THE SABBATH RECORDER

Harvard University, the oldest college in America and dating back three hundred years, was established "to advance learning and perpetuate it to posterity; dreading to leave an illiterate ministry to the churches when our present ministry shall be in the grave."

The traditions passed on from generation to generation, from century to century, have been both a help and a hindrance. Hebrew, Greek, and Latin have their place, but we have come to an appreciation of the fact that there is just as much need for a trained laity as a trained clergy. Social, economic, and even religious changes call for a wide expansion of the opportunities that should be offered in the church related colleges. Undoubtedly the increased cost of the vocational type of training over the academic has been one of the factors in changing so many church related schools and colleges into public institutions, where the cost is borne by taxation rather than donation, and educational opportunities are more widely extended. The classical college of yore prepared for a very limited number of professions. Our colleges to-day should prepare for over 2,300 distinct occupations and professions.

Back of every church related college must stand a loyal and devoted constituency ready to provide not only the necessary financial support but also an enthusiastic and ambitious student body. The good Book says, "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." It is that for which we give and sacrifice that we care. Alumni and supporters are the influence that make or break an institution.

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MARRIAGES
CRANDALL-DELAND.—Miss Mary Deland of Potter, Kan., and Roy Crandall of Milton, Wis., were united in marriage Sabbath afternoon, July 10, 1937, at the Seventh Day Baptist church at Nortonville, Kan., by Pastor Lester G. Osborn.

RAMSTEAD-BECKER.—On July 3, 1937, Mr. Martin S. Ramstead of Los Angeles and Miss Tena Becker of Dinuba were united in marriage by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley at the Seventh Day Baptist church in Riverside, Calif.

OBITUARY
JEFFREY.—Mary Ring was born at Wiby, Soken, Sweden, March 31, 1865, and passed away at her home in Los Angeles, Calif., May 8, 1937, a few hours after suffering a paralytic stroke.

The Ring family came to the United States in 1869, when Mary was four years of age, and settled at Big Springs, S. D., where she grew up. She was educated by private tuition and early training.

In 1909, she was married to Jas. R. Jeffrey, of Nortonville, Kan. At the time of her marriage she united with the Nortonville Seventh Day Baptist Church, later transferred her membership to the church of this faith in Los Angeles.

She is survived by one sister, by two brothers, a step-daughter, a step-son, and a step-granddaughter.

L. G. O.


He was the second son of Perry B. and Rebecca Lippincott, who with one brother, four sisters, his wife, and three daughters, and many other relatives survive him.

On June 29, 1918, he married Celeste May Hyde. He was baptized with his wife and three daughters, May 6, 1933, and united with the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Edward M. Holston, July 21, 1937.

ROGERS.—Alice Miller, daughter of Edward and Janette Miller, was born in Brookfield, N. Y., May 3, 1848, and died in Los Angeles, July 22, 1937.

For many years she cared for an invalid mother, giving up the care of nursing in order to do so. On August 11, 1913, she was married to Dr. Albert C. Rogers and came to live in Los Angeles. In early girlhood she united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Utica, Wis.

She is survived by a brother, Adolph Miller of Brookfield, N. Y., two nephews, and one grand-nephew.

Funeral services were conducted July 24, at Los Angeles, by Rev. Loyal F. Hurley and Rev. E. S. Ballenger. Interment was in Brookfield, N. Y.

L. F. H.

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END OF THE YEAR

What Are We Trying To Produce?

The ends of the different systems of thought and faith may be summed up as follows:

Greece said—Be moderate; know thyself.

Rome said—Be strong; order thyself.

Confucianism says—Be superior; correct thyself.

Buddhism says—Be disillusioned; annihilate thyself.

Hinduism says—Be separated; merge thyself.

Mohammedanism says—Be submissive; bow thyself.

Modern Materialism says—Be broad; cultivate thyself.

Christianity says—Be Christlike; give thyself.

Christianity seeks to produce Christlike characters. Can any goal be greater, nobler, more beautiful?

E. Stanley Jones, in The Messenger.
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Expecting Good

Why is it that evil is so interesting and so much heralded, while the good, so condemned and longed for, is so uninteresting and so little exploited? But that is the way it is. Picking up the morning paper and noting it in the stories of crime, racketeering, strikes of clerks against potatoes. All likeendid lead one to believe there was nothing but wickedness and unrest throughout the whole country. It is true, but not long since, "A confident assurance that people will live up to the best that is in them, that they will be just as true and reliable as the law demands, that there will be no more "unrealistic" than to expect the opposite reactions." That this is so should give hope and courage to press on in our own unneutral world. Freedom is not a cure-all.

The Master encouraged this and realized the value of the truth behind it when he said, "He that is faithful in that which is least, will be faithful also in much."

The Oxford

On July 12, last, the Conference Message representatives of the churches from all over the world met in a premeditated and well planned conference. It was a foreboding of the church as the body of Christ, and the body of Christ as the church. It is the unity of the fellowship which is not a unit of God. "The unity of fellowship was not built upon its constituent parts, like a federation of different states. It consists in the sovereignty and redeeming acts of its head Lord. The source of unity is not the consenting movement of men's wills; it is Jesus Christ, whose one faithful call is the Body and subdues the many wills to his."

The pronouncements on Race and Nation are clear. "The Church deems itself interested in the separations of these movements, and their godliness. The Church has not been partial to any one of them, but has stood shoulder to shoulder against them all. The church is to be non-racial in its fellowship to enrich and diversify human life. There is no legitimate principle of nation, race, or class, or of political or cultural ideals, is idolatry and can lead only to increasing divisions and disaster."

There is nothing spectacular in the report and nothing of the detail. We regret that we cannot print the whole of the message. While the Council realized the gravity of the world situation of insupportable and apparently insoluble problems, make a reliable part of the task, not with defeatism, or with bewildement but with faith in Christians to whom is committed "the word of reconciliation," assured that "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself." The call of the Council to the Church as the first duty of the Church and its supreme service to the world is "the task of love, the task of forgiveness of the true faith, committed to the fulfillment of the will of Christ, its only Lord, and united in him in a fellowship of love and service, a call to the world, a call to the world to be like ourselves, the message goes on to say, "the people of the thinking individuals and as corporate bodies, can the Church call men to repentance. The call to ourselves and to the world is to Christ."

Doubtless there will be those who will say the Council is vague and lacks in any definiteness in its pronouncements. Fuller reports must be expected, and the judgment is rendered, and it also must be remembered that there is an immensity of difficulties involved in this matter, and races, and beliefs represented in the meeting."

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We do not want to choose between entry upon war and the gospel. Condemnation of war does not go far enough. Everything possible must be done to promote justice on behalf of the less fortunate, justice and peaceful co-operation. The state in its present sphere has accepted the task of interpreting the world, and must do it so that by that token it must realize that its authority rests in the supreme fiat of God, and its ministry is to uphold law and order for the welfare of the whole people. The state stands under God's judgment; it is his servant. The Christian can acknowledge no ultimate loyalty to the state is part of his loyalty to God and must never usurp the place of that primary and absolute loyalty. Loyalty to the state is therefore not a question of what the first part of the sentence means, but the path of freedom and peace and justice. We are concerned here with the Church's place in the world and the Church's voice in the world. This tiny area is part of the world's history.

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To this fellowship the whole laborable order must be made subservient. The questions which have mainly engaged the attention of the conference are questions which can be effectively dealt with, in practice, only by the laity. Those who would keep that in mind the daily conduct of industry, administration, and public life, must discover for themselves what is the right decision in an endless variety of concrete situations. For the help they need in making responsible Christian decisions, new types of ministry will have to be developed by the Church. (More next week)

PLEASE WRITE

Of course you're coming to Conference! There are many reasons to support that statement which the Publicity Committee has already given you, and we need and want is information: Your name, address, and reason for coming? How are you coming? Arriving when? Camping? Name of your church?

Yes, we know it is customary to give these facts to your pastor for placement on a list he has. Do so—by all means. However, these lists often are not completed or received, and a few are. Mrs. Thurman Davis, Shiloh, N. J., a letter or card giving correct and up-to-the-minute news of your plans. Besides, we enjoy the thrill of getting "fan mail!" And twice isn't too often to hear of your coming.

Entertaining you will be a great pleasure. We only hope you enjoy Conference at Shiloh while you are here and retain a pleasant memory of South Jersey hospitality.

We are asking all unmarried young people to do us the favor of bringing with them one sheet and pillowcase. COMMITTEE.

THE LAST CALL TO CONFERENCE

Conference time is very near! In just a little more than a week from now, Seventh Day Baptists from all parts of the United States and other parts of the world will gather together at Shiloh for the fellowship and inspiration that a General Conference gives. The meetings will broaden you spiritually, increase your circle of friends, and renew old acquaintances. They will keep you connected more closely with the other Seventh Day Baptists of the world, and will make you more familiar with the Seventh Day Baptist denomination as a whole. Can you afford to miss these opportunities?

The Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church has been organized for two hundred years. It is because of this two hundredth anniversary that the Conference was invited to come to Shiloh. All are agreed that the implementation of the daily conduct of industry, administration, and public life, must discover for themselves what is the right decision in an endless variety of concrete situations. For the help they need in making responsible Christian decisions, new types of ministry will have to be developed by the Church.

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If you are driving your automobile from Philadelphia to Bridgeton, take Route 45 to Mullica Hill and Route 46 from Mullica Hill on down toward Bridgeton. Be on the lookout for a sign at the traffic circle at Pitts­grove, about fifteen miles before you reach Bridgeton, which sends the following:

The American Baptist Home Missionary Society asks you to remember it is your duty by the Shiloh Church. An improved road, but not a state highway, is a direct road from Pitts­grove, through Daretown, AIdine, and Co­linus, to Shiloh. When you reach Shiloh, you will find the Conference headquarters at the schoolhouse, a large brick building on South Main Street, which is Route 49.

In case you have forgotten, Mrs. Thurman Davis, Shiloh, N. J., is the one to whom you send your name. She has already done so, send in your name today and arrangements will be made for you. If you would like to camp outdoors, an arrangement will be secured for you to put up your tent.

The people of Shiloh are working energetically, with the help of Marlboro people, on plans to make the Conference of 1937 a success. The final success depends on your being here. For the last time we tell you, "Come to Shiloh and make this the best and biggest Conference ever held."

ETHEL M. DAVIS.

NOTE—As a matter of precaution perhaps folks should know there are several whooping-cough cases in Shiloh and Marlboro.

H. C. V. H.
Conference President.

MISSIONS

NEEDED — WISDOM IN MISSION AND CHURCH WORK

Many a good cause has been ruined by the means used in promoting it. This has often been the case with various missions, church work, and all Christian activities. The same statement may be made regarding the home. Let us read in an unabridged dictionary that wisdom consists in using the means best in accomplishing the end your name. This definition has been a great help. It is analytical and all inclusive. According to it, wisdom has to do with the objects sought and the methods of securing them. If right, both as to the things to be achieved and the means of achieving them.

There is nothing higher and holier than the ends sought in Christian missions and the work of the Church, yet as clearly stated, the best things in these spheres are often injured, and sometimes wrecked, by the means used in promoting the work. There is often self-seeking and disregard of the personality, rights, privileges, and prerogatives of others enter into the means used for promoting the work.

Even when people rise above these unholy inclinations, it is difficult many times to know what is the best course to follow. This should be a matter of constant study with missionaries, pastors, and all Christian workers. Every proposed plan should be carefully studied; if any man lack wisdom, he is helpless. He can only act, and the harm is constantly coming because workers go ahead without due thought and consideration.

As each Conference, at the request of the General Conference, surveys the work on every mission field, and in the workings of every board. Paul tells the Colossians to walk in wisdom towards them that are without, in the beginning of his letter he tells them that he had not ceased to pray that they might have wisdom. Christ commands us to be as wise as serpents and as harmless as doves.

While being very thoughtful and viewing a situation from every standpoint are required, they are not enough. This is not a matter of human wisdom, but if we seek help from above, we are bound to fail in many things.

This help is assured. In the epistle of James we read: "If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not, and it shall be given him." They promise me some more help. If we consider all to God and diligently use the faculties he has given us, he will help us choose the best ends and use the best means to attain them. The worst of it is we will have no occasion for regret. "But wisdom is justified of her children."

GRACE HOSPITAL, LIUO, CHINA

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BY GRACE I. CRANDALL, M.D.

(Taken from the annual report)

The work of the hospital does not greatly differ from year to year in that it is constantly increasing. We feel that each year we are making some small improvements in our service, but we still have many hopes and plans as yet have been unattainable.

This year we again find that our records show a substantial increase in the number of
our in-patients, almost one hundred more than last year. This has partly been due to the fact that our numbers kept up during the winter months better than ever before, and partly due to an increase in turn over. Since there have come to be so many more hospitals for tuber-
çulous in the past few years than there used to be, there are many who make the rounds of the hospitals and do not stay long enough for us to get a share. However, our beds have been unusually well filled the year around.

After making the last report we started a children's ward and it has been used ever since. The diet kitchen which was started last year has done a heavy business all through the year. This was due in part to the necessity of increasing our prices at one time. We have felt it expedient to reduce our price for the nurses' classroom and the other two for sleeping rooms. We use all available space for patients, so have been cramped for dormi-
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walking in his sleep. He is a spiritual somnambulist, walking dangerously near the precipice that threatens his everlasting ruin. He needs to be stirred and awakened. Let us heed the words of Paul, "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and Christ shall give thee light." Ephesians 5:14. There is no excuse for any Seventh Day Baptist to walk in darkness. Christ will give light to all who are awake. Let us wake the sleeping members.

WOMAN’S WORK

MEETING OF WOMAN’S BOARD

The Woman’s Board met Sunday, August 8, 1937, at the home of Mrs. G. H. Trainer. The president, Mrs. Trainer, presented, and the following members were present: Mrs. Frank Bonham, Miss Loota Bond, Mrs. Okey Davis, Miss Siedhoff, Mrs. Edward Davis, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. G. H. Trainer, Mrs. Oris O. Stutler.

Mrs. Loofboro read Luke 21:33-36 and Meditation from "The Christian Herald." Prayers were offered by the board members.

The minutes of the July meeting were read. The treasurer’s report was read and accepted.

The committee to plan the Woman’s Hour of Conference reported progress. Voted that Miss Marguerite Carpenter of Ashville, N. Y., be asked to attend and to report on conference to the women attending, that Miss Carpenter be furnished transportation to be held at Chautauqua, N. Y., August 15 to 23. Voted $3.50 paid Miss Carpenter for entrance fee to this institute; voted, also, that she be sent to the board a statement of any other expenses attendant upon her attendance of the institute.

Correspondence was read from Mrs. Elizabeth Bonham, Shilo, N. J., and Mrs. Frank Hubbard, Plainfield, N. J.

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Voted that these two reports be the annual report of the Woman’s Board to the General Conference.

Voted that the recording secretary have this annual report printed.

The committee to consider the essay contest made the following report which was accepted:

The Essay Contest Committee would report six essays submitted from three associations for their consideration. Interesting papers and show much thought and study. The committee recommend that prize of $5 be sent to each of the following societies: Foske, Arks, writer, Miss Laura Lutz Randolph; New York City auxiliary, writer, Mrs. Mary Saunders Watervich; Verona society, writer, Miss Jane Woodcock. Voted $5 be sent each winning society. Voted $25 be allowed Mrs. Loofboro for Conference expenses. These minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned to meet the second Sunday in September.

MRS. E. F. LOOFBORO, President.

MRS. ORIS O. STUTLER, Secretary.

RADIO BROADCAST

SUNDAY AUGUST 22, 1937

10.00 A. M. Eastern Daylight Time

Station WEAF and forty-five stations on the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company.

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America announces that the regular religious radio service as above will be conducted by its secretary, Leslie Bates Moss.

His subject will be: "INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIANITY" All who are interested in the building of the world Christian community are invited to give publicity to this service. Released July 29, 1937, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

THE TASK OF THE CHURCH RELATED COLLEGE

BY BEN R. CRANDALL

(Continued)

David Starr Jordan, the great first president of Stanford University, said, "When I began selecting instructors, the first question was in regard to their training and degrees. I have come to realize that the first inquiry should be regarding character and Christian ideals. If these are right, I need not worry about the preparation and scholarship.

Add to these requirements, on the part of President Jordan, the real missionary spirit and you have the ideal faculty member for our church related college.

I look back at my own college student days at Alfred and the University of Denver it seems to me nearly all of my professors were men and women very few of them, however, that stand out: Professor Tomlinson, Dean A. B. Kenyon, Professor Wm. Whitford, and Professor O. Stutler. All of these were offered more remunerative positions. They exemplified the true missionary spirit by staying by Alfred through her darkest days. Many of us have good reason to be devoutly thankful for their services, both in and out of the class room. All of us have these or some other great ideals among our teachers to whom we owe much.

How about some of the opportunities this church related college can offer its students? Smile if you like, but I think, from experience, the most valuable is that it shall be a "match factory" or in more pedagogical terms a co-educational. Few factors can make for happy and successful homes more than a common background in standards, beliefs, and ideals. The four years of college life are strategic in the development and crystallization of all these.

This is another contact in our triumvirate. There has never been a greater need than now for homes founded on the best that tradition and education can offer. It is most discouraging for both parent and student when, after four years of sacrifice and hard work a young man or woman has had the four years' experience, the most valuable opportunity to find himself with no faculties, no position to which he can appeal. In the college that prepares its students but does not aid them to secure a position has performed but part of its duty. Their task is not completed. In this fulfillment of obligation the friends and alumni again have an opportunity and responsibility.

The office of a church related college could well be the place of an attractive building for employer and employee.

If the product of the denominational college is to meet the keen competition of today it must be fitted to deal with these adjustments and alert young people as any other collegiate institution. There must be no letting down of educational ideal. Skill and technique are essential requirements.

Undoubtedly the greatest opportunity for service on the part of the church related college comes through the presentation of religious ideals and training. This influence may be brought through regular class work, Bible systems, and experience. The college experience leads me to believe that the greatest and most permanent good comes through good teaching and ideals, who live as well as profess their inspiring religious ideas. Another effective plan is for such a religious leader to offer to those interested small groups in Bible study and discussion.

A great university president, Robert G. Sproul of the University of Pennsylvania, has expressed more than what I wish to convey. "I believe," he says, "that religion is basic to morals, central in our cultural life, unique as a dynamite within the individual, able to express ourselves and lead us out into nobility. I believe that without religion we are forced to substitute weak and shabby substitutes for our old and abiding standards; that without religion, civilization with no adequate reinforcement for our present culture, cannot lead us to a life of security and yield inevitably to disintegration and decay. Believing these things I believe also that a university must make no effort to stimulate in its sons and daughters any inner drive to the issues of life is likely to be a danger rather than a benefit to society. Certainly it cannot depend on the teaching of religion. It must rely on wholesome influences to mold the character and prepare them to face the varied and ever changing conditions of life."

With this in view, the church affiliated colleges have answered the call to rise. They have stood and are standing out for the cause that is everlastign and true. They have answered the call to go forth upon the barren earth and bring the new life of Gospel to the world. The stern work of the past has not been in vain. We can with pride look back not only upon our efforts and our achievements but upon the achievements of our sons. In the church related colleges we have seen the great work of the spirit of service above material gain. Illustrating this are...
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the University of Southern California, College of the Pacific, Whittier, and Redlands in California. Our own Seventh Day Baptist colleges are growing.

It is also desirable that these church related colleges shall not become too large. The close relation of professor and student is vital. We are including here who are mere scholars, farm home, and the rural church, but a glance into the great leadership of our nation shows these in combination have rendered in estimable service.

Cameron Beck, personnel director of the New York Stock Exchange, through whose office thousands of young men and women pass annually desiring almost every conceivable type of appointment, gives this significant instance to show the value of the training gained in "small community and a small college." One of New York City's oldest and largest corporations needed a new manager to replace the elderly retiring executive. They asked Beck to select the man. There was no limit to the salary. He selected the assistant cashier of a bank from a small town in Arkansas for the responsible position. He remarked, "Our leadership for the future will not come from the large cities, but from the small towns." The young man was a success from the start.

The greatest need of our nation today is genuine leadership—leadership based on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ; in other words, leadership with a real religious background.

The leaders we most need are those reared in Christian homes and in the church and developed in the church related college where they are given skill, initiative, courage, and vision to apply the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule in both private life and public service.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Much good news has come to us of the work that the International Society of Christian Endeavor is doing all over the world. It is also heartening to know that C. E. societies among Seventh Day Baptists are active at this time, or is it just that with the advent of the Beacon we have for the first time been able regularly to get word of the activities of each society?

The thirty-sixth convention of the International Society of Christian Endeavor was held in Grand Rapids, Mich. Rev. Harley H. Sutton, president of the Grand Rapids Baptist representative to the National C. E. Convention, opened this convention. He reports that many of our young people were there and that the whole core of the young who are active.

An address delivered by Dr. Daniel Poling, president, called "Christ for the Crisis," will appear in following issues. We hope you enjoy it. L. W. C.

CONVENTION ECHO

BY REV. HARLEY H. SUTTON

The thirty-sixth convention of the International Society of Christian Endeavor was held in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Who can express in words the thrill which comes to one who attends a great Christian convention? Probably about fifteen thousand delegates and friends packed the Civic Auditorium Thursday night, July 8, for the opening session of the convention. A message from President Roosevelt was read to the group, which was an expression of well wishes for the operations of the conventions. "Mother Clark," who with her husband founded Christian Endeavor, spoke a few words of greeting to the gathering. She is now eighty-six years old, but her interest in C. E. is as great as ever. Homer Rodenheaver was there to lead in the song service. A choir from Boston churches presented a splendid anthem. Rear Admiral Byrd was awarded a citation for distinctive service by the International Society and a handsome watch and clock was given by Admiral Byrd. This portion of the program was broadcast over N.B.C. The chief emphasis made by Mr. Byrd was that all of our peace efforts should be peaceful. If we could see behind the scenes at Washington, it would be easier to see how delicate are some of the problems that need to be cared for by the State Department. He is anxious that we face the facts in the matters of international problems and that our national representatives be recognized by all nations if there is to be peace. Nations must be organized in a more perfect international organization. He stressed in his address the fact that public spirit of Christ is at the heart of all real peace efforts.

Friday afternoon of the convention was given over to denominational meetings. The following Seventh Day Baptist young people met for an informal program: Wilna Granville, Janice Crandall, Anabeth Lewis, Madge Lewis, Polly Bohm, and Dorothy Clarke of Battle Creek; also Pastor E. M. Holston and Mrs. Ruby C. Babcock from Battle Creek; Ona Lee Shelton of Seventh Day Baptist but president of the society at Little Genesee and Pastor Harley Sutton of Little Genesee. These two meetings of young people's Board were discussed by Pastor Sutton. Plans for the young people's program at Conference were discussed, also the activities of the societies represented were reported. Harley Sutton was sent to the convention by the Young People's Board, as he was elected trustee of the International Society of C. E. for our denomination.

The following from Battle Creek besides the above were present for or more sessions of the convention: Mrs. E. M. Holston, E. H. Clarke, Mrs. E. H. Clarke, Dr. W. B. Lewis, Mrs. W. B. Lewis, Mrs. Nettie Graham, Gordon Granville, Milton Maxson and George Bottoms.

Reports of the convention will appear in later issues of THE RECORDER, and will be presented as a part of the young people's program at Conference.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

We moved to Trumanburg last month, where Daddy is going to teach next year. We went on our vacation to Vaca, Arizona, and while we were there we visited the National Seventh Day Baptist Church. We are going to move there next year. Before we were leaving we asked if we could meet our kitty, Skeezics, too. The other day a little boy named Jimmie came here with his mother to call, and as they were leaving I asked if I could have our kitty, and he answered, "Sure, I did! He scratched me! I wonder if Jimmie pulled Skeezics' tail. That would be too much to make any self-respecting cat scratch; don't you think so?"

Your loving friend,

MIZPAH S. GREENE.

DEAR MRS. GREENE:

Our Sabbath school class, the "Primary Bookshelf," has decided to write a letter to you. None of us has ever written to you before, but we would like to join your "RECORDER CHILDREN." We are having our class in the parsonage this summer with Mrs. Van Horn.

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The last night of Bible school we had a party with ice cream and cake. We had a program upstairs at the Methodist church. The six and seven year old children went up by the piano and sang the songs we had learned. We saw movies taken at the little children's school, and "Brother" were in it. Some of the bigger children gave a little play. Then we went downstairs and played games. We were sorry to have Bible school over.

Georgia and I are going to school this fall. Brother is only three years old so he can't. We will ride on a school bus.

Lovingly,

HELEN RUTH GREEN.

Trumanburg, N. Y.

July 30, 1937.

(Ddicted)

DEAR HELEN RUTH:

I was very happy to receive your letter and enjoyed hearing about your Vacation Bible School. It seems like one of the best Bible schools of which I have heard, especially the little tot's department. In our Independence Bible school we only had children of school age.

Are you glad that you are going to school this fall? I hope when you have been in school awhile you will tell me about some of the interesting times you have there.

I hope you are liking your new home and that some day I'll be able to visit you there.

You must coax your mother and daddy to bring you and Georgia and Paul to Andrews College in the fall. I would like to meet our kitty, Skeezics, too. The other day a little boy named Jimmie came here with his mother to call, and as they were leaving I asked if I could have our kitty, and he answered, "Sure, I did! He scratched me! I wonder if Jimmie pulled Skeezics' tail. That would be too much to make any self-respecting cat scratch; don't you think so?"

Your loving friend,

RUSSELL H. GREENE.
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Esther has a pet cat called "Calico." Alice has a pet cat too, called "Blue." Geraldine has a pet peepie (baby chick) called just "Peep." Now and then those funny names amuse us.

We have all been to Bible school the last two weeks at our church, and had a very good time. We each made a notebook, a pencil, and a verse. Our teacher was Mrs. Replogle. Sunday night we are going to have a program in the church so that all our parents can see what we have been doing in Bible school.

We would like to have you visit us sometime, so we can get acquainted with you. Mrs. Van Horn showed us a picture of you, so we have some idea how you look.

Your new friends,

Geraldine, Alice, Esther, and Edward

Alice Barnes

Salemville, Pa.,
July 31, 1937.

DEAR GERALDINE, ESTHER, AND ALICE:

We are very happy to welcome you all as "RECORDER CHILDREN," and hope it is only one of many letters you will write for "Our Page." I congratulate you, too, that you can have Mr. and Mrs. Marion Van Horn with you this summer. We are very fond of them out this way, too. Please thank Mrs. Van Horn for me because she has helped you to write this nice encouraging letter.

I like your pets' names. You see I can tell quite a bit about them just by their names. A little bird has been singing a big hit song this summer and is named Lulu. Two baby girls, less than two years old, had great fun playing with Lulu one day last week, but they called her "Bow Wow." Don't you think that is a more suitable name for her?

I am glad you, also, have been having a pleasant time at Van Horn Bible School. I wish I could have attended your program so that I could become better acquainted with you.

Lovingly yours,
MIZPEH S. GREENE.

NOTICE TO JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS

It is our good fortune to send Miss Ada Keith to take charge of the Junior meetings at Conference. She would like to have an exuberant and loyal program done by children of Junior age.

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If you are going to Conference, please show samples of children's work to exhibit, and let Miss Keith know you are there. You will not want to miss the opportunity for help and inspiration in Junior leadership.

Will you send exhibit material by some other means if you cannot attend Conference? Miss Keith will appreciate your cooperation.

(MRS.) PHEBE H. POLAN

ALFRED, N. Y.

OUR PULPIT

GOD'S HARMONIES

(Sermon by Rev. Edward M. Holstein, pastor Battle Creek, Mich., Seventh Day Baptist Church)

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 33.

Text: Proverbs 16: 22—"Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it.

Harmony is the beauty and strength of God's whole creation. Disharmony or discord runs counter and contrary, and makes for ugliness and weakness.

It is because it is springtime and God is turning some new pages in his second book, the book of nature, that we are able to associate with a little while this morning upon the harmonies of the natural and the harmonies of the spiritual.

First of all, man, God's highest order of creation, has been most completely and most wonderfully equipped with natural senses which respond to the harmonies of nature, and in this functioning these senses give us and me great satisfaction and pleasure. Our ears are so acutely developed like a siren to the sounds of the sea, so that we can sense all at once the combined harmonies of a great symphony orchestra, and at the same time, by concentration, can detect the tones of each individual instrument. It seems miraculous that so many sound waves of different lengths can be registered upon the auditory nerve at once, and that we can so sense them all, or only one, as we choose. And what seems the most miraculous is that Alexander Graham Bell, and others succeeded in perfecting an instrument that will receive all the waves at once, catch them, and put them into a hard rubber disc with a needle which, then, when it comes in contact with the needle, follow the scratch and reproduce that full symphony of sound in various tones and modulations.

The telephone receiver and the radio loud speaker make use of this same little invention. These things seem wonders of the ages, and as we listen we still stand in awe of them. But they are all little examples of the vast domain of God's harmonies. It seems, as it think of the songs of birds, the hum of insects, the insects in the branches, and the thousand other sounds of nature, that God himself is meant to be harmonious, and he wants man, the highest order of being, to fit into his place in the great symphony of God's harmonies.

I have called your attention only to the things that appeal to the sense of hearing in God's harmonies. The earth is just as vast a space that appeals to the eye. Sound comes to our ears in waves, the number of waves per second determines the pitch or tone we hear. Light also comes to us in waves, the number of waves per second that strike the eye determines the color of the object we see. The light of our sun is a magnificent light waves that strike the eye Determine the color of the object we see. The light of our sun is a magnificent symphony of all colors of the spectrum. When we break it up with the prism or the raindrop it spreads itself in detail before our eye in a most fascinating and harmonious blend of color, as we see them in the rainbow.

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There are a day when that great river needed no levees to hold the water within its banks, but that was before the natural reservoirs of the north were drained. It was before the time when the men of our spring feshet's staying with us all summer in our lakes and ponds and marshes, they get away only to the Mississippi delta and down our neighbors, and we pity them—and curse the powers that be because the highways are not better drained.

But man's wisdom in natural law and his understanding of the forces of nature have been born out of costly experience. The pioneers in navigation, in transportation, in aviation, the hill men, the primitive people with their lives, and we who remain wiser, have a better understanding, and are the ones who have reaped the benefit. It is ever thus—man's understanding of God's ways in nature comes slowly and at great sacrifice. We are still only a little ahead of Job, the man who challenged the ancient drama of Scripture. It is written in the thirty-eighth
chapter of the book named for him that God asked him some questions: And said, You have been told that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge? What is it amongst you, if someone doings as a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me concerning the discourses of the earth? Declare if thou hast understanding.

Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath marked line upon it? Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof? When the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth out of the womb? When he made a decree for the rain, and a law for the determination of the earth? There is a farseenest and at a certain age and temperature friendly bacteria are introducned, and their strength; they shall mock at a certain temperature. Speed and the careful, painstaking process continue till the delicious golden lump is on the table of the consumer. This is only an example of thousands of ways in which we are beginning to understand how to work in harmony with God in judging and setting bars and doors.

And Elihu shalt thou come but not further; and here shall thy proud waves be stayed.

Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the daughters to know his place; That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it? Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea; or hast thou searched in the depth of the sea? Canst thou search out the depths of the sea; or canst thou find out the ends of the rivers? Canst thou find out the house of the sun; or canst thou put its hand to the head of the Rakshasa? Knowest thou where it is written? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

Have we so long to learn the laws of God's spiritual world? Do we know the true law of love? Do we understand it as Paul set forth in the thirteenth chapter of first Corinthians? Paul says: "Love sufferethlong and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself; is not puffed up, doeth not itself unseemly; seeketh not its own; is not provoked; taketh no account of evil." Do you inquire the points on the law of love? Have you proved them in practice? If you have you have found out some of the important secrets of living in harmony with God and man. Paul shows us that anything can be a many-stringed instrument. I think it must be the harp of heaven—and how badly some of the strings are out of tune when we mortals down here try to play it.

Do we understand the true law of prayer? I think of His words: "Let your heart be the great heart of the Father. Musicians have to tune their instruments to the strings. The language is not pleasing to the audience, and it would be better if done in private. I like to tune my heart to God's heart in private, because sometimes it is very difficult to do it when the whole world is present in tune. A man of old who had learned the secret said, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall not walk, but shall walk and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." The language is beautiful but not so hard to understand. I think we are relieved when God is communing with him in language something like this: "Father, I have implicit faith that all will be well with me if I trust and love and obey thee. Grant me patience to wait thy blessing, and may my soul be satisfied as it abideth in thee."

If our souls are in tune with the Most High, I am sure that it is well with me. We must understand the law of prayer if we expect to share in the harmonies of heaven.

Long ago the Psalmist said: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! In like the precious oil upon the head that runneth down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that came down upon the skirt of his garments; like the dew of Hermon that cometh down upon the mountains of Zion, for there Jehovah com- manded the pleasant are those that live forevermore." There is a law of love toward God and there is a law of love toward man—brotherly love. "And it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," or for this occasion, let us say harmony, for it means the same thing. Perhaps the simile which the Psalmist uses is not so familiar to us. The oil used in anointing the high priest was highly perfumed and very pleasant among men. It was used in profusion, never sparingly. The people assembled at the ceremony experienced a very pleasant time upon their analysis. And the second simile, "Like the dew of Hermon that cometh down upon the mountains of Zion. In the dry season the hills around Jerusalem is parched and unpleasant, and the sun in midday is brassy and hot, but in the evening a coolness with an abundance of dew and coolness-capped Mt. Hermon in the north that brings pleasure and relief to the overheated and weary inhabitants below him."

Brotherly love and harmony among men is a type of heaven. It is the beginning of the kingdom of God. I am sure it is a state to which all people try to get there. What is the law of brotherly love? It begins in mutual understanding and charity. Love suffereth long and is kind. I believe that that actually is one tenth of the golden ill-will among men that they imagine there is. Quarrels, dissensions and wars have grown out of imagined grievances, misunderstanding, and misjudging of motives. Clear, dispasionate understanding is the first step toward harmony. "Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it." The kingdom of heaven which Jesus Christ came to establish in the hearts of men has its very beginning in harmony and understanding among men. "Law of love toward God is the most important law of love. "There is a law of love toward God and there is a law of love toward man—brotherly love. ..."
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Oh welcome, Carillon, to Alfred!
At last you may rest from your ride,
And live 'neath the pine tree so stately,
Up there on the campus hillside.
If you could but speak of your travels
In all these long years that you've lived,
What wonderful stories you'd tell us—
What splendid information give.

To those who would rather have music
Than all of the riches in life,
Your bells will bring wonderful comfort
And help us bear sorrow and strife.
Some time, when you rest on your tower,
And those who are gifted will play
Your bells o'er the valley at sunset—
The rest of us can only pray.

Oh, sweet bells, how much we shall love you,
Up there with the trees and the sky,
Where music so softly will linger
Until long after we shall die.
Words fail me when trying to tell you—
Memorials for people we love—
Our thanks to the friends who brought you,
And thanks to the Father above.

ASHAWAY, R. L.

On Friday evening the three weeks of Vacation Bible School came to a close with a fine program and exhibition of handwork by the pupils. The enrollment for the three weeks was eighty-two. Sixty-seven attended ten days out of the fifteen, and forty-four had perfect attendance. The total cost of the school was $42.15, an average of fifty-two cents a pupil.

The program consisted of the regular worship service, recitations, Bible drills, songs, and a playlet, all of which was well done and showed much hard work of pupils and teachers.

At the close of the program a summer Christmas tree was placed on the platform and the children brought gifts and placed under the tree to be given to boys and girls of the China mission.

The teachers who helped in this work were Rev. Everett T. Harris, supervisor and teacher in the junior group, assisted by Mrs. Harold Soderberg, Mrs. Robert Palmer, and Miss Jeanne Hirst; Mrs. Elliot Wells in the primary group; Mrs. Leslie Wright, Mrs. Bill Hoxsie, and Mrs. Andrew Addy in kindergarten group; Mrs. Clarence Crandall, pianist.

MILTON, WIS.
Robert Rogers and Louis Wang started last Friday to drive to Vancouver, B. C., where they will sail August 7, via Honolulu, for Shanghai, China, arriving there on August 24.

Louis is a brother of Stephen Wang, who returned home about a year ago. Both of the Wang boys have been graduated from Milton College and have attended the University of Wisconsin one year.

Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rogers, who was graduated from Milton College this year, expects to be in the employ of the J. P. Foster Co., one of the organizations controlled by the Wang interests. He and Louis have recently returned from New York, where they had spent a month in the office of the J. P. Foster representative in the United States.

The Wangs are exporters and importers, their chief business being the export to America of egg products and goat skins. They plan to have Rogers represent them in this country after learning the business in Shanghai.—Milton News.

SHILOH, N. J.

"Vocations" is to be the topic of the young people’s discussion groups at Conference, we are told by the president of the young people’s Board, Burton Crandall. Those interested in various vocations will meet in separate groups.

The leaders for these groups have not as yet been chosen, but we know that they will be capable ones.

Plans for other young people’s meetings are under way, and we, the young people of Shi-loh, are looking forward to the time when you, who are reading this, will be our guests.

President H. C. Van Horn urges that spiritual blessings be emphasized during Conference.

We want to get acquainted with the Beacon readers—and others, too, of course. We want to have a good time and do many things that aren’t on the program; but we realize that first things should come first, so we are glad that Doctor Van Horn aims to make the Conference meetings of special value to us as young people.

Doctor Van Horn, who is president of the Conference, is planning to have an evangelistic program throughout the meetings. Many Seventh Day Baptists are praying that these meetings will bring a great spiritual blessing to all. Let us, as young people, pray for the president, for the Conference, and that everyone may receive a spiritual blessing to make us stronger Seventh Day Baptists.—The C. E. Beacon.