WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING

BERLIN, N. Y.

The Berlin church is happy to announce that one of its members, Clifford Greene, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Greene, having completed his high school work by the middle of his senior year, has entered Salem College to begin his studies in preparation for the gospel ministry. A farewell party in his honor was held on Monday evening, January 28, at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Paul L. Maxson. About thirty were present.

Sandwiches, cake, and coffee were served. Clifford was presented with a substantial purse in token of love and esteem.

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COMING EVENTS

COME, LET US WORSHIP TOGETHER

"The seventh day is the sabbath."

New York City — Judson Memorial Baptist Church, Washington Square, Foot of Fifth Ave.; 11 a.m.

Washington, D. C. — Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church, 900 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.; 10:30 a.m.

Chicago, Ill. — Du Paw University Building, 64 East Lake St.; 2:30 p.m.

Los Angeles, Calif. — Seventh Day Baptist Church, 264 West 42nd St.; 11 a.m.

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STONEFORD, III.

The Old Stone Fort Seventh Day Baptist Church held its annual meeting January 19, 1946. The following officers were elected: pastor, Addison Appel; moderator, Rev. Oliver Lewis; clerk, Mrs. Ralph Lewis; treasurer, Sallie Appel; pianist, Mrs. Addison Appel; chorister, Charles E. Lewis. The duties of the corresponding secretary were assumed by the clerk and pastor. Our new pastor is not new to us as he has lived in the community all his life.

He is a young man, twenty-nine years old, married, and has two children. This is the first time he has served as pastor of a church. He was licensed June 17, 1944, being baptized two years before by Rev. C. L. Hill of Farina. Since being licensed, he has divided his appointments with the former pastor, Mr. Lewis. Liked in both the church and the community, our new pastor is well qualified.

The severe winter and bad roads in this section of the state have kept the attendance small, but we are hoping for better conditions before many weeks.

The program this year will include Sunday night meetings in addition to the regular Sabbath day services, and a revival in the spring, if the Lord is willing.

— Church Clerk.
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Editorials

A REAL LUMINARY

In recent Sabbath Recorders appeared an article by Rev. T. J. Van Horn entitled, "Today's World Needs God's Message." The manuscript for that article had been on the editor's desk for several weeks, waiting the time when an issue would have space enough to carry the message in its entirety. There was such an important challenge in the words, however, that it was decided to divide its publication into two parts and print it immediately. The last section went out to Recorder readers on February 4.

Later that same week came this telegram from Florida: "Rev. T. J. Van Horn died at Orlando Thursday night (February 7). Funeral and burial at Daytona Beach Sabbath, February 9, 4 p.m."

The great loss to the denomination will be hard to comprehend fully. While this is not the occasion for a review of Pastor Van Horn's life (that will come at another time), the editor feels impelled to at least hint at the sentiments held in the hearts of all of us who knew him—sentiments of love, esteem, and veneration.

He was a modest man, "Uncle T. J." Even as his last article was still on the editor's desk, he wrote a note of helpful encouragement to the editor—in the same spirit of helpfulness he showed toward everyone. Among other things he said, "As long as the Recorder can be filled with the fine material that has been appearing, don't use my article."

But his message did appear, with the other fine contributions, and it carries a special interest because of his last message to Recorder readers. "Perhaps we have not taken seriously as we ought, 'what Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'Ye must be born again.' That was his admonition to each of us individually. To us as a denomination he reminded, 'God has honored us by assigning to us this difficult matter of a change from wrong to right.' To this reminder he added the assurance, 'Go ... Be strong ... I am with you!'"

One of Mr. Van Horn's striking comments keeps coming repeatedly to mind. He said, "It will be something surpassing imagination when every nominal church member is a true luminary. And we cannot help but add—'as Rev. T. J. Van Horn himself was."

BEAUTY AND WORSHIP

The worshipful atmosphere created by a church building may well be limited by the attractiveness of the building—inside and outside. No matter what type of building is used for worship, no matter what the architectural design may be, a church can be enhanced by cleaning and redecorating the interior, by retouching the painted surfaces, and by landscaping the grounds. Thus the church can more completely serve its purpose as the House of God.

An article on church beautification appears elsewhere in this issue. It is written by Herbert N. Wheeler, who has spent many years in government forest and conservation service and knows whereof he speaks.

H has suggested, as an incentive for churches to do something about this matter, that we offer prizes to the groups making greatest improvement in church appearance. We like the idea of such exuberant youth? An inspired photograph of the churches of the denomination to build up our file of pictures.

So, here is the plan. Have someone in your church made responsible for taking photographs and sending to the Recorder office, a snapshot (or several snapshots) of your church, picturing it in its most attractive aspects. Large size glossy prints are most suitable for our purposes. It is better not to include automobiles or people in your pictures, since these "date" them.

Then, those of you who recognize the need for church beautification, church beautification program, may do so. It is probable that during the spring and summer you will do the necessary constructing, painting, and planting. Next fall the transformation should be complete, and the church be ready for photographing again.

From pictures in our files showing your church building "before and after," a decision can be made as to which church has shown the greatest improvement in outside appearance. To the winning church we will gladly send five extra copies of the Recorder for one year, to be used by the church for any special purposes the church group may decide. As second prize we will offer two one-year subscriptions.

Whether you enter the contest or not, please send us a picture of your church as it appears today—and give thought to the appearance of your church tomorrow.

"Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, which hath put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the Lord." Ezra 7:27

GUEST EDITORIAL

JUNIOR PARTNERS IN THE LORD'S WORK

"Wit ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"

A great concern of many faithful church people today is how to appeal to the young people of our churches and how to hold their interest in the Lord's work. Let us begin that appeal squarely. As young persons we were full of physical and some mental energy. Our ideals were untarnished and we lacked cynicism. We were certain that we could do anything almost with difficulty. Yet did the older members of the church make any serious effort to encourage us? The Sunday School, Sabbath School, school teacher and probably the pastor, in general terms, encouraged the youth. Still youth felt itself on the side lines outside interests beckoned more enticingly and more strongly, and youth slipped away from attendance at church and from the work of the church. The church and young people's organizations held the interest of some of the young people, but the field of interest was not nearly as wide as it should be.

Then almost like a bombshell, some older member resigns from some key position as church treasurer or clerk or trustee or other important office. Brows are furrowed in contemplation concerning whom to approach to fill such a vacancy. We should have some young person, is the thought and recommendation. But there are few young persons from whom to choose for such an important position. Moreover, such a young person is perplexed and confused. Does one generally know much about the office in which he is requested to serve.

To alleviate this obvious and serious problem in the church, why do we not have junior partners in the Lord's work? Select some younger person who is the church's most willing treasurer, the trustees—yes, even the deacons. It may well be that a rotation of such junior partners in the Lord's work and various offices would give young people a more comprehensive understanding of the over-all work of the church and its problems. Second, that we then could come to know the church as a whole and determine for ourselves the work which we believe we can do to the best advantage of the church.
"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are noble, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Philippians 4: 8.

Plainfield, N. J.
Frederik J. Bakker.

EDITORIAL FROM THE PAST

The diamond is precious as a gem, and of great value in commerce. But none of us would like to be a diamond. It has no growth. It always remains the same. Even charcoal, which is of the same essential nature, like coal, is really more useful than the diamond.

The human soul is better represented by the seed which has in it the possibility of growth, development, expansion. The life is myriad possibilities. Its possibilities are incalculable. Rev. L. E. Livermore.

April 12, 1894.

STUDY TO SHOW thyself approved UNTO GOD

By Rev. Herbert L. Cottrell

One of the most important phases of the Christian life is watchfulness. The Christian should be in such a frame of mind as to be always a watchman. In watchfulness lies his spiritual safety.

It is necessary to be on guard at all times because of the deceitfulness and treachery of Satan, for he, "as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour ..." Matthew 24: 43. It is up to us to watch step. "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." Ephesians 5: 15, 16. We need to watch, for we "know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." Matthew 25: 13.

We need to watch our words. How many times would we have liked to recall those hasty words, uttered in a moment of anger or thoughtlessness, but how impossible! They are words which have left an indelible imprint on some one soul forever. Let us pray with the psalmist, "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: keep the door of my lips." Psalm 141: 3.

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We need to watch for opportunities for service. Some opportunities are so small that we hardly recognize them: speaking a kind word, giving a drink unto "one of these little ones" in "a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple." Matthew 10: 42. Some opportunities may never knock at our door but we are to be "ever ready." Seizing an opportunity at the right time may spell the difference between success and failure. "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." John 9: 4. Will we be compelled, some day, to lament, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved?" Jeremiah 8: 20.

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SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR MARCH 9, 1946

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VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE OFFERS TO BECOME JOB CLEARING HOUSE

Asks That Helpful Information Be Forwaded to Chairman

It has long been an earnest desire on the part of the Vocational Committee to make this organization a real clearing house for business and professional and employable members of our denomination.

Scattered as we are, there must of necessity be some organization and medium through which desirable information may be cleared to the aid of buyer and seller, employer and employee, and the purchase or establishment of professional practice and teaching positions.

With so many of our fine young men and women, in our denominational colleges and schools, being brought to their attention.

To this end a series of articles will appear in the Recorder.

By E. C. (Kip) Van Alstine, School of Architecture, University of Pennsylvania.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

More Furniture, Parsonage

One of the principles which I seem to en-joy these days is being taken into the con- fidence of some pastors. Not all of them are living in a "bed of roses.

One of the more recent, situations related is after- this fashion. He had just received a call to another church. He was not yet ready to leave the problems at hand. Some situations he thought needed correction.

Among the attractions held out by the new company was a "furnishing house" to make up for a too low salary. Recently they had come from a church where the par-sonage was furnished to this place where it was not furnished. They had had, for once, the real pleasure of choosing for them- selves the furniture they would use.

He thought of leaving these things which had become dear to them and go to another place and accept, sight unseen, what the parishioners (in some places at least) had not wanted in their own homes, was not pleasing.

Since we expect our pastors to move quite frequently, why do we not establish denominationally a furnished parsonage policy? Furnished with good electric refrigeration, good stoves, good beds, tables, and such other heavy essentials. Then why not wait until the new occupants come and give them money to buy the things which are so dear to the heart of the woman.

We need more pastors. We need more young men giving their lives to the service. Why not make the job more attractive?

P. B. Hurley,
Confession President.

RULING MY LIFE

The rule that governs my life is this: Anything that dims my vision of Christ, or takes away my taste for Bible study, or cramps my prayer life, or makes Christianity work difficult, it is wrong for me, and I must, as a Christian, turn away from it.

This simple rule may help you find a safe road for your feet along the road.

J. Wilbur Chapman.
Enhancing the Beauty of Churches

LANDSCAPING OF GROUNDS RECOMMENDED

By H. N. Wheeler
For Thirty-eight Years in the
U. S. Forest Service

Churches and cathedrals are decorated and adorned both inside and outside quite universally, from the building of Solomon's Temple down to this present time. This is as it should be, for no place is too beautiful in which to worship God. Money and labor have been spent lavishly in wood carvings, in sculpture, in paintings, and in covering altars and even shrines with gold. This is true, even in the rather dilapidated cathedrals of Mexico. The outside appearance of churches is not always of the best. This is especially true of the grounds. Some churches are crowded onto small lots, so there is little opportunity to plant shrubs and trees, or even grass or ivy. Other grounds are spacious, and in some locations have been landscaped most attractively. This is the case both in Washington at the National Cathedral grounds, where English boxwood is arranged in most elaborate and beautiful fashion with trees, shrubs, and flowers, especially roses. The grounds of the Franciscan Monastery are decorated in a most elaborate and beautiful fashion with trees, shrubs and flowers, especially roses. People select such spots for worship and for weddings.

A Well-Landscape Church

Mr. Wheeler submits this church (Christ Lutheran, Washington, D. C.) as an example of an attractively landscaped edifice. It was placed in the outstanding class by the Washington Architectural Committee, and the Washington Board of Trade gave it a certificate and special mention for the beautification of its grounds.

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I well recall how the congregation at Marlboro, N. J., landscaped the grounds of that church before the First World War, planting trees and shrubs in memory of lost loved ones, and of a former pastor. The comparison between the grounds before improvements and afterwards was most striking. Some plantings can be made in the fall, but spring is the best time to set out shrubs and flowers. People decorate their home grounds, but should we not be even more interested in the places where we meet to commune with the Creator of all things, the One who holds our destiny in his hands?

Washington, D. C.

COMING SOON: An article by H. N. Wheeler on community and church forests.

CHAPLAIN MALTBY BEGINS DUTY

At Rhoades General Hospital

Chaplain Leon Maltby, recently returned from service in Japan, has been reassigned to duty at Rhoades General Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

"This is a wonderful set-up for a Protestant chaplain," he wrote after his first chapel service February 3. "The five miles of countryside make it impossible to walk without coat or hat. We have a choir with paid civilian director, and printed programs."

Incidental to listing other commendable features about his new post, the chaplain described the hospital as once having about 6 per cent orthopedic cases. "That type of patient is new to me," said the chaplain.

At Mount Hermon, Calif., in 1944, three hundred thousand people came to pray and enjoy Bible studies, lectures, and seminars under the redwoods. In the early days, a sawmill was the only activity here and thieves ran wild. In the vast majority of cases, since the close of the war, he explained, "so that the medical patients are more numerous than the surgical. There are at present perhaps 2,500 patients most of whom are ambulatory. All such patients get weekend passes, which of course affects the chapel attendance. This morning the attendance was about eighty, with the vast majority being women."

Preaching to women is a new Army experience for Chaplain Maltby, asserted, recalling that during his entire service overseas he had only one or two girls in his congregations.

OUR COVER

Shown on this week's cover is an attractive little church picturesquely nestled among the trees at the end of a snow-clad drive. The church, located at Bear Creek, Pa., is surrounded by a forest of boxwood, hemlock, and white pine trees. The picture is more than just appropriate for

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SABBATH RALLY DAY

May 18, 1946

For many years Sabbath rallies have been held—and to good purpose—sponsored by the American Sabbath Tract Society. This year Sabbath Rally Day is May 18. Inspirational material and helpful suggestions will be published in the Recorder on April 22.

We are urging pastors to prepare a special Sabbath message and that prayer meetings and young people's groups give consideration to some phase of Sabbath belief, observance, or spread of the Sabbath truth. Helpful material pertinent to the subject is solicited from our societies and boards.

Early in May pastors will receive fresh, up-to-date items of information from the office of the society that may be helpful to pastors in preparing for the rally.

The Sabbath was given for man's good; for closer fellowship with him who declared himself to be its Lord. May all find it a delight.

Herbert C. Van Horn
Corresponding Secretary,
American Sabbath Tract Society.
YOU Can Help Win the Peace

Suggestions from Social Action Clinic

JACKSON'S MILL, APRIL 11-13, 1945

West Virginia Council of Churches and Christian Education and Agricultural Extension Service, West Virginia University

FIVE FINGER DRILL

FIVE PATHS TO PEACE

1. Be a friend to all.
2. Turn enemies into friends.
3. Seek to understand other peoples.
4. Accept all races as equal.
5. Live as a citizen of the world.

Dear Jim (Somewhere in the Philippines):

Berry, Jack, Pop; Aunt Mary, and I have all learned the five paths to peace.

You win the war. We work for peace. Even little sister's hand is up for victory.

We are going to have them at school today.

By Keeping Our Feet on the Ground

Hymn: Just as I Am.

In this day of uncertainty and unrest it is easy for us to fail to look into our individual lives and habits. It seems that so many other things keep us constantly busy. But, just where do we stand? Are we letting down? Are we being changed by all these events and unsettling happenings? We must keep on an even keel; we must keep our feet on the ground; we must check ourselves often to see that we are not allowing all these things around us to upset our stability. One of the best ways to do this checking is to find ourselves often alone with our thoughts, our Bible, and our God—and in the church of God communing with him and contacting his children who are there for the same purpose. One of the best ways to keep ourselves on the right track is by spending much time communing with God and associating with his people.

Many people are lax in their church attendance, but how many of them would say that we should do away with the church? Many people seldom read the Bible—perhaps pick it up, if there is one lying around, just to dust it occasionally. But how many of them would say we do not need the Bible? If it is important to have churches, to have the Bible, how important it is, then, to have some real personal contact with both.

Church friends and church relationships always seem true, and dependable, and assuring. Even when we are in towns where we do not have the church of our denomination, it is very important to make contacts with some church in order to have a church home. One can do this and still keep his own beliefs. In any event, he definitely needs church contacts. There is truly a stabilizing effect upon anyone who has some touch with a church and is on daily “speaking terms” with the Bible.

Scripture reading: Psalm 23.

Prayer:

Father, from whom all things good are sure, we make our see of thee, and our need of close contact with thy word, and thy people. So many things we take for granted, so often we are inclined to be careless about this relationship. Help us to be conscious of that which we know cannot have a complete life without. Open our eyes, that we may see; guide us in the paths of righteousness. Teach us to know thy will and to follow in thy footsteps. We thank thee for thy patience in our faltering steps; and for thy willingness to uphold us in all our walks of life that we may be guided by thee at all times, if we but put our trust in thee. Amen.

Hymn: Near the Cross.

INDEPENDENCE LADIES’ AID REPORTS PROFITABLE YEAR

Our Ladies’ Aid business meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Cleon Clarke Monday afternoon, January 14; because of sickness and the weather, only six members attended.

We have had quite a profitable year. There have been many good things because of meat and sugar shortages. We served meals during the Western Association Convention and at the Education last year. Our total balance for the year was $268.77. Mrs. Grace Spicer was retained as secretary. We voted $15 for the work of President of Evangelism Rev. Mr. Greene; $15 for the helpers’ fund; and $50 to the Denominational Budget. Because of the death of Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson and the removal of several other members, we regrouped our divisions, leaving three. These divisions will serve suppers or dinners nine months.

Rev. Cameron Hall

The election of Rev. Cameron Hall of Philadelphia as associate executive secretary of the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Federal Council of Churches and as co-secretary with Rev. James Myers of the Industrial Relations Division has been announced by Dr. Beverly M. Boyd, executive secretary of the Department of Christian Social Relations.

Mr. Hall has resigned his position as director of the Department of Social Education and Action of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., to begin his new connection with the Federal Council on February 1. He has been a member of the Industrial Relations Division since 1926. Born in Pelham Manor, N. Y., Mr. Hall was educated at Williams College, Williams-town, Mass.; New College, Edinburgh, Scotland; Mansfield College, Oxford, England; and Union Theological Seminary, New York. He was ordained by the Presbytery of New York in 1925.

From 1926 to 1935 he was pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church on West 36th Street in New York City in the heart of the city.
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A letter received February 10 from Brother George A. Berry, Maria Johanna, Wakenaam, British Guiana, announces the death of his father, Rev. William A. Berry. The letter says: 

"It is my duty, although coupled with sadness, to inform you that my father died on January 6, 1946, in hospital, Georgetown, but was carried to Wakenaam for burial. He spent two months and four days in the hospital and underwent three operations. Pastor William A. Berry has been our missionary in Wakenaam for fifteen or twenty years. He was faithful and efficient. For a long time he carried on, organizing Seventh Day Baptist churches, without any support from the board. I met him in 1925, my second trip to British Guiana, and was favorably impressed. When it was necessary for the Missionary Board to retrench and it withdrew its support from that field, I pledged with him to carry on as the workers did in apostolic days. This he did, except when aided by our church in London, until the Missionary Board was again in position to aid in the work. Brother Berry's death has been a great loss to his church and for the work in British Guiana.

W. L. B.

RAPID CHANGE OF CONDITIONS IN SHANGHAI REPORTED

Dear Secretary Burdick:

Your letter dated December 19 reached here December 31. If this letter I am now writing should travel at the same speed, I shall have it when I write February 10. At the same time, I trust that you have by now received my second letter which was mailed here December 17, or thereabout. Since my last writing, there has not been much change in the general conditions prevailing here in Shanghai. But I am glad to report that in the matter of teachers' relief mentioned in my second letter, we did get some from three different sources. First, through the kindness of Professor John Barr of Medhurst College, we got a sum of $514; second, we got another amount of $500,000 from our School Board. And finally, our student body also raised $400,000 by giving the performances of a play just before the final examinations. Of course, all the above figures are in Chinese national currency.

The school closed January 23 for the winter vacation. Yesterday we had our first entrance examination, and there were more than four hundred applicants taking it. I don't know how many of them we can take in, but I suppose it cannot be any more than twenty or thirty per cent. It is rather hard to refuse admission to so many who are so eager to come.

During this vacation we are returning the last batch of classroom furniture that has been stored with us by another mission school in the neighborhood. That will make us short of nearly one hundred pieces of furniture which must be replaced, or one hundred of our students will have no accommodation next term. With the prices on things so high, and with nothing on hand at present, I really don't know what we can do just now. But I am sure the Missionary Board will see us through, and there will be no difficulty in getting the problem solved, eventually.

I am glad to learn that your plans are being favorably considered by the board. I hope that you would kindly let me know of the final result as soon as a decision is reached.

Sincerely yours,

T. M. Chang.

23 Route de Zikawei,
Shanghai, China
January 28, 1946.

NEW JAMAICA SCHOOL TAKES MUCH STUDY, TIME, PRAYER

My routine duties seem to occupy too much of my time, but I am devoting considerable time to the school problem. It presents angles and special problems which require much study, time, and prayer. The acquisition of 29 Charles Street property calls for a reconsideration of plans for the school by the School Committee. I will send in a plan for the school, with estimates of costs of remodeling the tenement house for school purposes, equipment, teachers, etc., in a later communication.

I am glad to report that we have not another lack of a car, but feel that I am doing fairly well without one, and am keeping down the expense account by riding the bus.

I think that the greatest problem is the jealousy among the leaders in the church. Too much time and energy is spent working for favor at the expense of doing the right thing. They forget that Jesus said, "If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." They must learn to give more thought to service and less to position.

I wish to thank the Missionary Society for the way it has stood behind me and upheld my work in every way. I feel that I am inexperienced and the responsibility placed upon me fills me with humility, and compels me to look to our good Lord for wisdom and strength and courage; and to ask the board for its forbearance and support.

Wardner T. Fitz Randolph.

January 1, 1946.
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Christian Education

PRAYER

A Necessity in Everyday Life

(Willard Burdick, a member of the De Roeyer, N. Y., class, was at Pine Camp, N. Y. He is a brother of Rex Burdick who is here.)

Prayer is a necessity in everyday life. It is a connecting link between us and God. We cannot afford to live without it.

There are times when we feel lonely and feel that friends have left us, times when the way gets dark, and we are tempted beyond our physical endurance. There is one friend who never leaves us, always stands by us. If we ask him, he will brighten the way and supply us with the needed strength to overcome the tempting powers.

We have all had griefs and pains, but have we all asked Jesus to comfort us? Jesus will bear all our heartaches when we go to him in prayer.

When you get discouraged and are just about ready to give up, take it to the Lord. He will help you solve your financial problems when you ask him. And when things look bad, do you ask him for help? Let him help you solve your financial troubles. When you ask, you will be ready to give up, take it to the Lord.

He will bear all our heartaches when we go to him in prayer. The class, with Lester Osborn, a member of the De Roeyer, N. Y., class, was at Pine Camp, N. Y., reported will be the annual meeting of the International Council of Religious Education held at Columbus, Ohio. H. S.

FOUR FRONTS for PEACE

THE INNER FRONT

By Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam

President, Federal Council of Churches

[The Commission on a Just and Durable Peace was instituted in 1941 by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in order to study carefully the bases of a lasting world order. This is one of a series of articles appearing in Sabbath Recorder that deals with Christian Action on Four Fronts for Peace, the Commission’s outline of a general strategy for the postwar period.]

Something must happen to the hearts of men if world order is to be established. When Augustine left Africa, his friend Marcellus, who knew that the sensual and the spiritual were struggling for the mastery of Augustine’s soul said, “This day that brings another life to thee, demands that thou another man must be.”

The new world needs new men. The command of Christ, “Ye must be born again,” takes on new and compelling significance. Man seeks to create the institutions that will bring power under democratic control. He seeks likewise to establish justice by democratic process. But a new spirit must rule the individual if a new spirit is to infuse society.

It was Hitler who said, “I want to see the gleam of the beast of prey in the eyes of my youth.” In the terrible necessity of destroying the beast of prey, men whose normal instincts have called for brotherhood, were themselves forced to kill and destroy, and in the heat of hate, they harmed everyone with many hearts. The shocking and revolting necessities of bombing and blockade became imperental routine in the life and death struggle. Something did happen to the hearts of men. Victory has come, and something more must happen to the human heart.

It must be cleansed of all hatred and all the spirit of revenge. The good will that leaps from love and expresses itself in the acts of brotherhood must leap from the heart. And as the heart can hate and drive a bayonet into an enemy, a man cannot hate and build a brotherhood world. It is a property of hate to destroy the object hated. But the day of destruction has passed. It is rebuilding that confronts us, and the attitude of brotherhood is pre-eminently to construction.

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Children’s Page

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Clara Basler.

R. D. 3, Cuba Rd.,

Barrington, Ill.

Dear Maxine and Ginger:

Your Mommy is more anxious to get Skippy to the barber’s than I was to have my little boy taken there on his fourth birthday. Pastor Greene took him home to Wellesville that day and had his hair cut short after he had his picture taken with his curls. He didn’t look like himself at all. He was wearing a suit with that short hair and, don’t tell anyone, I’m afraid I shed some tears when I saw him.
for he didn’t look like my baby. Now that boy of ours is a grown man and was a doctor in the army for three and a half years. While he was overseas his little girl used to kiss his grown up picture good night every night, and then that four-year-old picture, which she called “My boy Daddy.” She, too, has a baby brother, Kristie, who can get into as much mischief as little Skippy, I’m pretty sure.

Please thank your dear Mommy for me for writing your letter for you and for her P. S. which gave me a good laugh.

Yours in Christian love,
Mispah S. Greene.

DENOMINATIONAL “HOOK-UP”
Shiloh, N. J.

The Shiloh Baptist Church is in its fifth year of radio ministry. Between forty and fifty different people have helped in the music, singing or playing, during the past year. Two musical numbers and a brief message make up each week’s program.

“...we have no way of telling how many people are being reached by this ministry,” the pastor reports, “but often we hear remarks from unexpected sources to the effect that the programs have been heard and enjoyed.”

The programs are broadcast over Station WSNJ, Bridgeton, N. J., every Sabbath afternoon at 5 o’clock. The church expects to continue on the air until the money to pay for the time stops coming in.

—Shiloh Bulletin Extra.

Waterford, Conn.

The annual meeting of the Waterford Church was held at the Wagons cemetery, where the first Sabbath in January. We elected our usual officers with an addition of a sunshine committee. This time we made plans to call a new pastor.

Work is being done at the parsonage in preparation for a clean and comfortable home for a new pastor.

On February 2 a farewell party was given for Pastor Loofboro and family in appreciation of their loving, faithful service while with us. A joyous evening of games, stories, and singing was enjoyed by friends and church neighbors. The table was beautifully decorated with candles and fresh flowers for a buffet supper. The flowers were presented to Mrs. Loofboro and a purse of money to Pastor Loofboro.

Rev. David Clarke of Westerly gave a mis-

sionary sermon, “Context of the Old and New Testament,” at the Sabbath morning service on February 9. Special music, “Come, All Ye Disconsolate,” was presented by Ellen Sweeney, pianist; Mary Brooks, organist; and Eleanor Brooks, soloist.

Our Friday evening prayer meetings are being held in the homes of church members for the remainder of the winter. We are now studying the Gospel of Matthew.

—Mary Brooks.

CANSADA STALNAKER SUTTON

Our community was saddened Sabbath afternoon, January 3, by the death of Mrs. Cansada Sutton, wife of Deacon Francis Sutton of Berea, W. Va.

When she was very young her parents moved to Lost Creek, and later to the neighbor-

hood of Berea. She made a profession of religion when she was eight years old and was baptized by Rev. Charles Burdick. She united with the Ritchie Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Eighty-five years of mingled joy and sorrow was her portion: the pleasures and hardships of pioneer days; the usual cares and blessings of rearing a large family; then more hardships than she would share her, caring for a dependent daughter. Through all she revealed that quiet, patient character to the whole community.

Funeral services were conducted at her home in charge of her pastor, Rev. John Fitz Randolph, assisted by Rev. Trevor S. Sutton, grandson of the deceased.

Here they were buried in the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Cemetery.

“Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.”

Proverbs 31: 28

J. F. R.

Marriages

Lewis - Bonham. — Philip Hardin Lewis of Shiloh, N. J. (formerly of Stoughton, I11.), and Mary Hardin Bonham of Shiloh, were united in marriage at the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church, February 18, 1946. The ceremony was performed by the uncle of the bride, Rev. E. T. Harris, assisted by Pastor Lerrer Osborn. The newlyweds are residing at Salisbury.

Lewis - Hayes. — Huld Maxson Lewis of Hop-
kinton, R. I., and Lena Dorothy Hayes of Mystic, Conn., were united in marriage on February 3, 1946, at Ashaway, R. I. The service was performed by Rev. Paul S. Burdick.

Morse - Burdick. — Kenneth G. Morse and Mar-
egaret Jeanette Burdick, both of Brookfield, Conn., were united in marriage February 9, 1946, at the Second Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church, pastor, Herbert L. Polan of Verona, N. Y., assisted by Pastor Jay W. Crofoot of Sutton Run on Otter Slide. Land was cleared. Two other houses in succession

began their home on this same farm. The farm is still in the family’s possession though Frank and Cansada in their declining years retired to the farm. Her family celebrated their sixty-sixth wedding anniversary last June 6.

To them were born eight children. Three have preceded their mother: Dora, Sheldon, and Andrew. The children surviving are Rev. Eiro E. Sutton of Denver, Colo.; Dea-

corn Carlisle Sutton of Berea; Shirley Sutton of Steubenville, Ohio; and Hollie Sutton of Buckhannon, W. Va. She is also survived by her husband; two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Randolph of Berea and Mrs. Mattie Jett of Boulder, Colo.; one brother, Samuel Stalnaker of Orma, W. Va.; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Widman - Williams. — Donald Widman and Miss Doris Mae Williams, both of Denver, Colo., were united in marriage on January 26, 1946, by Pastor Ero E. Sutton.

Obituary

Brow. — Erwin Greene was born in Hopkinson, R. I., March 1, 1865, and died at Hope Valley February 19, 1946.

He was the father of Abigail G. and Miranda Burdick Brow. He was baptized by Rev. James R. Irish and joined the Rocksville Seventh Day Baptist Church February 26, 1881. He was also married first to Mary random. After her death he was married to Mrs. Emma Wright, who also preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Paul S. Burdick, and burial followed in Pine Grove Cemetery.

Sutton. — Amanda Cansada Stalnaker, daughter of Levie and Dardina Davis Stalnaker, was born at Steubenville, Ohio, February 16, 1866. She was united in marriage on February 9, 1946, to Rev. Elio E. Sutton of Berea, and died at her home in Berea, W. Va., January 5, 1946. A more extended account of her life appears elsewhere in this issue.

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**TIME FOR PRAYER**

Billy Sunday tells the story of a minister who was making calls. When he rang the bell of a certain home, a little girl opened the door. He asked for her mother, and she asked, “Are you sick?” He said that he wasn’t; she asked, “Are you hurt?” Again he said, “No.” Then she asked if he knew of anyone sick or injured. When he replied that he did not, she said, “Then you can’t see mama, for she prays from nine to ten o’clock.” It was then twenty minutes after nine, but he sat down and waited forty minutes to see her.

At ten o’clock she came in with the light of glory on her face; and he knew why that home was so bright, he knew why her two sons were in the theological seminary and her girl was a missionary.

“All hell cannot tear a boy or girl away from a mother like that,” comments Mr. Sunday. — Selected.

I long to accomplish great and noble tasks, but it is my chief duty and joy to accomplish humble tasks as though they were great and noble.

—Helen Keller.

“I can’t do everything, but I can do something; what I can do I ought to do; and what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do.”

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**SECRET OF LIVING**

Sanda Singh was traveling with a friend in a snowstorm. Nearly frozen with cold, they went on, and presently saw a dark object lying in the snow, which they knew to be the form of a man. The Sadhu stopped, but the other hurried on, saying, “We shall both perish if we stop.”

Sanda picked up the almost dead man, and holding him close to himself, staggered on. He found that the heat from his own body revived the exhausted man, while he was glowing with warmth caused by his own exertion.

As they entered a village, a form could be seen lying in the path; it proved to be the frozen body of the friend who had hurried on to save his own life.

“He who would save his life shall lose it, and he who would lose his life shall save it.” — Selected.

“The godly man’s prayers are his best biography, his most exact portrait.”

I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to what light I have. I must stand with anybody who stands right and part with him when he goes wrong.

—Abraham Lincoln.

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**IF**

If you have God’s promise for a thing, isn’t that enough?
If you cannot give a good reason for what you are doing, there may be a good reason why you should not do it.
If God had no more mercy on us than we have on one another, the world would have been burned up a long while ago.
If some people would be a little more careful about where they step, those who follow them wouldn’t stumble so much.
If God’s light is shining in you, it will be sure to be seen by somebody who is traveling in the dark.
If we are faithful, God will look after our success.
If we do not rejoice in the Lord, the world will not believe that we know him.

—Selected.