What Is Christmas?

Is Christmas today just a beautiful thought
When our world with its hustle and din
Steps aside for awhile, and looks for a star,
And a babe and an old-fashioned inn?

Is the path to the manger so crowded and long,
Where I see hungry men walk today?
Are some passers-by that I meet in the throng
Too anxious to be on their way?

For what are men seeking, as Christmas draws nigh,
And bells peal the story of old?
Is it Peace and Good Will, that Christmas might live,
Or just frankincense and the gold?

Dear God — we know that Thy Christmas is Peace,
The angels proclaimed it to man,
Come into each heart, build a castle of hope,
Shape our world by Thy Infinite plan.

— Edith M. Sanders,
Janesville, Wis.,
in the Church Woman.

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GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE AND LIGHT

By Ahva J. C. Bond

O God of Love, in love Thou didst create;
Restore in us sweet Eden's pure estate,
Cleanse now our hearts with Thy redemption free
And give us some redemptive task for Thee.

O God of Life, our life to Thee we owe;
O come, we pray, our spirits overflow.
Thy life in us is all our souls require:
Come, satisfy our being's deep desire.

O God of Light, Thy light illumine our way,
Shine Thou upon our path through all our day.
No darkness can Thy loving face conceal —
Thy Love, Thy Life, Thy Light in us reveal.
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SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST STEWARDSHIP

A Four-Hundred Club

How would you like to belong to a club with meetings, no officers, and no constitution and bylaws?

Well, here is your chance. As you read these lines there is being formed a Four-Hundred Club throughout the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. Will you and your family join?

All that you need to do is to pledge $100 or more as an individual or as a family, you are automatically a member.

By all means pledge and pay through the Church of which you are a member! Think what four hundred strong will do for the Denominational Budget. It will mean an overpayment of $3,000 which could be used for an expanded evangelistic program.

We have the money. Is it the vision we lack? Next to honoring God with our lives is honoring Him with our money. It is His in the first place. Will we go on robbing Him?

An Eight-Hundred Club

Not every Seventh Day Baptist and family can pledge and pay $100 or more to the Denominational Budget during the current budget year. Yet, every individual and every family among us can pledge and pay something, even from the youngest to the eldest.

What a thrill some families would have in making a pledge in the name of the newborn baby, however modest it might be! Tithing can be practiced and taught from the cradle to the crown.

As you are reading these lines there is being formed an Eight-Hundred Club throughout the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. Will you and your family join?

All that you need to do is to pledge any amount less than $100 to the Denominational Budget for the present Conference budget year (October 1, 1950 — September 30, 1951). If you have already pledged less than $100 as an individual or as a family, you are automatically a member.

By all means pledge and pay through the Church of which you are a member! As with those who pledge $100 or more, so will it be with those who pledge less than $100 — it will be as the Lord has prospered them.

Do you realize what eight hundred strong will do for the Denominational Budget? It could mean a large overpayment making possible strengthened and enlarged work all along the line of Seventh Day Baptist endeavor.

A Twelve-Hundred Club

This club will be made up of members of both the Four-Hundred Club and the Eight-Hundred Club. It comes into being only as these two reach 100 per cent membership.

Let us pray about and ponder what twelve hundred strong will do for the many-featured work of Seventh Day Baptists. Then, let us do our part in proportion to God's good gifts to us.

Names to Be Published

If Churches will send lists of the names of all individuals and families who have pledged to the Denominational Budget, the Sabbath Recorder offers to publish all of them once before September 30, 1951. The amounts of pledges are not being asked for and will not be published, just the names.

How many Churches will cooperate in this project?

All Are Stewards!

God expects us to do our best, not less. Whether it be of God's grace or of His goods, we are all stewards. For others to know of His grace, all of us must be faithful stewards of His goods.

"Remember this: The man who sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and the man who sows generously will reap generously. Everyone must give what he has decided to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion; but freely, for he loves a man who is glad to give. God is able to provide for you with every blessing in abundance as

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A YEAR OF SHARING

That 1951 will be a year of sacrifice no one will even dare to question. Our government will see to that! Let us accept these new sacrifices in the spirit of good citizen.

But, will 1951 be a year of sharing? Of course this applies to the material realm as well as the spiritual. It may be that some folks will take the attitude that since our government will require more from us, we cannot afford to share as much of the physical blessings of life. We cannot afford not to!

Yet, our concern is not so much that we will not share, but that we will share with those who are in deepest need.

Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, president, the Golden Rule Foundation, in a recent appeal for funds, calls attention to the fact "that in our exchange of Christmas gifts with one another last year we spent three times as much as we gave all year long to religious causes. The startling statement is made by the Russell Sage Foundation in a recent survey of our philanthropic giving."

Dr. Hopkins asks, "Does this hardly seem the appropriate way to celebrate the birthday of the founder of Christianity, does it?" Then he appeals, "Can we not make Christmas in 1950 a Golden Rule Christmas?"

Suffering will mount and become rampant in 1951. It will increase until our collective curse of humankind is banished from the earth.

As we share our material and spiritual blessings with those who are in deep need, we shall help to hasten the day when "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever." Revelation 11:15.

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

By W. W. Reid

Benjamin Van Doren Hedges, sometime Olympic track star, and Air Fight War II, has been elected executive vice-president of the Big Brothers of America, with headquarters in Philadelphia, Pa. The Big Brothers is a voluntary organization of business and professional men for the prevention of delinquency.

A SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER

Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, president of the recently-formed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., has sent a call to special prayer to the Churches comprising the new National Council.

Bishop Sherrill has designated "the Sunday after Christmas, December 31, 1950, as a special day of prayer to God for a peace which is the fruit of righteousness." This request comes "in accordance with the call of the World Council of Churches issued to Christians of many Churches and nationalities asking for prayer."

President Sherrill's message, in part, follows:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."

"Once again we hear the angelic chorus, now in a time of war and rumors of war, as the crisis of our generation lengthens and deepens. The supreme lesson of our day is our need of God, His wisdom, His mercy, and His guidance of men and of nations. We call for deep searching of hearts, for clarifying of purpose, for humility, yet also for determined action. Within ourselves alone we cannot find the resources to meet the necessities of this hour. Our strength comes from God, who sent His Son that the world through Him might be saved. As never before we shall pray daily to God for all mankind, for those who have at home and abroad the responsibility of governmental decisions, for the United Nations, for the establishment of a peace of justice, and purged of self-righteousness and worldly fear and anxieties, the redemption of our selves and of our nation to the will of God."

Surely, Seventh Day Baptists have the unique opportunity, at the close of the first half of the twentieth century and with the great privilege of entering upon the second half, of starting the prayer vigil on Sabbath, December 30.

"The bishop concludes his call to prayer, thus: "It is hoped that many outside of our own fellowship will join in this day of prayer, that, united in our faith in God, who is the Father of us all, we may indeed prove ourselves a nation under God."
SHARING OUR CHRIST*
By Socrates A. Thompson
Milton, Wis.

Text: Ruth 1: 16, 17.
Scripture: Ruth 1

“And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go: and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God; where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.

Few are the scenes in the entire Bible which present a more beautiful picture than is painted in the Book of Ruth. For its literary value, it ranks at the top. As a drama, there is none more beautiful. As a story, it is like a polished ruby. As a novel, it presents the most artistic moral character about which one can think.

This book of the Bible brings to our attention the story of a Jewish family who left their native land because of hardship, to go to a strange land. There was bread. Hence, the story begins: "Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land." Then, without any explanation, it tells this strange story with a strange setting of a strange family in a strange land.

If we begin to read this story from the first chapter of the book, we cannot help wanting to know how it ends. The instant we catch a glimpse of this ideal epic, we seem to glimpse a more emphatic and vivid picture of the lives of so many people.

The story is concise, comprehensive, and no other seems more cohesive. Here, the story of an entire family, perhaps the largest of the judges down to Christ, is given in four short chapters of eighty-five verses, much shorter than many others in other parts of the Bible. Careful scrutinizers have discovered that the word "God" has not been mentioned through the entire book more than three times, yet on all these occasions amplified.

The most challenging character that I wish to present to you at this time is Naomi. I see her as two personalities. One, Naomi in Bethlehem-Judah, and the other, Naomi in Moab. In this we may view this time in the life of Ruth as the dawn of a new year. Her resolutions were towards God who she had come to believe in her God.

We may say today that the Christ of Bethlehem is already our Christ, but we are challenged to make Him known to others, as Naomi knew to her neighbors as just the people next door, maybe as a Jew, an Italian, a Negro, a Japanese, or even a white man. He may be a Russian. Do we ever stop and wonder if he is a Christian? And if not, do we try to help him to see that the Christ in whom we believe, known to our nearest neighbor, is not afraid even to cross borders. As we make these resolutions, let each one of us resolve that he will share his Christ with someone else, knowing that the Christ we do not share, is the Christ we cannot keep.

This was Naomi's conviction of the God she served while she was in her native land. When she went to the land of Moab, she did not forget Him. Even in this strange land she showed that this was what she believed. How many of our Seventh Day Baptists, young people have married into other denominations, or into the world, and have left their Christ just where they first were in love? How many of us, when our sons and daughters have married people who do not believe as we do, have tried to aid them in accepting Christ?
with things that pertain to their eternal destiny. Parents should divide their living and be quite satisfied to stand a little hardship for the good of the young couple, so that they may be able to start married life with a fine home, a nice car, and other comforts. However, they fail to remember that these things are perishable, and last but not least helps them to get started in life with Jesus Christ, they are helping them to establish a Christian home, helping them to become citizens of the Kingdom of God, and also helping to prevent divorce.

Jesus tried to teach this spirit to the rich young ruler when He told him to give up his wealth and follow Him. We are asked of the Lord to give up the fine things of this life with a fine home, a nice car, and other comforts. We are to have the feet of Naomi must have been when she said, "Thy feet have brought me to the house of my people!" How beautiful in the land of Judah is the "The Sabbath Recorder," in memory of those who serve.

The Seventh Day Baptist Church of Richburg, N. Y., dedicated their new organ during a concert by the well-known Buffalo artist, Carl Coleman, on Thursday evening, November 22. Rev. Melvin G. Nida led the ceremony of formal dedication, "To the service of the Lord, in memory of those who serve.

ORGAN DEDICATION

The organ, which has been secured to meet the growing needs of the Church, is a single manual Wurlitzer designed for use in modest-sized Churches, and was installed on October 12.

Much credit for securing the organ goes to Maurice and Wesley McCrea who have been instrumental in securing the funds for and installing the organ.—Contributed.

RURAL CHURCH NOTES

Nearly two thirds (65 per cent) of our ministerial students interested in the ministry before they are through high school. In a study of 1,978 ministerial students from 48 states and 20 different denominations, it was found that 46 per cent of the young men were considering the ministry before they were 16 years old, and 69 per cent before they were 19 years old.

One ministerial student out of three said he was kept from making his decision because no one gave him any guidance or told him about the work of the ministry.

The report of this study is published in a 30-page bulletin and is being distributed on a nonprofit basis for 15 cents a copy by the Rural Church Department, Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J.

Many rural enthusiasts have told about the danger of indifference among the young people by the rural Church. This may have been true in the past, and in some rural Churches now, but only 33 per cent of these 1,978 ministerial students came from rural Churches, which is less than the rural population needs (43.5 per cent).
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THREE ESSENTIAL SERVICES
By Stanley L. Stuber

What is giving real concern to the Displaced Persons Department of Church World Service is not securing more sponsorships, but getting enough cash to operate on adequately for the rest of 1950.

As of October 31, 1950, CWS had brought 223 DP's to the United States from Europe. It estimates that the arrivals for November and December will be 3,000 persons. These are all covered by assurances, but they are not covered by enough financial resources. In order to render the three basic services, which CWS is called upon to provide by the cooperative denominations, additional funds are necessary.

Now what are these essential services? They are (1) the selection, screening, and processing of Displaced Persons in Europe; (2) taking care of all the paper work that is involved in lining up the DP family with its sponsor, and (3) the whole matter of reception at the U. S. pier, inland transportation, baggage, and many other items. All this takes an exceedingly large amount of time, and a little over 5 cents per person.

Denominational relief committees have not, for one reason or another, been able to supply ample funds with which to cover these three essential services. For this reason a special appeal for "Delayed Pilgrims" is being conducted. If you would like to help, please send your check designated for "Displaced Persons" to Church World Service, 211 East 21st Street, New York 10, N. Y. — Release.

MISSIONARY BOARD MEETING

Fifteen Missionary Board members met at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 23, in the vestry of the Pawtucket Seventh Day Baptist Church for the quarterly meeting of the board. Regular reports of the various committees dealing with our world mission were heard and knotty problems regarding the budget for 1951 were discussed. Pastors and Sabbath school superintendents will receive detailed reports on finance and the other matters through their Missionary Reporters. Copies of the Reporter are usually available upon request of interested persons.

Following the reports of financial and promotional activity for the quarter, July 1-September 30, by the treasurer and executive secretary, work in the United States was discussed.

It has been a source of encouragement that four missionary Churches were able to respond to the appeal of the Missionary Board to help out with the financing of their pastors' aid up till the end of 1950. These are the Churches at Salemville, Pa., Inverness, I. O., Plymouth, Ind., Hammond, La., and Berea, W. Va.

A rather thorough debate of the student evangelism work for 1951 was made and a recommendation adopted to the effect that the full allotment for this work from the Denominational Budget be granted to various local Churches employing student assistants. It was the consensus of opinion at the summer meeting of 1951 upon certain standards to be established in conjunction with the Board of Directors, the Executive Secretary, and the Coordinating President's Co-ordinating Council.

Deacon Gallimore, a carpenter by trade, and a member of the Kingston, Jamaica, Church, has been employed to put up a new fence and to make Day School repairs in Kingston and the board's secretary reported Rev. Neal Mills' pride in the fine new appearance of the school and Church grounds. Among other matters reported was the necessity of replacing, next term, one of the most important Crandall High School staff members, Gyr C. Corniffe. No serious damage was caused by recent hurricane, but school was not held for two days — "5 to 8 inches of rain fell in 24 hours and we had three days of it."

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Fifty-three students have been registered in Crandall High School this term, and it was reported that prospects for the new year's term were good. There is urgent need, however, for new furniture. (Since last board meeting, two new gifts have come in.) "Some students can scarcely find clothes suitable for school to say nothing of books and tuition.

Also, "we need lots of literature to distribute, including Helping Hands, Sabbath Recorders for our own people and tracts and Upper Rooms for friends in various Seventh Day Baptist communities." Two new specialized courses have been started: Religious Education and Introduction to the Bible. The board's action on Rev. Wardner T. Fitz Randolph's American visits has been reported in the Sabbath Recorder of November 20.

After hearing a statement on Seventh Day Baptist work in China, the board voted to combat a common public opinion that these missions were useless and support unnecessary if not impossible to give. "We have no idea at this time of discontinuing support of our institutions in China, but if such a thing appeared advisable we estimate that the Chinese missions are not going out. Seventh Day Baptists have a safe and reliable means of sending funds.

A committee on securing a successor to Secretary David S. Clarke reported progress.

The board elected George B. Utter as General Assembly representative on the new National Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Assigned Mrs. Clarence Cran- dall and David Clarke to the Foreign Missions Division, and Eugene Van Horn and Fitz Randolph to the Board's action of Evangelism. Although only one representative could be sent to meetings usually, the others allowed by quota could receive National Board representation.

The board recessed for separate committee consideration of the parts of the budget for 1951 and then reconvened to adjourn subject to revisiting the budget at the January meeting. The tentative figures for all fields totaled $27,351.62, as follows:

- China, $4,400.00;
- Jamaica, $5,480.00;
- British Guiana, $1,140.00;
- Germany, $600.00;
- Home field, $6,480.00;
- Administration, $7,790.00;
- Debt reduction, $1,661.62.

After adopting a modified committee organization, the board adjourned at 5:40 p.m. with prayer by Rev. Kenneth A. Stickney.

D. S. C.

MEET REV. CHARLES BELGRAVE
OF BRITISH GUIANA

Since we are more or less familiar with the background of most of our British Guiana pastors from reports of recent years, it may be timely to present a biographical sketch from one leader in British Guiana who has been unknown to American Seventh Day Baptist circles. Let us listen to Charles C. Belgrave of 161 La- mahana St., Georgetown, British Guiana, South America.

(Ask your pastor for information about British Guiana released through the records of the Rev. Will- iam L. Burdick on British Guiana history.)

D. S. C.

A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE
By C. C. Belgrave

At the age of twelve years I gave my heart to God, and ever since then have been interested in the work of the Lord. In my boyhood days I learned to love the East Indians (people from India) who now outnumber those of my race. I wanted them to know my Saviour.

For this reason I started to learn Hindi and Urdu, two of the leading languages of India. Still later I felt the need of a proper education that would fit me to labor for these people. The way was opened for me to attend what was then the main Adventist college in British Guiana, under the presidency of Rev. Wil- liam M. Smoot in 1911. It was opened for me to attend what was then called the Adventist High School in British Guiana, under the presidency of Rev. M. S. Smoot in 1911.

It was during the last few weeks in college that I decided to go to India as a missionary. After returning to British Guiana and spending just one month, I married and went off to India where I spent 25 years. Most of these years were spent in literature work in Hindi and Urdu in which I passed examinations with...
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Children's Page

Dear Mrs. Greene:

It has been a long time since I wrote to you, but I enjoy reading other boys' and girls' letters.

This afternoon I made some "Bible Cookies" from the recipe in the June Sabbath Visitor. I had fun mixing, cutting, and baking them. I looked up the references for the recipe yesterday.

I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. I am in the Junior class in Sabbath school. We are studying about our Church and other Churches.

Your Recorder friend,

Janet Van Horn,

Brookfield, N. Y.

Dear Janet:

Your good letter was unusually welcome for three reasons: because you had already proved yourself a good Recorder friend; because I have a very warm spot in my heart for your daddy and mother; and because it came from Brookfield where I spent two happy years and gained many faithful friends. Brookfield is a good place in which to live, don't you think?

I would like to have had a taste of those "Bible Cookies" of yours. I'm pretty sure they were good. I don't believe you had the experience of having a comic strip appear in the Buffalo Evening News. She served cookies to a little boy friend who found them very good, but the next picture showed the boy being thrown out of the window nearly a bushel of cookies which he had spoiled before she succeeded in making them. Nancy has such funny experiences.

Please do write often.

Your true friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

We have a dog named Bozo and a cat named Socks, because he has white feet. We have a turtle. Daddy found him in the road and brought him home.

I am in the second grade. I like school and Sabbath school.

Your new friend,

Chris Van Horn,

Brookfield, N. Y.

Dear Chris:

Of course I was pleased to receive your letter telling us about Jan and Josephine, and for the very same reasons.

I have always thought dogs and cats were the very nicest pets for children to have and I am sure you have had Bozo and Socks. Andover is a great place for dogs and at last count there were 277. No doubt there are as many, if not more, cats.

A little cousin of ours found a turtle in the road not far from Alfred Station, and brought it home. I guess this turtle liked to travel, for in a few weeks it disappeared and the little boy never found it again. I hope yours isn't such an ungrateful turtle.

I'm sure you will do well in both school and Sabbath school, since you like both.

Truly, your friend,

Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I am five years old and like to go to kindergarten. We made a turkey out of a potato for Thanksgiving.

My Sabbath school class said thank-you prayers in our Thanksgiving service at Church.

My baby sister's name is Laura Jean. She talks (coos) to me and smiles a lot. She will soon be three months old.

This is my first letter to you, but I will try to write often.

Your friend,

Josephine Van Horn,

Brookfield, N. Y.

(Continued on next page)
Dear Josephine:

I just guess your "mommy" wrote this letter for you, but it sounds as if you told her what to write. Please say thank you to her for me. I hope it will not be long before you will do the writing yourself since you signed your name so nicely. And say, don't suppose little Laura Jean will be writing to me one of these days.

I think it must have been fun to make that turkey out of a potato, so here are some verses about it:

Oh, once there was a fine potato,
Big and firm and fat;
From it was made a husky turkey.
What do you think of that?

Of course it was a tiny turkey,
But what fun it was to make
For boys and girls with thankful hearts,
Just for Thanksgiving Day.

Your thankful friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, guide us, we beseech Thee, the nations of the world into that way of justice and truth and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness.

Note: The above prayer was sent by the Bishop of Chichester, chairman of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, to the 160 member Churches of the council in 44 countries (including those under Soviet domination) to be used during the present crisis.

Based on a World Council of Churches Release.

Mrs. Nettie M. West

Nettie M. West, daughter of Robert W. and Ann L. Newton Brown, was born at Brookfield, N. Y., June 17, 1859, and passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. Martha E. Merton, Milton, Wis., November 1, 1950.

Nettie was married to W. Leman West in 1881. To this union were born two daughters, Mabel L. and Anna M. Shortly before his death in 1891, Mr. West bought a building lot in Milton Junction, Wis. Mrs. West carried out his plans and built a home there. Mr. West was next to that of her father-in-law, William B. West, who was in the lumber business.

She was connected with the West Lumber Company for about fifteen years, and older people in the community will remember her as one who helped to figure estimates on construction work. She was also active in Church work, being especially interested in promotion of the Junior Christian Endeavor Society.

When her daughter Anna went to China as a missionary, Mrs. West spent some time in New York City and at Salem, W. Va., with Mabel; and in Milton where she helped to care for her invalid father.

In 1919, she went to China to be with Anna. The following year, Mabel also, went to China to teach in the mission school where her sister was teaching.

In Shanghai, Mrs. West was active in the Community Church of which she and Anna were charter members. Her work in the Bible school and women's auxiliary of that Church gave her interest that continued to the last. She was always ready to assist in relief work and made many little garments on her sewing machine. Her Chinese friends honored her on more than one occasion, one of which was her 90th birthday, only a few months before she returned to this country.

Anna died after the beginning of World War II. Mrs. West decided to stay in China even though there was an opportunity for her to return to the United States. Then she and Mabel with many others were taken to a concentration camp where she was an example of cheerful helpfulness.

Her health was none too good after the camp experience. After Mabel had the misfortune of breaking her hip, it seemed best for them to leave for America before the Communists reached Shanghai. They arrived in Milton during the early part of July, and for several months made their home with Mrs. West's sister-in-law, Mrs. Willard D. Burdick, and her niece, Marjorie. A year ago, she went to live with her sister, Mrs. Anna Anderson.

Mrs. West leaves her daughter, Mabel, her sister, Mrs. Anderson, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Willard D. Burdick, nine nieces and nephews, several grandchildren, and a multitude of friends around the world.

Memorial services were conducted Sabbath day, November 4, in the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church by Rev. Kenneth B. Van Horn. K. B. V. H.

BIRTHS

Howard, — A son, David Lynn, to Donald and Irene Howard, Unadilla Forks, N. Y., July 26, 1950.

OBITUARIES

West, — Nettie M. Brown, June 17, 1859 - November 1, 1950. A more extended sketch appears elsewhere in this issue.

Camenga, Charlotte, of Charles and Myrilla Maxson Clarke, was born December 2, 1875, in Brookfield, N. Y. She died unexpectedly October 27, 1950, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stanley Warner, in Durhamville, N. Y.

When Mrs. Camenga was a child the family moved to North Loub, Neb., and later to Boulder, Colo. When she was 17 years old they returned to Brookfield. She taught in the schools of the communities. She married Charles Camenga in 1900, August 22, 1899. The marriage was performed by Rev. Clayton Burdick in Brookfield.

Mrs. Camenga was a member of the Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church and was a much-loved teacher in the Sunday School of the Church for many years so that now she is held in honor by many whom she has helped and guided on life's way. She was a worker in the community, being a member of the Grange and the W. E. F. of West愕eton; Lawrence W. of Buffalo, and Kenneth A. of Beaver Dam, Wis.; a daughter, Mrs. Casper, a member of the W. E. F. of West Elmonton; a great-grandmother, and a sister, Mrs. Ruby Todd, of Milton, Wis.

Memorial services were held October 30 from the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Rev. Marion C. Vinson, pastor, assisted by Rev. Herbert L. Polan. Burial was in the Brookfield Cemetery.

Vare, — Eva Sare, wife of Lynn C. Vare, was born September 16; 1888, Anson, Gk., and died November 21, 1950, at her late home in Alfred, N. Y.

With her husband she came to Alfred as a bride from Nile, N. Y., 35 years ago, making a home for her husband's brothers and father. She taught school for 20 years, part of the time as a member of the Alfred High School staff. She was active in the many social and service organizations and clubs of the town. She was a charter member of the Horizon Club, she came in close contact with many younger girls. Her sweet spirit and ready humor made her accessable to those who most needed her wise council and guidance.

Survivors are her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Clarence Dudley and Mrs. John Gorton of Alfred; four brothers, four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Farewell services were conducted in the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred, Pastor Everett T. Harris officiating, and burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

Armstrong, — Grace, daughter of George Oscar and Ruby Witter Hood, was born May 29, 1887, on Crosby Creek, near Horrill, N. Y., and died November 25, 1950, at Bethersdale Hospital, Hornell, N. Y.

At an early age she attended the schools of East Valley and on Hartville Hill.

At an early age she became a member of the Second Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church. In later years, she transferred her membership to the First Alfred Church where she was a loyal member until her death.

At the age of twenty she was united in marriage with Rev. E. T. H. Davis, now a deacon.

The family home has always been in Alfred. There have been three children, two of whom died in infancy. Their son, Robert, preceded his father in 1934. They have two grandchildren, two children survive, Leland of Washinton, Pa., and Mrs. Maxine A. of Arkansas. Seven children survive, Leland of Hornell, N. Y., and seven grandchildren.

Farewell services were held at the First Seventh Day Baptist Church, Alfred, preceded by a prayer service at the late home. Pastor Everett T. Harris officiating. Burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

E. T. H.
DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET
Statement of Treasurer, November 30, 1950

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**HAVE YOU?**

Have you and your family made a pledge to the Denominational Budget? Of course you are paying your pledge through the Church of which you are a member.

Have you joined the Four-Hundred Club?

Have you joined the Eight-Hundred Club?

How soon will there be a Twelve-Hundred Club?

We are all stewards of God’s grace and of His goods. Are we giving a good account of our stewardship? (See first editorial in this issue.)

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