

**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**  
Statement of Treasurer, May 31, 1953

Receipts		May	8 months
Balance on hand May 1 .. \$		81.77	
Adams Center .....		100.50	269.05
Albion .....			136.02
Alfred, First .....	221.14		1,496.83
Alfred, Second .....			434.90
Andover .....	17.50		27.50
Associations and groups ..			45.00
Battle Creek .....			2,635.50
Berlin .....	26.00		474.58
Boulder .....	38.18		284.32
Brookfield, First .....	35.00		135.00
Brookfield, Second .....	73.95		237.50
Chicago .....	163.00		606.81
Daytona Beach .....	59.10		368.35
Denver .....	54.70		448.79
De Ruyter .....			60.00
Dodge Center .....			125.00
Edinburg .....	15.65		31.59
Farina .....	15.00		216.60
Fouke .....	60.67		121.77
Friendship .....			5.00
Hammond .....			10.00
Hebron, First .....	32.50		136.54
Hopkinton, First .....			683.50
Hopkinton, Second .....			20.00
Independence .....	26.00		314.00
Indianapolis .....			47.15
Individuals .....			210.00
Irvington .....			200.00
Jackson Center .....	27.00		27.00
Little Genesee .....			259.47
Little Prairie .....	6.85		28.55
Los Angeles .....	37.50		336.50
Lost Creek .....	209.39		568.41
Marlboro .....			1,126.33
Middle Island .....	6.40		82.75
Milton .....	342.00		2,806.93
Milton Junction .....			921.98
New Auburn .....			100.85
New York .....	150.82		233.12
North Loup .....			320.52
Nortonville .....			195.00
Pawcatuck .....			2,237.15
Philadelphia .....	15.00		122.50
Piscataway .....	22.00		125.50
Plainfield .....	511.18		2,580.98
Richburg .....			148.56
Ritchie .....			30.00
Riverside .....			1,157.27
Roanoke .....	10.00		46.00
Rockville .....	10.41		66.00
Salem .....			378.80
Salemville .....			45.00
Schenectady .....			40.00
Shiloh .....			1,429.46
Stone Fort .....	50.00		50.00
Syracuse .....			100.00
Verona .....	198.86		663.64
Walworth .....	20.00		50.00
Washington .....	110.00		191.00
Waterford .....	14.00		131.18
Welton .....			10.00
White Cloud .....	23.00		261.67
Wilkes-Barre .....	25.00		25.00
<b>Totals</b> .....		<b>\$2,810.07</b>	<b>\$26,678.42</b>

**Disbursements**

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society .....	\$ 664.02	\$ 465.40
Tract Society .....	259.98	
Board of Christian Education .....	360.15	25.00
Women's Society .....	47.67	20.00
Historical Society .....	79.80	
Ministerial Retirement .....	238.56	119.56
S. D. B. Building .....	66.78	
World Fellowship and Service .....	12.60	26.50
General Conference .....	370.44	15.00
Bank of Milton, service charge .....	1.20	
Balance on hand .....	37.41	
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>\$2,138.61</b>	<b>\$ 671.46</b>

**Comparative Figures**

	1953	1952
Receipts in May:		
Budget .....	\$2,056.84	\$2,998.09
Specials .....	671.46	1,040.31
Receipts in 8-months:		
Budget .....	21,744.12	27,047.46
Specials .....	4,934.30	7,844.27
Annual Budget .....	46,635.00	43,825.00
Percentage of budget raised to date .....	46.6%	61.7%

L. M. Van Horn,  
Treasurer.

**Births**

- Burdick.** — A son, Scott Cameron, to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Burdick of DeRuyter, N. Y., on May 9, 1953.
- Burdick.** — A daughter, Barbara Jean, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Burdick of R. D. I, Truxton, N. Y., on May 10, 1953.
- Woods.** — A son, Thomas Paul, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woods of Battle Creek, Mich., on January 3, 1953.
- Stewart.** — A daughter, Cathy Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart of Battle Creek, Mich., on February 9, 1953.
- Hanke.** — A daughter, Linda Diana, to Sgt. and Mrs. Rolland Hanke of Battle Creek, Mich., on January 22, 1953.
- Maxson.** — A son, Gordon George, to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Maxson of Battle Creek, Mich., on February 23, 1953.
- Mann.** — Triplets, Donna Jeane, Deborah Kay, Daniel Bruce, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mann (Shirley Davis) of Hickory Corners, Mich., on March 31, 1953.
- Miknis.** — A son, Charles Claude, to Mr. and Mrs. Kasmir Miknis of Battle Creek, Mich., on April 4, 1953.
- Casler.** — A son, Donald Bruce, to Mr. and Mrs. Don Casler of Battle Creek, Mich., on June 5, 1953.

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## What Is a Church Budget?

The budget is not sums to me —  
It is children's happy faces;  
It is missionaries who tell of Christ  
In near and far-off places.

It is the sanctuary to which we go  
For worship and for prayer;  
It is the folks we are glad to know  
In love and friendship there.

It is the organ's majestic roll  
In anthem quiet, inspiring;  
It is the preacher's theme  
Of a gospel that's untiring.

It is the Kingdom of our Lord  
When evil has been turned to good.  
It is the reigning of the Christ  
In a world-wide brotherhood.

—Author unknown.

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I know not by what methods rare,  
But this I know: God answers prayer.  
I know that He has given His Word,  
Which tells me prayer is always heard,  
And will be answered, soon or late,  
So I pray and calmly wait.  
I know not if the blessing sought  
Will come in just the way I thought  
But leave my prayers with Him alone,  
Whose will is wiser than my own,  
Assured that He will grant my quest,  
Or send some answer far more blest.

— Eliza M. Hickok,  
in Alabama Christian Advocate.

## DOWN TO THE SEA IN SHIPS

How does it feel to be one of "those who go down to the sea in ships," as the ancient writer has expressed it? How does it feel to become a missionary when one is almost past middle life? What are the reactions when the time really comes and you change the soft hills of landlocked West Virginia for the steel decks of a ship in the greatest port of the world?

Personal interest in missions and the human interest of the event prompted the editor to drop his work on Friday afternoon, June 5, and spend a couple of hours with Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Bond on board the SS Cape Cod as it was making ready to sail. Others present were Charles Harris and his wife, Anita, who is a sister of Mrs. Bond. Anna Crofoot North, a veteran of quite a few sailings, accompanied the editor from Plainfield.

Uncertainties had been many in the preparations for departure. Decisions on what to take had not been easy. It was impossible to know the hour of sailing more than a day ahead. Problems of visa were still unsolved when everything was on board the ship. Like the priests of old these new "priests" had to dip the soles of their feet in the edge of Jordan before the way opened up. Since their visas had not arrived it was necessary to enter Jamaica as tourists. While we were bidding them bon voyage a representative brought them their return tickets which qualified them as tourists. The last obstacle had been overcome by the diligent efforts of the consul, the missionary secretary, and others.

The last hatch was closed and battened down. Visitors had to go ashore. The 10,000-ton freighter with four comfortable passenger staterooms moved out into the stream and another chapter in the missionary saga of Seventh Day Baptists began to be written. The upraised arm of the Statue of Liberty which proclaims liberty to those who enter our ports seems also to bless those who carry the message of freedom from our shores to the islands of the sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Bond were tired but happy as they ventured forth on their nine-day ocean voyage. They were prepared to enjoy a Sabbath of welcome rest as they left the port. For a few moments of good

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Sabbath reading the editor gave them two copies of the Sabbath Recorder, a magazine that sometimes is laid aside in the homeland, but always eagerly awaited at the mission station.

## OUT OF THE DEPTHS

Last week's Recorder carried the statement of the treasurer of the Denominational Budget for May and the first eight months of the Conference year. It showed little improvement over April. By those figures we are in the depths. The budget at the end of May was only 46.6 per cent raised as compared with 61.7 per cent a year ago. That means that some salaries and payments to workers could not be fully met, and work was curtailed.

During June the executive secretary and the Conference president have launched a drive to bring up that percentage. You have been reading regularly Secretary Crofoot's column in the Recorder. We believe our people are awaking. We believe they are responding. We believe that June contributions will show a decided increase, and that we will be coming out of the depths. Jonah cried to God "out of the depths," and he got another chance to preach repentance.

This is the last Recorder with a June date — our last opportunity to mention June giving. If you did not do your utmost to support our full work in June, do it in July. Do it now. Let there be no shadow of discouragement or depth of despair as we approach our General Conference meeting at Battle Creek in August!

## CHANGING SKY LINES

New York is famous for its sky line. Philadelphia also boasts some imposing buildings that spread their window-perforated silhouettes against the arching blue. When we look up at these towering monuments piercing the sky and attesting the genius of man, we have a tendency to become proud. The thoughtful man, however, sees the sky beyond. He knows that the vaulting dome about him is limited by the range of his own vision, and that beyond human vision there is God.

There are no sky lines for God; they

exist only for the earth bound. As these thoughts are written the editor is one of some forty earthborn creatures who for a time are air-borne, resting on the quivering wings of a plane which rides through the pockets and currents of our terrestrial winds. Though our elevation is only two thousand feet all man-made sky lines have ceased to be. Instead of piercing the heavenly ceiling above they are plastered on the earth beneath and look like the cathedrals seen from the rim of Grand Canyon or the fantastic slender spires of Bryce.

Tiny cars seem to crawl past the highest ramparts of the Empire State Building, and stately William Penn on his five-hundred-foot pedestal appears to be standing in a Philadelphia street. Whether one looks up at a sky line or looks down at an earth line he is reminded of God. He marvels that the Creator of infinite space has His eyes constantly turned to our little earth lines and even sees the sparrow fall.

As darkness lowers and earth views fade, we trust in the unfaltering beat of the motors just outside the window. We feel the pulse of their glowing hearts. And up ahead through the open door we see another silhouette moving against the western light of fading day. It is the captain of our ship. His eyes shift to the instruments that tell him their story of safe flying. His ears are closed to everything but messages from out of the blue. Leaving behind the white dome of our nation's Capitol he now has a full load. The lives of fifty-five people are in the responsible hands of our captain.

All of us are moving westward toward the land beyond our earth-bound experience. How much more should we serenely trust the Captain of our salvation who has come from heaven's eternal glory and has gone to prepare a place for us. His promise is sure that wherever we go at His bidding we go with His presence. From evening to morning an earthly flight may take us across a continent to a happy reunion with loved ones. Another night comes to all of us when we roll down the desk, closing the work of earth's little day, and awaken to the glory of eternity and a blissful reunion on the western shore.

## WE ARE LINKS IN A CHAIN OF GENEROUS GIVERS

We are not alone in our efforts to carry on God's work in this world. We have, of course, the constant assurance of God's help and care and His promise that He will not forsake us. We have also the comforting thought that we are links in a continuous chain of those of God's children who are concerned with the continued progress of His Church.

When we are asked to raise \$46,635 for the carrying on of God's work, it is comforting to realize that we are not being asked to bear the whole burden ourselves. God loveth a cheerful giver, and usually prospers him in some way. One consistent giver recently remarked at an association meeting that he never yet heard of a tither who starved. He also cited several names of well-known American philanthropists who consistently gave more than a tithe of their income and continued to prosper far beyond the lot of most of us.

Mention was made above of the continuous chain of giving. While we are asked to contribute \$46,635 this year to denominational activity, that is only a little over half the amounts our denominational boards need for their work this year. The rest comes from the giving of our predecessors in this life and in this church. Gifts made by those who have long since gone to their reward, help to carry on Christ's teaching, long after their bodily presence has left us. If we think back over Seventh Day Baptist history, they form a goodly company — those who once lived and worshiped in the same churches where we meet today, and who were sufficiently concerned about God's work to make certain that their interest carried on after they had departed this life. To the extent that we today give, to that extent can we count ourselves members of the same goodly company, and brothers with them in Christ.

What we are asked to give today will meet only 53% of the needs of the Missionary Board; 27% of the needs of the Tract Board; 89% of the needs of the Board of Christian Education. The rest of the money needed by these boards has already been given by that "Goodly Company" already mentioned. We have an

## MEMORY TEXT

"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." Galatians 6: 10.

## THE BONDS ARRIVE IN JAMAICA

Under date of June 16 Missionary O. B. Bond wrote to Missionary Secretary Harris that they had arrived safely on Sunday, June 14.

Mr. Bond expressed thanks for all that the secretary had done for them and for the great help that Charles and Anita Harris had been to them in the final arrangements for their departure from New York City.

He wrote in part as follows:

"The trip was relaxing all the way and our two days in Havana, Cuba, were used in seeing the city.

"The Mills and Randolphs were at the pier to greet us. The reception was both warm and cordial.

"Monday we were introduced to the students and we were delighted with the reception. Monday night we went out for the night school and before the evening was over we were in the harness teaching."

I gradually feel that we are getting acclimated and, should our health hold, we hope and pray that the next three years will give evidence that the servants of the Lord have been here.

—O. B. and Lucille Bond.

## Southwestern Association

The Southwestern Association meets with the Oakdale Church at Paint Rock, Ala., July 2-4. Pastor J. H. McKay of Nady, Ark., is president. — Mary H. Van Horn, Corresponding Secretary.

obligation to those who have given their lives in Christ's work, that their work shall not have been done in vain. We have an even greater obligation to the living, those who are hungering and thirsting for God's Word and who are being denied that Word because some of us who have read it are not sufficiently enthusiastic to pass it along to those less blest. Are we going to let them down?

Executive Secretary.

## REPORT OF EASTERN ASSOCIATION

Theme: "Our Faith"

The 115th session of the Eastern Association was held with the Pawcatuck Church, Westerly, R. I., June 12-14.

Sabbath eve theme: Our Faith in Christ"

After congregational singing of "The Church's One Foundation," President John Gavitt called the association to order and read Matt. 6: 25-34 and offered prayer. George B. Utter extended the welcome to the delegates and spoke on "Faith and Works." Frederik J. Bakker responded to the welcome. The choir rendered the anthem "The Radiant Morn Hath Passed Away."

Rev. Marion Van Horn, delegate from the Central Association, preached the evening sermon, speaking of the centurion, the leper, and Paul as illustrations of personal positive contact that bring faith and abiding relationship. After a hymn, Rev. Lester G. Osborn conducted the testimony meeting, asking all to observe the A. B. C.'s — Audible, Brief, Christ-Centered, and Definite. Several testified of their faith in Christ and His protecting care and help over obstacles. The service closed with the singing of "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" and benediction by Rev. Mr. Osborn.

The Sabbath morning worship service was in charge of Rev. Charles H. Bond, who brought the junior message on "Pins." The Scripture, Luke 6: 1-5, was read by Rev. Eli F. Loofboro. The anthems, "Jerusalem" with solo by Mrs. Harold Batchelder and "O Savior, Hear Me," were rendered by the choir. Rev. E. Wendell Stephan of Plainfield brought the message, "Our Faith and the Sabbath."

The offering of the morning (for the Denominational Budget) amounted to \$81.82. There were 297 people present. Dinner was served in the vestry by the ladies to 175 guests. Attendance at other programs of the weekend was somewhat lower.

Rev. Harold R. Crandall, president of the Missionary Board, conducted the afternoon worship service, reading Acts 8: 1-8 and pointing out that missionary work is the true work of the church. The choir sang "Hark, Hark My Soul."

The address was given by Missionary Secretary Everett T. Harris. He told of conditions in China now which allow more freedom to worship behind the "bamboo curtain," and of the plan to have a China prayer room at Conference. In Jamaica there was a twenty per cent increase in church membership last year. He expressed the need for a leader and a portable organ in British Guiana. The work in Germany and Holland is progressing while in England the oldest church of Seventh Day Baptists does not grow. Secretary Harris also spoke of work in New Zealand and Africa. The greatest need today, he stated, is on the home field where seven churches are being assisted.

Following supper, thirty-five women remained at the tables and Mrs. Dorcas Van Horn led in hymn singing. Scripture was read by Mrs. Fred Young, president of the Westerly Women's Society, followed by prayer by Mrs. Robert P. Lippincott. Special music consisted of a solo by Miss Myra Wells of Ashaway and an anthem by the Ashaway Girls' Choir.

Miss Mildred Greene, key worker for the Eastern Association, told of the plan to create a scholarship for students taking the Christian Education course at Salem College. Mrs. Marion Van Horn told of the plan followed in the Central Association.

The evening after the Sabbath worship service was conducted by the junior and senior youth fellowships. The junior choir rendered two selections, "In Thee Is Joy," and "Children of the Heavenly King," and Loren Osborn sang "The Lord's Prayer."

Rev. Robert P. Lippincott read Hebrews 11: 1-10 for the Scripture, and gave the sermon on "Our Faith in the Personal Witness." He said that every man has belief or faith in something. Faith has only one way of expressing itself to the world — through works. We will not grow as a church or denomination until we know whom we believe — then it will radiate in our actions and from our lips. Faith and works go hand in hand.

The congregation joined in singing "I Am Thine, O Lord." Rev. Charles Bond showed the religious sound film, "What Happened to Jo Jo?"

The fellowship breakfast for young people was held at 6:30 Sunday morning at

Ashawog Park. Rev. Paul L. Maxson gave the talk, "Our Faith Faces Its Tomorrow."

The closing worship service opened with congregational singing "O For a Closer Walk with God." Frank Kellogg read John 17 and led in prayer. The anthem by the choir was "Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord."

Rev. Paul S. Burdick, delegate from the Southeastern Association, brought greetings from that association, and preached the sermon, "Our Faith Sustained by Prayer." He asked and answered three questions: When do we have time for prayer? How shall we pray? Why do we pray? Using the letters A-C-T-S — Adoration, Confession or Consecration, Thanksgiving, and Supplication for self and intercession for others, he suggested how to pray in a Scriptural way.

#### Association Business

At 9:30 Sunday morning President John Gavitt called the business session to order. Reports and letters from churches and sister associations were read. It was voted to endorse both the Lewis Camp and South Jersey Camp this year. A new camp committee was appointed with Bert Sheppard of Shiloh, as chairman.

It was voted to accept the invitation of the Berlin Church to meet there in 1954 and the following officers were elected: President, Carlton Greene; Vice-President, Arlie L. Greene; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robert Bentley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joseph Bullock. Delegate to Southeastern Assn., Rev. Charles H. Bond; Alternate, Rev. C. Rex Burdick. Delegate to Southwestern Assn., appointee of Central Assn. Delegate to Central Assn., Rev. Paul Maxson; Alternate, Rev. Robert Lippincott. A Missions Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Robert P. Lippincott, Rev. Charles H. Bond, and Mrs. James Waite.

#### OUR SERVICEMEN

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#### AFTER FIFTY YEARS

Fifty years ago during the administration of Dr. William C. Daland as president occurred the first commencement of Milton College. Several features were introduced: caps and gowns were first worn at commencement, the first senior dinner was given, and there was the first reception in honor of the graduating class. The same year the presentations of the plays of Shakespeare which have now become a well-known and established tradition as a part of commencement week had their humble beginnings.

One of the highlights of the commencement of 1953 was the "Shakespeare Reunion," honoring fifty years since the first reading of one of these classics.

At the alumni banquet, the fifty-year class was given especial honors; four of the surviving members were present. Those who have gone on are Rev. Edgar D. Van Horn, and Professor N. Olney Moore. Though small in numbers compared to present graduating classes, this class has been large enough to span the continent for many years. Its range is from Eugene, Ore., the home of Dr. and Mrs. George I. Hurley, to Dunellen, N. J., where Mrs. Herbert C. Van Horn resides. The others of the class are Professor W. Ray Rood, of Riverside, Calif., Dr. L. Arthur Platts of Chicago, and Professor J. Fred Whitford of Milton.

The address at the commencement exercises, given by Dr. A. A. Suppan of Wisconsin State College in Milwaukee, on the subject "Can We Trust Our Minds," was challenging and arresting. It was a strong indictment of those people who let others do their thinking for them as they listen to the radio or watch television.

Fifty years have wrought many changes in Milton College. The Whitford Memorial Hall and the gymnasium have been built; the numbers on the faculty and of the student body are much larger than they used to be. Through all the years the college has maintained and added to its musical and other traditions. No one can hear or stand and join in the singing of the "Song of the Bell" without a renewed sense of the debt which all alumni owe this alma mater.

It is a time of crisis for all small, privately maintained institutions of higher learning. Milton faces such a crisis. All her loyal sons and daughters earnestly hope that she may survive this critical period and continue to be true to her motto, "Large enough to serve you, small enough to know you."

A. B. V. H.

#### NEW BOOKS

**The Revised Standard Version** — an appraisal by J. A. Huffman, president of Winona Lake School of Theology. The Standard Press, Winona Lake, Ind., 1953; 80 pages; paper, 75 cents.

Dr. Huffman, educator and author of fifteen books, was an unusually active member of the Advisory Board of fifty-one men, chosen by the International Council of Religious Education to advise the American Standard Bible Committee during the period it was working on the revision.

In telling the story of the RSV he tells it as one who knows it intimately. Two chapters tell the story; four deal with the problems; one discusses some dark and some brighter spots; the last gives his evaluation.

The reader may not agree on every point, but he will admire its spirit, respect its scholarship, and thank the person who brought this timely book to his attention. Here are two hours of reading that will make you a wiser and happier man. The Revision Committee accepted Dr. Huffman's arguments on 2 Tim. 3: 16 and restored it to, "All Scripture is given by inspiration." The RSV might have been better; it could have been worse. You need to read his book before you talk any more about it.

**Stewardship and Church Finance** by the 70-year-old Southern Baptist minister, H. W. Ellis. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids. 1953. 153 pages, \$2.00.

The author was honored in the recently held Southern Baptist Convention by its president, J. D. Grey, who also wrote the introduction to this book. "This book was born of a great heart and soul," he says.

Here is a book designed to help pastors, laymen, and leaders to enlist more of their

people in the work of the church. Its unique contribution is not in the practical suggestions of the last two chapters, nor in the newness of its basic outline. Others have used many of the Scriptural arguments before. But the richness of this book lies in its beautiful expression that sometimes breaks into poetry. We have the ownership of God and the stewardship of redeemed man set forth not so much in its logical but in its compelling, emotional appeal. It is a book for people to read and enjoy.

In speaking of God's ownership of all he comments on Luke 6: 46 thus: "Let the Holy Spirit etch upon your heart their every word until the Master's meaning glows with a halo of understanding."

Stating the problems of church finance he reminds us that God does not call His people to failure, that whenever and wherever God's people meet God's requirements there need never be uneasiness as to the final outcome. He beautifully brings out the spiritual side of our problem in words like these: "The consecration of self determines the consecration of substance."

#### LONE SABBATHKEEPER NEWS

Mrs. Lois F. Powell of Princeton, Mass., who has contributed many articles for the Recorder during the years, has thoughtfully sent us word that she was not harmed by the tornado that swept through central Massachusetts very close to her little town on June 9. Pictures in the accompanying special edition of the newspaper show the tremendous damage and the amazing phenomenon of a crater six feet deep and one hundred feet in diameter.

It is no wonder that godly people who were spared were very thankful. Mrs. Powell writes:

"I am safe, and happy to record that June 13, the day Eastern Association met in Westerly, R. I., was proclaimed a day of prayer in Worcester for the thousands homeless and hundreds hospitalized after the tornado hit the northern part of the city. Inquiries have come in faster than I can record them fully, but there are moments in the chaos when the 'still small voice' seems to be heard in faithful hearts beating with strength for restoration."

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

ALFRED STATION, N. Y. — The Union Industrial Society of the Second Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church met for its annual business meeting on June 10.

Previous to the election of officers, various reports were heard. Mrs. Clinton Burdick, treasurer, reported that total receipts for the year 1952-53 were \$1,249.37. Contributions were made to the Woman's Board of the General Conference, the Denominational Budget, and the Nyasaland Nurse's Fund. A fifty-dollar scholarship was established for Crandall High School in Jamaica.

Mrs. Bertha Burdick edited the history of the society, recording the various activities of the group. It was noted that the "secret pals" were revealed in August at a dinner served to the group by women of the Independence Church. Dr. H. O. Burdick was guest speaker and gave an illustrated talk on "Birds."

Two chicken dinners and eleven monthly dinners were served to the people of the community. A new eight-burner, two-oven stove was purchased for the church kitchen. Lunches and dinners were served to men who worked at Camp Harley near Alfred Station, to guests attending the Allegany County Bible Institute, and to guests attending the Ministers' Conference.

A twelve months' program is planned each year with guest speakers, sewing meetings, and mission studies included.

Three members, Mrs. Flora Allen, Mrs. Fannie Ormsby, and Mrs. Eva Champlin, were lost to the society by death.

Officers were elected for 1953-54 as follows: president, Mrs. Leon Lewis; vice-president, Mrs. Fred Pierce; secretary, Mrs. Donald Pierce; treasurer, Mrs. Leo Shaw.

Mrs. Louella K. Lewis,  
Publicity Chairman.

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Let each man know that if he becomes a Christian that he has entered into a battle from which he shall not escape without scars, possibly physical as well as spiritual. But, enter the fight! — Lee.

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## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for July 11, 1953

Christian Behavior

Lesson Scripture: Romans 12: 1-3, 9-21

## Marriages

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**Schmidt - Burdick.** — Richard Schmidt and May Ferieda Burdick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burdick, Milton, Wis., were united in marriage at the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church, June 16, 1953. Pastor Kenneth E. Smith officiated. The groom is in the Air Force.

## Births

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**Hurley.** — A daughter, Penelope Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. K. Duane Hurley of Salem, W. Va., June 9, 1953.

## Obituaries

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**Ellis.** — Charles Burdett, was born February 29, 1876, in Alfred, N. Y., and passed away in his sleep at his home in Stephentown, N. Y., June 1, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis joined the Berlin Seventh Day Baptist Church on January 8, 1927, by letter from the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Alfred.

Mr. Ellis is survived by his widow, the former Lula Carpenter; a daughter, Mrs. Helen Sullivan; a son, Delmar; four grandchildren; a twin sister, Mrs. Mabel Coon of Ashaway, R. I.; a brother, Oscar of Bound Brook, N. J.; and two sisters, Misses Lula and Iva Ellis of Alfred, N. Y.

Funeral services were held at Hall and Higgins Funeral Home in Stephentown, N. Y., on June 3, 1953, with his pastor, Rev. Paul L. Maxson, officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Lebanon, N. Y. P. L. M.

**Johnson.** — William Franklin, son of Dr. F. F. and Minerva Johnson, was born at Raleigh, Ill., March 20, 1865, and died March 12, 1953.

He was a member of the Old Stone Fort Seventh Day Baptist Church of Stonefort, Ill.

He was educated in the public schools of Saline County, Illinois, and Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y. His greatest interest was in music. He directed both school and community bands and gave private lessons. He was choir director in the First Baptist Church of Stonefort, and in his own church.

In 1889 he was united in marriage to Missouri Penninger of Stonefort. To this long and happy union of sixty-four years were born eight children. Those surviving him besides his wife are Mrs. Lola DeJarnett of Murphysboro, Mrs. Mary Harris of Fairfield, Mrs. Pauline Borum of Stonefort; Joe of Johnston City, Robert of Milwaukee, Wis., and Morton of Oshkosh, Wis. He also leaves a sister, Nannie Bramlet of Eldorado, a brother, Ewing Johnson of Clarkston, Wash., ten grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held on Sabbath afternoon, March 14, with his former pastor, Addison Appel, officiating. Burial was in the Trammel Cemetery. A. A. A.