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**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**

Statement of Treasurer, April 30, 1953

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L. M. Van Horn, Treasurer.

**Obituary**

Armby, — Eva Bentley, daughter of Caleb and Emma Whitford Bentley, was born September 3, 1867, and died January 1, 1953, at Berlin, N. Y.

She was a member of the Berlin Seventh-Day Baptist Church of which she was a member until her death.

**Patriotic Prayer**

O God who touchest mankind by word and example the ways to true peace —

- Inspire the minds of all our leaders with the wisdom to bring about a peace according to Thy designs.

- Strengthen the wills of our fighting men and women lest in the pursuit of their vocations they succumb to the temptation to rejoice in the power of material might and gain over true righteousness.

- Enlighten the minds of those in positions of responsibility to the awareness of Thy Commandments which must be the basis for a true peace.

- Touch with Thy outstretched hand of forgiveness the souls of tyrants who would, by abandoning Thy teachings, lead us to disaster.

- With humility and sincerity, do we beg Thy blessings on all those throughout the world who strive to bring about a peace which can be gained by Thy leadership. Amen.
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BIBLE STUDIES AT MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Many if not all of the men attending the Ministers' Conference at Alfred, May 4-7, would agree that the most solid, the most worth-while blessing of that conference was the daily Bible study conducted by Cliff Hansen. Conforming to the general theme of "A Minister's Education" he presented in a gripping way the message of the pastoral Epistles, First and Second Timothy and Titus, in thirty-four lessons.

In a very refreshing manner he prefaced the study with an examination of the critical theories which deny the Pauline authorship of these Epistles. Then he showed from the same internal evidence why he could not accept the conclusions of the critics.

We regret that we cannot publish the complete outline of the lessons as we have it in our notes. The first lesson was concerned with "Paul's Concept of the Ideal Christian Pastor." He gave references to show that a pastor should be: (1) a soldier, obedient to orders to endure hardships; (2) an athlete, practicing faithfully, knowing and following the rules of the game before being crowned victor; (3) a farmer with great skill especially in using the Word of God. The personal traits or qualities of a pastor are set forth in 2 Timothy. There are at least three: (1) power to influence people, (2) affection for all people, (3) self-discipline. Further Paul points out that the minister must seek self-improvement. He must have an aim in life, not just to be alive. He is more than a superior; he is a winner of souls. He stands by other servants when they suffer and he trains others to carry on the work of the ministry.

The second lesson dealt with "Paul's Concept of the Minister's Faith and Message." The leader pointed out that 2 Timothy being Paul's last epistle gives us an insight into the oft-said thoughts of Paul. Paul appears to be lonesome and hurt because some have left him and have left the faith. Another dominant note is his faith and courage. A third emphasis is a concern for the work he is about to leave.

Mr. Hansen found four practical considerations from the last words of the apostle: (1) The basic thing in faith is faith in a person shown by such expressiveness as: "I have believed." Text after text put the emphasis on Christ. (2) The love of His appearing is a central theme. (3) The love of His appearing is a central theme. (4) A ministry is a service to others, to all, to all people. The principles are given in 1 Tim. 1: 3, 4 and 1 Tim. 6: 5. The tenet is to be judged by no man.

The third lesson centered around "Paul's Concept of a Pastor's Relationship to Society" as found in 1 and 2 Tim. and Titus. There is much here to guide us. The first relationship is prayer. The minister may not be called upon to preach to or about civil rulers but he is called upon to pray for them. His prayers should not only be for his congregation but for all men in all three of the following ways: supplications, intercessions, thanksgivings. The objectives of such prayer are twofold: that the Christian should live without interference, and that all may come to the knowledge of the truth.

The second problem is what to do about deep-rooted social evils. The answer is suggested in 1 Tim. 6: 1, 2; Titus 2: 9, 10 where the question of slavery is touched upon. Paul did not denounce that social evil. The minister is not to sanction force in such matters. The writer of the pastoral epistle sought to turn the evil thing into a means of propagating the Gospel. We may be able to save society by the suffering which endures patiently.

Bible verses will save you from spiritual reverses. — Cream Book.

Plainfield, N. J., May 25, 1953

Rev. Leon M. Maltby, Editor

The prayer used on our cover this week was sent out by the Chaplains Board for use by churches on Armed Forces Day, May 16.

MEMORY TEXT

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5: 1.

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THE PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION

The Pacific Coast Association of Seventh Day Baptists centers around the churches in Los Angeles and Riverside but attempts to include all interested people in that vast territory lying between Canada and Mexico and joining the next association toward the East at a point somewhere west of the Rockies. The spring meeting was held as usual the second weekend of April with the Riverside Church.

The theme, "Be ye steadfast... always abounding in the work of the Lord," was carried consistently from the first meeting Sabbath eve to the close of the business meeting Sunday afternoon. The first evening captivated. Abounding in the Work of the Lord in Africa," featured the audio-visual production "The Joan and Beth Story" produced on the West Coast and now available to other churches. The stirring Christian film, "The Great Discovery," starring Colleen Townsend was the feature for the evening after the Sabbath. In the beautiful setting of Westmont College this picture thrilled the audience with the conversion experience that could happen to such young people as Colleen Townsend in a Christian college.

The music was of that inspiring quality which would be expected with the con­secrated talent of the Riverside and Los Angeles Churches under the leadership of such able directors as Lois Wells and Maleta Curtis. Passing over the splendid anthems and special numbers we note the pleasing quality of the singing of twenty-five young adults in the Sabbath afternoon program. In featuring the evening after the Sabbath, the 88-year-old veteran minister of both the Los Angeles and Riverside Churches and the publisher of "The Gathering Call."

Mr. Johnson is presently reading the Bible through twice and has read it from cover to cover many times. He pointed out that Lincoln read the Bible through three times before he was ten years old, and commented, "No wonder he had a good knowledge of English," George Mueller, the great devotional writer, read it 155 times. He pled for more consistent Bible reading and closed with the words, "Let God have His way and you will have a heart knowledge as well as a head knowledge."

The subject given to Albyn Mackintosh was, "How Faith Keeps Our Daily Walk." He stated that religion is an inner desire to realize the fulfillment of a purpose in life. In recognizing that, we find our lives changed. Fear is all about us, and the solution for the problem is a Seventy's forecast of the future." He illustrated this with quotations from eminent writers were given to bring our his points. Mr. Mackintosh feels that many are forgetting that man has inherent rights above the State, which is a denial of God and leads to loss of faith. He went on to speak of the elemental things of faith and how important it is in daily life to have faith in Christ. Faith is the one thing given when we enter on the Christian walk. Faith alone, faith buried is worthless. It must be coupled with works and with speaking for Jesus. A stuttering girl promised that if God would heal her she would never utter another word except for Him. As long as she spoke for Him she was free from her stuttering.

Mr. Johnson mentioned that faith is an attribute of Divinity, that Christ created by faith, that in His image of God it is not unreasonable for God to ask us to walk by faith. Mr. Johnson promised that if God would heal her she would never utter another word except for Him. As long as she spoke for Him she was free from her stuttering.

The main feature of the Sabbath after­noon program was a sermon by Daniel Judy, a mature young man, a Sabbath­keeper who is finishing his junior year at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena. He gave a good sermon on the love of God. One of his touching illustrations was the story of Peter Miller, that seventy seven-year-old veteran of both the Los Angeles and Riverside Churches.

He was more than pastor of the church. He was a community leader. He served on the village board and the board of the Memorial Fund not later than July 1, 1953, at which time the applications are considered.

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BONDS SAIL JUNE 5

Arrangements are being made for the sailing of Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Bond to Kansas City June 5 on the United Fruit Company's SS Cape Afinov. Let all the denomination remember them in prayer as they go. Rev. O. B. Bond is expected that Rev. and Mrs. Neil D. Mills will return to this country late in July or early in August. E. T. H.

A TRIBUTE TO A. CLYDE EHRET

Fern Barber Maxson

Pastor Ehret came to North Lopez in July, 1940, and served there for ten years among us. He was more than pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church; he was a community man. He served on the village board and election board; was a member of the Lions Club, P.T.A., and was a member of the County Co-op Hospital Board. He was often called to perform weddings or conduct funerals aside from those of his own congregation, to speak at banquets, commencement exercises, and other school activities. He preached at various times in nearly every town within a 25-mile area or more.

During his 10 years of residence here Pastor Ehret made many friends and was loved and respected by all who knew him.

He loved the hills and valleys, The rivers and the plain. But he loved his Lord and Master And he sought His salvation.

He declared, "Let all the dear children of the Father attend to their daily work."

At the close of the service, Mr. Ehret spoke briefly of the "Seven Deadly Sins." He declared, "The one that I need to work on is the sin of inner desire."

This tribute was part of a memorial service conducted by Rev. Francis D. Saunders in the North Lorp Church January 7, 1953, the day the former pastor would have been 72 years old.

Ministerial Student

Please Note This

This is a notice by the Board of Trustees of the Seventh Day Baptist Memorial Fund that applications for financial assistance by young men of our denomination for a second or third year in their preparation for the ministry must be in the hands of the Memorial Fund not later than July 1, 1953, at which time the applications are considered.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

For May 25, 1953

Principles of Christian Stewardship

Lesson Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9

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Serenet: “Are You A Saint?”

People seem all too anxious to answer this question in the negative. In fact, most people volunteer the answer every once in a while — “Well, I’m no saint!”

The subject of saints is a very delicate one. Some see in them a monopoly of these rare creatures and they would define a saint as one whose doctrines are correct in every detail. Others are searching for truth. The only people who are not in the search are those who claim to have the truth right under their hats. Know-it-all people are difficult to live with anywhere, but in the field of religion such characteristics as arrogance, self-satisfaction, belligerence, and bitterness seem especially inappropriate. If that is the cost of orthodoxy it is a pearl of great price. A heretic, like Albert Schweitzer is much easier to take. Remembering the loving spirit of Christ we hesitate to say "by your fruit ye shall know them.”

Some would say that a saint is a respectable person, and so he is, but we must be cautious about respectability. The Church can never allow itself the acid test. If the image of a saint would rather be back at his old job than to see the halls of gold and marble. Peter made his presence known. By their fruit ye shall know them.”

First of all we must get rid of inadequate definitions of the word “saint.” A saint is not likely to be what we picture. If the image of Saint Peter at the Vatican were really Simeon himself I fear that he would rather be back at his old job of fishing in the Sea of Galilee than over-seen halls of gold and marble. Peter was a man’s man, but, eventually, a saint. Paul is another example which may correct our definition of a “saint.” Read again the account of rugged adventure found in the eleventh chapter of 2 Corinthians and be assured that saints are not cowardly souls.

What is a saint? Well, many answers have been given and they demand some inspection. Some maintain that a saint is one who is orthodox. We should all be orthodox, and all our doctrines are correct in every detail. Then the church can never allow itself to be persecuted. There are times when our church members have to suffer unpopularity or the disapproval of the society in which they live. More respectability is not enough. A society etched upon legal standards may not be a Christian society.

Let us define sainthood according to its components: relationship to God and relationship to fellow men. This is in full agreement with Jesus’ summary of the commandments. Love for God and love for fellow man are inseparable in practice. A Christian’s relationship to God is largely invisible like an iceberg which extends two thirds under the surface. Yet, there extends above that relationship a visible evidence of the presence of God by human eyes. Saints do not need to wear special clothing or long faces to let their presence know. “By their fruit ye shall know them” and that is the acid test.

All of us who seek to follow our Master must be on the way toward sainthood. As Paul would put it, “To these that are called to be saints, grace and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Kenneth E. Smith.

Church Life at Albion

The Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church was established in 1843 and it is a historical landmark because of its Civil War association with its relationship to the Albion Academy. It is not, however, living in the past. It is the only church in the community and as such, it is a center of fellowship and community life. There are about 65 resident members in the local community and the church has an average attendance of about 60. This indicates that there are many friends who call the church their own. Albion is a rural village, and the major occupation is farming. Many of the young people must leave home to pursue their occupations in other places. This results in a shifting population which was not the case when the community was young. The large nonresident church roll indicates a problem which is common to many other churches as well.

The Albion Church has an active high school group which meets weekly at the parsonage. A two-week Vacation School for the children of the community is a summer tradition which is very successful. A young married couples group has recently been organized which meets in one of the homes every other week. The group is painting the balcony Sabbath school room as a special project. There are six couples now active.

New front doors for the church have been approved and will be installed this spring. A committee is now at work to arrange for a new “acousti-til” ceiling for the sanctuary as soon as possible.

The church now holds in joint ownership with the Milton Junction Church a S.V.E. slide and filmstrip projector and a Radiant screen which will add to our visual instruction in coming years. An interchurch advisory board has been set up between the two churches to co-ordinate the mutual activities.

The last June the parsonage was redecorated and in the fall the furnace was converted to automatic heat, a blessing for the lady of the house when the pastor was away at school.

In January the Albion and Milton Junction Churches printed an annual report which is available to any who might be interested. Mail a post card to Pastor Smith, Albion, and you will receive a free copy.

The Albion Church was saddened this spring at the loss of a faithful deacon, Lester Kelley, who passed away April 9. Another deacon, Milton Babcock, was honored on Sabbath day, April 25, for over 50 years of service as a deacon. On Sunday, May 18, the church began its summer activity. Mrs. J. C. Reynolds presides. Mrs. Lawrence Marsden and Mrs. Claire Reierson.

K. E. S.
RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PEOPLE

Karl G. Stillman

(Given April 25, 1953, in the Pawtucket Seventh Day Baptist Church in Westerly, R. I., at service consecrating Mrs. and Mrs. Neville B. Bond as missionaries to Jamaica, B. W. I.)

A change in personnel at one of our mission stations such as now is about to take place on our Jamaica field, offers an excellent opportunity and in fact presents a challenge to Seventh Day Baptists as a whole to examine our responsibilities in the execution of the program of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society.

What is a responsibility? It has been said that the execution of the program of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society.

It is true of course that not all of us can become missionaries on a foreign field even though we might feel called to such service. The base on which our program is being built is not yet strong enough to support such an expansion as would be entailed were any considerable number of us to be consecrated as missionaries. Incidentally, this points out the high honor being bestowed on those who are being consecrated at this service and the deep responsibility assuming being, as they are, a very important few among the comparatively many Seventh Day Baptists.

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Our continued prayers for the welfare and success of these representatives of ours are sincerely required and we must remember also all our missionaries, whether at home or abroad, in these prayers, knowing full well the power of concerted prayer.

We must keep ourselves informed about all the missionary activities of our denomination. A well-grounded knowledge of missions must be based first on careful Bible study, from which can be learned the sacrifices necessary, the hardships to be expected, the discouragements, and, best of all, the rewards that are bound to follow persistent efforts made. Using the Bible as our guide, we can understand much better just what problems are being faced and what appear to be the right solutions. This we must do!

Keeping Solvent

Another responsibility is the need to keep our denomination solvent and strong financially. Having informed ourselves of the theory and practice of missions in general and our own missions in particular, our interest cannot help being stimulated so that “where our heart is, there our treasure will also.” — to construe the statement in Matthew 6:21. We must support our own church generously to the end that it may grow in numbers as well as spirit. Of course we must contribute to our over-all Denominational Budget but first things come first, with strong churches automating and developing a strong denominational program. It falls in line with the saying that if you safeguard principal in an investment policy, interest will take care of itself. Our home base will make a strong and effective missionary effort.

It may be well to record here that had it not been for the Second Century Fund there would be no Crandall High School today and this brother and sister would not now be about to depart for the Jamaica field. It was the widespread interest throughout our denomination in a forward-looking program that encouraged the making of gifts substantial enough to cover the cost of educational work in Kingston. Approximately $15,000 has been spent during the past few years for facilities and the expense of starting up the school program, all of which has been financed through loans and the Second Century Fund entirely separate and apart from the Denominational Budget. The appropriations to the original program. This is but one example of the power generated by quite general support of a vision, for without its stimulating help, our missionary effort would have been seriously impaired. I wonder how many of our people realize that without the support of the fund there would be no work being undertaken in British Guiana today under supervision, that there would be no motor transportation provided for Jamaica, no Crandall High School, no sponsored work in Germany, no fund for hospital facilities for China when that country again becomes a free nation, and no support of new mission work at home. Here is evidence of a responsibility met, but like the string, there is no beginning and no end — in stead a continuing demand.

To summarize our responsibilities as a people in our missionary work, we need a vision — a dream, prayers for its translation into a plan of action, a studied interest, and a continuing financial support consisting of a little or larger share of our income for an assured and ever-growing future work.

In the words of the poet:

"He whom a dream hath possessed
Knoweth not bodily being.
For mist and the blowing of winds and
The speediest flight he knows,
And never comes darkness down, yet he greeeth a million morns.
He whom a dream hath possessed knoweth no more of roaming;
All roads and the flowing of waves and
Our looks he knows,
But wherever his feet are set, his soul is forever homing,
And going, he comes, and coming he heareth a call and goes." 1

May we catch a vision, too, and snatch victory from defeat as we face our unapparent destiny which will work out according to God’s plan knowing that "there would be thy (our) fate," and the fact that results obtained in Jamaica have been outstandingly good.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish." The Second Century Fund was such a vision, for without its stimulating...

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NEWS FROM JAMAICA


School opened for the second term April 13. There are 60, not counting the night class which may be a little smaller this term.

Our financial statement looks pretty good this time. We paid the insurance for the year and added some furniture; but for the first time in history we have a balance of 100 pounds. Note that the gain came entirely from student fees, paid by them or by scholarships, and not by the help of gifts from America which we have usually had heretofore. The Scholarship Fund has increased nicely, too. We appreciate the interest of so many church groups and individuals. I wish all of them could see what their money is doing here. We hope and pray that abundant fruits will be seen in the lives of these boys and girls in the years to come.

AUCKLAND, N.Z. — The following advertisement has been inserted in the leading Auckland, N. Z., newspaper under “Personal”:

"May 25, 1953

NEWS FROM JAMAICA

The Lord is evidently blessing this missionary endeavor of our New Zealand brethren, because they have to tackle quite a lot of correspondence with interested people. — Eternal Gospel Herald, Warri­moo, N.S.W., Australia.

A good intention clothes itself with power. — Emerson.

1 Quotation from "He Whom a Dream Hath Possessed" by Sheamus O’Sheel (1886- ). Masterpieces of Religious Verse, used by permission.

2 Quotation from "Unmanifest Destiny" by Richard Hovey (1864-1900).
A MEDITATION

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord and sing praises unto thy name, O most highest;

To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning, and of thy truth in the night season. — Psalm 92:1-2.

It seems to be the nature of religion—that of all religions—to turn in the morning, after the darkness and oblivion of the night, to the source of returning light. I remember one morning, in a little inn in Japan, looking down from my window into an inner garden. I saw an old man in a cotton kimono standing before a little Shinto shrine, a small replica, with its shrines of the Sun Goddess at Ise. He bowed low, clapped his hands three times, again, and then went back into the house, and broad-leaved evergreens of the little green garden. I don’t know which of the myriad Shinto deities was summoned to attention by the clapping of his hands, but the atmosphere of true worship was palpable in those few silent moments.

It is a natural sequence that the psalmist suggests to us in the 92nd Psalm. We are aware of the majesty of God’s loving-kindness, of his gift of the new day, fresh and unspoiled, of the opportunities that lie before us. At night, when we are older by twelve or fifteen hours of failures and incompletely realized dreams. But whatever our disappointment and fatigue—or, it may be, our satisfaction and hope—if we have kept “him company all the day” then we can most completely give ourselves into his hands for the night and “in him sleep.” — Elizabeth Gray Vining, in the Church Woman.

(Nota: Mrs. Vining was the former tutor of the Crown Prince of Japan.)

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A CHALLENGE TO THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR

Betty Butler

(Miss Butler is a student at Salem College. The Women’s Board editor wishes to express our appreciation for this article.)

Competent Christian leaders are needed today. These leaders must have a strong Christian faith themselves in order to train young people to build characters that will stand the tests of life. Most people will agree that this faith is kept alive by personal fellowship with Christ, but often it is just assumed that every Christian maintains that fellowship. Emphasis on other things necessary in Christian education should never minimize the personal fellowship with the Lord. Whether leader or follower, one person who has this direct connection with the Lord, His love will fill our lives and make our life service to Him easy. Only through deep and personal fellowship with Him will we overflow with love for Him and His work, and with love for others.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Jacob DeShazer, former Doolittle bomber and now missionary to Japan, was flown by military transport to the United States to attend the eleventh annual reunion of the Doolittle raiders in San Diego, April 17-19. Military personnel, who planned the trip, also arranged for the missionary to give additional time to religious gatherings.

Eleven years ago, DeShazer, left the city of Tokyo in flaming fire. In contrast, when he flew from the city recently it was bursting with a New Testament revival that continues to sweep across Japan. Reporting the results and blessings of what some missionaries term “the greatest revival in Japan since its history,” he will be the theme of DeShazer’s messages.

After that memorable raid by the Doolittle boys, DeShazer’s plane was one that went down over “Red” China. He was captured by the Japanese and held prisoner for 40 months, much of that time in solitary confinement under a death sentence. While in prison, sick and half starved, Jesus Christ spoke to him, turned his intense hatred for his tormentors into love, and then he determined to return to preach the Gospel to them.

For three years DeShazer has been traveling throughout the islands preaching the Gospel as a missionary under the general mission board of the Free Methodist Church. Thousands have made decisions for Christ as a result of the bombs dropped by this man during the war. One has become one of the best-known Christian missionaries in that country.

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Him to live in our lives. If Christ, when on earth, needed to get alone with God, how much more do we need that time of communion with Him? “Pray constantly,” Paul tells us. So often we neglect to be constantly in touch with God. If we are to recognize His power at all times, we must be able to contact Him and maintain that connection.

When we have this direct connection with the Lord, His love will fill our lives and make our life service to Him easy. Only through deep and personal fellowship with Him will we overflow with love for Him and His work, and with love for others.

COMMUNIST CHINA AND THE BIBLE

“The Christian Church will survive the Communists in China,” declared Dr. Ralph Mortensen, who directed the combined work in China of the American Bible Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the National Bible Society of Scotland. Dr. and Mrs. Mortensen were among the last Americans allowed to leave Shanghai.

They had been restrained within the city limits of Shanghai under strict surveillance for two years and a day, without explanation.

They said that the Communist anti-American propaganda was a failure, that while the people gave lip service to the Communists, they secretly remained unchanged.

The Communists were more averse to missionaries than to western businessmen, he said, for they feared their teachings would change the thoughts of the Chinese people.

The Bible Societies, he said, had prepared themselves with ample stocks of Bibles prior to the coming of the Communists. These stocks, he reported, were at the time of his departure being distributed from Bible society sub-agencies in Mukden, Tientsin, Peking, Tsian, Sian, Lanchow, Chungking, Kunming, Foochow, and Canton, as well as from the headquarters agency in Shanghai.

He estimated that enough Bibles were in China to take care of the needs of the people for the next three years at the present rate of distribution.

Let us not forget that the seed of God’s Word is still being planted by many of God’s faithful workers in His kingdom in China and souls even now behind the Bamboo Curtain are being won for Christ,” he stated.

In the De Ruyter (N. Y.) Gleaner one may read regularly news items under headings like these: Beaver Meadow, Red Schoolhouse, and Seventh Day Hollow. The last is a quaint reminder of the influence of Seventh Day Baptists in many little hamlets of our land in the pioneer days.
Dear Mrs. Greene:

My cat, Rainbow, has two little kittens. One kitten is black and one kitten is white.

Pastor Mitchell has two little girls I like to play with. I like to go to Sabbath school. I like to go to Christian Endeavor. I like to go to school.

I have a calf my daddy gave me. My brother has a calf, too. Rose Mary Boehler.

Box 495, Edinburg, Tex.

Dear Rose Mary:

I was happy to receive your nice letter. We have a Rose Mary in Andover and also a Rose Marie. Both have the last name of Baker and sometimes people get their names mixed. Both are pretty names.

Is your cat many-colored that you call her Rainbow? Cats were my favorite pets when I was a little girl. I also had a pet calf. One day I was feeding him milk when he hounted over the pail and spilled the milk all over me.

I didn’t quite finish the fairy story about Brownie last time so I’ll add it to my letter to you. The song Brownie sang with a joyful heart was:

“A happy brownie boy am I, Hi, ho! Hi, ho! Ti, di, ti, dum! What care I how the moments fly, Since to this happy home I’ve come.

And here I’ll stay and do my part
To keep a cheery atmosphere.
For where there is a merry heart,
No disappointment need I fear.”

Then round and round the room he danced until he was quite out of breath, while Grace said to herself, “I wonder why I am so very happy tonight.” Then the little fellow curled up under the big easy chair by the fire and fell asleep, to dream of his old home in the deep, cool woods, and the lovely new home to which he had come, and where he hoped to remain the rest of his days.

Please write often.

Your true friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

"In an argument, the best weapon to hold is the tongue." — Don Alban.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

Dear Judith:

I was very glad to receive your good letter. I wish more children were as faithful to do their share for our Recorder page.

Guess you and your best friend really are twins, for twins are nearly always an hour apart and often more. Sometimes they are even born several hours apart.

A number of people around here have been to the Ice Follies and think they are wonderful. I hope to have the pleasure of going there myself some day.

I had to pause here for some time as my daughter and family drove up from Wells­ville to bring me a beautiful plant for Mother’s Day, a gift from them and from my son and his wife in Bridgeport, N. J. In fact it is a number of plants which I am to transfer to one of my porch boxes.

I hope you are having the nice, warm, sunny weather we have been blessed with the past two days, and which we are promised for tomorrow.

I don’t believe I ever saw a musical instrument called a tonette. The only tonette I know about is the “Tonette” hair wave for children. Do you have that, too?

Sincerely your friend,
Mizpah S. Greene.

REMINDED

Rev. Leland B. Davis

Text: “And they refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that they did in Egypt.” Netheniah 9: 7.

Forget? “Yes, I nearly forgot my wife’s anniversary! And, to think, we have only been married two years. I nearly forgot our first anniversary,” remarked a certain husband to his friend that day. How easy it is for us to forget things.

We become so busy and preoccupied with other things that we forget. Our weakness is to forget, so we need to be reminded. On my desk is a “Daily Reminder” which recalls to my mind each thing I should do.

1. We forget God. Israel did! They were not mindful of His creative wonders.

They forgot to look up and see His handiwork. “Daily Remember of Creation. Know your Creator God.”

2. We forget God’s Sabbath. Following His words of creation, God created the Sabbath, and set it aside as a “holy day” in remembrance of His Creation. Know what is in man, namely, a weakness to forget, God included the Sabbath in the Ten Commandments: “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days thou shalt labor and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God . . . Ex: 20: 8 f.

Lest we forget, we need to constantly remind ourselves of the “solemn rest.”

3. We forget God’s house. When we get out of the habit of going to church, we forget to go! Soon we find ourselves forsaking God’s day and God Himself.

The apostle reminds us: “Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is . . . and so much the more as you see the day approaching.”

4. We forget God’s Son who is our Saviour.

We who are weak forget that He is strong. We soon forget that He died for our sins, that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

Our Saviour is a reminder of Himself: the Lord’s Supper. Jesus said, “This do in remembrance of me.” As we partake of the broken bread, we are reminded of His body broken for us. As we drink of the cup we are reminded of His cup of suffering for us.

5. Finally, we are apt to forget that our Lord Christ is coming again. He instituted the Communion that we might not forget His coming as Saviour, nor His coming again as Lord.

“For as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, do shew (proclaim, preach) the Lord’s death till he come.” Now, we eat in His invisible, but then, in His visible presence.

Paul of mine, have you forgotten God’s Sabbath, His house, His Son, and His coming again? Use these reminders that you might not forget. Creation is praising God; are you? God rested, His Son rested and we shan’t be on the seventh day Sabbath; do you?

May 25, 1953

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Seminary students now may apply at any time during their term of study for appointment in the Army Reserve as second lieutenants and for assignment as chaplains, the Department of the Army announced May 6.

The new program is another phase of the Army’s effort to extend its adequate future supply of chaplains.

Seminary students appointed under this program will be trained at The Chaplain School, Fort Snelling, Minn., or at an Army Seminary, South Carolina, during summer vacation periods.

As a condition to receiving appointments as second lieutenants, the seminarians must agree to accept, upon their graduation and commission as second lieutenants, if it is tendered, and to serve a minimum of two full years on active duty, if the Army requires their service.

A study of 1,978 ministerial students in 57 schools made by the Rural Church Department, Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J., shows that men are staying out of the ministry because no one is guiding them in. Their pastors influenced 34% of these men to become ministers. The boy’s mother comes next in influence with 17.4%, then his father with 11.2%.
THE SABBATH RECORDER

EDINBURG, TEX. — At the yearly business meeting January 4, 1953, the Edinburgh Sabbath School Officers elected were: Moderator, Mrs. Angeline P. Allen; clerk, Mrs. L. L. Van Horn; steward, Mr. Alfred De Leon, Sr.; trustee (for 3 years), Mr. J. Virgil Huey. The church roll January 1, 1953, shows an increase of 6 resident and 2 nonresident members during 1952, bringing the roll up to 36 resident and 16 nonresident. The church school roll of January 1 is 36 besides a home department made up of church members and interested persons.

The Sabbath church school and church attendance for 1952 was 19 — the highest single attendance being 36 and the lowest, 11. The average attendance January through March, 1953, has been: Sabbath school, 29; church, 25; Thursday evening prayer meeting, 11. Christian Endeavor with primary and junior-intermediate classes is well attended Sabbath and school afternoons. One adult had perfect attendance for nearly 3 years when the January influenza epidemic hit Edinburg.

The Edinburg Church has also been blessed this year with winter visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bird of Dodge Center, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller of Bas- sett, Neb., their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bruce of Boulder, Mont. and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cox of North Loup were also with us for one Sabbath morning worship service. We are always glad to welcome other Sabbathkeepers and wish that more of you might visit our sunny Southland. — Clerk.

Salem College Library

More than three hundred books have been given to the Salem College library during recent months by several donors. We are very thankful and encouraged to have these books, and we are always glad to welcome other Sabbathkeepers and wish that more of you might visit our sunny Southland.

DENVER, COLO. — Our first Homecom- ing Sabbath was held March 28. At the Communion service, Friday night, there were 56 members and 33 others, mostly church members. On Sabbath morning, 46 members were present, and 35 visitors and children, making a total of 81. At the business meeting last Sunday night, the clerk was asked to write a letter to members not represented at either service, telling them they were missed. We hope to have similar services again next year with better representation. This year's Homecoming was an inspiration, we felt, and the fellowship was fine. Once again we extend appreciation to the committee responsible for arrangements, headed by Paul and Lola Thorngate, and to all others who helped. — Denver Bulletin.

HEBRON CENTER, PA. — The new treasurer of our church and Sabbath school was incorrectly reported in the issue of May 4, page 215. It should read Mrs. Hilda Hanchett.

Accessions

Baptism: Rockville, R. I.
- Jean L. Armstrong
- Carlene Kenney
- Diana Kenney

Denver, Colo.
- Bruce Kittman
- J. R. Knowl
- Fay Wear (Mrs. Ralph)

Testimony: Fouke, Ark.
- Keith Griffith
- Juanita Mitchell
- Meleta Monroe

Statement: Judy Mote

Correction

It has been called to my attention that in my article, "The Problem of the Con- scientious Objector" (Recorder of April 24), I should have said that the reason Jehovah's Witnesses are sent to federal penitentiaries is that the first fed- eral government cannot agree that all who claim exemption on the ground of conscience are qualified for its services. The writers, and their students, can actually be classified as such. Paul S. Burdick.
REV. ANGELINE ABBEY ALLEN

Callie Angeline Prentice, daughter of William A. and Calphurna Babcock Prentice, was born at Berlin, Wis., December 4, 1872.

When eight months old, she with her parents moved to North Loup, Neb. At the age of eighteen years she took Jesus as her Saviour, was baptized, and became a member of the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church.

December 4, 1893, she married John J. Abbey of Lexington, Pa., and they made their home at Erie, Pa., until March, 1903, when she returned to North Loup with her invalid husband, who died in 1912. After the death of Mr. Abbey she attended Alfred University for a short time, taking special training to fit herself for the ministry, later attending the Methodist Theological Seminary of Chicago, Ill.

In 1913 she entered the Minneapolis Nurses' Training School of Practical Nursing, Minneapolis, Minn., from which she was graduated three years later.

In 1919 she was ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry at Dodge Center, Minn., after which she served several churches as pastor. Some time before she had been ordained deaconess and had served several groups and small churches as missionary pastor.

On September 2, 1923, she became the wife of D. S. Allen of Port La Vacca, Tex., the wedding ceremony taking place at the old home in North Loup, Rev. Herbert Polan officiating.

After her second marriage she moved to Fouke, Ark., where she served the Fouke Church as pastor, and as a teacher in the school for three years.

In 1926 she organized the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Edinburg. Later that same year she accepted the call of that church as pastor. She remained a faithful and helpful member even after ill health curtailed her work as regular pastor. Mr. Allen preceded her in death, December 28, 1940.

Up until a week before her passing, Mrs. Allen was active in social affairs, church work, Women's Benevolent Society, and the Women's Christian Temperance Union. She served as president of the Edinburg unit of the W.C.T.U. for two terms, and for three years as district president over an area which covered thirteen Texas counties.

She had served as keyworker for Lone Sabbathkeepers for many years, contacting by letter or personal visit many lone Sabbathkeepers throughout the denomination. She suffered a stroke of paralysis April 16, and passed away at Grandview Hospital, Edinburg, April 14, at the age of 80 years, 4 months, and 10 days.

Mrs. Allen's surviving relatives are: a brother, Descon A. L. Prentice of Nor Montville, Kan.; a sister, Mrs. Elaine Prentice Boehler of Edinburg; also five nieces and two nephews of whom only one nephew, J. Robert Boehler, resides at Edinburg. She also leaves many other relatives and friends.

A memorial service was conducted by her pastor, James M. Mitchell, at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Edinburg, Thursday, April 16. A second service, conducted by Rev. F. D. Saunders, was held Sunday, April 19, in the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church and burial was in Hillside Cemetery, North Loup, Neb. — Elaine Prentice Boehler.

It becomes no man to nurse despair, But in the teeth of clenched antagonisms To follow up the worthiest till he die. — Tennyson.

MARRIAGES

Hulet - Knolles. — Mike Lincoln Hulet and Barbara Louise Knolles of Wusterly, R. I., were united in marriage at the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist parsonage on Sabbath afternoon, April 11, 1953, by Rev. Charles H. Bond, pastor of the bride.

OBITUARIES

Shaw. — Dana L., son of Amos Anthony and Joanna Ryno Shaw, was born in Alfred, N. Y., September 29, 1879, and passed away unexpectedly at his home in Hornell, N. Y., December 4, 1952.

He was a member of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred.

He retired in 1946 after 50 years in the jewelry business in Alfred.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sada B. Shaw; a sister, Mrs. Laura Chamberlain of Alfred; a brother, Leon I., of Santa Monica, Calif.; two stepsons, and other relatives.

Memorial services were held on Sabbath afternoon, December 6, at the Grondal Funeral Home, Hornell, with Rev. John Furlong, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, Hornell, of which Mrs. Shaw is a member, officiating. Burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

H. S. W.