On the exercises they expected I would have, and can ..
that of exalting and unconquerable Christ.

**THE SABBATH RECORDE**

**AN AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

**ORGANIZATION OF COPEN CHURCH**

Under this arrangement I went to Cove Creek and engaged a school house in which to hold a series of meetings to be held at a given time, left the appointment to be published for two or three weeks in the school paper, and the preachers came back and engaged in telling them what they wished me to do. The weather was very cold, I baptised the son of the trial of a man who had forged my name to a note, being summoned by the preachers to draw away the converts. I was quite backward, a rediscovery of THE ORGANIZATION. Rev. Edward D. Holston at the conclusion of the Friday evening session. The Lord so graciously blessed the meetings that the house was soon filled to overflowing and many turned to the Lord. One of the Dunker preachers came back and engaged in telling falsehoods on me to draw away the converts.

"I had said, I would baptise them in any way they wished, which backward, 'flipped three times face forward,' sprinkle or pour water on them first as they chose," he said. "Notwithstanding the fact that the weather was very cold, I baptised quite a goodly number of persons, two of whom turned to the Lord."

Out of this revival grew the Copen Seventh Day Baptist Church. I was compelled to be absent when the church was one of the reasons of the trial of a man who had forged my name to a note, being summoned by the State and held as a witness in the trial which was going on at the time of the organization. I have always regretted this believing that could I have been present, the constituent membership would have double what it was.

**MARRIAGES**

De Lee - Lidell. — At Berlin, N. Y., August 26, 1941, Mr. Lansing De Lee and Miss Velma Lidell, both of De Ruyter, N. Y., were united in marriage, Rev. L. A. Wing officiating.

Duetman - Bottoms. - At the parsonage of the Grove Presbytery, on July 4, 1941, Mr. Edward Duetman of Forreston and Miss Katherine Bottoms of Garley, Ala., were married by Rev. S. G. Manus.

Frantz-Thompson. — At the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage on July 4, 1941, Eliza Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson, White Cloud, Mich, was united in marriage with Joe Frantz, son of Mrs. Henry Towne.

Staple - Allison. — On August 23, 1941, at Tyler, Tex., occurred the marriage of Mr. Rufus Staples, grandson of Elder Andrew J. Williams, and Miss Mabel Allison, daughter of Elder E. A. Allison. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. W. Dunn.

**OBITUARY**

Brewer. — Leah Almada, eldest of eight children of Nathan and Clara Ellon Baxter, was born August 18, 1878, in Kasbon, Minn., and departed this life June 22, 1941, in Riverside, Calif.

On September 21, 1904, she was married to R. C. Brewer. In 1905, they moved to Riverside where they have since made their home. They have been born two children: a daughter, Bernice, and a son, Rex.

Having joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Dodge Center, Minn., the problems which faced Seventh Day Baptist youth and how they expect to meet those problems was the general theme of the worship service and dramatic presentations. Miss Dorothy F. Payne organized and staged a typical youth people's meeting, one which might well be a model. The program was presented by the young people of Conference, under the leadership of Rev. Elton E. Randolph. The young people's meeting, one which might well be a model.

Sunset - the universal entrance into Sabbath rest. The sun's last rays fade across the plains, or behind the mountains. The Sabbath is begun. Wherever people may be, sunset is a sign to men that God's day has come. In Dodge Center, Minn., in Forreston, Ill., in White Cloud, Mich., in River-...
CONFERENCE AT DENVER
(Continued)

The day broke beautifully and the rising sun revealed the snow-covered mountains of the great continental divide. In this invigorating atmosphere Conference attendants found themselves early working their way toward the Sunday School Church where the meetings were held.

Perhaps too full of ozone was the air, for we noticed too few attending the early sectional meetings. For example, the section on publishing interests had only five or six members helping its chairman consider the vital work of the publishing program.

At nine o'clock the devotional period was helpfully led in worship, in song, prayer, Scripture reading, and litany by Rev. Elmo R. Wood, editor of The Christian Record.

The program of the morning consisted of the report of the Board of Christian Education, together with a stirring address by the board's president, Rev. Elmer D. Van Horn, who spoke of the set-up and organization recently effected with twenty-one denominational institutions of Christian education as the corpora-

Editor's Note

2. The report of the Board of Christian Education. Five of whom are young people of college age. Then feelingly he presented the issues facing us, especially the young people of the denomination. The objectives of the board are set forth in its by-laws as follows:

1. To develop the educational convictions of the people of the churches represented in the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

2. To found and foster such denominational institutions of Christian education as the corporation of the denomination may deem necessary.

3. To make educational surveys, to plan courses of study, and to print and distribute literature and religious reading, and litany by Rev. Elmo R. Wood, editor of The Christian Record.

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This sermon was full of sympathy and pointed out various ways in which the Church operates and can operate in fields of human need. The finest things of life are found in Christian fellowship.

Thursday Evening
(Reported by Rev. W. W. Bond)

This has been a worshipful Conference. Business, worship, and sermon have been woven together in a way that has given all the Conference members opportunity to worship.

"Sing Them Over Again to Me" was the theme of the Conference in praise and song Thursday evening. The choir and the congregational singing and the organ were used in it, but not of it, with a Christian philosophy.

This comprehensive address is impossible to report adequately in a few brief sentences. Philosophy he defined as a way of thinking that issues in conduct and affects life and character. The world needs men and women who are sympathetic in that thinking, and it is the task of the Conference program to furnish such men and women who are sympathetic in that way of thinking; but not of the way of thinking, with a Christian philosophy.

Speaking from the point of view of the Church, and of Church union he said, "We should never deviate from the path of obedience which has made us a Sabbath-keeping people for more than three hundred years ... in humility and love, but with burning zeal and evangelical fervor, we should seek to render to the Sabbath to the Christian Church. And for our own sake, and for the sake of the total message of the ecumenical movement itself, the impact upon the world, we should cooperate with all lovers of our Lord in every Christian task and in every way in which they may express our oneness with the world fellowship of believers."

In speaking of the place of emotionalism it was urged that an emotion that does not result in right living and right doing in all relationships of life is futile.

A Christian philosophy was shown to be a life-giving necessity, based upon an enlarged and ennobling conception of God to meet the deep questions of life, and that are yet unanswered by the programs of some knowledge of the material universe. Realism and humanism were briefly discussed and shown inadequate to life.

Throughout the address Doctor Bond illuminated his points by illustration, poetry, and incidents from life.

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Friday Morning

Devotions Friday morning were led by Rev. W. B. Priest. The report of the Religious Life Committee was adopted by acclamation and the annual report of the Religious Life Committee was read as the Scripture lesson, and the evening prayer was offered by Rev. R. E. Priest. The theme of the evening was "The Church, God's House, is a bond of fellowship," said Rev. A. Clyde Ehret of North Logan, who brought the evening message.

"What a thing it is in these dark times to be associated with a group of people that you can trust," he said. "The fellowship of the Church today is sympathetic, instrumentals, and organic; sympathetic in that church fellowship brings people together; instruments, and this to do things; and organic in that it brings problems into the Church where Christlike fellowship can effect real solutions.

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Conference by Rev. James L. Skaggs. "Our young people can keep the Sabbath, if they will," he said. "Many times we cannot fill an occupation that cannot be filled by conscientious Sabbath keepers. There are more opportunities than there are people to take them." In conclusion he said, "We should all be so well acquainted with the background of the Sabbath that we could discuss the subject intelligently." Friday afternoon

Reports of committees on Friday afternoon were preceded by a congregational hymn and a prayer by Rev. Neal Mills. Dr. Ben Cran- dall presented the report of the Vocational Committee, which was received, and was not renominated to be made of the committee. The report of the Committee on Christian Education was received, and was not renominated to be made of the committee. The report of the Committee on Christian Co-operation was received, and was not renominated because its work is covered by the Tract Society. The report of the Memorial Board was received, and may be read in the Year Book.

"Faith in God and Country" was the theme of the Conference in meditation and worship, prepared by Rev. Albert N. Rogers and Rev. Everett T. Harris. "Is it possible that there is more supposed for a spirit of cynicism today than ever be before," said Mr. Harris, "but even now God's plan may be nearer accomplishment than we dare dream. We need a faith that will give us hope.

The report of the Committee on Ecclesiastical Architecture was received, and the committee shall continue, since the Historical Society possesses all the information of the committee. The committees to consider holding Conference in London, and to consider relief for children and mothers of our faith in war ridden countries, were continued as a gesture of encouragement to our English brethren.

The report of the section on Women's Work was received, and a plea made for the use of the promoter of evangelism by any and all churches. The meeting was ad- journed by the president to the business session Sunday morning.

Read 1 Timothy 4: 11-16. "Neglect not the gift that is in thee." (1 Tim- othy 4: 14.)

These words seem to say to us—cultivate your own gifts, those which are natural to you. Don't spend time worrying about the abilities which God has not given you. He has given you certain gifts for a purpose, to be used in his service. If you play a violin or sing or speak, do you do it willingly with a feeling of being the one to judge when it is needed? The music that rises from the earth return as pure water; so he who gives to God such as he has shall receive good in return. In giving of ourselves for others we are made better, and in blessing others we ourselves are blessed.

Prayer—May we ever be ready to use for thee, our Father, those gifts which thou hast bestowed upon us. "Let us be wise in our generation." (Mark 6: 11.) Only a few days ago I was told the story about a church that was being torn down. At one time it was a good church filled every week with people, but later interest was lost. What happened to the church? The people were good, but there was no longer a center for the life, the enthusiasm, the determination that was once there. As the carpenters climbed the old stairway into the attic with hammers and crowbars they saw the reason for the failure of this church. The attic was stacked with old unused prayers. These prayers had gone out and up, and did not go into life's practice.

Of course this is just a story, but it does show us a common failing in many of us. We do not think in terms of prosperity and depression, joy and happiness, peace and war. God is always near if we will but trust in him knowing that alone we are weak.

Prayer—Our Father, help us to "ap, if any time in secret" with thee, learning to know thy will and gaining new strength to do the bit that thou hast planned for us. Amen.


Many telegraph operators suffer at times from a loss of "grip." This "grip" is the hold on the key, and in the case of any operator, hold begins to lose this hold he knows that he must rest until once again the muscles are made whole. Something like this happens to men in every department of life if they do not keep themselves at their best. People are just as likely to lose their spiritual grip as their physical. Our Scripture says that "by faith we stand," but this faith or spiritual grip on God can be lost if we forsake our duties to him.

Prayer— Heavenly Father, may we ever stay close to thee that we may keep a firm hold upon the Christian way of life. Amen.

Monday, September 22

Read Matthew 6: 5-13. "Do you, beloved, build up yourselves on your most holy faith, and pray in the holy spirit." (Jude 20—MoEan.)

One of the greatest needs of our time and of all times is for religious meditation. We need more quiet communion with God in our hearts. It is only as we spend time with a person, as we talk and act together, that we learn to trust and love that person. How, then, can we learn to have faith in God and do not think of the world and its doings as the people of the Old Testament did the world and its doings? When we look around us we must think of the people of the Old Testament. They trusted in the Lord and did not think of anything else. We trust in the Lord and do not think of anything else.

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Tuesday, September 23

Read 1 Timothy 4: 11-16. "Neglect not the gift that is in thee." (1 Tim- othy 4: 14.)

At the fair at San Jose, Calif., there was a large crowd gathered to watch the ascension of a balloon. When the balloon was ready to go up, the people yelled, "Let go!" It rose very quickly. As one lad en- deavored to step back from the rope he became entangled and was lifted from the ground. He could not drop because the ground was now far below, and the one in charge of the ship found it impossible to pull it down. The young man decided to descend and they started down slowly.
He says that this was one of the greatest pleasures of his life and it is these that he learned to enjoy giving and to influence others to give.

It is a wonderful thing to acquire the taste for helpfulness in youth. Have you ever desired to see your church go forward and to see others happy? This taste will grow until the greatest joy in life will come from these bestowing blessings upon others. The man who serves will continually grow in favor with God and his people.

Prayer—Dear God, help us to realize that our faith can increase only as we use the gifts we have to bless others. Amen.

**THE WORLD WIDE COMMUNION**


**MISSIONS**

ACTIVITIES BEGIN ANEW

Owing to the closing of the summer vacation and the opening of the public schools, the first of September has come to be the beginning of a new year in church work. Churches have fixed different times for the opening of the public schools, and the regular school year should begin about the first of September.

The Federal Council is planning to hold one hundred missions during the year. The program of the missions is to include meetings with ministers, church women, high schools, colleges, luncheon clubs, professional groups, labor unions, youth groups, and evening mass meetings.

One of the objectives in the program is to reach the unachieved church, the church with the Christian gospel, as well as to help those who already belong to some church. It is hoped that many Seventh Day Baptists will be able to attend one or more of these meetings.

**CHRISTIAN Missions in ONE HUNDRED CITIES**

The Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council is planning to hold one hundred missions during the months of January and February in cities having populations of from twenty-five thousand to one hundred thousand. Both churches and their auxiliary organizations may well take advantage of this fact and lay out a program for the months to come. The program will include meetings with ministers, church women, high schools, colleges, luncheon clubs, professional groups, labor unions, youth groups, and evening mass meetings.

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**PREACHING Missions**

For five years we have called "Preaching Missions" and they have been a great help in many churches. A report adopted by the General Conference at its recent session and recommended to the boards of the General Conference for approval is a means of Christian growth. We urge the individual churches to put their pastors at the disposal of the Missionary Board for short periods in the home mission fields. We appeal to Seventh Day Baptists not to neglect opportunities for the personal operation of Christian missions. Some churches have already planned for special evangelistic work during the year. As in past years, the Missionary Board is ready to aid in every way it can.

More about this will appear later.

W. L. B.

**THE WORLD WIDE COMMUNION**

Last year a large majority of our churches joined with Protestant churches all over the world in holding a World Wide Communion the first Sunday of September. The Missionary Board and the General Conference are again backing this movement. The communion proclaims and fosters Christian fellowship. With the world writhing in bitterness and hate, the Church should do all it can to promote the brotherhood of all men. The great item, however, in the Lord's Supper is to make Christ supreme and it is well that the activities of the new year should begin in the special remembrance of Christ, his life, suffering, death, triumphant resurrection, and continuous presence in the Church.

This year our program is to be held one week and include meetings with ministers, church women, high schools, colleges, luncheon clubs, professional groups, labor unions, youth groups, and evening mass meetings.

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**STRENGTHENING THE HOME BASE**

Conditions are different in different churches and, therefore, different programs are demanded. Every church should study its needs and plan accordingly. In all our planning we should keep before us that the way to strengthen the Church is by strengthening the home base. This will require more funds, better cooperation, and greater devotion. The resources of the world are the Master's. If we give him his share of our money, time, strength, and love, there will be no lack.

W. L. B.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF DR. THORNHORSE**

It is unnecessary to dwell upon the difficulties under which mission workers through-out China have labored during the past year. The Seventh Day Baptist Mission has done no less than the great need is to strengthen the home base. This will require more funds, better cooperation, and greater devotion.

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**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

The section appointed to consider missionary interests devoted its time to the study of the annual report of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society, and recommends the approval of the report.

Recognizing the great task laid upon the board by its parent society, and particularly acute at this time, we hereby express our appreciation of the untiring efforts of the board members and officers.

We hereby recommend that the Mission be promoted by the boards of the General Conference and the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society, as the need arises.

The board has been successful in developing the matter of property damage and confiscation by the Japanese, although there have been several conferences between representatives of our mission and officials of the Japanese military forces. Mr. Davis has kept constant touch with the American Consul General in Shanghai.

My own activities have been about the same as in previous years. I go each day to the hospital of the Shanghai Anti-tuberculosis Association. This, as you may recall, is a hospital for destitute or refugee Chinese suffering from lung diseases. I also go every two weeks to Lester Chinese Hospital where I conduct a chest clinic. I have had considerable pleasure during the year in meeting and greeting recent additions to students of St. John's Medical School.

As reported in the last "Bulletin," I have opened an office in the business district. This I hope, will serve as the Shanghai office of the Grace Mission when conditions again become normal.

Shanghai, China.

June 15, 1941.

GOOD NEWS REGARDING REV. H. EUGENE DAVIS

Dear Secretary Burdick:

This will be something of an official bulletin on Mr. Davis' condition. As I write, he has suffered a stroke of apoplexy early in July. This affected his right side. However, he has made steady progress in recovery until now he can walk without difficulty. He can use his right hand also, but not with great speed. The values of his buildings have been increased in view of the depreciation of the Chinese currency and the great rise in building costs. This adds considerably to mission expenses.

Shanghai municipal taxes have been increased, and such taxes as the mission is a serious problem for the mission. Up to the present this has been accomplished, but it has been necessary to use a large part of the mission funds in order to do so.

Nothing more has been done at Luiho. Members of the mission have made several visits to our office headquarters. At times there have been some difficulties in getting out and back, but these have been summarized in the mission's plans to be no immediate prospect of reopening work in that locality.

Shanghai has been in constant touch with the Christian gospel, as well as to help those who already belong to some church. It is hoped that many Seventh Day Baptists will be able to attend one or more of these meetings.

W. L. B.

Good news regarding Rev. H. Eugene Davis

Shanghai, China.

July 29, 1941.
to put their pastors at the disposal of the Missionary Society, for work in the home mission field. We appeal to Seventh Day Baptists not to neglect the opportunities for personal evangelism and missionary effort.

We note that salaries of our missionaries in China have of necessity been reduced, and while this appears justified at the time the action was taken, there is evidence that changing conditions may cause the reduction to work serious hardship upon the workers there. We feel the situation offers a challenge to us who are so abundantly blessed and we lay it upon the conscience of our people.

It is suggested that brief paragraphs of news from both the home and foreign fields, and articles printed on the Missions Page of the Sabbath Recorder would stimulate interest in our work.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Leslie O. Greene, Chairman.
Miss Mary Margaret Hummel, Secretary.

WOMAN'S WORK

ATTITUDES AND ATMOSPHERE

(A paper presented at the 19th Mission's Conference, Alfred, N. Y., by Mrs. A. T. C. Bond.)

Attitudes and atmosphere are illusive of definition. They cannot be taught, they must rather be caught—absorbed as is sunlight or religion. We all recognize that the home is fundamental in the child's education, and the influence of its attitudes and atmosphere is far-reaching; vitally constructive and integrating if good; very disintegrating if bad. Not so equally evident is the fact that far more powerful than words, or perhaps even deeds, are the attitudes of the members of the family and the atmosphere they create in the home. In Regina Wieman's book, The Child's Family, she writes, "The family is the situation most open to the presence and the work of God. God is the interweaving of the interests of men into larger wholes which increase the abundance and meaning of all life." The family and the home are successful in so far as they do interweave the individual's interests with the larger group of the family in such a way that they are not stopped there, but are conscious also of the child's social life, his interest in the world outside the family, in the world of work, and in the world of man everywhere. It is through the parent-child relationship that the child's concept of God has its beginnings. Love and understanding, unselfishness are the core of this conception.

In the changing ideas and status of the home today, it may be helpful to reconsider the function which the home is expected to fulfill in the atmosphere of being important to someone, of being wanted, and of sharing love—giving it instead of waiting. But the actual fact is evident in the field of social welfare work when children developed better with affection in poor homes, than without natural affection in good homes.

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All-important is the quality of the home family. The change from a stable family to a consuming home in the realm of economic and social orders. Within the memory of this group, even, this change has been revolutionary in its proportions. No wonder there is difficulty in adjustment.

Once responsible not only for the giving of love, but for most of the child's education, the home now finds itself able to cast its responsibility on society without feeling any great guilt. But the realization of this thoughtful people becomes general knowledge among students of the social structure, that home atmosphere is the building block for the society. Therefore it is essential that the functions of the home, with respect to the children which it brings into the world, have been modified physically; (2) to direct them in the formation of good health habits; (3) to build right habits of life, habitual control to build good character—honesty, truthfulness, co-operation. These are all matters begun in babyhood; they are not a result in a loss which cannot be made good.

The home stands as the interpreter of life and society to its immature members in a way no other institution can. The habit of trusting, of being teachable, of obedience to the rules of living, are all things which the home teaches.

The home atmosphere is the most potent force which the child needs above everything else the security of affection. Nowhere else can this security be found except here. For Christian mission work today, the home is the most potent influence we have to work with. It is the place of the child's education. Here the family must build a foundation for the future, and if this ground is not well prepared the whole structure will be insecure. In the past hundred years has occurred a change in the home. In Regina Wieman's book, The Child's Family, she writes, "The family is the situation most open to the presence and the work of God. God is the interweaving of the interests of men into larger wholes which increase the abundance and meaning of all life."

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Let love, then, give its members all the 
security of affection which arms and
strengthens the soul in its venture. This
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souls to be achieved by the family—trans-
cending the indulgence, the selfishness, the
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the sharing of interests between persons who
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the American
and for the transaction of such business as
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As families, let us “live together in love;”
that greater love which is an achievement,
a quest, and whose shining light is Christ,
the Way.

ANNUAL MEETING
AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY
OF NEW JERSEY
The annual meeting of the members of
the American Tract Society of New Jersey,
for the election of officers and trustees and
for the transaction of such business may
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YOUNG PEOPLE’S WORK
TO THE WORK
The end of the summer here is near. School
bells are ringing again. College will soon
open. As your editor writes these words
the time draws on to the closing meeting of
his summer work in Berea. Has the summer
vacation been just another vacation to you?
I have not lived very long—not nearly as long
as some of the readers of this page, but I
come to realize the value of work.
I have come to realize it now this summer.
I have been busy. I am glad of it. Here in
Berea we like to sing a hymn which starts
out:

“To the work! To the work!
We are servants of God.”

And the third verse begins:

“To the work! To the work!
There is labor for all.”

I think perhaps the reason we like to
sing it is because of the truth it declares.
There is work for everyone. Those in
business may come to the end of the time set
aside for rest from work. Those who
work for their living may have been free
for a week or two. Those on the farm have
been working for two or three months. Those
in business are likely to have been free for a
week or two. Those who have come to the
end of the time set aside for rest from
work. There is labor for all therefore, as
servants of God let us go to the work.

IMPRESSIONS OF MY TRIP TO
CONFERENCE
By Beula Sutton
Naturally to those of us who are con-
sidered easterners, the wide-open spaces
were a wonderful sight. The level land, the sage
brush, cactus, etc., which had always been
a feature of the Rockies. They were even more
beautiful and awe-inspiring than we had dreamed.
The welcome that awaited us was no little
value. We had relatives who were
especially welcomed, and the Conference
itself was a very friendly place to be. We
have always enjoyed the friendly folks along
from the “East,” but I now take off my hat
to you who are known as westerners.

CHILDREN’S PAGE
OUR LETTER EXCHANGE
Dear Mrs. Greene:
I thought I would write to you because
last February
I am now an aunt. My sister Pauline has
a baby girl. She is one month old and her
name is Yvonne. She was named after me, because my middle
name is Yvonne. Mac is an uncle now, and he is only two
going on three.

Today Pauline is sick. Mother thinks she has
fever. She might call the doctor, too.
Your Recorder friend,
Hammond, La.
Sydney Davis.

Dear Sydney:
It was nice of you to write when I needed
your letter so much and I hope you will
do so very often.
Don’t make you feel quite grown-up
to call yourself “Aunt Sydney”? My brother
and I became uncle and aunt when I was
about your age and my brother, nearly four
years younger; and I can remember how
proud we were and how grown-up we felt.
But we could never get our nephew to call
us uncle and aunt. I hope your sister is
“all better” now, as our little Joyce Ann says.
Her new baby will not be full of
life yet. But she will be fifty. until January
fifth. Here in Andover
they will take them if they are five by the
first of February. When they were telling
about it I remarked that she would have
to stay with Grandpa and Grandma and go
 to kindergarten here; just in fun of course.
This summer we went to see them, and she
went upstairs without saying a word and
came down with her suitcase all packed
to get on the train. She said she could “go
to school.” She was very much disappointed,
but is now talking of how fun it will be
to go next school year.

Your sincere friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:
I live in Ashaway, R. I. Our family just
moved to Rhodie, Col. My father is Pastor R. H. Coon, the
new minister in Ashaway.

I like it here very much, but I miss all
my friends in Boulder a lot. My big sister
had to stay in Colorado to work. Our whole
family misses her.

I am eight years old and I have a sister
who is ten years old. We have lots of fun
together.

I saw Alice Hemminger’s letter in the
Recorder. She is one of my friends in
Boulder. I like her very much.

Your friend,
Ashaway, R. I.
Ruth Coon.

Dear Ruth
I am glad when my Recorder chil-
dren tell me exactly what family they
belong, and especially glad when it is a
family I know, for then, you see, I feel
better acquainted with the children them-
selves. And other grown-ups who read our
page feel the same way. Of course your
friends in each other and remember me when I knew
him first, for he was a very tiny boy
came into our Chicago church in his mother’s
arms. But when I saw him doing his
summer work in Berea. Has the summer
vacation been just another vacation to you?

THE SABBATH RECORDER
If you would ask me just what part of
Conference I enjoyed most, my answer
would be the young people’s meeting at 6:45 p.m.
in charge of Rev. Elmo F. Randolph. The
meetings were truly interesting and played
a great part in getting our Seventh Day Bap-
tist young people acquainted with each other.
Of course our trip could not be complete
without seeing some of the canyons and en-
joying a real snow storm on the mountains.
Our party took an active part in a snow
fight on one of our trips through the moun-
tains.
To me the trip to Conference was a very
helpful and inspiring one, we will never
forget. I do hope in some way to bring to
my home church a part of the inspiration
received while attending the Denver Con-
ference.
Berea, V. W.

THE SABBATH RECORDER
Main Street full of school busses, loaded with children from the countryside and from all directions, in the beautiful, new central school. Across the street is the new building. We have been anticipating this for a long time. The excitement is in the air, and there are many tasks that need to be accomplished. Some of these tasks are:

1. Preparing the new building for use.
2. Training new teachers.
3. Organizing the curriculum.
4. Establishing new resources.
5. Developing new programs.

Not a little time has been taken up in effecting these changes. We must be careful to determine our methods and means of procedure. Therefore, this report will not deal with all the problems, but only with those that are immediately pressing.

Our constitution and by-laws approved by the older boards before the consolidation was finally completed require of us not only the conservation of the achievements of the past, but also that we shall be guided by the same high principles upon which they worked and that all funds which we inherited from them shall be used in the same spirit of unselfishness for the spirit and purpose for which they were originally given. The trust laws of our state will admit of none other.

Our organization is young and plastic as yet and will be shaped so far as is humanly possible to accomplish the will of the denomination.

Just a word as to our personnel. We have twenty-one directors on our board, consisting of men and women of all who are associated with us. Just as in the case of the Seventh Day Baptists, the interests of the denomination at heart, drawn from the university at Alfred and near-by, we have men of high character and good ability. The older boards before the consolidation was finally completed require of us not only the conservation of the achievements of the past, but that we shall be guided by the same high principles upon which they worked and that all funds which we inherited from them shall be used in the same spirit of unselfishness for the spirit and purpose for which they were originally given. The trust laws of our state will admit of none other.

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week; but every day, everywhere the world around, in all nations to make all Christian. Furthermore, it concerns itself with one's entire personality. It seeks to purify one's motives, stabilize his emotions, cultivate systematic and definitely his appreciations, and especially his moral discernments, so that when he comes before God in acts of devotion and worship he may enjoy real fellowship with God and give himself anew to his work.

Let me close by saying our goal may be stated in terms of the International Council as follows:

I. . . . to foster in growing persons a consciousness of God as a reality in human experience and to teach the advantages of a childlike simplicity. The natural affinities of the gospel are not with methods of coercion or violence, emotional propaganda or mob psychology, but with the natural and unadulterated simplicity of truth and the fellowship of good will.

Seventh Day Baptists have always been broad-minded enough to include in their church program, preaching, evangelism, and Christian education, in their efforts to build the kingdom of God on earth. And now that the Seventh Day Baptist Education Society, the Sabbath School Board of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, and the Young People's Board have been brought together and incorporated under the name of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education, and charged with the Christian task of promoting the religious life in the homes, churches, and schools of the denomination, we may expect to encounter something of our hopes and aims.

Our goal in common with all Christians is "to help men and women, boys and girls, to live as Christians—to face any given situation and resolve its issues in terms of Christian values and purposes. . . . In a world like ours, where changes are swiftly taking place, we need to give attention to preserving demands as well as past precedent. The end of education is not merely the attainment of facts and knowledge, but to so organize these facts as to relate them to present problems so as to effect a more fruitful ordering of life."

Christian education is, therefore, related to every phase of human life—the family, vocations, the proper functioning of citizenship, the intellectual, moral, and aesthetic activities. In other words, it is concerned with the whole of life, not with just some small segment, not one day in the
At 5:30 a picnic supper was served, the open fireplace being used by several of the group.

The annual business meeting and election of officers of the Ashaway Christian Endeavor Society will be held at the parsonage on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The nominating committee, Arthur Brayman, Harold Collings, Jr., and Louis Savy, will present a slate of officers for election.

The meeting Friday evening was attended by more than twenty young people, their leaders, and guests.

Articles pertaining to the subject, "Setting Christian Standards in My Friendships," were read by Hilda Maine, Arthur Brayman, Elsie Arnold, and Louis Savy.

A half hour of Bible study of the first chapter of the Book of John was conducted by Rev. Ralph H. Coon, who also gave a blackboard talk to bring out the main points for concentration. The study will be continued at the meeting Friday night.—Westley Sun (Aug. 23).

Washington, N. H.

Sabbath day, August 23, a meeting was held in the Seventh Day Adventist church in Washington, N. H., to commemorate the seventy-seventh anniversary of the day when a Seventh Day Baptist woman, Mrs. Rachel Preston, spoke the Sabbath truth to an Adventist group in that place. About two hundred people were present, mostly Adventists, at the morning and afternoon sessions. But for the gasoline curtailment, there would have been at least two Seventh Day Baptists present from Massachusetts to join in this service.

New Market, N. J.

We again cooperated with the Vacation Bible School held at the Plainfield church this summer. Five from our congregation were in attendance. Pastor Sutton was the supervisor and Mrs. Sutton one of the teachers.

Two of our young people, Elaine Kellogg and David Lance, attended the Lewis Camp for Seventh Day Baptist teen-agers of the Eastern Association, at Ashaway, R. I.

Pastor and Mrs. T. R. Sutton attended the General Conference at Denver, Colo., in August. They feel that although the attendance was somewhat smaller than at some other places, it was a very good Conference filled with many fine things for spiritual uplift. Pastor and Mrs. Sutton spent their vacation in Colorado and Wisconsin, visiting their people. Mr. Sutton also assisted his father the latter part of July with the teenage group at the Rocky Mountain Seventh Day Baptist Camp near Boulder.

During the month of August our church schedule centered into one service, that of Sabbath school. The last two Sabbaths of July, while the pastor was at camp, the pulpit was supplied by Rev. T. D. Walker of the Dellum Methodist Church, and Rev. M. R. Palmer of the New Market Baptist Church. Prayer services were conducted by two of our young men, Gordon Harris and Harold Kellogg.—Contributed.

Verona, N. Y.

Our sixth annual Home Coming Day was celebrated August 2. Pastor Davis preached the morning sermon on this subject, "Three Pillars of Christian Faith," followed by the Lord's Supper.

Dinner was served in the church parlors. The afternoon program opened with a praise service led by Raymond Sholtz, chorister. There were two selections by the young people's orchestra, and a solo by Kenneth Babcock of Milton, Wis. Dr. J. Nelson Norwood, president of Alfred University, gave the address, which was followed by a forum. The service was attended by about one hundred fifty people.

The Young People's Social Club met at Lewis Point, Oneida Lake, on the evening of August 9. After a sunset worship service in charge of Wm. Arthur and a musical and literary program, a wiener roast was enjoyed.

The Doer's Sabbath School Class held their August meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hyde. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. The Worth While Class was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sholtz on the evening of August 23. The class officers were elected.

The congregation was greatly surprised and saddened to hear Pastor Davis' resignation which he presented August 23. This was his first pastorate of five years' duration, and he has been with us for the past nine years, where he and Mrs. Davis have endeared themselves to the people. They have done very faithful and efficient work in the church and community and will be greatly missed.

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