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## Conference President's Corner

### "WORKMEN APPROVED OF GOD"

"Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2: 15. (A.S.V.)

We Seventh Day Baptists do not need a new program for 1948-49. We need only to work more zealously the one we already have. For we have a program now.

This program has been developing over the past few years into a goal that is definite and clear-cut. For a couple of years we were challenged by the theme, "First Things First," and every week some aspect of our work or our needs, our privileges or our duties, was kept before us. Then we had for the next year the slogan, "Saved to Serve." This made clear to us that we have been redeemed by a great salvation which is the gift of God. But it also reminds us that this salvation is not only for God's glory (which it is), and not alone for our good (which is also true), but that we are saved to be the loving bond servants of the dear Lord who redeemed us. Last year the immediacy of our duty was kept before us in the slogan, "Go Work Today." And, in connection with it, President Stillman suggested a goal to double the membership of each Church in the next twenty-five years, and prepared a chart by which each Church can check its progress toward that goal. Each of our major boards is gearing its program into some definite recognition of that steady goal.

The theme chosen by your new president seeks only to increase the emphasis of these recent years. The word, "Workmen," couples directly with last year's slogan, "Go Work Today." The words, "Approved of God," turn our thought unto Him who has called us to serve, who guides us with His wisdom, and empowers us with His strength, and to whom all our labors must finally be referred for judgment. Let us earnestly seek that wisdom from above which will enable us to become "Workmen Approved of God."

Loyal F. Hurley.

### \$95 PER DAY

The new Conference budget year began October 1. Through the sacrificial contribution of President and Mrs. Loyal F. Hurley, which contribution was humbly and freely given, the work of Seventh Day Baptists through the Denominational Budget was completely financed that first day, October 1.

This act on the part of the Hurleys in no way savors "of self-glory on the one hand," nor does it "seem like undue pressure on the other." It is a divinely-prompted demonstration of faith with works.

It is too early for the majority of us to know how nearly the 1947-48 Denominational Budget was raised. In the near future the treasurer's report will be published. And much of the total amount will represent genuinesacrifice. All of us who have had a share in making possible the accomplishments of the past fiscal year rejoice that God has granted us this high privilege. Truly, our heart is in the work, for our treasure is there.

Our 1948-49 fiscal year calls for continued or even greater sacrifice, if such is possible. And, we are fully persuaded that with renewed and increased interest, such is possible. When we offer unto the Lord our first fruits, the remainder of the harvest becomes more meaningful.

Seventh Day Baptists are increasingly accepting the claims of Christ upon their means. Tithers are increasing. When the first tenth is set aside for the Lord's work, the other nine tenths are used more in keeping with His will. There may be some folks who are not in position to give one tenth of their income. And there are doubtless those who can and do give more than the tithe. Whatever the share, and whatever the form in which we contribute our share, let us strive to practice the Apostle Paul's admonition: "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9: 7.

\$95 per day will finance all our work to be supported by the Denominational Budget. The spirit of this appeal electrifies us. **Why not pay as we go?**

### CONFERENCE COMMENTS

The passing of one month in no way dims the high experience of General Conference at North Loup. In fact, the true test of such a gathering is found to be how lasting and far-reaching the experience becomes. From the babe in arms to the eldest in attendance there was a range of impression and response that combine to consolidate into an invincible spirit the hopes and prayers and plans of the recent Conference sessions. Just as each succeeding Conference becomes a landmark, so the North Loup one did in a significant sense. Delegates and visitors, Churches and communities, are being changed as a result of the Holy Spirit's presence and power. Channels of witness were unclogged, fresh channels were opened, to the flow of divine grace and mercy. This comment is not just so many words conjured up by an overactive imagination. It is born of reality. Nothing is quite so clear as this is. Seventh Day Baptists, individually and collectively, in personal and corporate life, are advancing toward God as revealed in Jesus Christ.

This advance, of course, cannot be separated from the accomplishments of the past, nor would it be desirable to do so. The past has its unchallenged glory. And it is in this glory of the recent and the remote that we bask. Yet, we of the present betray the future unless we "give the best that we have to the highest that we know." Jesus Christ and His way of life is the highest that we know. He requires our best. Are we giving it?

### DID YOU KNOW THAT —

Seventh Day Baptists opened the Caribbean High School on September 6, 1948, in Kingston, Jamaica, with a staff of five teachers, three of whom are from the United States?

### THE TITHE

Thank God for the tithe;  
Thank Him for the chance of it,  
And for the expanse of it,  
And for the advance of it,  
Thank Him for the right of it,  
Thank Him for the might of it,  
And for the delight of it,  
Thank God for the tithe.

—Baptist Record.

## A MOUNTAINTOP EXPERIENCE

By Denison D. Barber

(An account of his trip to the Southwestern Association and Conference, given at the Sabbath morning service of the Pawcatuck Church at Westerly, R. I., September 4, 1948.)

Tuesday morning, August 3, "Dave" Clarke and I started off for the Southwestern Association at Nady, Ark. Joy Miars went with us as far as her home in Jackson Center, Ohio.

We started out about 7:30, went to New York City where we ate our lunch, then on to Plainfield where Dave had to proofread the Annual Report of the Missionary Society. While he looked over the report, Joy and I looked over the Seventh Day Baptist Building. About 4:30 we started out, in the rain, for Harrisburg. We stopped for the night, after running out of the rain, fifteen miles beyond Harrisburg.

Wednesday morning we started off about 6 o'clock and after running in and out of rain through the tunnels on the turnpike for about one and one-half hours, we got into Pittsburgh and had clear weather through the West Virginia hills and until we got over into Ohio, where we ran into heavy rain all the way until we got to Jackson Center, about 7:30. Mrs. Miars certainly gave us a wonderful feed—so much we wondered if our stomachs could stand it after the small meals we had had en route.

Thursday morning we looked inside the Jackson Center Church, then went on in beautiful weather, through Indianapolis down into the hills of southern Indiana and Illinois, across the Ohio River to Paducah, Ky., across Kentucky to the Tennessee border, where we spent the night after traveling 488 miles that day.

Friday morning we started off at 5 o'clock, ferried across the Mississippi at Tiptonville, and drove on across comparatively flat country in Missouri and Arkansas until about 2 o'clock, when we came to DeWitt. Nady is about twenty miles beyond. We arrived at Nady at about 3 o'clock, in the middle of their afternoon session. We walked in just as we were, and the session was immediately interrupted so that we could be in-

roduced. While I was at Nady, I slept in a tent with the boy campers from the association's camp, which moved over from Y City in full force for the association.

The people in Nady are very religious and really live their religion. They will leave no stone unturned in their attempt to make you feel at home. They fed us all we could eat and the food was very good. Speaking of roads and weather, the two don't go together very well down there. When we came in, it was dry and dust covered everything very quickly and very thickly. Sabbath afternoon it started to rain, and before long nearly everyone was wading barefooted through the mud. Sunday night, after taking some women to DeWitt, we were unable to get onto the road leading to the Church, because the mud was up to the fenders. In spite of the mud and dust the association sessions were surprisingly well attended, with between 150 and 200 people present at the evening sessions, which is a far better percentage of the 511 people in the association than any other association can boast of, I think.

The theme of the association was "Let's Be About Our Father's Business."

Monday morning we started on with the Beebe family (Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Beebe, David, and Paul) as passengers. We left Mrs. Beebe to get a bus in Stuttgart, and went on to Little Rock to visit a man who had been severely injured in a logging accident. Then we went on through the beautiful Ozark Mountains to Marshall, where we spent the night. Tuesday we continued on through the Ozarks to Gentry, where we ate our dinner, took some pictures of our Church, and left Paul Beebe.

We then continued on, intending to go the whole length of the Osage Indian Reservation, but after crossing a corner of it, missed a turn and went parallel to it just over the Kansas border, where we spent the night in our hammocks. Wednesday we went on to Hutchinson, where we visited and rested awhile with friends of Dave's before heading for Camp Ericson at 3 o'clock in the morning to avoid midday heat. About two weeks before this Hutchinson had been struck by a

severe tornado, which had done damage similar to the '38 hurricane. The water in the street in front of the house where we stayed was driven against the cellar wall with such force that it caved in and the cellar was filled with water nearly to the first floor level, damaging considerable household machinery stored in the cellar. We arrived at Camp Ericson in the middle of the afternoon, ending a trip of nearly 3,000 miles. We saw rice, cotton, sorghum, cypress trees, and many other trees and birds I had never seen before.

The camp was located at Ericson, on the Cedar River, among the sand hills, in the western Nebraska ranch country. It is used most of the time as a hunting and fishing camp and is made up of five small cabins, holding from six to fourteen campers, and a cook shack. There were about forty "kids" at the camp, from twelve different states, who were under the leadership of Rev. Rex Zwiebel, camp director.

In the morning we had our alone hour, when we were given a verse to study by ourselves and then discuss as a group, followed by a lecture class on "My Life," by Rev. Earl Cruzan, which we afterwards discussed in small groups. After this we had our interest group talks and discussions, led by some of our young pastors and theology students.

There were four interest groups: (1) Visitation Evangelism, (2) Bible Work, (3) A Vital Sabbath Faith, (4) All God's Children.

In the afternoon we had a class on missions, followed by our music class where we learned many new songs and choruses, which we sang for fifteen minutes before each evening session of Conference.

In the evening we had vespers, which were prepared by groups of about six, each of whom took an active part and a different group prepared them for each night: so nearly everyone had a chance to participate actively in the vesper program. After vespers we had our campfire, with filmstrips by Allen Bond two nights, a stunt night another, and the last night we had a very impressive candle-

lighting service. Each camper would come forth, light his candle from the main one, give a brief statement of what camp had meant to him, and place his candle, which was on a flat, square block of wood, in the pond so that his light might shine forth. This was a very fitting climax to camp and certainly put us in the right spirit for Conference.

At Conference there were about a hundred young people. We sang for fifteen minutes at the beginning of each evening session. We had two rollerskating parties, one Monday and one the night after the Sabbath, which were well attended and greatly enjoyed. Tuesday and Thursday we had fellowship suppers given by the women of the Methodist Church, and Sunday morning we had a fellowship breakfast given by the young people of our North Loup Church.

We had a very nice trip back, with a four-day stop in Salemville, Pa., where Dave did some missionary work, and I got an idea of what his work was really like and how much two sincere Christians could differ over a point.

## "WORLD CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS"

Church World Service — the agency of most of the Protestant Churches of the United States in administering Church relief in Europe and Asia — has organized a special "Committee on World Friendship Among Children" to provide Christmas parcels for underprivileged children in Europe and China. The packages for Europe may be designated for use in England, Holland, Finland, Denmark, Norway, Belgium, France, Luxemburg, Italy, Poland, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Russia, Germany, or Switzerland. Parents, teachers, and leaders of youth have been asked to instruct the children in what to send and to inspect the packages. Packages should reach the committee (214 East 21st St., New York City) by November 1, so that they can be shipped and distributed at "World Christmas Festivals" in overseas cities on December 15. Details of the project may be secured from the committee secretary, Mrs. Gerda Schairer. — W. W. Reid.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

### Paris Memorandum No. 1

(Prepared by Walter W. Van Kirk, secretary of the Department of International Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Dr. Van Kirk is attending the General Assembly as the accredited observer of the Federal Council of Churches.)

The eyes of the world are fixed upon the Palais de Chaillot, in Paris, where the General Assembly of the United Nations is in session. History will be made here. It will presently be determined whether the tensions which currently threaten the peace are to be relaxed, or whether the "cold war" is to be continued for an indefinite period.

The General Assembly got under way in an atmosphere of hope mingled with concern. There was hope that world public opinion would be able to crash through "iron curtains" and make articulate the desire of millions that a way be found to establish an enduring peace. At the same time, there was concern that the forces making for international disorder might get out of hand. The situation was admittedly critical. Count Bernadotte, United Nations Mediator for Palestine, had been assassinated. The UN flag flew at half mast over the Palais de Chaillot. Negotiations in Moscow appeared to be stalemated. The "Battle of Berlin" was still in progress. Even as the assembly met there was violence in Paris precipitated by communists and the followers of General Charles de Gaulle.

As I sat in the Assembly of the United Nations my mind went back to Amsterdam, where another and different kind of assembly had met a month earlier. It was there affirmed that God is Sovereign, that each State "must accept its responsibility under the governance of God, and its subordination to law within the Society of Nations." That section of the Amsterdam Assembly which dealt with world problems declared that the Churches "should support every effort to deal on a universal basis with the many specific questions of international concern which face mankind today, such as the use of atomic power,

the multilateral reduction of armaments, and the provision of health services and food for all men. They should endeavor to secure that the United Nations be further developed to serve such purposes. They should insist that the domestic laws of each country conform to the principles of progressive international law, and they gratefully recognize that recent demands to formulate principles of human rights reflect a new sense of international responsibility for the rights and freedom of all men."

Here, at Paris, it will be seen to what extent the United Nations is able to fulfill the expectations of the Churches represented at Amsterdam.

Nearly one hundred items are on the agenda of the Paris Assembly. The Russians are reported as having declined to present a single question for the assembly's discussions. This may or may not reflect a policy of gradual withdrawal from the United Nations. There is some speculation here as to the action of the Soviet Union if, in this as in past assemblies, that government is voted down on all important issues. I do not, myself, believe that Russia will take so drastic a step. But this is an unpredictable world.

The Christian community will be particularly interested in the assembly's action with respect to the proposed Declaration of Human Rights; the partition of Palestine and the problems raised by the murder of Count Bernadotte; the disposition of the Italian colonies and questions related to the on-going work of the Trusteeship Council; the Veto; the Korean and Balkan disputes; the so-called "Little Assembly"; the control of atomic energy; the Draft Convention on Genocide; the alleged mistreatment of Indians in the Union of South Africa; and refugees.

This is no time to despair of the United Nations. It is needful to be realistic but realism need not yield to pessimism. It is reassuring to know that as the assembly meets here in Paris, Christians the world over are fervently praying that divine guidance may be given the statesmen as they come to grips with issues of crucial importance to the peoples of every land.

## SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

At the annual meeting of the society in the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church, September 19, 1948, the 106th Annual Report of the Board of Managers to the society as presented at General Conference in North Loup was formally adopted and ordered recorded.

The main item of business beside receiving the annual report was the election of officers and a board of managers. The slate of officers submitted by the Nominating Committee (Hiram W. Barber, Jr., chairman, Eli F. Loofboro, Elisabeth K. Austin) was elected by the society as follows:

### Officers

President—Harold R. Crandall, Westerly, R. I.  
Corresponding Secretary—David S. Clarke, Westerly, R. I.

Recording Secretary—Elston H. Van Horn, Westerly, R. I.

Assistant Recording Secretary—Jean Loofboro, Westerly, R. I.

Treasurer—Karl G. Stillman, Westerly, R. I.

Consultant—William L. Burdick, Ashaway, R. I.

Board of Managers: Harold R. Crandall, Westerly, R. I.; Morton R. Swinney, Niantic, Conn.; Edwin Whitford, Westerly, R. I.; William L. Burdick, Ashaway, R. I.; David S. Clarke, Westerly, R. I.; Elston H. Van Horn, Westerly, R. I.; Jean Loofboro, Westerly, R. I.; Karl G. Stillman, Westerly, R. I.; George B. Utter, Westerly, R. I.; Mrs. Anne L. Waite, Bradford, R. I.; Charles E. Gardner, Waterford, Conn.; Robert L. Coon, R.F.D., Westerly, R. I.; Mrs. Alexander P. Austin, Westerly, R. I.; Walter D. Kenyon, Hopkinton, R. I.; John S. C. Kenyon, R.F.D., Westerly, R. I.; Hiram W. Barber, Jr., Westerly, R. I.; Lloyd B. Langworthy, Ashaway, R. I.; Eli F. Loofboro, Westerly, R. I.; Mrs. James G. Waite, Bradford, R. I.; Mrs. G. Carlton Irish, Rockville, R. I.; Mrs. Harold R. Crandall, Westerly, R. I.; Paul S. Burdick, Rockville, R. I.; C. Harmon Dickinson, Ashaway, R. I.; Eugene Van Horn, Westerly, R. I.; Mrs. Clarence Crandall, Ashaway, R. I.; Edmund T. Smith, Ashaway, R. I.; Asa F. Randolph, Plainfield, N. J.; Victor W. Skaggs, Plainfield, N. J.; Ronald Hargis, Waterford, Conn.

Visitors at the society meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pearson of Amsterdam, N. Y. Mr. Pearson led the group in prayer at the opening. D. S. C.

## UNITED PROTESTANT EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE — 1949-50

"Evangelism is the presentation of the good news of God in Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, so that men may put their trust in God; accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour; follow and serve Him as their Lord in the fellowship of the Church and in the vocations of the common life." That is how many Protestants conceive their task in proclaiming the gospel of saving power (as defined by Federal Council Department of Evangelism statement of March, 1946) and that is the faith which backs up their present planning for the United Evangelistic Advance beginning in the fall of 1949 at World Wide Communion time.

At the Department of Evangelism meeting September 9 and 10 at the Reading Y.M.C.A. Retreat (west of Reading, Pa., atop South Mountain), evangelistic secretaries and leading ministers who co-operate through the Federal Council discussed a suggested over-all program for this movement in North American evangelism. The whole plan seemed timely as the Foreign Missions Conference plans a public presentation of the opportunities and needs on all the world's mission fields. Stewardship, recruiting of missionaries, and increased knowledge of man's lostness in all areas of earth gear right into a home evangelism campaign. As the above definition states, the presentation of the gospel is dependent upon the Holy Spirit's empowering. Participants in the discussion and prayer at the latest planning meeting near Reading were sure of the desire to have the indwelling Spirit among all evangelism leaders — denominational and local. They included a paragraph from the Amsterdam (World Council) statement by the section on "Our Witness and God's Design":

It is not within the power of men alone to create a new evangelistic movement. The Holy Spirit is He who empowers, directs, and works. In the past, He has from time to time quickened the Church with power from on high. Without His power, Christians are powerless. Without His Divine Presence in our hearts, we are inadequate and insufficient to undertake this blessed work of the evangelization of our nation. God does not wait for us to be perfect. He is willing and ready to use very imperfect in-

struments. What matters most is that the instruments should be available for His use. The results of our efforts are not in our hands but in His. But He has given us the assurance that, "it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful," and that where that faithfulness is found, He is able "to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think."

Two ghastly wars have ravaged our world in this half century. This makes us feel that the Church of Christ must be about the work of evangelism as never before — ready for the great and good God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring reconciling news to our nation through His chosen servants. The "Present Need for Evangelism" is stated in the suggested program as follows:

Evangelism is greatly needed today. The Church itself needs evangelism in order to be saved from the sterility of a merely cultural religion. Think of the state of the Church—its failure to achieve a more rapid growth, its lack of a militant spirit, its disunity which hinders greater evangelistic results, its illiteracy in the elementary matters of Christian faith. Too often the Churches have become a "field" for evangelism instead of a "force" for evangelism. Secularism has crept into the sacred precincts of the Churches, so that in some instances people are admitted into the membership of the Churches on their own and not Christ's terms. Or, people are too often received into the Churches because of their social prestige, or their high moral status, or their interest in the high moral agencies of the community.

The plight of America today calls for a greater comprehensiveness of the meaning and work of evangelism. In spite of miraculous advances in science and technological skills, in spite of multiplying material comforts, we are not going forward. Instead, we are losing ground in some areas of our life. Self seeking and acquisitiveness are hardening many today and sapping a number of lives of the precious values they should possess. Cynicism is strangling the aspirations of many. Inordinate worry is robbing so many of joy.

The real trouble with our nation today is inward. We do not face the world today with faith and courage because we are losing any clear convictions of the meaning and purpose of life. We are losing our faith in the goodness of God. Are we, perhaps, traveling down the same road of tragedy that other nations of great material power once trod? Are we living on borrowed time and on borrowed spiritual capital? Can we of America who have now reached heights never before scaled in human progress be content with utter frustration and catastrophe? Are we as Christians to have no voice or part in this determination?

Christ is the answer. America needs Christ in order to be saved from her sins, to high Christian motives and unselfish service. New

minds and hearts are needed if we are to be saved. This task of evangelization of a nation is too huge a task for any one denomination to accomplish by itself alone. This task must be done together if it is to be done at all. Our greater strength lies in our greater unity. The spiritual conquest of our beloved nation lies in this direction.

A Sponsoring Committee of 1,000 outstanding laymen, a group of seventeen evangelistic Churchmen and women, and all denominational secretaries head up the organization of the United Evangelistic Advance. They have set four "vital things that need to be done during the fifteen months of the Advance" as their goal:

1. The spiritual quickening of the ministry and membership of our Churches. Christians today need to be motivated and empowered for their evangelistic responsibility.

2. The reaching and winning of the more than 70,000,000 unchurched multitudes of the nation for Christ and His Church through every acceptable means and method.

3. The careful instruction and assimilation of every new member who is brought into the membership of the Churches.

4. The enlisting of all members who have moved to new communities and have failed to identify themselves with any local Church where they now live. During the fifteen month period, special effort should be made to persuade and commit this unrelated group to the life and activities in some congregation.

They state in this connection: "This four-fold emphasis is not new, but what has been done in these four areas heretofore should be highly intensified during the United Evangelistic Advance."

Through interdenominational sponsorship and direction, community studies (for religious affiliation), visitation evangelism campaigns, national Christian teaching missions (educational-evangelism program enlargement), university Christian missions, high school missions, united preaching missions (geared with visitation evangelism), and a united prayer hour will be conducted. Denominations will be expected to conduct on their own initiative and directing, local Church preaching missions and assimilation of new members. Of course, the interdenominational programs depend on the integrity of each denomination and their co-operative action and spirit in presenting God's good news in Jesus Christ.

Seventh Day Baptists approved the over-all plan of the United Evangelistic

## MINUTES OF WOMEN'S BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference met for its annual session on September 12, 1948, in the Trainer Sabbath School Room with the following members present: Mrs. J. L. Skaggs, Mrs. G. H. Trainer, Mrs. S. O. Bond, Mrs. R. P. Seager, Mrs. Frances Davis, Mrs. Ottis Swiger, Mrs. J. L. Vincent, Mrs. A. G. T. Brissey, Miss Alta Van Horn, Miss Lotta Bond, and Miss Greta F. Randolph.

Miss Lotta Bond led the devotions, using "The Way" as her topic. She read a poem, "The Way," by Charles A. Miller, Jr., and a meditation from the May number of the "Church Woman." Miss Bond led in prayer.

Mrs. S. O. Bond read the report of the treasurer, which showed the following balances: General Fund, \$130.29; Special Project, —; Helpers' Fund, \$209.91; African Fund, \$10.00; Total, \$350.20. This report was accepted and placed on file.

A letter was read from Mrs. E. W. Sung, saying that it would be impossible for her to attend the U.C.C.W. Conference in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Frances Davis reported as chairman of the Literacy and Literature Committee. This was accepted as a report of progress.

To the Board of Directors:

Your chairman would report that she procured for our Conference literature table the material as listed in her August report, and the material is now deposited with the chairman of the Christian Culture Committee and can be obtained from her upon request.

Frances Davis,  
Chairman.

Advance in their 1947 General Conference, and adopted the Missionary Society's 1948 Annual Report which laid plans for our denominational evangelistic action geared with the co-operative advance program and with the "One World in Christ," the Foreign Missions Conference public presentation.

Will we be found "faithful" and willing, though imperfect, instruments of Christ's evangelistic commission?

David S. Clarke.

Mrs. Davis also reported as editor of the Woman's Page in the Recorder. This report was accepted.

To the Board of Directors:

Your editor is looking forward eagerly to the development of the new plan captioned "100 Sabbaths of Service." As yet she is not conversant with details but is sure the Recorder will be an important factor in the work. She would urge careful perusal of its pages, generous contributions to its departments, and a diligent use of its suggestions and source material: for instance, when planning mission study turn to "The New Look," by Mrs. Hubbard, in the Recorder of August 30, page 78, for World Council of Churches, issue of July 5, page 11; Literacy Literature, August 16, page 62. May Seventh Day Baptist women strive to be "Workmen, approved of God" this coming year.

### TAKE TIME

Take time to work—it is the price of success.  
Take time to think—it is the source of power.  
Take time to play—it is the secret of perpetual youth.  
Take time to read—it is the fountain of wisdom.  
Take time to worship—it is the highway to reverence.  
Take time to be friendly—it is the road to happiness.  
Take time to dream—it is hitching your wagon to a star.  
Take time to love and be loved—it is the privilege of the gods.  
Take time to look around—it is too short a day to be selfish.  
Take time to laugh—it is the music of the soul.

—Taken from Alabama Clubwoman

Miss Alta Van Horn read the report of the Christian Culture Committee. This report was accepted and placed on file.

The Christian Culture Committee met at the home of Mrs. Ottis Swiger, September 11. Mrs. George Trainer, Mrs. Okey Davis, Mrs. Ottis Swiger, and Miss Alta Van Horn were present.

The question of how to acquaint the women of the denomination with the new books obtained by the Women's Board was introduced.

It was suggested that the books be grouped into children's books, mission books, etc., and that attention be given to one group at a time.

It was further proposed to invite those girls representing the different Seventh Day Baptist Churches, who are now attending Salem College, to meet with the committee and to ask them to write short book reviews — these reviews to be placed in a mimeographed bulletin and released to the societies.

Other means of getting the Women's Board literature before the public were recommended as follows:

1. Place an advertisement in the "Salem Herald," listing books that would be available.
2. Encourage the idea of using these books as Christmas gifts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alta Van Horn,  
Secretary.

Voted that \$5.42 be paid Mrs. Trainer for express charges in getting literature to and from Conference.

Voted that \$13.25 be paid Mrs. Hubbard for books purchased for the board.

Voted that \$3.50 be paid Mrs. Alberta Batson for expenses as hostess to the Conference speaker.

Miss Alta Van Horn reported on the "Work Shop" held Wednesday at Con-

### REPORT OF SUMMER WORK

By Allen and Katy Bond

For nearly four weeks in June we were released by the Board of Christian Education to work in the Washington area in anticipation of our pastorate there. Our actual work in the employ of the board began with our trip to Nady, Ark., where we went to work with the Little Prairie Church. For those who do not know much about the country down there, Nady is in flat rice country close to the junction of the Arkansas and Mississippi Rivers, and is itself a very small town. In fact, you would drive right on by it if the road didn't end there. Our Church is the only organized Church in the community, although a group of Sundaykeepers have services in the schoolhouse.

Our first job there, besides preaching Sabbath day, was to conduct a Bible school. This started a day late, because the husband of one of the Church members was seriously injured in a logging accident, and it was necessary for me to take a number of men to Little Rock to give blood. So we had a nine-day Bible school. Twenty pupils were enrolled altogether, and the average attendance was slightly over eight. Katy taught the 5-9 year old group, and I taught the older class. The opening and closing services were worked out between us. It could have been much better, but nearly all of the planning had to be done after we had arrived there, and so we did not have all the materials and helps we really needed.

ference. A general discussion of the points presented followed.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. J. L. Skaggs; vice-president, Mrs. Loyal Hurley; corresponding secretary, Miss Lotta Bond; recording secretary, Miss Greta F. Randolph; treasurer, Mrs. S. O. Bond; editor, Mrs. Frances Davis.

These minutes were read and approved. Adjourned to meet in special session at the call of the president.

Mrs. J. L. Skaggs,  
President.  
Miss Greta F. Randolph,  
Secretary.

The ground work we had expected had not been done, but we still felt that it was a worth-while school. Although there was no evidence of any decisions for Christ, we know that the seed was sown, and God has promised that His word shall not return unto Him void.

We had hoped to spend more time visiting in the homes, but almost as soon as we arrived at Nady I got a bad case of poison ivy on both legs and arms, which meant a fifty-mile round trip each day for five days to get poison ivy shots. Then the second week, after my poison had begun to heal enough to allow me to wear shoes and long trousers, I began a series of seven special evening meetings (in addition to the four sermons, I preached the three Sabbaths we were there). For these meetings I used one filmstrip each night except for the last night, and I preached along with the filmstrip. It was my first experience in this type of presentation, but it proved to be an effective way of preaching the truth of salvation, baptism, tithing, and the Sabbath. Many expressed their appreciation for the help the pictures were to them in making these things clearer than just words could have done. The invitation to accept Christ was given at these meetings, and though no one came forward, it was felt that a strong impression was made on many who attended.

When the time for Camp Ouachita, near Y City, Ark., drew near, Katy decided that it was her turn to be sick, so she came down with the summer "flu,"

which did not quite carry out its threat to keep us from going to camp, though it did keep Katy from taking as great a part in camp as had been planned. Besides our regular camp duties, Katy taught one class in stewardship and I taught both classes in a study of sin and salvation. The other class in stewardship was taught by George Stillman, of Houston, and the credit for working out most of the details for the stewardship course goes to Edgar Wheeler, who was not able to come to camp. The projector which the board had loaned to us was put into use again at camp, showing filmstrips and slides.

Just to give an idea of how scattered the youth of our Southwest are, and therefore how much they need this camping experience, it was figured that our sixteen campers, staff excluded, traveled a total of 14,400 miles roundtrip in order to be at camp. And if you think of the distance between Dodge Center, Minn., and Salem, W. Va., you have an idea of how far apart some of these young people are during the rest of the year. The sacrificial efforts of Gerald and Austa Coalwell have done much to make this camp a reality.

Most of the campers moved to Nady for the association, and lived in the two camp tents set up on the Church grounds. During the association I acted as an errand boy as well as a minister of the gospel, but the shortage of cars there made it expedient that I use mine. Each night, after the regular meeting, I showed one of the filmstrips which I had used there before, but even those who had seen them before were enthusiastic about seeing them again. The last night I showed two filmstrips to the unexpected crowd of Sundaykeeping neighbors who had braved the muddy roads to come to this last meeting announced the day before. It was also my privilege to preach the ordination sermon for Deacon Madison Mitchell on Sabbath morning during association.

In spite of mosquitoes, hot weather, "flu," poison ivy, and bad roads, we came to have a large place in our hearts for Nady and its people. We tried to help them, and if the experience was as great a blessing to them as it was to us, we are

happy. It was truly refreshing to work with sincere Christians who accept the reliability of God's Word in its entirety.

From Nady we went to the Pre-Conference Retreat via Nortonville, where we stopped for one day, showing some filmstrips rather informally to a small group at the Church. At the retreat we again put the projector to work showing filmstrips and slides. Katy acted as counselor and helped plan the campfires, and I led a discussion group and taught an interest group on the subject, "A Vital Sabbath Faith." When the retreat ended, our duties in the employ of the Board of Christian Education came to a conclusion.

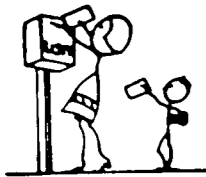
### SABBATH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT CAMPAIGN — SECOND YEAR

October 1, 1948, was the beginning of the second year of the Four-year Enrollment Campaign sponsored by the Board of Christian Education. Two goals are suggested to the Sabbath schools for this second year. First, to work for an increase of 10 per cent in enrollment; and second, to conduct or work with other Churches in at least one class of Leadership Education.

A questionnaire card has been mailed to the Sabbath schools asking for the per cent gain made during the first year of the campaign and providing an opportunity to enlist for the second year which means accepting the two goals to be achieved. It is hoped that every Sabbath school will return this card promptly.

The honor for returning the questionnaire card first goes to the First and Second Hebron, Pa., Churches, the cards from these Churches being sent in by Pastor Rex Zwiebel. The First Hebron Sabbath school had an increase of 10 per cent for the first year. The Second Brookfield Church at Brookfield, N. Y., was next to send in the card. This school also had an increase of over 10 per cent for the first year.

"The Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost." These words of the Master indicate what He considered to be the reason for His life here on earth. As His followers, it is our job to seek out those who are lost and bring them to Him that He may save



## OUR CHILDREN'S LETTER EXCHANGE

Address: Mizpah S. Greene  
Andover, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I want to become a Recorder child and to get an American friend.

Our Seventh Day Baptist Church in Halle, Saale, Germany, has founded a class for young people and children and is corresponding with our American friends. My dear mother told me that little boys like me, at the age of nine years, are writing to you letters when they are happy to be loved of our dear Lord Jesus Christ. Our dear father perished during the war.

Now we have vacation. My brother Peter has eleven years; he knows to write English better than I do. We send you our best wishes and cordial greetings, hoping to get a letter for which we should be thankful.

Your German friends,  
Axel and Peter Schander.

Halle, Saale,  
Germany.

But not everyone is able to write English.

Martha Braukschak.

Dear Axel and Peter:

I was very happy to receive your kind letter and to know that our German Seventh Day Baptist friends are thinking about us in America. Best of all, that they think of our Lord Jesus Christ as their best and truest friend. I gladly welcome you to our band of Recorder children. I hope Martha, who signed her name at the bottom of your letter, is planning to become a Recorder child, too. I wasn't quite sure about all the letters in her last name. Did I give them correctly?

them. There are many children, and older people as well, in the communities where our Sabbath schools are located, who are not attending Church anywhere. It is your responsibility to find them and to do all that is possible to bring them in.  
H. S.

I knew Rev. Mr. Conradi when he was in this country, and learned to love him as a dear friend, so I have a deep interest in our Seventh Day Baptist friends in Germany, especially the children, for I am very fond of boys and girls.

If there are many Seventh Day Baptist children who are not able to write English (as I am unable to write German) and would like to become Recorder children, perhaps they could write in German and those who can write English could put it into English for them, and my English into German. My great-grandmother on my mother's side could neither read, write, nor speak English, but my great-grandfather, an Englishman, could both speak and write German.

I sincerely hope that you will write many more letters to me and that others in your Church will also write.

Yours in Christian love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

Dear John:

Did you think I was a long time answering your very welcome letter? Perhaps I had better explain the delay. You see I have to send my material to the Recorder office nearly two weeks before it is published; then once a month a special evangelistic number must be prepared; so you can readily understand the reason for my delay.

I'm so glad you could attend Conference this year. How I did enjoy going when I was young, and all the years since that I have been able to go.

I'm sure it would have been fun to ride one of those calves. I lived on a farm when I was your age. I used to go after the cows in the pasture and then ride one of the cows. Once I tried to ride an old horse in our orchard; she went under some low-hanging limbs and off I went. Another time I tried to ride a pig, and landed in a mud hole.

The boys and girls in Andover love to roller-skate and have a fine skating rink about three miles from here. They would appreciate the fun you had. Your pleasure in sleeping in a tent makes me think how my two boys used to like to sleep in their pup tent. Once when Rev. Eugene Davis and his family, when on

## CHURCH NEWS

ASHAWAY, R. I. — Extensive repairs and remodeling are being done by the First Hopkinton Church to restore its colonial beauty which was damaged by the hurricane and normal depreciation. A goal of \$2,500 was set to be raised in a three-week period in May. Provided this sum could be raised in that period, an anonymous friend offered to give double the amount, or \$5,000. All the societies of the Church lost no time in getting to work and at the end of the three-week period a total of \$3,500 was realized. To this amount, the anonymous friend gave a total gift of \$10,000. Mrs. J. T. Crandall was chairman of the fund committee.

Since the middle of summer the repairmen, carpenters, masons, and electricians have been working to get a good portion of it done before cold weather. A new heating system is also being installed. While the Church is under repair, all services of the Church are being held in the parish house.

At a recent bimonthly meeting of the Church the pastor's salary was increased \$300. — Mrs. Raymond Kenyon, Correspondent.

furlough, stayed with us a few days, our Claire and Richard Davis slept in the pup tent, while Mr. Davis and Winston occupied a larger tent. One night a heavy wind and rainstorm came up and the big tent was lifted from its moorings. It took all the male members of both families to keep it from blowing away. You can imagine the rest.

I'm glad you could meet Venita Vincent. I wish I, too, could have that pleasure. I hope her interesting description of her trip will be published in book form before long. I have read books about such trips not nearly so interesting as hers.

Your other experiences on your trip to and from Conference bring other experiences to my mind that I might speak of, but I'm nearing the bottom of my page so must "ring off."

Do write often.

Yours in Christian love,  
Mizpah S. Greene.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — Members of the Dr. Grace Missionary Society extend thanks to all who assisted in the stand on Pop Corn Days and especially to all the Church ladies who donated pies. So great was the demand for food the last night, that all the pies were gone early and sweet rolls were substituted. The soup was sold out early.

The Sabbath school float took first place in the Pop Corn Days parade. It showed a little brown Church, with much greenery around it. The sacred song depicted was "The Church in the Vale."

At the Ladies' Missionary Circle meeting, Leona Babcock was appointed "key worker" for the coming year. Mrs. Jennie Bee gave a very interesting study on Jamaica and the work being done there. The amount the circle received for pies during Conference was \$40.

The Men's Brotherhood met Sunday evening in the Church parlors. Hugh Carson of Ord, candidate for the state legislature, was guest speaker.

Of interest to many are where our students are this year: Gloria Babcock is attending commercial school in Omaha; Darrell Barber is in Salem College, Salem, W. Va., where he is taking courses in preparation for entering the ministry; Allen Babcock is in Davenport, Iowa, taking a course in chiropractic medicine; and Richard Gowen, Kathleen and Donald Clement and Warren Brannon are attending the State University. — M. T. B.

## DID YOU KNOW THAT —

The corresponding secretary of the Tract Society says in his annual report: "Seventh Day Baptists are richly blessed of God. He has given us a rich heritage of Christian faith. He has given us His Sabbath. He has given us material things for our needs. He has given us great opportunities for service."

## DIRECTORY OF SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCHES

White Cloud, Mich. Services: Sabbath school at 10 o'clock and Church service at 11 every Sabbath morning. Pastor, Rev. Orville W. Babcock, White Cloud, Mich.

## Accessions

White Cloud, Mich.

Baptism:

Gary Branch,  
Doris Cruzan,  
Joyce Cruzan,  
Winifred Sage, and  
Erle Siems were received into the Church by confession and baptism on Sabbath, September 18, 1948, by Rev. Orville W. Babcock.

## Marriages

**Cruzan - Ghent.** — On the evening of August 4, 1948, Marvin D. Cruzan, son of Ira and the late Ruth Babcock Cruzan, of White Cloud, and Betty Lou Ghent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ghent of Baldwin, Mich., were united in marriage in the White Cloud Seventh Day Baptist Church, Rev. Orville W. Babcock, pastor of the groom, officiating. The couple reside at 755 Clancy St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Bjugan - Stebbins.** — On the evening after the Sabbath, in the Dodge Center Seventh Day Baptist Church, September 18, 1948, at 8 o'clock, Miss Marjorie Stebbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stebbins of Dodge Center, Minn., was united in marriage to Ronnie Bjugan of Rochester, Minn. Pastor C. W. Thorngate officiated. The new home will be in Kasson, Minn.

**Tate - Kenyon.** — On August 3, 1948, Preston Tate, Bath, N. Y., and Ruth Kenyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Kenyon, also of Bath, N. Y., were married at the Gothic in Alfred, N. Y., with Pastor Everett T. Harris officiating. Their residence address will be Bath, N. Y.

**Scheffer - Polan.** — Karl D. Scheffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andries Willem Scheffer of Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa, and Genevieve Ann Polan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Ray Polan of Alfred, N. Y., were united in marriage August 7, 1948, at the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church by Pastor Everett T. Harris, assisted by Rev. Herbert L. Polan. The future address is Olifantsfontein, Transvaal, South Africa.

**Cornelius - Pieters.** — On August 27, 1948, N. Francis Cornelius, Alfred, N. Y., and L. Jeannette Pieters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pieters, also of Alfred, were married at the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage with Pastor Everett T. Harris officiating. Their residence address will be Alfred, N. Y.

## Obituaries

**Lawrence.** — Ella May Davis Lawrence died Sabbath day, August 21, 1948, at the Salisbury Hospital, Salisbury, Md. She was born at Cape May, N. J., April 6, 1875.

She was reared in Shiloh and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church at an early age. She was very active in missionary work and continued in this field until she was disabled two years ago.

She is survived by two sons, Leon and Walter, and their wives; three brothers, Frank, George, and Richard; one sister, Flora; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 24, at the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church. In the absence of the pastor, the services were conducted by Leland E. Davis. Interment was in the Shiloh Cemetery. L. E. D.

**Newkirk.** — Nellie S. Newkirk, widow of E. Budd Newkirk of Shiloh, N. J., passed away in the Bridgeton Hospital, Wednesday, September 8, 1948. She was born in Salem, N. J., sixty-four years ago, the daughter of Edward E. and Anna Myers Smith, but had lived in Shiloh since her marriage.

She had been admitted to the hospital for surgery on August 30. On Sabbath, September 4, she had a severe stroke and had been in a coma since then.

The deceased is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Alice Ware, Deerfield; two sons, Everett and Oscar, both of Shiloh; and there are several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 12, at the C. J. Garrison and Son Funeral Home with interment in Fernwood Memorial Park. In the absence of the pastor, the services were conducted by Leland E. Davis. L. E. D.

**Cartwright.** — Cora, daughter of Charles and Addie Stryker Young, was born February 28, 1881, at Scio, N. Y., and died suddenly September 19, 1948, at her home near Little Genesee, N. Y.

She was married to John Cartwright, February 26, 1902. She was a member of the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist Church and was active in the Ladies' Aid. She was also a member of the Loyal Home Missionary Society and a charter member of the Bolivar Grange.

She is survived by her husband; her son, Bruce Cartwright; three granddaughters; three sisters, Mrs. Florence Sheetz of Cuba, N. Y., Mrs. Grace Buckley of Scio, N. Y., and Mrs. Jessie Wycoff of Ada, Okla.; and two brothers, Wilford and Willard Young of Wellsville, N. Y.

Funeral services were conducted September 22 by her pastor, Rev. Ralph H. Coon, assisted by Rev. Charles Bond, at the Little Genesee Seventh Day Baptist Church. Interment was in the Little Genesee Cemetery. R. H. C.

### SPECIAL

#### Position as Janitor

Position as janitor at Salem College, Salem, W. Va., open. If interested, write or see Prof. Harley D. Bond, Salem College, Salem, W. Va.

#### Farm Openings

Two farm openings in the area of Salem, W. Va. Interested parties should contact Prof. Harley D. Bond, Salem, W. Va.

#### Bakery Position

Position in bakery at Alfred, N. Y., open. Good future. If interested, write or see Dr. Ben R. Crandall, Alfred, N. Y.

#### THE VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE

Frederik J. Bakker,  
Plainfield Church Representative

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Seventh Day Baptist pins are available at 75 cents each to individuals, and at 60 cents each, regardless of quantity, to young people's groups for resale at 75 cents each. These pins are of good quality and are the screw-fastener type.

Please send orders to the American Sabbath Tract Society, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J.

### NEW YORK CITY

Rev. Albert N. Rogers is spending a few weeks with the New York City Church, of which he is a former pastor, renewing old acquaintances, making new ones, preaching on the Sabbath, and visiting members of the congregation through the week.

The Church worships in the Judson Memorial, 55 Washington Square, South, foot of Fifth Avenue.

Sabbath School, 11:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:45 a.m. All are cordially welcomed.

Mr. Rogers' temporary address is 58 Maple Drive, Great Neck, N. Y., c/o Mrs. Ralph W. Babcock.

Corliss F. Randolph, Church Clerk.

### NORTHERN ASSOCIATION

Jackson Center, Ohio

The Semiannual Meeting of the Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana Seventh Day Baptist Churches will meet with the Jackson Center Church, beginning Friday evening through Sabbath day, October 15, 16, 1948.

Mrs. Alta Hahn,  
Secretary

### YEARLY MEETING

Plainfield, N. J.

The Yearly Meeting of the New Jersey and Eastern New York Seventh Day Baptist Churches will be held with the Church at Plainfield, N. J., on October 22, 23, 1948. Theme: God's Work and Ours.

Courtland V. Davis,  
Secretary

### SPECIAL NOTICE

The Sabbath Recorder plans to publish, in the near future, a revised Directory of Seventh Day Baptist Churches. Pastors, and clerks of Churches without pastors, are invited to co-operate by bringing directory information up-to-date. Thank you.



# THE DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1948-49

At the General Conference in North Loup, Neb., the first recommendation of the Commission was as follows: "That the Conference Committee on Budget Promotion consist of the President of General Conference, the Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, the Corresponding Secretary of the Tract Society, and the Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education."

### President Hurley's Wish

It is the desire of your Conference president that appeals for the Denominational Budget shall be in the name of "The Budget Committee," or some similar designation such as "The Conference Committee on Budget Promotion" as officially named in the Commission's report. Probably most of the appeals will be prepared by the various secretaries, and may emphasize the various activities which enter into our composite work as a denomination. It might be wise if these secretaries would attach their names to their appeals, but that will be a matter for their own discretion. Your new president wishes that, after this first reference to the budget, his name does not appear in appeals for our Denominational Budget.

### A Working Budget

Conference adopted a working budget of \$31,500, with an amount of \$3,000 additional to assist in the liquidation of debts that our major agencies contracted during the past year due to rising costs and the failure of our people to raise the entire Denominational Budget.

### \$95 per Day

This may seem to many of our people a large budget. However, when it is broken down into sections, it is neither large in amount, nor impossible to be raised. For maintaining the entire work of our denomination as represented by this budget the cost will be only \$95 per day. Surely there are many of our people who can support our work for a day, or two days, or three days, or half a day, or a few hours! And wouldn't you like to feel that, for a few hours, or a day, or more, you could be personally responsible for the support of every bit of work that our budget represents for our denomination?

### October 1 Completely Covered

Mrs. Hurley and I would like to offer, humbly, but freely, to start the year beginning with October 1, 1948. The \$95 which we shall forward to the Denominational Budget through our Salem Church treasurer will support our entire work as represented by the budget for that entire first day. Who will be responsible for October 2, and 3, and 4, and on, until it is all more than subscribed? How many days will your Church provide for? Is there a youth group which will choose a day, or more, and support the budget for the time chosen? If not for a whole day, why not choose a few hours for your support? You see, IT CAN BE DONE IF WE WILL, by "WORKMEN APPROVED OF GOD."

Loyal F. Hurley, Chairman,  
The Conference Committee  
on Budget Promotion.

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## UNITED NATIONS DAY

OCTOBER 24, 1948

*... Neither shall they  
learn war any more.*

— Isaiah 2: 4.