

# I WRITE

As I See It

By Barton W. Marsh

Two bills have been introduced into the 80th congress, which have for their purpose, the bringing to an end, in the year, 1949, the Gregorian calendar, which has functioned since the year, 1582. They propose to use a blank day calendar, beginning with the year, 1946.

It would appear that these bills are receiving strong support from various labor, business, scientific, political and social organizations but as yet, there appears to be no favorable response from many of the various religious organizations. They have been referred to the house committee on foreign affairs.

If either of these bills should be approved by the congress, and become law, the Biblical, and true seventh day of the week, known as Saturday, would be called Friday, during 1951. It would be called Thursday during the first half of 1952, and Wednesday the last half of the same year. It would be Tuesday for 1953, Monday 1954, and Sunday, 1955, and in 1956 it would complete the round and be called Saturday again. Then in 1957, the operation would begin all over again.

The twenty-four hour day and the seven day week were both established by God himself at the time of creation, and for 6000 years there has been no attempt made to alter, or tinker with these two divine arrangements of time. During the centuries the world has had various arrangements for computing the monthly and yearly time, but the weekly cycle has not been affected.

There can be no doubt that improvement can be made in our present yearly and monthly calendar that would be beneficial to various lines of human activity, but this could all be worked out without tampering with the adjustment of the days of the week.

The change will adversely affect religious communals in a very serious manner. It would

directly undermine all the fixed holy and festival-days of all religious orders without exception. It would work great hardship upon all who conscientiously observe a fixed day of the week in Divine worship. There are many who consider Sunday, the first day of the week, as a day to sacredly observed in commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Many others observe another day, such as Saturday, the Bible Sabbath, or Friday, the Mohammedan day of rest. All would be brought to face great embarrassment and difficulty, and many would be unable to adjust themselves to the new order, the outcome of which could easily result in persecution of a serious nature.

American people should be quick to recognize in laws of this nature a direct and dangerous thrust at the constitutional liberties guaranteed to the people of this great land. It is in days such as these that the people of many lands have sold their liberties for a mass of pottage.

We urge that careful consideration be given to this new move which is of world-wide significance; and do not hesitate to write your senator or congressman, and better still members of the house committee on foreign affairs to vote NO on this and any similar legislation that will in any manner affect the liberties and freedoms of our people.

We will have more to say about these bills later. In the meantime acquaint yourselves with their true significance. They are dangerous.

During the French Revolution an attempt was made in France to establish a ten-day cycle of time, but it failed within a short time and the weekly cycle was restored.

Russia also in later years attempted to change the order of the weekly cycle, but I understand that this has been abandoned and a return has been made to the original seven-day cycle.

Jack Kinney, who sold 30 advance tickets, led the VFW post here in the recent benefit dance to raise funds for the ambulance, it has been reported.

## Harbor School Notes

### FIRST GRADE

Nine boys and girls have been absent from school this week. They are: Walter Craig, Lana Woody, Dale Crump, Anna Ettinger, Anna Jean Gardner, Marjorie Darger, Jerry Spencer, Jerrie Cagley, and Lillian Fielder. Lana, Anna Jean and Lillian returned to school Tuesday.

The seeds we planted February 25, were above the ground Monday. The little plants are growing nicely.

Sandra, Judy, Philip, Sharon, and James wrote their numbers from 1 to 100 Tuesday.

Group A reading class has new readers, "Our New Friends." Group B will have the new reader, "Fun with Dick and Jane," next Tuesday.

### SECOND GRADE

Judy Spencer has been helping part of our reading group.

We made flowers out of colored paper.

Last week we went into the first grade room to listen to the phonograph.

On Monday we weighed ourselves, and most of us have gained since we weighed in November.

Tuesday we had a game in arithmetic and wrote numbers.

Lots of us have been absent because of colds and chicken pox.

### THIRD GRADE

Donald Callaway won the pottery duck to keep in spelling.

Dick Tadling won the penguins in the arithmetic contest. We play many games on the school grounds, such as cat and dog, bull-in-pen and Chinese tag.

Stephen Henry brought a map to school.

We are drawing rabbits in art. Gary Payne, Judith Spencer, Marjorie Moore, and Kenneth Fielder are good at it.

Pat Kennedy and Gary Ault have been out of school.

Gale Ettinger brought a paper weight for Mrs. Morgan.

Gale Ettinger brought a paper dine for the winners of the spelling contest.

Judith Spencer is helping Mrs.

Steele with a reading group in the second grade.

## Cub Scout Doings

This month the Cubs are making weather vanes and practicing on pays for their monthly meeting, March 24, at the Odd Fellow hall. All the dens are also collecting food and clothing for relief of the starving peoples overseas.

Canned goods, soap, writing paper, thread, needles and any non-perishable and non-breakable items are needed. Postage on these items will average 15c a pound.

The Cubs are taking great pride in this work.

### DEN NEWS

Mrs. Widney's den, No. 1, reports that three of her Cubs have their uniforms now and the remainder are working hard to earn theirs.

Some of the Cubs of Den 1 are seeing results from the gardens they planted.

Bobcat Gale Ettinger has

brought in a flood of articles he has made. Widney is ahead on articles.

Our new Cub chief, Berger, of Den 2, reports his Cubs are doing a good job. Davis Jasmias was elected Denner. Dick Newman is burrometer for the Odd Fellow hall. Spangler needs two or three boys in her den.

Den chief, Jimmy Lytle reports that his den is a garden chart. A den under construction. They have collected several for the food box drive. Mrs. Widney needs two more Cub boys in her den.—George Widney

Attorney Ed F. Adams has been at San Francisco the past two weeks in the tax courts, is expected to be home early next week.

Men, to help erect ground equipment at the school are urgently needed. "Dad" Foltz, who is in installing this equipment.

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