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Beautiful organ selections were played by Mrs. Schragg of Leonardville, and Miss Mary Ellen Greene of Adams Center. Other outstanding musical numbers were two well rendered anthems by the Verona and De Ruyter choirs, and a much appreciated song by a quartet consisting of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Polan and Rev. and Mrs. Paul Burdick.

At the close of the session a summary of this exceptionally good program was given by the moderator, Rev. J. W. Crofoot, who used charts and diagrams to illustrate some points of his review.

Secretary.

"Mill Yard" (London) Church

During the last quarter the services have been conducted by the pastor on Sabbath mornings at the Upper Holloway Baptist Church, and in the mornings at Dollis Hill at the home of Sister Gawthrop. The subjects of the sermons have been the lives of the twelve apostles whose call to be apostles we have now reached in our study of the life of Jesus. The mysterious prophecies of Ezekiel were also expounded. A special address on the V for victory sign was also given.

The Bible class has been held every Sunday at Highgate, those attending being of various denominations.

On the third Sunday of each month the Westminster Baptist Mission in Tottenham has been addressed by the pastor, and as a result of meeting Mr. Pirie of the London City Mission he was invited to preach at the Gospel Oak Mission in Kentish Town on Thursday evening, July 10, and again when Mr. Pirie was on holiday on two Sundays, August 24 and September 7. This mission is attached to the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Hampstead.

Much time was spent on house to house work by the pastor selling our special Sabbath Observer to the Prophecies of Daniel. It was while doing this that he met Mr. Pirie. Many other interesting people were also met, such as converts to Rome and Spiritualism.

A letter has been received from Brother G. W. Mead of Ceylon in which he informs us that he is now in army service in India.

From British Guiana Rev. W. M. Berry, and his son George have written telling of the difficult conditions under which they are carrying on the work of the mission. They are in great need of financial assistance. The price of everything has gone up tremendously.

Brother Timothy Teka Chapita has told of a visit he has received from three native pastors in Nyasaland who are greatly interested in our work, and desire to join us. Their names are Simon Kambwazi, Kudala Kanjembo, and Maliko Fujiani.

—The Sabbath Observer.

MARRIAGES

Sharp - Read. — At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Read, near Rogersville, Mo., Everett W. Sharp of Mexico, Mo., and Callie Harbert Read of Rogersville, Pastor E. E. Lewis of Gentry, Ark., officiating, November 25, 1941.

MARRIAGES

Davis — Kate Agnes Preston, daughter of Adeline and John Preston, was born in La Grosse, Wis., July 18, 1872.

In 1882, with her mother she moved to North Loup, Neb., where she grew to womanhood. July 18, 1899, she was united in marriage with Walter L. Davis. Three years later she with her family moved to Lincoln, Neb., where she lived the remainder of her life.

On July 29, 1893, she was baptized and united with the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church of which she remained a member the rest of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Walter L. Davis of Lincoln; by her sons, Robin of New York City, and Karl of Kansas City, Mo., and a half sister in Wisconsin.

Farewell services and burial were in Lincoln.

A. C. E.

OBITUARY

Rev. Verney A. Wilson
Pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Hammond, La.

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Denominational "Hook-up"
A Mighty Challenge

There are gods many—as Paul once wrote unless expressly renewed.

There are many who would be an enriching experience for all of the world conditions, possessed by the need, use, and influence of the Bible amid the more impressive as one learns that the population of the world is increasing more rapidly than the output of the Bible. There is no other process of supplying the need than that furnished by the Bible societies. The process seems simple—one of translation, publication, distribution; that is, of putting it into the hands of those who do not have it. Simple as it is, that process makes the most amazing, compelling story of the American Bible Society. As it is told one forgets secretaries—North, Stifler, Cropp Boyd, Rees—and Treasurer Darling. He thinks of the tasks, the need, and how he may in some way help to carry on. How our hearts burned within us as we thought of multitudes who are longing to use, and to read the Bible, and none could have a Bible to give—and with penitence and tears, perhaps, seek divine forgiveness.

The churches have contributed a little more than six million dollars to the work of the American Bible Society during the past 125 years, a year average of but $48,500. An increase of as little as one dollar annually per church from those denominations now giving least, it is said, would provide over $75,000 for overging the Scriptures to those who are now unable to possess them.

Dean Bond, who attended this council as Seventh Day Baptist representative, will perhaps report something more of detail of the society’s work and our possible larger participation in it. For the first ten months of 1941 our contributions amounted to $85,487.

Why Doesn’t God...?

Many times when evil is so dominant, people ask, “Why doesn’t God end it?” When trouble seems more than can be borne—“Why does God allow it? Why doesn’t God stop this war?” It may not be amiss to read the preceding editorial again.

America in the War

As all our readers are probably aware, America found herself attacked—and war against her declared by Japan, the seventh of December. The fate of our missionaries at Shanghai, of course, is not known at this writing. So far as we know, the first attack was made on Hawaii. Our radios and daily papers and bulletins make reporting war news by us unnecessary.

It is a time for us as Christians to be patient; to think and act sanely. We will have many pressing, far from happy and bitter things. Let us remember, “love suffereth long, and is kindly;” now that Japan has attacked the United States, “Why doesn’t God put an end to this?” We have many enemies. May a thoughtful person not ask—Why should they hate us?—As all our readers are aware, America was attacked by Japan without having provoked her, and without the least bit of provocation, and now, war; and instead of “life everlasting,” death by bomb, shark, and the selfishness of others. bring about the very conditions that affects their plans.

If you have any concerns, blame them for not preventing the result of their choice. There have been many occasions when God has frustrated the plans of evil, and men refused to recognize God’s intervention and claimed the victory for themselves. With such ingratitude it is no wonder that God often cannot do more.

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LOOSING THE WAY

In traveling, people very often lose their way. They travel wrong roads and sometimes go directly away from where they desire to go.

The same thing happens in the matters of the Church. Churches and denominations take the road that leads away from the truth, and find it is too late to accomplish. They lose their way. The Jewish Church in the days of Christ was doing this. It was this that caused Christ to say, as he stood on an eminence looking down upon Jerusalem, "If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes."

There are many ways of taking the wrong road in the matter of Christ's kingdom, and one of them is in regard to missions. The church or denomination that is not thoroughly fitting into the scriptural program of missions has lost its way.

The Christian religion is a missionary religion; the Christian life is a missionary life; the Christian Church is a missionary Church. At this Christmas season when so much is rightly being said about Christ, let us re- member that the missionary spirit which prompted the Father to send his Son to earth. The missionary spirit is the spirit of Christ. The antimissional spirit is anti-christ.

W. L. B.

LETTER FROM SHANGHAI, CHINA

Dear Members of the Board:

For many months from our usual winter experience, I received last Sabbath, as did Doctor Thorngate, both the original and duplicate of Secretary Burdick's letter written September 8. In contrast, may I point out that the two preceding mailings on U. S. boats which always bring mail, yielded not one letter for any of our workers, and many friends had the same experience. We all had plenty of second class mail. The Christmas season is to improve. He made a high grade on Monday of this week, driving Mrs. West and me to an appointment, after collecting some gas in a filling station; next going downtown to a Chinese restaurant, where we met a guest and him and a guest for a Chinese meal. This was his first real use of chopsticks since his illness, and it was a pleasure to be able to handle them, as well as to enjoy the first whole Chinese meal.

Eugene is also sleeping immeasurably better than he did sick, and we have been wholly recovered, but it is really marvelously improved. He wrote two sentences yesterday. He read some every day. He tried not to reach a tired point in any mental activity. Physically, too, his strength has improved wonderfully; has more than he can handle, so he goes for a day's walk, and that makes him able to sleep better.

Sincerely,

May Davis.

Shanghai, China.

October 15, 1941.

JAMAICA SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

(Report gleaned from letters written by members while in attendance)

Conference this year, as you know, was held with our Wakefield Church, in Tremper, Tennessee, the 3rd-7th December. The members understood from remarks made in my presence during and immediately following conference that I was a successful one and one long to be remembered. From the time we arrived in Wakefield until we left, everyone seemed to enjoy himself. The Wakefield brethren and sisters (there were numerously mention individually, though they all helped) saw to it that our every physical need was fully met. We were especially impressed with the physical and spiritual needs. They definitely helped to make conference a success.

The bus in which most of the delegations and officers traveled in this intermediate and intermediate points arrived in Wakefield on Wednesday night, September 3, at about 8:30 o'clock. We had a delicious dinner prepared for the travelers, and as soon as they arrived they enjoyed a satisfying meal; then we went into the welcome service of conference at 9:00 or thereabouts. Pastor Lyons and Sister S. Wynter, both of Wakefield, extended a welcome to conference on behalf of that church. Brother J. Hamilton, Kingston, and Sister B. A. Smellie, Luna, replied...
suitably. Then Pastor N. H. Grant, president of conference, gave us a brief address on the occasion. This brought the activities of the evening to a close. All the visitors were assigned to places to stay and all returned for a much needed rest.

The general theme of the conference was, "This Troubled World's Need of the Living Christ." The day began on Thursday morning, September 4, at 6 o'clock, we made our way to the church where Brother Black led us in the prayer. His theme for the morning being, "Ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars." He related his theme to the general theme in a capable manner, as indeed did all speakers at conference throughout.

After this meeting was over we repaired to the booths especially erected for serving gate and visitors. At 9 Brother J. Brown, the secretary, read the minutes and took the roll. Then at 9.15 we went into the first business. It included resolutions, finance, nominations, and credentials. Correspondence pertaining to the appointment of officers was read and accepted. Brother Lyons was served as the treasurer of the day, and C. Smellie was to be pastor of that church. Also Pastor Smellie will be pastor of the Lunaf Church. For purposes of supervision the field is to be divided up between the two ordained ministers, Pastors Crichlow and Smellie, so that all our churches may have rendered the services of the ordained minster more often than in the past.

Here is a brief summary of the amount of money in the Missionary Fund, for conference year 1940-41. Total income for year, £12,16.43.4. Balance brought forward from previous year, £10.4.1/2. Grand total for year, £23.0.6. Amount expended during year mainly for travel expense of workers, £14.10.11/2. Balance on hand September 2, 1941, £8.10.5. We must do better than this during 1941-42, at least as well as last year.

We must have an income to the Missionary Fund this year at least £25.0.0. We cannot reach this goal unless every one of our churches supports the Missionary Fund until the end of the year.

Out of this rich background of faith and knowledge of the members or in the church of the day—missions and tract work, also assisting the poor Benevolent enterprises of the day—as a mark and object of this society for 1886, states that the society met in the church parlors on March 17, 1887, for the organization of the society. The society has been prepared by a group of three women now living in the United States—their chairman, a former teacher in a Biblical seminary. Another is the wife of a German pastor, who was imprisoned in the concentration camp abroad, her husband in another, both now doing pastoral work in the United States—their younger son (a student for the ministry) still in a concentration camp. The third is a French woman, who has had no word from her family in France for over a year. The theme is "I Am the Way."
and dishes were purchased during this year for the church parlor.

On March 7, 1891, the society met and had a picnic dinner. Prior to this the mem-
ber at whose home the society met fur-
nished the meal, and when the meetings
were held in the church parlors two women
would furnish the meal. The attendance
during these early years of the society
was very good. The smallest number at any
time was four, and the largest attendance
was sixty. During these years until 1914,
the society met once in two weeks. Since
1914, we have met the third Thursday in
each month. Since 1906, our meals have
been served by divisions most of the time.
At the 'front parlors.'

During the sixty-six years since its or-
ganization the Ladies' Aid has helped those
in need, either by sewing for them or by
organization the Ladies
members are remembered by flowers, card
things were needed at the church or
been served by divisions most of the time.

Now wait a minute! It is quite possible
that you think I will just cover over again
with new tracks the ground that has been
trampled upon every year at this season.
I was just going to say that.

Mrs. William B. Davidson,
Secretary.

Who's Who

REV. VERNEY A. WILSON

Nortonville, Kan.

Born at Attalla, Ala., December 1, 1891.
Father, Deacon John
Mother, Laura A. Wilson. Baptized by an
uncle, Rev. R.S. Wilson, and united with
the Attalla Seventh Day Baptist Church
in 1905. Ordained September 16, 1916. Edu-
cated in the grade and high school of At-
talla. Graduated from Howard College,
Shenandoah, Ia., 1927. A.B. degree from
School of Theology at Alfred, N. Y., 1934.
Married to Minnie B. Connell, 1913.
Four children.

Pastored Attalla and Athens churches—
Attalla twice; Jackson Center, Ohio, twice;
Hammonton, N. J., once; St. John's, South
fernfort, Ill.; present pastor Nortonville, Kan.

Who's Who

Victor W. Snapp, Alph. N. Y.

More Religion in Our Christmas

(Contributed by Rev. Marion C. Van Horne)

Now let us turn "More Religion in Our Christ-
mas." Did you ever pray a prayer about
peace and good will and mercy, and feel
your hands almost tingle with a feeling
of helplessness? I have had that feeling
when I prayed for peace and for brotherhood.
That is only what I think. And thinking alone will not get anybody
into heaven. That is the front parlor of our religion.

Now do not get the idea that I am saying
that the front parlor is not necessary. It
speaks for itself. And I believe that we can
meet and talk and come to a mutual under-
standing. But too many coats of wax some-
times put a terrible strain on our dexterity
in trying to solve these problems so far
from home. Some people cannot stand on that.
They use the back door where the work is being
done. The Lord has a heart for the sick and
the poor, and the firm, solid wood is exposed for
them to stand on. That is why I "kind of"
like this back door idea about religion.

We can think until the judgment day,
and then receive no crown. The words we
are all anxious to hear on that day are the
Merry Christmas greetings. In the stress of
your work, no matter how much you read
further or think even a very few moments about the title above, I am sure
we will get along fine.

I think we can understand each other, I
want to put one question. What is religion?
I suggest that we approach this subject from
the back door. You know that when we go
in at the back door we are quite apt
to come nearer finding the real condition
of things when we go in at the front
door. That is because almost all folks have
a coat of wax and polish all over things
in the front room. I am sure it is the same
with religion. It is polished and waxed
over at the front door, so I ask, what is
religion at the back door?

The front parlor is where we receive
our friends of the social life, and where we
sit and visit with our best friend or our
religion. But 'tis not so at the back door.
Here we do not talk about life. It is here
where we live. Before the Christmas and
Christmas day we do not do much thinking
about religion. I am thinking about being pa-
triotic, devoted, loyal, and successful in do-
ing the things we often talk about.

Now let us turn to "More Religion in Our
Christmas." Did you ever pray a prayer about
peace and good will and mercy, and feel
your hands almost tingle with a feeling
of helplessness? I have had that feeling
many times, and now I am beginning to find
how much we do that helpless help. And to
me it seemed that I shall pass my find on to you.
Never pray a prayer for peace or for brotherhood or
for any other great Christian ideal without going
out right away to do some little concrete deed
to broaden your own experience in
peace or brotherhood or whatever it is you have
prayed for. That is, the life of brotherhood in Jesus, go very soon and find
some particular person for whom you can
perform an act of brotherhood. Never
allow your prayer to run out into vague
words.

At Christmas we all pray for "Peace and
good will." Then we buy for ourselves and
able friends many good things and give a
"white gift" for some very worthy cause.
We also give a "basket" for a good deed
to take to some poor family. Do you see
what has happened? We haven't got
away from the front door. We have not
really had any growth of experi-
ence in our "white gift" or in our basket
giving. We have buried our talent in the
church treasurer who delivers the gift and
the deacon who delivers the basket. And
we have not made any sacrifice in our
church, for we have only given the things
all the usual nicteties of the season, and re-
mained in the front parlor snug and warm.
We would rather give a gift and a basket or a box or whatever
to some poor family. Yes, for sure! But
that we take it in - get into that family,
so that they are touched by the person as
well as by the spirit of Christmas. You
have heard the story of the missionary
who, when he came to America, found
Jesus was assured that they already knew
him, and they took him to the grave of a
man who a long time ago had lived among
them doing good. If that man had re-
mained in the front parlor of his religion,
then he could not have known what it was
like to be touched by Jesus. But
when they heard the story they knew that
it must have been the man who had gone
out the back door, which is more convenient
for the applied part of our religion. He had
found his work in "God's Back Pasture." 

Before Christmas and the days of Jesus there was an ancient feast
of joy and hope celebrated at this season.
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babe of brotherhood and peace. God entered his own back pasture from the back door of heaven and showed us how to work our religion. And we show our worthiness for him to pray.

Later we find Jesus being led into the wilderness, and how did he spend his time? In fasting and in prayer. Dear friends, do we spend as much time as we should in prayer? Yet we expect God's gifts and power to come to us. If Jesus Christ, the sinless one, needed prayer, how much more we who are full of unrighteousness should seek his face.

Suggestion for prayer—Today let us unite in prayer for the work of Rev. A. T. Bottoms, among the mission field people. Let us pray that the truth of salvation and the Sabbath may reach many.

Tuesday, December 23

We read in this first passage how hard Jesus worked healing the diseased "and them that were possessed with devils. And all the city was gathered together at the door...And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed." The work of the day and evening had exhausted him. Much power had gone out of him. So while others slept, he went by himself and renewed his strength in communion with God. He had need of this, otherwise he would not have been ready for the new day. Do we get ready for our tasks in this manner?

Let us also think of the calling of the apostles. "He went into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. And when day was come, he called his disciples." Is it not clear that if we wish to do God's work, we must take time for fellowship with him, to receive his wisdom and power?

Suggestion for prayer—In Adrian, Mich., there is a new Seventh Day Baptist mission that is growing rapidly. Seventh Day Baptists everywhere unite in prayer for this work with children and adults. The time will come when we will have a Seventh Day Baptist Church in Adrian.

Wednesday, December 24

Jesus had prayed many times that his disciples might be like him. They went to his baptism. He said, "Flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven." This great confession was the result of prayer. Do we always give prayer the credit due it? Sometimes when our prayers are answered, we forget to give God the credit, and say that "luck" was with us.

The Lord's Prayer which Christ taught his disciples, and which has been uttered through the ages by countless millions, was born out of the need for the Lord Jesus. He had been praying, and therefore was able to give that glorious answer.

"Take time to be holy. Speak oft with thy Lord; Abraham was always, and need on his word; Make friends of God's children; help those who are strangers, and you'll be ready to Forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek."

Suggestion for prayer—Let us remember definitely our needs in Jamaica—especially the school of instruction there. May we pray that God will direct the work of Rev. and Mrs. Luther Chisholm in their numerous tasks.

Thursday, December 25

The Baby Jesus is in the minds and hearts of Christians everywhere today. As we read again this story of Simeon, we realize how people were waiting for the Messiah. Yet, it was not a tiny Babe that they were anxious about, but One who could take care of the world.

So today, as we think of Jesus' coming into this world, let us thank God for his finished work on Calvary when he gave himself a sinless, sin-stained offering, and the work of salvation. May this Christmas day be a time of greater consecration to our Lord who hears and answers prayers.

Suggestion for prayer—May we celebrate this day differently from our worldly neighbors. May we not be busy with our own pleasures that we do not seek the will of our heavenly Father.

Friday, December 26

Our Scripture for today says, "He took Peter and John and James and went into a mountain to pray. And as he prayed...there came a voice saying. This is my beloved Son, hear him." Christ had desired that God would give his disciples an assurance from heaven that he was the Son of God, that he must be glorified, and that he must be exalted as the King of all. A believer should be the same before he must leave this earth. Prayer obtained for our Lord Jesus himself, as well as for his disciples, that which happened on the Mount of Transfiguration. And so we meditate on this story it becomes clearer to us that what God wills to accomplish on earth needs prayer as its indispensable condition. Let us remember that a heart burning with the desire of believing prayer, will certainly not be put to shame.

Suggestion for prayer—Today it is the work of Dr. Grace Crandall in China that we are suggesting you pray for. She needs courage, patience, and means. Let us hold up her hands with definite prayer.

Sabbath, December 27
Read John 14: 16-19.

Jesus took time for his prayers. Many of us criticize him for this and then wonder why so little power comes to us.

"If the Christian does not allow prayer to drive sin out of his life, sin will drive prayer out of his life." It is like light and darkness; the two cannot dwell together. If we harbor known sin, it is like cutting a telegraph wire. The machine may click, but no message reaches the other end. If we feel our prayer life is failing, let us confess it and then be up and then on the line by saying, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

Suggestion for prayer—Our workers in Shangha,i China, are in dire need of our prayers. Let Seventh Day Baptists everywhere pray that these missions may have the reception of the mission from God on High. Pray that those who have come to love the Lord in that mission may have his protection and help.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON


OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mae:

I, too, was glad to have the good fortune to meet you when we both happened to be in Alfred, and also the other members of our family. Your family is so much nicer to write to the boys and girls I really know.
I'll be looking for that story of yours in the near future. Mumps aren't a bit of fun, though they do make one look rather funny. When Pastor Greene and our three children had the mumps, about nineteen years ago, Eleanor who was then about five years old, said to her father, you look just like a shipmunk.” He told her to look in the mirror, and when she did she began to cry, saying, “Oh, dear! I look funnier than Daddy!”

Your poem shows that you have a good deal of talent and I hope you will cultivate it. Perhaps on some day you will be writing a book of poems and also of fairy tales.

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

It was a year ago that I wrote to the Sabbath Recorder. I am nine years old now and like to read the Sabbath Recorder. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher is Miss Enloe.

We have had two snow falls in Milton and many foggy mornings.

I have a pet cat. His name is Figaro.

Your sincere friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Journeying down the line.

Your friend,
Dale Ronnie.

Hinckley, Utah.

Dear Dale:

I do believe this is the very first letter I ever received from Utah, and also the first one from you. Is it not? I hope it is only the first of many letters you are going to write.

I am glad you have so many nice pets; they are fine companions for boys and girls and for grown-ups, too. I wouldn't be contented without at least one pet, and the only one we have nowadays is our kitty, Skeezics. He is getting so old, fourteen years old last June, that he demands a good deal of petting. Just now he would like to get on my lap, but keeps his distance since he dislikes the sound of the typewriter. Another thing he is afraid of is the electric sweeper, and when I am using that he runs and hides. He doesn't follow me around and doesn't want me to feed him, or when I sit down and furnish a good lap for him to warm his toes on. It must keep you busy to care for six cats, and that cute pony, too, must take a good bit of your time; but they are worth it, aren't they?

Your sincere friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I have a horse that sure is cute. He has white on his face. His name is Prince and he is twenty years old, that he demands a good deal of petting. Just now he would like to get on my lap, but keeps his distance since he dislikes the sound of the typewriter. Another thing he is afraid of is the electric sweeper, and when I am using that he runs and hides. He doesn't follow me around and doesn't want me to feed him, or when I sit down and furnish a good lap for him to warm his toes on. It must keep you busy to care for six cats, and that cute pony, too, must take a good bit of your time; but they are worth it, aren't they?

Your sincere friend,
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The way involved going over a difficult hill, getting into serious trouble, and hindering the progress of others. That is a frequent experience of travelers in this day of thoughtless speed. It illustrates a matter of such importance in the moral and social realms that I shall devote all my time this morning to being a signpost trying to help my fellow travelers to keep the right road.

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Your friend,
Jean Hill.

Milton, Wis.

Dear Jean:

You can certainly handle the typewriter in great shape, for not one single mistake did you make in your letter. Perhaps you couldn't do any better, and often not so well. I hope you'll use it a lot, especially to write to me.

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WHICH WAY?

(Radio sermon preached by Rev. T. J. Von Horn, at Daytona Beach, Fla.)

"I am the way, the truth, and the life." John 14: 6.

A man in great haste to reach his destination alighted from his train and called a taxi. "Where to?" he said. After a time longer than it required to get to the street and number he called excitedly to the driver, "Where are you going?" "I don't know," came the answer; "you asked me to drive fast, and that is what I have been doing." And then it flashed into his mind that he had failed to give the street and number of his destination.

This is a ridiculous story, but it illustrates the fate of many people who have concocted the speed mania of these days of rapid transit. Let it illustrate, also, the importance of fixing clearly in mind our destination, as well as choosing the right road.

The fear I have that amounts to a conviction is that the great majority of people are failing in two particulars—they are driving on the wrong road, and that means that they are failing not only when to stop but also when to go, and sometimes, also, where to go. That would be too heavy a responsibility for me. It is enough to be a signpost that warns of danger or points the way.

A few years ago a friend of mine left the right road and went for miles out of the way. Had I been alert I might have saved him the mistake. Getting back to the right road involved going over a difficult hill, getting into serious trouble, and hindering the progress of others. That is a frequent experience of travelers in this day of thoughtless speed. It illustrates a matter of such importance in the moral and social realms that I shall devote all my time this morning to being a signpost trying to help my fellow travelers to keep the right road.

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Jesus came and took the truth out of the hands of many there be that go in astray. He passed by the multitude who have in them causes them to be misled. The confidence in the Word of Jesus is great; it is a natural afford in the decision of matters of infinite importance. Jesus stood before him in the clear light of his holiness, even Pilate had to go out and declare to those clamoring for his death, "I find in him no fault at all. Jesus was himself the truth. He told his disciples one day, "The confidence in the Word of Jesus is great; it is a natural afford in the decision of matters of infinite importance. Jesus stood before him in the clear light of his holiness, even Pilate had to go out and declare to those clamoring for his death, "I find in him no fault at all. Jesus was himself the truth. He told his disciples one day, "I should bear witness to the truth." Truth has a natural affinity for light.

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Dighton, and daughter Muriel. They were received into the church by Pastor Davis.

The Father and Son banquet was held in the church parlors that evening with Orville Williams acting as toastmaster and Alva Warner song leader. Olin Davis gave a tribute to fathers, and Craig Sholtz a tribute to sons. The address of the evening was given by Rev. M. J. Winchester, pastor of the Baptist Church, Durhamville, on the subject, "The Place Fathers and Sons Have in Spreading Christianity."

The Men's Chorus sang and the newly installed pastor gave a brief talk. Pastor Davis spoke of the fathers and sons helping the new pastor, and pronounced the benediction.

Pastor and Mrs. Davis left the eighteenth for Rochester and East Aurora, to visit their children. A little later they will go to their home in Salem, W. Va. The best wishes of a host of friends go with them. The Ladies' Benevolent Society held an all-day meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Perry, Oneida, November 26.

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**Dodge Center, Minn.**

Five packages of goods were packed and shipped last Saturday night to Rev. A. T. Bottoms at Gurley, Ala., for distribution among those who might need them. They were collected at the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage and packed and delivered to the depot by Mr. and Mrs. Orph Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bird, and Pastor Thorngate.

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**Shiloh, N. J.**

The semi-annual joint communion service of the Marlboro and Shiloh churches was held with the Shiloh Church on November 15, with about 275 in attendance, to join in the impressive service of Scripture and song, to hear Pastor Cottrell's inspiring Communion Meditation, and to partake of the Lord's Supper. The best wishes of a host of friends go with them. The Ladies' Benevolent Society held an all-day meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Perry, Oneida, November 26. Correspondent.

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**Ordination of Deacons**

Sabbath afternoon, November 15, the pastors, deacons, and members of the Shiloh and Marlboro churches gathered at the Shiloh church to ordain Charles Harris, Charles Swing, and Everett Dickinson to the diaconate. It was a helpful and inspiring service, as follows:

- Devotional Period — Conducted by the Shiloh Christian Endeavors
- Statements of the Candidates — Charles Harris, Charles Swing, Everett Dickinson
- Anthem — "Whispering Hope," Marlboro Choir
- Ordination Sermon — Rev. Herbert L. Cottrell
- Hymn — "Jesus Calls Us"
- Charge to the Candidates — Rev. Lester G. Osborn
- Charge to the Church — Luther S. Davis
- Consecrating Prayer — Pastor Osborn
- Welcome to the Diaconate — Everett G. Davis
- Hymn — "Where He Leads Me"
- Benediction — Pastor Cottrell

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