Front Elevation of the Denominational Building as it will appear when finished, made from Architect's Drawing.
THE SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

Next Session will be held at the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Milton, N. J., August 20-23, 1929.

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The Memorial Fund of the Seventh Day Baptist Church is a self-supporting fund for the financial support of the various missions and agencies of the Church.

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THE SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE


SABBATH KEEPER'S AUXILIARY


The Amount Needed on December 10, 1928, to Complete the Building

$38,980.59
Our heavenly Father, we thank thee for those whom thou hast called to be ministers of the gospel, and labor in the vineyard of our Lord, but we ask thee to bless all their hearts and to fill them with the true spirit of worship that they may stand before thee unashamed, and before thy people highly honored as leaders.

Will thou inspire the hearts of more young men and women to dedicate themselves to the ministry of the gospel and lead them into the battle to save the lost multitudes? I think that such a revival in all the churches would result in a great ingathering and the kingdom of God on earth would thereby be greatly strengthened. In the preaching of these days there is a tendency to soothe rather than awaken the voice of conscience in men. A deeper moral discontent with modern conditions that would stir men’s souls and awaken them to a vivid realization of the claims of God and of the dreadful consequences of a life of sin, is the one thing needed today. And it is up to the Church to bring this about, if it is ever done. A triumphant Church must be something more than society of social evolution. Men need to learn that religious indifference is not the result of faith.

A live Church should be able to produce strong spiritual leaders. The fact that there is such a scarcity of ministers in the present day must be due to the indifference of the Church toward the matter. This of itself is one of the strongest signs that the Church is not doing its best.

Have you thought that the more prosperous a church is in material things, the fewer are the ministers that come from it? From what churches have come most students in the seminaries and the active preachers in churches today? The most of them have been from the smaller and so-called “feeble” churches. If all our churches were doing their best, we might see more of our young men entering the ministry, and fewer of them drifting clear away from us.

Frank J. Hubbard On Thursday evening, Highly Honored December 6, a great congregation assembled to witness the dedication of the huge new Hubbard school building on West Eighth Street, Plainfield, N. J. This is by far the finest of the more than a dozen fine school buildings in the city of Plainfield, and it was named in honor of Frank J. Hubbard, who for many years was a member of the Board of Education, and its president when this building was planned.

Dr. Henry M. Maxson, who for many years was the superintendent of schools in this city, made a fitting tribute to Brother Hubbard. Mr. De Witt Barlow, president of the board, presided, and the great audience united in singing the “Star Spangled Banner.” Rev. Mr. Warren of the Presbyterian Church offered prayer, and Mrs. Sarah W. Johnson, of Newark, on behalf of the Martha Washington Council 23 Daughters of America, presented the school with a fine Bible. In doing so she referred in an impressive way to the three standards of the society she represented—the Bible, the flag, and the public schools—and pronounced them the foundation of the nation.

Brother Asa F. Randolph in behalf of the Rotary Club presented an excellent portrait of Brother Hubbard. In doing so he spoke of the unselfish service he had rendered as president of the board by giving so much time in serving the public.

The Hubbard School Glee Club and members of the Chamber of Commerce Music Society rendered excellent service in music, and popular songs. In his tribute to Frank J. Hubbard, Doctor Maxson spoke in his well-known pleasing manner, taking something as follows, taken from the Courier-News:

“Some men are remembered for what they did and some for what they are, but Mr. Hubbard will be remembered for both.” Doctor Maxson said. It was a fitting tribute that the new school should be named for the former board president. Doctor Maxson traced the development of the school buildings in Plainfield and said that when the Stillman School, the first school erected here, was built, it was thought to be the last. The Hubbard School building erected has been an improvement over the old one, and now the Hubbard School represents the most modern of school buildings.

Doctor Maxson discussed changes which have been made in the educational system of a century, and told how the lengthening of childhood enrollment of child labor laws has affected the school program.

Our readers will be interested to know that this three of the public school buildings in Plainfield are named after three leading Sewanee Alumni, Dr. P. R. Bingham, Dr. A. C. Paul, and Dr. T. D. Professor, who rendered valuable service in matters pertaining to education. They are the Stillman School, the Maxson School, and the Hubbard School.

A Beautiful Tribute. The poem entitled, To a Devoted Mother on Her Birthday, was written by Brother N. O. Moore to his mother, whose death is announced in this Sabbath Recorder. It was written during the last week of her life, while she was in the hospital where she had gone for an operation. In a private letter to the editor, Brother Moore tells me that he printed it and had it printed on parchment and bound in morocco in time for his mother’s birthday. He says: “I am thankful the time reached her in time for her to understand and appreciate them. I would be glad to have you publish the verses as an expression of the gratitude of her children towards their mother.”

MY MOTHER’S BIRTHDAY

The anniversary days of city, state, and nation are marked with pride and joy. But there is an anniversary much more important than New Year’s day or July fourth, to me.
The dignity and divineness of motherhood can never be overestimated. Most of the great and good men of history owed all they were to the women who had in- fluences of their mothers. Paul exalted motherhood when he wrote of Timothy’s mother, and Titus, a sacred historian of old wrote of Hannah as the one who made Samuel the man of God he proved to be. When the Psalmist wanted to express the deepest sorrows of his existence he claimed, “I bowed down heavily as one that mourneth for his mother.” Jesus had a mother who was so precious to him that he remembered her and provided for her even in his agony on the cross.

One of the best moves America has made came when it declared Good Friday a national holiday. Happy memories of another mother have saved many a man from the life of an infidel and helped him to find the Savior.

More and more, as the years go by, we appreciate the finer qualities of the mother who made the light of home when we were children. For no matter how far away a man may roam or how the things of earth may have changed his condition, there will follow him memories of one character that survives in the heart, for a mother makes hold of his very being. Be he living or dying, there will appear in his life’s horizon, like the morning star, that beautiful and remembered goodness almost divine, which he calls “Mother.”

Cheering Report on The Building Fund By interest our people are taking in the efforts to complete the fund for the new building. In the report of last week the receipt of $7,991 enabled us to add another block to our growing picture of the building on the first page of the Recorder. That date was December 4. Then the total receipts for the building amounted to $48,382.41. Today, December 8, both made interesting ad- ditions regarding the building and its needs. The next church they will visit is the old Shiloh Church in southern New Jersey.

Pastor Bond of Plainfield was away from home last Sabbath, attending Federal Council meeting in Rochester, N. Y. In his absence Señor B. D. Burdick has been treasurer, is happy to add $2,637 in pledges and cash received this week. This brings it total on December 10, up to $51,019.41. The amount taken from the $90,000 re- quired to complete and furnish the building leaves $38,980.59 still needed.

One of the friends to whom the Rec- order has been sent out of the gift money for the Recorder fund, writes an apprecia- tive letter expressing her thanks for the help given her. Although she hardly knew how to spare the money just now, she re- newed the subscription for herself, and wrote as follows: “I am a Seventh Day Baptist through and through, and feel that I must have the paper. I will work a little harder and pay for it myself. Then I can give it out to others as I have been doing all these years.”

This sister belongs to an old Seventh Day Baptist family whose name has been familiar among our people for three genera- tions. As a solemn Baptister keeper she has cherished the memories of other days, and stood true and loyal to the cause her fore- fathers loved.

The following item comes to hand in the North Iowa Lyceum of December 7.

There was a special church meeting Sabbath evening. A letter had been received from Local Hurley with regard to the call extended to him to become our pastor. Under the exist- ing circumstances it seems best for him not to come, so it was necessary to ballot again for a par- sor. A call was extended to Rev. Harold Randall of New York City.

A GOOD LETTER FROM EX-PRESIDENT FRANK HILL

Dear Doctor Gardner:

Your description of our trip to Conference as given in the Recorder has been very interesting, and I am sure many of your readers almost feel that they have taken the trip. It was certainly a wonder- ful trip, nothing to mar, nothing to regret, something to always remember with pleas- ure.

We were all very sorry when you, Rev. W. L. Burdick, and Rev. Claude L. Hill left our party. Some of the most wonder- ful experiences came to us after you left us at Klamath Falls, and we would like to supplement what you have written of the trip by giving an account of the first three days.

From Klamath Falls we went directly to Crater Lake by bus, where we spent a very quiet Sabbath at one of the most beautiful spots the Creator has left for the enjoyment and inspiration of mankind. No cathedral could command such thoughts of the Creator and Ruler of the universe.

Where now lies beautiful Crater Lake once stood a mighty mountain, an active volcano, which Mount Hood and Mount Shasta, near and distant, were once the story of the unknown mountain, of the birth of this wonder lake, is one of the
But the most beautiful of these is Multnomah Falls, cutting cliffs, indented here and there by beauty. As you proceed up the river are tower- ing cliffs, where a wonderful view up and down the river can be seen. At Multnomah Falls, the water is about two thousand feet, and the surrounding cliffs rise directly from the water's edge from one thousand to two thousand feet. The view is nearly round and about six miles in circumference. There is no visible inlet or outlet and the water remains at about the same level throughout the year.

At Bonneville we visited one of the largest fish hatcheries in the world. Brook trout and salmon are hatched by the million. In a number of places along the river we saw the fish wheels used during the salmon season. There was no side show. About fifty miles from Portland we came to the locks which are used in getting ves­ sels above the cascades.

Mitchells Point Tunnel is sixty miles from Portland. This tunnel, with its five win­ dows overlooking the river, is considered the finest tunnel of its kind in the world. On our return trip we stopped at Tyrrell's for a salmon dinner, and were ver­ y much surprised and pleased to find our Conference friends from the Pacific Northwest, including Rev. Loyal Hurley, Professor and Mrs. Werschkul of Portland joined us here. (Mrs. Werschkul was Lizzie Devol of Ash­ away.) We had a very pleasant visit with our friends and a famous dinner, after which we retraced our drive of the mor­ ning—the perfect day and a never-­to-be-­forgotten drive. The Columbia River Highway is a marvelous piece of road en­ thusiasm, and a piece of striking beauty. It is to the Pacific Coast what the Storm King Highway and Bear Mountain Bridge are to the East. They are not alike but be­ long to the same class.

At six o'clock in the evening we boarded a Union Pacific train for the Yellowstone, and turned our faces toward home.

For the first time since Conference we had a wonderful view up and down the Columbia River Valley, comparable to the view of the Hudson from the Bear Moun­ tain Bridge. Another river linking a beautiful landscape on the Washington shore, backed by mountain scenery, and on the right as you proceed up the river are tow­ ering cliffs, indented here and there by beauty. Dells where mountain streams have cut their ways back into the face of the cliffs. Of these three, Multnomah Falls, the largest and perhaps the most beautiful of these is Multonomah Falls, with a sheer fall of five hundred forty-one feet.

In my mind's eye I could see the great cascades of Lebanon dripping on rough wheels by a multitude of dark-skinned servants, cedars that would go to build a temple of the Lord. Raising my eyes, I saw outlined against the sky the great castle built by crusaders in the twelfth century.

I found myself awed by the march of history, was conscious of being on ground trodden by the kings of old. Alex­ ander the Great had been here, Philip of Macedon and Napoleon. In imagination I could review creations that have marched past. Each conqueror had left his mon­ ument in marble or stone.

AMERICA'S GIFT TO ANCIENT LANDS

J. B. Vories

Associate General Secretary, Near East Relief

I stood on the balcony of the American Institute of History and Art in the very center of the capital town called Goleb in the Book of Kings. It was to this town that the cedars of Lebanon were brought from the moun­ tains to the Mediterranean. They were floated as rafts down the coast to Haifa, and from there taken overland to the Holy City to build the Temple of Solomon. The result is that the Egyptians and later the Romans found a port of entry, and it was here that they left notable monuments now being un­ covered in the trench.

Below me where the soft waters of the Mediterranean lapped against the shores, I could see the mighty outline of slender column of an ancient Roman altar, recently un­ covered by the excavators, and could fancy, at least, that I could see a great sarcoph­ agus in which the ancient Egyptians had buried one of their leaders. In my mind's eye I could see the great cedars of Lebanon dripping on rough wheels by a multitude of dark-skinned servants, cedars that would go to build a temple of the Lord. Raising my eyes, I saw outlined against the sky the great castle built by crusaders in the twelfth century.

THE SABBATH RECORDER
OUR BULLETIN BOARD

Read thoughtfully "The Standing of the Churches" in this department.

In the annual letter just sent out by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley to the members of the Adams Center Church, he says: "Deacon W. P. Jones and Miss Anna Serven accompanied the pastor to the Group Conference at Dewey. Secretary Willard D. Burdick has been doing a fine piece of work in those training schools in denominational work. And our group of three tried to pass on the information and inspiration we received at the Sabbath services November 17. We took both forenoon and afternoon to study the program of Seventh Day Baptists. A lunch at the Church increased both our time and our fellowship. By the time the day was done we all felt that none of our work could be left out. We need it all. So we must support it all. Our share of the denominational budget is $1,391. That, with our local support of $1,840, makes a total budget of $3,251 which this church must raise for the work of the kingdom of God. ‘Freely have we received, freely give.'"

"Let me remind you again of our annual roll call and church meeting which will occur on the first Sabbath and Sunday in the new year. May we have more home-com ing guests than ever before! That would be best of all, your presence with us. But we will be very happy just to hear from you."

Pastor Hurley writes that he is to stay with the Adams Center Church.

STATEMENT ONWARD MOVEMENT TREASURER NOVEMBER, 1928

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Balance December 1, 1928

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Total $1,675.00

Disbursements

| Church                          | $1,675.00             | 39.00             | 39.00           | 39.00                | 39.00               | 39.00     | 39.00             | 39.00            | 39.00         | 39.00           |

Total $1,675.00

THE SABBATH RECORDER

THE STANDING OF THE CHURCHES

Payments on the denominational budget and for special objects for the five months beginning July 1, 1928, as reported by the Onward Movement treasurer.

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Total $2,675.00

Disbursements

| Church                          | $2,675.00             | 39.00             | 39.00           | 39.00                | 39.00               | 39.00     | 39.00             | 39.00            | 39.00         | 39.00           |

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Total $2,675.00

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Total $2,675.00

Total $53,700

Net receipts $53,700

Amount due $122,291.67

Amount received $46,824.07

Amount received last year in same months $6,741.10

Twenty-seven churches paid nothing on the denominational budget in these three months; twenty-four paid nothing in the same months last year.
THE WEEK OF PRAYER

It has long been the custom of many Protestant churches to observe a week early in January as a Week of Prayer. This year the week beginning January 6 has been selected and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and the World's Evangelical Alliance of Great Britain have united in preparing a program for the week. This program is being translated and circulated in over fifty countries. Several weeks ago copies of the program were mailed to all the ministers and that it may be available for use by every one, it is given below.

Many churches will meet every night during the week, and in churches where this is not done there will doubtless be many members who will observe it by themselves. The Federal Council is through its Commission on Evangelism and Life Service in addressing the churches regarding the Week of Prayer calling saying, "We are called this new year to learn afresh the source of power for service. Jesus said, 'Ye shall receive power ... the Holy Spirit,' the Holy Spirit is waiting, if we will have it so, to equip us for all the year may hold for us of life and service. His power is adequate to every need we face, and the challenging hour is for a Pentecostal blessing that will open the way to a world-wide spiritual revival."

TOPICS FOR UNIVERSAL AND UNITED PRAYER

Thanksgiving:
For the joy of being called to know and serve the purposes of God's Kingdom.
For the immovable character who now praise God's name out of every kindred and tongue.
For the adequacy of the gospel to meet a whole world's need.
For the power of the gospel to redeem individuals of all nations. For Jesus Christ—Lord and King.
Confe sion:
For our failure to realize the power of prayer, and the absence of a spirit of sacrifice.
For our disunion, and lack of the spirit of unity.
For the lack of a true missionary spirit in the Church.
Prayer:
For bold witness to the saving power of Christ, and a courageous witness in moral questions.
For a new vision of the coming kingdom.
For a new outpouring of the Spirit upon the Church, and a fresh spirit of service and adventure for Christ.
Scripture Readings: Psalm 103; Ephesians 1: 14.

Tuesday, January 8, 1929

THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

"That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ."
The Promise:—"Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."
Thanksgiving:
For the revelation of Christ through his body (the Church) to the world.
For the growth of the Church in many lands in the past year, and for growing co-operation in the work.
Confession:
For our pre-occupation with secondary things and our failure to stress first things.
For the self-sufficiency which hinders Christ's work.
For the lack of true allegiance to Christ himself.
For the selfishness that frustrates Christ's purposes.
Prayer:
That the Church may be delivered from self-sufficiency.
That the Church may become again reckless in its faith in Christ.
That the Church may awake anew with the fire of the Holy Spirit in it, and consent to a new presentation of the gospel as the power of God.
Scripture Readings: Psalm 133; Ephesians 1: 15-23.

Wednesday, January 9, 1929

NATIONS AND GOVERNMENTS

"And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it; and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour unto it; and the Lamb is the light thereof."
The Promise:—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you."
Thanksgiving:
For the quickened conscience of nations on moral questions.
For the League of Nations, and all efforts towards a new international understanding.
For liberty of conscience in many lands and the accessibility of nations to the gospel of Christ.
Confession:
For international jealousies that threaten the peace of the world.
For the open sore of the world, white slave traffic, the drug and drink traffic, industrial conditions and the unredeemed poverty in many lands.
Prayer:
For a new heart of fellowship, that every people may come to the common treasury.
For men of good will who will seek to establish international friendship.
For the liberation of oppressed peoples, and the uplifting of the downtrodden and enslaved.
Scripture Readings: Psalm 40; Ephesians 2: 11-22.

Thursday, January 10, 1929

THE PROMISE:—"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."
Thanksgiving:
For the kingdom of God coming visibly in all the world.
For the steadfastness of Chinese Christians, and for the extension of God's kingdom in China.
For the mass movements of India and the gathering of thousands into the Church.
For the extension of God's kingdom in Africa, and for the triumphs of the cross in pagan areas.
Prayer:
For our doors in Moslem lands and the marked progress of the gospel in the past year.
Humiliation:
For our failure of Western nations to interpret Christ to the East.
For the parochial outlook which blunts us to the needs of the world.
For our nationalisms that refuse to see the appeal of the world Jesus.
For the inadequate offering of lives and funds to meet the present opportunity.
Confession:
That the Church may hear afresh the call of Christ to preach the gospel to every creature.
That the churches may not lose their evangelism.
That the Holy Spirit may lead the whole Church in a great world-wide spiritual revival.

Friday, January 11, 1929

FAMILIES, SCHOOLS, AND UNIVERSITIES

The Promise:—"The promise is unto you, and to your children ... even as many as shall call."
Thanksgiving:
For the family love and ties of home life which sweeten the world with their purity and peace.
For religious education in schools and colleges.
For the Christian witness in universities, and the growing number of students who are offering their lives as a witness.
Confession:
For the secularisms of the day that seek to find a basis of life apart from God.
For immoral practices and vices that go unchecked, and the Church's failure in the face of them.
Prayer:
That the sanctity of marriage may be deepened among the nations.
That the practice of daily family prayers may be renewed in our homes.
That the Church may be in "their houses" may be the ideal of all Christian homes.
That the Church may permeate all schools and colleges.
That the younger generation may learn the supremacy of the spiritual over the material and find in Christ the goal of their ideals.
Scripture Readings: Psalm 57; Ephesians 4: 1-10.

Saturday, January 12, 1929

THE KINGDOM AND THE網 HUMILIATION

The Promise:—"If ye abide in me ... ye shall know what ye shall do."
(St. John 15: 7.)
Thanksgiving:
For the example in world evangelization set by Jesus Christ.
For the growth of evangelism in the Church in the past hundred years.
For all who by life and service show forth the glory of Christ.
Confession:
For our hardness of heart in refusing to meet the claims of Christ, in life, in church, and in social life.
For our failure to see Christ in those with whom we differ.
Prayer:
For a return to evangelism, with new methods and new enthusiasm, based on the unchanging power of God through the gospel of Christ.
That all circles of society may be brought to face the challenge of the love of Christ.
That the drudgery of the way may not cloud our view of Christ and his Kingdom.
That a new spirit of intercession may grip the Church.

REPORT OF WORK ON IOWA FIELD

For four or five years our church in New York City and its pastor have been in giving the services of the latter for one month during the summer vacation to some field needing ministerial help, the Missionary Board directing the work. This year,
under this plan, the pastor, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, spent the month of August with our churches in Iowa, with gratifying results. The example of the New York Church is to be highly commended. If every church would loan its pastor for one or two months each year to some mission field, it would greatly increase the efficiency of our mission work and be a blessing to the churches and pastors as well.

Below is found the report of Pastor Crandall to the Missionary Board.

Rev. William L. Burdick,
Corresponding Sec. Missionary Society,
Ashaway, R. I.

Dear Brother Burdick:

It was my pleasure to spend from August 8 to September 3 in Iowa, according to ar­rangement with Pastor Crandall of this time at Carvin. The second week I was there the time for the Yearly Meeting of the Iowa Churches. Circumstances pre­vented any one from Welton attending. Five were present from Marion. The ses­sion was held on Friday afternoon and continued until Sunday night. Being the only pastor present, I was asked to preach at each of the right sessions. The previous week there had been a meeting on the night after the Sabbath as well as on Sabbath morning. Hence I spoke in the church at Carvin ten times, to audiences numbering from nine­tteen to fifty-five, and averaging twenty­nine.

August 21 I went to Welton. The peo­ple there wished to have services each night, beginning Sunday night, August 26. I spoke some two hours, to audiences num­bering from ten to thirty-one, and averaging twenty-two. I also officiated at one wed­ding. The Welton Church contributed $10 toward my expenses.

Since my visit five years ago both churches have been much reduced in numbers, largely due to the removal of families to other localities. They enjoy and apprec­iate the visit of a pastor each month from Wisconsin, but feel the need of a pastor on the field. The highways between Welton and Carvin are cement or gravel so that travel between the two places, by automo­bile, is possible the greater part of the year. The people are disheartened and discouraged because of their fewness in numbers and their inability to obtain a pastor on the field.

Sincerely yours,

Harold R. Crandall.

81 Elliott Avenue
Youkens, N. Y.
September 25, 1928.

THE WORK ADVANCING IN THE SOUTHWEST

The territory assigned our general mis­sionary in the Southwest is very great in extent; but he is tiring in his efforts to meet the needs of the field, and the Father is blessing his labors with converts and ad­ditions. The previous week there was sent from extracts from his reports since September 1, given below:

Dear Brother Burdick:

This report is late as usual—though there is but little to report. The work goes on, and I speak there eleven times, to audiences num­bering from forty to fifty-five, and averaging twenty­nine. It seems probable that I shall visit the scattered others near Hardy, Ark., about October 12. This is a rather tough proposition because of its isolated location and the dif­ficulty of reaching them due to lack of roads; but all reports indicate a field anxious for the word of truth. It will be a joy to labor among them if this shall be so.

This field (the Southwest) is large, the calls many, and the one who labors here is rather small. What a work might be done under God by the right sort of worker!

Pray for us in our weakness that somehow we may use the little things we have to bring for a glorious harvest among the lost.

I am as ever,

Sincerely yours,

E. R. Lewis.

Gentry, Ark.
September 23, 1928.

DEAR BROTHER BURDICK:

I am reminded this is another month and time for another report: miles traveled by auto, 1,285; Sabbath services, 2; expenses paid, $100; balance allowed by board, $28.50, which may be forgotten as I am not making the charge.

Sincerely,

E. R. Lewis.

October 22, 1928.

DEAR BROTHER BURDICK:

The work of your missionary on this field continues merely routine. The oppor­tunities are great, and the work probably the most interesting places in my field; yet, the results remain disappointingly small. I would report: miles by auto, 698; charges to board, $69.50; added to churches, 2.

There may be some interest to you in the trip to Hardy, Ark., which was visited briefly last week. Owning to the unfavor­able weather and lack of roads it seemed best to cut it short. This is one of the most interesting places in my field, per­haps the one having most nearly pioneer conditions, and certainly one containing some very choice people. I shall return as soon as possible. There are at least three Sabbath-keeping families here who ought logically to be Seventh Day Baptists in name, and I think they are in fact and belief.

Remember this mighty empire we call the Southwest is in all your prayers, and my need also, that I may be divinely led and strengthened in the little part I have in the kingdom interest.

The family joins me in the very best for you.

Fraternally yours,

E. R. Lewis.

November 20, 1928.
In the Middle West the impression is quite prevalent that the climate of New Mexico and Arizona is especially good for people suffering from pulmonary troubles. For years these two states have hospitably received their share of people leaving the confines of their own states in search of health in a warmer climate. While many of these visitors, probably because their search for health was too long deferred, have returned to their homes only to leave them forever, many others remained and are now apparently well and happy and are today filling positions of usefulness. After all, perhaps the true happiness is found—in usefulness.

We were much interested in visiting Dr. Victor Randolph's sanitarium for tuberculosis patients, or perhaps I should say the sanitarium owned by Dr. Victor and an other doctor. This other doctor was on vacation at the time of our visit and the Sanitarium is extended to the little inmate and he was solemnly assured that if he were the right sort of a person they would jump for him. Then another and another jumping about in the air. We learned that each one of a little wornl that lies dormant for some other person’s kitchen. We learned that this is a tuberculosis hospital and they do not use these beans for beauty. As we sat here we found many chances for betting in a handful of the beans. Finally in answer to our repeated questions as to how these beans got that way, we learned that each bean is the abode of a little worm that lies dormant for some time under normal conditions, but when the bean is suddenly heated the heat is extended to the little innate and he becomes unicellular, and in this state he can live on the little sunlight and soon increase his numbers. In the South, the priests in Mexico, prison the priests in Mexico, prison talking the beauty of these pictures or from whatever sickness in whatever climate.

Blessing, what a travesty on the third order of the blessing a worm! Some day I am sure that those priests will find that a worm has been at the center of their religion and that there remains only the husk with its outward form for their solace.

In our drives about Phoenix we had many good views of Camelback Mountain, not the desert that hung in this room. Some people profess to see no beauty in the desert landscape, but even these people would have to admit the beauty of these pictures or the risk of being judged devoid of an eye for beauty. As we sat here I was given a handful of Mexican jumping beans and told to hold them until I decided to jump. I was solemnly assured that if I were the right sort of a person they would jump for me. They squirmed around a bit but did not jump. Then I was told that the weather might be too warm for them; I didn’t doubt that, because it seemed a bit warm for me when I moved out of the range of the fan, but I could not see what the heat of the day had to do with their jumping. As I was still holding a few beans we put them into the direct sunlight, and soon my incredulity was stapedled as I saw first one and then another bean start jumping in a very athletic manner. We were told that the Mexicans use these beans for gambling purposes, betting, I suppose, on which will be the first to jump. This school is a Federal school and has an enrollment of about one thousand pupils. Among its graduates have been representatives of several tribes—Pima, Papago, Maricopa, Hopi, Navajo, and Yuma. The Federal government teaches its Indians in the Southwest, boarding school and in Indian reservation day school, the reservation boarding school, and the non-reservation boarding school. Vocational work is taught in all these schools and the Yuma reservation school make good housekeeper’s assistants, but the same fault is found with them as with housekeepers given to idleness, they do not care to spend long years working in some other person’s kitchen, and when they become proficient and almost indispensable they decide to go elsewhere.

As we drove out on Central Avenue we finally crossed the canal that seemed to mark the city, and almost immediately we were passing a small store with a collection of little houses up and back from the road. We learned that this is a tuberculosis hospital and that some people with tubercular trouble seemed to improve faster right out on the desert; and here they were, not far from water, to be sure, but as we sat with our backs to the town we might imagine that the desert had never seen any water except that which they brought in for household purposes. From this point one gets an inspiring view of the desert—Phoenix! I could never imagine a Paradise without trees and flowers growing out of velvety green grass; never water, yet I feel I could touch that desert. I have no doubt but that it would grow and blossom as the rose. Everywhere as we looked, ahead and to either side, stretched the desert. We were told that eighty thousand acres of this thirsty land lay spread out before us in this valley. As we were on this drive outside the encircling canal and close to the foot of a low mountain we were shown the site selected for a large modern hotel. It was not only hard for me to picture a hotel standing out in the open desert. I am wondering if the hotel grounds will be shaded by different varieties of cactus trees. Some of them are large enough to cast a little shadow, but the trouble seems to be that one can not stand near enough to take advantage of the shadow.

There are many varieties of cactus, and the state house park is said to contain every variety of cactus in the United States. It is a delightful place to go and wander about. It was a bit hard for me to picture a hotel standing out in the open desert. I am wondering if the hotel grounds will be shaded by different varieties of cactus trees. Some of them are large enough to cast a little shadow, but the trouble seems to be that one can not stand near enough to take advantage of the shadow.

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A VISIT TO PANGOE NSG
In the month of May of this year I had the privilege of staying some days at the colony for poor people, Pangoen seng, which is directed by Sister Slater.
Because this work is in the same line as ours (the White Cross colony—Salatiga) it is very likely that many things that would attract a stranger are common to me.
Yet I will write a few lines at request of Sister Slater, giving my impressions, that the brothers and sisters who will read this may see how necessary it is to send more workers to God's vineyard at Java.
The name "Pangoen seng" means Shelter, and it is a good name because the poor people get there a shelter. But the best of all is that they are shown the Shelter for their souls.
I will not say much about the cultures and the cattle but I was touched that a weak old lady like Sister Slater could do so much, the more because she neither speaks nor understands the Javanese language.
It is very plain that if there were a firm young fellow to help in the work there could be done much more and better. There is a very little school. The teacher is a boy of the colony about sixteen years of age. The teaching is very simple, but enough for the wants of the people there.
While I was there I led two meetings, and I liked them very much because I felt that the converts were true believers. I do not agree with the Seventh Day Baptists about the Sabbath, but I try to be a Jew to the Jews, and a Christian to the Greeks, while all are followers of Christ.
Java is a very hard land to work and the results are little. My meaning is that we can get the best results with Christian colonies.
It may be that most of the people seek the colony for the wants of their body, but also many hear the Word and believe it.
May God send many workers to Java who are faithful to their task. It must not be that an old lady like Sister Slater is left alone to a work too heavy for her strength.
There is also a great need for money, but if there are believing workers, God will supply everything.
But who can not give himself can help with money, so that the workers who are here may do more and better.
Let thy kingdom come at Java.
S. A.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS OFFER
We are offering three different combinations of our literature at reduced prices until December 1st.
1. "Bible Studies on the Sabbath Question," Main Weekly Mottos, Bond $1.00
   Denominational Calendar $25
   Special price, $1.00.
2. "Sermons to Boys and Girls," Bond $1.00
   Weekly Mottos, Bond $50
   Denominational Calendar $25
   Special price, $1.00.
3. "Letters to the Smiths," Rood $50
   Weekly Mottos, Bond $50
   Denominational Calendar $25
   Special price, $1.00.

M. E. BREWER.
510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J.

Making the World Better
W.M.E. Endeavorer for Sabbath Day, January 8, 1928

SUNDAY—The gospel (Matt. 28: 18-20)
MONDAY—The Church (1 Tim. 3: 15-16)
TUESDAY—Inductive (John 6: 68)
WEDNESDAY—The State (Rom. 13: 1-4)
THURSDAY—The Love of the Father (1 Jn. 4: 9)
FRIDAY—The pen (John 20: 31, 33)
SABBATH—Devotional Forces that are making the world better (Matt. 15: 19-20, Consecration meeting)

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."—2 Tim. 2: 15

GOOD ADVICE
Rev. R. P. Anderson in his "Foreword" in the Endeavorer's Daily Companion for 1929, says this: "We will again urge young people to make special preparation for every meeting. Pray for guidance. Read the Scripture references given in the daily readings. Select early in the week the thought you wish to develop. Be prepared to present it to the meeting. Keep it in mind all week, and be on the lookout for anecdotes or other material to illustrate it.

SEED THOUGHTS
Is the "gospel according to you" a force in making the world better?
Can we claim the "Lo, I am with you always," without observing the "Go ye"?
Where must "making the world better" begin?
What forces are making your community better?
What forces are retarding its improvement?
Are there forces not related to Christianity that are making the world better?

THE FIRST CONSECRATION MEETING
This is the first consecration meeting of the new year.
Try to make it an especially attractive one with every member present and taking part. Invitations or announcements sent to each member will help, if attendance has been lagging. If new officers and committees have just been elected, they may be installed at a special consecration service. Let it be a time of consecration for every member.

INTERMEDIATE CORNER
Rev. John F. Randolph
Intermediate Superintendent,
Milwaukee, Wis.
Tools for Sabbath Day, January 8, 1929

DAILY READINGS
Sunday—Education (Prov. 4: 1-7)
Monday—Prayer (Ps. 19: 1-11)
Tuesday—Discipline (Heb. 12: 4-21)
Wednesday—Knowledge of Christ (Phil. 3: 7-11)
Thursday—Honesty (1 Th. 2: 4-6)
Friday—High ideals (Phil. 1: 12-21)
Saturday—Topic: What young people need most (Rom. 15: 4-6, 25, 21, 22, Consecration meeting)

BETTY CRANDALL
We all have a quest to make. Let's say that we travel along a highway till we get to the end of the world. We will call this highway the highway of life. We will say that all along this highway we have milestones.
The first milestone is marked "Education." We all can have education even if we are so poor that we cannot go to college. We can go to the public library and get books to read during our spare time.
The second milestone is Christ's friendliness. Everyone likes a boy or girl who is friendly. We can often win those about us by just being friendly. Let us all try hard to develop Christian friendliness.

Next along our highway is honesty. I do not believe anyone can make a success of life unless he is honest.
The next milestone is good sportsmanship. Is there anyone who does not like a good sport? Well, I guess not. You just see what the world's top sportsmen and girls are not good sports. We all like good jolly all-around sports for our friends.
But still we are far from our goal. What is it we lack? It is Christ. We need to have Christ in our hearts before we can reach at the end of our quest. We need his sympathetic guidance and his help in over-
INTERMEDIATES, GET ACQUAINTED

Intermediate might like to “Get Acquainted” with superintendents of other Inter­
mediate societies, so while we wait for letters from intermediates, we will give ex­
tracts from a letter written by the Inter­
mediate superintendent at Ashaway, R. I.

RE: J. F. Randolph,

DEAR FRIEND JOHN:

Please excuse my delay in sending the list of Intermediate names. You see that our society has turned out to be a girls’ society. The plan of having a short social time after each meeting seems, so far, to be working well. But of course we have only tried it a short time. On September 22 Nucleia led, conducting her meeting as a school, with a missionary present to teach us Chinese games at “recess.” After re­
cess the missionary gave us a talk on school life in China, and we showed stereopticon pictures of school in immigrant quarters. [Other interesting programs omitted.]

R. R. Thorngate’s daughter, Geraldine, is of Intermediate age; and last spring I suggested that our Ashaway girls write her letters and mail them in one pack. They fell in with the idea. She sent replies in one pack in care of Anna Burdick, secretary. . . . It seemed to me appropriate that a girls’ society should write to this missionary’s Intermediate girl, who might be a lit­tle lonely.

I very much like your idea of a get ac­
quainted campaign among intermediates. . . . Ashaway is far to the east of other interme­
diates of our denomination. . . . The “Get Acquainted” is especially needed here. I have wondered how to interest them in deno­mination matters, and now you are furn­ishing the way. Thanks.

Yours cordially,
WM. M. SIMPSON.

Ashaway, R. I.,
October 10, 1928.

THE GOOD WORK IN CHINA

Mr. Chang, of China

[Every one will be interested in the follow­
ing letter from Brother Davis regarding the conditions in China, and in the report of B. A. Chang that follows it.]

DEAR DOCTOR GARDINER:

I am enclosing a report by B. A. Chang of the Daily Vacation Bible Schools held by our churches in China. The work this year was supervised by Mr. Chang, and he was ably assisted by twenty-four others, mostly students in our schools. The ex­
 pense was cared for entirely by the churches in China, and not one who helped in the schools received pay. Those who had to be away from their homes had their board paid.

Two retreats have been held since our return, one at Shanghai and one at Liubo. Very great interest is shown and a very definite program of evangelism planned. Two business meetings of the churches have been held. We find the financial condition not what we would like, still we will close the year with a balance, we think, in both churches.

You will be glad to know that when Mr. Dzau and I presented the work of the denomination, after speaking of the proposed denominational building, it was sug­
gested that the churches in China also help a little. They are taking up the matter with enthusiasm, and in due time you will hear from us again. The amount will not be large, but will represent as keen an in­
terest in what Seventh Day Baptists stand for, as any gift you may receive.

Sincerely yours in his service.

H. Eugene Davis.

October 25, 1928.

REPORT OF THE 1928 DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OF OUR CHURCHES IN CHINA

The warm weather has already gone, but we can still remember very clearly what the Vacation Bible Schools have done, and hope that our friends in America will like to read about them.

The Daily Vacation Bible School this year was most interesting. The boys and girls who took part in the schools took greater interest than in former years.

There were twenty-four who taught in the four schools.

There were two schools in Shanghai, and two in Liubo. The attendance in the four schools was about three hundred. The chil­
dren were all from the vicinity of the schools.

There were eight items on the daily pro­
grams:

1. Learning the Bible:
   a. Memory work: Twenty-third Psalm and John 16, etc.
   b. Sabbath school lessons.
   c. Bible stories.

2. Singing:
   a. Hymns.
   b. Game songs.

3. Drill work:
   a. Breathing exercises.
   b. Games.
   c. Drawing.

4. Sanitation, by drawings.

5. Arithmetic:
   a. Learning the numbers.
   b. Measuring.

6. Handwork.

8. National language (formerly there were many dialects, but there is an effort to unify the language).

Records were kept:

1. The attendance of the school was em­
phasized. In order to make it interesting we kept a record of each attendance by a star.

2. Sanitation. We also kept a regular record of the cleanliness of the children’s clothes and appearances.

3. To form good habits, we had the chil­
dren clean the school class rooms every day.

4. Posters of good characters were put up to remind the children.

5. Every two weeks there was a social for the children; at the close some refresh­ments were served.

6. At the close of the schools in Liubo we had a demonstration of the work. The children with the teachers went out to the streets and sang songs and gave yells about the schools, to let the people in the town know what they had learned and to arouse their interest.

This is what the Daily Vacation Bible School School is all about. Thanks to the co-op­
eration of the teachers and the church mem­
ers who so willingly helped to make it a success. We hope to continue next year, and we would be glad to receive any help from friends in America or China, so as to make it still better for the coming year.

B. A. CHANG.

THE OLD “DAVIS ROOM ORGAN” AT NADY

DEAR DOCTOR GARDINER:

There are many old and also later stu­
dents and friends of Milton College who will remember the old “Davis Room Or­
gan” and will be glad to know that it is still making history.

Professor J. Fred Whitford con­
ducted Vacation Bible School at Little Prairie, he said that we needed a large organ. When he went home he looked about and found this old organ in the basement of the Main Hall.

The Young Men’s Christian Association had a piano and voted to give the organ, and the Milton Brotherhood paid the freight, so we at Little Prairie have a large church organ.
The Young Men's Christian Association, to the Milton Brotherhood for the organ, and to Brother Whitford for his efforts in our behalf. The Little Prairie Church prizes the organ still more because of the inspiration it has been to so many in the years gone by. I am sure there are those who would be interested in donating the organ they sang by at the college prayer meetings has come to rest in the Little Prairie church.

We hope it will be a source of inspiration in the years to come as it has in the years gone by.

Nady, Ark.,
December 2, 1928.

MARION VAN HORN.

MAKING THE GOLDEN RULE CONCRETE

DANIEL A. POLING

(International Society of Christian Endeavor)

It has always been my habit and pleasure to cooperate with the officials of Near East Relief in their splendid work. But this year the appeal is so much greater that I am doubling my efforts not only through the Greater New York Federation of Churches and the Young People's Societies, but in my own church.

We have a definite final task. The alternatives are noble success, or the partial failure that beclouds all that has gone before it. So feel that the least that any religious leader can do in this crisis is to throw every agency at his command into generous and voluntary co-operation.

Throughout the years that I have been associated with this work of Near East Relief I have been increasingly impressed by the fact that it is doing great things both for the youth in the Near East and for the youth in America. It is making the Golden Rule concrete in direct application to a given problem. The young people overseas, most of whom were small children when they came into our hands, have year by year increasingly felt that the Golden Rule is an active force in the minds of those who are giving the money to support and to train them.

And this knowledge puts them on their metal to carry the faith of their fathers which is built about this great precept, as a guiding star of their lives; and to show their gratitude to America by deeds in the spirit of the faith which they received.

At the same time our young people in America who have shared in turning Jesus' words into acts and deeds and sending them back into the land in which they were first spoken, have had a new vision of what active Christianity means, and of the real content of brotherhood and service.

It has been a great experiment in international good will by the road of constructive philanthropy, and we should be recreant to a great opportunity if we failed to help our young people to finish this task which in a peculiar sense is their own, and if America failed to justify the faith that the youth of the Near East have learned to place in our Christianity.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

WHEREAS God in his infinite wisdom has taken from our midst our esteemed brother, Horace D. Whitford; and

WHEREAS our brother has labored to promote the welfare of his church and has served it efficiently in many ways; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Seventh Day Baptist Church and Sabbath School of Gentry, Ark., hereby extend our sincere sympathy and love to our bereaved sister, Mrs. Arlie Witter.

His sudden death was a great shock to his many friends, both here and in New York, where they intended to make their future home.

God grant that his noble Christian life may be an inspiration to us all.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the bulletin board and that they be published in the Sabbath Recorder, and a copy sent to the bereaved sister.

NELLIE G. LEWIS,
ETHEL M. GREENE,
MYRTLE RICKETS,
Committee.

Gentry, Ark.,
November 3, 1928.

"The first sign of defeat in an argument is resort to mud-slinging and show of temper."

CHILDREN'S PAGE

MRS. WALTER L. GREENE ANDOVER, N. T.

Contributing Editor

A PROMISE WELL KEPT

MRS. JOSPH B. KELLER

Ruth and Jean were sisters, and yet so different. Ruth was always very tidy and neat. Mother would often call her, "My little lady." She always had her room in order, everything in its place, and a place for everything. What a happy little girl Ruth was.

Jean was so unlike her sister: she could find her shoes in time for school; her books were never ready. "Oh, Jean! I wish you were always ready for school when I am," Ruth would say. Then Jean would sit down and cry, and worry till mother found her books, and was glad when the little girl had at last gone to school.

One day mother gave a little party for her girls. After school, Ruth and Jean hurried home with several other little girls who had been invited to the party.

Ruth was so busy looking for her dress and a new ribbon that she felt quite sure her fun would be spoiled. Soon Ruth and the little guests were looking for Jean's dress and ribbon. Poor Jean was so confused and ashamed when her sister and her friends had her room so untidy. "Oh, what shall I do?" she sighed. "I know," replied Ruth, "You must learn then you will always know just where everything is."

Tears sprang to Jean's eyes, and she bit her lip hard. "I am not going to cry," she said. She did not cry but did some hard thinking.

After the girls had gone, the little girl sat by the window and sighed, saying mournfully, "Surely my fun is spoiled. Oh, dear! Oh, dear!"

Just then she heard the girls on the lawn below. She listened to their happy voices. Then she heard her sister's voice, "Oh, I wish Jean had been neat and tidy. It seems as if she can never find anything on time. I am quite sure she would have many more friends if she would only be more tidy." Jean jumped up and started to work. Before long everything was in order and Jean herself looked like a changed little girl, after she had made herself tidy. A little later she tapped at her door. "Come in," called Jean, and her little face wore a beaming smile. The door opened, and there stood Ruth, looking in, her eyes open wide with surprise. Then Ruth ran over to her sister, threw her arms around her neck and cried, "Oh, Jean, I never thought you really could."

"I felt ashamed," replied Jean, flushed, "when the girls came to my room and tried to help me look for my things. Then you told them I never was a neat and tidy girl. It made me angry, Ruth, so I got busy and tidied my room and myself."

The two girls looked around the room with smiles of contentment. Mother was so pleased to see Jean tidy and neat that she felt it was worth a reward.

One day when Ruth and Jean arrived home from school, Jean found a box on the table for her. Hurriedly opening the box she found the new dress she had seen in the shop window, but never had dared to think of owning it; and now here it was, her very own.

Rumpling to her mother who was looking at her from the doorway, she threw her arms around her neck, and cried, "Oh, mother dear, how am I ever going to thank you for this?"

The mother drew her little girl to her and replied gently, "It's a present to your little girl who has learned a hard lesson but a good one."

"Yes, mother dear, I promise to try very hard never to let myself or my room go untidy again."

And it was a promise well kept.

Grand Marsh, Wis.
September 30, 1928.

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

I enjoy reading the letters in the Sabbath Recorder, and I thought I would write. I am ten years old and in the sixth grade in school.
I have a sister three and a half years old. Her name is Muriel Alice Curtis. I have but one pet. It is a bantam and she is black. She flies on my shoulder and eats food out of my hand. I wish she would hurry up and lay eggs. I used to have a cat but he is gone now.

There are about nine hundred people in West Winfield. We are the only ones that keep Sabbath day. We go to church at Leonardsville the most.

Perhaps I will write again.

Your true friend,

ROBERT CURTIS.

West Winfield, N. Y.
November 29, 1928.

DEAR ROBERT:

I remember you quite well and dear little Muriel as well. We had such a pleasant visit at your home one summer day, two years ago last summer. I wonder if you remember it. I wish you could all visit us in the same way some time.

You must write again soon. Don’t forget to tell us when your bantam lays her first egg.

Sincerely your friend,

MIZPAH S. GREENE.

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

I see by the Recorder that you want some more letters from the girls and boys.

I am thirteen years old and am in the ninth grade. I live in the city so I do not have much to do; but rather than be idle, mother and I make pies and then I take them out and sell them.

We saw the largest fire the other night. It was the big oil well at Santa Fe Springs, Calif. It is a big white flame gas fire and it makes hardly any smoke. It shoots as high as two hundred feet sometimes. It lights up the sky so that at about a mile distant, at midnight, a person can read a book of large print, without any other source of light. It has been burning for nearly twenty-five days. I guess I will close.

Sincerely yours,

WILBUR GREEN.

Los Angeles, Calif.,
November 24, 1928.

DEAR WILBUR:

The oil well fire you speak of must be a wonderfully beautiful sight. I wish I could see it, too, but I’ll have to be satisfied with seeing it through your eyes. I’ve decided that a great many wonderful sights are found in California. Mr. Greene was out there last summer for the Bible School Convention and Conference, and he never tires of telling of the beauties of California, but he does give New York State the credit of having more green grass. My big boy does not have many chances to sell pies for me but he keeps busy in the summer mowing lawns about town, and then I am sure he would be glad to eat one of your good pies, if it were possible.

I hope you will write again. Send your letter directly to me next time, please, as it will save time.

Your sincere friend,

MIZPAH S. GREENE.

COUNTING

How many ways do you know how to count? By ones, twos, fives, and tens, of course; and “once, twice,” and by the Roman numerals, and perhaps in French, Spanish, or Chinese. But do you know how to count in the Indian language? My mother taught me when I was a little girl.

“I, tin, feather, ethery, pip, Latery, slatery, sco, dethero, dick, Inbump, tinbump, feather bump, etherbump, re­geret.”

You see there is a certain regularity about it. “Indick,” one and ten, makes eleven. “In bump,” one and fifteen, stands for sixteen. For this reason I do not think it child’s doggerel, but really Indian, though I do not know what tribe uses it.

From your friend,

MARY A. STILLMAN.

“Jimmy, I wish you would learn better manners, you’re a regular little pig at the table,” said Jimmy’s dad. Silence on Jimmy’s part. Then to make it more impressive, Jimmy’s father asked, “Do you know what a pig is? Jimmy?” “Yes, sir,” said Jimmy meekly, “it’s a hog’s little boy.”—The Churchman.
that which is dearest to us. It may be some cherished thought or purpose, presented to us with an almost critical—world. Yet give it, give it in God’s name, for he gave his Son for us. It may be that of giving our own laughter from our homes to enter a larger work, when we can, with the mother of Henry Ward Beecher, follow them only with our prayers as they go out to work with the world. It may even be the hall and farewell to a voyager who goes bravely out into the “Great Beyond.” Yet we know that it is better to give than to keep, and that we give for a season, only to receive again with greater joy.

There is this difference, however, between our giving and that of God. When we send our poorest gift from us upon its mission of love and service, there is nearly always a fear in our hearts that it will not accomplish that whereunto we send it. But not so with God, who had perfect confidence in his Son, even as the Son did also in him.

Now may we look at this great drama from the standpoint of the One who came. Most significant is the statement in Philip-"I: 6, 7. Who, existing in the form of God, emptied himself and took upon himself the form of a servant. Think of the unselfishness of it! Does it not put to shame our lack of trust in God, and you have all sin.

For this reason God gave them up to vile affections.” (Romans 1: 26.) The punishment for sin is sickness. Multitudes there are, who, looking only at the outward action away from the teaching of unselfishness for its own sake. An authority on child-training says: “Do not urge a child to always give up to its playmates. Teach it rather that while generosity is a good thing, there is more meaning in the child learning on to what is its own. Otherwise, when the child sees its parent teaching one thing and its child sees its parent teaching another thing, and it will lose faith in all that the parent says.”

Yet Christ did not give up what was his own simply for the sake of being unselfish. He was unselfish for a great purpose, rather; and when young people of today are called upon to sacrifice for some greater joy, they will respond as readily as did those of any other age.

Moreover, it was not for any hope of final rewards. The Christ who lived in hum-ly home, but purely out of love for man. Nevertheless, the reward came, as it will to all who follow him in the self-surrender of love. “Wherefore also God hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name.”

Next let us look at the advent of Christ from the standpoint of human need. Did man need such a Savior, and does Jesus satisfy that need.

We find, first, among men a self-imposed ignorance of God and a worship of unmerited objects. A Chinese proverb, “There is not God for a lie, and worshiped and served God, and set up our own gods instead.”

But I say to you this, that you, even as the Son did also over and over again how the true worship of God, and loving fellowship with him, are the things that we need to become familiar with in every way.

But in order to realize the grandeur, and the fulness of this redeeming power which Christ can give, we must have full fellowship with the living Christ. We must apply ourselves to it. We must be near to him, and far off, to have, as some one has said, a “stained glass window” conception of him. We must look to him as a great teacher and leader. To worship him as a hero does not take the place of accept-ing him as our Savior. Nor is it enough to grovel in the dust, and seek for God as we should in every way. There is, to be sure, a solemn service, but it cannot take the place of the spiritual thing that he does for us.

To feed the hungry and clothe the naked receives the highest commendation from God. It is only part of the Last Judge-ment, but he never meant to point that out as a way of salvation apart from receiv ing the heart through faith. “They said therefore unto him, what must we do that we may work the works of God?” Jesus answered and said unto them. This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.” (John 6: 28, 29.)

Would you have this Living Presence in you? Would you have your mind and heart enlightened by the truth of God? Would you have the Comforter sent to you from the presence of Christ within? You may have it, but remember! It is no short and easy road. Most of us are assed by demons that come not out save by fasting and prayer. In fact, to drive them out by our own strength is impossible. But as we humbly put our lives and strength at his disposal, we shall receive from him the power which is sufficient for our needs, as Ellen Coit Dillworth, writes in the Christian Century:

Suddenly from out the wood
My Lord came unto me,
And he took my strength, and he shook it out
Like a garment shaken free,
And he threw it down on the old-clothes pile—
“It’s nothing to me,” he said;
But I stood by shivering.

With mortal cold and dread,’
"Rage!" One said, and gave me
His love in a starry shine;
Then I knew all was well by ways,
His strength in place of mine.

If you have never received the full inflow of the divine grace and strength, of a seraph in the inner room, a Christmas—or rather receive it into your heart and life, that you, too, may “step off” clothed in new garments of purity and strength. This day, may Christ be born in you.

HOME NEWS

NORTH LOUP, NEB.—The seniors, with a lesson on “Remember God,” were led by Pastor Polan. The method of leading, leading by an interceder, led by Lucile Davis, listened to a farewell talk with much advice from Pastor Polan. The juniors, with the same lesson, were leading for the last time, also had a farewell serv ice and talk from Mrs. Polan who has been their senior interceder the longest.

The women’s missionary society met with Mrs. Mary Clement Tuesday all day, and spent most of the time quilting. These ladies have been much occupied, but their fine quilting. They also had a short program.

Pastor Polan’s farewell sermon was from

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"meet again" was sung and good-bys were said. Mr. and Mrs. Hill turned away on the evening of October 15. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson, Miss Josephine Mars, and Donald Vine were among the members who have identified themselves with every good cause in the community. They have not only labored for the advancement of their church, but have been true friends of the community. They will be missed, not alone by the boys of Brookfield, but by their hosts of friends in North Loop and the country round about.

Their friendship has been an outstanding feature and they have been welcomed in every circle. They will not soon be forgotten and the fruits of their labor will live after them.

In his ministry the pastor of a church touches life in its deepest meanings. He speaks the words of hope to the lives of our young people, he baptizes our children, and the last sad rites over the bier of our loved ones. The links thus made are not easily broken. Pastor Polan has exemplified in his life the highest type of Christian gentleman.

We shall miss the Polans. But they leave with our blessing. The best wishes of the entire community will follow them to their home. Their new field of labor will be enriched by their presence. May they live long and prosper in their chosen work.

[We also learn from the Lyotist that Rev. L. F. Hurley of Adams Center, N. Y., has accepted the call to North Loop, t. g.]

BROOKFIELD, N. Y.—We are glad to welcome Rev. Herbert L. Polan and family to their new home in Brookfield. They arrived there on a recent trip to their meeting. They have taken possession of the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage. They drove from beyond Detroit yesterday, about 353 miles.—The Brookfield Reporter.

WATERFORD, CONN.—Mrs. Mary Rogers, the oldest member of the Waterford church, passed away on the evening of October 15. The funeral was held in the church with Pastor Hill officiating.

The Ladies' Aid held a meat pie supper at the parsonage on Monday, the fifth of November. The supper was excellent and very well attended. The ladies had on sale a few fancy articles, which were left from the summer sale, and the Christian Endeavor sold candy. The proceeds amounted to about $61, and will be turned into the fund of the Parsonage Fund.

ON OUR SHELVES

How many of our people know that we have among our tracts a set which we call the "Gospel Tracts"? Not very many of them go out, and perhaps that is due to the fact that they are not well known.

There is a set of ten tracts, written by five of the well known ministers of the present day, and the years just past. The first six were written by Rev. Ward C. Tilton, and the other four by Rev. William C. Daland, Rev. Arthur E. Main, Rev. T. L. G., Rev. L. F. Hurley of Adams Center, N. Y., and Rev. H. L. Pearson, of Yale, Conn.

The Christian Endeavor is having a home mission study class again this year, with Mrs. Hill as leader. The class meets every Thursday evening at different homes. So far we have had a very good attendance and the interest is very well maintained.

On Sabbath afternoon, November 17, at three o'clock, Pastor Hill baptized Mr. Neil G. Pearson in the Sound on the West Neck beach.

The Waterford Christian Endeavor society arranged a musical and entertainment, which was given on Wednesday evening, November 28.

Miss Doris Skinner and Mrs. Maude Vine played two piano duets: Pastor Hill sang two vocal solos, Miss Josephine Marsan accompanying at the piano, and Mr. Pearson of Yale, a former Chautauqua player, gave a mysterious entertainment of magic stunts.

After the necessary expenses were paid, the proceeds amounted to $26.50, which will be turned into the parsonage fund.

The evening after the Sabbath the Christian Endeavor society gave a surprise party for Isabel and Donald Dubol, two of our members who have just recently moved to New London to live. As it was the right time for our regular business meeting, we transacted our business and had our social hour. Each one was supposed to come dressed in old-fashioned clothes. Those who did not wear the old-fashioned costumes, forty cents was collected. We also passed an enjoyable time with games and old-fashioned songs with the history of each.

Sunday evening, December 2, our Christian Endeavor was invited to the Niantic Baptist Christian Endeavor meeting, to assist them in their meeting. Morton Swinney was leader.

REPORTER

SALEM'S STUDENT LOAN FUND

On September 1 my family and I moved to Salem College. I was to become head of the Department of Buildings and Finance. The first great need for Salem College was for a Christian college, and a Christian student loan fund. I have thus been endeavoring to establish a student loan fund, to enable many of the mountain boys and girls to complete their education. The Theodore L. Gardiner Fund, which was established by Mr. M. Gardiner, Davis, our trustee, and the trustees of the college and loaned only to worthy students at a very low interest. They pay that back; the college gets the interest for current expenses, and the fund perpetuates itself forever.

On September 3, Mr. Otis F. Swiger and I raised $218 cash; on November 3, we had reached $1,097.24 cash; then President Bond and I went East, and the people of New York and Plainfield were very good to us, and upon reaching home November 22, the fund totaled $2,454 cash. Mr. Otis F. Swiger and I have just returned from a fifteen day trip up state, New York, among the Seventh Day Baptist churches, and came back into West Virginia with $1,001.76.

At Clarksburg, W. Va., a gentleman gave...
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us another hundred; upon reaching home my mail brought more, and at my office in the college some more mail brought the total of the Student Loan Fund today to $3,912.48, with checks of promises coming from many other sources in the imme-

diately future. The Student Loan Fund will virtually solve all the problems of Salem

College.

A $40,000 library building is greatly needed. The College Aid and I have un-
dertaken to raise $40,000 in cash for this building in the next five years without solic-
ting. All those who contribute amounts of $100 or more will have their names on a bronze tablet just inside the library door. All those who contribute in any amount will have their names listed in a book to be kept in a glass case in the library forever. The one who gives $10,000 or more cash to this building fund will have the memorial building named in his honor.

My reception among all the seventh day people, and among many other people in the East has been very cordial indeed. Through the \SABBATH RECORDER\ I wish to express the thanks and appreciation to every friend of Salem College, and I wish to all a merry Christmas and happy new year, and every blessing of God.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE

Upon my return from New York State yesterday afternoon I was ushered into my office, where I left it, to find it fur-

nished with mahogany, with everything complete, of the best furniture that money could buy—a contribution from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Driscoll, related friends and benefactors of Salem College. I am glad to report this in the \SABBATH RECORDER\ to the friends of Salem College.

O. P. BISHOP,

Department of Buildings and Finance.

THE AMERICAN HOME ITS PRICELESS VALUE AND BEAUTY

Editor of \SABBATH RECORDER\:

We have reason to believe that it was foreordained for Herbert Hoover to first

see the light of day in that rural Quaker home of sacred memories, wherein unhin-
dered he could listen to the promptings of the \Small Voice\ and could receive

that spiritual baptism, fitting him finally to emerge into the world's vast arena of won-
derful, profound, and world-wide experiences, that at length have rendered him better equipped to guide the destiny of this nation with intricate, complex, and

conflicting problems, and to emerge as a known man. His invaluable, inspiring words re-
garding the priceless worth of the home life, has awakened in that last remaining mother-
love, inherent in the soul of womanhood; and in vastly increasing numbers are the

mothers of our land turning from the card-
table, sweeping from their festal boards, 
into oblivion forever, their wine and beer glasses, packing up their rubber coats and

relishing the fires upon their hearthstones, around whose ruddy glow gather father, mother,

and among many other people in the

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CHAPTER 21

In the course of the morning the floor dropped to the first, the great doors swung open, and quicker than I can tell two long trucks and the chief's automobile were out and down the street with every man in his place. Not an order had been given and not a sign of a human voice. Only the fire bell on the red car of the chief and the siren on the trucks and a yell or two on the horn of Smoke to let them know that he too was on the job.

I said it looked for a moment as if all were in confusion. There was the finest sort of order and harmony. Each man knew his own appointed post, and as soon as the alarm was heard each started on the run for his own place. It was the harmony of action when there is something to be done, and a group of people are organized to do it, and each knows his own place in the common task.

I have taken for my subject this morning the motto of the Boy Scouts. \Be Pre-

pared.\ And the value of being prepared was illustrated in what I saw the other night. The firemen were quite excited and were physically fit. When the call came these had the muscles and the nerve to do what was required of them. In the second place each knew his own job and made direc-
tions to his men. And third, each had been taught to work with others.

He knew what he had to do, and he trusted the man who was following him for all working together, each one to his own task, and every one fit, made them effective as they fought to save human lives and valuable property.

Life is a serious business. There are enemies to be destroyed. Right must be prop-

erly seen by the right and good, and goodness must be maintained. The fate of the world will soon be in the hands of the boys and girls of today.

And God has made some mighty big blunders. We see some of them, and some of them we doubt are too blind to see even yet. We have been very

made some progress, and that we have placed you in a better position to see what is still needed in your soul, and mind, and soul, for the work of life. Do nothing that will weaken your body the least bit, but increase your strength.

Make the best possible use of your op-
orunities in school, for you will need all the knowl-
dged, and skill, and wisdom may be in-

creased, but more than all else, there is needed love and friendship and human kindness. \Be Prepared.\"
Lone Sabbath Keeper's Page

LETTER FROM A LONE SABBATH KEEPER IN THE SOUTH TO ONE IN THE NORTH

Dear Friend:

Yes, the wait has been rather long, for one who has to depend mostly on pen friends for social enjoyment. You do not know what it means to live where you seldom see a white face except what belongs to your own kin. Among my pen friends I cannot write without those writings satisfy the desire for human fellowship. I have been wondering if you and another of my pen friends were so occupied with the multifarious duties of harvest time that neither of you had time to write to your southern friend. You live in the North and she in the West. I must close for it is time to start the supper work; hope you will write soon to

YOUR FRIEND IN THE SOUTH.

REPLY FROM THE NORTH

Dear Friend:

I am glad you so patiently awaited a letter from me. Our harvest is about over and I can now write less hurriedly regarding this past year, which has been the most crowded and most perplexing of my life.

Presented with real estate which I did not seek, but which I have tried to accept as a blessing, I have been confronted with problems which my soul was utterly unable to solve; and my attempts to solve them have proved unsatisfactory in others—now on the crest of the wave of joy, then in the depths of sorrow. Yet I can truly say because of these experiences that I know the presence of God operates in the depths as well as on the crests.

To be more specific as to experiences, for one thing, it seemed imperative that I drive a Ford in order to adequately look after the one hundred twenty acres of alfalfa that have come under my care. I was not physically able to accomplish all that was necessary for this small income, the Ford had to be a second-hand one. Though I have had a license to drive about five months, the nervous tension when driving is difficult to control. The combination of nerves and inefficiency have led me into a variety of difficulties, but not of a serious nature, inasmuch as I keep them to myself. My thoughts do not flow rapidly, and when hurried seem as if they refuse to flow altogether, sometimes. In doing a little necessary repair work I lose a valuable screw, or stall my engine in a critical situation, or I forget some duty in the pressure of events.

These and kindred occurrences have occupied my attention and added to my care. But I find kind friends to help me out of each difficulty. I also find how ever-present the power of God is, even in the mechanical world where I am so inexperienced. In gratitude to him for his sustaining presence, I offer my thanks to the Sabbath, not in driving about to view the natural world, but in seeking the guidance of his Word and of his Spirit. In one way it is a rest to ride on a soft cushioned seat over a smooth road; but when the view is obstructed by architecture of buildings, varieties of cars, styles of dress, combined with the distractions of possible tire or engine trouble, the Sabbath conscience is likely to be stunted and blunted. Though he might arise where he once finds it difficult to decide as to the extent of a Sabbath day's journey.

Your mention of the drinking Democrat suggests that I tell you about the chairman of the Republican committee in a nearby city. He went to Florida last winter, and on the trip asked questions of different people he met, regarding their view of Al Smith as a candidate for President. He found the answers unsatisfactory in that they discovered the questioner was a Republican. Then they would reveal the fact that they meant to be at heart loyal Democrats, but were anti-rom and anti-Roosevelt; hence were not for Al Smith. The questioner thus caused the gratitude of the people who were only interested in the outcome of this peculiar situation, our country, is saved, with rum and Roosevelt checked, and a new wave was paid for the reinstallation of the true Lord of the highways.

It will be decided before I write you again, probably, as regards the ballot; but the matter on for the new one as well as by the ballot.

A good President will be powerless to save our lives, if we as a people become lax. If a government is granted, under the wise guidance of God, we have a golden opportunity before us. I have no doubt, but not again as to the outlook in your part of the country.

YOUR FRIEND IN THE NORTH.

DEATHS

When Mr. Davis was about five years of age, his parents removed to Neph, Neb. There he grew up and spent his young manhood and when he was baptized at an early age by the late Rev. S. R. Wheeler, and united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church.

In October, 1894, the Davis family went to South Dakota where they stayed three years. In 1897, Mr. and Mrs. Davis married to Alice Nyce. Two years after this they moved to the farm where they made their home until 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were long-time members of the Free Will Baptist Church, which was organized in 1874 and united with the Free Will Baptist Church in 1878.

Mr. Davis, his brother, Elwood and his sisters Gertrude and Myra and their families came to make their home in Boulder.

For the greater part of his life, "Alie" as he was affectionately called by his friends and relatives, was employed as a photographer. Later in life, as his health failed and it seemed necessary that he go to Florida for as much as possible, he took up real estate and was in partnership with Mr. M. C. Hume of Boulder.

Mr. Davis died, and was buried at the Parkeville Cemetery.

B. Davis, Lewis Almon Davis, son of Albert H. and Belva M. Davis, was born at Belmont, Indo. in 1870, and died at Boulder, Colo., November 27, 1928.

It is a wonder that he can not use when we consider the price, the worth, the benevo-

lemess, the low motives which harbor in our hearts? He does not require of us perfec-
tion, but freedom from known sin—E. B. Myer.
"As I stand here before you this thought comes to me: What a pleasant place this world would be if it all our associates were like our dear Brother Davis! It can be truthfully said that he was cheerful in life, patient in suffering, and brave in death. His parting thoughts were of others, his loved ones to whom he gave farewell admonitions. The outstanding characteristic of our brother was thoughtfulness for others' happiness, and he fell with his face toward the promised land. We lay him to rest with hope in God for a better part in the resurrection of all those who love the Master."

Surrounded by loving relatives and friends, Allie was laid away in Green Mountain Cemetery at the foot of the snow-capped peaks and hills which he loved so well.

R. W. Moore—At the Presbyterian Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., November 30, 1928, Mrs. Mary H. Moore. She was two days past her seventieth birthday.

She was taken seriously sick November 30, was operated on at the hospital, and apparently had a good chance of recovery, but her age and feeble health made it impossible. Her husband, N. O. Moore, died in 1907, since which time she made her home in London, Tenn., and N. C. Moore, of Riverside, Cali. She was well known to many Seventy Day Baptists, although a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

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