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EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

Last week’s Sabbath Recorder might well have been called a Conference number. Many interesting matters will be found from the General Conference in this issue. Our readers will be pleased to see the picture of the former much beloved editor, Theodore L. Gardner, now president of emeritus, on the front cover. A stenographic report of his brief address on Tract Society day will be found following the editorials.

Four hundred thirty-one delegates registered with the Entertainment Committee headquarters at Alfred. It was estimated by some that as many more visitors were in attendance upon part of the meetings. Mr. W. H. Bassett, head of the commissary department reports 4,166 meals served and in payment for them there was received $1,472.24. When these figures were reported expenses incurred were known to be slightly in excess of $1,200, with a few minor bills unpaid. Mr. Bassett felt confident there would be a little surplus profit. That sound surely. The average cost of dinners had been figured at forty-one cents, suppers at twenty-six cents, and breakfasts at nineteen cents. Good meals, wholesome and plentiful, were served.

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A nursery, under the management of Miss Flora Burdick, was conducted for the benefit of young mothers. The Clawson Infirmary was open to Conference guests, but few found it necessary to accept the privileges of the institution. Many availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the college buildings, and greatly enjoyed the beautiful and spacious campus. No small amount of praise is due Professor Fritjof Hildebrand, general chairman of the Conference arrangements, for the smooth and helpful way in which everything was carried forward.

On Sabbath morning, while services were in progress at the church and in Alumni Hall, a Junior worship hour was conducted at the parish house by Mrs. Walter L. Greene. The theme of this worship was "God's Other Children." The service consisted of well selected hymns, Scripture lessons, Bible stories with a closing prayer in which all participated.

"Dearest heavenly Father, Help our lips to praise thee, Help our hearts to love thee, Help our hands to serve thee, Forever Amen."
perhaps, too, in the confusion of much meeting of other friends and in discussions and various group meetings there was found no time to tarry at his feet—and there lost the man for whom Jesus chided Martha—lost for losing in the Bethany home. Much of life is saddened and shadowed by what we have missed. One may wonder how Jesus felt at it a loss? And this was a Conference of his people and met for the consideration and advancement of his work.

**Beer and Prosperity**

On the acting editor's way home from the Southwestern Association last month, the St. Louis Daily *Globe-Democrat* carried heavy headlines and gave space to a lengthy text of an open letter in which Augustus Bush set forth the declaration that return to four per cent beer would solve our economic problem, take care of federal deficits, and set things at rights again. No small amount of publicity has been given Mr. Bush's letter, and it is not the intention of the SABBATH RECORDER readers of this publication to interest in its prosperity and in the larger, more effective realization of the Eighteenth Amendment. They will be glad, therefore, to read the following gathered from a release from the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

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It was a campaign based on the idea of doing something to give "the poor man's beer." Later the senate exposed the fact that it was not the "poor man's beer" that interested the wealthy wets but it was the "poor man's beer" that the "poor man's beer" was talking to the "poor man's beer" to shift the rich man's taxes. It is the brewers who are in large measure responsible for the beer propaganda, and it is the brewers who are responsible for the general wet propaganda being used to advantage in wet political circles.

Wall Street; but a fatal one in politics out in the country.

As time progressed and no beer was legalized, the wet men had no alcohol to buy and are now talking about 4 per cent beer as being an immediate matter of 75 per cent beer. As the alcohol increases so do the revenues. Someone is keeping this fake alive. Millions of dollars a year in taxes on liquor interests over there; and someone is getting it unless those European wine interests are. They claim large sums of money are raised in Europe to break down prohibition. Another large sum of money is being used by wet groups over here.

But the plea for beer as a blessing to the poor man and to certain large Wall Street families now changes to a plea for beer as a blessing to Uncle Sam. The Beer Bloc promised us that Uncle Sam could raise a billion dollars in beer taxes right away beginning July 2. Then it cut it down to a billion dollars for everybody, the cities, towns and villages, and to the federal treasury. That of course, means licenses on saloons for the states, cities, counties, and villages.

The wet agreements with the W. C. T. U. that there are elements outside who would be legal, but the wetter claim that enough beer could be sold in these states at ten times the previous tax to raise $243,000,000 a year for the federal government alone.

Where and how are the brewers going to market this beer? They indicate plainly that they cannot expect to sell this flood of beer by sending it in bottles to the homes. They claim they don't want the old-fashioned saloon, but they know perfectly well that beer will have to be sold in some sort of beer shops, drinking places, restaurants, or clubs, and sold by the glass. That is the way the most strenuous sales campaign, in the magazines, newspapers, radio, and bill boards. Also, to sell enough beer to raise $243,000,000 a year for the federal government will mean pushing the milk business, the ice cream business, the soda business off the map.

It means also restoring the brewer to business and a power for the people to make the American citizen sober. If there was any thing worse than beer was the brewer's record in America starting with the brewe­rown saloon and ending with his attitude in the common voice of the year. It is the beast and affection of the American people.

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Can it be that the brewers are aiding their European colleagues in spending the wet money the Europeans claim they are raising?
life of the workers of the society—fresh "facts of truth" may be said without irreverence. Said Rev. Alfred J. C. Bond, "the work impresses us with its importance and the serious responsibility laid upon us." The reports, when printed, should be carefully read. Imagine when you read, that you see Mr. Bond, or Van Horn, or Randolp, or Mrs. Stillman—all of whom the most important things in their own ways present the messages of the society upon which is laid vast responsibilities of specially promoting the Sabbath. Year after year the president of the society, Dr. Corliss F. Randolph, has brought carefully prepared statements of the plans and purposes of the society in his helpful messages. He has always given as a President Boothe C. Davis afterword told him, one having such qualifications would not be found this side of heaven.

Editor Emeritus

Hundreds of people were glad that we had with us at this Conference Dr. Theodore L. Gardiner, so long the editor of the Recorder. He died while on his way to and from Lost Creek in Pastor Loofboro's car, and stood the trip well. We hope he will be so in this world as of old, when he is able. When he appeared on the platform, the moment as vigorous as ever, everyone in the audience arose, and greeted him with the marked respect they feel for him. It is doubtful if there is another in the denominational world, call for new and improved standards. President Boothe C. Davis bore beautiful testimony to the helpful influence of the logical students and their wives. One of the younger students, recently graduated, of another denomination called attention to the great passion of the ministry—"to save men" through the Lord Jesus Christ. He insisted we must gather "sheaves" for the Master and he has been in these students and their work.

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Mr. Earl P. Saunders, who told of the gift of the Whitford House to the Education Society by her sister, the late Mrs. Jessie B. Whitford, for the use of theologs' and theological students and their families. The president presented the fellowship dinner, and had left nothing undone for the splendid occasion. After the meal—which was bountiful and was tastefully served—two addresses were given.

Dean Main, in introducing the speakers, reported a conversation that occurred earlier in the evening. He was talking with one of his former students when he was asked, "Are you going to teach us Theological Introduction or Prophecies this evening?" To this he had replied, "Neither; this is not to be a class, but a fellowship." However, the dean said he would now indulge in some "theological introductions.

The first speaker introduced was Mrs. Carroll Hill of Ashaway, who was detained and stood the trip well. We hope he will be so in this world as of old, when he is able. When he appeared on the platform, the moment as vigorous as ever, everyone in the audience arose, and greeted him with the marked respect they feel for him. It is doubtful if there is another in the denominational world, call for new and improved standards. President Boothe C. Davis bore beautiful testimony to the helpful influence of the logical students and their wives. One of the younger students, recently graduated, of another denomination called attention to the great passion of the ministry—"to save men" through the Lord Jesus Christ. He insisted we must gather "sheaves" for the Master and he has been in these students and their work.

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It is with no thought of criticism of the management when it is observed that such a program as the officers of this board put up deserves at least two sessions. To crowd into one session all the good things presented is not just to the speakers or the audience. Professor J. Nelson Inglis, who presided, outlined the purpose of the board and its program as administrative, promotional, and evangelistic. Feeling that its work is the most important of any, is the prerogative of any board or institution worthy the respect and confidence of itself and of others. The president presented the program for the evening. The prepared report was presented by the secretary, Dr. A. Lovell Burdick, more than seventeen years in the office. He closed the session and said there: "Changed conditions in the religious world, call for new and improved
methods for meeting them. "We have gone through life without thinking into the debt, but we have been unable to expand our efforts." The work of its efficient director of religious education was outlined as of value to local churches. The Day Schools, leadership training, special meetings, and field work.

The subject of "Changing Emphasis in Bible School Training" was treated in an erudite manner by Professor J. Fred Whitford of Bolivar, N. Y. Consecrated and prepared teachers are requisite.

Another particularly scholarly address was given by Professor Harold O. Burdick of Alfred on "The Psychology of Teen-Age Teaching." The importance of the proper kind of lessons and helps is seen when we realize that the adolescent group. Their needs, their problems, should be treated symptomatically and intelligently. As God has given it to us--of bringing our evangelism are not opposed.

"Changing Psychology of Teen-Age Training." The three courses outlined and emphasized were "Religious Education." The three courses outlined and emphasized were... (1) Inspired by the speaker devoted his study to a great cathedral that required... (2) Building a historical building. The speaker drew attention to a building. (4) Building up the spiritual structure of the church. He built the church's edifice on certain principles. He drew attention to the... (5) Building up God's building. The speaker showed the necessity of... (6) Building on the foundation of God. A certificate may admit a member to the church membership. It is not always appreciated. These last three sentences (1) Oneself in personal Christlike faith; (2) Build up others; (3) "A builder..." (4) "Build up God's building." The speaker showed the necessity of building on the foundation of God. A certificate may admit a member to the church membership. It is not always appreciated. These last three sentences... (5) "Build up God's building," he said, "a man must have had to plan such a building which he could not complete--he built himself into it. You can have a foundation stone or... (6) Building on the foundation of God. Said the sculptor Phidias, "True, man's eye will not be able to detect a flaw in the image, but God's can," as he chiseled the finest piece of work to adorn the highest place on the Parthenon.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Youngest of our societies, brought forth to meet a special opportunity, the Historical Society reported through its president, Corless F. Randolph. The new home of the society, the Third Baptist Building at Plainfield, is being fitted up for the reception of valuable collections of special interest to the people. It seemed to the writer that Doctor Randolph never more interestingly presented the purpose, plan, work, and needs of the society than at this Conference. He reported several activities in the work of the society during the past year, for example, a cherry desk that had belonged to an early minister, and the early Minutes of the Southwestern Association. He asked Rev. H. Eugene Davis to tell of some interesting historical Chinese relics and records, especially a unique old Chinese pulpit, which, it is hoped, may soon be added to the collection.

The program of the Education Society, the writer cannot report, as material for the Recorder just had to be prepared and mailed at the time of printing.

THE EYE OF THE SABBATH draws on. The editor is going to rest. How glorious is the Sabbath day and how fitting it should begin with the going down of the sixth day's sun. Man needs not, oh, so much needs not, to rest, but of refreshment of soul! No notes and no writing—even for the Recorder—will be made until the first of another week. Is the editor right? Anyway he is tired and will rest and draw on of the spiritual on this Holy Sabbath. Of what can he remember he will be glad to write. How fine, if the church sexton would at the going down of the sun, ring the tolling of the may be for us all, and for all his Sabbath-keeping children, a real Sabbath.
A LETTER FROM JAMAICA

Dear Recorder Readers:

I know that you are all interested in Jamaica and especially in the work that is being done here for the establishment of the Master's kingdom. The young people of the Christian Endeavor Union of New England are playing a great part in this work. We of Lower Buxton, although financially dependent on you, are doing our best in this program of soul-winning. Our number is increasing, yet we are not satisfied, as there are greater victories to be won for the Lord.

We met on Friday, the fifth, and had a very good prayer meeting, asking the Lord's blessing on the work we are endeavoring to do. We stress the blessing of wisdom, courage, and sanctification on the part of our leaders, a revival among us, and liberal hearts in his service.

In addition to the building that we are trying to erect—which is really an uphill task—the "Hookworm Committee" has given me notice to build a closet for our church and another for the home according to their building law. They are making it very hard for people, sending to prison and fining persons who could not complete theirs in the time given.

My determination is to give my best to the Master for his service. The truth of the Bible, which is the message to be preached by all Seventh Day Baptists, is over due to the world, and while some are making us their enemies we are having many friends. We must stand in the gap and make up the hedge. Ezekiel 15:5; 22:30. May the spirit of God unite our hearts together, and although we may not see each other in the flesh, God grant than on the day of the Lord we should hold every point gained and establish new societies.

During the year the Missionary Board has endeavored to advance the work on the home field. It has tried to promote evangelism and to aid and strengthen the smaller church. More than one third of the churches in the home land have been helped during the appropriations of this board. In this way the larger churches are extending their influence throughout the land. Coming to details, it will be helpful to consider the work by associations.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION

No church in the Eastern Association has been helped by this board. As for several years past, a small appropriation has been made for the congregation in Daytona Beach, Fla., but the people there met the expenses of the work and the board was released from giving aid. Because of this defect the Eastern Association this year, it should not be understood that the churches in this association are not aggressive in mission work. Much of the money for denominational work comes from the churches of this association.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

In the Central Association the appropriations for the year were the same as the past three years. Ten thousand dollars was appropriated for the work in one church for building and for making an annual report. Notwithstanding, Rev. Paul Burdick, notified the board that it would endeavor to sustain the work without help from the board.

It may be noted in this connection that the pastors of this association have done some splendid evangelistic work without any help from the board. Their efficient evangelistic work should be commended.

WESERN ASSOCIATION

There has been a small appropriation for mission work in the Western Association, but no mission has been employed and the appropriation has not been used. Some of the smaller churches have been supplied more or less regularly by the arrangement made by the Missionary Committee of this Association. Notwithstanding the faithful work of the pastors and the Missionary Committee, some of the churches have been without stated ministerial supply. There is urgent need of this defect being remedied before there is greater loss.

SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION

Three churches in the Southeastern Association have been aided throughout the year. By virtue of the help given by the board, the church at Salemville, Pa., has supported its pastor, Rev. W. L. Davis, and the church at Middle Island, W. Va., has supported its pastor, Rev. E. H. Bottoms. The church at Daytona Beach, Fla., has had its help during the past year and was in the support of all of them. At the time of the last report Rev. Clifford A. Beebe was serving this church. In the autumn he...
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designed to take up work elsewhere, and for several months Brother E. H. Bottoms served this church as well as that at Middle Island. Rev. E. T. Bottoms, from Athens, Ala., became pastor at Berea, and, though this is his first pastorate, he is winning the people and advancing the work. So successful has been the work in this association have had special evangelistic meetings with good success, but this work has been carried on without the aid of the board.

SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION

In the Southwestern Association much of the work has been as in the previous year, but some changes have taken place. Rev. Ellis R. Lewis has continued as general missionary in Southern Illinois, and Rev. Verney A. Wilson has served as pastor of the church at Gentry, Ark., visited Lone Sabbath keepers, and had watchcare and study in St. Louis, and the various Sabbath schools. The first nine months of the year Rev. Verney A. Wilson served as pastor of the church at Gentry, Ark., throughout the year, for the last four months of the year Rev. Verney A. Wilson was pastor of some of the members of our church, and the number attending the services has diminished in the last year or two. It is hoped with generous financial contributions improve that our work in this city, with the church as a nucleus, may revive.

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PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION

At the time of the last report the Pacific Coast Association, aided by the Missionary Board at the rate of $1,500 per year, had begun an extended missionary evangelistic campaign in the Pacific Coast. Rev. Lester G. Osborn had been called to give his entire time to the work, and it was understood that the pastors at Riverside and Los Angeles would give one half of their time. During the year two campaigns have been held and a large amount of other work has been done. Much good has been accomplished, but the results have not been all that was wished, for the special evangelistic Missionary Department has been under the direction of the Pacific Coast Association and its executive committee, and the brethren upon whom the work is placed have done as much as the Board can ask and more. The plans of the committee may be divinely guided in all their plans.

A. ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

The corresponding secretary's annual report tries to give in the briefest way possible, an outline of some of his activities during the year. As he turns his thought to this yearly review and finds that his views are no longer realities, there is the feeling of deep regret, that the first duties of the year included in this report was the oversight of the printing and distribution of the last annual report. With the exception of the month taken as a vacation, an effort has been made to furnish material each week for the Missions Department of the board, to conduct the correspondence of the board.

The third Sabbath in August was spent in assisting in the ordination of Brother E. H. Bottoms, pastor of our church at Middle Island, W. Va., and the last week in August was given to the meetings of the General Conference and the Western Association. The family itself, that institution too, may revive.

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VI. CONCLUSION

As we hold in review the past year in the field of missions, certain important facts may be noted in connection with our work and that of the entire church as well. We have already pointed out that there are very grave problems connected with missions. This is not the fault of Christian missions. It is because the nations of all the world are in commotion. There are forces at work testing and tearing at everything. Human institutions are riding a tempestuous sea that threatens to submerge them. The family itself, that institution
that antedates sin, is pounding on the rocks. This true of our institutions as well as those in the nations of Asia and Europe. The most potent factor in the greatest difficulties possible because of world conditions and the state of men's hearts, not because missions are a failure.

Having noted the above conditions and facts, it should always be kept in mind that it is Christ and the principles taught by him that can stop the commotion, calm the troubled sea, purify human institutions, and make of this earth a fit place for human beings to live. By virtue of modern means of communication all peoples are brought together. The selfish interests of all nations may be too much has been made of this matter. Nevertheless the fact stands out that Christian churches are not winning men to Christ as they did in recent decades. In the face of unprecedented opportunities there has been an amazing slumber.

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In behalf of and approved by the Board of Managers, William L. Burdick, Corresponding Secretary.

WESTERLY, R. I., July 19, 1931.

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In behalf of and approved by the Board of Managers, William L. Burdick, Corresponding Secretary.

WESTERLY, R. I., July 19, 1931.

[The annual report of the treasurer will be found in the Year Book.]

A DENOMINATIONAL TRACT DISTRIBUTOR

Religious tracts sent out to the laity of the Church are, as a rule, read and then about one tenth of them are relegated to the attic or to some other out-of-the-way place about the home. Thus one of the most potent factors in the power of the Church is left unused. The Seventh Day Baptists were losing ground has been known for some time, but that other denominations are faltering has come into the limelight in the last few years. It is held by many Presbyterians, Disciples, and Methodists have all lost more than they have gained the last year. The same conditions prevail in connection with the Bible schools and young people's societies. Last year the Methodists lost 45,000 from their Bible schools, and their Bible schools have lost 600,000 in ten years. Perhaps last year was an off year. Hell's selfish interests and intellectualism has and it may be too much has been made of this matter. Nevertheless the fact stands out that Christian missions face the greatest difficulties possible because of world conditions and the state of men's hearts, not because missions are a failure.

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WOMAN'S WORK

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Contributing Editor

THE MISSION OF LOVE

BY MRS. J. B. CAMPBELL

(Paper read in the Woman's Hour at the Southwestern Association by Mrs. O. D. Crandall)

"Do not spurn to be an arc light
Because you are not a star.
But perform each day your mission
By shining just where you are.

There can be no doubt but that we each have a mission. God has placed us here and has given us something to be used for him. How small or how large our talent is should not concern us so much as what we are doing with what we have. One small talent wisely used will accomplish its appointed work. A young doctor, by the name of Brown with the prospects for a bright career as a physician, was stricken with blindness. His faith in God was unshaken and he prayed, "O God, I consecrate my talent to thee." The gift was received and the doctor, through his limitation of blindness, worked out the alphabet for the blind. He allowed God to lead him, and by so doing gave a wonderful gift to suffering mankind.

Many Christians are waiting for some great work to be brought to them. Because they cannot find a place large enough to satisfy their ability, they fail to perform faithfully the common duties of life. Day by day they let slip opportunities for showing what God has given them.

A story is told of an old man who walked with a cane. Whenever he saw a banana peel on the sidewalk, his cane would flick it to the other side. He was making the sidewalk safe for careless feet. There are many ways by which we can leave slippery paths for others in the pathway of life. All professions that is not bacc'd up by character possession, all prayers that are said and not lived, all explosions of temper, all careless and empty talk—all these things are making the way too hard for others. In the Orient stands a tower which advertises, for a fee, the chance to see the person who has power to do one either the greatest good or the greatest harm. He pays his admission fee, climbs the stairs, and journeys down into a deep well. There he sees his own face reflected from a mirror placed in the bottom of the well. To love carefully with an eye for the safety of the weakest members of the race is certainly a fine mission.

I believe that each of us has the power to become more powerful through the power of the Master. This power is always ready for us to use. If a man stumbled on a blazing electric arc light on a desert, he would know that at the other end of the wire there must be a dynamo, generating power to make the light. Christ is our power and the more we make use of it, the brighter our light.

Oftentimes there are forces within us of which we are unconscious because we have never explored them. Each of us might be better and stronger than he is if he only knew it. We are too inclined to pray that God will lessen our difficulties, rather than ask him to make us strong enough to meet them.

A mother watched almost day and night at the bedside of her little child who lay at the point of death. She was a frail woman, but the other members of the family could only relieve her for short intervals before they would become drowsy and require rest. To her this gave her great endurance by the mother love that enthralled her. It was just such love as this that prompted Mrs. Margaret Waugh, of Hammond, La., to give her eyes for her son, who had been blinded in the war. She wore bandages over her eyes so that she could get used to the darkness and have her eyes transplanted into the sockets of her sightless son. Does it not seem as if motherhood, capable of such love, might give eyes to many who are without other friends. They were taken suddenly by "flu" and it was found that they had left by will all they had to a continuance of the work. The secret was found in the wife's ruling which had also left with her jewelry to the fund. It read, "Each for the other and all for Christ." What complete consecration!

"I want God's call—
Give me thy best,
For, be it great or small,
That is his test.
Do then the best you can,
Not for the praise of men,
But for the Lord.
"Waste not, want not, on space,
Day hastens by;
Workmen and work must face
Testing the high;
Oh, may we in that day
Shall we face the true;
Which God has promised those
Who do their best."

Hammond, La.

"The value of a religion is determined by its own inherent virtues,"
"All that we have is thine alone.
A trust, O Lord, from thee;
May we watch and pray for thee.
As stewards true receive.
And gladly do our duty.
To thee our first fruits give."

Do we look upon service for others as sacrifice? Then we are thinking too much of self. The power doing for others should make us lose sight of ourselves. A woman who lost in the World War, on the eve of her death, gave up her house which they had to a tenant family who were to have occupied together to the needy ones who crossed her path in life. In sharing the sorrow—of others, she became happy again. Somewhere in literature we have a story which says that our eternal mansions will be built by the angels, out of the materials of our good deeds and the sins which we send over there. It is rather a sobering thought that many who are rich here, may be poor there because of the scanty materials they send over. What building materials are you sending for the eternal home?

A young woman worked almost day and night at the bedside of her little child who lay at the point of death. She was a frail woman, but the other members of the family could only relieve her for short intervals before they would become drowsy and require sleep. The strain that endured by the mother love that enthralled her. It was just such love as this that prompted Mrs. Margaret Waugh of Troy, N. Y., to give her eyes for her son who had been blinded in the war. She wore bandages over her eyes so that she could get used to them. She refused to give her eyes for her son who had been blinded in the war. The secret was found in the wife's willingness which had left with her jewelry to the fund. It read, "For each of the other and all for Christ."

What complete consecration!

"For he is the Master's call—
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For, it be great or small,
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eight were present and many pronounced the occasion a pleasant one and one that tended to promote fellowship and expressed their cordial appreciation of the benefits they had received at Alfred.

"The Whitford House" was given to our Education Society by the late Mrs. Jesse Briggs Whitford, for the use of theological students. About fifteen persons have found it pleasant to occupy the house, and appreciative of the generosity of the giver. Mrs. E. P. Saunders, a sister of Mrs. Whitford, gave an interesting account of the history of the house.

Mrs. Hurley Warren, read in her own good way, a paper sent by request by Mrs. Carroll Hill, who could not be present on the occasion a pleasant one and one that tends to promote fellowship, and expressed every day her prayer for you to be encouraged. God bless you and yours.

And now that you are doing in his place, how different from some that come to the counter balance. How fine the spirit of such a letter, and the purity and wisdom. The Annual Meeting of the Education Society will be held at Alfred, September 9, 1931, at 7:30 P.M.

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ONWARD MOVEMENT

According to the budget adopted by the General Conference at Alfred, the movement dollar will be divided as below for the Conference year 1931-32:

Missionary Society ............... .4385
Tract Society .................... .1369
Sabbath School Board ............. .0896
Young People's Board .......... .0418
Women's Board .................. .0116
Ministerial Relief ............... .0828
Education Society ............... .3048
Tract Society .................... .0418
Lone Sabbath Keepers .......... .0023
Scholarships and Fellowships .... .2788
General Conference .......... .1357

Your dollar contributed for the debts will be divided as follows:

Missionary Society ............... .6353
Tract Society .................... .3991
Historical Society ............... .0056

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Treasurer,

A GOOD LETTER

Re: H. C. Van Horn,

Dear Friend:

I am enclosing five dollars for the Gardiner Fund. If I were to pay the whole debt it would not be any more than I owe him—so much like a father when he wrote. And now that you are doing in his place, how different from some that come to the counter balance. How fine the spirit of such a letter, and the purity and wisdom. The Annual Meeting of the Education Society will be held at Alfred, September 9, 1931, at 7:30 P.M.

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NOTICE EDUCATION SOCIETY MEETING

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EARL P. SAUNDERS,

Secretary.
MAKING CHRIST KNOWN

Christian Endeavor Topic for Sabbath Day,
September 19, 1931

DAILY READINGS

Sunday—Peter tells the story (Acts 10: 34-48)
Monday—Laymen spread the gospel (Acts 8: 1)
Tuesday—Paul the preacher (I Cor. 2: 1-5)
Wednesday—Helping the workers (Phil. 4: 10-19)
Thursday—Witnessing at home (Mark 5: 18-20)
Friday—Telling our friends (John 1: 35-51)
Saturday—Drawing our share in making Christ known to the world (Rom. 1: 14-16)

BY LAURA MAE FITZ RANDOLPH

Christ wants to be made known to the world. He knew that all non-Christians, no matter how powerful, needed to know him, so he made missions one of the tasks of the Church. No power boasted of by any non-Christian can equal the power of Christianity.

The duty of the Church is to make Christ known. We, as members of the Church, should do our bit towards this end. If it is true that no organization is stronger than its weakest marks, we should be strong for Christ, not for our own good, but to strengthen the Church.

There are two divisions of our duty in making Christ known to all the world. We should give all that we can for foreign missions. Most of us have not the foreign missions by praying and giving, for only very, very few of us are ever able to do active work in foreign fields. Because we can only do this prayerfully, we should give all that we possibly can for making Christ known in other lands.

Our duty at home is harder, much harder. It does not involve money so much as our everyday actions. Each of us should live Christ every day, all day, that we may spread his Word at home. This giving of our carrying Christ’s kingdom is hard, but it is a sure way of finally making Christ known to all people.

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So, you bring the one next to you, And I’ll bring the next to me to me; In all kinds of weather We’ll all work together And see what can be done. If you bring the one next to you, And I bring the next one to me, In no time at all We’ll have them all, So win them one by one. —Chorus of “Win Them One by One.”

Tecumseh, Ark.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS

ELISABETH K. AUSTIN

Junior Christian Endeavor Superintendent

PICTURES TO REPRESENT THE PSALMS

(Concluded)

127—A building or a city—verse 1
128—“Christ our Passover”—verse 1
129—“Paul Preaching at Athens”—verse 2
130—A Bishop—verse 3
131—“Return of the Spirits From the Promised Land”—verse 2
132—Interior of a church—verse 7
133—Group of Christians—verse 1
134—Nature scene—verse 3
135—Storm (lightening scene)—verse 7
136—Nature scene—verse 3a, 5a, and 6a
137—“Pharaoh and Moses”—verse 4
138—“Christ in the Home of the Peasant”—verse 7
139—Morning—versa 9a, or seascape—verses 17 and 18
140—“Peter in Prison”—verse 4
141—A person—verse 3
142—“David”—verse 7
143—“Hagar and Ishmael”—verse 1
144—Family group—verse 15b
145—Mother and child—verse 4
146—“Christ Healing the Sick”—verse 8
147—Snow scene—verse 16
148—“Angela’s head”—verse 2
149—“David Playing Before Saul”—verse 3b
150—The Madonna of the Tabernacle, or musical instruments—verse 3

The names of the pictures in the quotation marks can be obtained from George B. Brown and Company, 1251 Mass., for three-quarters of a cent apiece, if more than fifty are ordered at one time. This series contains sixty-five of the standard missions. The rest of the pictures may be found in magazines.

A COMPLETE FOUNDATION, OR A FRAGMENT OF THE CORNER STONE?

BY J. WALTER SMITH

Pentecost was the beginning of a mighty revival; in addition to the three thousand converts of the first day, “The Lord added to the church such as should be saved”; and of these converts it is said that “they continued steadfastly in the apostle’s doctrine and fellowship.” This was not true merely of the Pentecostal converts, for one wrote to “the saints which are at Ephesus,” (2: 19, 20) “Ye are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.” This is a triple foundation, incomplete unless all of the elements are present. We would dis­credit the sanctity of a builder who should attempt to build an edifice on no other foundation than a corner stone, yet few seem to sense the absurdity of those who today are attempting to build the church upon a fractional part of the “chief corner stone.” Before accepting such leadership we shall be wise to require proof that there is anything unimportant or superfluous in the foundations upon which the Ephesian Church was built.

THE FOUNDATION OF THE APOSTLES

For three and a half years the apostles had been under the personal tutelage of Jesus. They had heard his preaching, wit­nessed his miracles, and received much private instruction; they had been sent by two and two preaching the kingdom of God and healing the sick. And now they were gathered in the upper room for what was to be their last evening with him.

First they observed together the Pass­over, memorial of the deliverance of their people from bondage, which had been se­cured by the common destruction through the slaying of the lamb and the sprinkling of its blood upon the door posts, thereby meeting the condition of God’s promise. “And now they were gathering in the upper room for what was to be their last evening with him. And then a place in the heavenly mansions of the Father was intended for them, carrying on his work successfully when he had gone to his Father, after he had offered a dedicatory prayer, in which he defined his status in these words, “As thou hast sent me into the world, so send I you.” And we shall build for them a temple, and give them a kingdom, and show unto them a new heaven and earth. John 17. This latter assurance Jesus again gave them almost immediately after his resurrection. “As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you,” and shew unto you,” and would give to them "church powers," "He will shew you things to come,” John 16. Finally, as he was about to go forth to his death, he offered a dedicatory prayer, in which he defined his status in these words, “As thou hast sent me into the world, so send I you.” And we shall build for them a temple, and give them a kingdom, and show unto them a new heaven and earth. John 17. This latter assurance Jesus again gave them almost immediately after his resurrection. “As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you,” John 20: 21. Thus they would be as fully equipped as Jesus himself had been, both as to the accuracy and authority of their teachings.

The apostles were Christ’s appointees for the teaching of the truths of his gospel, and were thoroughly fitted for the service. If, therefore, we seek the foundation upon which we build, we are so inseparably connected with him that we also take away an essential portion of “The Chief Corner Stone,” leaving it mutilated and incomplete.

THE FOUNDATION OF THE PROPHETS

Through the prophets Jesus had given advance testimony concerning himself (1
Peter 1: 10, 11), often (example, Isaiah 53) in terms that would not be understood until illuminated by his partaking of the body and blood in the Eucharist. It was upon this foundation that his earthly life was largely built. He was constantly referring to the Scriptures for confirmation of his teachings, and while the expressions of the Old Testament were not fully comprehended, they were understood in the light of the New Testament. He was well acquainted with the prophecies and the promises, and in the psalms, concerning their messianic significance. Then upon their understanding that they might understand the scriptures. Then he showed them that the Scriptures referred to the death and resurrection of the Messiah. Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations. This teaching began to impart both to his apostles and other followers, immediately after his resurrection. We see that Jesus allied himself closely with the teachings of the prophets as with those of the apostles; to remove either from the foundation of the New Covenant Church is to seriously mutilate the chief cornerstone: to remove both is to leave a small fragment of that stone, so incomplete as to be indifferent.

Have you given up part of this foundation? Let me urge you to carefully study which you have retained to find its testimony concerning that which you have rejected. "Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

THE TWELFTH APOSTLE

This study would be incomplete if we failed to consider the question: Who was the twelfth apostle? In Matthew 12: 2, it is said, "Now the names of the twelve apostles are these," and there follows a list of twelve names. Eleven of these were faithful, but one way. The twelfth apostle, not of the number, was Judas. The twelfth became a traitor to his Master. Yet in Revelation 21: 14, we read, "The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb." The number is still twelve, so someone must have taken Judas' place, both in the foundation of the Church and of the heavenly city.

Just before his ascension Jesus had commanded his disciples, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, and ye shall be endued with power from on high." But tarrying did not harmonize with Peter's active temperament, so taking advantage of a time when about a hundred more had gathered together he began to expound the Scriptures to them, and succeeded in convincing them that they must ordain one of their number to fill the vacancy caused by the defection and suicide of Judas. Thirty-four were selected for this purpose. Whether they were unable to agree as to the relative merits of these two, or whether they thought it courteous to let the Lord decide in the final analysis, he was chosen; but having eliminated all the rest they said to the Lord, "Shew whither of these two thou hast chosen," and proceeded to cast lots between them. But if the spiritual miracle the lot must have favored one of the two, and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles. This was the first and last that we hear of Matthias.

"Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God." "Paul an apostle, not of man, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father," Ephesians 1: 1; Galatians 1: 1. This bold challenge of the apostleship of Matthias by the will of Peter and the thirty-nine disciples, is not without strong support. In the history of the life and works of the apostles, Paul's conversion and call to service have a prominent place, and more than half of the book is given to an account of his work, so there can be no doubt but that the author of the book of Acts recognized his apostleship.

His call was as positive and definite as had been that of the other apostles. He had been one of the bitterest opponents of the Christian Church, and was journeying to Damascus to persecute the church there when he had his vision. At this meeting he says: "I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about which journeyed with me. I was trembling and in the midst of my anxiety, I cried, 'What wilt thou have me to do?' and was told, 'Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.'"

After three days Ananias met him. At first he did not recognize him, knowing his purpose was to turn him to Damascus, but the Lord reassured him, saying, "Go thy way; for he is a chosen vessel, in whom to bear the name of Christ among the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel; for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake." Then he obeyed, and took to him the message, "The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see what is commanded thee; and that thou shouldest receive the endowment of the Spirit, and that thou shouldest testify of these things from the very day upon which thou wast first called." Acts 9: 22 and 28.

Although before his baptism by the Spirit Peter had been the chief factor in the selection of Matthias, he also gives convincing testimony to the claims of Paul. Jesus had said to Peter, "I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven," Matthew 16: 19. From this we cannot infer that Jesus intended to give him a free hand, but rather that he was tarrying to the time when, through the promised enduement of the Spirit, he should be guided into all truth, John 16: 13. When the enduement of the Spirit would come, he would unerringly perceive the truth, and even although in his private life he did not always have the courage of his convictions (Galatians 2: 11), the apostles declared that in his teachings he ever deviated from the leadings of the Spirit. In the light of this promise we should read what Peter has to say about Paul and his writings. Writing "to them who have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Savior Jesus Christ," he says, "And through his sufferings let us enter into the inheritance of our salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to
I find myself quite at a loss adequately to express my impressions of the unforgettable retreat that four of us held in the Rockies, on the appointed day, July 20. Dr. Ahva J. C. Bond, Dr. Ralph Coon, Hurley Warren and I, who were then associated together in the leadership of the Rocky Mountain Teen-Age Camp, set apart the afternoon and climbed high up on the mountainside over-looking Cedar Cove and Big Thompson Canyon. There beneath a spreading yellow pine, seated on rocks and on the sod, we drank in the inspiration of the rugged beauty of our surroundings. What an ideal spot for such a retreat! How like the rocky hillsides and mountain tops on which Jesus and his disciples had gone apart.

The mountain-top experience of the transfiguration came to each of our minds, and Doctor Bond read the account of that occasion in which his three closest companions went apart to the mountain of vision. After the afternoon was past we thought and spoke of our own unforgettable afternoons when we had experienced, heard unspeakable words which it is not lawful to utter, and so wonderful were his experiences that he says, "Let us be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. Therefore, when I had consulted with the Scriptures which Peter had endorsed (Galatians 1: 2 Corinthians 12) Paul not only had personal contact with Jesus during those three years of preparation, but was given experiences far above those of the other apostles, with the added advantage that after he was translated and after Christ's work was finished, and so could be studied in its completeness.

There can be no doubt as to whose name shall be the twelfth in the heavenly city's foundation; or, which is of more vital present importance to us, that the teachings of Paul are an inseparable part of the foundation upon which a New Covenant Church must rest.

“If man were his own savior, he would never enter the grave.”

The Bible is God's written word... a living, present reality... and each person responds to it in a unique way. Some find God's voice in the pages of the Bible and others in the message of Jesus. Yet, for all of us, the Bible is the inspired word of God, the living voice of Jesus, the enduring message of the church that has always lived through its people. The message is personal and individual, but it is also corporate and collective. It is the story of God's love for humankind, and it is the story of human response to that love. It is the story of salvation, and it is the story of how that salvation is to be shared. It is the story of the church, and it is the story of the world. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future. It is the story of the individual, and it is the story of the community. It is the story of the past, and it is the story of the future.
when we were at the home of Miss Eu­phemia Greene, who has sent us the true story. If I remember correctly, Eleanor was standing by the fence watching some little lambs, when suddenly up behind her came a playful goat and knocked her down. It didn't hurt her a bit, but how frightened she was, and even now when we mention Berlin she will say, “I like Berlin and the people there, and I had a good time, but I didn’t like that goat.”

Hopeing the letters will come pouring in, I remain,

Sincerely your friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Andover, N. Y.,
August 30, 1931.

PRAYER AT OPENING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

BY DEAN MAIN

O thou who art our God and heavenly Father, the God and Father of Jesus and of all men, we praise thee.

Thou hast been our dwelling-place in all generations. Before the mountains were born or ever thou hadst brought forth the earth and the world, even the mountains and the hills show forth the work of his hands.

Thou hast taught us to pray in this way: “Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, and thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.”

BIRDS AND BUGS

A bird man who ought to know says that the stomach of a single cinder bird contained 100 canker worms, that one cuckoo had eaten 250 caterpillars when disturbed in the midst of a meal, that 454 plant lice were found in the stomach of a chickadee, that a flicker had devoured 1,000 chinch bugs, that a scarlet tanager was seen to eat 630 gypsy moth caterpillars in 18 minutes, or at the rate of 2,100 an hour, and that a Maryland yellowthroat ate 3,500 plant lice in 40 minutes. Though these figures can be only approxi­mately correct, what a story they tell of the value to us of these creatures of the earth and air!

—Bible Advocate.

CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM AND THE SABBATH

By Rev. E. Adelbert Witter
Pastor of the church at Walworth, Wis.

SERMON FOR SABBATH, SEPTEMBER 19, 1931


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"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

Evangelism is a very timely theme for consideration. It is highly important that the thought of all should be turned toward the consideration of the importance of Christian evangelism.

The use of a word does not always imply a clear understanding of its meaning. It is often much easier to use a word than to define it.

A group of home-makers were asked the simple question, "What is a home?" It would have been difficult to find a more familiar term than the word "home." Note the answers and see how varied is the meaning of home. Some defined a home as a special kind of building; others as a special building furnished for a particular kind of life; others as a place where two persons of opposite sex live together in the holy relationships of husband and wife; others said, that which makes a home is the spirit which characterizes such a relationship.

While these answers were not wrong, there is manifest a lack of definiteness of the meaning of home in the minds of the home-makers questioned. What would your answer be? Think it over.
In support of the statement, that the use of the Sabbath is always interpreted with a clear understanding of its meaning, let us use another illustration. A group of ministers was asked the question, “What is the gospel?” Note the answers given. Some confined the gospel as the good news of salvation through Christ; others as the special message from God set forth in the Scriptures; others as the unification of the Church; others as the truth of God which is verified in experience; others as that disclosure of God’s purpose which is to find fulfillment in the coming of the kingdom of God. How varied is the meaning of the gospel as here given.

One of the most common definitions of evangelism is that of teaching or preaching the gospel. It is thought of as the announcement to all men that Jesus Christ came to seek and to save the lost. It is for contact, not for conversion, that the Church is responsible.”

Contact is one of the most essential elements in the work of evangelism. The Apostle Paul recognized this fact when he wrote to the Christians at Rome that “I taught you in time past, how that those which have saved their souls shall save them with greater joy when they see Jesus Christ.” The Master himself gave recognition to this fact when he sent his disciples out into the surrounding country and said to them, “As ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Half a century ago much was made of the special revivals or evangelistic efforts are not as much as they are so much of a lack number the pastor’s hands are tied if he makes an effort for such occasion.

There is no question but a new pentecostal season would be experienced in the land of ours if the people would get the evangelistic spirit and tarry in these special revival services, till with melted hearts and souls afire with desire for the salvation of men, they would cry mightily unto the Lord. For revival of the mind of the people is by the witness of hearing, and hearing by the testimony of hearing. How varied is the meaning of the word does not always imply a clear understanding.

No matter how much knowledge one may have of the doctrines of the Bible; no matter how much of the Bible one may have in mind and be able to repeat; no matter how well defined their knowledge of the place and worth of the church; no matter how real meaning of the life and thought of Christ if there has not come into their life the experience of the new birth

The Church is the body of Christ, and the Church has been a wise doctor of the law, but he was blind to the simple gospel truths. Jesus said to him, ye must be born again. The new birth is the first step necessary to open the eyes of his understanding.

It is the mission of evangelism so to arouse the mind of man to thoughtfulness of his spiritual condition of life that he may get the vision that broke upon the mind of that woman at the well of Sychar, or upon the mind of Peter as he cried out, “Lord, I believe.”

A teacher in a city mission school was drawing a picture of the condition of sin and the saving power of the loving Christ, for her class of street urchins, when one of the boys cried out, “That means me.” He got the vision of himself and his own need as he stood face to face with that matchless word, “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him might not perish but have everlasting life.”

That other word, “Whosoever will may come and receive the kingdom of God, by the grace of God.” Evangelism is a precious boon. It is God’s appointed way to bring the unregenerate to the cross to see the redeeming work there accomplished. It is God’s appointed way to bring the saved to the resurrection, to the life everlasting, so that they may be able to say, “The King gave his Son, and behold he taketh away the stone.”

Sometimes there is need of a marked demonstration of the effects of a certain course of life to arouse in one a readiness to turn from, or avoid that course. The picture of the rich man and Lazarus is as true to-day as it was to the men of old. The rich man had a soul на the better way, as is the story of the prodigal son. Evangelism is a precious boon. It is God’s appointed way to bring to the world both the gospel message and the life of Christ. It is God’s appointed way to bring to the world the joy of Christ, and to the salvation of the soul. It is God’s appointed way to bring the world and the soul together, and to bring the saved to the realization of their salvation. It is God’s appointed way to bring the world and the soul together.

In the work of the American Sabbath Society.

Year Ending June 30, 1931

With grateful recognition of our indebtedness to Almighty God for all his kind and infinite love, we submit this report of the work of the American Sabbath Society.

During the year the board has been saddened by the death of Arthur L. Trist, and for forty years a member of the board and for thirty-nine years its recording secretary.

While all has not been accomplished that is desirable, we believe we are justified in the feeling that some advancement has been made since our last report.

At last Conference time, the assistant secretary of this society, Mrs. Follett Brewer, who so efficiently served the cause, was closing her official connection with the board, and the corresponding secretary.
THE SABBATH RECORDER

Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn, recently called, was just ready to assume his new duties. His installation in the Third Presbyterian Church began the first of September, following the Conference at Salem, W. Va.

The program of the Board of Trustees of the Sabbath Tract Society will be suggested in its four main lines of effort: Printing and Distribution of Literature; Special Work of Sabbath Promotion; Work of the Corresponding Secretary, and Publishing the Sabbath Recorder.

I. Sabbath Literature. No work in publication, either of new material or reprints, has been undertaken this year except a sample of Seventh Day Baptists on Calendar Reform. The stock of a few of our tracts has become depleted, and that of some others has been practically exhausted. It may not be desirable to reprint at least some of these tracts because new points of view and new conditions demand new methods of approach and discussion. We have been hoping that someone who has the need of such literature would be moved to write such tracts, but up to the present time, with one exception, nothing of the kind has been attempted. However, unless new material comes to hand or is produced by the board, it may become necessary to replenish some of the old stock.

The calendar for 1930 was supervised, largely, by the retiring assistant corresponding secretary, who kindly offered her assistance and took over the secretarial duties. These calendars were printed 1,500 copies and 1,352 were sold. Because many distributing agents did not claim any commission, the project this year was practically self-supporting.

Support during the year was continued for De Boodschapper in Holland and The Sabbath Observer in England.

Many tracts have been sent out to inquire concerning the SABBATH RECORDER, as a result of the special work of the Committee on Distribution of Literature. Last year this committee put on a campaign better to acquaint Seventh Day Baptists with our own literature. A part of the committee's plan, but not carried out on account of the serious illness of the chairman of the committee, J. B. Reid, was the operation of each church in distributing tracts among other people than Seventh Day Baptists. A modified form of this plan has been in operation a part of this year; with 25 Sabbath calendars, which were sent to Rev. D. Burdett Coon and others in Jamaica.

Many Sabbath Recorders have been distributed free of charge, a few of which have gone to interested non-Sabbath-keeping ministers. At one time 500 assorted back numbers with 25 Sabbath calendars were sent to Jamaica. For eight weeks prior to the closing of the school year, Recorders with messages of special interest to students were sent to 130 Seventh Day Baptist young people in colleges. Articles for this purpose were prepared by Dr. Ahva J. C. Bond, President Paul E. Titsworth, and Rev. Hur- bert C. Van Horn. A letter from the corresponding secretary was previously sent to the students conveying the board's desire to serve them and calling attention to the plan. We may never know how much good was accomplished. The reaction, however, from this effort to impress our young people with the need of this board has in them, has not been all that we hoped.

II. Sabbath Promotion. While all our work is of a nature to promote the Sabbath, there are special phases having to do with it, in writing, in Teen-Age Conferences, and in summer camps, under the direction of our leader in Sabbath promotion, Dr. Ahva J. C. Bond. This is a valuable part of the work and will be reported by Doctor Bond himself.

III. The Corresponding Secretary. For some time the board has felt the need of some one to keep the board and the churches better informed about the work and to write and send letters. The work has been undertaken by the secretary and, when completed, will be reported by Doctor Bond himself.

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The corresponding secretary attended and assisted in the work and was present in the sessions of the Eastern and Southern associations. His addresses and work in these meetings are included in the statistics already given.

The Secretary's Office:

Material for the Sabbath Recorder has been sent to the secretary of each church, and every church is working in cooperation with the corresponding secretary.

The editors have spent eleven of these Sabbaths on the field, besides one which he himself arranged for with his church. In this time and the other, the first of the field work, he has visited and spoken in forty-five different churches and to the Sabbath school at Minneapolis, Minn.

The meetings have been held in Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, Illinois, and West Virginia.

Perhaps in this connection, it may not be out of place to say that the position of pastor of the Piscataway Church, when not on the field, has maintained the regular church services and prayer meetings, taught in Sabbath school, and conducted special evangelistic services in that church.

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**Report of Leader in Sabbath Promotion**

**Interdenominational Relationships**

Membership on the Continuation Committee of the World Conference on Faith and Order calls for continued correspondence in connection with that movement. This committee convenes for its annual meeting on the day that our General Conference meets, August 18. The meeting this year is held at High Leigh, England, and will be in session for three days. Plans are being made for a second conference, to be held, perhaps, in 1937. The Tract Board contributed twenty-five dollars to the work of this committee.

I attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America in Washington, D. C., last December, and have attended the monthly meetings of the Administrative committee in New York. The council has been subjected to an unusual amount of criticism during the year. This may be an evidence that it is trying to render a real service to the church and the prospects of Christianity in America. To my mind it was never under more capable leadership than now, or deserved our confidence and support more.

**Conclusion.**

The privilege of having a part in this great work I am profoundly grateful to God who has called us and whose grace has been poured out upon us in abundant measure. To him all praise is due, and to him we bow in humble recognition of his continued presence throughout the year that has closed, and with the assurance of his guidance for the future.

Faithfully submitted,

A. J. C. Bond,
Leader in Sabbath Promotion.

(Continued next week)

"Religion must win by way of the cross, and not by way of the crown."

**Report of Administration and Finance**

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New Jersey, for the election of officers and trustees and the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday, September 13, 1931, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

**Copies**

Copies have been sent to those who inquire with reference to calendar reform. This was done at the request of George Eastman, chief advocate of calendar change, who wished to send it to those who inquire with reference to objections to changes in the calendar on religious grounds. Copies have been sent also to the Committee on Calendar Reform with special reference to our college young people.

**Summer Camps**

Four summer camps were held last year: two at Lewis Camp in Rhode Island, for boys and one for girls; and two at Middle Island in West Virginia, likewise, one for boys and one for girls. Plans were made for the opening of these camps again this year, and also the holding of camps at Boulder, Colo., at the White Cloud, Mich.

There is every evidence of a growing interest in camp work on the part of many people. We were especially fortunate in the quality of the leadership which we have been able to secure for this work, and also in the character of the young people who attend.

**Conferences.**

Conferences of Teen-Age young people have been held as follows: Battle Creek, Mich., October 10, 1930, present 44; New Market, N. J., November 30, 1930, present 60; Rives, Tenn., May 28, 1931, present 65; Adams Center, N. Y., May 10, 1931, present 65; Little Genesee, N. Y., June 26, 1931, present 75.

Since the close of the Conference year, July 26, a conference has been held at Boulder, Colo., with 45 young people present.

A conference of college young people was held at Salem College, Salem, W. Va., March 20-24, 1931. Besides three chapel addresses arrangements were made for me to speak in four of the churches of Salem. Conferences were held with the freshmen alone, with upper classmen, and with the Seventh Day Baptist members of the faculty. Of course, I was also to give private conferences, and many students availed themselves of this opportunity.

The co-operation on the part of the president and faculty of the college was all that one could desire. The following paragraphs are taken from a report of the visit to Salem which appeared in the Sabbath Recorder:

"We have probably never had a series of addresses that influenced the young people more profoundly." Such a series of meetings should be held only once a year and frequently enough to give each student access to such a meeting at least twice during his college life.

**Conclusion.**

On the whole the work of the leader in Sabbath promotion seems to have been the best of any year of his connection with the board. Especially is this true with respect to the work of the young people. For the privilege of having a part in this great work I am profoundly grateful to God who has called us and whose grace has been poured out upon us in abundant measure. To him all praise is due, and to him we bow in humble recognition of his continued presence throughout the year that has closed, and with the assurance of his guidance for the future.

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**MARRIAGES**

**COON-MARBLE.**—At the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage, June 26, 1931, Rev. T. J. Van Horn officiating.

**FOGG-NELSON.**—At the Shiloh parsonage, June 25, 1931, J. Herolo Fogg and Olga B. Nelson of Shiloh, N. J., were united in marriage by Pastor E. F. Loofboro.

**JOHNSON-JOHNSON.**—At the Seventh Day Baptist church, Shiloh, Johnson, Idaho, and Donald Johnson, Salem, N. J., were united in marriage by Pastor E. F. Loofboro.
DEATHS

AMES—Mrs. Ella Ames was born in the town of Taylor, V. Y., April 8, 1852, and died in DeRuyter, N. Y., in the early morning of August 18, 1931. A fuller notice will appear in an early issue of the Recorder.

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J. W. von Goethe

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