DEAN BOND CORRELATES RELIGION AND DEMOCRACY

The United States has just given in no uncertain voice a demonstration of her strength and of the democratic way of doing things. Never before in the last election had so many American citizens gone to the polls. While one candidate received a majority of the votes sufficient to remove any doubt as to the result, the defeated candidate received more votes than ever cast before for one who failed of election. And now that Mr. Willkie has said, "Mr. Roosevelt is my Presi-
dent," every one who believes in democracy will say the same thing, and will act and talk accordingly. This does not mean that poli-
cies of the President will not be opposed by those good citizens who do not agree with him. That would not be democracy. It does mean that any citizen who opposes a particular measure in the program of the administration will have studied the matter first, and will have arrived at a decision through the use of his intelligence, and not through personal prejudice or political bias.

This is a matter of good citizenship. But it is a matter also of true Christianity. Chris-
tianity is a matter of the heart, of the inner life. It is a relationship, first of all, to God; a relationship demonstrated in the life of Jesus Christ, and through him made possible to all men. But such a relationship to God works out in right human relationships. In a democracy the functions of citizenship may be exercised in an atmosphere of freedom. Therefore, the principles of Christianity ex-
pressed in all the relationships of free men, where every man is a sovereign, find ex-
pression through the individual citizen. In other words, it is in a democracy that the Christian may influence government most, and the "community of Christians" may go farthest in establishing the "Christian Community."

—The Beacon.

OBITUARY

Bowen. — Ethel Glaspей Bowen, daughter of the late L. Frank and Anna Ayars Glaspей, was born at Shiloh, N. J., October 29, 1886, and departed this life December 1, 1940.

On September 8, 1909, she was married to Harry L. Bowen. To this union was born one son, Walter. She joined the Shiloh Church De-
cember 24, 1901, and though unable to attend regularly and take a very active part for several years on account of poor health, she was always interested in its work.

Surviving her are her husband and son; a sister, Mrs. Bertha Johnson, of Pleasant N. J.; and her mother, Mrs. Anna Glaspей, ninety years of age, who has made her home with her daughter for several years.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor L. G. Osborn. Interment was in the Shiloh cem-
tery. L. G. O.

Harris. — Eliza R. Harris was the oldest of eleven children born to David A. and Jeannette B. Randolph. She was born at Shiloh, N. J., on July 6, 1879, and passed away suddenly on December 5, 1940.

She attended school at Shiloh, later attending Temple University in Philadelphia. For several years she was an instructor in the Training School at Vineland, N. J. In 1927, she was married to Frank Harris, and was deeply interested in his three sons who were housed with her family. In her family and church she was a kind and helpful worker. Besides her family many friends mourn her passing.

Funeral services were conducted at the home on December 7, by Rev. Lester G. Osborn. In-

terment was in the Shiloh cemetery. L. G. O.

Jacques. — Courtland S. Jacques was born May 21, 1863, and died December 6, 1940. His parents were A. C. and Harriet Stillman Jacques.

He was married to Lois Willbur Preston, June, 1883. To this union two children were born, Mrs. Stella Clarke and Clara Jacques, both living in Little Genese. His wife died in March, 1933. Besides his daughters he is survived by two grand-

daughters, Mrs. Helen Berdick of Murfreesboro, N. C., and Mrs. Hazel Granter of Whitesville, N. Y.; one great-grandson; and one stepson, Archie Preston of Olean.

He had been a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Little Genese for years. He believed in its teachings, supported it, and studied the Bible faithfully. He will be missed by family and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Harley Sutton.

H. S. Thomas. — Abbie G., daughter of Edward A.

and the late Mary B. Thomas, was born July 17, 1901, and died September 11, 1940.

On December 26, 1913, she was baptized by Rev. James L. Skaggs and joined the Shiloh Sev-

day Baptist Church.

The last twenty years of her life were spent in teaching school. The beautiful flowers, espe-
cially those from her pupils and fellow teachers, showed the high esteem in which she was held.

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L. G. O.

A man that heareth false witness against his neighbor is a maud, and a sword, and a sharp arrow. —Proverbs.
A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

God of our fathers, we look to thee in gratitude for the blessings of another year. Our times are in thy hand. We commit ourselves fearlessly to thy guidance. Let no failure or success discourage us. May we learn in the days of our failure to fear the world, and in the days of our success to fear the Lord. So we shall remain true to the message of the times, and not enter the new year with a desire for material gain. We are called unto a heavenly citizenship. We who follow him hear him say, “My kingdom is not of this world.”—yes, this world—fear stricken and war torn. To it we must help bring Christ. In carrying on with and through him we may find the fulfillment of our highest hopes for the new year.

UNUSUAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

An unusual Christmas gift was announced by the commandant at Fort Dix, N. J., according to the Salida Record. This beauty of the season, the “Angel Mountain” of the Jewish faith, of whom there are eight hundred in the division, volunteered to weave their thirteenth in order that a larger number of the soldiers of the Christian faith might have Christmas leave. According to army regulations, at least twenty-five percent of the Fort Dix Division (44th) must remain in camp at all times. This manifestation of good will is of fine spirit and a fulfillment of that which he is the heart and life of Christians.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Sometimes we have felt that the churches have fallen out by the way in emphasizing Christmas by helpful programs featuring the cautioning and blessing of the Christ. So little time for adequate preparation is allowed the children in the schools that the programs largely have had to be given up. However, we feel greatly encouraged by the kind of work being done in recent years by the schools. On invitation and otherwise, the writer has been attending some of the programs of our local schools, and they are good. A high grade of work is being done by the teachers and their pupils, boys and girls. This very afternoon (Friday, the twenty-first) we were deeply impressed by the high tone of Christmas carols selected. To the best of our knowledge, none of the four members marched in singing the original words of “Adeste Fideles,” was to feel its significance to people of all lands. The solos, duets, and choruses would have done justice to the best of high schools. No cheap, flashy, Christmas music—but a pageant, impressive with its spiritual beauty and power from beginning to end.

We are glad to see this type of teaching and music in our schools, one of the great foundations of our government. Two or three articles in a recent issue of a national educational journal show strong trends in our schools to emphasize upon moral and religious lines of training. We are greatly encouraged by all these things.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED DAYS—NO FATALITIES

Salida, Colo., has the distinction of fifteen hundred consecutive days without a fatal accident within the limits of the city, according to the Salida Record. This beautiful city, the Heart of the Rockies, at the foot of Shavano—the “Angel Mountain”—on the Arkansas River, completed on December 10, its fifteen hundredth consecutive day without a traffic fatality since November 1, 1936.

This is an enviable record. We can speak from experience that utmost courtesy and liberty are extended by city officials. A visitor may park his car unmolested anywhere outside of safety zones—and safely leave it for any length of time. Great credit is given by the Record to the courteous Salida police. It would seem that the Angel of Shavano casts a protecting and benignant influence over the whole land.

MEETING OF TRACT BOARD

The Tract Board met Sunday, December 8, 1940, with the following members present: President Corliss F. Randolph, Herbert C. Van Horn, Courtland V. Davis, Frederik J. Bakker, J. Leland Skaggs, Mrs. William M.
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STILLMAN, ED. F. Randolph, Irving A. Hunt-
ing, Frank A. Lustmeyer, George B. Crandall, Mrs. Herbert C. Van Horn, Everett
North, manager of publishing house.

Corresponding Secretary Herbert C. Van Horn submitted the following report which, with its report, was accepted:

Since last report I have visited the churches in West Virginia, holding weekend Preaching Missions in four, and a midweek service in one. In each of three places I preached on Sabbath evening, Sabbath morning, and Sabbath afternoon, or Sunday night. At Berea and Lost Creek, dinner meetings were held at which time our denomination and its work were discussed. A meeting of similar nature was held at Salem on a Sunday night.

Good interest was shown in all these services. Reports were shown in at all these meetings. Our smallest attendance was on Sabbath evening, at Middlesboro, with twelve present; our largest, Sabbath morning, at Salem, with numbers estimated about 125. Weather and road conditions accounted for the smaller showing.

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M I S S I O N S

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS AND CHRIST

At first thought it seems strange that it should be necessary to say that the Christian mission is Christ to Christian missions; but when we think how many things called Christian missions are from Christ, his spirit and teaching, we are not surprised that missions should sometimes be somewhat divorced from him, their author. We do not have to go back to Adam and Eve to see that some teaching of Adam and Eve was not wholly from Christ, but from man. If Christian missions put Christ himself in the background sometimes, they are not different from some other things calling themselves Christian missions. The fact is, as much in civilization as in the Christian mission, there is not always the result of imitation, but the result of ignorance—ignorance of Christ, his life, spirit, teaching, and purposes, and ignorance as to where the emphasis in the Christian system should be placed.

When Paul on a certain occasion came to the disciples in Ephesus, they told him they had "not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Spirit." They were ignorant, and perhaps there are professed disciples who have not so much as heard that Christ is the greatest thing in Christendom, that Christianity, there is such a thing as a Christian experience in Christ, and that through it and him one receives an unaccountable power which helps in every phase of life.

The emphasis in Christian missions has sometimes been put in one place and sometimes in another, and it is encouraging to know that the leading missionaries are beginning to put emphasis on Christ.

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Bath at Denver. I arranged her ticket for her.

We wish you and Mrs. Burdick Christmas cheer and blessing and all good things in the coming year.

Very sincerely,

Helen Thorngate.

Dodge Center, Minn.,
December 17, 1940.

Dear Dr. Burdick:

I received your letter on the steamer when we arrived at the dock in San Francisco last Sunday, December 8. It was a very warm
some landing. They said there were ten thousand pieces of baggage belonging to about fourteen hundred passengers, the large
nest number of pieces of baggage ever landed at any port in America from one ship.

It took us about an hour to stand in line, first for quarantine inspection, and later for inspection by the immigration offi
cers. Then we waited a long time for the baggage to begin to be unloaded into the customs. We got down there about four
o'clock, and I began to assemble mine. One trunk was very nearly carried off by somebody else by the time I had got an inspector to
examine my baggage. My sister had reached the city that afternoon, and stood in a crowd of people thronging those
outside the custom house door 'Waiting for the city that afternoon, and stood in a crowd
aban to call on a cheaper hotel, till we can decide our
future steps. As soon as I know where we will be located, I will write again and
tell you. Until then, please forward my
to Los Angeles, General Delivery.

Sincerely yours,

Rosa W. Palmgorn.

General Delivery

Los Angeles, Calif.,
December 14, 1940.

OUR MAJOR TASK

By Rev. Alva L. Davis

Chairman of Religious Life Committee

The foundation upon which the kingdom of
God rests is evangelism.

It was put first by the angel of God when the birth of Jesus was announced, "Thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins" (Luke 1: 21).

It was put first by Christ who said, "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19: 10).

It was put first by Christ who said, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the good news." (Luke 19: 10).

It was put first by the Apostle Paul, "It is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1: 15).

It was put first by Paul, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthew 28: 19, 20).

Our task then is nothing less than the evangeli
zation of the whole world. We are to major in evangelism. "Evangelism," says Dr. George W. Truett, "is the missionary spirit of the world toward the Church, and evangelistic ordinances, creeds, education, social service
these are necessary and essential. But the first essential, before any of these things, or all, is the message. For, during this very generation, a man must be born again." Jesus Christ founded his Church upon the confession of a man who asked, "What shall I do, Lord?"—upon the confession of a man who had been "born again." Dead men cannot be educated, trained, or organized for king
ship. Only the living can take the first steps to have the

The movement? Let me answer in the
words of the great leader of college men—John R. Mott.

"Do not"—is the answer. "Do not" has been the answer of those who have lived, of those who have built, of those who have
lived, and of those who have built this Church and its work.

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WOMAN'S WORK

WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR JANUARY, 1941

By Mrs. J. L. Skaggs

"Till we should all attain the unity of the faith and knowledge of God's Son, reaching maturity to the measure of the full stature of Christ, which belongs to the fulness of Christ." Ephesians 4:13 (Morning Edition)

Read Revelation 3:20, 21.

As this meditation reaches the women of the societies, "old things are passed away" is true of 1940. We are looking forward into the new year of 1941. The mistakes and the triumphs of the past year must stand.

"So I wish that there were some wonderful place Called the Land of Beginning Again, Where all our mistakes and all our heartaches, Could be dropped like a shabby old coat at the door And never put on again.

Will it not be possible to avoid the mistakes in the new year which open before us? And shall we not go on with our past triumphs to greater and better things?

One of the finest things God does for mankind is to give us something at which to aim, a standard for which to strive, a goal to reach. Paul's aim is "reaching the full measure of development which belongs to the fulness of Christ." What a goal is the fulness of Christ! And thinking on it dwelling up into it in all things; humanity being in full stature; the fulness of God made attainable by faith. This goal still beckons us to greater living.

"Forgetting the things which are behind I press on." But we can make progress only by a new access to power before, and by a fresh consecration to the work of the kingdom.

A lecture on the "great masterpieces of art being given with the aid of a stereopticon machine. Holman Hunt's great picture, "The Light of the World," was put upon the screen as reverent silence. A little boy sitting with his father broke the silence, "Daddy, why don't they let Jesus in; they live in the basement and they cannot hear him knock!"

But no one need stay in the basement of life. Each one may climb the steps of penitence, hope, faith, love and inspiration until she reaches the observatory. Here she may catch a glimpse of the Father's face and hear the "still, small voice.

May not all of this be still awhile—each day this year? It is not always easy to be still. We have so much to do. Clamorous voices call us. The din and rush of things do not permit us to "hear my voice and open the door." In the Sanctuary of Silence we give God an opportunity to speak to us; to guide us in making the same choice as we are doing this year. This choice will be repeated. I think one hears much less about New Year Resolutions these days.

New Year observance seems to be an old institution, the church having been celebrated by some religious observance accompanied by festive rejoicing seemingly prevailed among most of the ancient nations, and though differing in the time of its observance, the Jews, Egyptians, Chinese, Romans, and Mohammedans regarded the New Year as a time of special interest.

Its social observances appear to have been about the same in all ages, consisting of feasting and the giving of gifts. Among of gifts the Christian people it has been made a time of prayer and special religious service. Shall I am wondering just what phase of the observance and hear the voice of the New Year is to be heard? As we pass along the road of life this year, how will we hear the voice of God? What will we hear of God? Our heavenly Father, who hast shown us the way to that fulness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior, enable us to plan specifically for spiritual strengthening. May we be attuned to hear his voice; that we may live by his mind and spirit in all the concerns of our everyday life this new year. He will still welcome and distribute any you will send. Address him for each of us who has traveled the road of sorrow, misfortune, and sin, There's a wonderful place of courage and hope called "The Land of Beginning Again." This year let us all be made well learned—May help us to set a new pace. The thousands and one small faults that we have Will depart in this wonderful place.

Leaving for the moment the thought of regret and desire, let us especially note another poem's beautiful word picture of the year ahead:

The year is as
A flower unblown, a book unread,
A tree with fruit unripe; a path untraveled,
A house whose doors are closed, a room whose windows are uninvited guests.

But every day a new opportunity is given us of being torn away, so that you and I may let Jesus do not permit us to...
And after this, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a member of the Sanhedrin, and who with Barnabas had already been to the tomb, came again. He had asked Pilate for the body of Jesus, and had taken him away by himself to be buried. The Pilate had not been able to understand what Joseph was saying, but he had given him the body to be buried. The body of Jesus was taken and laid in a tomb, and was kept there for three days. Then the tomb was opened and the body was taken out, and was placed in a sepulchre. The sepulchre was closed, and the guards were set at the entrance, and the earth was heaped over the sepulchre.

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CONGRATULATIONS

To the Sabbath Recorder and reader.

And for those who take it as a feeder:

Bible verse of Christ's birthday is unknown. Resurrection and ascension are known. The Sabbath day is the seventh we know. For our good old Bible does tell us so. The angel's trumpet will soon be blowing. And Christ will be seen suddenly coming.

It is my love for Christ, and not the man, That a loving wife and year do pass.

And God's blessing on you is my reason for sending this season. And every good wish to you is the will

Of friend Theophilus Anthony Gill.

A Happy New Year to you all!

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I was a conscientious objector in the first World War, although I at first thought of being a minister. I accepted deferred classification under the draft at that time, as pastor of a church.

Have not seen, in the course of events since that time, any reason to alter my views on that point, but I hope I have gained courage against the years to state my views. The included sermon may serve as my confession of faith.

On June 12, 1922, I was united in marriage to Nancy Rogers Brooks of Waterford, Conn. Our family of seven which the Lord has given us is a constant source of comfort and an inspiration to work. Their education is a problem which we leave to the Lord, as we have tried to do with every other problem of our married life.

OUR PULPIT

SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS AND WAR

By Rev. Paul S. Burdick

Romans 12: 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

And on earth peace, good will toward men. Oh, could it dwell within each heart and breast? All bitter striving to dispel God's peace! Tis but by faith we see the coming day of peace. Oh! how the world hath need of thee, Thou Prince of Peace!

—From Christmas cantata.

And on earth peace, the words come drifting strangely upon a world already at war or else hastily preparing for it. Can mortals lift hearts and voices to heaven and say with any sincerity, "Come, take my heart, thou Prince of Peace"? How long will God endure a people who serve him with their bodies and misuse the god of war with their deeds? Is there any other thing that a nation can do in the midst of a world disaster such as this, but to take sides, cry out for victory, and at last plunge into the fray with weapons and men? We have seen nation after nation, the victim of war propaganda, stirred by fear or the hope of national safety, at last take this course.

Is there no alternative to this madness? Have we as Seventh Day Baptists any experience that would contribute to a solution...
of the problem? Our history of three hun-
dred years shows a church subject to perse-
cution for conscience' sake, yet faithful to
certain truths that seem central to the Chris-
tian gospel, Day Baptists or men.

Seventh Day Baptists believe the Bible to be God's Word. We may differ among ourselves to theories of inspiration, but we take the Bible as God's supreme message to men. If we did not take this position, we would soon cease to be Seventh Day Baptists, for we would quickly give up the disadvantage of keeping a different day from others. Also, when the Bible tells us not to take life, we believe it is meant for us just as surely as the command to remember the Sabbath day. They will both be obeyed or they will both be argued away when the real reason for them is understood.

Seventh Day Baptists are used to perse-
cution. From the days when the Trasks were persecuted for their faith, and Mrs. Trask spent years in prison in England, and John James was taken from his pulpit on the Sabbath to be beheaded for his faith, down to today, we have had to endure the enmity and scorn and sometimes the more active opposition of those who did not agree with us. Yet God has protected us and preserved us for some

In telling us to pray for our enemies, he does not mean merely the uttering of a few pious words, but an effort to understand and save them. When he tells us to turn the other cheek, he does not mean for us to get hit or to forget the wrong by the aggressor, but that we shall school ourselves to act upon higher motives than those of rage and fear. When he tells us to give our cloak when one takes our coat from us, he is teaching us to minister to the real needs of discouraged and despairing men. When it is food for body or food for soul, we should be prepared to give it, forgetting any wrong we think we may have suffered at the hands of others. Love is the command against the command of the Old Testament, "Thou shalt not kill." Jesus offers us his power to fastening upon it the rule of the Gestapo or secret police. Should we not now take up arms to protect ourselves from such a calam-
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These are serious questions, and I do not want to minimize their importance, or avoid facing them. I want to speak to a number that will be important to the Church.

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If War Comes

In case our nation is drawn into this war, or is in danger of so being, it may be wise to consider what are the causes that have led up to it. There was the Treaty of Versailles with its harsh terms. There was the failure of the League of Nations (which, in spite of its imperfections, offered the only hope of peace). There was the race for empire, which many have prophesied for years would bring the world to just such a disaster. Many, like Muriel Seacole, have testified of colonial empire on the ground that it arouses the covetousness of the "have-not" nations, and requires a strong army and navy to keep native peoples in subjection and safe-
guard trade routes.

Since we have all enjoyed privileges as members of a rich and powerful nation, we cannot avoid responsibility for the means that have brought us these riches. If we have not been the black men sweltered under the lash in tropical jungles in order for us to enjoy these privileges, then the sin is upon our own heads, and we must all be punished.

The foreign missionary enterprise offered hope of bringing the nations together in the spirit of understanding and friendship, and it has done much. Kagawa even thinks that a somewhat stronger Christian element would have stopped the invasion of China. But we all must admit that in our attitude toward Chris-
tian missions, we have been like children at play, rather than like people engaged in a serious concern. There has been no con-
suming passion. Thus we have let slip the only opportunities we ever had for building up peace and Christian co-operation. We are all guilty, and we shall all have to pay the consequences.

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acherib's host.

Missionaries of Peace

Then our position as conscientious objec-
tors to war would seem to involve a totally new approach to the problem of interna-
tional understanding between nations, and in discussions with others upon the theory that we must seize and hold every advantage that sets us apart from the way of war. How to take the position that the good things of life are to be shared, that the giver and receiver may alike be blessed. Instead of thinking that the rich and underprivi-

Seventh Day Baptists believe, or certainly the most of them do, that the gospel of Christ is the fulfilling of the law, not the aboli-
tion of it. "It is not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets; I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill it. And he showed us how we are to obey by putting the law in our hearts. Thus grace completes the law. It shows us how truly to obey, but not how to get around obedience to the law. When we have endurance, we have had to endure the enmity and scorn and sometimes the more active opposition of those who did not agree with us. Yet God has protected us and preserved us for some

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tors to war would seem to involve a totally new approach to the problem of interna-
tional understanding between nations, and in discussions with others upon the theory that we must seize and hold every advantage that sets us apart from the way of war. How to take the position that the good things of life are to be shared, that the giver and receiver may alike be blessed. Instead of thinking that the rich and underprivi-
egesled peoples is to be exploited for the gain of the rich and powerful, we must believe that they are our wards, and jointly take up the task of educating all races, feeding, clothing, and sheltering, and bringing them the gospel of Christ. For this purpose there will be needed "sisters of mercy of peace to go to the \product of embracing the principles of peace and justice, the bond of Christian love and under-

The late great George Lansbury of England was such an ambassador from the pacifists of England, but the effort came too late and
was too meagre. Such missionaries should be able to speak the language and understand the customs of the countries to which they go. They must also be versed in the causes of wars, and the political and economic measures that will help to make wars unnecessary. They must also be prepared to see that any religious activities held at home the faults in government or finance that are bringing about oppression and misunderstanding abroad. The post is one of danger, yet nothing in the world is more important. The other missionaries of the cross who went about preaching salvation through the blood of Christ. Are Seventh Day Baptists willing, with others, to undertake such a task? I pray God that we shall be willing to place such confidence in the power of Christ to save to the uttermost, that we shall not let the weapons of the Spirit rather than in the weapons of men. I pray that we shall have such faith in the power of God to protect us, that the fear of men shall no longer move us, but that truly the Prince of Peace shall rule in our hearts.

Leonardville, N. Y., December 16, 1940.

FEDERAL COUNCIL

Atlantic City Meeting, December 7-13, 1940

(Continued from last week)

Excerpts from the reports made from the four seminar groups, and commended to the churches for their consideration:

"God has been teaching us that his Church is in its deepest nature a community, a shared life of faith and worship and charity. The one Lord, God, loves, has given himself to call it into being. . . ."

The secret of steadiness and inner strength is to listen to God daily and to obey him is the highest form of national service. United we shall stand, we shall succeed, we shall triumph.

All barriers of social status and race and creed are broken down because hatred and prejudice impede the path of churches of the cross who went about preaching to one another, we worship the same God and strive to make our own the one of interpretation we discern the one faith beneath our real and stubborn differences.

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"We know that the Lord's will is that the great need of a partly effective democracy is more democracy. Democracy rests upon individual decisions and responsibility. It recognizes the individual as one supreme importance."

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Charles R. Kenyon with his violin and Lewis Randolph at the piano furnished enjoyable music. Christmas carols were sung. A number of guessing games were played, and prizes awarded. A reading was given by Dorothy Kenyon. A Bible quiz was won by Mrs. Rotha Randolph. Each person was tagged with a name on his back and obliged to find "Who Am I?" which afforded much fun. Owing to a song rehearsal, Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Rood came a little late.

An exchange of gifts was held with Lewis Randolph in his usual executive ability as Santa Claus. Both oldsters and youngsters enjoyed this part of the program. Marshmallows were toasted in the open fireplace.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cocoa, and coffee were served with cupcakes embossed with the name of each guest in holiday colors. The evening closed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Rood.

It is expected there will be more of these pleasant get-together occasions among the society members.—Westerly Sun.

Follow with reverent steps the great Example
Of him whose holy work was "doing good,"
So shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple,
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

Whittier.

ORDINATION SERVICES OF
PAUL L. MAXSON

November 22 and 23, 1940

Friday evening, 7.30 p.m.

Opening hymn—Day Is Dying in the West
Scripture reading—Luke 8: 4-18, and prayer—
Rev. Hurley Warren
Choral response
Duet—Sweet Hour of Prayer—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris
Reading of Call
Call of delegates of various churches of association:
First Hopkinton—Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Burdick
Rockville—Rev. Wayne R. Rood
Plainfield—Rev. Hurley S. Warren
Waterford—Mr. Earl Cruzan
Piscataway—Rev. Trevah R. Sutton
New York City—Rev. Albert N. Rogers
Second Hopkinton—Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Rood
Pawcatuck—Rev. Harold R. Crandall
Shiloh—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris
Mr. and Mrs. Auley Davis

Mrs. Matie G. Bullock, deaconess
Mr. Paul L. Maxson, pastor
Mr. Arlie C. Bentley, lay member
Mr. Arthur E. Greene, lay member

Others asked to sit in the Council were:
Mr. D. E. Maxson, Gentry, Ark., father of the candidate
Dean A. J. C. Bond, dean of the School of Theology, Alfred, N. Y.
Rev. L. A. Wing, Berlin, N. Y., former pastor
Organization of the council
Election of moderator—Rev. Hurley Warren
Election of clerk—Mr. Arlie L. Greene
Statement of Christian Experience and Beliefs by candidate
Examination of candidate
The council voted to proceed with ordination
Benediction—Rev. W. L. Burdick

Sabbath morning, 10.30 a.m.

Prelude
Gloria Patri
Invocation—Rev. L. A. Wing
Choral response
Opening hymn—O Zion Haste
Responsive reading
Solo—The Lord's Prayer—Mr. William Saunders
Scripture reading—John 1: 35-51—Mr. Earl Cruzan
Prayer—Rev. W. L. Burdick
Choral response
Collection
Announcements
Anthem by choir—The Voice of Jesus
Sermon—Text, "Before that Philip called thee,
when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee."—Dean A. J. C. Bond
Duet—Arthur Burns and Isabelle Millard
Charge to the Candidate—Rev. Albert N. Rogers
Duet—Louis Fatato and Mrs. Isabelle Millard
Charge to the Church—Rev. Trevah R. Sutton
Consecrating Prayer—Rev. Harold R. Crandall
Duet—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Prati
Welcome to the Ministry—Rev. Wayne R. Rood
Closing hymn—O Master Let Me Walk With Thee
Benediction—Rev. Paul L. Maxson

Arlie L. Greene,
Church clerk.

The Church has kept the Bible in the world; maintained public worship; made the Sabbath a day different from the remainder of the week; kept the appeal of churches before men; made the community a fit place in which to live. Is it worth what it costs you?—Selected.

RECORER WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale Help Wanted, and advertisements of a like nature, will be run in this column at one cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each additional insertion. Cash must accompany each advertisement.

WANTED—Seventh Day Baptist farmer interested in renting dairy farm near Milton, Wis. Write Pastor Carroll L. Hill at once.

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