Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 16-21, 1949

By K. Duane Hurley
Chairman, Publicity Committee

"Riverside is rapidly getting ready for YOU; now all we need to know is who YOU are." Thus spoke, with a note of urgency, the general chairman in charge of preparations for Conference to be held in Riverside, Calif.

How Riverside Is Getting Ready
During recent weeks many changes have been taking place in Riverside, in the Church, in the homes, and in the community, making ready for the coming of Seventh Day Baptist delegates in August. A large number of committees, with almost every member of the Riverside Church serving in some active capacity, have been hard at work anticipating entertainment of visitors, feeding of delegates, and all of the other preparation that must be made for such an event.

Riverside College Facilities
The president of Riverside College, when the meeting-place committee met with him recently, was especially helpful in suggesting and ordering the changes made which are necessary to make the college buildings most suitable for Conference sessions. An adequate auditorium is available, made worshipful in atmosphere by stained glass windows and pipe organ. The president of Conference will have a private office, with easy access to the platform. The choir is to have a special practice room, and the boards are to be provided with an especially large room for displaying their materials. A nursery, removed from the other meeting rooms, has been provided, and every other possible need has been anticipated.

Restful and Attractive Comfort
For many weeks already Church members have been making the changes necessary in their homes to accommodate a maximum number of guests from away. Restful and attractive comfort has been the main ambition. Neighbors of Church members, too, are aware that there are to be some changes made in August, many of them having volunteered to give lodging to Conference delegates in their homes.

Seventy-five Voice Conference Choir
Indicative of the effort being put forth in every line of preparation is the change of pace for choir rehearsals. Since the Los Angeles and Riverside singers will form the nucleus for the seventy-five voice Conference choir, the music director is spending one evening each week directing the practice of each group, driving over one hundred miles to make this possible. From time to time members of the choirs are attending both rehearsals in the week. When people marvel at the willingness of committee chairmen and members to give service like this, the answer is invariably the same: "We want this Conference to be outstanding in every way. A little sacrifice and extra effort on everybody's part will help make it so."

Register Now!
It is that extra measure of effort the general chairman urges when he calls for early pre-registration. His plea is for everyone to make plans to be in Riverside August 16-21 — and having made them, to let the intention be known immediately.

No changes made in Riverside up to August 16 will be quite so sudden as the rapid change in "population" on that date. The change will be alarming if the local people are not thoroughly forewarned. It is imperative that YOU send in your registration now!

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The Trek of the '49ers

Already some Seventh Day Baptists have left their homes in the East for the Land of Sunshine and the General Conference in Riverside, Calif. Soon others will start on the same interesting journey. They will pass through the rich farming area of the corn belt, the wheat belt, the growing land of the Great Plains, the mountains and the desert before they arrive at the irrigated fruit groves of Southern California. A never-to-be-forgotten trip for all who take it.

We believe Conference will be worth attending, also. The business of our denomination and our boards must be cared for, and that should claim our first Christian loyalty. There will be inspiring music, challenging sermons and addresses, enthusiastic youth mingling with older ones, representatives from Holland and Germany, information about the work at home and abroad, the call of new fields, and reports of work already established. Our “Gospel '49ers,” the team sent out by our three major boards, will report the work that is just closing with great encouragement at Middle Island, W. Va., and the work to which they are about to go at Independence, N. Y. You will want to hear all about that — and everything else at Riverside, August 16-21.

Loyal F. Hurley, Conference President.

Those wishing to work for their meals at General Conference, Riverside, Calif., August 16-21, 1949, should send their names and addresses to Brocton Avenue, Riverside, Calif., 905 E. Brocton Avenue, Redlands, Calif.

PREACHERS

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PRAYER FOR CONFERENCE DELEGATES

Our Father who art in heaven, blessed is Thy Name.

Grant unto us Thy children a sense of Thy presence wherever we may be — on the land, sea, or in the air. Vouch-safe unto us health of mind and body and spirit that as we travel we may be equal to its strains, may enjoy the beauties and wonders of this Thy world, and bring honor to Thy name. Bless those who are now on their way to Riverside to attend the Conference there. Guide us who are yet to start the westward trek.

Above all, O God, help us to be yielded to Thine Holy Spirit, that our travel and Conference attendance may be done to Thy name’s honor and glory.

We would remember lovingly those who will not find it possible to be at Riverside.

Bless and keep them, we pray.

May and may we return to them with the courage and strength of the Holy Spirit that together with us they may witness for Christ and His commandments, including the Sabbath, may become more effective and widespread.

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

SOUNDING OUT THE WORD IN RIVERSIDE

Conference President states that some have already started their journey toward Riverside. Doubtless there are those who are taking the opportunity to visit all the places of interest in the beautiful land of the golden West. Others will be visiting relatives and friends at different points along the way. Yet others may choose to make the trip one of sight-seeing and of great educational benefit. Young folks will be going early enough to arrive in time for the Pre-Conference Retreat.

If you are going to Conference, by all means let Riverside know right away.

Whatever the mode of travel and the motive of plan, Seventh Day Baptists will be true presences of our Lord Jesus Christ and of the Church of which He is the head.

What a glorious experience all will have at this Conference, as Churches stand together with two paramount purposes in mind, that of honoring God in thought, word, deed, and plan, and of becoming more effective workers and witnesses for Christ in and through His Church.

Blessing and honor and glory be unto the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and evermore. Amen.

A PRAYER VIGIL

“A Way Out” has been proposed by a lay member, whose address is Andover, N. Y., who prefers to remain anonymous. The proposed way out is a prayer vigil. Let us turn to the section of the Sabbath Recorder known as “From The Editor’s Mailbox” and read this arresting appeal to prayer. Then, let every Seventh Day Baptist who receives this issue in time, unite in a prayer vigil for the purpose indicated.

First, let us seek to know more fully the will of God in our personal giving to the Denominational Budget. Then let us implore His help to carry out His will. Remember, “He who begins a good work shall complete it unto the day of Jesus Christ.” Remember, too, Seventh Day Baptist Prayer Vigil, July 30, 11 to 12 p.m.

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FOR CHRISTENDOM

The Church at Thessalonica probably had no building to call its own. It certainly had no chimes and no man-made amplifier like our Church now has. But it had faith; it had zeal. Its doctrines and teachings, its baptism and its Sabbath were the same as ours. The only advantage it could claim was that the Apostle Paul was there in person to organize it. But we have the advantage of all the Epistles of Paul without the persecutions.

1 Thessalonians 1: 8 has been in my mind for months as an editorial thought to apply to ourselves. "From you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to Godward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing." How important is that Church standing at the corner of Fourteenth and Lemon? Can it be said, "From you sounded
FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Dear Friend:

During a session with the Lord the following idea came to me, and I will pass it along for what it is worth.

A Way Out

The needs of Seventh Day Baptists never were greater than now — yet our Denominational Budgeting Committee is meeting. The Missionary Board is not having the funds needed to go forward, etc. Conference is near! Is there time to change the picture?

I believe there is! The suggestion came to me via a little tract called "Tarrying Prayer" by Pastor N. W. Williams. The author has dared to call for 2,000 miles of all-night prayer across America on October 12 from midnight until seven o'clock in the morning, praying for a revival such as we have not known in our generation. Imagine, 400 groups have already signed up!

We know just what will happen, or can we ever imagine it?

This thought came to me. Why not every consecrated Seventh Day Baptist be on his knees in prayer at a definite time — say from eleven o'clock until midnight or longer on July 30. Let us "tarry there until we be endued with power from on high" and arise and go forward in His Name and in His service. The money will come. The budget will be met by Conference and all work in all missionary endeavors will advance. Are we willing to try it?

A lay member.

Andover, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

You will find enclosed $2.50 to pay for my subscription to the Sabbath Recorder.

I am 89 years old. I have read the Sabbath Recorder ever since I knew how to read, and now I have lost my hearing and cannot hear anyone talk. I stay at home from Church and spend the Sabbath morning reading the Recorder. Sincerely,

Mrs. Eva S. Bonham

106 Giles St.,

Bridgeston, N. J.

STATEMENTS OF CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE AND FAITH

(Given on Sabbath afternoon, June 11, at the Business Meeting, the following statement was presented for ordination to the diaconate in the First Hopkinson Church, Ashaway, R. I., presented the statements that follow.)

I was baptized in 1906 and joined the Church in 1908. In 1945, I was elected a trustee. I have learned that the more you work in the Church, the more interest you take in advancing it and serving God.

I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. I believe that the seventh day is the true Sabbath.

I was born and brought up in a Christian home and have lived all my life in a Seventh Day Baptist town and in sight of our Seventh Baptist Church.

As a child, I attended the Sabbath school and later the Christian Endeavor. One of the fond recollections of the Sabbath school was the class of young men, known as the Baraca class, which had its own officers.

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ I will endeavor to carry out the duties of a deacon to the best of my ability.

Earl D. Burdick.

I was born a short distance from this Church. The first things that I can remember are my mother and father telling me about Jesus, praying, reading the Bible, coming to Sabbath school here in the basement, and singing "Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so." I can never remember staying away unless I went with my father to the Second Hopkinson Church of which both my parents are members. I love the memories of being here with my grandfather and grandmother.

So, through my boyhood and young manhood my Sabbaths were spent here in Church, Sabbath school, Junior, and Christian Endeavor. It was here that I first met the girl that I was to marry, a Seventh Day Baptist girl from New York State.

I was baptized at an early age and joined the Church. I am proud to be a Seventh Day Baptist and a child of God.

I believe that God is a spirit, that the world was made by Him and all that therein. I believe that Jesus is the Son of God and was a spirit with Him at the beginning. He later came to the earth in the form of a babe, born of a virgin and lived on this earth around thirty-three years, was crucified, and rose again after three days in the earth. He was on earth forty days, then ascended into heaven to take His place at the right hand of God until the day when He shall return.

Though I feel unworthy for this office, "Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ and not of我自己, I will say with Paul, I press forward to the goal of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus."

R. Merritt Kenyon.

I was brought up in a Christian home and have attended Sabbath school since I was very young. I am now teaching boys' class, and am also the treasurer of the Sabbath school.

I have held the office of treasurer and president in the Christian Endeavor and have taken part in several of the Church activities.

I believe in God and Jesus Christ. I believe in baptism by immersion and that eternal life will be the reward of the redeemed. I believe that the seventh day is the Sabbath.

I was baptized and became a member of this Church April 29, 1939, and now I am pleased to serve my Church as deacon.

F. Arthur Brayman.

I accepted Christ as a young boy and have been a Christian for many years. Christ and I have been through many tough times together, but have always come through.

I believe I have been sent to the Ashaway Church, just for what purpose I don't know but time will tell.

If one has Christ he has all there is in life and I desire to give my best as deacon of this Church.

John Kennedy.

REMEMBER

THE ONE HUNDRED SABBATHS

OF SERVICE PROGRAM
GOD'S CURE FOR WORRY

By Rev. Paul L. Maxson
Pastor, Seventh Day Baptist Church, Berlin, Ohio

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6: 19-34

Text: "Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?" Matthew 6: 34.

Some time ago I went to New York City with a friend to attend a meeting. We parted company at Grand Central Station. Since we were not familiar with New York and I wasn't, he said, "You will probably want to get off the subway at about 14th Street. I went down the street to the subway, took the first train that came along, and before I had had time to get well settled in my seat, I was in Brooklyn. I crossed over the tracks and walked a subway toward Grand Central, thinking I would surely get off at 14th Street, but again I overshoot the mark getting off at 28th Street. I discovered that to get to my destination I would have to take the local train instead of the express. Had I become excited and worried about missing my stop, I might have been riding yet.

At the meeting I met another friend and told him of the interesting experience that I had had on the subway. This led to the conversation on the subject of worry. He thought that I was looking fine after my automobile accident and troubling me with questions as to how I could seem to take life so easy, and yet find time to do so many things. I assured him that following the accident I had learned to just lie in bed and think. Some of my thoughts follow.

I told him that very few weeks go by but that I make from one to three or four trips to the hospital to call on the sick, and our nearest hospital is thirty miles away. I am an average of four to six hundred miles making these calls and filling my appointments. After the Church service, which includes preaching, and Sabbath school in Berlin, I drive to Schenectady to meet a 3 o'clock appointment every Sabbath afternoon. I come home, get a little rest, and then preach at 9:30 at Garfield on Sunday morning for a Federated Church. I return to the Methodist Church in Berlin at 11 o'clock, where I am supplying since the loss of their pastor by death last August. I said that if I worried I would not be able to do half of the work that is connected with the four Churches.

Our text asks this question: "Which of you taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?" Jesus here was warning the people against worry. He is warning us today to take no thought without reason. He wants us to be earnest about it, and not take the attitude of the happy-go-lucky person toward life. There are those, the soil of whose soul is so shallow that it cannot even grow a healthy or decent worry. I think Jesus was warning us against a thoughtless life and saying to live a well-thought-out life. I think that far too many misunderstand this saying of His, and therefore no thought for the morrow. He is a worker for not a joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the disgrace. The question could well be asked then, If He is not warning us against carefully thinking out our life, what is He warning us against? I feel that He is warning us against thinking, worrying about tomorrow. He wants us to face the future with a great faith instead of a feverish or futile anxiety.

Why do we need a word like this? Simply because many are worried. There has never been in the history of mankind a time in which so many people are as worried as there are at this very moment. It is not for any earthly reason; it depends not upon your situation but upon your attitude. Whether you worry or not depends not upon your situation but upon your thinking. He wants us to face worrying about a thing as long as it took to actually get at it and do the job itself. Did it ever happen to you that you worked up in the night and the teeth of the night? You knew very well that in the chair in a way was a blanket, not six feet of it. You had to get up, instead of getting up and getting the blanket. There is a person who is worried the rest of the night. Of course, such conduct did not get you warm, but worry is not good. He wants us to take life seriously, but anxiety is a use less faith.

There are two classes of things about which we should not worry. First, we ought not to worry about those things that we cannot help. If we are wise we will simply accept them. We may object to the law of gravity, but it is not wise to argue or try to change it. There are many things we would like to avoid, but we cannot. We can therefore, should not worry about them without anxiety, but have a great faith in a great God, the great God, without a wavering of faith in Him.

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Why should we fear growing old? God has plans for December as He has for June.

Second, we ought not to worry about those things that we can help. Instead of worrying about those things that are too busy and work at them, thus not having time or taking time to worry about them. We have seen people worrying about a thing for a long time because we are not worrying about a thing that took it to actually get at it and do the job itself. Did it ever happen to you that you worked up in the night and the teeth of the night? You knew very well that in the chair in a way was a blanket, not six feet of it. You had to get up, instead of getting up and getting the blanket. There is a person who is worried the rest of the night. Of course, such conduct did not get you warm, but worry is not good. He wants us to take life seriously, but anxiety is a useless faith.

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There are two remedies that are very popular, but if followed, they should not be altogether effective. The first one is that we are going to quit worrying just as soon as we get into an ideal situation. That is no remedy because there is no ideal situation. Even when there were an ideal situation, there is a chance that we would never get into it, and furthermore, if there were an ideal situation, and we did get into it, we would probably "mess it up."

The other remedy is that there is no use in double up your fist and saying I am never going to worry as long as I live. A friend of mine became an undertaker. He and his brother ran a store and traveling. He sold our food while we are alive, you sell us our furniture to rest comfortably in, and when we die you come and take us to our final rest. Ray seemed to be the energetic, worried about business - never having time for pleasure, relaxation, and recreation, while his brother, Roy, would not be thinking, fishing, and take trips. Ray died many years ago while Roy is still living, and as far as I know, is still in the business, taking time out and enjoying life in fishing, hunting, and traveling.

What then are we to do?

1. Let me point out that worry is an acquirement. We are not born with it, even though it may cause us, you and me, to worry about us, our food and clothing, soon after we came into the world. If we are an accomplished pianist, an excellent cook, or an extremely good violinist, it is so because we have practiced, practiced, and practiced. If we are a good worrier, it is because we have also practiced and practiced and practiced.

2. If we are to conquer worry, we must keep on good terms with our conscience. We must be gifted with a conscience. If we are to have peace, we must have a sensitive ear to our inner voice. We must obey the voice of God. If the voice of God seems to be pointing down a certain road and saying "That way," then we will never find peace until we obey. When Isaiah said "There is no peace... unto the wicked," he was giving utterance to a truth that is as up-to-date as our last heartbeat. We will never find peace until we stop fighting God and our consciences.

3. If we were to find peace, I fear that many would have to do a little rethinking of their ideal situations. For example, the Apostle Paul put it in these words: "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." I don't think that the apostle is trying to blind us to the realities in life, nor is he trying to make us carry worry everywhere. He, too, must have considered that everything is bright and rosy. I think he was urging upon us the sanity of seeking and working in ideal situations - in our Church, in our friends, in our loved ones, the things that are lovely instead of fixing our whole attention upon those things that are ugly and that will hold us with horror and disgust. If we are going to conquer worry, we must focus our attention on the beautiful as well as the grim realities of the ugly. We must allow ourselves to think in terms of greatness and strength as found in Christ Jesus, as well as to see the tragedies, cruelty, injustices, and the realizations will become.

4. Finally, the supreme effort against worry is a great faith in God, the same fatherly God of which Jesus reminds us, who looks after the names of the birds. We need to rest in the Lord and wait patiently upon Him. We need to cast all our cares upon Him, realizing that He knows and cares for each individual.

Above all, if we are not in the habit of praying, we need to make it a habit. Quoting King James again, he says: "Productive prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

There is a story of an aviator who was making a solo flight around the world. He discovered, after about two hours from his last stop, the gnawing of a rat that must have come aboard while he was grounded. It would be two hours before he would be able to land at his next stop. He did not know which part of his delicate ship was being gnawed, he was filled with fear, and did not know just what to do. Then he remembered that the rat was an earth-bound animal, living on and under the ground. The pilot began a steady climb. When he had climbed to a very high altitude, the gnawing ceased. When more than two hours later he came down safely at the next landing field, there was a dead rat in the pit of the plane.

The story of the rat may be compared to worry in this manner. Worry is also earth-bound. It cannot live "in the secret place of the most High." Nor can it breathe in our hearts, minds, and souls, if they are made vital by our prayers to God. We need to make our supplication with thanksgiving, in letting our requests to the Almighty be made known. There is little time for worry when one dedicates himself and his work, whatever it may be, to Jesus and His purpose and His way for each one of us.

I find these few lines comforting in our world of great happenings:

"When a man is given what he desires, Let us not be too much affected by it, For there may be something in it That is causing it to be taken from us, If it is for our good."

The beauty of Thy peace.

—John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872.

SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION

The Southwestern Association will convene with the Church at Edinburg, Tex., August 4-7. The meetings will begin Thursday morning.

The president of the association is Pastor Edgar Wheeler, 404 E. Coleman Ave., Edinburg, Tex., Mrs. Mary Boehler, Box 495, Edinburg, Tex., is the clerk of the association.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman have been missionaries for many years and have done a lot of work for Christ's kingdom. The couple and their children will arrive in Edinburg this week to attend the conference. The association will gather in the Edinburg Masonic Temple, which has been remodeled and enlarged for the purpose.

The meetings will begin Thursday morning, with prayer, and will continue until about 6 p.m. each day. The keynote address will be given by Dr. C. A. Beebe, Corresponding Secretary, Gentry, Ark.

The theme of the conference will be "Spiritual Adventuring."
First he served under Nebuchadnezzar; Belshazzar; and the representative of the world kingdom, and the representative of God's kingdom; Daniel was the herald of God's favor, the messenger of God's judgment, and the representative of the world kingdom, and a statesman; but as a statesman he was world wise and worldy, but in his service to God's cause. This he could only accomplish because he was filled with the Holy Spirit and had the divine protection which strengthened him against temptation. In the flesh he was thrown into the lions' den and remained unharmed. We, too, must have such a strong faith that we will not go astray or deny Christ when a critical situation arises.

Daniel did not wish to have Daniel thrown to the lions. He did not know that his cause was evil and that his enemy was back of the attempt to destroy Daniel. That is as it was then and it has often repeated itself. Kings and high dignitaries became slave to their evil spirit and as their enemy was always the spirit of the world. And God's spirit was free from the world. But what did Daniel do when he found this out? He did not submit to these things. Daniel 6:7-10. He could not be without prayer and fast, but without prayer — impossible! Daniel did not start a revolution nor did he ask the king for help. Chapter 6: 10 tells us that he retired to his chamber and knelt to his God. This is the way we should do — and often — pour our (Continued on page 55)

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with me." A large number joined in this prayer. On the following day, people around Nady began asking me if we were going to have night meetings. I said, "Yes," and proceeded to advertise and to hold the meetings. Members of the evangelistic team take turns presenting meetings, others lead the singing and the testimonial meetings. There has been a steady increase in attendance with over 50 present on Friday night. It is expected that the meetings will continue each night in Nady except on Wednesday when services will be held in the other Church in the town. Our evangelistic team will probably go to Cox College that evening as we have done the last two Wednesday night services.

In Nady there have been 37 in attendance, from the pre-conference all the time, and 25 fairly regular, with promise of more as the school continues.

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**PRE-CONFERENCE RETREAT**

K. Duane Hurley, Director

Above the world, kept by the Word,
The everlasting hills, they stand,
With singing pines, with sunshine rare,
Bestowed by His Almighty hand.

With joyful hearts our songs we raise
To sing our Praise; we have the golden opportunity of the year for leadership training. You want to be in on the modern music "rush," don't you?

Extracurricular aspects of Pre-Conference are not being neglected. An athletic director has been secured who is preparing an outstanding recreational program, including swimming and hiking. A professional musician will conduct special musical activities. In charge of campfires is one who has had unusual success with that important part of camp life, and listed among the guest speakers is a nationally known lecturer.

All young people who have completed the regular year should be making plans to attend. The total registration cost is just $6, including insurance. The camp management will have to know by the end of July whether there will be in attendance. Registrations should be sent to K. Duane Hurley, 854 Thienes Ave., El Monte, Calif. Preference of interest group in which you wish to participate should be indicated with registration.

Each camper is requested to bring his Bible, a notebook and pencil, sufficient bedding for cool nights, toilet articles, a notebook, sunlight, and other suitable personal items. Sensible sportswear is permissible. Some bedding can be provided for those who find it impossible to bring an adequate supply.

"In a world of turmoil and uncertainties, at Pacific Pines Camp there is the opportunity to feed on the certainties of our Lord and to strengthen the spiritual self. It is our prayer that each camper will find new meanings and values in Jesus Christ and His Word."

This sentiment used at another time, is appropriate for this time, too — August 11-13, Pre-Convention Retreat. Don't miss it! The cost is low; the value, high.

The following is a brief summary of their specialized interests: Education (a scholar having just completed work on doctor's degree will be in attendance); missionary endeavor (a missionary recently returned from the foreign field will be there); Christian homemaking (consecrated mothers and fathers are among the leaders). This list could be amplified to include other important aspects of the year for leadership training.

With joyful hearts our songs we raise
To sing our Praise; we have the golden opportunity of the year for leadership training. You want to be in on the modern music "rush," don't you?

### OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene and the Children:

About two weeks after I came home from Alfred, New York, to Massachusetts, in March, 1949, I paused a few moments at my window to watch the chickadees getting sunflower seeds from the feed tray on the porch. My eye caught sight of a different little bird there, apart from the others, not looking at seeds but tilting its head and bright eyes up toward the window, as if it would like a fat fly to eat. A moment I noticed yellow color on its head and dark dots on its breast which a chickadee doesn't have. I said to myself, "What can that different little bird be, so quickly seen, so quickly gone?"

Right away I studied the bird book and found it was a cousin of the chickadees, an Audubon's warbler, a western bird rarely seen in my part of the country. This surprised me.

The book says these Audubon's warblers migrate from northern latitudes to spend the winters in Mexico and South America. I made a guess that this tiny bird was blown off its usual route by the heavy snows and severe winds of the winter of '48 and '49. So I called it my little "forty-nine," after the people who were making the halfway across our country a hundred years ago hunting gold.

Anyway, this little warbler so far from home and birds of its own color, seemed to be happy in the friendship of its cousin chickadees which are such cheerful little residents of the eastern part of the United States. I made another guess there that little lost creature went after its short hunt for a fly on our porch; but that guess is buried among present 'I don't know.'

Just as I had written this far on this May morning, I saw another brief pretty visitor — a beautiful black and yellow gold-finch.

This lovely little bird lit on the tip of a fence post so I could see how nicely its morning colors shone. Then it flew down to its first course at breakfast, on
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NEWS FROM ALFRED UNIVERSITY

The first shipment of radioactive isotope research equipment used in atomic research at Alfred University arrived on the campus recently.

The isotope will be used under a $24,000 research program which has been set up and approved by the Atomic Energy Commission and the Officer of Naval Research.

Dr. M. B. Voss, assistant professor of ceramic chemistry, heads the project. Although the first task to be tackled with the isotope will be that of studying the diffusion between metal oxides and ceramic materials, it has been emphasized that the project will be versatile enough to allow research in several other fields.

"A great deal of care has been taken in setting up the program," Mr. Voss said, "so that the two laboratories we have equipped may be used in connection with research in biology, chemistry, physics, and other fields as well as ceramics."

Burdick responded.

The Research Foundation Isotope Laboratory, the facilities for the new research work actually consist of a radiochemical "lab" and a counting "lab." Both will be available to industry and to new research work actually consist of a radiochemical "lab" and a counting "lab." Both will be available to industry and to other departments of the university.

Assisting Mr. Voss will be Dr. Samuel R. Scholes, Jr., radio chemist, and George Harris, technician. Members of the isotope committee, which has general supervision of the laboratory, include Mr. Voss, chairman; Dr. John F. McMahon of the New York State College of Ceramics, Dr. H. O. Burdick, Dr. C. R. Amberg, Dr. Van D. Prechette, Dr. W. G. Lawrence, L. B. Bassett, and Dr. J. G. Moorhead.

The Home Benefit society is sending their president, Mrs. Clarence Lawton, to Conference.

New Church hymnbooks are being ordered. These will be the ones given to the Albion Church, several years ago, by Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Sayre, in memory of her father, Rev. H. D. Clarke.

The Church dining room has a new ceiling and will be completed. Thus the Albion Church is looking forward to the association next fall. — Pearl C. Sheldon, Correspondent.

Marriages

Bond - Heimstra. — Raymond Walter Bond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bond of Dodge Center, Minn., and Joan Marie Heimstra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Heimstra of Rochester, Minn., were united in marriage on March 26, 1949, at Minneapolis, Minn. Rev. Roy Harrisville officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Bond are at home in Dodge Center, Minn.

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MORE ABOUT THE BREMGARTNERS

L. H. North,

Dear Friend:

I was very glad to read the letter from the two German boys. For nearly two years, I have been corresponding with them, their mother, and grandmother. They call me their “Aunt Minnie in America.”

For weeks I have thought perhaps you would like the boys’ picture for the Children’s Page in the Sabbath Recorder. I will loan it, if you wish. Their mother will be graduated this year with the M.D. degree. She would like so much to come to America to practice medicine. If you know how she could come, kindly write her, or her mother. The address is the same as the boys, Halle, Saale, Germany.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Minnie Sawner.

Brookfield, N. Y.

Peter and Axel Schander

Mrs. Marie Bremgartner

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A Shady Spot in Riverside

PRE-CONFERENCE RETREAT

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

AUGUST 11-15, 1949

Pacific Pines Camp, Valley of Enchantment, Crestline, Calif.

Age — Those who have completed ninth grade, up.

Cost — $6, insurance included.

Interest Groups: Group I—Youth Work in the Local Church
Group II—The Christian Citizen
Group III—Christian Stewardship
Group IV—The Bible Speaks

Registration — As soon as possible, send your name to K. Duane Hurley, 354 Thienes Ave., El Monte, Calif. Please list choice of interest group in which you wish to participate.

JULY 25, 1949

Here is a corner of the Riverside College campus. Conference delegates will become familiar with such shady spots along the paths leading to the cafeteria and other meeting places. — Courtesy of K. Duane Hurley.