DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer, May 31, 1950

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Total Special Gifts Designated: $19,768.13

THIRD BUDGET SABBATH
JUNE 24, 1950

The Sabbath Recorder

WAR or PEACE

Something has gone wrong with our nation, or we should not be in our present plight and mood. It is not like us to be on the defensive and be fearful. That is new in our history. . . . What we lack is a righteous and dynamic faith. Without it, all else avails us little. The lack cannot be compensated for by politicians, however able; or by diplomats, however astute; or by scientists, however inventive; or by bombs, however powerful. . . .

Our greatest need is to regain confidence in our spiritual heritage. . . . There is no use having more and louder Voices of America unless we have something to say that is more persuasive than anything yet said.

John Foster Dulles,
From "War or Peace."

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ETERNAL LIFE AND IMMORTALITY
By Rev. Loyal F. Hurley
(Prepared by request)

We would be saved from our confusion regarding these different ideas if we would grasp the Bible teaching that Eternal Life may be a present possession, while Immortality must be a future bestowment. They are not synonymous.

Man was created in a state of dependency upon God. His peace and prosperity were contingent upon the recognition of, and obedience to that dependency. But man chose to be independent, to act on his own, to disregard God, to do as he pleased. The results were sin, alienation from God, the loss of Paradise, and universal death.

T: first step toward the repair of this tragic damage is for man to return to the fellowship of God. This is possible here and now, and this is what distinguishes the “saved” of this present evil age from the “unsaved.” Through Christ man can be saved and restored to the fellowship of God. This is Jesus’ definition of Eternal Life (and the object that is given in the Bible). “This is life eternal that they may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.” The saved have fellowship with God now; the unsaved do not.

But present fellowship with God, though in our Bible the credentials and the goal are Eternal Life, is not Immortality. For two thousand years the saved have been dying, just as the unsaved have done. Both are mortal. At some future date “this mortal must put on immortality,” and be so changed that “death hath no more dominion over him.” “Eternal Life” is spoken of in the Bible as a present possession. “Immortality” is only spoken of as a future bestowment. Let us keep them clearly distinguished in our thinking.

Salem, W. Va.

ATTENTION, YOUNG PEOPLE!
If you plan to be at General Conference in Salem, W. Va., next August, and are interested in helping to serve the meals at the college cafeteria, contact Kenneth V. Hulin, Salem, W. Va., at your earliest convenience.

THE SABBATH RECORDER
RETHINKING PERSONAL AND FAMILY FINANCES
Let us read and re-read the Jamaica Mission article which appears in the Missions section of this magazine.

Then, let us think about our personal and family finances in the light of the growing possibilities in Jamaica and on other mission fields. The only way we will ever be able to meet the physical and spiritual needs among our brothers and sisters of other lands is through our giving.

Definitely our praying will help to remove mountains of material and spiritual difficulty. But unless our praying is backed by our offerings we are two-faced, miserable men.

This phase of our work demands our generous support along with the work of Christian education, publication, evangelism, preaching, teaching, camp projects, and other forms of aggressive service for Christ and His Church.

This is the time to rethink our personal and family finances with a view toward sacrificing yet more so that a larger and more effective work can be done in Jamaica and elsewhere.

THE HUMAN FACTOR
So much depends upon the human factor in any work for the redemption of life.

God uses humans to work out His designs. His principal design is to bring home to Him all His children. How long this will require only He knows. What we do know is that we should live and labor in harmony with His design. For this purpose God placed mankind in the world. That man does to carry forward the revealed design of God brings nearer the time of the coming Homecoming. Whatever man fails to do to carry forward God’s design retards the time of His gathering His children home.

A look at the humans in the present hour may afford little grounds for hope. Nevertheless, God’s design is being worked out through the lives of “the likeness of us” in His great work. We shall go home to Him. Our times are in His hands.

Not through coercive convenience but by means of His matchless love God is drawing His children toward Him. Through us humans He is working out His design.

"THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS"
Guest Editorial

This is a time of widespread controversy, political, economic, social, theological. But we need not be greatly disturbed by this fact. Most important questions are controversial. In a democratic society, moreover, it is through the give-and-take of discussion and the confrontation of opposing views that we hope to arrive at a clearer understanding of the issues and their sound solution.

What is deeply disturbing, however, is that at the present hour so many conscientious people are unconcerned to be truthful about those who hold differing views. Even within Christian circles a reckless disregard of ordinary standards of veracity has appeared. To take a single illustration (which, unhappily, could be multiplied) — the clear-cut, unflinching statements of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, as reported in the Buffalo Courier-Express, on May 18, 1950, and that the aim of the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council is "to establish a world Church which unites all Christians". This statement is an outright falsehood. It has no basis whatever in fact. Yet it was uttered by a Christian minister before a group of clergy and broadcast to the general public through the press.

Doubtless the speaker imagined that he was telling the truth but it is difficult to find an excuse for such shocking ignorance. Whether the International Missionary Council, through the whole period of its development from the Edinburgh Conference of 1910 has been committed to the goal of the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. The World Council of Churches, in the first article of its constitution, proclaims itself to be a fellowship of Churches which accept our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour. Yet with complete recklessness the speaker describes the International Missionary...
Council of Churches as aiming to comprise "people of all faiths." Honest controversy within the Christian circle may be useful but dishonesty in presenting the facts — or the kind of irresponsibility which does not take the trouble to know the most elemental facts: this is reprehensible. The commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour," still stands even when one is engaged in controversy. — Federal Council Bulletin, June, 1950. Used by permission.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE (Continued June 19)

"More things are wrought by prayer Than this world dreams of." — Tennyson.

Thus wrote the poet.

The Conference at Prayer

Thus we who had the rich privilege of attending the Ministers' Conference at Indian Trails Camp came to know with fresh certainty and a new experience.

We well doth at the Ministers' Conference at Alfred, N. Y., last year certain interests and objects of prayer were mentioned. At the time fervent prayers were offered in keeping with suggestions and requests. This year appreciative expression of being helped by the prayers of the brethren throughout the year was made. We know what it means to have our brethren interested in and praying that we may become more obedient to the will of the Lord and more co-operative and effective in doing His work. While some areas of our personal, Church, and denominational life have been helped by the Holy Spirit through His power bestowed through prevailing prayer, there are yet areas which need the "energizing presence and power of God." We must be ever alert and diligent in this matter also.

Grace at meals was sometimes said and sometimes sung.

The morning devotions and evening prayer prepared the minds and hearts of those present for the mounting privileges of the conference and aided in further crystallizing forms of fresh devotional patterns.


The Practice of Private Devotions

The practice of private devotions is a must if the present-day minister is to meet adequately the demands upon him for spiritual leadership. It should be at the source of power if he would lead others to victorious faith and living.

On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons Rev. Loyd F. Hurley conducted a workshop in "The Practice of Private Devotions. Brother Hurley made available to the conference a "suggested" prayerbook with which, from our observation, many of those present spent considerable time.

"To be religious and to pray are one and the same thing," declared Mr. Hurley as he opened the workshop. And, "Great praying roots in great belief." In the collection of suggestions offered, a consideration of some of the laws of prayer, a glance at the different points of view of two eminent authors, a sharing of techniques of private devotion and types of devotional reading, and the results of these two, led to the question, "How are we going to develop our rootage out of which will come our fruitage?"

These two workshop sessions stirred us to a more faithfull fruitful, private devotional life.

Methods of Sermon Preparation

Following this early afternoon workshop, the conference divided into two sections for late afternoon workshops.

The first afternoon, by means of prepared outlines of material, a copy of which was placed in the hands of each one there, Brother Crouch helpfully presented the preparation of sermons which included the public address system and the radio. He also called attention to the "general criteria for a radio sermon."

The procedure on the second afternoon included individual recordings of the fifteen or so voices, each person reading in turn a brief Scripture or devotional selection. The recordings were then played back so that "we might hear ourselves as others hear us." Helpful suggestions and recommendations were offered.

The value of the radio workshop was expressed by one who has had considerable experience in radio when he said to Professor Crouch: "This has helped me."

A Continuing Fellowship

Necessary announcements were made at mealtime as so not to infringe upon the precious time of programmed sessions. At the last afternoon and evening meal appreciations were expressed and greetings were received from several ministers who were not permitted to be present. In return, the conference sent greetings by those who brought them.

As we think back over the years of former Ministers' Conferences, we are deeply impressed that this truly is a continuing fellowship.

Worthy of Further Mention

Comfort on damp days and chilly evenings was due to the industry of those who provided wood for the large fireplace and of those who kept the fire burning.

In the lodge room was assured by the thoughtfulness of the host Church in furnishing folding chairs for the meeting place. It was noticed, however, on the occasion of a larger evening group, that some of our visiting friends endured the backless benches.

The Quartet

A member of the program committee, Rev. E. Wendell Stephon, arranged for a conference quartet consisting of Rev. -red Albert H. Web, Rev. W. Babcock, Francis D. Saunders, and Wayne R. Rood. The quartet effectively closed the session each evening and assisted at times in the devotional services.

Faith in Our Young Men

It was most enheartening to hear Rev. Erlo E. Sutton preface the Bible studies with touching remarks concerning his great confidence in the future of our denomination because of our young ministers.

As we know, one of the young men asked later, "Are the young men going to fail God and the older men?" We think not.

The Communion Service

Purposely the program committee placed the Communion service at the close of the conference sessions. Rev. Claude L. Hill and Rev. Carroll L. Hill conducted the service. Rev. John F. Randolph and Rev. C. Rex Burdick served as deacons. Numon trays and plates were loaned by the Alhion Seventh Day Baptist Church and the bread and grape juice were brought by Rev. Oscar Grandt. We learned that a member of the Alhion Church prepared the bread and another cared for the Communion linens.

As we entered the lodge room made ready for this intimate fellowship, and our minds and hearts were guided in reverent and searching meditation by Brother Claude, we sensed a very presence of Christ and were drawn to deeper devotion and higher loyalty to Him.

THIRTEENTH QUADRENNIAL WORLD CONVENTION OF THE BAPTIST EDUCATION ASSOCIATION CHICAGO, ILLINOIS AUGUST 10-16, 1950
THE SABBATH RECORDER

THE MATTER OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL AGAIN

For more than forty years, or since its organization, Seventh Day Baptists have been associated with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Periodically during that time, someone has advocated action by the General Conference in relationship, and just as often the Conference has voted to continue this co-operative relationship with other Christian denominations concerned. For a time as often the Conference has voted to participate in this new method of cooperation in which only the method is new.

MAY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

The May Fellowship Luncheon of the United Council of Church Women was held Friday, May 5, in the basement of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at North Loup, Neb. The covered dish lunch was served from long tables decorated with the flowers of the Dr. Grace Society were in charge.

Mrs. Edward Christensen presided in the absence of Mrs. Carroll Thomas, president. During the program there were two musical selections by the young ladies' trio, Mrs. Menzo Fuller, Mrs. Nels Jorgensen, and Mrs. Myrle Cooper. The message of the Dr. Grace Society was in charge.

Mrs. Thomas, secretary; and Mrs. Donald Hutchins, treasurer. Contributed.

HELP WANTED

We have a good position open for a young woman with knowledge of shorthand and typing to take over our "denominational desk."

If interested, write

L. H. NORTH,

Box 868

Plainfield, N. J.

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FAITH IN OUR TIMES

(Central Association, Verona, N. Y.

June 2-4, 1950)

The 11th annual session of the Central Association of the Seventh Day Baptist Churches came to a close Sunday night, June 4.

Further Peace Efforts Requested

Resolutions urging further efforts to assure world peace and steps to outlaw the use of the hydrogen bomb highlighted the final business session.

The association is composed of ministers and laymen of Churches in De Ruyter, Brookfield, Leonardsville, Adams Center, Symposium, and Verona, and the three-day series of meetings opened Friday night.

June 2

G. Allison Smith, Verona, was elected moderator, succeeding C. Langworthy, Adams Center.

The first of the two resolutions passed at the business meeting requested President Truman to "enter into further sincere attempts to achieve world peace" through official channels or through personal efforts.

The second resolution urged the President to use his influence to outlaw the use of the hydrogen bomb "or to guarantee that the U. S. will not initiate its use on any occasion other than the defense of the country."

New Officers

New officers elected to serve with Mr. Smith were: First assistant moderator, Donald G. Green, Leonardsville; assistant moderators, Harry Parker, De Ruyter; Robert Langworthy, Brookfield; and Mrs. Nellie Barber, Adams Center.

Recording secretary, Mrs. Craig Shultz, Verona; assistant recording secretary, Miss Glencie Welch, Leonardsville; corresponding secretary, Miss Bernice Rogers, Leonardsville; treasurer, Garrel Bakker, Adams Center.

Members accepted an invitation from the Brookfield Church to hold the annual fall association meeting October 7 in that village. A motion to hold the next annual spring association meeting June 1, 2, and 3 in Leonardsville.

The three-day meeting opened Friday night with a vesper service at which Rev. W. Allen Bond, Washington, D. C., spoke on the topic, "Personal Faith for Our Time," following the association meeting theme of "Faith in Our Time."

A Communion service was held under the direction of Rev. Albert Rogers, pastor of the Verona Church, assisted by Rev. Emmett H. Botom, Adams Center.

On Sabbath morning the service was led by Rev. Albert Rogers, pastor of the Second Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, Alfred Station, N. Y., and a member of the Alfred University School of Theology faculty, who spoke on the topic, "Worlds in Collision and the God Abode."

Mock Trial Held

The Sabbath afternoon program was featured by a mock trial, entitled "Christian Youth on Trial." John O. Evans, Verona, served as judge. Prosecuting attorneys were Kenneth Davis and Roger Davis, while defense attorneys were Miss Jean Stone, Gerald Sholtz, and Olin Davis, all of Verona.

Warner Thayer, Jr., impersonated the character, "Christian Youth."

While the jurors, chosen from the audience, were deliberating, a talk was given by Mr. Warner. He announced they had been unable to agree on a verdict.

On Sabbath night a dinner was served to 137 persons in St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Churchville. Maurice Warner, Verona, was song leader, while George Davis served as toastmaster. Speakers were Rev. Victor Skaggs, Little Geneseo, and Duane Davis, a student at the Alfred University School of Theology.

Reading of entries in an essay contest on the topic, "Faith for Our Times," marked the program. Misses were announced a four-way tie for first place with $20 in prize money being divided among the contestants.

The winners were Miss Bernice Malby, Adams Center, whose selection was read by Miss Louise Hyde, Verona; Miss Shirley Cagwin, Adams Center, whose essay was read by Mrs. Donald Davis, Long Island; Richard Warner, Verona, and Glen Phillips, De Ruyter. — Contributed.
worth only about half their 1935-1939 value. Moreover, endowment income has been even further reduced in the majority of cases, because interest rates have been lowered.

One further factor must not be overlooked. In the budget for the cost of living, the largest item is the purchase of food. The Department of Commerce reports that in 1948 about thirty per cent of all consumer expenditures was devoted to the purchase of food. The retail food price value of the dollar, has, in this de­morailizing decade, fallen even lower than the value of the dollar computed on the basis of total consumer expenditures. The 1948 figure for the food dollar is only 47.6 cents, as compared with the 58.4.

In other words, in the purchase of food, so essential to all life, our dollar has its lowest value. In the homes of both the laborer and the retired pensioner, for the clergyman in the Church, for the teacher and the pupil in the school, for the patient, the nurse, and the doctor in the hospital, for the infirmary, or the orphanage, and all occupants in the old people’s home, indeed for all of us, the food dollar today in reality is less than half a dollar, just 47.6 cents.

It is well to commend advances reported in the support of benevolences, as we con­template our stewardship responsibilities. But unless those advances in ten years amount to 100 per cent, they have really not compensated for that inner decay in our currency through which all contribu­tions are made.

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SUBSCRIPTION PRICE

Recently several renewal subscriptions to the Recorder have been re­ceived accompanied by $2.50, the former yearly subscription rate. On July 1, 1949, the subscription price of the Sabbath Recorder was increased to $3 per year.

We feel sure that it is an oversight on the part of those who remit at the old rate.

We here call attention to the date which appears on your address label. All who have been billed at $2.50 instead of $3 will notice that the date on the label has been advanced ten months instead of twelve.

WHAT IS YOUR DOLLAR WORTH?

By Dr. Robert M. Hopkins
President, Golden Rule Foundation.
New York, N. Y.

The immediate reply is that a dollar is worth one hundred cents. How we like to say, "One hundred cents to the dollar."

But something has been happening to the American dollar. In common with almost all the national currencies of the world, our money has suffered from pro­cesses that resemble an inner decay, in­visible but nonetheless devastating. In­deed, we have witnessed kingdoms rise and fall in these eventful days, on account of fluctuations in currency.

A recent release by the U. S. Depart­ment of Commerce, reviews the purchas­ing power of the dollar. The standard of measurement is the consumers’ purchasing power during 1935 to 1939.

In World War II, the dollar fell rapidly. In 1940 it was worth 99.8 cents. In 1941 it dropped to 95.1 cents, then to 85.8 in 1942, to 80.9 in 1943, and to 79.7 in 1944.

The war came to an end, but the de­cline of the dollar did not. For the next four years it continued its downward career. 77.9 cents in 1945, 71.8 in 1946, 62.8 in 1947, and 58.4 in 1948, the last date for which figures are given. The low mark was in July and August of 1948, when the American dollar for purchasing purposes was worth only 57.3 cents.

For the man dependent upon his earn­ings, this has meant that wages must be increased, even at the point of economic eruptions, for inflated dollars must be multiplied to care for a mounting cost of living.

For the man in retirement on pension, or living on savings, this has meant that the $1,000 laid aside through insurance or otherwise, or coming through pension provisions, to meet old age requirements, now worth only $584, a little more than half the sum anticipated. New sources of income, therefore, must be found, or the standard of living greatly reduced.

For the college, the hospital, the Church, indeed for all agencies dependent upon voluntary support for maintenance, this de­preciated dollar must be multiplied by two, or the budget correspondingly cut. Even if added to voluntary contributions an endowment has been available yielding a steady income, these income dollars also are

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Sacred Program Effectively Presented

Students at Crandall High School, 29 Charles Street, Kingston, Jamaica, pre­sent­ed so beautifully a varied program of sacred music and drama on April 2, that the Rev. W. C. T. U. asked them to repeat their drama in order to raise money to send a delegate to England for the world W. C. T. U. Convention. Rev. Neal Mills, school chairman (among other offices), directed the pro­gram, and Mrs. Mills was accompanist for the cantata.

The Spanish class presented three songs in Spanish and English; a boys’ quartet and a girls’ quartet each sang favorite Christian songs, and the rest of the pro­gram was taken up with Burkholder’s cantata, “The Lord’s Prayer,” and the drama, “Diana of the Ephesians.” The cantata consists of nine choral, duet, or solo groups and closes with the concatenation proving the Master’s model prayer. The drama was portrayed by five students and re­counts the familiar story of Democritus, the silversmith of Acts 19.

The advertising on the back of the mimeographed program was: “Crandall High School, a Christian secondary school—experienced teachers, modern equip­ment, good library, Cambridge courses, also commercial, preparatory, sewing, and music courses. Aim: To provide a sound education of secondary grade designed to fit young people for a fruitful Christian life and develop their abilities for the highest service to themselves and to so­ciety.”

Selfless Service

Rev. Wardner Randolph, headmaster, chief Jamaican missionary, supervisor of our British Guiana field, Jamaican Confer­ence corresponding secretary, pastor of the Kingston Church, teacher of the senior classes in history and geography, has more to do than most of us would care to look at squarely.

Rev. Neal Mills, principal, is in charge of attendance records, tuition fees, scho­lastic grades and records, and is treasurer of the school. He puts in full time as
New Pastor, More Students

It does not take much imagination (if any at all) to recognize the tremendous duties devolving on our Jamaica missionaries at this stage in the development of our school and churches in the Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Conference.

Evangelistic work in the various fields has been so fruitful that in Portland Parish (County) a new native pastor, Stanley Sterling, has been placed by the Jamaican Conference without asking further aid from the American Conference. With Pastors Lyons, Grant, Burke, and Sister Smickle each serving specific fields, a considerable force of workers serves our mission.

Mr. Crandall has its staff of seven teachers, its co-operative, its music, commercial, and sewing departments, its close affiliation with the Kingston Church. But there is need for more scholarships, for more equipment and housing, for a teacher to replace Rev. Wardner Randolph while he is on furlough.

Teacher in Specialized Internship

Socrates Thompson of Kingston and Waterford, Jamaica, is securing the best possible training he can to teach in the school upon his return, and to serve as an evangelist wherever occasion may allow.

His expenses at Milton College are being met partly by the board's present budget, yet Milton College, he writes, will be moving ahead in faith that the necessary funds needed for the high aim set for Crandall High's Seventh Day Baptist training of leaders for Jamaica. This summer, Mr. Thompson will be taking an agricultural mission to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Extension Internship at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. His work there will involve a ten-day institute at Tuskegee and nine weeks of actual experience with a selected county extension agent whose Christian character and Church interests are known to the Tuskegee director of such work. This internshp is part of Agricultural Missions many services to nationals and missionaries, and was discovered through our Foreign Missions Conference affiliation.

As mentioned, Mr. Thompson will complete his degree work in the spring of 1931, and will return soon thereafter to take up duties in the school and Churches of his native country.

Can God Answer Prayers Through You?

Perhaps you are one who has not directed a reserved part of your income to a specific Christian project. Would not the Denominational Budget be the best possible place you could help God to answer the prayers of our Jamaica missionaries for more help? Where do they meet their people's needs? Your part in the Denominational Budget would benefit our Jamaican missionaries also in the sense that many of them are not necessarily being met along with their own great problems, would it not?

Perhaps you are one who has a desire to help some individual with Christian friendship and with funds for life training. Would not a Crandall High scholarship of $40 (junior) or $50 (senior) afford that opportunity? Perhaps you have a "yen" to share books, sewing equipment, or other project materials with Christians of other lands.

Is not Crandall High School a splendid opportunity for putting materials to Christian purposes? And the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society, Westery, R.I., regarding any of these kingdom opportunities. D.S.C.
WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR JULY

By Mrs. Annabel Bowden

Hymn: "Lead on, O King Eternal!"

Scripture: Psalm 1.

Theme: Sacrifice.

We are approaching the birthday of our great nation. How happy the people were when they heard the Liberty Bell ring out our independence! They were overjoyed because they realized that the bell was proclaiming our freedom from the tyranny of a mighty power. This freedom was gained by the sacrifice of brave men and women who gave their lives to establish a nation in which all might have equal rights and opportunities to worship God in their own way. Even the country which fought to prevent that freedom came to recognize that America is really a great nation. America has never been an agressor country but always has shown a willingness to help and protect the oppressed.

If the same high standards of our country which were established by our forefathers are to be maintained in the future, we must look well into the education of our youth. The three great institutions which are largely responsible for the training of our future citizens are the home, the school, and the Church.

Much emphasis is being placed upon intellectual attainments today. This is necessary and to be commended, but there is still a greater objective for which to work and that is the objective of Christian living. To truly follow the words and example of the greatest teacher of all living. To truly follow the words and example of the greatest teacher of all living.

Day camping is growing. It is a thrilling summer adventure for the children and leaders alike. And it is an appropriate type of program for the Church to sponsor. Additional guidance material on day camping will be available through the International Council of Religious Education in the near future. If you are interested in further information, write to the Board of Christian Education, Alfred, N. Y. We will also be interested to hear of any day camps which you direct or in which you share this summer. R. I. H.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

NEWS NOTES

By Rev. Ronald I. Hargis
Executive Secretary, Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education

• Churches in the area might take note of the Religious Drama Workshop to be held at Green Lake, Wis., August 7-18, 1950. This is a field rich in possibilities for the local Church program.

• The Board of Christian Education would be interested to hear about the results of camps in the associations. Information such as number attending, program, leadership, and follow-up planned are essential to the records of the board.

• Pre-Conference Retreat, August 17-21. It will be a vital program of inspiration and training you will not want to miss. Plan now to go.

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DAY CAMPING POSSIBILITIES

In planning your summer-time program for children, have you thought about day camping?

During camping combines the wholesome life of camp with the advantages of living in a familiar environment and the opportunity for parent participation. It is less expensive than residence camping, and consequently available to a larger group of children.

During recent years there has been a rapid growth in the number of day camps planned for children. Now Churches are having day camps, recognizing the advantages of a camp program in a close-to-home setting so the camper may sleep and eat his morning and evening meals at home but during the day he may live in an out-of-door environment. The fellowship of a day camp should approximate a Christian community with its opportunity to grow in wisdom, stature, and favor with God and men.

Experimentation is still being made with the type of program which will be most rewarding in a Christian day camp. But here are a few principles which are generally accepted as valid. They will guide the planning committee interested in starting a local day camp.

1. Choose a site which, if possible, is less than thirty minutes traveling time, which has adequate sanitary facilities, a building which may be used in case of rain, and a place for outdoor cooking.

2. Remember this is a camp, and not a vacation school moved outdoors. Build a camp program emphasizing outdoor activities, hikes, nature discoveries, campfires, cook-outs, nature crafts, swimming and boating, etc.

3. Have a minimum of one leader for each six children and organize the day's activities so most of them are planned and are carried out by this "Counselor Group."

4. Plan at least one program in which the parents may share, for example a closing picnic and campfire.

5. Eliminate rewards except as they come from group achievement and individual growth — not for success in competition.

LEWIS CAMP

Ashaway, R. I.

July 18-27, 1950

Ages 12-18

CAMP HOLSTON

Battle Creek, Mich.

1950

Intermediates — July 23-30

Juniors — July 31 - August 2

PACIFIC PINES CAMP

Crestline, Calif.

1950

Young People — June 18-25

Children — June 25 - July 2

Adults — July 2-9

PRE-CONFERENCE RETREAT

Camp Caesar, W. Va.

August 17-20, 1950
Children's Page

Towser to the Rescue

If there was any one thing Judy and Harry Warren wanted more than anything else, it was a nice collie dog for a playmate.

"Just think, Mommy," said Harry longingly, "how nice it would be if we had a nice brave collie dog. Then no old thief would dare to break into our house."

"Yes," added Judy, "and if we had a nice brave dog no bad boys would ever dare to plague or harm us."

And every day, first one and then the other would beg, "Oh, Daddy! Please get us a nice big dog. I think what a fine playmate he would be!"

They wanted the dog so badly that they began to think they would surely have one someday. They imagined the thought of saying over and over, "When we get Towser what fun we will have."

At last Judy and Harry’s father did come home one night bringing them a fine, big, black collie, and as happy they were! They learned to love him dearly and he was devoted to them. He followed them about as they walked, or lay watching rain or shine, and was always on hand to join them when school was out. No bad boy dared to bother them for no dog was ever so brave or a better protector.

Not far from their home was a beautiful lake and their father would often take them out in a shining new rowboat. He cautioned them against going out for a row alone, although Harry had become quite skillful in rowing, and even Judy could row pretty well.

But one summer day, when it seemed bright and balmy, Harry said, "I can row almost as good as Daddy. I don’t believe he’d care if I rowed just a little way from shore. It’s such a nice day."

Judy agreed and they climbed into the boat. Soon Harry was rowing out from shore. But in his pride and excitement Harry rowed out much farther than he had expected. Although the day had seemed pleasant, one of those sudden windstorms came up. Towser must have realized it before them, for he kept barking and pulling at Harry’s coat as the clouds began to roll up and the wind began to blow.

"Oh, Harry!" cried Judy, "we must get back to shore as soon as we can, the boat will tip over. Just see how it rocks."

In his hurry to get the boat to land, the oars slipped from Harry’s hands. They were two very frightened children, for, with the boat rocking from side to side, but Towser, to their surprise, seemed to know just what to do. Over the side of the boat he leaped and broke the boat toward the shore. As soon as he reached the shore he raced home. Mrs. Warren was ironing Judy’s best white dress when Towser barked furiously at the kitchen door. When it was opened he pulled at Mrs. Warren’s dress, and then ran out of the door barking furiously. Mr. Warren who had just come in started after him.

All at once the thought came to him that the children might be in danger because of the storm, and so he hurriedly pulled down a length of clothesline and hurried after Towser.

As soon as they reached the shore the dog took the end of the clothesline which the father, suddenly seeing the rocking boat and the frightened children, threw to him. Finally after much effort Towser reached the boat.

"Harry, tie the rope to that iron ring in the front of the boat," called his father. Soon the sober little boy had succeeded in tying the rope to the boat.

"Hold tight to the boat," shouted father. Then grasping the rope he pulled with all his strength and after several minutes had the children safely on shore. It was just in time, for the boat suddenly tipped over.

"Ow, Daddy!" cried the little boy. "It was all my fault. I tried to think you wouldn’t care if I rowed the boat when you weren’t there, but really I knew you would. You shouldn’t have done it."

"You have had punishment enough," said his father softly. "I think you have learned your lesson the hard way and will not be tempted to disobey again."

"Aren’t you glad Towser is such a smart dog and that he is ours?" asked Judy.

"Yes, indeed," replied father.

Harry put his arms around Towser’s neck, as well as it was, and cried, "Thank you, Towser, for saving our lives."

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Is Towser the only one you should thank?" asked father. The children said reverently as with one voice, "Thank you, God, for making Towser such a smart dog. That’s why he helped to save us from drowning." Their father joined in a reverent "Amen."

Mizpah S. Greene.

Marriages

Ebersole - Musselman. In the Salemville Seventh-day Baptist Church on May 10, 1950, occurred the wedding of Drusie Ebersole and Adrian Musselman; Pastor Paul S. Burckle officiating. Their address is Route 1, Neenah, Pa.

HELP! The Sabbath Recorder Fund is low. That is, the balance in the fund is small. As is generally known, the subscription price of the Recorder is transferred from the fund to cover subscriptions for those who are reported as not being in position to pay their own subscriptions. Also, money is transferred from the Sabbath Recorder Fund to provide subscriptions for certain native leaders on some of our mission fields.

Both of these are proper uses of this fund. At this time of year the larger number of these subscriptions expire. The fund is low. Please help this project as generously as you can.

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THIRD BUDGET SABBATH

JUNE 24, 1950

Southwestern Association
Gentry, Ark.
June 29 - July 2, 1950

BIRTHS

Guyer. - Sherman Arthile, born April 3, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthile Guyer of New Enterprise, Pa.

CHURCH NEWS

VERONA, N. Y. — About one hundred delegates from the Churches in the Central Association were in attendance at the sessions held in the Verona Church June 2-4. The meetings were interesting and uplifting.

Pastor Polan recently attended the 40th anniversary commencement of his class at Milton, Wis. He visited his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Turk, en route to Milton.

The Young People’s Social Club was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stone, Canastota, on the evening of June 10. At the close of the little musical program, refreshments were served by the hostess consisting of a delicious, beautifully decorated cake and grape juice punch in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sholtz who were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

In the absence of Pastor Polan on Sabbath, June 10, the young people had charge of the Church service. After an anthem by the choir a sermon was read by Olin Davis. Others who assisted in the service were: Joyce Sholtz, Morris Warner, Twila Sholtz, and Craig Sholtz. — Press Committee.

UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

Is your information on denominational affairs up-to-date?

Yes?

Fine.

Then, why not tell a friend about the Sabbath Recorder?

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—— BIRTHS ——
Thine is the Glory
5. 5. 6. 5. 6. 5. 6. 5.
with Refrain

EDMUND BUDRY, 1884
Translated by R. BIRCH HOYLE, 1923

GEORGE FREDERICK HANDEL, 1685-1759

1. Thine is the glory, Ris-en, con-qu'ring Son;
   End-less is the vic-t'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo! Je-sus meets thee, Ris-en from the tomb;
   angels in bright raiment greets thee, Scat-ters fear and gloom;
   Let his church with glad-ness out thee; Aid us in our strife;
   Keep the fold-ed grave-clothes, For her Lord now liv-eth;
   Bring us safe through Jor-dan, Through thy death-less love;

3. No more we doubt thee, Glo-rious Prince of Life!
   Life is nought with-Refrain
   Where thy bod- y lay.
   Death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glory, Ris-en, con-qu'ring Son;
   To thy home a-bove.

Refrain

End-less is the vic-t'ry Thou o'er death hast won. A-men.

This hymn was a favorite at the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council of Churches and other ecumenical gatherings. It is from "Cantate Domino," copyright World's Student Christian Federation; and is used by permission. The music is from Handel's "Judas Maccabaeus." The original French words and a German translation by Johanna Meyer are given in "Cantate Domino." This reprint is published by the Commission on Worship, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.