Front Elevation of the Denominational Building as it will appear when finished, made from Architect's Drawing.

“The man who keeps everlasting at it does not have to keep at it everlastingly.”

—Frank Irving Fletcher

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FROM “OVER THE RIVER”

And I sit and think when the sunset's gold
Is flushing river, and hill, and shore.
I shall one day stand by the water cold,
And list for the sound of the boatman's oar;
I shall watch for a gleam of the flapping sail;
I shall pass from sight with the boatman pale,
To the better shore of the spirit land;
I shall know the loved who have gone before.
And joyfully sweet will the meeting be,
When over the river, the peaceful river,
The angel of Death shall carry me.

—Nancy A. W. Priest.
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This picture shows the building so far as we now have funds and pledges for its completion. As fast as funds and pledges come in the picture will grow on this page, so you can see just how fast we are getting along with the good work. We now have over three-fifths of the amount needed. If everyone who can remember his loyal father and mother who have passed on will respond liberally it will soon be done.
Our dear heavenly Father, we do thank thee for the gift of thine only begotten Son, our Saviour, and manifest among men. We are moved by the spirit of his prayer as he prayed the Cross, that his followers might be kept from the wiles of the evil one. Here is the key to realizing in a great need of real unity in the spirit of brotherly love, and the multitude of men in thy kingdom. May we never be weakened by the spirit of contention, but may be not made strong in the spirit of brotherly love that the world may know that thou hast sent us, and that the Christ really dwells in our hearts. In place of the spirit of contention we may manifest.png

The Value of the
Every denomination
Denominational Paper seems to understand the value of some regular weekly paper that shall minister to the welfare and unity of widely scattered churches. Hence the various church organizations, without exception, as far as I know, are making their respective papers, even though none of them is self-supporting, to say nothing of their needs, that will promote general interest, as a medium of communication with a small, widely scattered people.

When I was a Seventh Day Baptist I do these times without the Sabbath Recorder.

A means of exchanging views regarding important questions of faith and practice, as a source of help and comfort for some and infirm Christians, as a medium of information regarding activities common to all the churches, and as an active promoter of unity and fellowship in our common interests, the denominational paper is indispensable. There could be no such thing as extensive co-operation without it. There must be some common means of knowledge regarding our various lines of work and their needs, that will promote general interest and give needed inspiration.

Again, we have a large constituency of

lone Sabbath keepers scattered over the world. Many of them are keeping well in touch with our work and doing something to help it along through the information and inspiration gained by the Sabbath Recorder.

Then our homes do need such a paper. They are literally flooded by worldly periodicals, and all distractions without them. There are widely scattered people. In every case.

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to our great mission. Now permit us to express the confident hope that Alfred University, with its theological department, may so far enjoy the confidence and support of our churches as to become a mighty power in the defence of Bible truth against every form of infidelity.-J. Allen.

President Allen's words are very appropria-ted, and it is here that we educate denominational wise. It is here that we train the young men for the gospel ministry, as are at the present time to the establishment of a theological department, which builds true real lights in the world. The evangelism and also the Christian education—what the higher usefulness of the Church is and also its imperatives. Some men seem to possess a strong desire to win men and also to be a soul winner and a soul builder. If his converts are to be a pastor exemplified this principle of proper pretension of being a Christian, one evening he requested his pastor, who was making a friendly call, to take a look at his two beautiful children who were just falling asleep for the night. The pastor was glad to do so, and as the two men stood there looking on the sweet faces of the children, the pastor said kindly, "Do you as a father mean to say of these beautiful children, that you will do nothing to strengthen their natural ability for these two phases of life?"

AN APPEAL TO THE PRESS OF THE COUNTRY

(Address of President Jonathan Allen, of Harvard, at Boston City Club, Monday, December 26th.)

Thomas Nixon Carver, professor of political science, Harvard University, addressed the press of the country and also of Boston and vicinity. An appeal to the press, especially to those editors who do not favor prohibition. You may not be convinced by the election of the country that the country is dry and not at least not enough to reduce a majority to vote for him and his proposals. By what person or under what circumstances could a proposal for modification be more favorably presented to the American people than the American people. We are to have a new president, and you will not make modification popular who could. Does any other candidate want to try it? To who dispise the kind of people who constituities the American people. If you are wet you will not be convinced by the election of Governor Smith. If you are dry you must accept the will of the American people. If you are dry you must accept the will of the American people. If you are dry you must accept the will of the American people. If you are dry you must accept the will of the American people.

Prohibition was certainly one of the most talked about issues of the campaign. The outcome certainly indicates to any reasonable person that the American people are not likely to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment or even seriously to modify the dry law which was not only to be a forgotten law. You will, in fact, if you are a nullificationist, be in active rebellion against the government...
ernment in its active enforcement or attempt at enforcement of the law. Do you want to put yourself in that position? If you want to fight the law, and look upon the few plays it has made as a farce, and don't try to scare the American people or their government. If you think that you can by open defiance or defiance that will only create a diminution in its popularity, what a humiliation that would be to the press. As a matter of fact, the entire metropolitan press of the country you have. If the Anti-Saloon movement would have acquiesced had Mr. Roosevelt been defeated. With almost the same kind of persons, he simply could not believe that any considerable number of people were really dry. His surroundings made it one of his greatest convictions that any considerable number of people lie under the law.

"Whatever other faults and weaknesses the American people may have, they are not characterized by such a meekness as has been shown just because enforcement is difficult. This is essentially true of the country people, the 'country yokels' as some find comfort in calling them. They were brought up on difficulties. They have been facing and conquering them for generations. Please note, especially, the effect of a reform. The great effect of a reform has been that it has brought down just because you and the smart set insist on calling them bad names.

"Our aim is simply this: Don't aid and abet those who are actively breaking a law which your government is actively trying to enforce. Don't meddle with the minds of your readers by confusing an active law with an obsolete law. Don't encourage anyone to think that it is either smart or clever, or honorable, to outwit your government. Don't excuse theboot-legger or his patron. Don't vilify enforcement officers who are trying to do what the law requires them to do and what they have sworn to do. If you want to castigate any of them, try it on those who are shirking their duty.

"If the government of the metropolitan press could not defeat it or even produce any noticeable diminution in its popularity, that humiliation that would be for the metropolitan press. As a matter of fact, the rising tide of anti-Semitism can be attributed to factors which lie deeper than Anti-Saloon Leagues or metropolitan dailies. Such agencies can accelerate or retard a movement of this kind. They can neither start nor stop it."

The tragedy of Governor Smith's astounding and overwhelming defeat lay in his utter inability to understand the American people. He simply could not believe that any considerable number of people were really dry. His surrounding made it impossible for him to see that fact. Maybe you and other editors of metropolitan dailies are in a different position, but I would like to have some one like me that could encourage active resistance to your government."

"I dare no more fret," said John Wesley, "than curse or swear. To have persons telling me that it is a matter of sentiment is like tearing the flesh from my bones. By the grace of God I am disinclined at nothing. I see God sitting on the throne and ruling all things well."
Thursday and Friday, November 8 and 9, to study the work of the Commission.
Representatives were present from the churches at Salem, Lost Creek, Berea, Roanoke, and Greenbrier.

President Hill opened the session with brief introductory remarks in which he emphasized the importance of the work of the general secretary, and then left to him largely the naming of the problems confronting the Commission at this time.

The secretary gave a comprehensive and detailed report of the work so far this year. He also presented a long list of contributed answers to questions proposed by him at the various sectional conferences held throughout the denomination. This report reflected the desire of the denomination for a unified and up-to-date picture of the work of the denomination as a whole. Some of us who have not attended our General Conference recently have ideas of the work gleaned from meetings we have attended in the past, and many of which are now out of date, have not had the last two Conferences.

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HOME NEWS

NORTONVILLE, KAN.—The ladies of the church held a bazaar and harvest home sup­

per on the kitchen floor on November 22. The attendance was not large, but something over $80 was reported cleared.

On the evening of Thanksgiving day the church held a concert of Thanksgiving)s,

singing. Pastor Ogden preaching from the text, “It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord.” Psalm 92: 1. Unfavorable

weather made the attendance smaller than it would have been.

The interior of the church has recently been redecorated, making a very much

needed improvement. The work is the generous gift of C. C. Sny.

The average attendance at the Friday evening prayer meeting during the fall was thirty-two. The averages by months were:

September, thirty; October, forty-four; November, twenty-one. The topics discussed were a series on the sub­ject of prayer. On November 23 good re­ports from the East Kansas Christian En­deavor Convention were given by Lucille Princent and Lee Wells.

The canvass for the Onward Movement, which was preceded by a series of printed articles, was launched by a sermon by the pastor on November 17 and December 1. Incomplete returns at this time report good promises amounting to somewhat less than $100.00. They do not include the customary contributions from the women’s organizations and the auxiliary organizations of the church.

The intermediates held a good standard social on the evening after the Sabbath, November 24. The young people have been selling Christmas Novello school house raise money for the society. Members of the Inter­mediate society will also distribute the Seventh Day Baptist calendars this year.—

The Review.

RIVERSIDE, CALIF.—Pastor Hargis has

been giving us some strong sermons. The prayer meetings are increasing in interest.

A group of young people, with the pastor, went out to the Nuevo school in the open­ning days of the new year, and is given with the earnest prayer for the prosperity of all the dear churches of our communion.

 Doubtless we are not alone in the feeling that we have many obstacles in the way of the larger progress we long for, but that is not going to prevent us from doing our best. We drop that formidable word here with the hopeful reflection that under the alchemy of God’s astounding grace difficulties may be transmuted into increments of higher character and larger efficiency.

In reviewing the past year we are re­minded of many tokens of God’s favor. The interest in the general work and special enterprises of the church have been greatly sustained. The pastor is constantly helped by a consecrated board of265 men and women who take the heart that the church is here to do. There is then a group of about twenty and girls, ranging in age from five to twelve years, for whom it has been joy to awaken the heart of any pastor. These under the hearty co-operation of the Christian Endeavor and Missionary societies and through the efficient work of the primary superintendent of the Sabbath school, are developing rapidly in a hopeful direction.

At the annual meeting, in April, it was voted to redecorate the auditorium of the church. This was promptly done, and this section of the church has been beautified by a new steel ceiling and appropriately painted walls, was rededicated to the Lord by a special service, the Sabbath of June second. This work of redecoration is to be the subject of a separate report.

For the benefit of the_Onward Movement the ladies of the church at a banquet New Year’s day at six-thirty. They promised a program of much interest to all.

Many of our number have been suffering with the “flu,” but we rejoice in the news that all are recovering.

MARGIE E. OSBORNE, PRESS Correspondent.

NEW MARKET, N. J.—The old Picataway

Church, although not often heard from in this department, is still desirous of a place in the thoughts and prayers of our sister churches. This reminder of our existence here is handed to the Recorder from the parsonage soon. We will all be glad to welcome her back again.

Miss Louisa Jenner returned to her home in Boulder, after a visit at the home of her grandfather, Newall Sweet. Our young people regret her departure as she was a good addition to our Christian Endeavor group.

If any of the Recorder readers want to get away from the cold and snow, just come to Riverside, where the thermometer registers twenty-two degrees above, on Christmas day.

The children, choir, and young people of the Riverside Church gave a very pretty pageant entitled “The Shepherd Boy’s Vision” at five in the evening on the Sab­bath before Christmas. It was a fitting welcome to Christ the “Prince of Peace.”

The pageant party was given in the church parlor for the children of all ages.

A beautiful Christmas tree brought down from the mountains by Harry Van Horn was laden with gifts for the little folks, Elwood and Vera Farina, and Santa Claus.

The Men’s Brotherhood will entertain the ladies of the church at a banquet New Year’s day at six-thirty. They promise a program of much interest to all.

The annual church dinner will be held Sunday, January 6, the quarterly business meeting preceding it. Since those who have subscribed to this fund clearly un­derstand that the Onward Movement bud­get is not to suffer in consequence, we are expecting a large response, proportionally, to this canvass which is now on.

We were happy in the experience with the Easter dinner after we met in Auburn in June. The fellowship with the visiting dele­gates and the inspiration of their presence and the messages they brought were a joy to us all. The pastor had the exhilaration of attending the Central, Western, and Southeastern associations as delegate from his own local church, and was remembered privilege. The Central Association was a special joy, since it gave the opportunity of a brief visit.

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North Loup, Neb.—The church was a scene of great activity New Years day—for this was the day that members gathered to break bread together and to enjoy the visit of friends and fellow members. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Babcock and were welcomed to the church.

The kitchen was filled with busy ladies who were heating the various viands brought in, while in the rest room, a whole scene of great activity New Year's day. The children were entertained by these friends. The little tree was lit with electric lights and surrounding it was a de&Gious small participant. The kitchen was filled with busy ladies who were heating the various viands brought in, while in the rest room, a whole scene of great activity New Year's day.

The baby balsam which was sent to the C. W. Barnes family by the Polans demonstrated the communion table Sabbath day. It was lit with electric lights and trimmed with tinsel. The New Year's service was very popular and a dainty bit of treedom.

The tiny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Van Horn, Miss Lida Marie, accompanied her parents to the Sabbath morning and was a delightful small participant.

Communion services will be held next Sabbath morning by Pastor L. T. Greene will again preach. The usual covenant meeting will be held Friday night at the prayer meeting.

A good sized box was filled with clothing and some popcorn and shipped to Little Prairie, Ark., last week under the auspices of the Sabbath school. Some of the money was also sent to our people in the Southern Conference.

The New Year was the theme of all the Endeavor societies Sabbath afternoon.

Following the services of the Sabbath school, Sabbath morning, the children were treated to apples, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson. A rising vote of thanks was tendered to the good friends for their delightful gift.

Mrs. Myra Hutchins led the prayer meeting Friday night and those present enjoyed a profitable time.

The intermediates held their December social Sabbath evening in the church basement. The money was used under the direction of the Misses Winnie Hamer and Merle Fuller. The social was well attended and the Supervisor, Miss Ruby Babcock, was unable to be present because of her recent operation. Little gifts were pulled from the hat, including tinsel, hot cookies kept as Christmas gifts. Refreshments of hot biscuit, cocoa, and cookies were served.

Mrs. C. W. Barber has charge of the graves and the Superintend­ent, Mrs. Jessie Babcock is in Lincoln.

A pleasing solo was sung by Mr. A. D. Moulton, the home membership of the regular anthem Sabbath morning.

Mary Davis led the sunrise prayer meeting New Year's morning. Representatives from the three Endeavor societies were present as well as some who were older. Gertrude Hemphill led the music which consisted of songs for the new year. The topic chosen by the leader was, "What I Have Written, I Have Written," supplemented with other appropriate songs.

The New year was ably ushered in at this beautiful little service.—The Loyalist.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased our heavenly father to allow the Death Angel, to again visit our midst, removing from our circle, our dear sister, Mrs. Louisa Davis, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Jackson Center Seventh Day Baptist Church, express our appreciation of her faithful attendance and loyalty to our society.

Aunt Lou, as she was familiarly known, was a charter member of our society, a task was always ready to fill her place. Especially did she find great pleasure in preparing and attending each monthly meeting, a place which was always given her on the program.

May the memory of her faithful and willing service, and her cheerful disposition inspire us to a higher and better living. And may her influence be felt by the whole to whom she was most dear; also be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our local paper and one to the SABBATH RECORDER for publication.

Mrs. M. I. Stoute, Miss V. A. Wilson, Mrs. Chas. W. Snyder, Committee.

QUARTERLY MEETING

Quarterly meeting of the Southern Wisconsin and Chicago churches will be held at Milwaukuee, Jan. 18th. The program has been arranged as follows:

Friday evening, Rev. E. E. Sutton, Sabbath morning—Sermon, Rev. J. F. Randolph.

MISSIONS

REV. WILLIAM L. BURDICK, ASHAWAY, R. I.
Contributing Editor

AVOIDING MISTAKES

"It is human to err and divine to forgive." All that we do is marred by imperfections, and we come to feel that it is inevitable that we make mistakes. It would seem that missions and all Christian work might escape this handicap, but not so.

Throughout their history they have been marked by largely defeated or entirely wiped out on account of the mistakes of Christ's professed followers. In the last twelve hundred years Christianity was planted· to say nothing about becoming defective. A few years past, in writing regarding some cases, if not in all, this can be attributed to the blunders of well meaning Christian people. There are few, if not any, churches who would foster it. Churches in the homeland die by the thousands. In most cases, if not in all, this can be attributed to the leaders of well meaning Christian people.

There is no doubt of the fact that any self-respecting nation would resent such outrages to its own government.

The question still remains as to whether New China is sufficiently settled and grown up to afford the protection to these extraterritorial concessions that human life and property wealth make necessary.

Until the nations are convinced that any way by which the people can express their will. This development of a real republic will take many years. In the meantime the Chinese government may take some steps to guard the city from extraterritoriality. China must not be too precipitate in demand.

Dr. Edwin W. Kemmerer, of Princeton University, has been engaged by the government to show China, how to reform her currency and how to depreciate the value of gold. He will have ample means at his disposal, and all our resources to avoid errors, then we can excuse ourselves because of finiteness. Till then it is Christian to humbly acknowledge wherein we have failed and seek the Father's forgiveness. He will guide us if we sincerely resolve to do our best.

If we are to reduce our mistakes to the least possible, we may give place to a dictatorship. If this dictatorship can now give place to a real representative government, we will have been accomplished. We fear that the new president and his advisers are going too fast in demanding of the nations the abandonment forthwith of "extraterritoriality," as it is called, but goes without saying that extraterritoriality should be abandoned, and that China should be allowed to govern the whole of her own country. This Nation, however, is confronted with an unfortunate condition that has grown up through many years. Foreign countries were allowed certain territory, which, in the absence of authoritative, just, and humane government by the Chinese, they themselves allowed to govern. Through the years these concessions have become very rich, because of the investment of foreign capital.

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A WORD OF TRIBUTE TO A NOBLE WOMAN

Christmas week the sad news went out that Mrs. D. H. Davis had passed away in Plainfield, N. J. Proper record of her life and service will be given by others, but the missionary secretary wishes to take this opportunity to pay a tribute of regard to one of the most of whose life has been given to work conducted by the Missionary Board. Forty-nine years ago Mrs. Davis, together with her husband, began work in connection with our mission in China and for nearly forty years, with love, devotion, and skill, they endeavored to lead to the world's Redeemer the people of that great country. Not only did Mrs. Davis do a most valuable work in China, but her life was an inspiration to the people in the homeland as well as to those with whom she was in contact in other lands, and in her death there has passed away a Christian woman, an efficient missionary, and a heroic life.

ON OUR SHELVES

We have on our shelves, temporarily, the denominational calendar, which we think should be in every home. The copies have been received by many of our friends and are ready, and over one thousand have been mailed. This leaves less than five hundred to be sent out yet, and your order should be sent in soon, if the calendar is to be distributed in your church this year. A list of the churches that have ordered calendars is as follows:

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If some organization or individual in your church wishes to make a thorough canvass, and sell all the calendars possible, a forty per cent commission is offered. The price is twenty-five cents to customers and the commission will go to the person, or into the treasury of the organization, that takes the responsibility. We ask, however, that the sales be as great as the church will allow, as we need an increase in sales to cover the commission.

The calendars this year are illustrated with pictures of Milton College and vicinity, as the General Conference is to be there next summer. Every family will want a copy.

Make yourself a committee of one to ask your pastor or church moderator if any order has been sent, and if it has not, see that something is done about it soon.

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510 Watchung Avenue,
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SOCIAL WORK CONFERENCE MEETS IN SAN FRANCISCO

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The conference is open to any one who wishes to attend. It brings together at one time the most important experts in the field of social work in the country. Its program deals with child welfare, community life, delinquency, health, immigration, mental hygiene, and similar social problems. Thirty kindred organizations will hold meetings in connection with the conference.

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That wind is best.
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My little craft sails not alone:
A thousand feet from every one
Are out upon a thousand seas:
Who blows for one a favoring breeze
Might dash another with the shock
Of doom upon a hidden rock.

And so I do not dare to pray
For winds to blow one way nor another;
But leave it to a higher Will
To stay or speed me—trusting still
That all is well, and sure that he
Who launched my bark will sail with me
Through storm and calm, and will not fail,
Whatever breezes may prevail
To land me—every peril past.
Within the sheltered haven at last.

That wind doth blow, my heart is glad to have it so:
And blow it east or blow it west,
The wind that blows, that wind is best.

—Caroline A. Mason.

It is not my intention at this late date to attempt any report of the sessions of Conference. Quite complete reports of all sessions have been printed in various departments of this paper, and I do not feel that I can add anything to those reports.

We had not apprised our friends of the time of our arrival, thinking to save them trouble, for we knew that the early-morning train would make them the necessary drive. We were therefore surprised when our host or hostess at the hotel to which we were assigned, after a few minutes, said that we were not to miss the first train and that we were to go somewhere between seven and eight o'clock, and that we were to go. We did not know what to do. We were glad to be on hand a few minutes after our arrival to greet us. While on the next street over, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Putney, the Hurleys from Milton, who came to call right away, not seeming to mind that the Hurleys are an unnecessary drive that morning, all on one block, we went down to the high school where the sessions of Conference were held. We were late and so did not see the Hurleys of the first day and also missed the first reunion of old friends, which to me is always so enjoyable. Here we met many friends of former years, some of them coming long distances to attend this meeting. Among these people I was glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Maxson and her daughter, Nellie Maxson Simmons, who will be remembered by many residents of Milton, N. J.

Mrs. Maxson told me that when she heard that Conference was to be in Riverside she was glad to go. She had told me that in the old days, before the arrival of the ubiquitous trained nurse or her sister, the practical nurse, when it was the custom for
neighbor to care for neighbor in sickness, Mrs. Maxson was always found among the ministering neighbors, and many people are readily willing to rise up and call her ministerial blessings upon them. So you see the reason she put to me was, "Do you remember when you had typhoid fever?" Her memory of those unfortunate moments of the pastor, we almost began to wonder whether we were really in California or in our own church back home. We saw only two or three faces that were unfamiliar to us and it seemed that the greater number of those singers had at one time or another been members of the church choir at Milton. Seeing all these friends of former years in this setting gave us a queer feeling, and we thought that maybe after all we were not two thousand miles from home.

Another interesting social feature was the fact that people who have never been members of our churches came to some of the sessions looking up "friends from back East." In the pleasantness of the music, one evening as I came in from a ride I thought I would look at the register and see if there were new arrivals who we knew, and immediately my eyes caught the name of a woman who was my teacher in the high school the first year I attended school in Wisconsin—Rebecca Tompkins Dodge, who was graduated from Milton College. She was a delightful musician, and it was a pleasure to have her there. One day she started back on her drive to her home in San Diego, and we saw only two or three faces that were familiar to us and it seemed that the greater number of those singers had at one time or another been members of the choir at Milton. Seeing all these friends of former years in this setting gave us a queer feeling, and we thought that maybe after all we were not two thousand miles from home.

Mrs. Maxson and two daughters drove down from their home in Washington. While we were always careful that these two states are fairly close together we were assured that the drive was not a very short one. Many towns are within driving distance—however so are Denver and Riverside, North and South Dakota, and Boston and Riverside, and Boston and Riverside.

There were delegates at Conference who do not live in the driving distance of Riverside, at least by locale of driving distance. Our friends from China, Rev. Eugene Davis, Daniel Sung, Kenneth Woo, and Charles Ching Hua Sung, were probably the most memorable. Mr. Sung, student of the Lihou hospital, brought greetings from the churches of Shanghai, and Dr. Sung, student of Dr. Dean, brought greetings from the spiritual uplift of the morning.

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The International Education Board has made the necessary appropriation for the building of the telescope, and the California Institute of Technology will be co-operating with the delicate and tedious task. The Carnegie Institute of Washington and the Mt. Wilson Observatory are co-operating.

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TO THINK ABOUT
Is there a special challenge to Seventh Day Baptist young people?
What is Christ’s challenge to me?

INTERMEDIATES, GET ACQUAINTED
DEAR PASTOR RANDOLPH:
I have just been reading the Sabbath Recorder for December 24, and as I always take special interest in the Intermediate “Get Acquainted” column. I noticed your letter. I always enjoy reading the letters and suggestions on the topic from the intermediates. I am already acquainted with a great many of the intermediates who have written, but I am always glad to read what they write and get acquainted with those I do not know.

I wonder, too, how many of the Milton Junction intermediates will notice your letter. I am afraid I will have a hard time to keep from calling their attention to it.

I wish we could find a new plan for conducting meetings, or some other plan to get back the interest of some of our members who seem to have lost interest in taking part and a few who have quit attending. I will be glad to do what I can to stir up more interest.

Yours in Christian Endeavor work,
GLADYS MARILYN SUTTON.
Milton Junction, Wis.,
December 30, 1928.

INTERMEDIATES,
TOPIC: What is our society for?
(Matt. 28:19-20)

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1. What can I do for my society?
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We do not try to saw wood with a razor. A thing is good only for the purpose for which it was made. The society will fail if it is used for any other purpose than that of religious training.

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Recruiting stations are necessary to bring in recruits for the army. The society is a recruiting station for itself, and for the church. It should consist of a band of soul winners.

The society exists to help young people to take a definite stand for Christ. To be an endeavorer is to confess Christ, to confess belief in his principles, and to attempt to live his life.—Intermediate Companion.

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OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

THE SABBATH RECORDER

CHILDREN'S PAGE

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

I am sending you my first letter for the Children’s Page in the Sabbath Recorder. It is not very long or spicy, but may be better next time.

I am an orphan girl ten years old. My home is with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wolfe. I love to read the Children’s Page in the Sabbath Recorder. The Recorder is a welcome visitor to our home every week. We all love to read it.

I attend preaching service every Sabbath day, at ten in the morning, Sabbath school at eleven, and Junior Christian Endeavor at two-thirty in the afternoon. The name of our Sabbath school class is Blue Bird. My teacher’s name is Mrs. Albert Blough. My Junior superintendent is Mrs. W. L. Davis.

We enjoyed the visit of Rev. W. D. Burdick and wife to our church. They gave us some interesting addresses and sermons. The only thing we disliked about their visit was that it was not long enough.

I attend public school and like my teacher. His name is Mr. Forest M. Turry. Our school rendered a Christmas program to a large crowd of people.

I have two pet cats, Tommy and Muff, a lot of rabbits—some black, some white, and some gray—also some homing pigeons.

I would enjoy reading more letters on the children’s page from the juniors, telling more about their societies.

Christmas and New Year greetings from:

Hazel Wolfe.

SALEMVILLE, PA.
December 17, 1928.

DEAR HAZEL:

I think you have written a wonderfully good letter, especially for a ten year old girl, and I am very glad you decided to write.

You are right, it is very interesting to Sabbath school pupils and juniors to read what other Sabbath school and Junior boys and girls are doing, and also helpful to their teachers as well.

You have showed your love for the Children’s Page in a very best way by writing yourself, and I hope you will write often.

You surely have some very nice pets. My little Eleanor has only a kitty, but he is a great pet with the whole family.

Isn’t it a blessing that since your own dear father and mother have been taken away from you that you have found another father and mother, and that they must love you as their own, as Mr. Greene and I do our little adopted daughter.

Sincerely your friend,

MEZPAH S. GREENE.

MY SCHOOL

MARY A. STILLMAN

My school is such a pleasant place! I know my teacher’s smiling face.

I like the pictures, large and small. They always make me think more about our God.

Upon the desk and window sill grow primroses and daffodils; a hyacinth is all in bloom. It sends its sweetness through the room.

Oh, everything is so nice! We learn to read and spell and write; we always laugh and play.

When we go home we shout and play, then come again another day.

A prominent lawyer in Chicago, a Spirit-filled man, prayed: “My Father, demand any sacrifice, only that I may be filled with the Holy Spirit.”

Two hours later came a cablegram from his wife, homeward bound with their four children on the “Ville de Havre,” which was wrecked at sea. The cablegram read: “Saved, alone!”

Then Mr. Spafford, the lawyer, sat down and wrote the hymn, “It is Well with My Soul.”

Malachi D. Babcock said: “Our petitions must mean something to us if they are to mean anything to God.”

—Record of Christian Work.
perform more than one of these functions. The Church has not said to any of these, "I have no need of thee," but has been a source of inspiration to each. So with our varying experiences, different church membership would say that church membership means the quickening of spiritual vision, or a closer communion with the Infinite, or the consecration of common labor, or evangelism; and all would be right, for, "All these work that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will." At our last communion service and covenant meeting at Milton Junction this same topic was used, and after it was discussed

"For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body."

If I were to ask those who turn to "Our Pulpit" and read these lines, "What does church membership mean to you?" I am sure there would be a variety of answers. We have all had wonderful Christian experiences in connection with our church affiliation, and happily our experiences have not all been the same. Some have served as eyes, seeing the needs of the church and helping the body to meet them; others have been ears, listening for the promptings of the Spirit. Some have been hands, performing many tasks; others have been feet, carrying the message of the gospel. Some

who seldom meets his fellow church members, and can not attend the services of his home church, have an active part in her activities? What does it mean to members of a pastorless church? I leave such questions to answer in your testimony meeting. I will discuss only a few thoughts found in our Scripture lesson.

COMMON ELEMENTS

Church membership suggests a great many things that we hold in common. Paul suggests it in our text and in such expressions as "the same Spirit," "the same Lord," "the same God," "one body." It seems almost needless to say that we all have the same God. "Hail the Father!" Malachi 2:10. In spite of our slightly different Christian experiences on account of different surroundings and training, we can say, it is the same God who has helped us fill our different positions. The same Spirit, the same Lord, the same God has made us one body. When we recognize the binding power of a common God, we infer a common place of worship, a common form of worship, a common creed, a common trend of thought in worship, a common source of inspiration, a common source of spiritual power.

Saul would be the experience of a church or denomination if different ideas of God and the universe should make it seem that the Church has not said to any.
prophets? Are all teachers? The answer is "No" if the Church is to be successful. And such is the answer that Paul implies. For the successful completion of a house, the foundation, the carpenter, the painter, and the plumber must all work toward the same plan, but each must be an expert in different lines to accomplish the common purpose. If any one should fail for the woodwork. If all were carpenters we might have trouble with the foundation.

But we cannot improve on Paul's figure, "For as the body is one and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so is Christ also. For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones." And some members have more talents than others. I am thankful that church membership develops the wonderful talent of Willing Workers.

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A CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

This is Christmas eve. The presents from the jolly old Saint have been distributed, and I am alone in my study. In my mind, I am reviewing—living over—one of the scenes of the past few days.

The candle-light service, conducted by the Christian adventurers, was a very impressive one. The quiet stillness of the hour is upon me. I hear the reader in clear musical tones, reading the accounts of the birth of the Child-christ, interspersed with the fine old Christmas hymns.

Strains from that beautiful cantata, "Out of the East," rendered by the choir on Sabbath morning, flood my soul. The soloist is singing:

"I will sing you a song of a wonderful love, Of a Babe in a manger, The very night of your birth was here To herald the birth of a King."

The choir is answering:

"And his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

Again I hear a clear soprano voice singing:

"He writes his message in the skies In flaming orbs of light. The sunlight tells of him by day, And sun and moon and starry hosts Pray his might and glory."

And all these things—songs, greetings, gifts—in one way or another, have marked the activities of every family, and every household, where Jesus is known. What does it all mean? Were the shepherds and wise men mistaken in their adoration? Is it possible that the whole record of the miraculous conception and birth of Jesus is a mere fabrication? Is it but a beautiful fairy story, to which we might cling, but which, in reality, should find no place in our Bible? Is this all Christmas idea just a foolish custom?

There, probably, was not a Christian church in the whole world, even the most modernistic, where the account of the birth of Jesus was not read, at least, from Matthew or Luke. These words furnished texts for sermons and themes for cantatas and anthems. The story of the birth of Jesus (as found in Matthew and Luke) was read by preachers who declare these words to be interpolations and unworthy of credence. And sermons were preached from these same records by those who repudiate the supernatural birth of Jesus.

The divine-human origin of Jesus no longer bothers me. It is not half so difficult for me to believe in the divine conception of Jesus, as it is for me to explain the influence of Jesus Christ in the world if he be nothing more than a son, born of human parents, just as are all other children.

If the story of Jesus' birth is an interpolation, or a fable, or forgery—that is, what do these words mean? Shameless forgeries, if the miraculous be taken out of the wonderful story. And what becomes of our great hymns, built upon the divine conception of Jesus? If this record of Jesus' birth is an interpolation, or unworthy of credence, then it did not happen at all.

I know the masses of Christian people everywhere believe the story of the divine conception and birth of Jesus to be historically true and trustworthy. And for any one—minister or layman—to take advantage of this common understanding and read this story, or preach sermons from it, or even permit it to be sung in the church, with outward sign of approval, while in his own heart he disbelieves it, or regards it a fable, or forgery—to me it is a reprehensible thing. To me,—oh, what shall I say? It seems unworthy any man who claims to be a moral or spiritual leader.

For twenty-five years there has been a great longing in my heart that some day I might see Bethlehem, that I might see where the Christ-child was born, and walk over some of the ground made sacred by his blessed feet—a longing which I know will never be realized.

Yet, lov'd of the Father, thy Spirit is near To thee the meek, and the lowly, the penitent here; And the voice of love is the same even now, At Bethany's tomb, or on Olivet's brow.

"Blest land of Judea! thrice hallowed of song Where the holiest of memories pilgrim-like throng: In the shade of Galilee, by the shores of the sea of Galilee, On the hills of thy beauty, my heart is with thee.

"And what if my feet may not tread where he stood, Nor my eyes see the cross which bow'd him to earth, Nor my knees press Gethsemane's garden of prayer."

Christmas is the world's confession of faith. Do you, my brethren of liberal faith, reject the miraculous conception of the Baby born of Mary? If so, every year the returning Christmas season is a contradiction of your faith.

"O, Christ, we adore." We worship thee. But we cannot bow our knees to, or worship a man. We know the sains of the ages, but we have never found a sinless man. "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." But Jesus was sinless, the "Holiest of the Mighty." This Christmas season we hail the Christ-child as the fairest Light of the world. When we see Jesus, we see God; when we hear his voice, we hear God; when we obey Jesus, we obey God; and when we find Jesus, we find God.

Oh, thou eternal Son of the everlasting Father, may we all confess thee as Re-deemer and Life-giver, and reverently say: "I believe . . . in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary."

Sabbath School Lesson IV.—January 26, 1929

The Holy Spirit was created with the world, only men and women who observe the law and are true to their oath of allegiance to the Constitution, are led of the Spirit of God."

Romans 8: 14.

DAILY READINGS


January 25.—Spiritual Gifts. 1 Corinthians 12: 12-27.


(For Lesson Notes, see Helping Hand)

Our civic and political duty is to support for office, from the highest to the lowest, only men and women who observe the law and are true to their oath of allegiance to the Constitution.

Mrs. Edward F. White, first vice-president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.
MARRIAGES

ADAMS-WHIPPLE.—At the home of the bride's parents, John and Elizabeth Adams, and Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Whipple, 15 Stanley Place, Yonkers, N. Y., December 28, 1928, Mr. Robert Adams, of Wharton, N. J., and Miss Anna Maria Whipple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Whipple. Pastor Harold R. Crandall officiated.

DEATHS

AINSWORTH.—Mrs. Matie Ainsworth was born at Twin Grove, Greene County, Ohio, January 15, 1870, and departed this life at the Deaconess Hospital in Monroe, on November 15, 1928. She was the daughter of J. H. and Mary Wilcox Ainsworth. She was the wife of E. A. W. (Ford) Kelley, who lives at the old home place; farm at Summerbell, Leonardsville, N. Y., and to whom she was united in marriage with Jane Ash of Middlebourne, W. Va.; and one brother, Richard Kelley, who lives at the old home place. She was also by eleven grandchildren and a large number of great-grandchildren.

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