PRAYER AT NEWPORT

By ALBERT N. ROGERS

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us, and grant us thy salvation. O God, make clean our hearts within us, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Eternal Father, in this thy house where so long ago prayer was wont to be made, we offer thee the common supplications of our hearts as we bow before thee. Our lives need the cleansing, invigorating influence of thy spirit as keenly as did ever a man or woman who worshiped here. Thou hast taught that in returning and rest we shall be saved; help us to test our lives by thine. Reaffirm our faith that truth is eternal and will prevail; consecrate us anew to the service of beauty and goodness.

We would bring to thee, gracious God, our thanksgiving for all the influences for good which thou hast prepared for our well-being. We call to mind on this occasion the lives of those who struggled here to give birth to religious freedom. We admire their example of loyalty to conviction and willingness to sacrifice friends, reputation, livelihood for the sake of an ideal. We should be false to thy continual teaching if we did not strive to profit by their mistakes; let us not be content with their achievements, but keep us searching for the more excellent way. We give thee thanks that this thy world is incomplete, and that man's eternal wistfulness keeps him restless until he rests in thee.

Those who dost continually beckon us on to new duties and privileges; grant that we may increasiously appreciate the worthiness of the example of Jesus Christ to whom we have dedicated our days. In countless ways we are unworthy to bear the name of Christian. Our attitudes and actions are determined too largely by the conventions of men, and by our own indifference. Save us, we pray, from hatred of race, or class, or creed; from lust of power, or power, or profits; from any unwillingness to co-operate for the common good. Give us wisdom and courage, O Lord, to align ourselves squarely on the more excellent way. We would bring to thee, gracious God, our thanksgiving for all the influences for good which thou hast prepared for our well-being.

Hear our prayers now from this thy sanctuary; and in days to come from our homes, our farms, our offices, our studies, in so far as they are worthy of Jesus Christ. Amen.
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Stewardship

The Committee on Religious Life is suggesting that during November the emphasis of our churches and members be placed upon stewardship. A live young pastor commented a few days ago to the editor that sometimes the things suggested by the committee were already in the program of his own church. It seems he was emphasizing stewardship this month. That is fine. The committee's suggestion will help him and his church forward, one feels sure, in the promotion of their program. Those pastors who have not already made a beginning will doubtless be encouraged to do so. The need is great and the value of the emphasis can hardly be overestimated.

The committee urges: "These times cry out for a baptism of Christian stewardship which will say to every man, 'Your wealth, your time, your influence, belongs to God.' " A sense and conviction of the truth of this is greatly needed by us all. All we have belongs to God and we are but stewards. We pay our rents, our interest, and our taxes because of the compulsion of the law. We have certain duties in our relationship to God and the work of His kingdom for which we are responsible, compulsion is not laid upon us. If anything, we are permitted to love and loyalty to be honest and true stewards. Improved love will carry us farther than compelling law.

The relation between Christian giving and spiritual growth is not always appreciated. But it is true that such growth is closely associated with the Christian's use of money. It is surprising how small an amount of money can stand between one and God. There may be as much danger to the soul of the poor in withholding his few pennies as to the rich in keeping for selfish purposes his wealth. Giving to missions, tract work, and other forms of evangelism and church activity does much for one when it leads him to self-denial and sacrifice.

The Christian who holds back and lets others support the work, not only robs God and his fellow workers, but it steals his own soul and retards spiritual advance. It is said: "... Refuse to give at all" was the answer to a question, "How can I get rid of so many apes for help?" The calls then will get fewer and fewer until there are none. It was observed by the questioner, "My soul would get smaller and smaller as my bank balance got bigger." He could not afford such a price, and refused to give.

A baptism of giving is needed—the baptism of the pocket book and the bank account. "Not a hoof shall be left behind," declared Moses to Pharaoh—cattle and flocks, families, children and all, must be taken along, dedicated to God.

In stewardship we are touching a vital thing in our church and denominational life. Paul knew what it was all about when he urged the Christian brethren that they "abound in this grace also."

Think World Peace

Tiring days must find Christians prepared—if they are to see clearly and act courageously. For the Christian ideal of a warless world—any ideal—can be established only as individuals and groups think of peace, work for peace, and practice war. The seventeenth Armistic Day is celebrated. How far have we advanced since that day when hostilities along the far-flung battle-front of the great holocaust were ended? Was the day when "Doughboy," "Johnny," and "Fritz" laid down their rifles and machine guns, fraternized and rejoiced together, and realized that they had nothing personally against each other, and never had? Some advances have been made in spite of deep-seated causes which need to be eradicated. If world peace is to be achieved it will be done by all who keep to this belief.

I set down my name to make clear my present thought upon the question of war, and declare my purpose to think and talk with others about the effects of my beliefs in the way of Christ shall become operative in this and in other questions which now confuse our thought and action.

The study of this vital matter and the taking of an active pledge will doubtless discover to some the lack of intellectual preparation. Often one may be a member at one and the same time of a church missionary group, improvement club, peace movement committee, and perhaps one or more patriotic organizations promoting armaments, war spirit, and world disruption. Christianity must be consistent with the spirit and teaching of its founder. Lack of integration, the fact of inconsistency, may be the result of lack of information. Therefore it is apparent, the individual must study—and must think world peace.

Besides the value of pledges, taking great good may be accomplished by letters to the local press, through petitions and interviews, and by proper exercise of the franchise at voting. If we set down our pledge, and never have the will, the congressmen and senator are influenced by their constituency.

Yes, if we are to achieve a warless world, we must think peace and pursue it, honestly, fearlessly, heroically and at last triumphantly.

Group Activity

While the foregoing paragraphs have been written, local preparation in Plainfield is being made for a union service on Armistic Sunday night when a speaker well known in northern New Jersey will address many church and civic groups in behalf of world peace. In such a meeting the conscience and purposes of the churches will be given public expression as no single individual or group would be able to gather a gathering church and other group convictions may be more powerfully helpful in shaping public opinion than in any other way.

The value of these possibilities of group promotion of thinking and working for world peace. Observance of World Goodwill days with luncheons and dinners; Peace Education Day, the week devoted to the study of Peace and War; peace declarations and model tests; model assemblies of the League of Na-
too Fury was live for almost four score years, the most of his life spent in public service. He was a small doctor, but a small doctor with a big heart. And he leaves behind a legacy of love and service that will be remembered for generations to come.

New hearts shall bloom of loftier mold,
With flame of freedom in their souls,
A Loftier Race.

Chapters 3, 4, 1

A. Symonds

It was too late to do anything effectively they must do anything in line with this desirable goal. The author expresses the hope that the nations involved will be willing to put any obstacles aside to work towards peace.

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—Watchman-Examiner

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics—a vast territory stretching from a distance on the basis of communism.

Among these people exist the special interests of the European powers and the United States, the latter properly described as “one of the largest powers on the Pacific Ocean,” with its century-long commercial, educational, and missionary interests in Eastern Asia.

Professor Blakeslee leads his readers toward choosing the main issues from the mass of current popular claims and surmises. This acknowledged authority on Eastern affairs believes the talk of war (with Japan) is greater than the danger of war, and points out clearly why the nations involved have little to gain, not already possessed, and much to lose by a war. The author considers that both the Japanese government and that of the United States “wager to keep peace, to remain friendly. “Thoughtful Americans in general admire Japan and its achievements.” He adds, “We recognize the exceptional economic difficulties it is facing and the perplexing problems presented by China; they wish Japan every legitimate success and would not be willing to put any obstacle in the way of its progress in all directions.

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Statement of Treasurer October, 1934

Receipts

October

Total

Adams Center

$35.00

$207.00

Albion

91.89

20.00

Alfred

47.20

247.20

Alfred, Second

47.20

7.00

Andover

84.20

245.20

Battle Creek

250.00

33.00

Berlin

2.10

Bosworth

5.00

Brown of

5.00

Farina

50.00

Geneseo, First

20.00

Gentry

5.00

Hobron, First

10.00

Hopkinton, First

$46.00

Christian Endeavor society, special

3.00

Intermediate C. E. society, special

1.00

Junior C. E. society, special

5.00

Milton

100.00

Circle No. 3

50.00

$149.15

405.91

Milton Junction

56.70

107.41

New Auburn

64.09

Special

10.00

North Loun
d

74.00

169.67

Pawtucket

200.00

Christian Endeavor society, special

4.00

$204.06

776.00

Piscataway

38.00

107.99

Plainfield

107.99

Richburg

50.00

Riverheads

10.00

Rownoke

7.00

Rosedale

5.00

Rouloke

23.90

Salco

339.90

Syracuse

1.00
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MISSIONS

PARAGRAPHS FROM CONFERENCE ADDRESS

DELIVERED MISSIONARY DAY, SALEM, W. VA., 1934

THE ANNUAL REPORT

It is not my purpose this morning to read the annual report. I will continue the customary, followed by the Society of the past year, the report of the Secretary, of reading only a paragraph or two. You have the report in your hands and it is intended that you should read it.

In reading the report you will note that it is markedly abbreviated. This is done upon the recommendation made by the General Conference last year to the effect that, for the sake of reducing cost of the Year Book, all reports be condensed. In order to comply with the recommendation of Conference, the report of the China field has been put on the same basis as that of all other fields, namely, a summary of the various branches of the work in China is given in this report instead of giving the full reports of every worker.

Full reports of work on all fields and their itemized financial statements are interesting and helpful. These are filed away for reference in the office of the Corresponding Secretary, and copies of the financial statements have been sent to each member of the Board of Managers.

THE WORK DONE

The board is carrying on work on four continents and is employing many workers when we consider the natives who are engaged in the work and are on the pay rolls. In the homeland of our church, and in the brothers and sisters in the church, are being aided by the board in the support of their pastors.

Notwithstanding the lack of funds, the work with one or two exceptions has been continued on all fields and on about the same basis as in past years. The ability of the Board of Managers to do this is due to the fact that the workers have carried on faithfully in spite of the heavy reductions for their fields. This has meant sacrifice, but for the most part the workers have endured the hardship without complaint and have endeavored to aid the board in carrying out its program.

You will notice that there has been a change of plan in the Board of Missionary Association. For thirty-five or forty years the board has supported a general missionary on that field in addition to aiding the churches in supporting their pastors. For eight years Rev. Ellis R. Lewis has worked in charge of head quarters at Gentry, Ark. During last year his resignation was accepted and he became pastor of the Gentry Church. The board makes an appropriation from the church to aid it in supporting its pastor. It is understood that Brother Lewis will do some general missionary work throughout the association and for the time being he has been assigned as the work is done.

There are several points in the Southwestern Association which need the work of a general missionary, but the lack of funds necessitated the change, and it is to be hoped that the remaining three months' field work will in a measure tide the situation over.

Upon the recommendation of the General Conference the Missionary Board made a small appropriation for the work in Germany. This work under the leadership of Rev. L. Richard Conradi is succeeding in a signal way, twelve churches having been organized in the last eighteen months.

NEEDS

Turning to the needs, we note that there are special needs. The fact that the board has been able to meet the traveling expenses promptly and that they have been one month behind much of the time has put a heavy burden on the workers. This should be remedied as soon as possible.

Several of the fields have suffered because there have not been sufficient funds to meet the traveling expenses of the workers and on this account much work that should have been done has been omitted.

Owing to the depression, a number of churches which formerly were able to support their pastors are now unable to do so and these churches are languishing in a serious way. Some substantial help and encouragement will save them from disintegration. This matter should not be passed by.

There are open doors in many lands which the Master is calling us to enter and we must not shut our eyes to these calls.

NO DEFEATIST CRY

The Missionary Board does not come to the end of the year with a defeatist cry. It is no time for discouragement and there is no occasion for pessimism when all things are taken into consideration. So far as I recall, I have heard no discouraging note, either in any Missionary Board meeting or any committee meeting during the year. There have been and still are many difficult problems, but there are many encouraging things if we will open our eyes to see them.

I had thought of speaking today on the subject of Discouraging and Encouraging Things, but there is no need. It is folly to consider the discouraging items and not fully take into account the encouraging ones. It is worse than folly; it is wrong.

Men are prone to look upon numbers as a sign of greatness and success. The Father does not see things as men do. It is not quantity that He wants most of all; it is quality. As Henry Drummond once stated, "What the world needs most is not more of us, but a better brand of us." Seventh Day Baptists are a good brand. We could be infinitely better, but we believe we have the truth and the world has never seen a people with higher ideals and attainments. We have vast resources; God is on our side; there is nothing we cannot accomplish if we will. Why spend time in weeping and wailing over the discouraging things?

FROM QUARTERLY REPORTS OF MISSIONARY PASTORS

JACKSON CENTER, OHIO

The work on the field for this quarter has been just about as usual. Perhaps there is nothing of unusual happening to be reported at this time so far as the work in general is concerned. During the quarter the pastor attended the General Conference at Salem and was much impressed with the interest manifested during the sessions attended. However, it was not his privilege to be there to attend all the sessions.

The church at Jackson Center has granted its pastor a leave of absence for the winter for the purpose of attending the seminary at Abilene, Tex.

V. C. W. Wilson, Pastor.

POUR, ARK.

I cannot say that we have any problems that are peculiar to this field. We need continual indwelling of the Holy Spirit. The demands of the work are heavy; in our own strength only we shall fail.

We remain ever grateful for the interest and support of the Missionary Board. We are hoping that Secretary Burdick can visit
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us if he goes to the Southwestern Association at Edinburg, Tex.

R. J. SERVANCE, Pastor.

HAMMOND, I.A.

At an expense of $100 we have built a much needed rest room within the church edifice. In June last we began renting our church for Sundays. Also last Sabbath to the Seventh Day Adventists. This will help us and expenses and will enable us to increase our denominational contributions. I received from the home a parsonage, $10 per month. Our revived Christian Endeavor Society is holding two prayer meetings every month. One of our members, with great profit to himself and us, attended a state convention in Baton Rouge this year.

With the coming of the cooler autumn weather, and with health unimpaired, my heart is filled with thankfulness for opportunity to labor in this ministry, looking for and trusting the grace not to fail me, and that through the Holy Spirit the work may be accomplished.

The quarterly has been characterized by more or less precarious health on the part of Mrs. Powell. Nevertheless, she has been able to keep up her work in the school room. However, there are money troubles from the state and there is a six months' school, only, threatened for the coming year. This makes the board's checks the more acceptable.

S. S. POWELL, Pastor.

HEBRON AND EAST HEBRON, PA.

An effort to interest those particularly outside the church is being made, and Sunday evening services are being held for this purpose.

The church at East HEBRON has been re-decorating its house of worship and fine pews are being installed in the auditorium. The pews have been furnished by the church at East Portville, N. Y., which has not held services for some years.

ROBERT W. WING, Pastor.

FROM THE PRESS

In the United States there are 9,668,808 Baptists. Of these there are 1,489,836, in the Southern Convention 4,175,928, in the National Convention (Negro) 5,355,044, and in fifteen miscellaneous groups 3,454,168. It is estimated that in the states containing the largest number of Baptists is Georgia, with 814,180. Texas comes next with 759,964, and so on through the Southern States. In the North it is New York with 246, North Carolina next with 225,759.

Of course these figures are only meagerly correct. The Negro Baptists generally enlarge the totals—far from claiming to be correct.

Official figures published by the New York office of the International Missionary Council shows the total expenditures of Protestant missions for the three years 1929-30-31 were $152,838,869, an average of over $50,000,000 a year. Of this amount North America contributed fifty-five per cent, Great Britain twenty-two per cent and Latin America nine per cent. —The Chinese Recorder.

Our own Syracuse-in-China unit in Chinking, West China—what has it accomplished in the development of world brotherhood?

1. It has made possible modern and scientific medical treatment for 18,000 Chinese every year in a province where there are only 13 western trained doctors to care for 3,000,000 people.

2. It helps over 300 boys every year in the Unit High School to secure training in what is called "the finest school in the province."

3. It maintains the primary and high school program giving opportunities to hundreds of Chinese in Chinking to share in a worship and recreation program which they have never known before.

These things our own Syracuse-in-China unit has accomplished.

The Chinese are grateful. They want the world to know it, to us, "Stay! So it is up to us—up to you who have shared in this success, and up to those of you who have not as yet, but who will,—Syracuse-in-China Association, Syracuse University.

How far we have come is the work of emancipation (i.e., of slaves) is demonstrated by the fact that today there are probably more than five million persons over whom somebody holds a property or church. The moment of ownership is always and everywhere a sordid one. For millions of people today slavery means degradation and demoralization, while for thousands it spells a life of barbarous cruelty. —Advance.

The Week of Prayer is January 7-13. This is a world-wide movement. The Department of Evangelism prepares each year the Daily Prayer Topics which may be ordered any time before November is over. For the records of your church, Stewardship Month, November—Stewardship Month. In many of our churches the first of the month will be set aside for the special offering, and canvassers will have completed their work for the denomination or for the local church, or both, before the month is out. In other churches this matter may be paid for in a business meeting of the church. In addition to the regular pledges, some churches have a special Thanksgiving offering at the end of the month for the work of the denomination and for other worthy causes. In one church this offering is made as a rule. At the Thanksgiving service, a representative from each Sabbath school class or other organization comes forward and deposits in a box an offering, stating for what cause it has been contributed.

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NOVEMBER—STEWARDSHIP MONTH

BY REV. PAUL S. BURDICK

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AN UNHOLY ALLIANCE

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BY MRS. MARY M. CHURCH

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Prayer and meditation are daily realities. In the night watches one's thoughts, like homing pigeons, turn toward God.

FRIENDS OF AFRICA

At the close of the study course on "The History of the Sabbath and Seventh Day Baptists," conducted at the last General Conference, several individuals expressed the hope that this material might be placed in tract form. As no funds are available in the Tract Society, they expressed the desire to help finance the publication. The estimated cost for an edition of five thousand copies has been placed at about $40.

If those desiring to help finance the publication will send their contribution to me, if sufficient funds are received I will proceed with the publication. If contributions are not sufficient, the money will be returned to the donors.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. F. RANDOLPH, Chairman,
Committee on Petitions.

A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any market.—Charles Lamb.

WOMAN'S WORK

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FRIENDS OF AFRICA

A MISSIONARY BOOK THAT I HAVE READ THIS YEAR AND HOW IT HAS HELPED ME

BY MRS. MARY M. CHURCH

Friends of Africa, one of the United Study of Foreign Missions books, has been definitely helpful to me. In the first place, it brought the wisdom to pursue the ideals of the spirit, our Father in heaven. Be thou to us, in all conditions, the supreme Authority.

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be something higher than education in the technical sense. A spiritual appeal permeates the whole and shows the kingdom of God spreading and enlightening what was once "Darkness and Joy that ten elevenths of the education of Africa is in missionary hands today, that in Uganda the birth of the population is Christian, that almost the whole of Nyasaland is covered by a network of Christian schools, and that in 1928 the great and many missions of the Congo had 70,000 clergymen, its 5,000 native lay workers, its 17,600 boys and girls in schools, its 850 teachers and many hospitals and nurses.

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WESTERN ASSOCIATION SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The semi-annual session of the Western Association was held at the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist church, Friday night and Sabbath day, October 26 and 27.

The theme was "Creating the Christian Attitude on the Question of War and Peace." At the first service, Friday night, Rev. Edgar D. Van Horn of Alfred Station, presented the general theme and emphasized the importance of this subject. He gave some splendid illustrations to show that the people within nations do not want war. When war was declared between France and Germany, workers who had been working side by side as they raised bread side by side went home to take up arms against each other, much against their wishes. A discussion period followed in which many made valuable contributions.

The Sabbath morning service was conducted by Pastor Emmett Bottoms, with over two hundred present. After a good worship service, Dr. J. N. Norwood gave the address of the morning. His subject was the general theme. He spoke of the lack of agreement and cooperation among the organizations working for peace. The Rev. Ralph Flack spoke of the man who can see our Lord at work on the primitive heart—busy like a divine blacksmith, with the breath of His Spirit and the fire of His Spirit making out of that heart a tool for his own hand.

And this is the good news which friends of Africa are carrying, not to heathen but to our fellow-workers. A thousand one thousand per cent more than were hearing it ten years before this book was written. Meanwhile the force on which we are counting continues to move forward. The Church of Uganda, celebrating its jubilee year, was counting over its 2,400 churches, its 16,500 baptized Christians, its 13,000 communicants, its 5,000 native lay workers, its 17,600 boys and girls in schools, its 850 teachers and many hospitals and nurses.

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The youth of Christ's church in the mountains of West Virginia is being inspired by the words of our Lord during the Christmas season. Through the story of the Good Samaritan, the young people are led to see the need for understanding and compassion towards those in need. The message of love and forgiveness is emphasized, and the youths are encouraged to be active in their service to others.

The president of the Young People's Board introduced the members of the board, nine of whom were present. Then she presented the yearly report and told of some things the board has been trying to do in the way of helping the young people in their society work and also in keeping in touch with other youth movements and organizations, that our work may be kept up to date and progressive. Lack of funds has caused the curtailing of much of the work. You are invited to read and study the report of the Young People's Board which will appear in the Year Book.

The closing portion of the program was a panel discussion by the young people on the subject, "What the Movies Are Doing to America." Eight young people sat around a table on the platform and held what one might call an open, informal committee meeting, in which the subject was discussed pro and con. These young people with as many others met two afternoons, Wednesday and Thursday, to prepare in advance for the discussion in a session of the board program. During other times you would find them in the library carefully studying the materials placed there for their information. The fact is, you would not be able to present through the discussion caused many to begin to think of the great possibilities which lie in good movies and the dangers of the film, that all have a social and moral responsibility. Attention was called to the value and use of the appraisal lists in the home and young people's club and what Mr. Fred Eastman, an authority on this subject, says that there is only one film estimate free from the moving picture industry; it is "The National Film Estimate" which is published by the Committee of Fifty and the International Journal of Religious Education. This is a very important subject and young people can do much through their organizations and through personal influence.

The prayer which you find at the head of this article was read by the president as our parting petition.

Adults, read "A Decent Crop of Kids," by Philip Jerome Cleveland in the Christian Herald, November, 1934.
CHILDREN'S PAGE

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

My mother reads me the letters and your stories in the Recorder. I am sending you a story and a poem cut out of the stock paper we receive, we take.

I have two pet lambs; the smallest one weighs eighty pounds and they will soon be ready to sell. They tag Warren and me all over and eat anywhere.

Then we have a dog, "Laddie," and some cats and kittens. "Tommy," who is older than I am, is all white but two grey spots on his head and a grey tail. Every morning he is at the door to come in and hop into bed with whoever isn't up. One day when the oven door was open and not much fire in the stove he crawled inside and went to sleep. My mother wrote this letter for me.

Your friend,
Norris North.

New Auburn, Wis.
(Age seven)
October 17, 1934.

Dear Girls and Boys:

It was nice of you to write this fine group letter and I was pleased to hear about your Vacation Bible School and of how much you enjoyed it. Your wonderful program surely sounds very interesting as well as helpful.

Now that I have heard from you in a bunch, I hope soon to receive individual letters from each one of you. I have heard the dear little fellows every year and my brother and I used to pretend they were ours and pet them to our hearts' content. You must have great fun with your little lambs.

Our kitty, Skeezics, also likes to climb into bed with someone on a cold morning. Some day I am going to tell you about that time when he was sick and I didn't stay very long. How kittens like a good warm place. Don't you? Yours sincerely,

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mysterious ways of finance may be most unhappily visited by so-called absolutely safe investments.

To turn aside from the question of investment of permanent or capital funds, let us consider what a business man's view would be if asked to take charge of a business with a half dozen more or less independent activities. His first thought would be, can these activities be continued as they are and produce the maximum good to all concerned, or will these activities submit to such reorganization as to simplify the entire scheme for the good of all?

Ours is not a business organization, some one suggests, but it is so far as questions of men and means are concerned, and the sooner we realize that the sooner we will face the direction to accomplish our real object. It is suggested also that we do not have one individual at the head of our activities. Well, I am not so sure but that we would give an arrangement, and if I understand the purpose of the president of Conference in having this matter presented here, it is that people may be set to thinking if the experiences of organized effort throughout all time do not point the way for us at the present time.

The common dictate his armies against an attack, or makes an offensive movement, shifting his entire force, as information may show, threatened or vulnerable points require.

Ours is a battle against the forces of evil. There are defensive as well as offensive movements to be considered the efforts of our Missionary Society or our Tract Society, our Education Society, our Woman's Board, our Sabbath School Board, or the Young People's Board should be placed in a particular field, should be decided by those who have specific knowledge of the need for effort as well as knowledge of the force available.

Certain guerrilla attacks made without concerted effort on the part of a whole army have, on occasion, produced a method of warfare. Yet I doubt if such methods produce the greatest good in our efforts to make this world a better place in which to live.

Contribution so meager for some time that it has seemed necessary to re-structure instead of extending our denominational work. That may prove to be a real blessing in disguise. But too meager for some time is a real calamity. It does afford time for an inventory of our whole scheme of activity; to ponder whether this or that movement is worth the effort and money required to carry on in such a direction, this matter, and, if possible, report a positive decision on some one thing. Hence, we may get somewhere. The Commission may find time for such duty, but its members, with their wide experience and frequent and lengthy sessions are expensive, hence the suggestion that another committee be appointed to study the question of a denominational re-organization. And if such a series of periods of experience and with the courage to study this question with open minds regardless of fixed notions formed in other days when the need for conserving our forces may not have appealed to many as does the present emergency.

CORRESPONDENCE

DEAR BROTHER VON HORN:

I have been scanning the Recorder for some time for articles concerning giving or tithing, and have not seen very much on that subject.

We read in Proverbs 11: 24, "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and he that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." I believe this means our unwillingness or negligence in giving (or rendering) to the Lord his own.

We are told in his Word, that the silver and the gold are his, and the cattle on a thousand hills are also, and that we and all that we do are his.

As a missionary, I am doing my best to spread ourselves out so thin as to fall far short of our real goal? Shall we have one or two boards in a reorganization instead of the present number? Shall we set a limited number of closely associated persons over all of our work to direct as conditions may indicate, thus concentrating effort? Shall we "write off" from our program much of what we now know is impossible for us to carry? Or shall we continue with each board, having but meager allowance from pitifully small denominational funds, trying to steer a tide that seems overwhelming?

Of course, the missionary work must go on; the publishing of the Sabbath truth must go on as the real reason for our existence as a separate denomination; the education of youth must go on; the young men for active Christian service must go on, and the work of the Woman's Board has its definite place in our scheme of work. But to use another figure, we are not almost in the position of trying to build a dam across a stream by each tumbbling into the stream whatever comes our way in the way that it may do some good, instead of having the material which can contribute definitely organized and placed.

If in the wisdom of this Conference it seems wise to appoint a committee, with ample powers in this direction, this matter, and, if possible, report a positive decision on some one thing, hence, we may get somewhere. The Commission may find time for such duty, but its members, with their wide experience and frequent and lengthy sessions are expensive, hence the suggestion that another committee be appointed to study the question of a denominational re-organization. And if such a series of periods of experience and with the courage to study this question with open minds regardless of fixed notions formed in other days when the need for conserving our forces may not have appealed to many as does the present emergency.

We are told in 1 Timothy 6: 10 that "The love of money is the root of all evil." It does not say much money.

Referring again to the question of tithing back in Abraham's time, in Genesis 14: 20, we read that Abraham gave a tithe to Melchizedek, king of Salem, and priest of the most high God. Malachi 3: 8-10, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee?" We may get somewhere. The Commission may find time for such duty, but its members, with their wide experience and frequent and lengthy sessions are expensive, hence the suggestion that another committee be appointed to study the question of a denominational re-organization. And if such a series of periods of experience and with the courage to study this question with open minds regardless of fixed notions formed in other days when the need for conserving our forces may not have appealed to many as does the present emergency.

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MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Sabbath School Board was held in the ladies' parlor of the Milton church on Sunday evening, September 16, 1934, at 8 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Rev. John F. Randolph. The following trustees were present: Rev. John F. Randolph, Dr. A. L. Burdick, Rev. Carroll L. Hill, Robert E. Greene, D. Nelson Inglis, Mrs. Edwin Morse, Mrs. Louis A. Babcock, Louis A. Babcock, and Russell W. Burdick. Visitors present were George O. Sayre and W. Guy Folan.

The minutes of the last regular meeting as well as the adjourned meeting of July 15, 1934, and the annual corporate meeting were read.

Remarks concerning changes and additions to the report of the nominating committee were made by Dr. A. L. Burdick. The name of Robert E. Greene was substituted on that of Leland C. Shaw for the office of treasurer, and the names of vice-presidents as of the past year were added.

The quarterly report of the treasurer was presented by the retiring treasurer, Louis A. Babcock, and on motion was adopted and ordered filed with the secretary. The report follows:

L. A. Babcock,
In account with the Sabbath School Board

Dr.

July 1, To balance .................................. $189.48
July 1, Interest on deposit ............................ 15.00
August 6, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, Denominational Budget .......................... 86.30
September 7, K. ........................................ 89.70

Total .................................................. $380.48

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July 5, By accumulated interest on B. & L. stock purchased ............................... $ 12.50
July 30, Dr. A. L. Burdick, postage, etc. .......................... 10.00
August 14, Rev. Harold R. Crandall, 25 cents to make up $200.00................. 8.00
August 14, Dr. A. L. Burdick, expense to Conference .................................. 30.00
August 28, D. N. Inglis, premium on treasurer's bond ................................ 5.00

Total ................................................. $387.52

Balance on hand September 16, 1934 ........................................... $92.96

It was voted that the treasurer's bond be transferred from the name of Louis A. Babcock to that of Robert E. Greene.

It was voted that the president be authorized to appoint the standing committees of the board.

A. The report of the pastor.

It was voted that a sum of $3 for postage and supplies, and a sum not to exceed $15 be appropriated for stationery for the correspondence of the board, and that the president and secretary be authorized to purchase the stationery.

Copies of the annual report were distributed by the former secretary, Dr. A. L. Burdick.

A. The report of the corporation, reported verbally on the meeting held prior to the session of the General Conference. By vote, this report was adopted.

Remarks concerning the program and report of the Sabbath School Board at Conference were made by the president, Rev. J. F. Randolph.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

The meeting was adjourned after prayer by Dr. A. L. Burdick.

RUSSELL W. BURDICK, Secretary.

DENOMINATIONAL "HUG-UP"

BERLIN, N. Y.

A happy event occurred October 7, when our pastor, L. Burdick, and Mrs. Burdick observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary. The church was opened for the celebration, which was sponsored by the ladies' Aid society whose president, Mrs. Lena Crescent, was chairman of the committee for all arrangements. The church was artistically decorated with streamers, balloons, flowers, candles, and fruit. It was a beautiful sight.

The service was conducted by Mr. Burdick, who used a gold color scheme, carrying it out with marigolds, yellow and bronze autumn leaves, and yellow crepe paper. Pastor and Mrs. Wing sat near the rostrum and received greetings and best wishes from friendly folk who attended. They were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lombard of Syracuse and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wing of Berlin.

The congregations of the other churches in town were invited as well as members of the Home Bureau, so the entire village was well represented at the service. Mr. Burdick gave a genuine congratulatory spirit. Telegrams of congratulations were received from Boulder, Colo., and the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif. Quite a number attended from Schenectady where Mr. Wing holds services each Sabbath afternoon.

Dr. L. T. Reid, pastor of the Baptist Church, gave an interesting address and paid a fine tribute to our pastor and wife. Jesse Vars also spoke earnestly and sincerely of the splendid character and sterling qualities of Mr. and Mrs. Wing, their inculcable service to our church and the community, and expressed the wish that Mr. Wing would be willing to stay with us until the end of his ministry. In behalf of the church Mr. Vars presented our pastor and wife with a purse as a token of the respect and love which has existed between our close associations as pastor and people during the past ten years. Mr. Wing also received a substantial sum of money from the Schenectady friends who are very enthusiastic in their appreciation of the pastor. Several appropriate musical numbers were used, among them "A Perfect Day," which Mr. Vars sang, also "In the Garden," and "When You and I Were Young, Maggie," used as duets by Mr. Vars and Isabelle Millard.

VERONA, N. Y.

In harmony with the recommendation of the National Council of Religion and Welfare Reform, a "Hook-up," as it was called, was observed as Loyalty Day. The slogan was, "Every member present or accounted for." Although a rainstorm prevailed, there was a large attendance at the church service. Several from Syracuse were present.

The subject of Pastor Davis' sermon was, "What Jesus Thought of the Church." Junior sermon, "A Boy's Church Membership." Interesting letters were read from the four absent members who are attending Salem College. After a short session of the church school the congregation repaired to the water to witness the baptism of five of the juniors.

September 4, Rev. E. E. Sutton, on salary 80.00
Check tax ............................................. 2.00

Total .................................................. $827.52
Balance on hand September 16, 1934 ........................................... $92.96

A training class for church membership, which is primarily for the children, is under the direction of Pastor Davis. The Young People's Council of Religious Education met in our church every Wednesday evening.

A supper sponsored by the Worth While and Doers classes of the church school netted over $80. The ladies' society has had a sale of aprons and fancy articles from which it received about $40.

ASHAWAY, R. I.

We were pleased to have the opportunity to hear Doctor Comrady while he was in New England and to have him in our church on Sunday evening when he spoke to the young people of the Seventh Day Baptist New England churches.

On Sabbath, October 6, in keeping with Loyalty Sabbath, our pastor, Rev. Everett T. Harris, invited the several organizations of the community to attend service and sit in a body; those represented were the W.C.T.U., Y.P.B., Jr. O.U.A.M., Grange, and Boy Scouts.

On Friday evening, October 19, Morton R. Swain of the Waterford Church spoke before the members of the Christian Endeavor society at their regular meeting and also attended the meeting of the senior society where the subject, "Let's Be Old-fashioned." At both groups he had a fine attendance.

On Sabbath, October 20, this church omitted its services, that those who could might take the pilgrimage to the old Newton church and worship with the other New England Seventh Day Baptist churches. Several from here attended and report a fine service.

On October 11, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Burdick, members of our church for a number of years, received their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Wing were surprised during the evening when about thirty of their friends and neighbors, having learned of the event, dropped in to offer congratulations. Refreshments were served and Pastor Harris, in behalf of the group, presented Mr. and Mrs. Burdick with a gift of money.

Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania has been notified by Julian T. McCall, Ashaway, secretary of the Atlantic Tuna Club, that he has won first prize in the 1934 contest sponsored by the organization.

The prize, a handsome ship's clock.
Vernon Foster of Westerly, 238 ~wo thread line Tuna Club meet at the Biltmore Hotel time side. Julian T. Crandall of Ashaway Bartlesville, month, the graves of Walter Burdick "attended the dedication ceremony thirteenth Century in the Wequetequock Ceme .. seventeenth Century in the Wequetequock Ceme ..

These consecrated young ladies conducted a fighting Sabbath school. October 13, for Dr. Henry Preaching the pastor and ... six thousand watts. This lighting has been made possible by the business men of Milton and Milton Junction. Bleachers, seating five hundred people, are a new feature. They have been rented from Edgerton. Parties on a week are provided for students who do not care to dance, and are prov .. successful. Pastor Crofoot entertained one such party last week. — Adapted from Milton College Review:

PARINA, I1L.

Following Conference the pastor spoke two Sabbaths on the denominational program and the spread of the boards. September 13, we drove to Lake Parina and administered bap .. to four candidates: Mrs. Hazel Hill, Margaret Purrow, Stanley and Vane Cran ..

The Los Angeles Church found that Rev. James Hurley would not be able to preach here this winter. We felt the need of a regular minister, so have arranged with Mr. Read for a supply. Mr. Read is a graduate student of the Bible Institute, who is holding evangelistic

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services at Compton, to act as supply until we can make some more permanent arrangement.

The association met here the thirteenth of October. Because of much illness among the members the attendance was rather small, but we had excellent meetings. The young people's meeting in the afternoon was especially fine in spirit.

Mr. Jeffrey is able to be out now, and we hope the others who have been ill will be with us again soon.

FRANCES DAVIS, Correspondent.

FALL MEETING CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

The Central Association met Sabbath morning, October twenty-sixth, at ten-thirty, with the church at Westerly, N. Y., Rev. W. D. Babcock, carrying out the suggestion made at the spring meeting of the association, to meet again in the fall.

The theme of the meetings was centered about the "Spiritual Recovery" program which is being advocated by the Committee on Religious Life. The morning worship was under the direction of Rev. A. C. Davis of Verona, Rev. H. L. Polan of Brookfield, and Rev. E. L. Babcock of Westerly. The afternoon meeting was especially stimulating and inspiring.

The association then went about the "Vital Elements in Christian Living" and the "Religion of the Absent" under the direction of Rev. W. R. Babcock.

The second group, met in the basement under the direction of the Association at the Stewards' meeting where the living of the members were among the vital elements in Christian living that seem to have been left behind.

At two o'clock a program consisting of three addresses began. They were: "Religion in the Home," by Mrs. Zilla Vicorow; "Our Physical and Mental Powers," by Mrs. Jennie Scammon; and "The Stewardship of Life," by Rev. P. S. Burdick. Each address touched upon some vital elements in living toward the theme of the day. Four special numbers of music were interspersed in the program, most of which represented the visiting churches. Mrs. Eva Bates of Adams Center, president of the association, presided.

Shortly after three o'clock two discussion groups were made up. The first was on the concern of work in our Bible schools, and was conducted by Rev. T. J. Van Horn and Mr. Stuart Smith. The second group, met in the basement under the leadership of Pastor O. W. Babcock. They discussed, "The Place of Young People in the Church and Society."

At noon a basket lunch was served, which afforded an opportunity for fellowship of the various members in attendance. An expression of almost unanimous approval was given in the afternoon for a continuation of the fall meeting next year. Throughout the day there was a spirit of co-operation and spiritual unity which always helps to make such a meeting highly stimulating and inspiring.

G. W. W. BABCOCK.