke.

It is gratifying to know that our brethren across the sea are enjoying rich fellowship in Christ, drawn together by their common love for Him and the Sabbath He observed.

Pastor Bahlke is able to serve as interpreter for Pastor Hansen. It is possible that Pastor Bahlke will remain in England for a while after the meeting in order to visit old friends and acquaintances in Dublin, Ireland.

### The Steep Ascent

The daily devotions of the Fellowship of Prayer for the seven weeks before Easter are written on the theme "The Steep Ascent." The author, Rev. Robbins Barstow, will be remembered by many as the speaker on Church World Service at the 1947 General Conference held in Westerly, R. I. Dr. Barstow is at present on the staff of the National Council of Churches.

The theme, "The Steep Ascent," is developed under such headings as "Training Rules" and "To the Heights." It reminds one of the thrilling hymn: "They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n through peril, toil, and pain; O God, to us may grace be given to follow in their train."

The third devotional in the 1954 booklet is for Friday, March 5 (The World Day of Prayer). The theme for this day, "That They May Have Life," will be the rallying point of prayers all around the world as the service is held especially by

women's groups. Miss Sarah Chakki, President of Isabelle Thoburn College in India, has written the beautiful service for the Council of Church Women. The men of our churches will surely be the poorer spiritually if they do not unite their prayers with those of the women of the world on this day of prayer.

### The Missionary-Minded Church

(By Mrs. Luther Hansen, chairman of Missions Committee of the Denver Sabbath School, written upon request.)

Some time ago the Denver Seventh Day Baptist Sabbath School participated wholeheartedly in the "Second Century Fund," as did many other churches and Sabbath schools in the denomination. At the time the contributions were quite generous, and our church did not suffer financially because of this additional giving to mission work; as a matter of fact we felt that the church was more prosperous then than it is at the present time.

Since the time of the Second Century Fund, our Sabbath school has voted the special quarterly offerings to various worthy projects. Several times it was sent to the Denominational Budget when special pleas were sent out. One time it seemed advisable to give it to our local church treasury which needed extra funds at the time; and thus we sort of got away from the quarterly Missionary Sabbath.

Last December the "Religious Education Committee" of our church held a meeting and discussed ways in which we might do more toward Christian education in our local church. Several different recommendations came out of that meeting, and one of them was a recommendation to our Sabbath school that we give our quarterly special offerings to missions, and that a special program be given in connection with the offering. Our Sabbath school readily accepted this recommendation, and our first program was held on the last Sabbath in December, with the offering being sent to Crandall High School.

In March we are having our second program and offering for Jamaica, and Secretary Harris and the Missionary Board have been very co-operative in supplying us with material, including some lovely slides, and a new group of snapshots from

Rev. O. B. Bond which will be of great interest to all of us.

The other programs this year will probably be for some other of our mission fields, and there are many which need our support.

Our hopes and prayers are that our group here will open their hearts and purse strings wide for the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and that other churches and Sabbath schools will do the same.

The Denver Church knows from past experience that God will bless us if we will do what we can for the spreading of this Gospel. A missionary-minded church will not die, but will grow numerically and spiritually.

### On the Southwest Field

Pastor Trevah Sutton assisted Pastor James Mitchell and the Edinburg Church in special services February 4-14. The Missionary Society assisted on travel expense of the preaching missionary. The services began with the regular Thursday evening prayer meeting.

Pastor Sutton visited at Houston, Texas, with George Stillman (son of James and Catharine Shaw Stillman), moderator of the Southwestern Association. They discussed plans for the coming summer association youth camp. The 1954 meeting of the association has been invited to convene as guest of the Edinburg Church. "The camp for young people will probably either precede or follow the association meeting, the dates and place have not been set."

Word from Hammond tells of Pastor Ted Hibbard's work with "a group of colored people, out from Amite about 20 miles north of Hammond." Pastor Hibbard has been carrying on services every Sunday night, bringing the Gospel message through slides, hymns, messages, and personal counseling. He requests that someone be found to assist him in special meetings this coming summer. Thirty-five to forty people attend regularly, including the pastor who had been serving the group. They are all interested in the Sabbath. The meetings have been held in what was formerly a beer parlor. The nearest church is about two miles distant

and there is need for a place for the young people of this community to meet in a house of worship. Pastor Hibbard writes, "It is wonderful if we can keep up the good work." Efforts are being made to find someone to help Pastor Hibbard during the coming months.

Word had been received from Mrs. Robert Butler, clerk of the Paint Rock Seventh Day Baptist Church, that Pastor Ralph Soper had arrived and began his pastorate in mid-January. He has written, "At the time we arrived and for the first week or more it rained almost continually. Still the attendance was very good, one family driving 65 miles to be able to attend the services. I am planning a year of service in humility before our Lord, am praying that the Holy Spirit may guide in all our work and efforts, that God will bless the work here, and that many shall be led to Him who is able to 'save to the uttermost.'" E. T. H.

### Word Made Flesh

A mail boat was returning from the West Indies. Among the passengers was a man who had with him a dog of which he was very fond. One day a small child was playing with the dog. After throwing a stick on deck for the dog to catch, he suddenly turned and threw the stick into the sea. At once the dog jumped over after it. In great distress the owner ran to the captain and begged him to stop the boat and rescue the dog.

"Stop the mails for a dog! I can't do it," said the captain.

"Then you shall stop the ship for a man!" exclaimed the owner as he flung himself overboard. Of course the ship was stopped, and both man and dog were rescued. "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." He identified Himself with us in our danger that we might have rescue. — Selected.

"Prayer Reminder Cards" have been placed on the mess hall tables of the First Battalion at Fort Monmouth, N. J. The cards, signed "The Chaplain" read:

"Each in his own words. Each in his own way. Let us remember at mealtime to thank Him for our blessings."

## WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR MARCH

Topic: Jesus Our Pattern

Scripture: Matt. 5: 1-16; John 12: 32.

Be Thou supreme, Lord Jesus Christ,  
My inmost being fill,  
So I shall think as Thou dost think  
And will as Thou dost will.

Anonymous.

Hymn: Teach Me Thy Will, O Lord!  
or, O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee.

In preparation for this meeting read also Luke 6: 20-28. Read the Beatitudes in Matthew 5: 3-11, using the word happy instead of blessed.

**Thoughts to expand:** This is Jesus' idea of a Christian way of living, so it becomes a pattern for us to use. We are familiar with patterns. They are guides for measuring and cutting various things and when we use them in making a garment, for instance, we are very particular to make the fabric follow the lines of the pattern. We very carefully trim off every bit of cloth where it does not conform to the pattern. A homely illustration, you say. But does the fabric of our lives follow the guide Jesus gave us? It may be we need to trim off some here, fill out some there.

It is fascinating to watch a weaver at his loom. He tests each thread to make sure it is sturdy, in both warp and woof. To an inexperienced eye the color of the thread he chooses is not the right one, but the weaver has a pattern in mind and it grows more distinct and beautiful as he works.

Hymn: I Want To Be a Christian, sung as a solo or in unison. At the close of the hymn ask the pianist to play the chorus again softly while each one sings it softly with bowed heads as the closing prayer.

Not I, but Christ be honored, loved,  
exalted.

Not I, but Christ be seen, be known, be  
heard.

Not I, but Christ in every look and action,  
Not I, but Christ, in every thought and  
word. Unknown.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Date: March 5, 1954

Theme: "That they may have life."

"The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10: 10.)

Will it be possible for you to attend a community or other group meeting on this special day of prayer? The inspiration and uplift of spirit you will receive will make worth while the extra planning necessary on this usually busy day of preparation for the Sabbath. We have always prayed for peace, and to worship with other Christians, of whatever denomination, gives us a sense of fellowship that reaches out beyond ourselves.

But many of us may not be able to attend a worship service with a group. Perhaps four or five women in your neighborhood could meet at your home for that purpose. Or those of us who are alone on that day can set apart some time for thought and prayer in behalf of Seventh Day Baptists, workers and laymen, around the globe. Beginning with our own families, scattered possibly in several states, it is an easy flight of thought to Jamaica, British Guiana, Europe, Nigeria, Nyasaland, New Zealand, India, China, and places between. Pray for those at every station, as they will be praying for us. And who shall say whether they or we shall receive the greater blessing?

Try it this year, wherever you are. Would you share your experience with others by writing to the Women's Page editor?

Speak, Lord, in the stillness  
While I wait on Thee;  
Hushed my heart to listen  
In expectancy.

Anonymous.

Chemists have tried to analyze a tear, and they say it is made of so much of this and so much of that, but they miss the important ingredients. A tear is agony in solution. But by divine power, it may be crystallized into spiritual wealth, and all burdens may be lifted. Talmage.

## SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY SUMMER PROGRAM AIDS RURAL CHURCH

Dr. Ralph A. Felton, eminent rural church specialist, has been secured to lead a three-week workshop on "The Rural Church and Community Leadership" at the School of Theology, July 5-23, in connection with the Alfred University summer session.

Author of a number of important studies of the problems of rural churches, Doctor Felton recently retired as professor of rural sociology at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. He is a Methodist.

Field trips will be taken to migrant labor camps, co-operative parishes, and to other areas of effective programing to see how a church meets changes in a rural community. Many Seventh Day Baptist churches find themselves surrounded by an entirely different situation than that in which the church formerly worked. Dean Fred Gertz, director of the university summer session, is co-operating in the workshop plans which are designed for central school and adult education people as well as for church leaders.

Seventh Day Baptist pastors and religious education workers may wish to enroll for other courses in summer school along with the rural church workshop. Courses in denominational history and polity required for accreditation of ministers by General Conference can be set up if there is sufficient desire for them. Living accommodations can be arranged at The Gothic or in Alfred or Alfred Station.

Anyone wishing further information regarding the summer program is invited to write to the School of Theology, Box 742, Alfred, N. Y. A. N. R.

Dr. Louis Hadley Evans, minister-at-large of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., and Connie Haines, radio, TV, movie, and recording star, conducted a pre-Christmas preaching mission in Pacific Air Force bases, sponsored by the Air Force chaplains. The trip is the first experiment in a proposed program to team professional entertainers with clergymen in Protestant preaching missions. . . .

## School of Theology Gift

The Alfred University School of Theology is pleased to announce receipt of a gift of \$300 by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Randolph of Ashaway, R. I. It is given in memory of Mr. Randolph's parents, Rev. Lewis F. Randolph and Elizabeth Davis F. Randolph.

The late Rev. Lewis F. Randolph was pastor of the Second Hopkinton Seventh Day Baptist Church, Potter Hill, R. I., for thirty years, having come there from Greenbrier, W. Va., in 1883. He passed away July 18, 1913, after active service in the church, civic activities, and the surrounding community. A second son was the late Curtis F. Randolph, treasurer for many years of Alfred University.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph have stated that their gift was prompted by the Preaching Crusade in Westerly last fall shared in by faculty and students of the School of Theology. During the crusade, members of the team visited the Second Hopkinton Church for a Sabbath afternoon service.

The Advisory Council of the school under the chairmanship of Dr. H. O. Burdick will decide on the use of this memorial gift. A. N. R.

## College Gets Gifts

Milton College reports that it has received a \$10,000 gift from the Lynde Bradley Foundation. Under the terms of the gift, approximately half of the grant is to be used to place modern flooring in the hallways of old Main Hall, to build new stairways to the second floor, and to sound-proof the hallways. Main Hall will soon be celebrating its centennial, and its thousands of friends among past students will welcome the news of the attention it is receiving.

The college has also received 100 shares of Parker Pen B stock as the personal gift of Kenneth S. Parker.

A further gift of \$2,500 has been received from the Kohler Company of Kohler, Wis., according to an announcement by Kenneth A. Babcock, financial assistant to the president. Since students can pay only about one half of the actual cost of their education, operating fund gifts such as this are needed and very much appreciated, Mr. Babcock stated.



### OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

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

Dear Kendall and David:

I have so many letters this week that I'm going to write to you both at the same time. I was very much pleased to receive such interesting letters from each of you.

How I wish I could see that model farm you described to me, Kendall. You must have enjoyed making it, and it surely must have kept you all busy. But aren't you happiest when you are busy? I am, and I'm sure God wants all His children to be faithful, busy, and happy. I'm sure, too, that the Christmas gifts you made for your dear mother made her happy.

I'm sure, David, that your mommie and daddy were pleased with the table decoration you made for them and were proud to show it to their friends. Did the dog and cat enjoy their trip to Rochester, and did they prove to be well-behaved visitors?

Lovingly yours,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

My daddy is the minister here. I go to school. I am in the second grade. I have a little grey kitty. His name is Bobby. I sang a song about him at Christmas. Sometimes Mommy helps me feed him.

Jackie is not big enough to write to you.  
Your friend,  
Nancy Cruzan.

Adams Center, N. Y.

Dear Nancy:

It was a pleasant surprise to receive another welcome letter from you. I will be looking forward to the time when Jackie is old enough to write to me.

I'm wondering if you couldn't send me the song you sang about your little grey kitty at Christmas so I could send it to the Recorder. I'm sure other Recorder children would enjoy it, and so would I. But most of all I wish I could have been there to hear you sing it.

With love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Since it was Aunt Daisy that told me

to write to you I will write a letter to you like I would to Aunt Daisy.

In Brownies we are making puppets. I have not finished mine yet but have done the head. I am studying about birds in school, and the teacher drew a big tree on the board and everyone was supposed to draw a bird to put on the tree. We were also supposed to choose three birds to give a report about. I chose the bluejay, the nuthatch, and the bobwhite. I am also studying about Indians.

Alida Wattles.

417 Mck. Ave.,  
Endicott, N. Y.

Dear Alida:

Since your Aunt Daisy sent me the letter written to her by Hilda Wattles I have been hoping to receive a letter from her. She is your sister, is she not? I was pleased to receive your letter. Hope you will write often and that Hilda will follow your good example.

We are having cold snowy weather but it is so windy that it does not make the hills very good for coasting. The children have to be satisfied mostly with drawing each other along the street. The children next door have made a tall snowman.

Some time ago I saw a moving picture at the Methodist Church called, "Science in Nature." It showed numerous wonders with which God has blessed us. The different birds, especially, were wonderful.

Lovingly,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I thought I would write again. I have been taking piano lessons since I was in first grade. I am now in the fourth grade and am also taking clarinet lessons.

I will be ten on February 14. I have two sisters. One is in the first grade. Her name is Mary Ellen and she is six years old. The other one is Virginia Beth. She is four years old.

We have two cats and some fish and snails for pets. Of course we can not play with the fish but can watch them.

Yours truly,  
Carolyn Smitley.

Dear Carolyn:

I will answer your letter next time.  
Mizpah S. Greene.

### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**INDEPENDENCE, N. Y.** — The annual church meeting was held at the parish house on January 10 following a tureen dinner. Reports of the various church societies were given including the Sabbath school, Ladies' Aid, Finance Committee, Family Night Committee, and the Missionary Circle.

Pastor Don Sanford was given a unanimous call for another year. His report was indicative of a year full of service with us. He has also held office in county and other agencies and worked outside to supplement his salary. Our parish house kitchen under his direction has been completely altered. Much of this work he did himself. As a result we have an attractive and convenient kitchen.

In the spring he saw the possibilities of two Sabbath school classrooms in the long room upstairs in the church, and with the assistance of a committee this has been partitioned and painted in cheerful colors to provide the children with the needed space for classes.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Bassett have made and recently presented to our church fifty racks for Communion cups. The work required much time and effort and is greatly appreciated by everyone.

Kathrine Crandall, keyworker of the Missionary Circle, reports as follows:

"We held nine meetings this year with an average attendance of nine. In March 90 pounds of used clothing were sent to Korea. . . . Our giving for One Great Hour of Sharing netted \$25. We made and tied a quilt to be used by a needy family. We pieced several wool lap robes for veterans at Bath. Mrs. Floyd Clarke has been our constant helper in this project although she is unable to do work outside her home. We showed the Joan and Beth pictures in place of one regular meeting, to which the public was invited. A \$10 CARE package was sent to Korea and we have another clothing collection ready to go soon. Our study this year was 'This Is My Africa' by Emily Booth Langworthy."

White Cloud's report of their use of mite boxes in their homes and the amount raised by each member of the family putting in a penny a meal is quite challenging. Let's

all get mite boxes and drop in pennies or larger coins and encourage our missionaries in Jamaica, Nyasaland, and other places that need our support. — Mrs. Milford Crandall, Press Com.

**RIVERSIDE, CALIF.** — We sang this song again the first Sabbath of the new year:

"Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring out the false, ring in the true."

In a moment of retrospect, we regretted the silence in the church tower after the Christmas music had floated out daily for a week, as our organ was played each afternoon. Three rented speakers beamed it quite effectively throughout our area. Maleta Curtis and Jean Lewis were alternating organists. Passing motorists stopped frequently to listen.

Action taken in the business meeting of January 10 showed enthusiasm for advancement and a spirit of generosity.

Considerable interest is being taken in the Bible Reading Fellowship. Pastor Wheeler is backing it with both his Sabbath eve Bible studies and his morning sermons. High-points from Matthew, Mark, and Luke have been covered as our reading has progressed. In this threefold manner Christ is more clearly unveiled to us. It is a blessed experience.

We are again a favored church blessed with a large group of winter visitors. They bring new life to us as they enjoy our unusually lovely weather and the fellowship of our church.

Dr. Wayne R. Rood, associate professor of Religious Education at Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, filled the pulpit January 30. He spoke dynamically to a well-filled and listening church on "The Meaning of Jesus." Such a delineation of Christ, showing His realistic faith, courage, and boundless love, fires us to "follow in His train." That evening, Albyn Mackintosh brought us the report of the discussions of the Commission he recently attended at Alfred, N. Y.

A healthy sign for the new year is the increase in enrollment of children in the Sabbath school — such an increase that movable panels of plywood have been devised to make use of much of the space of the large social hall for classrooms at will. — Florence Ritz, Reporter.



WATERFORD, CONN. — Another happy year of service has passed into history. We had the misfortune of losing our pastor, Rev. Carl Maxson, in the spring of 1953. However, we were able and privileged to have the pastor of the Niantic Baptist Church, Rev. Theodore Echolm, to preach each Sabbath.

Our annual business meeting was held on the evening after the Sabbath, January 2. The officers elected are as follows: moderator, Morton Swinney; clerk, Miss Helen Maxson; treasurer, Mrs. Josephine Avery; deacons and deaconess, Albert Brooks, Morton Swinney, Miss Helen Maxson; trustees, Virgil Neff, Morton Swinney, Albert Brooks; organist, Mrs. Leslie Avery, assistant, Mrs. Ruth Neff.

Charles E. Gardner, one of our active members and senior deacons, passed away on Christmas Day.

Extensive repairs and redecorating of the sanctuary is now in progress. While the work is being done the service is being held at the home of Mrs. Minnie Maxson.

Our Friday evening service is led by Rev. Edith Northrup of Niantic. We are now studying the Gospel and Epistles of John which go with our Sabbath school lessons.

The Sabbath school can report an inspirational year. A Vacation Bible School was conducted by Miss Ellen Swinney in August. Officers have been elected and teachers for the year are Mrs. Damaris Getchell, Albert Brooks, Mrs. Selena Swinney, Miss Emma Burdick, and Mrs. Florence Fetrow.

For Christmas a group went caroling to shut-ins. A party was planned for the children but due to a chicken pox epidemic each received a party at home. The adults enjoyed a worship service December 23 led by Ellen Swinney. Each one was able to share his Christmas with some needy family by giving for a white Christmas.

The Ladies' Aid members feel that God has been very close to them this year. Mrs. Selena Swinney has been president. We have been able to help the church substantially. We have been unable to have sales as we have in the years before but with several quilts, which have been tied, and dime cards we were able to keep our treasury built up. The annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Brooks with twelve members present.

Mrs. Albert Brooks.

## Marriages

**Hulett - Weaver.** — Douglas Leland Hulett and Mavis Ella Weaver were united in marriage on June 21, 1953, in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph officiating. Following the groom's completion of military service the couple plan to reside in Milton.

**Anderson - Loofboro.** — On Oct. 10, 1953, Arthur William Anderson and Virginia Annette Loofboro exchanged wedding vows in a ceremony conducted in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church. Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are at home in Janesville, Wis.

**Drake - Zaborek.** — Donald Leland Drake and Loretta June Zaborek were married in a pre-Christmas ceremony in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church on Dec. 23, 1953. Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, minister of the church, officiated. Following a holiday leave, the groom returned to his tour of duty in the Navy.

## Births

**Hurley.** — A daughter, Deborah Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. George Hurley of Milton, Wis., on Dec. 4, 1953.

## Obituaries

**Lowther.** — Lillie Ford, was born Sept. 2, 1866, in Doddridge County, W. Va., a daughter of the late James and Talitha Davis Ford, and passed away at her home in Salem, W. Va., on Dec. 18, 1953, following a short illness.

She was married in 1898 to Lucian D. Lowther, who died in 1935. She was a faithful member of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church for some sixty-five years. She is survived by two children, Mrs. Courtland V. Davis of Somerville, N. J., and E. Jean Lowther of Salem, W. Va. There are three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Farewell services in her honor were held in the Salem Church with her pastor, Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. C. W. P. H.

**Sutton.** — Adolpheus, was born Feb. 11, 1866, at Blandville, W. Va., and died Dec. 23, 1953, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. C. Vaughan of Mannington, W. Va.

From early life he was an active member of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church. He was married in 1894 to Secelia Chloe Davis who survives him, as do also two sons, Fronce E., of Salem, W. Va., and W. Esle of Washington, D. C.; and three daughters: Mrs. Robert J. LeMasters of Salem, W. Va.; Mrs. B. C. Vaughan of Mannington, W. Va.; and Mrs. William G. Marstiller of Morgantown, W. Va. There are 21 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen, assisted by Rev. James L. Skaggs, in the Salem Church, and burial was in the Mt. Olive Cemetery. C. W. P. H.

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# The Sabbath Recorder

## Three Lessons

There are three lessons I would write —  
Three words as with a burning pen,  
In tracings of eternal light,  
Upon the hearts of men.

Have Hope. Though clouds environ now,  
And gladness hides her face in scorn  
Put thou the shadow from thy brow —  
No night but hath its morn.

Have Faith. Where'er thy bark is driven —  
The calm's disport, the tempest's mirth —  
Know this: God rules the host of heaven,  
The inhabitants of earth.

Have Love. Not love alone for one,  
But man as man thy brother call;  
And scatter like the circling sun  
Thy charities on all.

Thus grave these lessons on thy soul —  
Faith, Hope, and Love — and thou shalt find  
Strength when life's surges rudest roll,  
Light when thou else wert blind.

—Johann Christopher Friedrich von Schiller,  
in Masterpieces of Religious Verse.