OPPORTUNITY

The Dictionary defines it:

"A fit or convenient time; favorable occasion"

Never were larger opportunities offered Seventh Day Baptists. The times impel people, as rarely ever, to think on matters of vital importance. On every hand there are evidences of attention being given to the Bible, the Sabbath, and other religious matters.

For example:
- An able lawyer and his daughter have recently found the true Sabbath, and have united with us, and are being blessed in their new experiences.
- A man in a large family on the western coast, having in his early youth attended an old Baptist History, discovered that there were Seventh Day Baptists among the ministers at Plainfield, N. J. After some correspondence she has found a congenial church home with us at Riverside.
- A United States official in the south, many years a dependable member and worker in a Methodist Church, came to the Sabbath, was baptized by one of our ministers a few weeks ago and has applied for membership with the Daytona Beach Seventh Day Baptist Church.
- In answer to prayer, we believe, Rev. H. Eugene Davis and family are to remain in China. Encouraging reports come from the Harriss family in Jamaica.
- In a church, the First Seventh Day Baptist church in Germany, with seventy members has been recently organized by Elder Louis R. Conn.
- A great spiritual uplift has come to many of us in the experience and work of this godly man.

Does not this mean to us new zeal and courage to follow the Master on? Times like these furnish a "favorable occasion" of which we must make the most possible.

Religion is more than a "receiving set"; it is a whole "broadcasting outfit." God says to us as to Abram of old, "And I will bless thee; be thou a blessing." "Freely ye have received, freely give."

Your Finance Committee appreciates the fact that conditions are what they are. It also appreciates the way in which its appeal for immediacy of payment on United Budget has been met. The need of prompt, continued payment continues great. More than half the Conference year is gone; less than half the amount called for by the Budget has been paid.

"No church doing less than last year" will raise the amount. Perhaps some will have to do more. Nobody wants the "last" dollar of anybody.

The raising of the United Budget is merely making possible the active, spiritual part of the Overture Movement program. It is for the Master who said, "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."
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President—Bible

Before another issue of the Sabbath Recorder reaches our more remote readers in America, Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt will be inaugurated as President of the United States. Chief Justice Hughes of the Supreme Court will administer the oath of office, and the hand of the President rests upon the Holy Bible as he declares, "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States. This is a solemn affirmation, an oath taken upon the Word of God, recognized as expressing a man's deepest faith, and enlisting his highest hopes for the foundation upon which this government is based and of the principles of President and people.

Since the second term of President Grant it has been the custom of the Presidents to select a favorite verse or passage of the Scriptures as the place at which the Bible should be opened when the oath is being administered. Theodore Roosevelt chose James 1:22, 23, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." Taft had the Word open at 1 Kings 3: 9-11, "Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad; for who is able to judge thy so great people. ..." In his first term, Woodrow Wilson chose Psalm 119: 43-48, ".. . I will speak with thy testimonies also before kings will not be ashamed. And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved." The choices of other Presidents have been equally striking and significant. The task of being President is a most onerous one and men come from the ordeal, if they survive, broken and aged. It is well that they turn to God seriously and find in him their comfort and strength.

The presidents, too, have given at one time or another evidence of the strain of the importance of the Bible, showing how essential they believe it is to the life and welfare of the nation. Mr. Coolidge said of it, "There is no other book with which the Bible can be compared and no other reading that means so much to the human race. It is the support of the strongest who are convulsed by the weakness of the weak, the dependence of organized government and the foundation of religion." Said John Adams, "I have examined all, as well as my narrow sphere, my straitened means, and my busy life would allow me, and the result is, the Bible is the best Book in the world"; and while Grant referred to it by "Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor to your liberties; write its precepts upon your hearts, and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this Book we are indebted for all the progress made in our civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future."

In spite of what leaders claim for the Bible there is all too little evidence of the practical application of the principles of Jesus in national, institutional, social, business and personal relations and responsibilities. What possibilities for the happiest imaginable results for all, if the implications in the testimony of Theodore Roosevelt were properly taken to heart? They have been the Magna Charta of the poor and oppressed. The teachings of the Bible are so thoroughly interwoven with our civil and social life that we cannot comprehend what would become of our civil and so-
But fundamentally the trouble is that men have forgotten and forsaken God. They have followed gods of their own choosing. Potentially now they have called upon their demons. And Baal, friends, is one of our gods—and no fire has answered them from their heavens of brass.

Is it not a time when men should turn their hearts to God, and seek his guidance and forgiveness? “And the Lord said, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein; but have walked after the imagination of their own heart. . . . I will feed them, even this terrified fish that swims up stream.

That spirit is the hope of America. Men and women cheerfully shouldering tremendous burdens and redoubled responsibilities, are gamely moving up against the current “as though nothing had happened.” This does not mean people are going about their business indifferent to sufferings, loss, and uncertainty about them. But with courage and faith they plan and go ahead.

This is a helpful attitude for the Church to take. It, too, has suffered and is suffering. There is no institution with a better right to help and be helped. If the Church has faith in God and is honestly and faithfully striving to do its will, it is bound to a course of advancement, and its attitude must be fearless and forward moving.

1932 Year Book

The many who have been eagerly looking forward to the Year Book of 1932, containing the Conference minutes, reports of committees, and other helpful information will soon have their desires gratified. The 1932 Year Book is just off the press, is being assembled, and will be going forward to the churches for distribution.

There is always some chafing over the delay of the appearance of this annual. While all regret that it does not appear sooner, there are generally some good reasons for its not doing so.

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The SABBATH RECORDER

FROM THE CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

In replying to a recent inquiry made by Rev. L. Richard Conradi of Hamburg, Germany, with regard to the organization of a Seventh Day Baptist Association there, I follow up my answer to his specific questions with a suggestion as to organization which would embrace all the European churches of our faith. And this vision may indeed become a reality in this coming year, bringing great blessing to our friends across the sea.

My vision is that of a Seventh Day Baptist Association of Germany, consisting of the churches now being organized together, with those that may be organized in the near future under the leadership of Brother Conradi and other faithful workers. The newly discovered group of Sabbath-keeping Baptists in another part of that great country, now, after four hundred years, seeking a larger fellowship with other Christians of like faith, might be able to have their longings realized and their loneliness redressed in a way, and to their great joy and spiritual profit. Such an organization and the opportunities it offers would strengthen the faith and stimulate the endeavors of all who become a part of it.

Then there are those well established churches of Holland, with their warm-hearted, faithful members. For fifty-five years they have carried on in their beautiful little country and with no outsiders except as an occasional visitor from America has had the rare opportunity to see something of their work and to see their churches, as their ministers more rarely have visited America or England. These good brethren might be willing to convert their conference into a greater one, and to find a new organization, which might be brought about. In the new organization, or with the old organization, which might be created, the same forms of endeavor now carried on among the churches. Then the Holland Association and the German Association would be able to plan an exchange of delegates for future under the leadership of Brother Conradi and other faithful workers. The newly discovered group of Sabbath-keeping Baptists in another part of that great country, now, after four hundred years, seeking a larger fellowship with other Christians of like faith, might be able to have their longings realized and their loneliness redressed in a way, and to their great joy and spiritual profit. Such an organization and the opportunities it offers would strengthen the faith and stimulate the endeavors of all who become a part of it.

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concerned, and would inspire new hope and stimulate increasing interest in the common cause of promoting the kingdom of God as it is represented by free churches with a pure gospel.

The next logical step, I suppose, would be the organization of a Seventh Day Baptist General Conference. And may the Lord hasten the good day when such an organization becomes a reality. May the work grow and prosper, and new churches be raised up. May the Sabbath be increasingly honored through which Christ is exalted and God glorified.

AHVA J. C. BOND.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Wednesday, March 6,—Read Psalm 8: 1, 4-7.

"A LITTLE LESS LADEN REVERIE"

How curious we are about this human nature of ours. We use it as an excuse instead of a challenge, make an alibi out of it; we say: "Oh, well, I am only human." "Only human!" The Psalmist searched the skies and stood awwestruck beneath the glory of sun and stars, and knew that he was to be higher than the stars and only "a little lower than God." Our humanity is something to live up to, not live down. To be truly human is but a little of the divine, to be true the human soul. who hast made us in thine own

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THE RESTORED SOUL

Our souls need so much restoring. We get
drained of faith and hope and courage. Love so
catchingly distracts us from our dim, the visible, inner springs out of which we live lose their

freshness and force. We seek from without

what ought to be sought within. Only a new

access of spiritual power can change ourselves and

our world. For the sick soul, for the sick earth, for

the sick wasted soul.. He has his ap­

pointed work, and in the world, sometimes the kindness of our friends, sometimes the ugliness of our enemies, sometimes the example of the good. He restores us in wor­

ship, prayer, and praise, by his Word, supremely by the Way, the Truth, and the Life of Jesus

Christ. Of all his gifts the greatest is a restored

soul.

Prayer: O Shepherd of our wandering ways,

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THE FELLOWSHIP OF THOSE WHO SEEK SUCH THINGS

Psalm 17: 1-3, 5-6, 15

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

"HELP FROM THE SANCTUARY"

They tell us now that all we do is really a quite a new and strange road in our quests and try too often to satisfy the hunger of the soul with the gratifications of sense. We disturb ourselves and our society with

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They are what is done or sought in the spirit of

Jesus Christ, in goodness and simplicity, in the

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When we awaken to the vision, we are satisfied.

Prayer: O thou who hast made us very rest­

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SABBATH, MARCH 11—(Read Psalm 20: 1-5)

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"HELP FROM THE SANCTUARY"

The help of confession is there and the assurance of

paradise. The help of worship to lift us above our fretted selves and

selves and

to an unkind story concerning another with

criticized.

We are always watching him with

honest effort

The fellowship of those who seek such things.

Help may be sent from the sanctuary; for any

good church is a source for flowing streams of

blessing, but we are most likely to get the help

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and rage, prohibition, and others. At the same time good trends have been as prominent. There have been the expansion of education, the rise and weakening of corruption, crime and racketeering, the sprawl of great cities, the decadence of rural government, race riots, and the tragic spread of unemployment and business distress have been in the forefront, at the same time we have had the prominent. There have been the expansion of education, the advance in medical science, renewed interest in child welfare, woman's sufrage and work, and others. These things, the good and the sordid, and all that enters into our civilization have tremendously influenced missions, especially home missions, and the problems connected with missions. The Church in its missionary program must take present conditions and problems into the account and grapple with them. Who can measure the influence of business distress, unemployment, and the sprawl of great cities and say nothing of their influence on foreign missions?

Home missions have come to be a very difficult problem. Some of us are saying they are more difficult than ever before. This may not be true, for they struggled against great odds in the past. The most significant thing is that owing to the thrilling and epoch making events of our day there may be a change of life. Therefore our work and methods of work must be adapted to meet the present problems.

Home mission activities are much needed today and we do not need to lose heart, for the good has been advancing with the evil, and God reigns. What we do need is to adjust our work to the conditions and demands of the hour and give the leavening power of the gospel a chance to do its work on governmental corruption, crime and racketeering, the sprawl of great cities, and the decadence of rural government. The birth of the League of Nations, the expansion of education, the rise and weakening of organized labor, the growth of spectacular fortunes, the advance of medical science, the emphasis on sports and recreation, the renewed interest in child welfare—these are a few of the many events which have marked one of the most eventful periods of our history.

The above quotation is an introductory paragraph in the report of President Hoover's committee appointed more than three years ago to make a comprehensive and authoritative survey of our civilization. The report has been made recently and will soon be available in book form. It will make reading that the work of the Church is his work in which we are living, but as Christians we must be changed, that Christianity should not to be classed with any other, and embodying a gospel which is not a search but a full answer to the search of the human soul.

The churches ought not to abandon the evangelistic purpose rightly conceived, as supreme and dominant in every activity and endeavor. As to the proposed centralized administration, its assumptions are unfounded, namely, that single-group control is best, and that men and money would be available for the work of the Church in a humanitarian rather than the evangelical and evangelical. Furthermore, the whole deeper movement of thought and life today is away from the naturalistic humanism to a more courageous and whole-willed acceptance of the supernaturalism of the gospel and the whole statement, which has dominated the missionary idea, and must continue to dominate it.

What we must hope for, accordingly, is that the first third of the report may be allowed to fall away, and that the missionary movement may be free to study and appraise the concrete suggestions of the report as to better methods and more effective forms of action. It was these that the inquiry originally had in mind. It did not contemplate a change of the fundamental theses, but an increase in its methods, as the result of a common sharing and quest.

The second section deals in detail with the missions of the missionary work, advising many specific changes, and urging in general the emancipation of educational and medical and agricultural missions from the evangelistic aim and use. The third section proposes a new centralized, autonomous administration of the work of the Church on funds from the present boards and administer their expenditure. Again and again in the second section the report insists that its recommendations are worth while only as the first and last proposals are accepted, namely, a change in the fundamental basis and the establishment of an authoritative, undenominational administration.

If we are forbidden to consider the report except on this basis, I fear the situation is hopeless. The churches will not and ought not to abandon the abandonment of the evangelical basis of missions resting on the conception of Christ as the only and sufficient Savior and Redeemer, the Name not to be classed with any other, and embodying a gospel which is not a search but a full answer to the search of the human soul. The churches ought not to abandon the evangelistic purpose rightly conceived, as supreme and dominant in every activity and endeavor. As to the proposed centralized administration, its assumptions are unfounded, namely, that single-group control is best, and that men and money would be available for the work of the Church in a humanitarian rather than the evangelical and evangelical. Furthermore, the whole deeper movement of thought and life today is away from the naturalistic humanism to a more courageous and whole-willed acceptance of the supernaturalism of the gospel and the whole statement, which has dominated the missionary idea, and must continue to dominate it.

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MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD

The Woman's Board met Sunday, Feb. 12, 1933, at the home of Mrs. G. H. Trainer, Salem, N. H. The following were present: Mrs. Okey W. Davis, Mrs. Harley D. Bond, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. Earl W. Davis, Mrs. G. H. Trainer, and Mrs. Ovis O. Stutler, Visitor; Mrs. C. H. Stedhoff, Salem, W. Va.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. Shaw, the secretary called the meeting to order. Mrs. Trainer was appointed to take charge of the meeting.

The minutes of the January meeting were read, also the minutes of the called sessions, which follow.

The Woman's Board met in a called session January 22, 1933, at the home of Mrs. Okey W. Davis. The following report with its recommendations was read and accepted:

"To the Woman's Board of the General Conference Committee to investigate and to report upon the feasibility of undertaking a new project would make the following report: "

I. Your committee has been assisted in its investigations by our president, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. S. O. Bond, and Mrs. Earl Davis. 2. As a result of these investigations your committee would recommend the Woman's Board vote $100 for a Fund for Young Men Preparing for the Ministry.

"Respectfully submitted, "

"Frances Edwards Davis, Mrs. George Trainer."


Voted that the treasurer be instructed to send $100 to the Memorial Fund for Young Men Preparing for the Ministry.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. George B. Shaw, President, Mrs. Oris O. Stutler, Recording Secretary.

The treasurer gave the following report which was accepted:

Frances E. Davis (Mrs. Okey W.)

In accordance with the Woman's Executive Board Receipts

Balance, January 8, 1933 .............................. $124.66

Harold R. Crandall, Onward Movement .......................... 13.59

$138.16

Disbursements

Fund for Young Men Preparing for the Ministry .................. $100.00

Fox Printing Company ........................................ 6.25

Federal Telephone ........................................... 2.00

Balance, February 12, 1933 .................................... 31.85

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Correspondence was read from Mrs. George B. Shaw, who is in Alfred, N. Y.; Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Frank J. Hubbard, Plainfield, N. J.; Mrs. A. S. Randolph, Plainfield, N. J.; and E. P. Saunders, Alfred, N. Y.
The minutes were read and accepted.

Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Okey W. Davis in March.

MRS. G. H. TRAINER, Chairman.

MRS. ORIS O. STUTLER, Recording Secretary.

WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR MARCH

"THE GARDEN OF THE LORD"

Read Isaiah 51:3; 1.

Hymn—I Came to the Garden Alone.

Prayer.

Response by society in concert of Hymn—"I Can Not Be Moved".

Psalms 127:1; 2, 3.

Response by society: Hymn—"I Am Not the Only One".

Reading of letter from President.

The committee to prepare a model constitution for use in organizing women's societies presented a constitution and by-laws which were accepted. This work was suggested by Secretary W. L. Butzick.

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REV. H. C. Van Horn, Plainfield, N. J.

My Dear Brother:

An eventful week marks the seven days just past, since leaving my home at Hamburg. Though the winter is bitter in good earnest and the "flu" is quite prevalent, yet the good Lord has demonstrated to me that if we step out by faith, he will care for us, even when age and infirmity would overawe any mind. I have learned the necessity of keeping my mind in the Word of God, mostly till midnight, but a good, sound sleep always restored the freshness needed for the work of the next day.

Three hours' ride brought me to Stendal, where Father K. Schmitz, an old Sabbath keeper, watch-maker by trade, had gathered around him, so that ten were ready to sign the covenant. About five more are deeply interested and have made the Sabbath forenoon we had the Lord's Supper. A missionary society was formed, ordering thirty-five copies of our monthly. One son will soon open business at Wittenberg, where Luther testified of the everlasting gospel. A third son near Celle and his wife have also decided to unite with us. Generally sisters predominate; here there are just seven brethren and his wife have also decided to unite with us. Generally sisters predominate; here there are just seven brethren and after a study of the Epistle to the Hebrews, covered all hall rents thus far and after a study of the Epistle to the Hebrews, covered all hall rents thus far. We had to meet also the headquarters of the Seventh Day Adventists, who have here several thousand members. We had to meet also the headquarters of the Seventh Day Adventists, who have here several thousand members. We had to meet also the headquarters of the Seventh Day Adventists, who have here several thousand members.

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**Young People's Work**

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**"IT IS TO THINK"**

**AN EXPLANATION OF ITS ORIGIN**

Several years ago I attended the Boston School of Religious Education and Social Service for a three year post-graduate course. I lived in a dormitory on Beacon Hill where one hundred other girls roomed. There were three automatic elevators in the building; in our part the elevator ran to the fourth floor where I had my room. In the elevator was posted a number of directions for the operation of the car. I found myself reading these over for several days. To my knowledge this was not a right to print in this book. I do not wish to use that which I have say for it...I was able to carry on this little project for almost two years. I was greatly interested in the comments pro and con. From time to time I have added to this collection. Each week I plan to pass on one of the quotations —"It is to Think"—for you to ponder. It is my hope that we may all think constructively on these thoughts of others people.

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**THE DENVER SOCIETY REORGANIZES**

The Christian Endeavor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Denver has just recently been reorganized by some charter members. They are: Misses Grace Burdick, Nedra Davis, and Ada Crosby; Mr. Ken- neth C. Cross, Mr. Tom Davis, Merlyn Patterson, Waine Patterson, Eno Davis, and Keith Davis.

Our Christian Endeavor has been reorganized by the Western division here in Denver, which is composed of eight other Christian Endeavor groups of different denominations.

**November 15, 1932**

A rally was held at our church by the other Christian Endeavor societies in the division attended. There were about seventy young people present. The topic discussed was "Pastoral Evangelism." After the meeting, pop corn and apples were served, which helped in getting everyone better acquainted.

December 13, a Christmas program was given by the western division. Keith Davis and Wagne Patterson were shepherds in the play which was given.

Although our beliefs may be different, and our membership much smaller than some of the other Christian Endeavor societies in the western division, we are making them conscious of the fact that there is a Seventh Day Baptist Church in Denver.

Miss Ada Crosby, Corresponding Secretary.

**AN "AVERAGE GIRL" PROTESTS**

**TO MRS. ROOSEVELT**

We reprint below an open letter written to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, which appeared recently in the Christian Advocate, Nashville, Tenn.

**DEAR MRS. ROOSEVELT:**

An article in our morning paper saying that a statement of yours brought forth a "average girl"...is a group of women leaders in Topeka, Kansas, an equally move a shocked protest from me. You were quoted as saying that "the average girl of today faces the problem of learning very young how much she can drink of such things as whisky and gin and sticking to the proper..."

If you have been correctly quoted, you surely do not know the "average girl of today." I would not undertake to inform you we are not an "average girl of today." In the eighteen years of age I was graduated from a standard high school about a year ago and I am now attending the Nashville Business College. I cannot remember one instance when I have seen a girl of my own age under the influence of liquor, and I can remember seeing but three boys of my age intoxicated or even "drinking." We are a minority of no dry organization. I am no prig. I am merely an "average girl" who is indifferent at hearing girls accused of something of which they are guiltless.

Instead of drinking we "average" young people are planning in due course of time to run our respective communities and the United States. While the drinking lowdown-high-ups are reaping their crop of wild oats.

Drinking went out of style with the post-war group of young people. Drinking and many other things which we are accused of are frightfully old-fashioned. The young people of today are interested in athletics, things that require a strong body, a clear brain, steady nerve, and quick thinking; and all of those things drink destroys. Girls of today are doing things today, and you can't be successful in the business field if you are in the habit of drinking.

We as young people do not want legal liquor for the sake of the young people —that they are drinking any and everything now—that it would be pure if we were...legal, government-inspected liquor. Let me tell you—we don't need liquor for the sake of the young people. We don't even like the taste. We don't like the effects it produces. If the older people want it, let them say so; but they should at least have the courage to tell them they try to hide behind a false statement that it is for our sakes.

If we, the young people, were allowed to vote on the question, the proposition to legalize alcoholic beverages would be defeated by an overwhelming majority. If the people of voting age can withstand the world today, we have just as much right to use as any older people. We girls, to get our vote, you may be sure that alcoholic beverages will never again be legal, government-inspected liquor. We do not want it. You don't know the "average girl," Mrs. Roosevelt. To get the average you must take all of us the country over, and doing that you will find that we may not be saying much, but we have our opinions—and they are not in favor of legal alcoholic beverages, and they are not in favor of the illegal stuff used now. No, the "average girl" does not have to learn early how much she can drink, and she doesn't keep within that quantity because there is no need. We do not drink the stuff at all.
**CHILDREN’S PAGE**

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

Contribution Editor

**NATURE HYMNS**

PSALM 447: 7-9

Junior Christian Endeavor Superintendent

We sometimes juniors become so used to the wonders of nature that we forget to appreciate them. Here is a story of two boys who appreciated nature.

**TWO BOYS OF CHINA**

Once there were two little boys in China who came to a hospital to get well. One of them was Chang Yu-chiang, and the other was Chu Chen. Because their names are so long, we shall call them Chang and Chu.

Chang’s father was a merchant. He had silk and pretty shoes to sell. Chang was the other boy, eased their greatest sorrow that long, we shall call them Chang and Chu.

His father heard of the hospital for beds and talked of their homes and long time. The two boys

**MRS. WALTER L. GREENE**

The superintendent of the junior department of the Sabbath Recorder.

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We have to go nine miles to school, but it is quite far to my Sabbath church, so we do not often go.

I have five white rabbits and have all of them named. The name of the mother rabbit is ‘Flopsey.’ They are quite tame. I feed them oats, wheat, and hay of any kind and they like to eat out in the open yard and play every day, so I let them out. The dog doesn’t seem to bother them.

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**OUR LETTER EXCHANGE**

**DEAR MRS. GREENE:**

We are very glad to welcome you into our constantly growing Recorder family. Isn’t it fun to belong to such a nice large family? I’m almost like the “old woman who lived in a shoe,” but I like it for unlike her children mine are all well behaved. I hope that now you have written your first letter you will, like Esther and Emma, write often. I’m pretty sure I know your father well and have met your mother, so you see we are already acquainted; we can surely call ourselves friends, don’t you think so?

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This is my first letter to your page. Since I am only five years old and in kindergarten, my mother is writing this for me. My daddy teaches physics in the high school here. I have two brothers: Wayne who is three and one-half and Edwin, two.

I know how to roller skate. One day last summer I went to the city swimming pool. Almost every day we had the hose and tubs of colors there.

In the summer we can go to Grandma and Grandpa Pinter’s down on the farm (near Welton). Grandma and Grandpa Loofbro and Great-grandma Mudge live in Milton.

Edwin, Wayne, and I play “Hide the Thimble,” after supper. (Only we use a color ball instead of a thimble.) We play it because we have a little girl friend who is the dog.

Wayne is the doctor, Edwin the patient, and I am the nurse.

Sometimes we are down to Milton we can go to Sabbath school.

Your friend,

EDNA MAE LOOFBRO.

**DEAR EDNA MAE:**

I am very grateful to your dear mother for writing this nice letter for you. I hope she will do it often until you are old enough to write for yourself. I am glad it is lovely that you have two nice little brothers. You must have great fun together. I know you enjoy roller skating. I did, too, when I was a little girl. I only have a little girl friend who was afraid of roller skates. Wasn’t that
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The American Constitution, in harmony with the people of the several states, withheld from the federal government the power to in- vade our private affairs and control individual conscience, the sanctuary of the soul; and not from indifference, but that the infinite Spirit of the Lord would be harmonized in all its powers and faculties, and completely regulated and influenced, so as to think, speak, and act right in all things, are what we may look for. God gives the spirit of these things. They are not made by the hand of man, but assumed for times and circumstances; but

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Notwithstanding the wintry winds of Sunday, February 5, a goodly number of members and friends of the Second Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church met at the parsonage house in Brookfield and enjoyed a social hour and dinner, at which sixty-seven were served.

While gathering at the tables, many voices joined in singing "Count Your Many Blessings" and Pastor Polan gave thanks.

A pleasant feature was that of sending loving greeting to Dr. Clayton A. Burdick of Westerly, R. I., a former pastor, who passed his seventy-fifth birthday on February first. Four of his couples, who were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Burdick during his pastorate here. The names of these couples is headed a list of autographs of his old parishioners, written on cards carrying a message composed by Mrs. C. W. Camenga and daintily hand painted by Mrs. Kenneth Camenga.

At the business meeting called in the afternoon, reports from the various auxiliary organizations of the church showed an increase in attendance and interest over last year. It was noted with gratitude that death had not broken the membership during the year; two families were added by letter; one name dropped.

C. W. Camenga, A. L. Rogers, and Mrs. F. M. Spooner were re-elected trustees for three years. Mrs. Kenneth Crumb was elected organist; Mrs. Kenneth Polan, chorister; Kenneth Rogers, Jean Rogers, Dighton Polan, Robert Curtis, and Robert Langworthy, ushers.

The Christian Endeavor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church held a social at the parsonage house on the evening of February 11.

The program for the evening centered around the idea of pioneering, from the introduction of devotional service to refreshments in the shape of a covered wagon.

Due to severe weather and several cases of illness, the attendance was not as large as was desired.

The program was as follows:

- Farewell to the old pioneer
- The first lap of the journey
- Encountering a mountain pass
- An Indian attack
- Difficulties on route, repairs, fording a river
- Sending a message home.

Lassoing game
- Strangers and night at the wilderness
- Meeting another immigrant party
- Tales around the camp fire
- The rattling frying-pan.

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**LEONARDSVILLE, N. Y.**

The annual meeting of the First Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church was held on Monday, February 14, in the conference room of the church. Fourteen persons were present. All officers were re-elected for the coming year. The financial report was very encouraging. Rev. Paul Burdick was re-engaged as pastor. Two deacons were called.

On January 9, a birthday party was given in honor of Mrs. Paul Burdick. Mrs. Burdick received a gift of $20.25 from her friends.

On February 1, the Women's Benevolent Society met with Mrs. I. A. Crandall. Sewing for the Red Cross was completed. Business meeting was omitted.

**PRESS COMMITTEE**

**PLAINFIELD, N. J.**

President J. W. Crofoot of Milton College occurred this year's annual meeting, January 14, and taught the adult class in Sabbath school. Both services were much enjoyed by all present; there are always glad to have Mr. Crofoot with us.

On the evening of January 19, Mr. Theodore Davis gave us an interesting talk on the Far East. Mr. Davis has spent several years in the Orient and was able to present the Chinese-Japanese situation from unusual angles which were quite encouraging. Mr. Roy Timmins, the local magician, put on a show.

Miss Frances Kinne and her entertainers pleased the interest and attendance. Miss Eva Lois Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Langworthy, and Robert Keyser, W. Va., February 18 (A.P.) - Old Man Depression—For one evening at least, Mr. Charles Nagle gave an exhibition of his artistic skill by his clever drawings on the blackboard; and several distinguished the method he had used. This new plan is anticipated in Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream."—Contributed.

**PROHIBITION ANNIVERSARY STATEMENT**

The Eighteenth Amendment has been in effect thirteen years today. It came after every other method of liquor control, known and unknown, then or since, had been tried under favorable conditions in one or more states. Thirty-two states were under a prohibition policy of their own two years ago, January 19, 1920 that Mr. Charles Nagle gave an exhibition of his artistic skill by his clever drawings on the blackboard; and several distinguished the method he had used. This new plan is anticipated in Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream."—Contributed.

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were reiterated and emphasized over and over again by the leaders of the wets, including high-ranking politicians who just happen to be the present President. But now, when charged with power, they disregard all these solemn protestations and demand straight-out, naked repeal. They asserted the rightfulness of full protection of dry states from encroachment from wet ones; when they were trying to win the battle of the sexes, they refused to be, but when faced with power and responsibility, they want only unconditional repeal.

They claimed the country was overwhelmingly wet and yet had to summon political party support to bolster up their program and bring them needed help by threats to both major parties from the monied interests of the nation by refusal of campaign territory and continued outlawry of the dry districts.

Our greatest trouble lies in the acknowledged incompetency, religion, and obligatory promise of protection to dry districts and to belittle its accomplishments. They are finding it increasingly difficult to explain away all of it a failure.

Jesus the Humble Servant.

"...to be a servant and to serve mankind is the greatest of all virtues, but the greatest of all is the service of the grace of God, and the serving of the king of kings. "-Edwin DeWitt Talmage.

"...for we were not sent to trade with the world..." -Levi Sayre.

"...for we have no authority to make any compromise..." -Walter F. Mondell.

"...for we have no desire to be a party..." -Charles F. Crisp.

"...for we have no interest in the dry districts of the nation..." -Benjamin E. Mays.

"...for we have no wish to support the干党..." -Dwight D. Eisenhower.

"...for we have no plan to make war on the dry districts..." -Herbert Hoover.

"...for we have no intent to destroy the dry districts..." -John F. Kennedy.

"...for we have no desire to destroy the dry districts..." -Richard Nixon.

"...for we have no need to destroy the dry districts..." -Ronald Reagan.

"...for we have no reason to destroy the dry districts..." -George H. W. Bush.

"...for we have no interest in destroying the dry districts..." -Bill Clinton.

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"...for we have no reason to destroy the dry districts..." -Barack Obama.

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