Dear Lynn:
I would like to convey to your readers the fact that the Whitfords are improving. After five weeks, Mrs. Whitford is able to sit up half an hour or so twice a day. While I have been able to move about for some time, today is the first day I have been dressed. We are very much pleased with the remembrances we have received from the people at Brookfield.

Yours truly,
Edward E. Whitford.

Sunny South Hospital and Sanitarium,
New Smyrna Beach, Fla.,
February 27, 1938.
—Brookfield Courier.

SALEM, W. VA.

Chairman Jennings Randolph presided Tuesday afternoon at the meeting of the general committee for the Salem College semi-cen
tenial next June. The complete schedule of events was presented by the program committee, and other groups reported their progres
s in filling in the details of the activities.
A two hour historical pageant has been written, and castings will be made soon, re
ports chairman M. C. Linthicum, head of the college English department. It will be pre
sented twice during commencement week. For this program the old stone quarry on the Ehret farm will be transformed into an out
door theater seating two thousand persons.

Representative Randolph has made arrange
ments with Henry G. Alberg, national head of the WPA Federal Writer's Project, for
government assistance in the costs of the his
torical research and stenographical work on the manuscript for a one hundred fifty page Salem College history. Copies will be sold to visitors as souvenirs. Mr. Stender, administrator of these funds in West Virginia, was present at the meeting and spoke briefly.

—Salem Herald.

In regard to the great Book I have only to
say, it is the best book God has given man.
All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated in this Book.—Abraham Lin
coln.

A good many people are afraid of the word enthusiasm. Do you know what that word means? I know it as "in God." The person who is "in God" surely will be filled with enthusiasm.—D. L. Moody.

MARIAHES

Clarke-Densmore.—Miss L. Naomi Densmore of Owayo, Pa., and Decatur M. Clarke of Independence, N. V., son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Clarke, were united in marriage at Independence, March 6, 1938, Rev. Walter L. Greene officiating.

OBITUARY

Burack.—At her temporary home in Hollywood, Calif., February 19, 1938, Susan M. Burack, in the seventy-seventh year of her age. She was born in Alfred, N. Y., December 1861. Her father was William C. Burack and her mother, for whom she was named, was Susan Minerva Sherman.

She is survived by a niece, two nephews, and innumerable friends.

Her funeral was conducted by Rev. L. F. Hurley and Rev. Geo. B. Shaw, and was held in the little Church of the Flowers in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Calif., and her ashes were taken to Alfred for interment.

Her earthly life ended quickly and peacefully a few hours after a satisfying visit with friends of other years.

In the trying weeks just ended she had the constant loving care of a devoted companion, nurse, Miss Emily Chapin.—Contributed.

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GOD'S GIFT

Let us accept with reverent appreciation God's gift of the Sabbath, and make use of its privileges. Let us not presump
tuously choose for ourselves something else instead of his holy day. Our foreparents, firm in the conviction that men "ought to obey God rather than men," met peril, pain, prisons. even death itself; for they endured as "seeing him who is invisible."

"O God, to us may grace be given. To follow in their train."

—From the Sabbath and Sabbath Keeping Baptists.

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The Lord's Day

"The Lord's Day" the use of the designation, which is more or less common for many centuries. That many people have identified it with "Sunday" does not make it so. The assumption that "The Lord's day" is Revelation 1:10: "I was in the spirit on the Lord's day"—has never been established. The point will not be discussed here. The writer has in hand a leaflet bearing that heading in a paragraph, written by H. Henderson, 2827 Avenue B, Council Bluffs, Iowa, a Sabbath keeper. We pass it on:

Many people call Sunday the Lord's day, but that is not according to Scripture for the following reasons and facts:

First: But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God (Ex. 20:10), and we read that God never changes. Mal. 3:6; James 1:17: Num. 23:19.

Second: God blessed this seventh day and sanctified it. Gen. 2:3: God never did that to Sunday, just the very opposite. Deut. 17:2; 3:20; Ezek. 20:12.

Third: God rested on the seventh day (Gen. 2:3). Ezek. 20:12; Luke 4:16; 16:17: 2; 18; 4:11.

Fourth: Christ said it was made for man. Mark 2:27: "(Not for the Jewish only, but for us and there is no such law); Rom. 10:12: 2; 9:31, 28.

Fifth: If Christ is Lord of the Sabbath (Mark 2:28), the Sabbath surely must be the Lord's day.

Sixth: All the New Testament writers call the seventh day the Sabbath, and Sunday the first day of the week. Luke 20:1; John 1:1; Acts 20:7; 21:6; 1 Thess. 2:8; 1 Cor. 16:1, 2.

Seventh: That if there were a change at the time of Christ's resurrection these writers surely would have written it. That is what Paul said. Heb. 4: 8, 10. The New Testament was written many years after the resurrection of Christ.

Mrs. Stillman in it is not easy to keep up
The West

with the travel and activities of Ethel T. Stillman. Three days she was home from strenuous work in Florida—then on to Michigan and Wisconsin. In Florida, outside of Daytona Beach and Fort Pierce, points of call made were in Stuart, South B., Rushledge, Lake Worth, Delray, Sarasota, Clearwater, St. Petersburg, Tampa, Lakeland, Orlando, Miami, Bonita Springs, and Fort Myers.

Mrs. Stillman reports a young student in one of the schools pledged a tithe of one month's income for the building budget. This estimable young lady is helping pay her way through college by playing a church organ and directing the choir in a nearby city.

The great mind and fact of God were shown in Jesus—"he that hath seen me hath seen the Father." His mind is the mind of God. Christ speaks out of what he himself knows. He can from the beginning was with God and was God." The testimony of Christ was that none had ever seen God only the Father. The Lord, in his word he shall be the Son who said to him, "I and the Father are one;" that he hath seen me hath seen the Father; and "no man knoweth the Father save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him." Men may be led to some knowledge of God through study of the stars or by observations of the heavens. But the most intimate knowledge comes through revelation. That revelation is found in the Bible, pre-eminently in the records of the life and teaching of Jesus. Christ left it for his followers to carry on, until he took his place at the right hand of God. If his followers are obedient and loyal, they will show Christ forth to the world. In all that way can the world show him and the Father, God, by whom he was sent. Followers of Jesus will reveal him to others by the quality of their loyalty, obedience, and love. Do you see Jesus in you and me? Remember he said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."
cently to hear the wife of Albert Schweitzer tell of the work in Equatorial Africa. He was in a committed nation, usually with a twenty or twenty-cent contribution—but the human interest was so deep and keen that he dug out a dollar—and most cheerfully. You get what he means.

In keeping with this idea, some of the boards for several years through their secretaries have had to the pastors of other church leaders mimeographed material of up-to-date news and interest to be used in sermon and story to arouse interest in the work.

We trust the boards are following this up again this year. Our first quarter is half over—when this was written—a quarter given to Missionary Board interests. The air is full of human interest stuff that should quicken every heart to do and suffer if need be.

The second quarter will be devoted to Tract Society interests. Material is appearing weekly in the Recorder that should help, and the corresponding secretary has recently prepared and mailed a list of the names of the leaders of pastor churches. So much for "Recommendation." See 1937 Conference Year Book, page 50. Have you read it?

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST BUILDING
BUDGET BEGINS TO GROW

Reports from Mrs. Stillman in the West have not yet had time to come in. Fine interest was shown at New Market in the coming Baptist Building matter by Afa F. Randolph.

CASH AND PLEDGES

Amount reported last week $306.25
Amount reported this week 103.30
Total $409.55

SATURDAY-SUNDAY NOT BIBLICAL

To the Editor of the Post-Standard:

In Sunday's Morning's Mail section of the Post-Standard, Veriter asks: "Why do people persist in confusing the Hebrew Sabbath with the Christian Sunday?" He rightly says, "The Sabbath is the seventh day of the week, Saturday, while Sunday is the first day of the week." But certainly in his discussion Veriter adds nothing to clarify the question.

Both words, Saturday and Sunday, are not Biblical words. They are names we have given to designate the seventh and first days respectively. The seventh day only is named; it is not the seventh day of the month, for that is the sabbath. The Sabbath is not Jewish in its origin. In the graphic account of creation (Genesis 1 and 2) it closes with an impressive account of hallowing the seventh day as a sabbath because on it God rested from his work. Thus the Sabbath antedates Moses and the Hebrew nation. Jesus says, "The sabbath was made for man," not Jews—but man, all men.

The law was proclaimed to the children of Israel at Sinai; it included the Sabbath. Certainly few people would contend the Ten Commandments were for Hebrews only. To the Hebrews at their best the Sabbath was not simply a fast day; it was a holy day, a day for worship, to study God's Word, and of consecration from secular interests. Sunday may be a "feast day," a holiday, but certainly not a holy day. It is man-made. Only God can sanctify.

Of course the fourth commandment does not apply to Sunday. If Veriter posits his faith in the sanctity of Sunday on the assumption that Pentecost fell on Sunday, it rests on a tattering foundation. Hastings' Bible dictionary says that if we take the Synoptics (Matthew, Mark, Luke) account, "Pentecost fell on Saturday," suggests the festival (Pentecost) "was fixed on Sunday by the later western church to correspond with Easter."

We need to remember that (a) the Sabbath was made for man, (b) the Bible knows no Sabbath but the seventh day, (c) Jesus was a Sabbath breaker (of the page), (d) Jesus ordained the Sabbath, (e) the early church kept the Sabbath, and no other day was observed as a Sabbath for the first two or three centuries. Gradually the first day of the week came into prominence, not as the Sabbath, but as an added festal day. Finally, by civic and ecclesiastical authority Sunday observance was forced upon the church now and Sabbath observance was made a crime.

The Augsburg Confession, written in 1530, frankly recognizes that Sunday is a creation of the church. Here is this significant statement: "For they that judge by the authority of the church the observance of Sunday instead of the Sabbath was ordained as a thing not necessary. For certainly it was needful to ordain a certain day so that people might know when they ought to come together, it appears that the church did appoint Sunday, which day pleased them, rather than the Sabbath day."

Title of this article has published a booklet, "The Sabbath and Sabbath-keeping Baptists," which gives a fuller treatment of this whole question. He will gladly send a copy, free of charge, to anyone who will write him for it—Rev. A. L. Davis, A.M., D.D., Pastor of Baptists in Sunday, Mass." Verona, N. Y.

---From the Syracuse Post-Standard, February 18, 1938.

MISSIONS

FAILING CHRIST

Christ instituted the Church and Christian missions. Are we now so sure that the Church should be established and missions promoted through evangelism. His heart was and still is set on the evangelization of the world. For it he came to earth and for it he lived and died. When he had ascended to heaven, the apostles and other followers, at his command, took up the work of missions and established churches in many countries. This is still the colossal task of the ages.

Shall we, his professed followers of this generation, fail him? Judas failed him, and so did Ananias and Sapphira, his wife. Shall we join their company? He is asking us to do our utmost to evangelize the world in this generation. There are those who think that Christ's followers are letting his Church and Christian missions take a second place. The writer of this article can think of this more now than in days past, but there are many temptations to fail Christ, let his Church languish and his mission program falter.

Peter failed Christ, was forgiven and dedicated all the rest of his life to his missionary task. Though we may have failed him in the past, we may hereafter devote our all to him and to the cause of world-wide evangelism.

ITEMS FROM THE FIELD

Miss Anna M. West doing Deputation Work. Miss Anna M. West is still doing valuable service visiting churches under the direction of the Missionary Board. Since the last report regarding this appeared she has visited Dodge Center, Minn., and for a month has been working in the Eastern Association. She has visited the churches in Western, Rockville, Hopkinton City, and Ashaway, R. I.; Waterford, Conn.; and New London, Conn. In the time of the present writing (March 15), she is with the churches in Plainfield and Dunellen, N. J.

Miss Miriam Shaw, R.N., Engaged in Nursing. Miss Miriam Shaw, who was forced out of Lihu and Shanghai when hostilities broke out last August, has been engaged in nursing in Phoenix, Arts., and vicinity. We are indebted to her for the life story of Mr. Ah Daung which appears in these columns. Miss Shaw is looking forward to the time when she can return to the mission work in Lihu, where she did fine service.

Preaching Missions Resuming the Churches. Preaching Missions are to be held in our church and the results are gratifying. As recorded in the issue of this paper of March 14, our church in Milton Junction has been in a Preaching Mission with Pastor Claude L. Hill as preacher. This was a meeting which stirred the hearts of Christians and reached non-professors. Other churches are planning similar meetings this spring. Among them are the churches in Waterford, Conn.; and Verona, Adams Center, and Brookdale, N. Y. All of these plan to hold meetings in April. These missions are being thoroughly planned. Some of them will extend over one week and some two. In most, a visiting minister is being asked to aid. The Preaching Missions are encouraging and reviving our churches and many of us feel they are pointing the way by which the churches will be aided to accomplish the purposes for which they exist. The experiences of the Preaching Missions indicate that the results are in proportion to the effort put into them.

Pastor Ellis E. Lewis Writes Regarding Work in the Southwest.—After so long time there is hope for a new Western field, though not encouraging as we might wish. During the month of February some little progress has been made on the Springfield-Chaffee work. The writer says, "We understand, but an increasing interest which looks like results in the near future. We are indeed grateful to God for this bright outlook. Some very inter Mon., with an urgent invitation to visit there.
When I do we shall have a better idea of the prospect there. The situation at Tulsa, Okla., is bad. The work there has been among independent churches, with no work of making it impossible for any but his relatives to succeed in his position. He was the last patient Doctor Crandall took home to hospital.

At that time condition was so serious that it was a great surprise to every one when he walked into Grace School in November. Characteristically, he had gone back to Liuho for a day to see offices... and he held for a week.

The long walk soon told on him. He died in a refugee camp, confident, I am sure, though an illiterate, simple countryman, that the Savior he had learned to trust in this war-torn world could be trusted in the next.

CHRUCH UNITITY
By REV. D. BURDETT COON

There is a real ground for church unity, a real standard by which lasting unity of all professing Christian denominations may be obtained, it is a sad mistake for us to imagine that a solid front of all Christian people can never be established under the name of "One Lord, one baptism." This is just as possible now as in the days of our Lord and the apostles. Jesus prayed that his disciples indeed; and showed us the way.

And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are," John 17: 11. This shows that for this closest of all unions the subjects must surrender to the Holy Father; that God is the seat of authority. It is true that the closest of all unions the subjects must surrender to the Holy Father; that God is the seat of authority.

In the next degrees, the life and way of Jesus. The Bible is true.

I and preached long ago, that if I could find a denomination that had more truth and less error than the denomination of which I was a member, I would unite with it at my first opportunity. I say and preach the same today. But the deciding thing in this matter is not the voice of the majority. It is not by the number of the members of the denominations, but by the deciding thing in this matter is not the voice of the majority. It is not by the number of the members of the denominations, but by the power of the denominations, and minimizing the differences, but in an appeal to the teachings of the Word of God. How may we know the truth? "If the word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8: 31, 32. The answer will be found in the life and way of Jesus. The Bible is the "man of our counsel," the arbiter of our cause, the rule of our faith and guide to our conocer.
omeness of spirit and purpose. and action. There is no other way of securing church union.

Some of us have clear cut, deep convictions that salvation, eternal life, is not earned. We can do nothing to merit it. God gifteth it. The Bible teaches it. Some of us have great convictions that, though we are saved by grace, we shall receive a body of glory, according to the deeds done in the body. The Bible teaches it. Some of us have great convictions that Christian baptism is only by immersion. The Bible teaches it. Some of us have great convictions that there is but one weekly Sabbath, the Lord's Day. The Bible teaches it. The Bible teaches it. Some of us have great convictions that there is no ecclesiastical power or authority above the local church. The Bible teaches it. Some of us have great convictions that we expect to stand at the end of time because the Bible teaches them. If the Bible does not teach our convictions, then let us change our convictions. In view of these things shall we cease to talk of the convictions that differentiate us from other denominations? If the things that make us different are the eternal words of the eternal God we should make more and more and still more of them. Let us make more of the love of God, but remember that "This is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. "—1 John 5:3.

WOMAN'S WORK

A RELATED APOLOGY

BY CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT

(Address given at Conference on Caste and Crude of War, Washington, D. C.)

An accomplished authority from Harvard has said recently, after studying anthropology or the nature of men for twenty-five years, "I have decided that the proper function of anthropology is to recognize the man." With this conclusion, I hearty agree. Doctor Hooton volunteered to offer such apology and did it brilliantly in a book called Apas, Men, and Morons. But in that volume he said not a word about war. Certainly, war is man's most incredible, inexplicable, and monstrous misbehavior.

Whether you advocate Genesis or evolution, it is equally certain that ancient man lived in trees. He had to! He was not an ape, but at the time of his probable arrival, the earth was overrun with a dictatorship of gigantic and terrible beasts. All were equipped with fierce fighting gear and all were desperately hungry. The king of these beasts was the saber-toothed tiger, enormous of size and terrific of temper. When one of these ferocious animals came around, the man's only chance for a human life was to flee to the nearest tree and keep scurrying until he was safely out of reach.

On a bright spring morning, some men were climbing down out of their trees with the intent of stretching their legs in a little walk on the ground. For only a few decades yet, they did not know that their big enemies were gone and they were timid and suspicious. Hearing a noisy rustle of leaves, they paused and were frightened as they saw another beast looming down out of their trees. They did not know it, but they had never been introduced, so the two groups pitched into each other and had a battle.

The apology for those early men is easy—they did not know any better. They had small brains and did not know how to use what they had. In fact, off the record, our early ancestors were morons! From the tree tops man had looked down upon gigantic beasts eating each other alive and they merely followed their example. The history of man completely shows that man has always been short on originality in inventing new ideas. Perhaps you may say that I cannot prove that the institution of war began in the way I have described. Then can you dispute it? No! Then let it stand.

A possible two million years of years spans by. Most historical details of these Dark Ages are sadly lacking, but one important thing is clear. When the curtain went down upon the beginning of human war, man had not yet had an idea in his head. He was running the world on instinct, as when he emerged from those ages, he had many ideas. Most of them were neither brilliant nor practical, but upon three of the most outstanding ideas: world history has been built; a morality had been discovered; and, eventually it was put into a moral code. The most important rules were those:

A. Thou shalt not lie. 2. Thou shalt not steal. 3. Thou shalt not kill.

Hindu, Jew, Buddhist, Christian and the Mohammedan religions all had these rules and all of them had them from God. B. There was a counter code—as old and as universal as the moral code—but no one said it came from God and it has never been put in print. Yet it is believed and taught "everywhere and by all." It has been the creed of all nations that possible the same for men. We might call it the immoral code.

1. All men within our frontiers are good men and any harm done to them by others must be punished. All men outside our frontiers are inferior and are potential enemies. To lie to any of these, so that the effect rule down their life, is more, spied upon, with a large V. God will reward such acts.

2. To steal from an enemy and bring the loot home to us. We will hold the earth for us and land for us is sterling honesty. God will so regard it.

3. To kill enemies singly or collectively when they do not please us is patriotic heroism and as God is always on our side in all wars, he will not punish.

Under the aegis of these conflicting codes, war and morality survived and prospered, but war always dominated and was always the victor in all races between the two. The third idea,

C. is much more of a thought than either of the others and would have kept war alive and going ever since the battle between the two men long ago had there been no other reason.

The idea must have come on another bright, spring morning. If I only had a longer arm than my enemy, I could reach over and give him a death blow before he could reach me. The city and then the temple, the most important and all-absorbing ambition of the human race had been to find means whereby one of our men could kill an enemy while remaining entirely outside his enemy's attack. Men went from fists to stones and sticks and thence to stone axes—on to spears, javelins, and arrows—on to pikes and lances—on to long swords, with shields, chain armor and helmets for protection. Cavalry came to terrify the enemy and then to be adopted by all. At some remote time the bow and arrow appeared to make death more certain.

Next, great walls surrounded cities, twenty feet high and twenty feet thick; but the enemy not only built walls around his own cities, but he produced the battering ram to pound down the walls of his enemy, great ladders to climb over them, and the Greeks invented fire baskets to throw over the walls and set the cities afire.

Gunpowder brought crude guns and cannon. Centuries were expended in developing them into light, quick loading, and far-shooting weapons. The first of these Great War, the largest cannon ever built at that date, was the climax in the evolution of cannon. Now all the nations say they have bigger and better Berthas and every nation is now working upon the problem of making rifles perfectly smokeless and noiseless. From crude dugout rows, towed with sticks, the navies of the world have climbed up in the competition until the modern seed today, navigates majestically the seas. Here the man who fires the deadly cannon does not see the cannon he fires, but can feel the waves below the surface, he merely pushes a button on a map.

In the year of our Lord, 1938, after a steady evolution of four millions of years, the climax of man's achievements might be presented in a picture, the gas-giving waving fags and bunting, a band playing martial music on its deck, while floating all around the city was a fleet of airplanes loaded with bombs which, when skillfully dropped, might destroy a navy, a city and then the hove of the world. To this steadily moving submarine, the great Bertha of the Great War, the largest cannon ever built at that date, the climax is a large nation, and age old enemies, that might destroy the entire human race. Look again, yonder on the land, there are cities, towns, villages, and children clinging to their skirts, dogs and cats, all wearing gas masks and all running wildly toward dark tunnels. Thinking a little while, you realize a disturbingly real base. The core of the climax, the true symbol of man's millions of years of evolution is a slight flag as it signified to a university graduated statesman with several added degrees and decorated with the key to fill the rolls. Now he is wearing a gas mask and is scurrying into a hole in the ground, hoping to escape the war he does not know how to stop.
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To be sure, man has done other things besides make preparation for war—great things. And as man has built his schools, universities, printed newspapers and books, but the point never to be forgotten is that the military man—male and female—builds the collective creations of man into smoke and ashes. Once there were seven wonders of the world. When we live on the plains of western Asia, there were a dozen prosperous nations, each with a beautiful capital city. Where they now and where are the men who built them? Gone—buried under the debris of war. And this happened before the days of gunpowder, airplanes, or torpedoes. I incline, might add this new one to the register proposition, in principle, to the real college of chima. Not only were we in classes together and other college activities all through our course, but again and again we were brought together and were brothers in arms. I was always there for the group of men whose practice I have always put the moral in the same way, and yet none of them was ever jealous of her kindly treatment of others. Every one in college respected, honored, and surpassed. I am perfectly confident that the people in Chicago, New Market, Alfred Stead, and here in Brookfield, places where she was pastor's wife, and wherever she lived, would unanimously and eagerly join me in paying a tribute, a loving tribute to her memory. And her children rise up to bless her: Lester W. Peterson, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Lester W. Peterson, of St. Paul, Minn.; E. E. Wakefield of Winona, Minn.; and Ruth H. Peterson of Detroit, Mich. Her husband, because of ill health, gave up the pastorate at Leonardville, and for nearly a year he lived with their son, Lester, at whose home he died May 12, 1922.

While in college she lived for her brother Lester, and his success as a pastor and Christian leader of men was due, far more than anything else, to the support and friendship of Frank, and Addie, and to my mind, to the quicker rise of Lester and Addie for the last year of Lester's college life. With these three people I enjoyed a sincere, cordial, intimate, everlasting friendship. Lester was the leader among us. As wife of Pastor Peterson her quiet, unassuming, charming, loyal service greatly upheld and promoted his able labors as a Christian minister of the gospel. Her body was laid to rest by the side of her husband's grave in the cemetery at Leonardville, N. Y., and in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Paul S. Burdick, who was ill, the farewell service was conducted by Rev. Henry J. Polan, pastor of the sister church at Brookfield. Now and abideth the memory of these three, Lester, Frank, and Addie, but the sweetest and greatest of these is there a year among us.

EDWIN SHAW.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Our class at Sabbath school is named "The Wonders," and our first class, which has been for many years, is the "Wonders" class name on them. They have pictures of torches on them. Our rings have torches on them.

Robert, my brother, is five months and two weeks old. He sits without a pillow sometimes. He got a Taylor Tot for Christmas and likes to have us push him in it.
My cousin, Olin Davis, has a baby brother who was born January twenty-third. His name is Willis Eugene. He is very cute.

Last night it snowed hard but most of the snow has melted now.

At school we have started a school paper. We will make it for English. We made some safety posters to show safety in our play. I was a captain with two children to help me. Our poster was a girl sliding down a hill, looking to a road. The words, "Danger—Cross Roads," were printed on it.

Your Recorder friend,

Muriel Irene Sholtz.

DEAR MURIEL:

Your letter received a very hearty welcome this week, for not only is it an interesting letter, but it is the only one I have received. I said, "Hurrah!" when Pastor Greene brought it from the post office.

I think you have a very good name for your Sabbath school class. Of course it is the willing workers, not the lazy ones, who make the world a good place in which to live. I am sure the workers in your home are willing workers, torch bearers for mother and father.

I am glad that you are finding pleasure in taking care of little Joyce Ann yesterday while the rest of the family went to church. She has been having quite a cold so it was better for her to stay home, and of course I still had to attend the Andover church to attend in the afternoon.

Our snow, too, has almost all melted away, and it is just like spring today. It seems good to have the sun shine for we have had a good many dark days this winter.

I think it is nice to have a school paper. The Andover school has one page in the Andover News which is called "The High Herald," and do you know, it is the first page I turn to when I pick up the News. I am always interested to know what the boys and girls are doing. They prepare the page themselves and do a very good job, I think.

I am glad to hear that you are making safety posters for too much cannot possibly be said on the subject. So many accidents could be avoided if boys and girls and men and women would only consider "Safety first."

Since you are my only correspondent this week I have written you quite a long letter, haven't I? But now it is time to bid you "Good night." Your loving friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Andover, N. T.

DEAR RECORDER Boys and Girls:

In looking over some old Recorders today I found a helpful message from Elizabeth K. Austin, then Junior Christian Endeavor superintend- ent, which is well worthy copying for you today, especially since the subject is the name of Muriel's Sabbath school class, "Willing Workers."

Boys and girls, no matter how young, can be willing workers. There are many, many little tasks to do for father, many thoughtful deeds to do for the sick and elderly people, and many kind deeds to do for other boys and girls. Best of all, though, is the thought that as we do these little tasks willingly and faithfully and with a pleasant spirit we will give us greater work to do for others in his name.

Only as boys and girls learn to be faithful in the little things will they ever be faithful and ready to undertake greater things. Then when they grow older and hear the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send?" and "Who will go for me?" as a real Christian worker, a consecrated church member, as a missionary, they will answer, "Here am I; send me."

Willing Workers
L—superior workers
E—excellent
D—doing deeds that are
N—noble and helpful in
G—good spirit.

Willing Workers
O—our course are
R—ready to
E—ever helpful
P—proudly
S—sincerely and smiling.

I am looking for a whole page of children's letters next week. Lovingly yours,

Mizpah S. Greene.

NOTICE

The Northwestern Association will convene with the Northville Seventh Day Baptist Church, Northville, Kan., August 12 to 14, 1938. This is the seventy-fifth anniversary of the church, and every one and everybody is desired.

Margaret E. La Mont,
Secretary.

OUR PULPIT

An article by Rev. Lester G. Osborn
(Pastor, Nortonville, Kan., Seventh Day Baptist Church)

HEBREWS 6: 1—"Let us go on to perfection." When the Bible speaks of perfection in man it means not sinlessness, not flawless character, but being in the presence of God. We are repeatedly urged to "be perfect," to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of God." The goal set is no less than "the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

Paul has some very severe comments to make in the latter part of the fifth chapter of Hebrews concerning those who do not grow or do not grow in the Christian life. Changing the figure of speech, he accuses such people of "laying again the foundation." What a foolish builder he would be who kept on making one foundation after another without erecting any superstruc- ture thereon.

The Christian life is a growth. If a pro- fessed Christian does not grow, something is wrong, and serious perils are attached to spiritual stagnation. We do not have to talk here about either the means or the hindrances to growth, but to point out some of the dangers to which boys and girls are exposed.

We know that the growth of plants and animals can be retarded, so that stunted varie- ties are produced. It is a sad truth, too, that our Christian young people or for varieties of reasons are like dwarfed Christians. Worldliness, unworthy ambition, attention to other things—these retard growth.

But we are also shown the claims of skepticism, - the surest antidote to growth. Men who believe that the Christian life does not grow.

The first is this: Is there a possibility that what we consider stunted growth is not that at all, but indicates the absence of divine life or things growing. Last spring we set two trees in the church yard. They looked fine and healthy. The buds seemed to be ready to burst. But when the "meat"—the flesh—was drawn, the leaves failed to come. A strong wind that would have carried the "meat"—solid food—away, destroyed the leaves in one place.

The surest antidote to false cults and to skepticism is knowledge of the Word of God. "Desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may grow thereby," says Paul. He is furnished with the "milk of the word" the children are warned against, and partake of the "strong meat" in the Old Book, "that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."
the autumn hillsides on the old Phillip's Creek Road out of Alfred, or of "Railroad Valley" near there. I could listen to an amateur musician play on a half-tuned instrument and never know the breathless glory and tense passion that the music of a great Philharmonic orchestra contains. So often we remark on the good fortune of the babe with no cares or worries, or of the one who was changed places with that same babe. What does he know of the fullness of life? The older we get, the more we realize of the completeness of life.

Another peril of spiritual stagnation is that it unites one for service. The "babe in Christ" cannot sense the blessing that other men all too often he is a hindrance. Can you imagine Peter staying where he was—never growing, never changing—while denying Christ when the crisis came, continually slipping back into the old ways? How his witness would have been clouded by his conduct. But when he was "growing up" into the "fulness of the stature of Jesus Christ" what a power he was! One of the crimes of the World War was that we sent half-trained boys into the battle lines. The result was disaster. But when well-trained, seasoned men were in the trenches, the line held, and as they went over the top, they went to victory. So it is in warfare with the forces of the "prince of the powers of the air." Mature Christians are the ones who render the best service.

I talked one time to a group at the New York State School for Feeble Minded. There were two groups of boys—gray-haired men—with a mental age of six years. How pitiful to see a six-year-old mind in a forty-year-old body. How sad it is to see an overgrown older boy or girl in the third or fourth grade at school. It is just as lamentable to see a dwarfed Christian—a babe in the Christian life.

There are some simple and easily understood things in the Bible—some "first principles" which even the children of the Word need. These things are necessary—they are the foundation. There are other things which are deep, which must be searched out. These may be long and lonely. We must "meditate" upon them. The root meaning of meditate is to chew the cud. That is what the cow is doing when he lies there after his dinner. We expect us to assimilate more and more of this spiritual food. We are judged not only by the light we have, but by the light we might have had. It is for this reason that the Bible says Paul, "is God-breathed, and is profitable . . . that the man of God may be perfect"—complete, full.

Mary Thornagte was elected reporter to "The Beacon." After the business meeting Mary Thornagte took charge of the entertainment and a social hour was spent. Lunch was served in the great Philharmonic Hall. It is hoped there may be more of these pleasant gatherings.

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And when I am discouraged
And the world seems cold and drear,
My heart and soul are lightened
When his gentle voice I hear.
He seems to understand each care,
Each little ray of gladness;
In him I find consolation
Whether in joy or sadness.
Sometimes I know I fail to heed
The warnings God has given
But I know when I’ve repented
I’m forgiven up in heaven.
And then some day will come the time
When I’m judged for my behavior.
But I know that I’ll have naught to fear,
If I’ve trusted in my Savior.

SUSIE M. BURDICK

In the passing of Miss Susie M. Burdick, Seventh Day Baptists should have a new realization of the rich inheritance of faith and kingdom service left to us by workers who have preceded us to the heavenly home.

Born of Christian parents, reared in Christian faith, a member of the Alfred Mission Band, before there was a Christian Endeavor society, Susie Burdick was a charter member of the first Christian Endeavor organized in Alfred.

The church, community, and university felt the impact of her Christian ideals and of her spirit of unselfish service.

When in 1888, in her early womanhood, she dedicated her cultured mind and her spiritual and material riches, equaled of consecration to the gospel of Christ, to a championship or greater strength of character, than that which any man or woman could make, or the faithfulness with which they were carried out.

Her father’s deep interest in education was passed on to her, and Alfred University will long bear the evidences of her love and loyal-heart.

Seventh Day Baptists should have a new realization
That some one has preceded us
In the Christian faith.

Susie Burdick was a charter member
Of the Alfred Christian Endeavor Society.

When I was young, she dedicated
Her spiritual and material riches
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July 31, 1900, she was married to George Greer Rogers. The following survive her: Paul, Frank, Susie, Ralph, Maurice, Marian, Mildred, George, and Carl.

Early in life she was baptized and united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Farina, of which she remained a faithful member until her death. Farewell services were conducted by her former pastor, Rev. Claude L. Hill, and her present pastor, Rev. A. T. Bottoms. Interment in the Farina cemetery.

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