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## Church Services Entertaining?

By M. L. Rice

The church service, if it is to reach men and women, if it is to draw them back week after week, must be made interesting. People will not long come to meetings that have no appeal. But herein lies a great danger. This danger is that the service shall aim more at pleasing men, more at entertaining men, than in building men up in the faith. How to avoid this pitfall should be the studied plan of all who go into the pulpit.

It is no sign of a superior service because the meeting is dry. It does not mean that a minister has great spirituality because his sermons are uninteresting. Probably just the reverse is true.

The Bible is perhaps the most entertaining of all books. It appeals to every side of human nature. It has drama, music, poetry, pathos, tragedy, oratory, sermons, and unsurpassed stories. The greatest biographies ever written are found in the Bible. So it should not be too difficult to make the church service interesting, yes, even entertaining, if the Bible is not crowded out. Generous portions of the Bible will liven up any meeting.

The test, however, of the service is not so much in how well it entertains the people, but rather in what happens afterward. The acid test is not how many gladly hear the words, but how many go their ways and translate those words into life.

To the ancient prophet Ezekiel the Lord sent this message, "And lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not." Ezek. 33:32. Here was no average preacher. He was one that people liked to hear. Few men can merit such compliments. He could attract and hold his audience; yet, notwithstanding his eloquence, the point is that he was succeeding only in entertaining at least a large part of his congregation. His words left them unmoved. They

were not stirred to action. They did not cry out as did the people on the day of Pentecost, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

Our aim should be to make our services interesting and entertaining, yet at the same time to encourage people to transmute the words they hear into life, to turn feeling and emotion into godly action. When this is done, the church ceases to be a place of mere entertainment. It becomes a church girded for warfare.

About the most interesting thing in this world, the most fascinating, is to see a person, perhaps at great personal sacrifice, cut loose from all that the world offers, and devote his life to some great cause. Moses is a worthy example. Nothing is more sure of winning human approval and divine approbation than a life devoted to the cause of God, where men count not their lives dear unto themselves. When a church service, or a sermon does this, it more than entertains.

Christ denounced in strongest terms those who merely hear and then do nothing about it. On one occasion he compared such to a "foolish man," and, surely, all such are foolish. Instead of building life on solid rock, those who merely hear, but do not act, will find when the storms of life break upon them to have built on sifting sands. "And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand." Matt. 7:26.

If, in the church service, we are stirred by noble emotions, we fail of God's purpose unless we translate these emotions into action. We are given minds to admire the high and holy in order that by beholding we may become changed. If, from the services, the people go forth with this on their lips, "What wilt thou have me to do," then the church has not been a place of mere entertainment, but a place where God has met and spoken to His people.

## Sinkiang—The Heart of Asia

George J. Appel

The province of Sinkiang, sometimes called China's new dominion, lies in the very heart of Asia. The Mongolians have migrated from the East, the Russians from the North, the Turks from the West, the Tibetans from the South, and the Chinese from the Southeast. Its population is estimated to range from 1,700,000 to 6,000,000 people. They are made up of many races and creeds. In area it is larger than Germany, France, and Spain, combined. It is a land wider in extent than several of the provinces of China proper.

Sinkiang! Many areas are still places of mystery, some of which have never been trod by the foot of man. It is a land where rivers disappear in the sand and then again after a few miles break forth in oases and springs in and around which are found the habitats of man, and which provide food and water for the nomads roaming over its vast plains.

Tihwa, the capital of the province, is located in the north central part. Here the governor, appointed by the Chinese government, attempts to rule that vast domain. Before modern means of transportation came into use, travel by mule or horse cart, took months, through deserts and over mountains, infested by robbers, to reach this interior city. Even in modern times colporteurs, carrying the printed page of the third angel's message, spent over two months in travel, crossing the weary wastes, to reach this city from Lanchow, which is the headquarters of our Northwest China Union Mission. During recent years this has all been changed. Over approximately the same route, which served for centuries as a caravan road from the east to the west, an improved auto highway has been built, making it possible to cover by truck or car the distance in days where it formerly took weeks. Now along this same road air fields have been built, making it possible to travel from Shanghai to Tihwa, a distance of over two thousand miles, in less than two days flying time.

During recent years, or ever since the establishment of Seventh-day Adventist mission work in Lanchow, the capital of the province of Kansu, which is the gateway to Sinkiang, one of the definite aims has been to carry the gospel of a soon-coming Saviour to the people of Sinkiang, by placing representatives of this closing message in this remote province. As the result of the

influence of the work of the Northwest China Sanitarium and Hospital, this now seems possible. In all the province of Sinkiang, including Tihwa, the capital, there is no modern, equipped hospital, and as far as we know the nearest X-ray is in Lanchow, over one thousand miles away. Many leading government and other officials from Tihwa have been patients in the sanitarium at Lanchow. As a result of the help received they are now urging that a medical institution be established in Tihwa, and they are offering to assist in every way possible to provide travel, buildings, and facilities to make such a program possible.

In a country where Mohammedanism is the prevailing religion, hearts can be touched by ministering to physical needs when they can be approached in no other way. For years the doors to enter Sinkiang have been practically closed. Many prayers have been offered to God to open the way, for there are many in that interior land who are honest in heart. Now the doors are open. They may not remain open for long. What is to be done must be done quickly. May God help His people to make it possible to lengthen the cords to the very heart of Asia and gather in for Him those waiting in that land for the saving grace of the gospel.

*Editor's Note:* This is a most attractive project for great liberality on the part of God's people in their Missionary Extension offering on September 10. Let your gift be at least \$2.00 and as much more as possible.

## Weddings

In an impressive ceremony performed by Elder J. W. Wood at the Calvary Baptist church in Brewer, Maine, on June 19, 1949, Virginia Andrews Grant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cromwell Grant of Brewer, Maine, became the bride of Elbert Gardner Bates, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Bates, of Strong, Maine.

Miss Beverley Tarbell, cousin of the bride, of the New England Sanitarium, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were the Misses June and Joyce Tarbell, of Bridgeport, Conn., and Miss Shireen Andrews, of Old Town, Maine, all cousins of the bride. Willard Cross was best man for Mr. Bates. The ushers were Oscar Marden, Vernon Smith, and Roy Fickett.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The bride, a graduate of Atlantic Union College, has

taught at Sheyenne River Academy, Harvey, North Dakota, and at Brewer High School, Brewer, Maine. Mr. Bates, who served in the armed forces overseas, is now a senior at the University of Maine, at Orono.

The German Brooklyn church was the scene of a very lovely wedding on Sunday, August 14, when Catherine T. Chonkich, of Ridgewood, N. Y. became the bride of Arthur C. Fingerle, of Greenville, N. Y. The ceremony was performed by Elder W. A. Fagal. The maid of honor was Ruth J. Hirt, and Ernest Fingerle, the bridegroom's brother, acted as best man. Other attendants of the bride were Mrs. Bettie Broeckel, Miriam Fetzter, Inge Ketterer, and Zora Mesarovich. The ushers were Herman Sandles, Theodore Hirsch, Herman Wenz, and Carl Tulaszewski. After a honeymoon in Bermuda, Mr. and Mrs. Fingerle will make their home in South Lancaster where Mr. Fingerle will continue his pre-medical studies at Atlantic Union College. We wish for this couple the Lord's richest blessings.

On Sunday, August 21, Aida L. Bermejo and Roscoe G. Bartlett, Jr., were united in marriage in a lovely service in the Spanish Bronx church. Elder W. A. Fagal performed the ceremony.  
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### An Appeal

Some of our people are very much interested in the training of our young people. We have a sister who has expressed her desire to see some of our young people attend Union Springs Academy who are unable to do so because of finances.

She has made the suggestion that if this were announced through the GLEANER, there might be others like herself who would be willing to help support some of these worthy young people financially so they could receive training and preparation for the Lord's work. This sister is willing to send \$100. We have a number of worthy students who would greatly appreciate it if they could attend a Christian school, but they find it impossible unless some such help is given to them.

We, therefore, make this appeal to our members. If there are those who have a burden and, with the Lord's blessing, could do something toward a fund for this kind of work, you may send your gift to us and our committee will be glad to give careful study to the question to whom this money will be given. The conference also will be very happy to do everything possible to enable these young people to receive Christian training.

We hope there are those who can join with this sister in sending money for this purpose. Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

J. J. REISWIG

### Notice Please—Radio Broadcast

Elder O. D. Wright will have the morning devotional over radio station WHAM, 1180 Kilocycles, Rochester, N. Y., on September 10, 8:15 A.M. This is Sabbath morning.

We hope every Seventh-day Adventist will tune in to this station and send a letter or card of appreciation to the station if you have enjoyed the broadcast.

This is a 5,000-watt station so, no doubt, it can be heard through the entire eastern section of the conference.

Let us listen to this program, and then be sure to send a card to the sta-

tion telling them how much we appreciate such programs over their station. So many times we criticize because there are not very many good programs on the radio; but on the other hand, how much do we do to let them know what kind of programs we appreciate? They cater to the public, and if the public will express their desires, they can change the picture.

J. J. REISWIG

### Why—Union Springs Academy

- U- *Unity*—Unity makes for progress at U. S. A.
- N- *Nobility*—True Christians are most noble.
- I- *Inspiration*—Inspiration received for true service.
- O- *Opportunity*—Opportunity is given for all to grow spiritually, mentally, socially.
- N- *Neatness*—True Christians learn to be tidy and neat.
- S- *Spiritual*—Best environment for spiritual development.
- P- *Personal*—Personal interest is taken in the needs of each individual student.
- R- *Recreation*—Guided recreation follows the pattern laid down by God in the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy.
- I- *Industry*—Industry in work, study, or play is important.
- N- *Never*—Never a dull moment at U. S. A.
- G- *Greatness*—True greatness is developed by use of talents.
- S- *Scenic*—The beauty of the Finger Lakes region is an inspiration to all who attend the academy.
- A- *Alertness*—The ability to fit into a program makes for alertness.
- C- *Character*—Character comes as a result of Christian living.
- A- *Action*—Whether at work, at play, or at study the activities of the school are challenging to one's ability.
- D- *Diligence*—Success in life is determined by one's ability to do well that which he is attempting to do.
- E- *Education*—A well-rounded education awaits those who attend U. S. A.
- M- *Men and Maids*—Both boys and girls may attend the school. Proper direction is given to social activities.
- Y- *Youth*—Union Springs Academy is for YOU if you are of academy age. It is not a college and not a grade school. It is established and maintained for those who are in grades 9-12.

For many years we have been waiting for the day when Union Springs Academy would begin to really grow. While the past two years have been difficult because of the growing pains, we are now able to see the result of the dreams of many in the past. At last the new dormitory is finished. It is being furnished with new furniture and will be ready for the young women who come to school this year. This building is new and modern in every way.

It is second to none in the denomination so far as our academies go. Girls, why not come and enjoy the benefits of a new dormitory while receiving your Christian education?

On September 14 we are having an open house a time when we invite all of our friends to come and visit us and see the dormitory before the girls move in. Plan to come and be with us for this occasion. Guided tours will be conducted all afternoon.

For many years we have been wishing for a good band at U. S. A. I am happy to tell you that this year we are going to have excellent leadership for our musical talent. Mrs. Malcolm Hartwell will lead out in the piano department, and Mr. Arlee Torkelsen will be responsible for the choral and instrumental departments. Both of these teachers come to us with a background of training and experience that will insure strong leadership in their work.

While there are some new teachers this coming year, we are for the most part continuing the same faculty that we had last year. We feel this is fortunate, for changes are always detrimental if there are too many at one time. We are happy we can announce to you that we have a faculty of sincere Christians, as well as one scholastically prepared to lead out in their work.

While a college attached academy has its place as well as the church school which teaches the ninth and tenth grades, the ideal is the school where the teachers are able to give the emphasis to the needs of those who are strictly of academic age. It is there that they are able to develop socially under proper environment. It is there that emphasis is given to the development of qualities for leadership in the academy student. It is there that the teachers adapt themselves to the needs of the student of academy age.

In our modern age we know the value of specialization. It is by each man learning to do well that which he is doing that we are able to maintain our present high status of society in the United States. We have passed from the age when a man was "Jack of all trades and a master of none," into the age when the man must be able to say, "This one thing I do," and not, "These forty things I dabble in." If this is true in other phases of life, it is also true in education. If you are going to give your boy or girl the best in education, you will need to send him to the school

specializing in the education of those who are of about the same age as your child and who also have similar needs.

After you have weighed the matter carefully, ask God to lead you so it will be possible to give your boy or girl the best by sending him to Union Springs Academy.

School opens on September 19. There is still time to get in the application. Send it early if at all possible. If not, then bring it with you when you bring your child to Union Springs. For information regarding specific problems, please correspond with Professor Bartlett, Principal.

V. L. BARTLETT

## Report of Workers' Meeting

The long-looked-for and planned-for workers' meeting was held at Union Springs, August 14 to 18. These were days full of good things for everyone. The morning devotional was greatly appreciated, particularly the prayer bands. Many of the workers expressed their appreciation for the privilege of setting a time when we could meet in small groups and everyone could have a part in prayer.

The messages given by different ones were very timely. Elder Dick's messages were especially appropriate and brought to our attention the importance of preparing now for the finishing of the work and the coming of Christ.

Dr. Weniger, of the Seminary, gave some very helpful suggestions regarding the use of the voice. The suggestions regarding our vocal organs to be used in the singing, directed by A. D. Livengood, were right to the point and most helpful.

Elder H. F. Brown, of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, and Elder L. E. Esteb, our new union home missionary secretary, also gave some very profitable material along the line of their departments.

Elder M. L. Rice was there, and his morning devotional study was greatly appreciated.

Elder R. A. Nesmith and Elder H. W. Bass gave us something worth thinking about as far as the M. V. and Educational departments are concerned.

Professor L. N. Holm, the president of Atlantic Union College, gave some thoughts for all to take home and think about seriously and work to the end of

getting more of our young people from this section to attend Atlantic Union College, thus making it stronger and more efficient.

We were also pleased to have K. C. Beem, S. L. Clark, and T. R. Gardner with us. Brother Clark's study on the importance of the colporteur work was a thought-provoking presentation.

The climax came when all the workers took an entire evening and went, two by two, into the city of Auburn and called upon the people, leaving literature and enrolling them in the 20th Century Bible Course, and having prayer with the people wherever it was possible. The next morning when we had our experience meeting, we could hardly bring it to a close. In fact, we ran way over the allotted time in order to give everyone an opportunity to tell of the wonderful experiences they had had. We hope this is only a small beginning of what may be accomplished in all of our churches.

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## Baptism

On Sabbath, August 20, ten adults were baptized by Elder W. A. Fagal in Nanuet, N. Y.

The Spring Valley and Newburgh churches met together to witness the baptism and receive eight of the candidates into the Spring Valley church and two into the Newburgh church.

Among the eight received into the Spring Valley church, six are a result of the series of ten evangelistic meetings held in the American Legion Hall in Pearl River last fall and follow-up work with Bible studies. In these meetings Adrian Pratt, local elder of the Spring Valley church, led the music. Mrs. Cornelius Hager served as pianist. The ushering was in charge of Brother Adrian Pratt and Mrs. Thomas Kempton assisted in giving Bible studies. The church members distributed announcements and supported the meetings by their faithful attendance and liberal offerings.

May this baptism encourage the believers in this area and move to greater soul-winning activity.

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## Missions Extension Offering September 10

We bring to the attention of all our members that Sabbath, September 10, has been set aside as the date on which the Missions Extension Offering will be received in all our churches. As you no doubt know, the offering received on this day goes to finance new projects and carry on new work.

In a recent letter received from Elder W. E. Nelson, treasurer of the General Conference, he says, "You were present at the Spring Council and heard the statement of the treasurer of the General Conference that present financial indications are that there will be nothing to distribute to our mission fields this Autumn Council for 'special projects.' This makes it all the more imperative that we lift a little heavier than usual on 'The Missions Extension' Offering this year, which calls upon all our people to provide for such 'special projects' outside of budget provisions. This may be the only avenue in 1949 to provide for such 'specials.'"

We are asked to give \$2.00 per member. Not a very large goal, but as Elder Nelson says, "Should we actually reach this goal, the magnificent sum of nearly \$500,000 would thus be provided for these special projects."

The challenge is before us, dear brethren and sisters. None of us, I know, would be satisfied to see the work remain at a standstill through 1950. The work of God in the earth can never be finished this way. Can we afford to do less than is expected of us at this late hour in the earth's history? No, I am confident that Northern New England will meet the challenge successfully.

ROSCOE W. MOORE

## SUNSET TABLE

### Eastern Standard Time

	Sept. 9	Sept. 16
Portland, Maine,	6:03	5:50
New York, N. Y.	6:03	5:50
S. Lancaster, Mass.	6:08	5:55
Syracuse, N. Y.	6:26	6:13

Add one minute for each 13 miles west. Subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.

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**Evangelistic Effort**

For some time we have been planning to hold a summer evangelistic effort in Brooklyn. However, plans were hindered due to a delay in the shipment of the canvas tabernacle to be used for the series of meetings. When the tent finally arrived, it was quickly erected on Front Street between Grand Avenue and St. James Place, and within one week everything was in readiness.

On the opening night, July 31, the tabernacle was filled and many were standing on the outside. Meetings are being held nightly during the week. On Sunday night, August 7, the crowd was larger than on the opening night, and on August 14 the largest crowd up to that time gathered to hear the lecture, "Where Are the Dead?"

We solicit the prayers of the field for a rich harvest of souls.

H. W. KIBBLE, *Pastor*  
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Sept. 11—"Cain and Abel"

"Some forgive their enemies, but not until they are hanged."

**Southern New England**

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**Missions Extension Offering**

This year the regular Missions Extension Offering will be received in all of our churches on Sabbath, September 10. Usually at the Fall Council special allotments are given to mission fields for special projects. At the Spring Council, however, we were informed that the present financial condition of the General Conference is such that the organization is in no position to vote any money for special projects. This, of course, makes it all the more imperative that we lift a little heavier than usual on the "Missions Extension" Offering this year. The funds received on Sabbath, September 10, will be used for such special projects outside of the budget provision. We sincerely hope that the Missions Extension Offering here in our field will average \$2.00 per member. Let us do more than the ordinary for the cause of missions.

R. R. BIETZ

**Invitation to Annual Fall Dorcas Federations**

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend our fall federations. All the meetings will begin at 10:30 A.M., and will close at 3:30. The meetings will be as follows:

*Federation No. 1*—September 20: Worcester. S. D. A. Church, corner of Highland and West streets. Bring your lunch. Hot drinks will be served by the local Dorcas.

*Federation No. 2*—September 21: New Bedford, S. D. A. Church, corner of Willow and Bullock streets. Bring your lunch.

*Federation No. 3*—September 18: New Haven. Y. M. C. A., 52 Howe Street, New Haven. We can purchase our lunch in the cafeteria.

*Federation No. 4*—September 19: Gardner. At the church on Mission Street, just off West Street, which is Route 68. Bring your lunch. Hot soup will be served by the local Dorcas.

C. P. ANDERSON

*Home Missionary Secretary*

**News Notes**

*Dorcas Federations.* Elder C. P. Anderson attended the annual Dorcas Federation in New York City on August 16, and from there went on to the meeting of the Northern New England Dorcas Federation at Camp Lawroweld on August 18-21. He says that Northern New England is stealing a march on us in connection with welfare centers and the provision of food and clothing to those in need. The main emphasis of the meeting was on the need of the whole church rallying to this work of benevolence. We are sure our churches in Southern New England will continue to back this phase of our missionary work.

*Visitors.* We were pleased to welcome the following visitors to our conference headquarters last week: Elder J. B. Chrispens, leader of the Bridgeport district; Mr. Joseph Webb, the new principal of Brookside Academy; Mr. Donald Sandstrom, associate leader in the New Bedford district, and Elder V. A. La Grone, home missionary secretary of the New York Conference.

*20th Century Students Write:* "This Course has helped me to understand the Word of God more clearly and also the prophecies of the Bible. (I can hardly wait to start Course 2.) This Course has shown me the error I have been making in keeping Sunday as my sabbath, instead of Saturday—the true Sabbath of God. After studying these lessons, one can hardly believe any longer in the solemnity of Sunday. This course leads up to the Sabbath question very nicely, and after one reads the lessons and studies them carefully, then reads the next lesson following the Sabbath lessons, about the unpardonable sin, he could not very well believe in Sunday as the Sabbath; in fact, he couldn't. Your course has been very helpful to me. I have attended the Seventh-day Adventist church a few Sabbaths and I shall be glad when I am free to attend every Sabbath. I shall try to get others to take the Course, and I am thankful for all that you have done for me. I shall pray for you."

"Through this Course, I feel as though I am closer to God and have learned to detect the true from the false teachings of the Bible—I mean, man's false teachings. It has helped me in ways too numerous to mention."

"I wish to thank Mr. Anderson for introducing Brother Knipschild. We had a very pleasant visit, and I plan to visit his church this coming Sabbath." (That was two weeks ago).

What joy these lessons bring! Have you ever had the thrill of introducing them to a friend? Always carry a card or two with you. God will give you the opportunity of passing them on to someone if you really want to do so.

**Lancaster Library.** We are happy to know that our people place some of our fine books in the city and town libraries from time to time. The other day Sister Moody from South Lancaster informed us that she had placed the Conflict series in the Lancaster library. No doubt there are those who visit the Lancaster library from time to time and we felt it might be of interest to them to know that these books are on the shelves. Perhaps we could also encourage our friends who are not of the faith to read these books.

### Life At Its Best

"To talk with God before I talk with man. To do my daily work with sunshine in my face. To be strong in the presence of temptations; alert in the presence of opportunity; open-eared to the call of conscience for service or sacrifice; open-minded to views of truth which differ from mine.

"To make duty a joy, and joy a duty. To work and not to worry; to be energetic and not fussy. To be true to myself and false to no man; diligent to make a living and earnest to make a life. To cherish friendships and guard confidences. To be loyal to principal at the cost of popularity.

"To make no promises I cannot keep and to keep no foolish promises. To be faithful to every honest obligation. To be sweet tempered under criticism, charitable in my judgment. To honor no one simply because he is rich, to despise no one simply because he is poor.

"To be respectful, not cringing, to the great; sympathetic with the sorrowing; gentle to the weak; helpful to the fallen; courteous to all. To be simple in my tastes; quiet in my dress; pure in my speech; temperate in my pastimes.

"To companion with great books; cherish inspiring thoughts; and to keep my body on friendly terms with water and fresh air. To fear nothing but sin;

### A New Book

*Happiness for Husbands and Wives*, by Harold Shyrock, M. D., is an excellent treatise of personal relationships in the home, in which the physiological and psychological factors that disturb conjugal harmony are woven together with professional skill. Sensible courtship, the basis of a memorable honeymoon, the merger of personalities, intellectual and emotional conflicts, marital adjustments, sane attitudes toward sex, the responsibilities of rearing children, and many other vital aspects of wholesome Christian living are presented with sympathy and mature insight. For years the author has been contributing articles on these themes to various magazines with growing popularity. A condensation of his study of the factors that wreck homes and of a sane approach to those adjustments that lead to harmony is afforded in this volume, assuring a wide appeal among all classes of readers. The price is \$2.50. Order from the Southern New England Book and Bible House.

hate nothing but hypocrisy; envy nothing but a clean life; covet nothing but character.

"And at last to leave the world a little better for my stay; to face death without a tremor, with faith in Christ who tunneled the grave that I might walk into the larger and perfect life."

Author Unknown

(Contributed by Mrs. Alice Nowak)

### I Love the Earth

I love the earth that God has loaned to man;

Especially the trees, that home the tiny birds.

I love the earth with all its growing beauty,

In which I roam from early dawn until the setting sun.

The moon and the stars by night are my guide,

The sun my healing power.

The wind, with its soft, refreshing breeze

Gently blows and soothes my tired nerves.

I love the earth for all its growing beauty,

And every living creature, great or small.

I love the earth, and everything that's in it,

For God is the Maker of them all.

MATTIE SMITH

## OBITUARIES

**ARCHIBALD**—James B. Archibald passed away August 11, 1949, at the Bellevue Hospital in New York City, at the age of seventy-five. Just a little more than three years ago our brother accepted the third angel's message and became a member of the Washington Avenue church in Brooklyn. He remained faithful until his death. He had never married and leaves one brother, Randolph Archibald, to mourn his loss. After funeral services were conducted by the writer, our brother was laid to rest in New Rochelle, N. Y., to await the call of the Life-giver.

W. A. FAGAL

**CROSSMAN**—Harriett A. Crossman was born on Cliff Island, Maine, June 20, 1856 and died at the Maine General Hospital in Portland, July 13, 1949, after a prolonged illness. She was married to John L. Dyer from 1871 until his death in 1934. To this union were born five children: Mrs. Inez A. O'Reilly and Christine E. Dyer of Portland, Maine; Mrs. Terena E. Griffin and John Dyer, of Cliff Island, and Mrs. Harriett Doughty (deceased). Our sister was married to Merrill E. Crossman from 1938 until his death in 1943. Besides her children, she leaves to mourn twenty-six grandchildren and twenty-five great grandchildren, and many friends. Sister Crossman joined the Cliff Island church about thirty-eight years ago. Most of her life was spent on Cliff Island and in Portland. A faithful mother in Israel now sleeps awaiting the resurrection morning. Elder Floyd Hilliard assisted the writer in her funeral services.

ROSCOE W. MOORE

**PECKHAM**—Benjamin Franklin Peckham of Thompson, Conn., passed away at the City Hospital of Putnam, Conn., on August 5. Brother Peckham's failing health was known for quite a few years. His courage, his patience, and his faith in Christ did not fail. His life was a striking example of true Seventh-day Adventism. He was a member of the Quinebaug church, where he held the office of treasurer.

As an automobile dealer and garage owner he had numerous opportunities to witness for the truth he loved. More than one person has been won to the truth through Brother Peckham's efforts in personal soul-winning.

Brother Peckham is survived by his wife, Viola, a daughter Arlene, and a son, Franklin. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

NEAL BECKER

**RAY**—Arvilla B. Ray was born at Iron Hill, P. Q., Canada, and moved to Manchester, N. H., forty-eight years ago.

She accepted our faith under the labors of Elder O. D. Cardey about twenty-two years ago. She talked freely of her faith to her children and friends, and commented almost daily on the signs of fulfilling prophecy.

She was a patient sufferer for years, and passed away quietly in her sleep on August 1, 1949, at the age of ninety-one. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Eva Burpee, a son, Nelson Ray, and two grandchildren.

Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder Roscoe W. Moore.

HAZEL E. MALICK

**WOLFENDEN**—Mrs. Alice (Smith) Wolfenden, seventy-three, wife of Frank Wolfenden of Dodge, Mass., passed away August 9 at the St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. Besides her husband she is survived by one son, Lonsdale of Charlton, Mass.; also four daughters, Mrs. Bessie Cummings, also of Dodge, Mrs. Anna Smith of Cambridge, Mass., Mrs. Mildred Hardesty of Maynard, Mass., and Mrs. Alice Perry of Spencer, Mass.; and twenty-two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

About a year and a half ago Mrs. Wolfenden, a student of our Bible Correspondence School at South Lancaster, wrote them of the plight of the then defunct Dodge Sunday School, asking for counsel and help. As a result of this plea Brother Leon Littlefield, Sabbath school superintendent of the Worcester church, organized a Sunday school in Dodge, meeting in the union church there. At this writing the Sunday school continues with a membership of approximately thirty. Although Mrs. Wolfenden was not a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church, she was favorable to our message and a real Christian. Failing health prevented her from doing many things that she really wanted to do. She was a member of the Christian Missionary Alliance church at Worcester and also a member of the Helping Hand Society at Charlton. She has been a faithful Sunday school teacher for many years.

NEAL BECKER

## ADVERTISEMENTS

Reference from local conference office must accompany request for advertising space in the GLEANER. Rate, \$1.00 for forty words or less each insertion; 2¢ per word for each additional word. Cash should accompany each advertisement.

**OPENINGS**—Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, South Attleboro, Mass., desires to contact a male graduate registered nurse with ability to supervise, also experience in teaching nursing subjects. Maintenance provided. Please contact Mr. G. J. Gohde, Manager, at the sanitarium address.

**NURSING CLASS**—Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, South Attleboro, Mass., announces the opening of a new class Sept. 7, 1949, for practical nurse aid training. Any desiring to take the course please contact Mrs. Elsie Cummings at the Sanitarium address.

**WANTED**—Graduate nurse and cook for all sanitarium. Apply: Marion Hartle, N. Williamsport Sanitarium, Williamsport, Pa., Tel. 2961. Nice surroundings, near church and academy.

**WANTED**—Seventh-day Adventists to pick potatoes. The season begins around Sept. 15 and will be about three weeks long. Write George O. Peterson, R.F.D.1, Box 63-A, Presque Isle, Maine.

**WANTED AT ONCE**—Several workers for clerical nursing and housework. One to do night nursing. Must be Seventh-day Adventist. Fair wages. Church privileges. Good hours. Middleboro Sanitarium Pleasant Street, North Middleboro, Mass. Telephone Middleboro 169-W5.

## LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

For Week Ending August 13, 1949

Greater New York							
Howard D. Burbank, Pub. Dept. Sec.		Dep't. Sec.					
Miss Hazel Brent, Pedro De Jesus, Assts.							
Colporteurs	Hours	Orders	Del				
Potash, A.	25	60 35	31 10	Brown, L.	21	50 50	6 25
Rosenberg, M.	22	39 50	14 00	Bruce, H.	21	39 75	
Murray, Mr. and Mrs.	16	60 00	60 00	Brown, I.	20	31 75	11 35
Ruhl, G.	16	3 75	2 00	Smith, A.	18	28 90	5 40
Turner, E.	15	22 25	58 75	Bryan, T.	14	6 50	18 25
Dixon, R.	11		12 25	Heyliger, J.	11	29 65	16 65
Haas, P.	10		13 25	Price, K.	10	19 00	20 50
Schub, J.	8	5 30	5 30	Ford, J.	52	96 00	96 00
Curtis, B.	4	3 50	3 50	Phillips, S.	48	36 00	34 00
West, F.	4	4 00	4 00	Richmond, L.	37	61 00	61 00
Outhouse, V.	1			Ford, J.	31	48 00	48 00
Corey, A.		75 00	75 00	Blake, R.	29	9 30	9 30
Lind, W.	13	20 75	20 75	Charles, E.	20	60 00	29 00
Span. Workers	145	441 65	353 55	Ephesus, Aux.	19	91 79	73 04
14 Colporteurs	290	775 80	680 95	Abrams, M.	18	18 55	18 55
				Narvaez, B.	11	22 88	12 48
New York				Morgan, M.	11	25 50	25 50
Clark Dilts, Pub. Dept. Sec.		Dep't. Sec.		Daly, A.	10	11 70	5 10
Mrs. Phyllis Margerum, Asst.				Ephesus Aux.	10	12 00	12 00
Prest, E.	60	84 00	14 00	Bethel Aux.	40	100 50	100 50
A. Colporteur	55	50 00		Edgecombe, J.	39	135 34	60 80
Prest, D.	40	45 75	23 75	Lawrence, J.	34	110 25	81 60
Weiland, A.	40	34 85	39 85	Smith, K.	32	89 78	58 58
Christoph, E.	39	70 00	67 00	Lawrence, A.	31	263 00	48 75
MacLeod, G.	31	80 50	46 00	Wade, D.	30	58 60	58 60
Steele, A.	30	19 00	20 00	Wilkinson, A.	27	27 20	53 45
Steele, A.	30	68 25	26 50	Jones, S.	21	30 30	39 30
Hiscock, A.	29	55 00		McBee, M.	10	12 00	12 00
Richards, J.	21	75 50	4 00	61 Colporteurs	1641	3521 51	2377 00
Burks, A.	20	60 00	41 00				
Kinnicutt, L.	9	30 50	30 50	Northern New England			
White, C.	8	5 00	28 50	L. D. Dryer, Pub. Dept. Sec.			
Lyon, Mrs. M.	7	2 00	12 00	Barnett, E.	30	55 50	49 00
MacLeod, D.	6	25 25	25 25	Colburn, H.	35	140 25	64 50
White, C.	5	8 25		Johnson, L.	8	16 00	
16 Colporteurs	420	713 85	387 35	Johnson, L.	13	22 25	6 00
				Mansfield, E.	17	66 65	45 65
Northeastern				Watson, M.	31	164 00	54 00
C. M. Willis, Pub. Dept. Sec.		Dep't. Sec.		Watson, J.	9	29 70	9 35
S. O. James, M. Morrison, M. Barber, Assts.				7 Colporteurs	143	494 35	228 50
Edwards, M.	85	130 00	120 00				
Bell, M.	45	108 75	108 75	Southern New England			
Thomas, E.	43	37 50	37 50	Chester P. Lamson, Pub. Dept. Sec.			
Davis, L.	39	37 85	37 85	Miss Thelma Planagan, C. Walkowiak, Assts.			
Smith, A.	35	56 60	56 60	Barnaby, H.	4	10 00	7 00
Douglass, T.	29	34 75	27 65	Renoit, L.	13	20 50	83 25
Washington, M.	28	60 00	75 00	Riresack, Mrs. C.	7	11 60	11 60
Baker, K.	26	127 50	34 25	Rlack, A.	6	13 00	13 00
Baker, K.	26	111 75	40 75	Chase, R.	32	113 50	69 00
Baker, K.	23	92 25	20 25	Clarke, Mrs. E.	15	11 00	22 25
Davis, L.	22	50 75	50 75	Clarke, J.	15		14 00
Anderson, D.	19	13 85	13 85	Fisel, F.	41	97 50	176 50
Simmons, U.	13	35 00	35 00	Fisel, F.		83 25	83 25
Hewitt, H.	18	35 00	35 00	Forlander, H.	30	26 50	9 50
Brae, C.	16	40 00	40 00	Forlander, H.	30	26 50	9 50
Cummings, L.	16	34 00	34 00	Graves, W.	33	98 00	26 00
White Plains Aux.	16	32 00	32 00	Hale, Mrs. F.	3	20 00	
Jackson, C.	12	18 35	18 35	Higgins, D.			88 00
Buffalo Group	10	11 50	11 50	Hill, N.	3	4 50	4 50
Jackson, F.	10	8 10	8 10	Hill, Mr. and Mrs. W.	4	6 00	51 00
Brown, A.	9	12 05	12 05	Hubbell, Wm.	9	8 25	
Bruce, H.	51	49 50	49 50	Knapp, R.	39	81 75	81 75
Campbell, V.	46	111 15	111 15	Knox, A.	3	12 50	
Bruce, H.	51	49 50	49 50	Knox, W.	36	52 25	43 25
Hughes, E.	42	69 00	57 75	Kormos, Y.	33	11 66	11 66
Barry, T.	37	216 00	25 30	Lombard, C.	28	490 00	380 00
Stanley, C.	36	106 25	75 25	Manton, L.	2	70	70
Starks, L.	36	22 70	11 70	Manton, L.	2	45	45
Starks, L.	35	32 75		Manton, L.	4		
Johnson, S.	35	159 75	19 45	Mather, P.	32	108 00	7 00
Harris, C.	34	25 00	25 00	Monteiro, J.	24	41 75	
Ephesus Aux.	23	34 40	113 75	Peckham, Mrs. H.	12	37 50	
Farrington, S.	21	68 50	15 00	Riley, T.	4	15 25	15 25

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Mrs. Martha Diaz was the matron of honor, and John G. Bartlett, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The happy couple will make their home in Takoma Park, Maryland, where Mr. Bartlett is a teacher at the University of Maryland. We wish for them much of heaven's blessings.

Bermuda			
J. A. Toop, Pub. Dept. Sec.			
Lynch, S.	6	50 92	32 98
Smith, L.	4	5 01	13 78
Simons, A.	1	4 51	4 51
Roberts, P.	4	9 12	9 12
Robinson, L.	17	74 78	17 44
Robinson	22	31 67	21 65
Anderson, K.	7	220 57	44 51
7 Colporteurs	61	406 58	143 99
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## If You Have Not Done So—

Have not done what? Written to your United States Senators and the Congressman representing your district, protesting against blank-day calendar revision. You know the reasons: Blank-day calendar revision would cause the utmost confusion in religion because of its disturbance of the weekly holy days, it would interfere with personal religious liberty, and would doubtless cause the utmost dissension among churches.

The World Calendar Association blank-day plan has now been placed on the Provisional Agenda for the meeting of the United Nations Assembly next September, and is very likely to come up for discussion. Therefore, please write at once to the Secretary of State, U. S. Government, Washington, D. C., asking the American delegates to the UN be informed as to the dangers to religious peace and liberty inherent in the blank-day calendar plan, and urging that the delegation oppose the proposal.

FRANK H. YOST, *Secretary*  
*Committee on Calendar Revision*

### Lay Workers' Institute

A unionwide Lay Workers' Conference will be held in the Albany, New York, S.D.A. Church, September 8-11, 1949.

#### Speakers:

Elders T. L. Oswald and H. F. Brown from the General Conference; Elders Rice and Esteb from the union; and the presidents and home missionary secretaries from the local conferences.

#### Who Invited:

Invitations to this meeting will be extended to our brethren and sisters who are to attend by their respective conference committees.

M. L. RICE, *President*  
L. E. ESTEB, *Home Miss. Sec.*

### The Calendar Issue

We are reading much these days in our various periodicals about the proposed calendar change. We sincerely hope the frequency of the different articles does not give such a commonplace effect in our thinking that we lose the reality of this important issue. This has to do with our liberties.



### God's Plan In Education

No. 8

Many important lines of industrial work are mentioned in the testimonies, and emphasis is placed upon having competent instructors. After the special testimonies came from Mrs. White, the industries were restored to Battle Creek College and in all our schools there has been an endeavor to foster industrial activities. Unfortunately, many times they have not been as educative as they should be, for here was a difficulty that was hard to surmount. There was no literature and often poor or inadequate tools to work with. There were lacking both material and method and there were many mistakes made in the work that was attempted. Teachers were as lacking as was appropriate literature, and these have had to be developed largely through trial and error. The first teachers were self-made, evolving with their own experience both the matter and methods of an entirely new educational field. The first attempts at teaching were little more than an effort to train in handcraft, developing the art side of industries in imitation of the obsolete apprentice system. It is only in recent times that the science of industry has combined with the art to make this work more truly educative.

Perhaps the greatest of all handicaps has been the stigma that has constantly

attached itself to industrial work. In the pattern school established at Avondale, Australia, there was an attempt made to have the teachers go out with the students, supervising their work and working with them. This would tend to dissipate the class attitude which placed the so-called white collar worker in a different rank from the industrial worker. This would work very well were it not for the fact that so many teachers have no vocational skill and therefore cannot be used without bringing discredit upon themselves.

The stigma attached to industrial work has kept the most able men and women from becoming teachers in the lines and the result has been a very shoddy program of vocational education. Instinctively, when we think of the poor job we have done, we are reminded of the disciple who "followed afar off," for surely this is chargeable to us in our program of vocational education. The secular schools have not far out-classed us, and we are beginning to realize that it is always safe work by a pattern that God has given and to walk by faith and not by sight.

We stand on the threshold of eternity. It makes us sad to look back and see how poorly we have discharged our responsibility in this regard. Let us even now take hold of this work with new zeal and perhaps God will send help us to redeem the time.

L. N. HOLMES

It is always a bit of wisdom to put our good literature in the hands of those in our country who hold important and influential positions. We do this with our fine *Liberty* magazine, and many are the testimonials that come from unbiased minds complimenting us for the stand we take on civil and religious liberty.

We are thinking now of a book which has been especially written on the calendar question. The author is Elder Carlyle B. Haynes, whom most of us know. The name of the book is *World Calendar Versus World Religion*. This is a book you must read to appreciate,

and we would like to suggest that you make yourself a committee of one to see that this book gets into the hands of influential people around you, such as legislators, ministers, teachers, public officials, lawyers, etc. It will be worth your time and money. Prices on these books are as follows:

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