#### **EROSION**

A tiny, tiny streamlet
Down a mountainside did flow —
An idle, aimless trickle
With no notion where to go;
Dancing, rippling, sparkling,
Singing a little song,
Unaware the groove it was cutting
As it idly passed along.

But there came a time in hist'ry
When it began to see
Scenes along its pathway
'Mid which it preferred to be.
But its banks were now so rugged,
Its channel so very deep,
Despite its aspirations,
'Twas compelled its course to keep.

My thoughts like a tiny streamlet
Through my mind forever run.
They're bound to wear a channel
Before life's day is done.
God helping, I'll build embankments,
To guide the course they take,
Then I shall find contentment
In the channel that they make.
Alvin Elverson Babcock.

#### **NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES**

SALEM, W. VA. — Among the more than 300 persons who attended the semi-annual session of the Seventh Day Baptist Churches of West Virginia on May 2, in the Salem Church, were:

Rev. Leon R. .Lawton, Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. John F. Randolph, Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, Milton, Wis.; Kenneth Smith, Albion, Wis.; Rev. L. F. Hurley, Rev. Albert N. Rogers, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Richards, Alfred, N. Y.; Mrs. Delmer Van Horn, Little Genesee, N. Y.; Rev. and Mrs. Everett T. Harris, Westerly, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Harris, Shiloh, N. J.; Rev. and Mrs. Paul S. Burdick, Salemville, Pa.; and Mr. and Mrs. Lippincott.

Impressive services at the all-day meeting here included the ordination of Orville B. Bond to the Christian ministry.

At noon, dinner was served to 307 delegates and visitors. — Salem Herald.

VERONA, N. Y. — The mother and daughter banquet was held at our church on the evening of May 9 with Mrs. Alice Hyde as toastmaster and Twila Sholtz, song leader. A tribute to mothers was

given by Jean Stone, a tribute to daughters by Iva Dillman, a reading by Nina Skaggs, and a poem by Marian Sholtz. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. Paul Brown of Oneida who gave an interesting chalk talk. Corsages were given to the oldest and youngest mothers who were Mrs. Vie Warner and Mrs. Maurice Warner.

Pastor Skaggs conducted the Sabbath morning, May 16, service at De Ruyter. At the close of the service he performed the wedding ceremony of Mrs. Mildred Blowers and Harry Parker.

On May 18 Pastor Skaggs underwent a successful appendectomy in a hospital in Oneida. We hope and pray for his speedy recovery.

The Helpers Sabbath School Class had charge of the morning service, May 16. Interesting talks on "Christian Citizenship" were given by Janice Sholtz and Richard Warner. In the evening the class attended a "Youth for Christ" rally at Oneida Castle. A quartette consisting of Louise Hyde, Twila Sholtz, and Maurice and Richard Warner sang at the rally.

A model of the proposed addition to the church is on display in the vestibule as a reminder of the new facilities that will be available when there are sufficient contributions to cover the cost. — Correspondent.

FIRST HEBRON. — Attendance on Sabbath, May 9, Mother's Day, showed a slight increase; attendance on Sabbath Rally Day: 34 members, 11 visitors. On Sunday, May 17, the Hebron Grange and the Sharon Center Grange met to worship together on Rural Life Sunday at the Grange Hall in Sharon Center. The pastor brought a message on "God and the Soil," using Mark 4: 1-8 for the Scripture lesson.

On May 13, the women of the church held a "stork" shower for the pastor's wife, Mrs. Bess Barber. — Correspondent.

Births

Williams. — A son, David John II, to Rev. and Mrs. David Williams of Chicago, Ill., on May 19, 1953.

WANTED — Woman, preferably Sabbathkeeper, to assist in small nursing home. No laundry or heavy cleaning. Good wages and pleasant family association. Burns Nursing Home, Gallupville, N. Y.

# The Sahbath HBECHOICE

#### IT ISN'T THE CHURCH - IT'S YOU

If you want to have the kind of a church
Like the kind of a church you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip
And start on a long, long hike.
You'll only find what you left behind,
For there's nothing really new.
It's a knock at yourself when you knock your church;
It isn't the church — it's you.

It's really strange sometimes, don't you know,

That things go as well as they do,

When we think of the little — the very small mite —

We add to the work of the few.

We sit, and stand 'round, and complain of what's done,

And do very little but fuss.

Are we bearing our share of the burdens to bear?

It isn't the church — it's us.

So, if you want to have the kind of a church Like the kind of a church you like,
Put off your guile, and put on your best smile,
And hike, my brother, just hike
To the work in hand that has to be done—
The work of saving a few.
It isn't the church that is wrong, my boy;
It isn't the church — it's ,you.

Anon.

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#### Join the Church

Some keep out of the church because they say they are not good enough for it, but no one is good enough for it. We join the church because we are not good enough, because we are sinners and need a Saviour, because we are weak and need the help of the church, and because each of us is but one and needs to co-operate with others in order to accomplish his best work. — Rev. R. P. Anderson.

#### GOOD RECORDER MATERIAL

Several churches are following the lead taken by the Boulder pastor in printing extra material in their church bulletins. The call to Bible study has led one pastor to print every week a full page of devotional material of his own for each day of the week.

When "of the making of many books" there comes an end, then it will be time to say that people will not read what a pastor thoughtfully writes in his church bulletin. Some of this material is very good. The spoken sermon inspires, lifts, and moves the congregation. But sometimes the hearing lags behind the speaking and the memory is not indelibly imprinted. We can read at our own speed and can reread the best portions. The Sabbath Recorder is a means of passing on some of the best thoughts of our best speakers and writers.

Anyone who has attempted to finance the printing of a tract knows that it costs a considerable amount of money to print a few pages. Therefore people work hard to get the strongest message possible in the fewest words. We sometimes forget that there is no magical difference in cost between an eight-page tract and an eightpage magazine.

The religious editor is painfully conscious that no matter how small his paper he is spending large sums of contributed and subscription money for every page of material. That is why he agonizes over poor material and hates to give it space. Poor material costs as much to print as better material; it costs more, because it takes so much more time to get it ready.

We urge our pastors and laymen to do their best in writing for the Recorder. It should be possible in most cases to submit it to a friend before sending it in. Not everyone has a typewriter available, but most people have. It has to be worth typing before it can be worth printing. It has to be worth the extra paper for double spacing. The editor and proof-readers need space between lines for their corrections. It is not our purpose to frighten writers but to help them to do better.

Think what you will, but have will enough to keep your unpleasant thoughts to yourself. — Westerly Sun.

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS**

"There's a song in the air." School is over in some places and just about over everywhere. Children's Day comes to our churches. There is a wistfulness that comes not only to children but to parents and to those leaders who have blissful memories of happy faces upturned to them in the classes and assemblies, drinking in the words of life.

All over the land it is Vacation Bible School time. Church after church has laid its plans. Volunteer teachers are studying their lessons. Community canvasses are registering children. Boys and girls experience mounting enthusiasm. Parents are prepared to do their part in transportation, picnics, and finances.

Wisely conducted schools will stress the Bible, entrance into salvation, and growth in the Christian life. Wherever possible a rich camping experience following Bible School will be held up as one of the incentives for faithful attendance.

In many communities the Seventh Day Baptist Church operates a school for all the children. In others it provides more than its share of leadership. In still others it may do well to examine the emphasis of the schools available and recommend with care ones that will be most worth while for its children.

Vacation Bible School is in the air just like summer and the song of our opening line.

#### MISSIONARY REPORTERS

The Missionary Reporter, compiled and multigraphed by the missionary secretary has just come through the mail. It contains not only the reports of committees, the April board meeting, and detailed financial matters, but also inspirational material. It tells what the Missionary Board is hoping to do in the near future. It indicates how they are hampered by lack of funds. It adds to the information you get in the Recorder and in Mission Notes.

The Reporter is sent only to a limited number of church leaders besides the pastors. If your pastor does not post it on the bulletin board ask for it. Keep yourself informed. It is your Christian responsibility.

#### FINDING NEW MUSCLES

One woman recently wrote us that, as a result of extra work she had recently been doing, an extra \$5 had come to her tithe box which was going to be contributed to the June drive for meeting the Denominational Budget. In doing this extra work, she had discovered muscles she never knew she had.

If we stop and take stock, don't we all possess resources which "we never knew we had"? One personal objective suggested for the June drive has been \$5 per giver during the month. Whether this be a part of our regular giving, or an "extra" like the above, a \$5 contribution from each Recorder reader this month would bring our budget up to the 75% goal set by our Conference president.

It is realized, of course, that many regular givers — especially those who tithe regularly — will be giving more than \$5 in the natural course of their giving. This will be true of some who may not be reading the Recorder as well as of those who do. On the other hand, there will be many who simply cannot give up to this figure. This is not intended in any way to discourage those from giving what they can.

It is to the group between these two that this plea is particularly directed. Some may have been merely neglectful in their giving to denominational work — merely handing out a dollar at the association meeting or at some other time when denominational needs are called pointedly to their attention. Some may simply place their contributions on the collection plate Sabbath mornings without thought as to how undesignated contributions are distributed. Some may simply be letting the "muscles they didn't know they had" remain idle and unused.

The various boards whose support is largely derived from the Denominational Budget are doing our work — are carrying out as agents for us individually the divine command to carry the Gospel to all creation — at home and abroad. These boards need our financial as well as moral support. Let's give them that support now! — A. Burdet Crofoot.

#### CONFERENCE LOCATION

For the Conference meetings our church is too small,

But the First Congregational may seat us all;

It's a beautiful place and is easily found, With every facility needed around.

And all our committees are working with speed,

So that when you are here we can meet every need.

For Conference, like Christmas, comes once every year,

So do think it over and plan to be here. — E. M. — Publicity.

#### CHURCH WORLD SERVICE SHIPS SURPLUS MILK

Nearly 12,500,000 pounds of powdered milk, U. S. Government surplus stocks allocated to Church World Service for distribution in emergency areas of distress in Europe and Asia, will go abroad on its American church-sponsored mission of relief during the next two or three months.

A first ten-car shipment of 300,000 pounds will start for distress areas immediately. It will come from government warehouses in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

This was announced by Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, executive director, at CWS headquarters at 120 East 23rd St., New York City.

Destinations of the first shipment include the drastic emergency areas of Berlin, Yugoslavia, and Austria, the famine areas of India and Pakistan and food-depleted Korea.

In shipments to follow in almost day-byday sequence, additional areas which will receive supplies include Greece, Italy, Trieste, France, Belgium, the Palestinian refugee centers in the Near East, Okinawa, and the Hong Kong zone in China.

The total allocation of milk powder, Dr. Fairfield said, would supply each of 3,500,-000 persons with a pint of liquid milk daily for a month.

The milk is free but the cost of distribution, \$300,000, must be met by CWS and the churches. This is the biggest thing ever undertaken by CWS.

#### MEMORY TEXT

"So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading." Nehemiah 8: 8.

#### **GOD SPEAKS THROUGH TRACTS**

I well remember a Christian lady who first entered our lives when I was about six years of age. She and Mother found an instant kinship which ripened into a deep and lasting friendship.

I think Mother saw her only once perhaps twice, as her home was in another city. But her letters were frequent and of such sparkling quality as to captivate all ages. We hailed the coming of her letters with joy, crowding around our mother to hear them. As we drank in every word about the house where she lived, the work she did — her faith which undergirded every line, became very real to us, and very dear.

Often remembering us "little kids" by name, she seldom forgot to enclose something for us — gay postcards, valentines, or a paper doll. Between letters there might be a bundle of Christian Heralds. Delight of delights! From its pages we first heard the story of "Pollyanna" (the glad girl). How eagerly we looked forward to the next installment.

Now in every letter there was a tract! Mother read that to us, too. I remember the squirming feeling it always brought. It was different. Here was a message from God. Mrs. Johnson was His messenger. Mrs. Johnson was concerned about our souls. She loved us. What was more, God loved us. All this I realized. Through the simple ministry of tracts God spoke.

Mrs. Johnson lies at rest. As one of the great cloud of witnesses, remembering her, I am stirred to greater faithfulness. It is in this way that we may unknowingly reap a harvest for the Lord. "In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand." — Florence Ritz.

He who keeps close to God will not be close with God. — Selected.

#### GOTHIC CHAPEL TO BE IMPROVED

A campaign to raise funds for the repair and redecoration of the chapel in The Gothic, 102-year-old building on the Alfred (N. Y.) University campus, is under way, University President M. Ellis Drake has announced.

A goal of \$4,000 has been set for the fund drive which will be carried out through the solicitation of interested persons by members of a special committee.

Although extensive redecorating is planned, the traditional aspects of the small chapel will be preserved.

An electronic organ, a new chancel rail, new lighting fixtures, and new ceiling, wall, and floor covering are included in the plans for the chapel.

During a period of more than forty years the chapel has been shared by various local religious groups. It has been used by the School of Theology, the local Episcopal group, the youth group of the Union University Church, the youth group of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church, the local Lutheran group, and others.

The chapel has been the scene of many campus weddings during the years of its existence.

Benjamin F. Crump, P. O. Box 922, Alfred, N. Y., has been designated to receive funds for the committee. — Alfred Sun.

#### RECORDER SUBSCRIPTIONS

Did you like last week's Recorder and the one before that? You will probably like next week's Recorder and the one after that. But, let us remind you, you will not receive it unless your subscription is paid. Have you checked the expiration date lately? Look at your label once in a while.

est to you in the weeks just ahead. Great things are happening. This is an important year for Seventh Day Baptists. We try to give you the whole picture. You will not know the news if you allow your Recorder to lapse. Six months of grace is ample. After that you are cut off.

#### LET'S THINK IT OVER

The Presbyterian Church refuses to recognize ministers graduated from seminaries like Fuller in Pasadena, although half the professors are Presbyterian, because it is not a denominational school. Somewhat inconsistently they do recognize graduates from Union Seminary in New York which is also interdenominational. The Korean General Assembly (Presbyterian) has just modified its extreme position of refusing to ordain or recognize graduates from any other seminary than its own in Tacgu. When the need for ministers is so great, there ought to be other ways of evaluating seminary training than by the denominational rubber stamp — both in Korea and America.

Missions should be the primary purpose of every local church. The willingness with which we undertake to dispatch new missionaries is directly dependent upon the depth of our spirituality. The more we love the Lord, the more we will give and that more missionaries could go out. — David J. Williams in The Chicago Call.

It is rather commonly stated that the idea of the verbal inspiration of the Bible is held only by uneducated people — that men who study deeply the ancient literature cannot hold it. It was our privilege recently to meet and seek some help in translating German from a gentleman, Edward Bishop, who reads the Bible through every three months — in Hebrew. He has read it through twenty-three times. He believes in the verbal inspiration of the Scriptures. When we know the Bible that well in its original languages, we shall be in a better position to talk about inspiration.

In deference to the Jews some Christian leaders avoid the use of "A.D." Jewish Your Recorder should be of vital inter- writers frequently substitute "the common era" not wishing to say "Anno Domini" (year of our Lord). Iron curtain countries, it is reported, no longer permit the abbreviation A.D. because of its association with Christianity. They say, "in 1953 of our era." Communism is the number one enemy of Christianity.

## EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS AT SALEMVILLE

Two weeks of inspiring evangelistic meetings were conducted by Brother Wayne Marona at the Salemville Seventh Day Baptist Church.

There was a prayer service held each evening just before the service. Although many people were unable to get to this prayer service, each person was asked to have prayer at some time during the day for the meetings. Prayer, as we all know, can play a great part in the success of anything that is being done for the glory of God.

Each evening we had heart-touching sermons which made people become more aware of what it actually means to be a Christian. Our first sermon was on the command that Christ gave to His disciples and to all who would be true followers of His to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. This sermon, as well as all that followed, made those Christians present truly have an urge to go into our community as well as into neighboring communities and teach people about the true peace and joy we can have only through accepting Jesus Christ as our Saviour and living a life that is according to His standards of Christian living. Brother Marona stressed the fact that if we profess to be a true child of God and don't believe in keeping all His commandments, we are liars and the truth is not in us, according to Christ's teaching.

From these inspiring messages night after night there were some who saw wherein they were doing things that were displeasing to God or where they were not on fire for God as they should be, and some rededicated themselves to God and His service.

It is our earnest prayer that all our churches may have a revival such as we have had, or a better one, and bring our domination to the front with its truths in this world of sin and deceit.

We are very grateful for the messages of Brother Marona and wish to thank him for his labors here. We pray the Lord will continue to use him to spread the true Gospel.

Woodbury, Pa. Shirley Boyd.

#### SUMMER CAMPS

Young people are likely to find something to interest them in every issue of the Recorder. Some of the same things may appear in the Beacon, which has recently taken on new life and a new look. Not all of the older folks get to see that paper but the older generation provides for the youth work and is anxious to know what is going on among the youth.

We hope you all read the editorial in the issue of May 4 entitled "I Am Going to Camp." Printed below are some of the camps to which you may go. It should be noted that the Mid-Continent Association is offering for the first time a youth camp at Boulder in addition to the junior camp of the Boulder and Denver churches. Pacific Pines-Camp again offers two separate weeks for children and one for young people. Here are the dates as we have them:

#### Camp Dates

Pacific Pines—Young People—June 21-28
Children—June 28-July 12
Adult Retreat—September 4-7

Southern Wisconsin—Camp Wakonda—Milton

Junior—June 28-July 5
Senior—July 5-12
Rocky Mountain Toonson

Rocky Mountain—Teenage—June 30-July 8

Junior—July 8-12 Adult Retreat—July 18

Southwestern Association—Camp Miles—Paint Rock, Ala.

Young People—July 5-11

Lewis Camp—10 years and up—July 12-19

Camp Holston—Battle Creek
Junior and Senior High—July 12-27
Junior—July 19-24

Central Association—Camp Wabasso 4th grade and up—July 19-25

Western Association—Camp Harley Senior—July 26-August 1

Junior—August 2-8
Southeastern Association
Youth Camp—August 2-9

Pre-Conference Camp—Battle Creek August 13-16

Further comments on these meetings, by the pastor, are found in the June 8 Recorder, page 272.

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

In the sixteen-month period ending in March, 1953, some 77 new churches were built in Korea despite war conditions, under the rehabilitation program of the Methodist Church, according to a report just made to the Board of Missions of the denomination. In addition, extensive repairs were made to 100 other churches.

Evangelist Hyman J. Appelman, converted Jew, is credited with more than 250 first-time professions during a two weeks' campaign in Portland, Me. Mr. Appelman is said to possess a special appeal to older people, 95 per cent of his converts being over twenty-five years of age.

The DeRuyter Seventh Day Baptist Church included in its publicity in the local weekly paper recently the dates for Central Association, Pre-Conference Retreat, and the General Conference at Battle Creek. It may be a wise move to let our neighbors know that our work is bigger than the local church.

Dr. Ludolf Muller, Bishop of Saxony, in the face of Communist persecution, has sent a communication to all parishes of his province, requesting that it be read from the pulpit. The message says, in part: "There are three things you should do: Hold together yet more firmly in the service of your church; cease not to call upon God in your distress; and, finally, pray to Him to foster among you that spirit of love in which people carry one another's burdens."

Dr. F. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance, estimates that in 1953, Baptist churches have a world membership of some 17,500,000. The figure does not include Soviet-dominated lands.

The demand for Bibles is the greatest in history, Dr. Eugene A. Nida, secretary for translations, American Bible Society, told the society members at their 137th annual meeting on May 14. Dr. Nida had just returned from a round-the-world trip during which he visited thirty countries on five continents. — EPS.

#### CHANGE OF PLANS

Missionary Ronald Barrar is not riding to the east with the editor as formerly announced. Two of the adult classes at Riverside bought him a cheap secondhand car for use in this country. His revised schedule calls for a meeting in Berkeley on June 6, a call on Dr. George Thorngate the next day, and then driving east with stops in some of the Mid-Continent Association churches before picking up the announced schedule at Milton, June 20.

#### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

PLAINFIELD, N. J. — From January 9 to March 6 a series of cottage prayer meetings took the place of the regular Friday

evening meetings.

Our series of pre-Easter vespers began on March 14 when Rabbi Sydney Nathanson of Temple Sholom presented a "Review of Judaism." On March 21 Mrs. Phyllis Black Greer sang for us between selections read by our pastor from "God's Trombones." Her voice was rich and full, and especially adapted to the beautiful Negro spirituals of her race. Marthellen Brown, harpist, and her father, A. Dwight Brown, violinist, provided the special music on March 28. The Pro-Con group took charge on Easter Sabbath with readings by John Maimone and C. Harold Thompson.

Howard S. Savage directed the choir in the singing of "The Resurrection" by Manney on Sabbath morning, April 4. Pastor Stephan used as his Easter meditation "Ye Shall Live Also."

The annual business meeting of the church was held April 12 with Mrs. L. Harrison North as moderator and Mrs. Henry A. Poulin as chairman of the supper committee.

It was a great privilege to have Rev. Ronald Barrar here May 1 and 2, and to learn more of our Nyasaland mission. Friends from Philadelphia, Irvington, New York City, and Piscataway were also our guests that weekend.

We have become very much interested in the two nurses, Beth Severe and Joan Clement, and are well launched on the project of raising \$1,200 to build them a brick cottage in Nyasaland. — Mrs. John V. O'Connor, Correspondent. ALBION, WIS. — Pastor Kenneth Smith brought to us of the Milton Junction and Albion churches an enthusiastic report of the Ministers' Conference at Alfred, N.Y.. He also attended the ordination service of O. B. Bond at Salem, W. Va.

Recently the Albion Church honored Milton J. Babcock for his fifty years of service as deacon. After appropriate remarks Pastor Smith presented Mr. Babcock with a certificate of appreciation. He responded in a reminiscent mood.

On May 23 the Milton Junction Church entertained the Albion Church in a joint Sabbath morning service, followed by dinner. In the afternoon the churches visited Camp Wakonda and later joined with the Milton young people to consider plans for camp. Junior Camp will be June 28-July 5, Senior Camp, July 5-July 12.

The ceiling of the Albion Church has been lowered. The ceiling fund committee had a home-talent show and candy sale. Some scrap metal has been sold. Other projects are being considered — Pearl C. Sheldon, Correspondent.

# SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION at Lost Creek, W. Va., June 26-28

David Beebe, a Salem College student serving as student pastor at Middle Island, is the association moderator this year. The timely theme taken from Esther 4: 4 is "For Such a Time as This." Among the ministers scheduled to appear on the program are: Loyal F. Hurley, Clifford Hansen, Paul Burdick, Paul Maxson, Ralph Coon, and Rex Zwiebel. This association is keenly aware of Christian education and evangelistic needs within its borders. Our readers will be looking for reports of advances along both lines of activity.

## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for June 27, 1953

Paul's Joy in Christ
Basic Scripture: Philippians
Printed portion: Philippians 1: 12-27

## Births

Churchward. — A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Dale E. Churchward of Fontana, Calif., on April 24, 1953.

Grant. — A son to Mr. and Mrs. James Grant (Virginia Churchward) of Los Angeles, Calif., on May 21, 1953.

### Accessions

Marlboro, N. J.

Baptism:
Mrs. Paul Buckley
Mrs. James Davis
Mrs. Edward Cook, Jr.
Harry Ansink
Mrs. Harry Ansink

Boulder, Colo.

Testimony:
Dan Jensen
Mrs. Dan Jensen

### Obituaries

Carlisle. — Lillian Hall, daughter of Lewis and Losada Ayars Hall, was born in Shiloh, N. J., July 22, 1865, and passed from this life in the hospital at Bridgeton, N. J., on March 13, 1953.

She has been a long-time resident of Marlboro, and has been affiliated with the Marlboro Seventh Day Baptist Church since her childhood. She was married to Albert Carlisle on December 25, 1895. She is survived by a daughter, Losada, two sons, Henry and Albert, and a sister, Mrs. Marie Kaiser.

Funeral services were conducted from the Robert Garrison Funeral Home in Bridgeton by her pastor, Rev. Rex Burdick. Burial was in the Shiloh Cemetery. C. R. B.

Maxson. — Grace Jessie, wife of Edwin Russell Maxson, of Pomona Park, Fla., passed away May 27, 1953, in a Palatka, Fla., hospital following an illness of two months.

hospital following an illness of two months. Mrs. Maxson was born in Poy Sippi, Wis., March 20, 1883, the daughter of Eli Crocker and Celestia Asenath Newell Eaglesfield. On October 7, 1902, she was married to Edwin Russell Maxson of Gentry, Ark., by Rev. James H. Hurley. She was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Milton, Wis., at the time of her death.

Surviving are her husband; four children: Mrs. (Fern) David Rench Cook of Pomona Park, Fla.; Earl, Glenn, and Milton all of Battle Creek, Mich.; seven grandchildren; three brothers: Guy Earl of Phoenix, Ariz.; Eli Ralph of Cleveland, Ohio; Perley Edgar of Fort Worth, Tex.; and one sister, Mrs. Tacy Kerr of Milton, Wis.

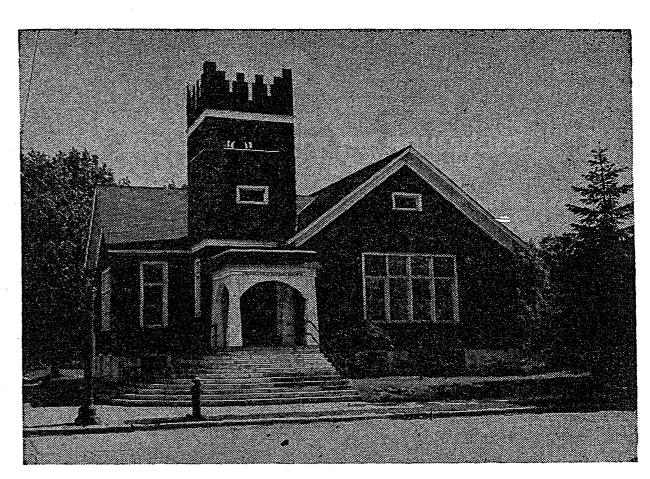
Funeral services were held at the Clayton Frank Funeral Home in Crescent City, Fla., May 30, 1953, with Rev. Mr. Bain officiating. Interment was made in the Eden Cemetery at Crescent City. — Mrs. David R. Cook.

Smalley. — Anna M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Stretch, was born July 19, 1878, at Hancocks Bridge, N. J., and passed away May 25, 1953.

Surviving are her husband, Leonard M. Smalley, a daughter, Mrs. Harold Smick, of Quinton, N. J., a grandson, and a great-grand-daughter.

Funeral services were conducted at the Garrison Funeral Home in Bridgeton, N. J., by her pastor, Rev. Robert Lippincott. Interment was in the Shiloh Cemetery. R. P. L.

# The Saldbath Recorder



White Cloud, Mich., Church

This new picture shows how the exterior of the church has been changed from the old stucco. Read the historical sketch inside.