GOD OF THE OPEN AIR

These are the things I prize and hold of dearest worth:
Light of the sapphire skies, peace of the silent hills,
Shelter of forest, comfort of grass,
Music of the birds, murmur of little rills,
Shadows of clouds that swiftly pass;
And after the showers, the smell of flowers and of the good brown earth.
And best of all along the way—friendship and mirth.
So let me keep these treasures of the humble heart in true possession, owning them by love . . .
My spirit out to thee, God of the open air!

—Henry van Dyke
There has been a marked increase in interest during the last seven years in the status of women and the work of women in the churches, judging from early returns on a survey conducted by the women's national organizations of twenty-two denominations. Thousands of questionnaires have been mailed. The response is remarkable. Several denominations have returned more than half of the total number distributed. According to Miss Rhoda E. McCulloch, chairman of the Advisory Committee of women representing the national interdenominational women's organizations and the Federal Council of Churches, which is directing the study.

This poll is part of a world-wide study of the role of women in the life of the Church being carried out by the World Council of Churches.

The American Bible Society reports a circulation of 11,394,200 volumes of Scriptures in 1946, nearly four million of which were distributed in this country. The circulation, by its four Negro agencies, working only among the colored people in this United States, was from the time the organization of its first Negro agency in 1901.

A new religious magazine for children has been started in Greece, with the help of the World's Sunday School and Young People's Union, in an effort to meet the dire economical situation in Greece, it is welcomed and commendable that this new venture can make the children of that country a welcome and commendable achievement. Planned as a monthly, the magazine will be printed in the Greek language, and is named "Padika Phylla," which means "Children's Leaves." Reverend G. A. Hadjiantoniou, of Athens, is in charge of the project.

The unchurched masses of earth are increasing 6,000,000 faster each year than all churches combined. That is to be expected. The total population from 1890 to 1935 the unchurched heathen population of the world made a net gain of 6,000,000, while all churches combined, or an average gain of 6,000,000 for the seven years.

Is it not time to start all over again to win this broken, suffering world to Christ?—Missionary Digest.

Personalities of the thirty-ninth International Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held in San Francisco, July 28 to August 1, 1947, will be Hon. Norman Makin, Australian Prime Minister; Harry Jones, distinguished missionary leader, who will give the Closing Challenges of the six-day gathering. The convention keynote address, including the welcome by Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the International Society and World's Christian Endeavor Union. Other notable speakers in "San Francisco, 1947," will be Hon. Norman Makin, Australian ambassador; Hon. Ellis Arnall, former governor of Georgia; Dr. Varian Melconian, and many others.

- The Sabbath Recorder
"The church is always heavy. Otherwise it would not be a cross."

"When we worship God, the near horizons of our immediate concern are pushed back; our minds reach upward. We become freshly conscious of God, of God's claims on us. In this consciousness, our lives gain infinitely in meaning. In worship we get a different view of our own lives. We see life in large relationships and get it in a true perspective. The immensities of life, the ambitions we have so feverishly pursued, the fears that have disturbed us, the disappointments that have embittered us, all dwindle in importance when looked at from the height of our relationship to God and to his purpose."

The moment you accept God's ordering, that moment your work ceases to be a task and becomes your calling; you pass from bondage to freedom, from the shallow-land of life into life itself. - H. Clay Trumbull.

there is no reason why he should be different in this or in his Christian behavior, for there is no double standard in Christianity. All Christians must make the church and the things of God, their faith in him, the center of their lives, or they will lose that faith.

What is a pastor? He is not a superman already having accomplished that for which others strive in a lifetime. He is a man among men, understanding our struggles, sympathizing with our sorrows, seeking to point to the solution in Christ for our problems, because he has the same struggles, the same sorrows, and the same problems, and deals with them through faith in God.

I suggest that if you are truly consecrated as a servant of the Living God, you will not be noiseless abroad picayune or even major criticizers of your pastor; you will not even be thinking in that way. For you will be occupied in thanking God all day long, and concerning yourself with the needs of your community.

Go to your pastor with your suggestions and constructive criticisms of him and his work if you will; but in your private mind and in your public actions, reverence him to be a man of God, working with what talents he has to accomplish that which God has given him to do. Your whispered or out-spoken criticisms are the opening wedge to the destruction of a man and his life of service, the opening wedge to the division of your church, and the opening wedge to the destruction of faith and character within yourself.

If you expect your pastor to lead you and your church in the expression of Christian faith in life and service, you must consecrate your talents also, that his efforts be made of no effect. Let one say that -

Whatever he does, someone could have told him to do better.

SALEM PASTOR RETIRES FROM ACTIVE MINISTRY

On March 31, 1947, Rev. James L. Skaggs completed his engagement as pastor of the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church, and on that date retired from the active ministry.

Mr. Skaggs has served seven churches in New York, New Jersey, Kansas, Wisconsin, and West Virginia.

Mr. Skaggs first asked to be released from the Salem Church in April, 1945, to be effective the following autumn, but at the repeated requests of the church he has continued to serve until this date: Mr. and Mrs. Skaggs will continue to live in Salem. As soon as the property can be vacated by the present occupants, they will be at home at 110 Randolph Street.

-Salem Herald.

FUTURE OF CHURCH DEPENDS ON YOUTH

Christian principles must be instilled into the lives of school and secular youth organization-leaders if the future of the church is to be secured. The head of Little Rock, Ark., national chairman of the United Christian Youth Movement and a student at Union Theological Seminary, New York, in his recent trip to the West, returned from a month's cruise with the Atlantic fleet of the United States Navy. His job, with other prominent news men of the country, was to report the practical maneuvers of the postwar fleet to the American press. After his visit, the Admiral's personal interest in the war, on which he was stationed, Admiral Bland- ing, assuming up the operations at sea, told Mr. Uitter to say for him that this was "the longest and most exciting cruise held in peace time. The morale among the men is good. They are a sturdy, intelligent, resourceful lot of men. The Uniform Service means a lot in the minds and other papers, during February. The following is part of one of these reports. The author submitted it for publication in the Recorder because of the strong interest it has for church people."

"We must turn their thoughts back home and to things of their faith. Officers in the ward room, reading or sitting at the green cloth-covered tables, bow their heads. Flyers, perhaps, feel more deeply. Here is one of the prayers:

SUNSET, and evening star, and after that the dark. Hear me, O God, in this evening hour, and look upon us, for Thou alone art able to satisfy the desire of every living thing. Especially do I commend to Thy holy keeping, friends and loved ones far away, all who lie down hungry and thirsty of Thy word, in the shadow of death, all who are kept awake by anxiety, all who are facing danger, all who toil or keep watch while others sleep. Give to them all, I pray, such a sense of Thy presence with us as may turn their loneliness (and mine) into comfort, and our troubles into Thy peace. In Jesus' Name. Amen."

IT IS an old custom of this great aircraft carrier, the Randolph. Perhaps prayer may have helped to carry her through the terrible bombings she withstood in the late days of the war.

Church calls on Sunday summon the men to divine service. There is the mass for the Catholics, and later a Protestant service. I have attended both. They are held in the enlisted men's messroom. There the officers sit with the men. There is no rank or priorities as the foot-rumped field organ is drowned out by the voices of the men who listen to the hymns which have a bit of salty sea written into them.
FELLOWSHIP DAY, 1947.

CHURCH WOMEN ACT AS ONE UNITED FORCE

By ALICE STEWART

AS I WALKED down the street of the Long Island community in which I live, I noticed a group of older and younger women linked arm in arm singing as they strolled along, the song, popularized some time ago, entitled "Marching Along Together." I thought as I passed how wonderful it would be if the whole community could join forces and really sing that song and mean it, and what a change it would mean in our country if communities, and groups would do it, and in our world if the nations really were united and determined to march along together.

As I think again of my own community and of ways in which I, as a church woman, must help to bring this about, the theme for May Fellowship Day, 1947, keeps running through my mind: "The Fabric of Fellowship." It seems to me that the very words carry within them the warmth and imaginativeness which should be the background of our program this year.

This is a day when all church women of the community may come together to think, to feel, and to act as one united force in the service of the church.

This "fabric" is woven of many strands, by women of different walks in life, different creeds, different races and colors. Only the weaving should come, a harmonious unity, not uniformity, a truly Christian fellowship which could change the world.

One important thing this year is to see that no group in your community is overlooked. Do you have a veterans emergency fund, aiding displaced persons, G. I. campus brudges, foreign students, minority groups who should receive special invitations? Plan your program in such a way that each one of them is included. This "fabric," no matter how it be woven, is a big, wonderful thing. The United Council of Church Women, many of whom have worked toward this very goal, "the weaver's art which should be the background of the united work we are doing together," plan to consecrate your offering to the united work we are doing in the service of the Master.

Order programs at once!

- The Church Woman.

THE BLESSED GUEST

By Marguerite Wilkinson

I have many homes. Today I visited one ready for a Guest whose features I have never seen. I have seen lives for a sweet, white welcome. I have kept dark walls between. And I have stood long in the doorway waiting. Many and many a day.

Watching all the roads, listening for a football. Tilt like dark wings in heaven the shadows play.

I will wait long, for men say that He is lovely; I will keep patience, weary though it be.

Oh, may the flying light of a glad sunset bring that Guest to me.

- Clarksburg Baptist Bulletin.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL SPONSORS UNITED ACTIVITIES

For many years the church women of Saunderstown, Rhode Island, observed the World Day of Prayer under the sponsorship of a standing committee composed of the pastors' wives of the various churches and lay women from different groups. This year the chairmanship of the committee rotated as did also the churches which entertained; so, if the Methodist minister's wife was chairman, the Seventh Day Baptist Church entertained. Other participating congregations are first day Baptist, United Brethren, Seventh Day Church of God, and Roman Catholic.

Also the Salem group has sponsored two May luncheons and three Community Day programs. Thus have become the Executive Board of the Council of Church Women. Our president, Mrs. Otis' Swiger, attended the Biennial Assembly in Grand Rapids, being the representative of the Women's Society of her denomination. - Church Woman.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

A column wherein the readers may freely express their opinions, or not deal in personalities or petty controversy.

Dear Editor:

It was a thrilling experience to have been for three days a member of the four hundred delegates in attendance at the National Fellowship Conference on the Church and Economic Life, sponsored by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and held in Little Rock, Arkansas, April 18-20, 1947.

President Charles P. Taft announced in his opening address that the four hundred were about equally divided, one third from labor, one third from management, one third from labor, and one third from the clergy. Twenty-seven Protestant denominations were officially represented, including ten of the United States, the United Church of Canada.

In response to the call of the Federal Council, which for many months has been "to study the effects of economic tensions within the economic order and the widespread confusion over the direction which our economic life should take," the affiliated denominations sent especially chosen delegates from among their ministers and from their laymen and women drawn from the ranks of agriculture, labor, business, and the general public.

A large percentage of the delegates were women, often of outstanding ability. Many are nationally known in their fields of activity.

On Tuesday afternoon, the plenary session was devoted entirely to the section meetings—three in all, held in other rooms of the seventeenth floor of the William Penn Hotel where the Conference was held. I was assigned to Section No. 2, in which one hundred thirty-five met for study and discussion of "Information Service" pamphlets and memoranda sheets which had been sent to delegates many days ahead of the Conference, the main topics proposed being "The Issues in Economic Life," "The Responsibilities of the Church," and "The Program of the Church."

Under these general headings other questions discussed were: "How can full production, full employment, and equitable distribution of the national income be achieved and maintained, and what is the relation thereto of the Church?" "May we interfere with these results?" "What basis can the Church concern itself constructively with the problems of our times—wholesome prices, and profits?" "How can industrial relations be made more harmonious, and the Church use its influence most effectively toward this attainment?" A start was made in the morning on each of these topics and for five sessions more as an observer and quiet listener than a participant otherwise, I felt that nearly every phase of our economic life was thoroughly discussed by men and women who are experts in their callings. Paul G. Hoffman, president of the Studebaker Corp., of South Bend, Ind., was to the section meeting on February 18, and Carl R. Hutchison, of Columbus, Ohio, educational director of the Ohio Farm Bureau Cooperative, was to speak to the next day. Bishop Angus Dun, of Washington, D. C., was vice-chairman of all the sessions this week.

Space will not permit the naming of prominent men and women who took part in the discussions of the section, but the roster of representatives accompanying the papers which I showed that even among those who hold (Continued on page 255)
Pawcatuck Sabbath School Report—Busy Program

Growth shown in Co-operation.

Spiritual Understanding

(A report given by Mrs. Howard E. Kuehn, the superintendent of the primary department, of the Pawcatuck Sabbath school.)

The year 1946 has been heartening, not because of an increase in numbers but because of the witness and spiritual understanding among pupils, pupils and teachers, and all of us. We have profited by studying together about God, his people, his Son, and the Christian way in everyday living, and have been learning to love both friends and neighbors at home and throughout the world.

During the year the children have gained experience and satisfaction in presenting programs for the adults: appropriate exercises at Easter, $10.68; Christmas, $10.68; and a presentation of a new program for the Sabbath school, $10.68. These were given at the meeting of the teachers held in the three quarters of an hour allotted them on Sabbath morning. It is a duty and a privilege of us all in our daily living, through family worship, prayer, reading the Bible daily, and regular attendance at all church services, including the Church of our Choice, the guidance needed for Christian living in the three quarters of an hour allotted them on Sabbath morning. It is a duty and a privilege of us all in our daily living, through family worship, prayer, reading the Bible daily, and regular attendance at all church services, including the Church of our Choice, the guidance needed for Christian living in the three quarters of an hour allotted them on Sabbath morning.

It is hoped by the teachers and superintendents of the children that the pupils may realize that Sabbath school teachers cannot begin to do their work until they, the pupils, Phyli and guidance needed for Christian living in the three quarters of an hour allotted them on Sabbath morning. It is a duty and a privilege of us all in our daily living, through family worship, prayer, reading the Bible daily, and regular attendance at all church services, including the Church of our Choice, the guidance needed for Christian living in the three quarters of an hour allotted them on Sabbath morning.

Mrs. Kuehn, in the closing paragraph of her report, expressed the desire to continue the current program for the local church—that of helping parents see how essential it is for them to assume their rightful place in the instruction of their children. By this, she means that the Sabbath school should teach parents what is being taught in the lessons.

Where Are the Other 3802?

Figures in the 1945 Year Book show that sixty-one churches reported a total membership of 2,584. Some of that difference in figures is explained by the fact that many Sabbath schools did not report, and not all members listed as church members are resident members who can attend Sabbath school. There is still too much difference in these figures. Will you check on your church and Sabbath school attendance? It would be helpful to know the figures for church attendance and Sabbath school attendance to see how much difference there is at that point.

What is your church doing about those people who are attending church and not Sabbath school? Why are you doing about those who attend Sabbath school and not church? These questions are vital in a local church program of Christian education. It is people who in which we are interested who will be the figures. If we can use figures—which in turn represent people—to arouse a greater interest in building up church and Sabbath school attendance, we should surely use them when they bring this challenge.

Is there any significance in the fact that last year the total church attendance was over 19,000? If so, what is it?

Vacation School and Sabbath School.

Vacation school should be strengthened in order to enable the children to carry on their work in the summer, while the parents are away. The closing paragraph of the report makes it clear that the Vacation Church Schools held during the summer months are of great benefit to the church, giving a much needed encouragement to the parents.

J. H. S.

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Dear Mrs. Greene:

In my last letter we had just arrived in London, and on to the elite Claridge's Hotel during the dinner hour; the ladies were on promenade in beautiful dresses. We were very tired and dirty from our long train ride, and all our dinner clothes were with the main part of our luggage at Southampton.

Everything about the hotel was modernistic, quite in contrast to the "Lord Mayor of London" (Doorman), who met us at the hotel entrance. There were many huge mirrors, and the carpets were deep pile. The color scheme was mostly soft tans and greens.

We tried to register as inconspicuously as possible, took the elevator, and arrived at the bridal suite—the only rooms available in London that night. Our rooms were "past this world"—the kind you see in the movies—and I never expected to see the like before in my life. The suite consisted of a huge living room and two large bedrooms attached; the entire suite was done in the same soft shades of green and tan as the rest of the hotel, with the same deep pile carpeting, and more mirrors. Every conceivable device was in the place for one's comfort; things to lavishly treat each bath, a shower, and a tub. There was a bell for the butler, one for the maid, and a third for the chauffeur. Devices were too numerous to mention and explain. Dinner was served in our suite that night, and we went right to bed.

The next day Mr. Terraneau, Uncle Joe's friend to whom he had written for hotel reservations, visited us and invited us to tea at 3:30. That morning a new bride and groom arrived, with one sight of super luxury, we packed up regretfully and said goodbye to the bridal suite.

We moved to the Hyde Park Hotel, spent most of the day in a travel agency (Thomas Cook and Sons) trying to get transportation to Paris, France, with our luggage—or at least out of England with it. Everyone said it couldn't be done, but Uncle Joe did it, as you will see later.

I received two letters this day, and it was wonderful to hear from home. On our way back from the travel bureau we did a little sight-seeing: Westminster Palace, better known to us as Parliament, covers eight acres and has eleven hundred rooms. There are two towers in this enormous building, the clock, Big Ben, which rings the famous thirteen-ton bell. Sometimes during the war we heard it on the radio, booming the hour from London.

It was on this trip I saw the famous Thames River, which looked just like any other big, muddy river to me. In Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens is located a national monument to Queen Victoria, England's queen who reigned longer than any other queen in history. I was particularly interested because my birthday comes on the same day as Queen Victoria's.

We saw the building where a unique incident happened during World War II. This consulate was the first building in London to be hit by a German bomb. The Victors were staying in the suite, and only one window was broken, and the fires were out.

Our return to the Hyde Park Hotel we passed a Lincoln Monument; the image of a little child is with Lincoln's statue. They say the school children contributed their pennies to erect a memorial in his honor, in front of Westminster Abbey, which we shall see another day.

We had a restful, lovely evening till 10:30 with the Terraneau's in their Californian-type home, the only one in the whole city of London, Here Tim and I, for entertainment, picked raspberries in the yard and played the slot machine. This slot machine played English money. Mr. Terraneau would usually give us a couple of English coins; and when they were gone, he would unlock it again and give us some more. You see this machine always wins. He warned us never to play slot machines in public, because they are swindle games. The player always gets beaten, while the machine always wins.

In the years he has had this machine, only twice had anyone hit the jackpot. Then we heard

Our Sabbath school put on a very good program at Christmas time, in which every child had a part. There were six or eight acts for all.

The annual church dinner and business meeting was held at the home of Alfred and Melva Fisher. There was a good attendance and a salad dinner. Angeline Allen was re-elected moderator; Mrs. Jay Van Horn, clerk; and Mrs. Mary Boehler was elected secretary treasurer. The new Sabbath school superintendent; Will H. Cockrell, assistant; and Mrs. Mary Boehler, secretary-treasurer.

It was voted that we continue to try to secure a pastor. We have called two different men. Though both seemed to desire to come, circumstances prevented favorable decisions.

Our Woman's Benevolent Society has done good work the past year. They work for one another, and the ladies arrange the meetings. They have sent several packages to Verona, N. J., to be shipped to the Seventh Day Baptists in Germany. The correspondence was read.

VERONA, N. Y. — A service of dedication for the new Hammond electric organ was held in the Verona church the evening of February 19, 1944. The presentation of the organ on behalf of the Booster Class was made by the class president, G. Allison Smith, with acceptance and dedicatory address by the pastor, Rev. H. L. Polan.

Mrs. Peg Kimball, Syracuse, was guest organist for the candlelight ceremony. Mrs. Nina and Mrs. Edna Hayner were in charge of the festivities. Mrs. John A. Davis, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. E. F. Coffen, Mrs. M. E. Davis, Mrs. R. M. Davis, and Mrs. L. M. Davis were the committee in charge of the program.

The Social Committee conducted a hilarious evening of fun and contests for a large gathering of members, and the losing classes furnished all we could eat.

Corresponding Secretary Victor W. Skaggs and Editor K. Duane Hurley helped the Shiloh Organist 210th anniversary on March 29 by bringing messages at the morning worship; Mrs. Hurley also sang a solo, "Glorious Victory," on March 30; and "I've Decide to Do It" on March 31. The 21st District, which held its annual meeting at Bridgeton.

Shiloh continues to be vitally interested not only in the special missionary effort, of the Midwest Missionary Societies but in all phases of denominational work and activity. — Correspondent.

ARMIES FOR PEACE?

Great Britain, with a prewar force of 400,000, is now in a war with an army of 4,000,000, and the United States have increased their armed forces from 40,000 to 2,000,000. Russia plans an increase from prewar 3,000,000 to a 3,000,000 peace army. China, now also to be included, now has 3,000,000 men in uniform. The leaders of these nations who are "scouting" the thought of another war. — Religious Telescope.

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I WANT TO SAY that we appreciate the effort you are making to do this work on the home field. For years have I insisted that if we do not do more work at home we shall soon not have a foreign field. It takes a home field to support a foreign field, and I want both to live. But we must begin at home. So much power to you in your plans. I may not be able to help much, but my heart is in it...

Such is the remark of one of our pastors to the Second Century Fund Committee, and such a remark is fitting when we come up to our Second Century Sabbath in 1947. One hundred years ago—just about this time of year—the carpenters and wardens were nearing the end of a one hundred four day journey from New York City to Hong Kong, China. What challenging thoughts must have filled their hearts as they approached China. What faith they had in Seventh Day Baptists in America. How they must have depended on God's working in the hearts of Seventh Day Baptists "back home" to give of substance and spirit, as they themselves had responded to His will.

Truly do we want "both to live"—foreign missions, and home missions. They both begin in the response of persons to Christ's "go ye," and they both demand the consecration of the entire life.

Give and pray as never before on this Second Century Sabbath, April 19, in all Seventh Day Baptist churches.

David S. Clarke.

PROTECTING YOUTH FROM CYNCISM

Miss Martha Smith of Columbus, Ohio, president of the Franklin County Christian Youth Council, told us that youth who attended the Grand Rapids meeting of the International Council of Religious Education that the church, protecting young people from the cynicism of the adults who appear to be the leaders of today.

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very responsible positions in our world of business and industry, in our schools and colleges, in the churches and religious organizations, they were willing to take time off and come from nearly every state in the Union to show their interest and make their contribution to the annual meeting regarding our economic life.

There was a noticeable absence of youth at this conference. The majority were in the middle age or older group, those who know the stubborn realities of working out their life problems in our present national life.

It was especially interesting to listen to those of management and labor as they informally but clearly stated their positions. No matter what our opinions or possible prejudices may be it is good for us to hear both sides given in the spirit of Christian brotherhood.

It was very gratifying to feel that all of the Second Century Fund committees had responded to His will...
SIXTEEN REGULAR MEMBERS NOW IN INDIANAPOLIS FELLOWSHIP

The Indianapolis Fellowship of Seventh Day Baptists now numbers sixteen regular and two associate members. Four of these are asking for baptism. We wish to administer that sacrament the last of April, and to follow the next Sabbath with a Communion service.

Regular services are held at 3:30 each Sabbath afternoon, and at 7:30. Attendance is increasing slowly. We had the largest attendance March 22 of any Sabbath in our work. Attendance is increasing slowly. We had sixteen of our members present that Sabbath. We have lost track of some of our members, but they are not officially dropped. We hope to increase this number.

Different ones will have charge of the various services.

Please continue to pray for the work here, and for us as laborers on the field. What has been accomplished has been through prayer—your prayers!

Your representatives,
Rev. and Mrs. Lester G. Osborn.

BATTLE CREEK COUPLE MARK SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On March 22, Mr. and Mrs. Fremont C. Monroe of Battle Creek, Mich., celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary quietly in their home at 31 Hazel St.

Mr. Monroe was born September 28, 1863, and his wife, October 17, 1861. The couple were married in 1887 at their farm home in Rock County, Wis., by Rev. Nathan M. Warner, pastor of the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church. A host of relatives and friends attended.

Mr. Monroe actively engaged in farming until 1907, when he moved to Battle Creek. There he became foreman on the Battle Creek Sanitarium lawns, a job he held for ten years. During the following twenty-two years he was employed in the transportation department.

Parents of both Mr. and Mrs. Monroe were natives of New York State. The father of Mr. Monroe, whose maiden name was Isabel Fish, was a soldier in the Civil War. Wounded at the Battle of Perryville, he lost his right eye.

Mr. Monroe has been active in the G.A.R., as well as the W.C.T.U., the Charity Union, and the Ladies' Aid. An avid reader, Mr. Monroe has read the Bible through twenty-five times, memorizing ten chapters including Christ's Sermon on the Mount.

Sabbaths were born to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe: Mrs. E. B. Davis, Battle Creek; Mrs. G. C. Wells, Riverside, Calif.; and Mrs. W. J. Kelch, Jackson, Mich. There are four grandchildren in the family (three were present), and several great-grandchildren.

The Monroes are members of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Battle Creek.

OBITUARIES

Davies — Linnville Bee, the son of Abner J. Davis and Mary (nee Trout) Davies, was born October 2, 1862, at Blandville, Wis., and died Thursday, March 6, 1947, in Jackson Center, Ohio.

He was united in marriage to Dora Elizabeth Coad, October 2, 1884, at Jane Lew, W. Va. She survives him.

To this union were born seven children, two of whom preceded him in death. He is survived by three daughters: Pernutha Belle Hughes, at home; Nina Rebecca Lawhead, of Jackson Center; Clara Agnes Ferguson, of Hamilton, Ind.; and two sons: Andrew Harrison, who lives at home, and Clifford M., of Clifton, Miss. He leaves eleven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren, as well as a host of dear relatives and cherished friends to mourn their loss. Also surviving are one sister, Samantha Bryson, Asheville, N. C.; two brothers, Robert and Walter, both of Blandville; and Andrew B. Davis, Smithsburg, Va.

He was a devoted Christian, and joined the Middle Island Seventh Day Baptist Church, at Sugar Camp, about 1878. In 1904 when the family moved to Ohio, he was granted a letter and joined the Jackson Center Seventh Day Baptist church May 21, 1905, and remained an active and faithful member to the end.

Surviving are his wife and local town council for several years, and for twenty-seven years was a local business man. — Contributed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Monroe

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MILTON, WIS. — A motion picture, "The Kindled Flame," was shown at the Community Lenten service on Friday night, March 21, at 8 p.m., in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church.

This picture is "a vivid drama on the life of early Christians under Roman oppression." With its setting in the year 304 A.D., the power of Christianity is seen to triumph over pagan religion. During the devotional service led by Rev. Orville W. Babcock, the high school a cappella choir, directed by Kenneth A. Babcock, sang.

This is the fifth in this year's series of seven services for the season of Lent, sponsored by the Methodist and Seventh Day Baptist Churches of Milton and Milton Junction and the Congregational Church of Milton. — Courier.

NORTH LOUP. — The organ committee reports that among those who have been honored are John L. Ward and Cora Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Timon Swensen, W. G. Rood, Deacon and Mrs. Wilson Babcock, Dr. Grace Cran dall, Mrs. Mary S. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Green, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Black, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Horn. There have been several contributors.

WHAT SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS ARE DOING
(DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP")

Superintendent Clement of the Sabbath school announced the Vacation Bible School committee to be Mrs. Menlo Fuller, Mrs. Harlan Brennich, and Mrs. Myra T. Barber. Pastor Ehret will work with this committee. — Correspondent.

ALFRED, N. Y. — "Easter-Tide," a sacred cantata by Garton Borch, was sung by the Seventh Day Baptist choir at the regular morning service on Sabbath day, March 29. The choir was assisted by the following member soloists: Nellie B. Perry, soprano; Henry E. Pieters, tenor; Donald Hargis, baritone; and Wayne R. Rood, bass.

Dr. Ray W. Wingate was the director and organist. — Alfred Sun.

SHILOH, N. J. — The people of the Shiloh Church are at work at more than the usual jobs while their pastor is on leave. Committees on every phase of pastoral service have been and are assuming responsibility for Friday evening and Sabbath services, the weekly and quarterly bulletin, a monthly County Home meeting, special prayer meetings, a visitation program including calls on sick and shut-ins, publicity, social, welcoming those who attend church, having flowers there, and any other tasks which present themselves.

Friday evening services have been varied and most inspiring with Sabbath school classes and invited guests participating. Neighboring ministers, our acting pastor, Leland Davis, the young people, and both choirs have contributed to the Sabbath morning worship. The attendance is normally high at all services since the snow and illnesses have more or less abated.

Mrs. Elia Sheppard's class of young people prepared and presented the program at the County Home in March, with the assistance of Elizabeth Lupton since Mrs. Sheppard is ill. The Brotherhood of the Sabbath school performed this service in February.

The bulletin committee of C. E. young people, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. William Richardson, Jr., are doing a fine bit of work in editing and publishing the weekly church program. Auley Parvin is editor. Typists are Evelyn Trout and Marion Probascio. Lorraine Rainear cuts the stencils. All this (Continued inside on page 251).

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