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bona fide members—a gain of at least fifteen members and four prospective members.

Second, our attendance has been maintained rather well by (1) special day observances such as Easter and Rally Day; (2) social activities—two movie parties in the home of the superintendent; (3) visitations by the teachers; (4) mailing cards.

Third, our educational program. Our aim last year was to start a series of lesson helps especially prepared for graded work in contrast to the old type of uniform studies, or even the group graded series. We adopted the "Gospel Light" series because (1) they were based on the Bible; (2) they were progressive—graded material adapted to that particular age group; (3) they used the most recent and finest pedagogical aids, suggestions as to teaching, theory, equipment, etc.

Planned boards were suggested in these lessons. This fall we have made available two more in addition to the two already in use and hope to order two more at once—so far with no added expense to the Sabbath school.

Our aim this year has been to keep enough pupils in each grade to be able to carry on the graded system. Two sets of "Salvation Songs for Children" have been purchased without the help of the Sabbath school treasury. Funds provided by birthday money and two individuals made the purchase possible. Bibles for the last-year pupils of the junior group were purchased by the Sabbath school and presented on Rally Day.

Each Sabbath every class has its missionary offering. Each offering has been from six to twelve dollars. For Solo, Sing, Witness, and antidiscipline of a Bible nature, will be run in this column at any cost per word for each insertion. Each offering has been from six to twelve dollars.

Fourth, the fruits of our work are rather difficult to determine. I have one regret that I allowed the class which was promoted to leave without having a special session where they might have declared their faith and belief in the Lord Jesus Christ personally.

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MARRIAGES

Kellogg - Wagner. — The marriage of Clarence E. Kellogg, son of Frank R. and Myrtie Randolph Kellogg, of Dunellen, N. J., and Miss Irene C. Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brose of Raritan, N. J., was performed December 24, 1943, by Rev. Charles C. Tidsen, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Perth Amboy, N. J.

Johns - Lane. — At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eilo Lane of Scottsbluff, Neb., Miss Shirley Lane became the bride of Marvin Johns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johns of Gering, Neb., January 16, 1944, Rev. E. E. Anderson officiating.

The General is sorry to be informed that the foolish and wicked practise of profane cursing and swearing, a vice heretofore little known in an American army, is growing into fashion; he hopes the officers will, by example as well as by influence, endeavor to check it, and that both they and the men will reflect that we can have little hopes of the blessing of heaven on our arms if we insult it by our impurity and folly; added to this it is a vice so mean and low, without any temptation, that every man of sense and character detests and despises it.

RECOMMEND WANTS ADVERTISEMENTS

For Solo, Sing, Witness, and antidiscipline of a Bible nature, will be run in this column at any cost per word for each insertion. Each offering has been from six to twelve dollars.

WANTED—Position as Home Earning teacher in a Seventh Day Baptist, or Seventh Day Adventist, or any College. Elizabeth R. Dobbs, Box 620, New York, New York.

HELP WANTED—Luther E. Davis, member of Madison Methodist church, needs someone to help with work. Must be able to walk 15 miles. Four rooms for housekeeping. Furniture if preferred. Write if interested. Luther E. Davis, Star Route, Bridgeton, N. J. (No. 5-43.)

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THE EFFECTUAL, OUR AIM

Unless our aim is effectual distribution of literature, our efforts are in danger of becoming mechanical. Aiming at the effectual will prompt us to follow through and encourage folks to support the program with their prayers. Therefore, friends, since a Sabbath and other Tract Campaign is among our best efforts, let us become effective by our persistence and by our prayers, always "looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith."
ye comfortably unto Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished; that her iniquity is pardoned. " There is much shadow and vain warnings must not carry his burden. Other upon whom he can not know ye. Ever the warnings of a Joly upon a soul. The comfort. Any such messages in the day of our "untoward generation."

But many times wonder if, as ministers, pastors, editors, messages of comfort and encouragement have been too few and far between. There is much sorrow, grief, many about them and we know not. Many a brave face hides its heart's burden from the eyes of the public. Happy is the person who has a trusted friend in a fellow Christian, a pastor, or some other upon whom he can unload his burden. Unfortunate the man who feels he cannot carry his burden to his pastor. "Comfort ye, comfort ye," is God's word to the pastor, perhaps, more than to any other. As no other upon whom he can unload his burden.

Our judgments developed, largely in the pre-scientific ages. It is only within the last few generations that anthropologists, social scientists, historians, and other educators have us, knowledge about the nature of group relations, and the principles that govern them. We are beginning to see that the churches, and other social groups are mutually interdependent, that the well-being of one group is dependent upon the health of every group, and that social hostility can be analyzed and reduced to pro-portions of minor consequence. If we apply our knowledge, co-operation can be achieved. We are seeing that democracy means unity without uniformity, that men do not need to be like to produce a strong, united, co-operative means. We know that the international law and order, with all nations participating, is the sine qua non of a just and durable peace.

Colleges, universities, elementary schools, churches, adult education agencies, and community organizations are accepting their new responsibilities for education. A personal, religiously . . . --it means 'irrespective of every man irrespective of his race or creed can become the life-giving sunlight for all mankind.'

In seeking to meet the need of someone, the pastor or other Christian worker will himself seek a closer fellowship with the Master Comptroller and likeness to him, recognizable by the one to be helped. And there will be an identification of self with the other. "I sat where they sat," said Eckel before he was ready to minister to a nation's needs. As Jesus looked upon the multitudes as sheep without a shepherd he 'had compassion upon them'; he entered really into their suffering and disappointment and sorrows, and he "ministered unto them." He "knew what was in man" and fitted him, and while we were yet sinners died for us. Raymond Calkins in a pamphlet, "Pastoral Counseling," suggests a palatable truth when he says, "Perhaps one of the basic reasons why many religious leaders are not carrying on the task of the church today is that the religious interest alone is commanding enough, authoritative enough, to bring unity into the world. Not asking, much, are such messages in the day of our "untoward generation."

Brotherhood, the sunlight of mankind! —Willard Johnson.

Brotherhood Week will be observed for the eleventh year, February 20-26, 1944. It is sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, 381 Fourth Avenue, New York City, in three thousand communities all over the nation. The theme of the observance will be "Brotherhood or Chaos, History Shall Not Repeat Itself." Every community leader is urged to take part in this educational observance to strengthen American democracy. As President Roosevelt said in his message to Congress (1942), "The war makes the appeal of Brotherhood Week stronger than ever." Every organization in America is invited to participate.

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Woman's Work

News, Chas W. Davis, Selon, W. Va.

NEWS ITEMS FROM YOUR BOARD

Promoter of Evangelism and Mrs. Greene are working with the Jackson Center people this month. Mr. Greene reports that he is caring for all the regular appointments of that church while there, for the church has no resident pastor. Church extra prayer meet-}ings are being held in the homes. A wide village-wide invitation is being extended to everyone to attend the extra services. We are learning the development of evangelistic effort among us. Bishop Titus Lowe says, "Evangelism, when properly under-taken, is the salvation of the Church of God on this earth." It must be the business of each individual member. Jesus said, "If any man serve me, and I will make you doctors of truth." (Mark 1: 17.) Shall we not be found about our Father's business?

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The council has decided to observe World Community Day annually the first Friday in November.

May all of the members of our Women's Society, with thousands of church women all over the nation, continue to study: "The Price of an Enduring Peace." Watch for suggestions in the near future from our reorganized Peace Committee.

DENVER, COLO., LADIES' AID

Our Aid meets regularly the last Thursday of each month, in the home of some member. For the past five months our hostesses have furnished a hot drink and condiments for our lunch, while each lady brings for "Where We Are" shall be gathered together on the first Friday of Lent, this theme of the World Day of Prayer will be pondered: "And the Lord Wonders that There Was No Intercessor." Isaiah 59: 16.

W. Va. world conditions have made Christians of hearts. It is a privilege to join this band of prayer together.

NOW let us recall how the Peace Committee of your board urged our women to send the report to Mrs. R. P. Seager, Salem, W. Va. The Christian Culture Committee wrote that the prayer will have been offered on the first of the year and are typed, the typing being done by our members, or daughters, or Pastor and Mrs. Sutton. Mrs. Sutton is a key worker; all through November she was away, but we are glad she is home again to care for the work as it comes in. We have twenty-three active members, seven honorary, our attendance averages twelve plus. Our members are widely scattered over the city as well as in rural parts, so the gasoline costs are considerable, and then we send the monthly report to care for the work, as it comes in. We truly want to praise God for being able to help to beautify our house of worship. The Aid helped to install an electric organ in the auditorium, also helped to pay for the new oak floors. We are still working and hoping for new pews as soon as practical. We are currently trying to contribute to the Women's Society and our tithe to the Denominational Budget, and monthly we contribute to the local. We don't want to seem boastful, only grateful for the privilege of helping.

For several years we have been divided into committees, the Aids, the treasurers, the 
committee serving two months of the year. These projects have been varied, the selling of Jello, Christmas cards, dish rags, etc. There have been church dinners, socials, a "traveling basket," mortuary visitations, rummage sales, our Thanksgiving "dime book" offering each November, and a bazaar in December.

At our election in June, this year, we added a new committee, social service, whose duty it is to contact Red Cross and U.S.O. centers for work needing to be done. So far we have taken only cookies to the U.S.O. center, there being a great demand for them. Upon delivering three dozen cookies, the U.S.O. gives each lady one cup of sugar to replace the sugar used in making the cookies. In appreciation of all God has done for us, we want to be led by him to do his will in furthering his cause.

We set aside a few moments each day, 9:30, o'clock, a.m., to unite in praying for the well being and spiritual growth of the "boys in the service of their country," as well as for other young folks away from home. Pray for us that we may prove faithful at all times.

Minnie L. Davis, Secretary.

1075 W. 38th Ave.
Wheat Ridge, Colo.

WHAT CAN GIRLS DO?

Those who asked the question a year or more ago, "What can Christian Endeavor left for army and navy service, were often genuinely puzzled. Christian Endeavor has not disappeared in the United States in 1871-1918, but that was a shorter war, drawing less heavily on the young manhood of the Protestant churches. The recent war was so prolonged that it set in motion a veritable flood of answers. For the girls and young women of Christian Endeavor proved in 1943 how effectively they can serve their societies and unions, their churches, and the Christian cause in general.

Typical is the message that reached a Kansas Christian Endeavor Officer some five weeks ago, in the program of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, the efforts and leadership of girls and young women are well represented by the Women's Auxiliary of Christian Endeavor, which is the result of steady and strategic progress in enlisting new members of the World's Union. By this remarkable message, a Polo, Illinois, and other world leaders of the movement, those who respond to the WAGE invitation to share the C. E. work and progress, prepare the society for its postwar responsibilities and broadened usefulness to Christ's cause.

Service men express much interest in the progress of the WAGE.

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THE SCRIPTURES SAY

By Esther D. Swing

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all” (Isaiah 53:6).

The Bible tells us that not just a few have sinned and come short of the glory of God, but all (Romans 3:23)! That means me; it means you, too. Have you acknowledged that fact? If so, will you accept the sin substitute God has provided? “Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that henceforth henceforth men should not live any more unto sin, but unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed” (1 Peter 2:24). “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16). “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:23).

Again in John 3:18, he tells us, “He that believeth on me hath everlasting life; but he that believeth not shall be condemned.” If he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God there is one way only to salvation. “We have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace” (Ephesians 1:7). “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God” (Ephesians 2:8).

If God so loved us that he gave his only Son for our eternal life, we should love him enough to take our personal Savior in faith believing. Then and only then can we know that deep peace which comes from above, which the sinful man cannot comprehend. “And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:7).

LETTER FROM A SERVICE MAN

Dear Fellow Seventh Day Baptists:

When I last wrote I was stationed at Corry Field, and now I am at Whiting Field near Milton, Fla. Pensacola is about forty miles south of where I am at present. Right now I am in the hangar as a night check-in rigger. We start to work at 17.30 navy time—to most folks, 5.30 p.m. We usually have our Seventh Day Baptist Church, sang in the choir, and held offices in the Christian Endeavor and Sabbath Society for the service of our country. Darrell’s main interests and hobbies are farming, mechanics, music, poetry, and reading. His birthday is April 6.

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WHY I BECAME A SABBATH KEEPER

By Zack H. White

[Each student in the class in Bible History and Philosophy at the Alfred School of Theology was asked to write a paper on the significance of the name of the Sabbath, but a very brief paper on one particular phase of the subject. Each was asked to select his own subject. The following paper was written in response to the request. —By Darrell Barber.]

When one is working hard, six days seem like a long time, but when there is something to look forward to, it isn’t bad at all. The more you have to look forward to, the easier your work becomes.

When I was a little boy it almost killed me just to pick up rocks for about five minutes. But when Dad offered me twenty-five cents to pile up all of the rocks on a field, it didn’t seem hard at all; in fact, it was just like playing, because picking up rocks wasn’t just picking up rocks; it was earning twenty-five cents, which I looked forward to in terms of candy and a jack-knife.

As I grew older I began to learn that there are other things to look forward to as those that God set aside for me. I learned that work can produce food and clothing, and build a home; in fact, I learned that work can produce many things. Then the bottom fell out of everything. Why bother with food, or clothes, or even life itself? Why is it? I was back at the same place I had been at the beginning when I couldn’t understand why I should have to work for Dad. For if you look to God for young people; I had a friend who was kind enough, and gracious enough to explain to me the Sabbath. The life thing he showed me that life is not aimless, and that there was a purpose for man even before God created him; that God did not just take man as a physical being, but made him a “living soul,” and the development of that soul is the prime purpose of our physical existence; that the soul shouldn’t be kept in the background throughout this life, hoping to be unveiled by some miracle at the judgment, but can grow in the sunshine of the friendships of man and communion with the Holy Spirit. Why do the body no good to produce food unless you take time out to let your soul feed upon this? This has given us the Sabbath as a link between our physical and our eternal existence, as feeding time for the soul.

What a real friend this “eccentric Seventh Day Baptist” turned out to be. She didn’t tell me these things in so many words; she only showed me. But I got the idea, and now I am a Seventh Day Baptist.

The only Sabbath presented in the Bible is the seventh day of the week, or Saturday; look for yourself.

H. B. C. RELIGIOUS NEWS

““The Chaplain’s Story” Repeated on NBC for Brotherhood Week

Brigadier General William R. Arnold, Chief of Chaplains, U. S. Army, is the guest speaker on a repeat performance of “The Chaplain’s Story” on NBC, Tuesday, February 22 (NBC: 12.15 - 12.30 p.m., EWT).

The program, originally heard on NBC September 7, 1943, has been singled out for a special citation by the merit of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in its contribution toward inter-faith understanding and national tolerance. The repeat performance comes during “Brotherhood Week,” and “The Chaplain’s Story” is a moving tale of the courage of a chaplain under fire.

Laymen Speak for Tolerance

Three outstanding lay representatives of the major faiths will be heard on “The Layman Speaks,” Saturday, February 19 (NBC, 12.45 - 7.00 p.m., EWT) strong tolerance and inter-faith and inter-racial co-operation.

Speakers will be former Governor Alfred E. Smith, speaking as a Catholic layman; Joseph M. Prokauer, president of the American Jewish Committee; and John Foster Dulles, chairman of the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.
OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I did not go to our church in Denver today as they have all gone in a body to Boulder, thirty-five miles away. At home I read some in two Recorders; in one you had no letters from children, and in the other was my hint for writing about Sugar Bowl. Should you lack material for the paper perhaps you might use this, and of course I had to have an excuse for writing for the Children's Page—hence:

I'm only a child of sixty-five
And oftimes I wonder why I'm alive
But alive I still am, often seen, often heard
(For really I like to put in my small word.)

I, too, enjoy reading from your page.

We from Wisconsin go on your page.

Your work for the children I greatly admire.

And I may be long before you call to “higher age.”

I was just reading some things you and Bettie Butler said about school well and schoolhouse. How would you like to hear about Sugar Bowl schoolhouse where I got my schooling?

I was a boy of nine when our school district was organized and the house built with a helfy—but no money for a bell. So they held an oyster supper to raise money for the bell.

Some men came to the supper who had no notion of being conspicuous, for they had some liquor of their own and they wanted sugar to sweeten it. One man went in to supper and emptied a sugar bowl into a napkin in his pocket and left a small corner of the napkin. They had no definite idea of making a napkin a jerk and the sugar was lost. However, another man put sugar bowl and all in his pocket and got out with it. The next day the sugar bowl was found on top of a fence post two and a half miles east of the schoolhouse.

Afterwards people would speak of something over at the schoolhouse where the sugar bowl was taken. It became known as Sugar Bowl schoolhouse and still is after more than fifty years.

Your friend,

Route 2, Box 91A
Lyle E. Maxson.

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Dear Mr. Maxson:

I haven't room to write you the answer you deserve, but I do thank you for your interesting letter.

Sincerely yours,

Mizpah S. Greene.

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OUR PULPIT

OUR PLACE IN LIFE


Theme: Readjustments.

Text: For whosoever exaliteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. Luke 14: 11.

In the fourteenth chapter of Luke's Gospel Jesus put forth a parable for the lawyers and Pharisees, showing the need of readjusting their evaluation of honored places at a feast, throwing light on the character of people and their values.

The words of our text show how radically different was his evaluation of the best things of life from that of those to whom he was speaking, and the readjustment of ideas that was necessary on their part to find the true values of life.

The application of the text today may well show us our need of readjustments also—re-adjustments to conform to the qualities and values as set forth by Christ. All important events and influences in life tend to produce a readjustment of life and the evaluation of things, people, and qualities of character.

Wars

Wars are fought to produce readjustments. One man leading a group of those dissatisfied with their place in life will use force of arms to bring about a readjustment. Christ said the nation who did not use force to promote their evaluation of things, people, and qualities of character find themselves compelled to meet force with force, that their conception of Christian values may be preserved for themselves, and that they may continue to make an appeal to the world for readjustments in accord with our text.

But we will all come out of this conflict with certain readjustments of our own evaluations that we have been seeking selfish advantages. We will find that to be justly exalted we will need to humble ourselves. Postwar problems are already demanding the evaluation of thoughtful people.

Nations must find their proper place in life, likewise individuals by readjusting their evaluations in accordance with those of Christ.
The object of Christianity also is to give men a complete and true conception of values; to help man find his place in life. It focuses attention on character.

There are chief rooms to be had, but the character of the one who sees that position is different from that of the one who takes a lower place until he proves worthy of it. In every man's heart there is a conflict going on because of these different evaluations of life. In every man's heart, "conflict going on because of these different evaluations of life. It is easy to see the conflict but hard to take the right stand. It is not easy to take the lowest seat, yet Christ came not to be ministered unto but to minister. Nations act sensibly, going round and bruising and maiming all who get in the way. They demand "a place in the sun"; they demand "the star of my heart," and would build "a superior race."

Business men deem it necessary to scheme to get something. Business men see no chance for himself, the lowest seat, yet Christ came not to be ministered unto but to minister.

I recently heard of a young clergyman who saw no chance for himself in the Seventh Day Baptist denomination because a few men had all the destinies.

It is a struggle for all, but strength is derived from struggle; and the Christian spirit will dominate the whole heart when the whole personality has become subject to Christ's standard of values. Then may it be said, "Friend, go up higher," for whoever exalts himself shall be exalted; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

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\text{SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON} \quad \text{FOR MARCH 4, 1944} \\
\text{Jesus Urges His Disciples to Watch Scripture} \\
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\text{Golden Text—Mark 13: 35} \\
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The Second Hopkinton Church held its annual meeting at the home of Deacon and Mrs. Walter D. Kenyon on January 15, 1944.

A fine supper, served by the women of the church, preceded the meeting and a splendid social time was enjoyed.

Officers for 1944 were elected and a slight increase in salary was voted Pastor Sutton, whom we share with the Rockville Church.

Three of our members are in the service. Master Sgt. Harold M. Lewis is somewhere in England; Irvin Lewis is still in the States. Mrs. Kenyon enlisted with the American Red Cross for overseas recreational service and spent two months in Washington, D. C., and in Virginia in training. In Wash. ington she tells of a small group of sweet voices singing, "Silent Night, Holy Night." I went closer and sat down on the ground to listen. A native woman with a sweet smile, and wearing a cotton house dress, came smiling to sit on my lap. They sang "God Bless America," and they really meant it. I was so happy to see fresh slices of delicious pineapple. An interesting old character, and he wore khaki shorts, that some soldier probably gave him. He held his old Bible, the covers tattered and torn, and printed in the native language. He asked to show how Gogo loved that dear old Book. I thought to myself that the Bible; and though Gogo and Dad don't look alike (they are of different races), Gogo, who holds the Bible is the same. I've met a lot of nice people and know what it is to hear from home for months.

Nevertheless her mother has sent to her (via 2 letters per week since last November).

Mrs. W. D. Kenyon.

Little Genesee, N. Y.

The Little Genesee Church has been holding Thursday Sunday School nights of the month. They always feature a song service, a helpful sermon by Pastor Charles Bond, and usually special music.
These meetings are held for the purpose of reaching all Sabbath and Sunday keepers in the vicinity. At Thanksgiving time a special service, showing historical slides, was enjoyed by the Dunhamtown Society. December 18 saw them hold a turkey supper and bazaar in the cafeteria of Bolivar Central School, which netted a good sum of money.

A series of Friday night prayer services, leading up to the Christmas season, were held in the homes of shut-ins, which seemed to be much appreciated by those who are unable to attend church service. Tuesday night, before Christmas ten of the C. E. members stopped at sixteen homes, bringing cheer to shut-ins by singing carols. Hot cocoa and sandwiches were enjoyed, afterwards, at the pastor's home, and Dr. Polan sang a song that evening. The singing on the Sunday evening Christmas church services on December 19, and music was furnished for those unable to attend the annual "White Christmas" program at the church.

Two baskets of home-cooked food were given by the society to local people, also $5 for foreign relief. The special Christmas bulletins for use on Sabbath day were purchased by the C. E. society.

A very effective White Christmas service was held, consisting of tableaux by the young people during the reading of the Christmas story, as well as being played softly on the Organ. Christmas was Mrs. Davis' birthday, a delicious birthday cake, made by Mrs. Genevieve Stone, decorated with a large "Xmas." The Verona Adult Society had an all-day meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis, president of the society. Mrs. Howard Davis had charge of the worship program. Quilt blocks and aprons were the work for the day.

Dr. George Thorngate, one of our missionaries to China who recently returned to this country on the "Gripholm," gave an interesting talk on his experiences, with Pastor Polan and David Clarke of Alfred School of Theology took part in the service. Following the Sabbath school, dinner was served in the dining room to all the people, who numbered over one hundred. After church singing of several songs led by Alva Warner, the visitors were introduced to the music of" G. W. B." who made a few remarks. Then all were given an opportunity to ask Doctor Thorngate questions, which he answered very satisfactorily. In the evening he gave a very interesting account of his experiences in China. We were thankful for the opportunity to meet Dr. George and hear his most interesting and instructive talk.

We have recently lost one of our highly esteemed and faithful members in the passing of Mr. Joseph Shultz. As long as health permitted, he was in his place in church and ever ready to give of his time and effort for anything to benefit or improve the church. He will be greatly missed.

The annual church dinner and business meeting were held at the Dobbs Community Church. Pastor Thorngate was given a unanimous call to continue as our pastor for the ensuing year.

Sabbath evening, December 25, the Sabbath school gave their Christmas program, with a tree beautifully decorated. A sack of toys was given to those unable to attend the program.

The Verona Town Council of Religious Education held its quarterly convention at the Lowell M. E. Church, Tuesday evening. Mrs. Howard Davis, president of the council, presided. Rev. George Butler, pastor of the M. E. Church of New London, gave an interesting address on the subject of Juvenile Delinquency.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society held an all-day meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Franklin in Rome, January 26. Mrs. Polan had charge of the worship program. Quilt blocks and aprons were the work for the day.

We extend our hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Clarke of Alfred on the birth of their first child, a little girl, born December 21.

Though hard the heart and great the mind, Man cannot live alone.

We need the touch of human kind
And friendship, in our life.

For riches come, and fade away
And fame is fleeting—but a day.

But there is one who never fails
Or, mayhap, two or three.

With smiling eyes and happy blend
Of faith and charity.

This wish to you and all the years
As long as God's door is open.

To share your joy and pain and tears,
And understanding friend.

Guideposts to Peace

To be glad to live because it gives you the chance to do God's good will
To be able to work and play and enjoy rest;
To be able to look up at the stars in silent contemplation of his infinite universe;
To be able to feel great joy and delight in the beauty of earth and heaven;
But not content with yourself and your life's work, until you have made the most out of the opportunities and chances that God has given you;
To be a friend to others;
To live with a sense of honesty, and integrity;
To be governed by your admiration of virtues rather than by your disgust of vices;
To covet nothing that is your neighbor's, but have a kind heart and a gentle manner;
To think of others, and the neighbor's opinions of them;
To be kind in your words and actions;
To be content and thankful for all you are given of God's bounty.
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To live as the child of God and fulfill our duty.

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MARRIAGES

Dixson - Wood. — At the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold, in Battle Creek, Mich., Samuel Dixson, January 23, 1944, Pfc. Rudolph A. Ditter, of Beaver, Wis., and Miss Pauline Wood of Battle Creek. Rev. Edward M. Holton officiating.

OBITUARY

Luuk. — Fannie May Luuk, daughter of Charles and Mary Vermilyea, died at the Boulder, Colo., and passed away December 25, 1943, at the home of her son Earl.

Mother died May 27, 1944, at the age of 92 years. When fifteen years old she was baptized by Elder Darwin Maxson and joined the Milton Baptist Church, where her membership was on record. When she died her membership was reinstated.

There were three children, two of whom survive her; Mrs. Hattie Loopbye of Milton and Mrs. Leonard Wilson of Battle Creek. Her husband died August 4, 1918. There are three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Seventh Day Baptist church in Battle Creek, with Pastor G. D. Hargis officiating. Burial was in the Memorial Park Cemetery. Last words were built around her favorite Scripture, Revelation 22: 14.

I need Not Stand Alone

By ELIZABETH FISHER DAVIS

I need not stand alone
Before the judgment seat,
For Jesus will be there;
Oh, what a comfort sweet!

The spotless Lamb of God
Was offered up for me,
He lived and suffered, bled and died.
From sin to set me free

"I need not stand alone!"
My heart with joy recepts,
"I need not stand alone!"
Forgiveness is complete.
For o'er my sins he's shed
His robe of righteousness;
And I can go with him
To the home of light and bliss.

I need not stand alone!
Oh, may this light of mine
Show forth my deepest gratitude
For all his love divine.
Believe and trust his grace,
Then there's no fear of hell.
None who accept will stand alone;
He's there—and all is well.