

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.

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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Prayer Thought

In a sense the whole Christian life from beginning to end is an act of prayer. F. B. Meyer commenting on Col. 2: 1-12 says: "The first act of the Christian life is to receive Christ, and every moment afterward we must continue receiving Him. The act must become an attitude. Breathe in the love and power of Jesus. Take deep breaths. Then we shall be rooted in Him in secret, and built up in Him in our outward walk and behavior."

STRANGE EXPERIENCES

Men in the Air Force take flying as a matter of course. It is their usual means of travel while on duty. They are only vaguely aware of danger. Their plane is their home; its well-serviced motors can be depended upon; its rigid fuselage and cabin are trusted protection against the frigid outside air. If trouble develops it is expected that they can bail out or ride the plane down to a safe crash landing.

Six survivors of the recent crash of a C-47 plane in Alaska tell a strange story. They had no warning of danger. Sitting idly in the bucket seats up forward or upon the pile of baggage in the rear they felt a terrific downdraft and heard an explosion. The rigid protecting walls of their flying home had disappeared. They found themselves falling through the air to possible injury or death.

It is required that all personnel riding in military aircraft wear parachutes, and, if flying over water, that they wear life preservers. These six men would not have been survivors if they had not obeyed the rules of being prepared for the unexpected or if they had failed to pull the rip cord. It is true that they could not have lived long in those frozen wastes even with the survival equipment. Their lives depended upon an organization that valued human life and sent rescue crews out the very next day.

Do we need to remind ourselves of the obvious religious applications of this news story?

No man knows the day or hour of the Lord's return. Most people will be carelessly eating and drinking, trusting in the security of well-built homes, the protection of a well-organized society, and the safety of the unchanging laws of nature. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye every man will find himself alone in the air, as it were, with God. Those who have renounced the discipline of preparedness symbolized by the adjusted parachute harness will be eternally lost.

The same can be said about death. Who can know how suddenly our collective physical supports may be blown away and our individual preparedness will be all that counts?

The church, like the military, is the only world-wide organization that constantly enforces the discipline which stems ulti-

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mately from our Commander in Chief. It, too, is equipped to send out rescue parties to save fallen men floundering in the bleak, snowy, ice fields of sin. It is a combination of pooled resources, good discipline, and kindled love that keeps us preaching preparedness, and rescuing the scattered lost ones.

EDITOR NOTES YOUTH WORK

Christian Endeavor Day was observed in a goodly number of our churches according to bulletins coming to the editor. Some of the programs given seem to have been quite interesting. We expect that there will be further mention of these youth activities appearing in "News from the Churches." A limited number of the youth talks can be printed in our pages. Discriminating pastors and leaders may well send in the best. Of the well-worked-out morning services conducted by the youth we are able to mention Alfred, Battle Creek, Denver, Shiloh, and Verona.

The Lost Creek, W. Va., Church recently had their annual Salem College Day when students of the college took charge of both the morning and afternoon services. We would comment that this is the kind of publicity that our colleges may well be proud of — students conducting services in nearby Seventh Day Baptist churches.

We note that Shiloh has four C. E. groups meeting Sabbath afternoons. There is a new Intermediate Society at Riverside, Calif.

In a number of churches the pastor or a theological student brought the morning message with the youth taking the minor parts of the service.

STOP!

On the last day of January a gruesome picture was seen in our newspapers. It was a picture of a man's head pinned to the pavement under the wheel of a truck. The man was living and a minister was kneeling on the street beside him to give him comfort.

Unknown to the driver, the man, Eugene Canfield, had fallen between the front and rear wheels of the moving truck. How was his life spared? A passer-by shouted, "Stop!" and the driver stopped.

MEMORY TEXT

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy." Habakkuk 3: 2b.

The fallen man was within less than an inch of death; the pressure was already upon his head. He was spared; the on-lookers were spared a horrible sight; and the driver was able to sleep in peace. We do not have the particulars but we can be reasonably sure that the reactions of the driver and the man who cried, "Stop!" were not slowed by alcohol.

There are greater lessons than that. Many of the men who throng our streets are fallen men with no power to save themselves from the swift approach of a Christless eternity. In the world but not of the world are the Christians with the voice to cry out a warning. The blood of our fallen brethren is equally upon our heads if we fail to give or to heed the warning. Saving life is often a co-operative venture. Saving souls is seldom a one-man job.

The urgency of salvation is never so apparent as when we see life spared by a fraction of a second. The writer recalls vividly a Sabbath morning in Japan when he stepped from behind a jeep into the path of two ten-ton trucks. The first one grazed him, reducing an orange in his pocket to juiceless pulp, breaking his fountain pen, and inflicting facial injuries. The second truck veered off the road and spun end for end to avoid the fallen man. Death was close that day. Looking back upon that experience we can be thankful for a salvation previously secured and can resolve to help fallen men to find salvation before it is too late.

Would you do less for a man's soul than for his life? Are you sufficiently alert and concerned to cry, "Stop!"

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for March 13, 1954

Jesus Faces the Cross

The Lesson Scripture: John 12: 20-32.

Secretary's Column

Many churches are designating March 27 as Stewardship Sabbath, in which activity they are conforming with other Protestant churches of America who have designated that weekend for concentration on stewardship. At least one of our churches has asked the executive secretary for some material to be used in a stewardship drive.

A united concentration of our thinking on our responsibilities as stewards under God of our worldly possessions can be very helpful in the development of our spiritual growth and in the support which we are giving to our united Christian efforts.

This column has repeatedly emphasized the importance of continuous stewardship and regular giving to our Seventh Day Baptist denominational objectives. It is our belief that a concentrated directing of our thinking toward this end can help us to accomplish that to which we set our hands last August in Battle Creek.

Two years ago a concerted drive was made during the month of March which very nearly brought our denominational giving at the end of that month up to the halfway mark. That is where we should be by March 31. Perhaps those churches which do designate March 27 as Stewardship Sabbath could well build toward that date by emphasizing denominational and local financial needs throughout the month.

MILTON COLLEGE SECURES NEW PRESIDENT

Percy L. Dunn, national director of registration, Boy Scouts of America, has been named as the seventh president of Milton College. He will assume his duties April 1. The announcement was made by Dr. F. M. Branch, president of the college's Board of Trustees, which acted on the recommendation of a selections committee headed by Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph. President Dunn succeeds Dr. Carroll L. Hill who resigned a year ago.

National recognition in scouting came to Mr. Dunn in March, 1952, when he was

appointed director of registrations in the division of personnel with the national council, Boy Scouts of America, with offices in New York City. He has been responsible for the annual registration of over 3,000,000 scouts and scouters, directing a staff of 53 and a budget of \$250,000.

In addition to his experience in administration, President Dunn brings to Milton College the benefits of a continuous contact with university and college administrators at Alfred University, New York University, Bowdoin College, Bates College, and Colby College.

Always a faithful worker in the church, Mr. Dunn is attracted by the Christian ideals of Milton College. While at Hornell, he became treasurer and trustee of the Park Methodist Church; in Portland he was very active at Central Square Baptist Church, and was an officer in the Maine Council of Churches. He has spoken frequently at laymen's church conferences.

The Dunns have three sons and a daughter, all of whom are college graduates, and four grandchildren.

The selection was finally made during a recent visit by Mr. and Mrs. Dunn to Milton. They became acquainted with members of both faculty and Board of Trustees in a three-day visit to the college, and Mr. Dunn accepted the appointment the following day.

In discharging the selections committee, Dr. F. M. Branch paid high tribute to the careful work it had done. He also expressed appreciation of the trustees to Registrar J. L. Skaggs, who has borne the administrative duties of the office of the president during the interim period since January, 1953.

"The trustees are confident that Mr. Dunn will make a notable contribution to Milton College," Dr. Branch declared, speaking for the board. "His liberal arts college background, his experience in college teaching, youth training, and fund raising, his activity in farm, church, and community affairs, his evident ability to work with individuals and groups, and particularly his knowledge and experience in organization and administration work fit him admirably for the presidency of Milton College." — Condensed from Milton and Milton Junction Courier.

C. E. DAY AT SHILOH "So Send I You" To the Fields

Elsa Nimitzek

Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James came to the sepulchre and an angel instructed them to tell the disciples the great news that Christ had risen and that He would meet them in Galilee. Some little time later the eleven disciples, having made their way into Galilee, gathered together once again on the hill where their Master had taught them, and Jesus appeared in their midst. Though at first a few doubted the testimony of their eyes, presently they were kneeling around Him in adoration, and Jesus said unto them, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Through the teachings of the eleven disciples and Paul, we have learned of God's wonderful love for us and of the eternal life He has for us if we would only believe in Him. We must remember that God loves all of us equally and that we all have the opportunity to know Him and serve Him. He said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . . whatsoever I have commanded you." We must also remember that there are many nations that have never heard of Him and His redeeming love. That is why we must send forth our missionaries to every corner of the earth spreading His Gospel. In Matt. 24: 14 we find, "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations; and then shall the end come." "Then saith he unto his disciples, the harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." Matt. 9: 37.

Who will go forth into the fields to serve Christ? Those who have felt the call of God and have educated themselves in their chosen ministry to go to the fields will go where God has instructed them to go in order that they may tell others of Him. Teaching all nations of God's

redeeming love, they will tell how Jesus was crucified for us in order that we might be saved. He died on the cross that we might believe and have everlasting life. He has made a place for us in heaven where we can know God and all His glory. We must tell others of the wonderful things we know. Men have died and been persecuted spreading God's Word, but they gladly gave their life for Him in order that the world might know of Him. They were not afraid because they had faith in Him. In Romans 10 we find: "For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek; for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. . . . And how shall they preach except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

There are many fields open to which we can send the much-needed missionaries. But not only are missionaries needed in the foreign fields but there are people around us who do not know Jesus Christ. How can we help these people in knowing Jesus and becoming Christians? If we think we cannot go to these people and tell and teach them the way that God wants them to live, we can try to set an example by our everyday living and by showing them the way of a good Christian. We must teach them the meaning of the Ten Commandments and the way God wants us all to live.

Whatever we choose to do, whether we feel the call of God to go to the foreign fields or to stay at home and lead good Christian lives, we must trust Jesus and have faith in Him that He will guide us always, for He said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Foreign Students Honored

The largest Protestant youth observance in North America has taken place during Youth Week in February when American Christian youth honored 40,000 foreign students now enrolled in U.S. colleges and universities. In thousands of American churches young people played host to students from other lands to discover their responsibilities as Christian world citizens and to strengthen their activities in building world brotherhood in their own communities.

MINISTER CHANGES DENOMINATION

(The following news item appeared in the Star Beacon of Ashtabula, Ohio, Feb. 10, 1954.)

Rev. Albert E. S. McMahon announced today he will withdraw from the Presbyterian denomination (U.S.A.) to unite with the Seventh Day Baptist Church and continue his ministry with the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. He said the move will be effective Feb. 15.

Mr. McMahon became a member of Cleveland Presbytery in April, 1928. Prior to that date he served pastorates in the Presbyterian denomination (U. S.). His withdrawal will be acted upon officially by Cleveland Presbytery on March 16.

He is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary, Columbia, S. C., now located in Decatur, Ga.; and served in World War 1 as chief morale officer on the staff of Major General George E. Cameron. Prior to that he was both instructor in an officers' training school and served as chaplain on the Mexican border.

Mr. McMahon's first duties with the Seventh Day Baptist denomination will be organizing a Seventh Day congregation in Ashtabula.

[Mr. McMahon, a Recorder subscriber and an energetic distributor of our tracts, writes: "The field is not an easy one, and I do not know what response will be made for some time. I am confident that the Lord is leading and will bring in a harvest in His time. . . . We know if we are in His will, the Lord will answer the prayer that believers hear the call and respond."

(From a second letter:)

"I counted the cost as much as was in my power and weighed up the change prayerfully before making the final decision. Now I am looking forward to fitting in with the Seventh Day Baptist denomination and to getting acquainted with the brethren. . . . The work before us now is preparing the field and looking prayerfully to the Lord for His blessing. I am not looking for a mushroom growth but for a rather slow foundation building upon which to grow."]

HOW THEY HEARD

There is a widespread interest in the doctrine and polity of Seventh Day Baptists. If such a denomination did not already exist it would need to be established to meet the church needs of people of Baptist persuasion who are convinced of the truth of the seventh day Sabbath. The percentage of Bible students willing to abandon custom and tradition in order to follow the plain teaching of the Old and New Testaments in regard to the day of rest and worship may not be large, but neither is it negligible.

Inquiries from all over America and the world filter into our denominational headquarters to be answered by the American Sabbath Tract Society. It is only when the secretary has to answer a group of them that particular notice is paid to how the inquirers heard about us.

On February 11 the secretary answered three inquiries, among others, that had reached us in devious ways.

A lady in the State of Washington had consulted the 1953 World Almanac and found our name there.

A man in Massachusetts had apparently found our denomination in the list of churches connected with the National Council of Churches. His inquiry to them was forwarded to us. He hoped there was a church in Boston.

A story from a city in central Ohio tops them all. The local paper carried a story about a bank in Alfred, N. Y., which did business on Sunday in a community that was largely Seventh Day Baptist. A lady wrote a letter to the president of the bank and it eventually got to Plainfield.

How many people are there in the North and South, East and West who are longing for a church fellowship such as we alone can give? We do not know. Some of them are probably living on the same street or in the same town. We need to find them rather than wait for them to find us. Countless others only vaguely realize their religious needs. Them also we must serve, bringing them the satisfaction of Sabbath-keeping and the joy of Christian liberty. A more consistent tract distribution is an effective way of making ourselves and our truths known. — L. M. M., Sec.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

SECOND HOPKINTON, R. I. — The annual business meeting of the church was held on Jan. 31, 1954, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Randolph. The principal officers elected were: president, Arling Kenyon; vice-president, Mrs. Sarah M. Kenyon; clerk, Mrs. Walter D. Kenyon; treasurer, Lewis F. Randolph; auditor, Arling A. Kenyon; pianist, Miss Phyllis Kenyon; corresponding secretary, Miss Ruth Kenyon; music director, Lewis F. Randolph; Sabbath school superintendent, Miss Ruth Kenyon, assistant, Robert James; ushers and collectors, Richard Prescott and Kenneth Mills. After the meeting, Mrs. Randolph served ice cream and cookies.

Our church is still without a full-time pastor, but we have been fortunate to have Rev. Charles H. Bond of the Pawcatuck Church as our supply pastor. We deeply appreciate his services in helping our church to stay open.

The Sabbath school is now learning choruses under the direction of Lewis F. Randolph, assisted by our pianist, Miss Phyllis Kenyon. — Corresponding Secretary, Ruth Kenyon.

MILTON JUNCTION, WIS. — The last half of 1953 had several important happenings. A visit from Rev. Ronald Barrar, who showed pictures and gave us a message, made Nyasaland more familiar to us.

More than the usual number of our members attended General Conference at Battle Creek. This fellowship tends to bring an uplift to the spiritual life of the church.

Two weeks after Conference Rev. Neal Mills and family visited our church with a message and pictures of the Jamaica Mission.

Mrs. Walter Cockerill was a delegate to the Sixth National Assembly of United Church Women at Atlantic City, N. J., the first week in October.

The annual business meeting of the church and the church society was held January 3 with a dinner served at noon between the two meetings. The annual reports of the various departments were read and the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. Clarence Olsbye, moderator; Mrs. Walter B. Cock-

erill, clerk; Leland Shaw, treasurer; Mrs. Oscar Hartman, activities banker; Joyce McWilliam, chorister; Mrs. Leland Shaw, organist. On the Advisory Committee Mrs. Robert Greene acts as member-at-large, Joyce McWilliam as young people's representative, and Mrs. Roy Harris as representative of the Quarterly Meeting Committee.

Kenneth Smith was unanimously elected to be our pastor for the coming year.

On January 22-23 the Milton Junction Church entertained the quarterly meeting of the Chicago and Southern Wisconsin churches. Though the ice was very bad on the roads and sidewalks, approximately 200 attended services and enjoyed the dinner and fellowship together.

In January the Friendly Gleaners Class met with Mrs. Jennie Greene for the election of officers, and the Service Class surprised Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harris at their new home in Janesville.

Already many are thinking of the coming Conference at Milton this summer.

The Milton Junction Church is to entertain the North Central Association in October this year. With our occasional parties, business meetings, Ladies' Aid, and entertaining, ours will be a busy church.

Correspondent.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. L. D. Lowther, 87 years old last September, and a long-time resident of Salem, W. Va., was called to the heavenly home on Dec. 18, 1953.

Mrs. Lowther was taken ill Friday noon and passed on about four o'clock that evening. She had enjoyed the pleasure of sending Christmas cards and packages and then went quietly away as she had hoped to go.

Mrs. Lowther had been an active member of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church for over sixty years. She was "Aunt Lillie" to her many friends. Her firm, friendly handshake and helpful interest in the welfare of everyone will long be remembered by all who knew her.

From the Salem Women's Society a highly respected, dearly loved, loyal member has gone. We miss her gracious presence but we know her "feet have found the path to God." We thank our

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WORSHIPING OUR GOD

We worship God when we become aware of His presence in such a way that it awakens a response within us. A passive awareness of God is not worship. He must activate our lives, stimulate our thinking, motivate our action. The truth of His Word must strike a response in our lives if we are truly Christian.

As we sing the great hymns of the faith, do their thoughts inspire us? As we meditate on His Word and as we join in prayer, does God seem closer to us? As we listen to the sermon, is there a response within us which enables us to live a more Christlike life?

Isaiah went into the Temple. There he saw the Lord, he heard the Lord, and the Lord sent him forth. Isaiah worshiped God. May our worship be in the same spirit as was his. — Adams Center Church bulletin.

Heavenly Father with a deep gratitude that a beautiful Christian character remains our inspiration.

A farewell service was conducted on Sunday, December 20, by her pastor, Rev. C. W. P. Hansen. Included in this service was the following poem which Pastor Hansen found thumb-tacked to the wall of her home beside her calendar:

"Three Needs"

Clarence Edwin Flynn

I know three things must always be
To keep a nation strong and free:
One is hearthstone, bright and dear,
With busy, happy loved ones near;
One is 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 home, the heart, the place of prayer.

Salem Women's Society.

Mrs. Ottis Swiger,
Mrs. Ray Randolph,
Mrs. J. L. Skaggs.

Obituaries

Noyes. — Angie Saunders, 87, wife of the late Asa Noyes, died on Jan. 27, 1954, at a convalescent home in Mystic, Conn.

She was born in Rockville, R. I., Aug. 9, 1866, the daughter of Nathan and Prudence Burdick Saunders. Surviving are a niece, Mrs. William Metz, and a nephew, Harvey C. Saunders, both of Westerly.

Mrs. Noyes was a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church and Rebekah Lodge, 19, IOOF.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 29, at the Schilke Funeral Home with Rev. Charles H. Bond and Rev. Harold R. Crandall officiating. Interment was in the First Hopkinton Cemetery.
C. H. B.

Crosley. — Fern Amelia, daughter of Nathan Wardner and Jennie Burdick Crosley, was born Dec. 19, 1884, in Farina, Ill. She passed away from this life on Sept. 30, 1953, following a brief illness.

Moving to Milton, Wis., with her parents in 1898, Miss Crosley spent the greater part of her life in that community. She was graduated from Milton College in 1906, after which time she took advanced training in home economics preparatory to high school teaching in Wisconsin, Iowa, and the Dakotas.

After giving up teaching to care for her invalid mother, Miss Crosley took training fitting her to become a medical, X-ray, and physical therapy technician. The remaining years of her active life she served as a practical nurse.

Miss Crosley was a valued, and until her health failed, active member of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Of her immediate family, one brother, Raymond of Chicago, survives her. Farewell services were conducted for her from her church on Oct. 3, 1953, with her pastor, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, in charge. Interment was in Farina, Ill., where a service was also conducted by Pastor Addison Appel.
E. F. R.

Burdick. — Bertha Lawton, daughter of Mary Ann Wood and Charles Dennison Lawton, was born at Albion, Wis., July 22, 1877, and died in a Texarkana, Ark., hospital Jan. 11, 1954.

Bertha Lawton was married to Dr. G. Merton Burdick in 1900 and to this union two children were born: Harold, now of Kansas City, Mo., and Mary (Mrs. Trevah R. Sutton), now of Fouke, Ark. Dr. Burdick preceded her in death in 1938.

The life of Mrs. Burdick was actively Christian throughout her seventy-six years. She was baptized by Rev. George W. Hills in 1893, and affiliated with the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church. When she moved with her husband to North Loup, Neb., they were both active in the life of that church. Returning to Milton they joined the Milton Church where she kept her membership until her death. In her church experience she served in such capacities as church clerk, superintendent of the primary department of the Sabbath school, president and treasurer of the Ladies' Aid, and as a Sabbath school teacher.

After failing health forced her to give up her work as a seamstress at the Rock County Farm, Janesville, Wis., she lived with her daughter and son-in-law, first at Jackson Center, Ohio, and then at Fouke, Ark.

Surviving her, in addition to her son and daughter, are two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Freeborn and Mrs. George Palmer, both of Milton Junction; two granddaughters; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted, first at Texarkana, Ark., and then in the Milton Church on Jan. 14, 1954, Pastor Elmo Fitz Randolph officiating. Interment was in the Milton Cemetery.
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Randolph. — Alois Preston Fitz, was born Sept. 7, 1872, at Berea, W. Va., and died Nov. 10, 1953, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Avis Swiger of Cleveland, Tenn., with whom he and Mrs. Randolph had been making their home for several years.

He was a teacher in the public schools of West Virginia for 51 years. He was a member of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church, and was known throughout his lifetime for his broad knowledge of, and deep interest in the denomination.

He was married in 1895 to Miss Jennie Sutton. Besides his wife and daughter he is survived by three sons: Brady of Sutton, W. Va.; Ashby of Bristol, W. Va.; and Rev. Elmo F. Randolph of Milton, Wis.

Services in his honor were conducted in the Berea Church by Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen, assisted by Rev. Reese Burns and Rev. Rex Zwiebel. Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery at Berea.
C. W. P. H.