

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer July 31, 1953

	Receipts	
	July	10 months
Balance on hand July 1 ... \$	25.08	
Adams Center	25.75	294.80
Albion	114.01	250.03
Alfred, First		1,976.79
Alfred, Second		659.50
Andover		27.50
Associations and groups ..	40.00	427.04
Battle Creek	1,030.02	3,768.44
Berlin	41.00	515.58
Boulder	134.53	451.90
Brookfield, First	50.00	185.00
Brookfield, Second	82.35	319.85
Chicago	40.00	750.81
Daytona Beach	54.50	481.60
Denver	57.88	599.82
De Ruyter	232.50	337.50
Dodge Center	72.25	253.95
Edinburg	8.91	190.50
Farina	15.00	246.60
Fouke		121.77
Friendship		27.00
Gentry	10.00	10.00
Hammond		40.00
Hebron, First	15.15	164.19
Hopkinton, First		830.70
Hopkinton, Second	55.00	75.00
Independence	34.00	404.00
Indianapolis	3.00	50.15
Individuals	2,014.41	2,224.41
Irvington	100.00	300.00
Jackson Center		27.00
Little Genesee	127.50	416.97
Little Prairie	3.35	31.90
Los Angeles		336.50
Lost Creek	5.00	573.41
Marlboro	311.00	1,537.33
Middle Island	12.78	105.38
Milton		3,496.93
Milton Junction	72.72	1,302.74
New Auburn		100.85
New York	62.57	295.69
North Loup		524.13
Nortonville	125.47	320.47
Pawcatuck	613.03	2,850.18
Philadelphia		137.50
Piscataway		136.50
Plainfield	296.97	3,231.00
Richburg		274.56
Ritchie	13.00	103.00
Riverside	184.85	1,794.99
Roanoke		57.00
Rockville	6.69	83.80
Salem		509.00
Salemville	104.73	149.73
Schenectady		40.00
Shiloh		1,981.45
Stone Fort		50.00
Syracuse		100.00
Verona	73.00	736.64
Walworth	20.00	85.00
Washington		191.00
Waterford	29.95	184.89
Welton		10.00
White Cloud		410.43
Wilkes-Barre		25.00
Totals	\$6,317.95	\$38,195.40

Disbursements

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$1,359.66	\$ 344.60
Tract Society	532.34	
Board of		
Christian Education	737.45	25.00
Women's Society	97.61	40.00
Historical Society	163.40	969.08
Ministerial Retirement	488.48	401.16
S. D. B. Building	136.74	
World Fellowship		
and Service	25.80	
General Conference	758.52	101.28
S. D. B. Memorial Fund		105.00
American Bible Society		5.00
Bank of Milton,		
service charge	1.33	
Balance on hand	25.50	
Totals	\$4,326.83	\$1,991.12

Comparative Figures

	1953	1952
Receipts in July:		
Budget	\$4,301.75	\$4,242.79
Specials	1,991.12	852.64
Receipts in 10 months:		
Budget	30,633.54	32,635.47
Specials	7,561.86	8,895.57
Annual Budget	46,635.00	43,825.00
Percentage of budget		
raised to date	65.7%	74.5%

L. M. Van Horn,
Treasurer.

Births

Wopat. — A daughter, Ruth Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. William Wopat of Pardeeville, Wis., on June 1, 1953. Mrs. Wopat is the daughter of the late Harriet Inglis Brene-man and a niece of Prof. D. N. Inglis of Milton.

Bond. — Correction — In the July 13 issue the middle name of Richard Bond's son should have read David rather than Davis.

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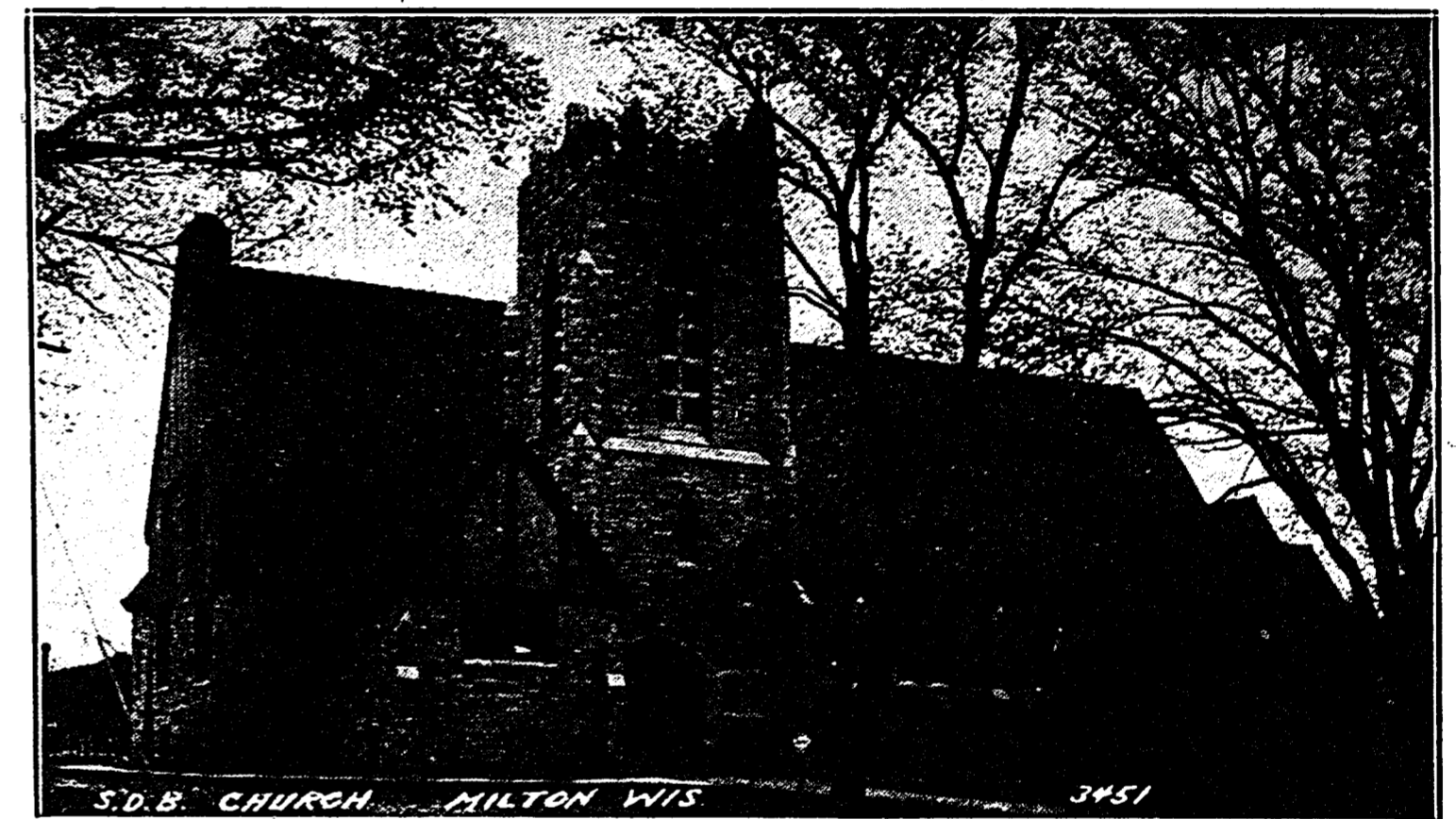
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This will be the meeting place of the next annual Conference of Seventh Day Baptists on August 17-22, 1954.

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For two years—Lloyd D. Seager, Little Rock, Ark.; Elmo F. Randolph, Milton, Wis.
For three years—Albyn Macintosh, Los Angeles, Calif.; Clarence Rogers, Salem, W. Va.

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THEME FOR NEXT CONFERENCE

To know Him and make Him known.

CONFERENCE BEGINS

There is something thrilling about the beginning of Conference, the formal opening of another session of the annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptists of America. It is probable that one has to be acquainted with, or vitally interested in, the work of the denomination to experience to a great degree that thrill. It is not the thrill of fanfare or of a vast audience. It is rather the hush of expectancy settling over representatives of a world-wide family that has long been bound together by Bible truth closely held, long cherished, and widely disseminated.

The expectancy of Conference delegates begins to come to fruition when the opening music by orchestra and choir falls silent and the president steps forward with word and gavel to announce that the one hundred forty-first session will come to order. It marks the time when local preparations can come to an end in a sigh of relief without regrets, and visitors cease their cheery greetings to enjoy that for which they came.

Battle Creek has now, for the third time, entertained the General Conference of Seventh Day Baptists as noted by the pastor, Rev. Alton Wheeler, in his welcoming address. It was on Tuesday morning, August 18, that the meeting was called to order in the spacious precincts of the First Congregational Church under the direction of Conference President Elmo F. Randolph.

The air of formality was tempered by spontaneity in true Seventh Day Baptist fashion. This was apparent in the opening prayer. The presiding minister resting his clasped hands upon the pulpit closed his eyes and prayed with earnestness an unwritten prayer couched in words framed for the occasion. A warmth of longing and aspiration breathed in that prayer.

The president's address was not an inaugural document to go down in history; it was not fully written out. It outlined rather the attitudes which the delegates should have as they entered upon the worship, the inspiration, and the business of Conference. Fortunately the message was recorded and is available exactly as it was spoken. Portions of it will be reproduced in these pages for those who were unable to be present.

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Mr. Randolph read Hebrews 12: 1-11 as a background for his message. He called on the delegates to remember that ours is a Bible-believing people and that we are "surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses." We must do more than honor a glorious past; there is a great cloud of witnesses now. He expressed the hope that this Conference would have four points of emphasis: (1) to seek Divine directives while at worship and in prayer; (2) to review and appraise the kingdom work already accomplished; (3) to discover and explore more effective ways of doing the work that lies ahead; (4) to bring together the many facets of our denominational life in such a way as to unify us more completely.

The theme of Conference (Yoked for Life in Christ), as might be expected, was strongly emphasized throughout the president's message (as it was in most of the messages which followed). What might not have been expected was the actual yoke that adorned the sanctuary of the church throughout all the meetings. A perfect, clean yoke of a size to fit sturdy calves was suspended in the center of the high paneling at the back of the platform underneath the massive display pipes of a three-manual organ. Strangely enough, it did not seem out of place. Mr. Randolph explained that he had acquired it from last year's Conference President O. B. Bond. He said that it was made for O. B. Bond by his father when the former was a boy. We do not suppose that it was made for the boy to wear. However, since last Conference he has been ordained as a minister and has gone to Jamaica for a term of missionary service. In a very real sense he is yoked with Christ.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR KOREA

Ordinarily we have avoided editorial comment on domestic or international political matters. However, some interesting information regarding Korea has come to our attention. If the relief of suffering is partly a religious issue, so also is relieving the root of suffering. Let us therefore think for a moment about a divided Korea in relation to Christian principles.

Many of us have thought of the 38th

parallel as a sort of equal division of the country. We don't like the idea of division but we might be persuaded to tolerate it for some time to come. Secretary of State Dulles in his radio address to the nation on the eve of the truce said:

"We are no less determined than before to achieve this unification. . . . Unification must come about through political means rather than through force. . . . Now we shall press forward by peaceful means in a political conference to end an unnatural division, which, so long as it persists, will be a potential cause of strife."

Some of us have failed to appreciate the position of the South Koreans and their president. The division is more unnatural than it seems if we can accept the figures reported by Dr. Clyde W. Taylor of Washington, D. C. Prior to 1945 there were fifteen million Koreans in the North and fifteen in the South. In the first five years five million North Koreans migrated to the South. In the last three years another five million came into South Korea. That, according to Dr. Taylor, leaves only five million north of the line and twenty-five in the South. That in itself not only makes the division unnatural, but explains somewhat the insistence of President Rhee that the country be united under South Korean rule.

Secretary Dulles surprised some of us by stating that the North Korean army was virtually extinct. He further stated that of the ten million people of North Korea one out of every three has died from the ravages of war. The figures from the two sources do not quite agree but they are near enough to throw light on the rapid increase of the South Korean army. If the Chinese Red forces could be trusted to withdraw, which they probably can not, a unification might be effected by sheer weight of numbers. That is not our primary concern as Christians.

The president of South Korea is a Christian and a patriot. None can deny that he is struggling for a Christian principle. Our desires for peace should not be so frantic that we are blinded to the moral rights of people who are just as freedom-loving as we.

A military chaplain with three years' war experience estimates that one fifth of

WORSHIP WITH TITHES

A. B. Crofoot

"Come let us worship with our tithes and offerings."

This is another one of the formal expressions so frequently heard as to have become meaningless to most of us. However, it is worth our while to consider how truly the giving of tithes and offerings is an act of worship.

For our ancient Hebrew brethren the giving of tithes was often a blood sacrifice and the ritual with which it was accomplished made of it a true part of the religious life of the participant. For us, too, the giving of tithes and offerings can be a significant part of our religious experience if we will but make it so.

As this is being written, our General Conference is contemplating the biggest Denominational Budget adopted in a number of years, in spite of the fact that the current budget is still far from being met. Furthermore, this Conference is contemplating this increased budget with an increased confidence in our ability to raise the necessary amounts for the continued operation of God's business on this earth. If we regard the business of our church in this light, we can truly make our giving an act of worship and make it sufficiently large to meet the requirements which we have, with God's assistance, determined to be our just duty.

Bible Reading Group Formed

A Bible reading group has been organized at the Hardy Barracks Chapel in Toyko, Chaplain (Major) Jesse H. Crossett reports. The group meets from 12:30 to 12:45 p.m. every weekday. A reader is selected who serves for a week and reads a chapter of the Bible each day. Prayers are said and the audience participates in a discussion. Organ music precedes the reading. — Chief of Chaplains.

the 100,000 North Korean prisoners are Christians. Christianity has been growing by leaps and bounds in the prison camps and elsewhere in South Korea. Let us uphold in prayer those faithful believers and their leaders, not to mention the millions of suffering orphans.

MEMORY TEXT

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." 1st John 1: 3. (Theme verse for Conference next year.)

COMMISSION REPORT IN PART

Your Commission respectfully submits the following reports and recommendations to the Conference:

The organizational meeting of Commission was held at Denver, Colo., following General Conference. At that meeting E. Keith Davis was elected chairman, Alfred L. Davis and Lester G. Osborn were appointed to the Auditing Committee, O. B. Bond and Lester G. Osborn were appointed to prepare the official list of ministers, and President Elmo F. Randolph was asked to draw up the Conference program.

The next meeting of Commission was at Plainfield, N. J., on December 28, 1952. At this session many of the denominational problems were discussed at length. The highlight growing out of this meeting was the subsequent employment of A. Burdet Crofoot as executive secretary.

On December 31, 1952, a Planning Committee meeting was held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building; representatives of the Tract Board, Missionary Board, Women's Board, along with the members of Commission and others were present and much effort was put forth in the correlation of denominational planning.

The pre-Conference meeting of Commission was held at White Cloud, Mich., beginning August 12, 1953. Many problems were presented for consideration, some of which were new, but a great many of which were long standing. In general, the approach to these questions has been to take, insofar as possible, the critical and urgent ones first, following which an attempt has been made to correlate these into the scope of long-range planning for denominational growth.

In order to seek out all information which might be available on the subjects, representatives of all of our boards and

agencies have been invited to attend the meetings when the problems of their respective fields were being discussed.

Commission is aware and concerned about the difficulty of denominational financing and has taken upon itself a year's study relative to this matter and hopes to present to Conference in 1954 specific recommendations concerning this aspect of our activities.

The Commission commends our people for the financial support being given to the Nyasaland field. The Commission has observed a number of complex problems, and is making specific recommendations to the Missionary Board envisioning a survey of our past efforts and the development of a future long-range program. [More later. Ed.]

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your article, "Another Forgotten Man" (July 27 Recorder), reopened a sore spot in my heart caused by reading, quite some time ago, in one of the magazines — of the returned soldiers of the late war — hopelessly injured — cared for by the government in government hospitals, but forsaken by their immediate families. One instance was given where the family lived less than fifty miles from the hospital but never visited the patient. I am glad that Christ's love was not like that, and that: "The love of God is broader than the measure of man's mind,

And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind."

I hope and pray that we may remember not only these special ones of whom we should be thoughtful but "the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker" who are earning their daily bread in varied service that we could not well do without. God grant that we may have a deepening spirit of the love of the Master, that will reach out in love and sympathy to them all.

An interested reader.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for September 12, 1953

Courage for Christian Living
Scripture: 2 Timothy 1: 3-14

BIBLE-CENTERED PREACHING

Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson

(Continued from last issue)

III

Bible-centered preaching presents God's Word with authority. One of the greatest needs of our times is an authoritative voice. I believe the Bible speaks with authority and God is that voice which man must hear if he is to follow God's commandments.

But where is the voice of authority? With man, there is no response to the appeal of the Gospel; its authority is no longer heeded. Bible study in many churches, including ours, and for many professing Christians, has almost disappeared. No doubt one reason is that the Bible no longer speaks with authority. It seems that only few revere the Ten Commandments, and the Sabbath along with the other nine has lost its authority to command obedience by the masses. In short, the problem of Christian leaders is to help the world to rediscover the voice of authority which gives an inner compulsion to obey the will of God as is manifested in Jesus Christ.

God is the final voice of authority for every man. The Spirit of God is the inner voice speaking through the conscience of mankind. God's Word is eternal. To be sure, it transcends the Bible — the Word of God cannot be confined to a book. However, the Bible is a positive, tangible expression of the voice of the Eternal. It is in this respect that the Scriptures are the Word of God, and they can be trusted as a reliable, unerring witness of His will. As we declare in the Seventh Day Baptist statement of beliefs: "We believe that the Bible is the inspired record of God's will for man, of which Jesus Christ is the supreme interpreter; and that it is our final authority in matters of faith and conduct."

As ministers, our preaching task is to present the Bible in such a convincing way that it will speak with power and authority to our people. The Bible must be made to live with such forceful reality as to bring about changed lives. When we enter the pulpit each Sabbath morning we must give the Bible message with such authority that the worshiper will know that God is speaking through us. A minister asked an actor,

"Why it is that you, dealing with fiction, draw larger crowds than ministers who deal with truth?" He replied, "I preach fiction as if it were truth; you preach truth as if it were fiction." May God grant us such pulpit power to make truth live.

As this point, I think it is in order to speak briefly on the authority of Bible translations and versions. Unquestionably the version speaking with greatest authority for the English-speaking world has been the beloved King James Version, known also as the Authorized Version, although no official action of authorization is known to exist. This version received much opposition when it was first published and it was not generally accepted until 30 to 50 years later. Ecclesiastical organizations and councils may take official action authorizing a Bible version, but in the end the test is in the authority with which a particular version brings God's message to the people. Among the great assets of a successful Protestantism is the way the Bible has spoken with authority from God. This Biblical authority has been due, to no small extent, to the recognition of a common, authorized version of the Bible.

Within the last century there has been a growing feeling that revision of the English Bible was necessary to bring the Word of God up to date in modern English vocabulary and style, especially in the light of latest discoveries of Bible manuscripts which have given valuable evidence for improving the basic Hebrew and Greek texts. This mounting conviction has been augmented in recent years, particularly with the publication of the Revised Standard Version.

I have read much material for and against this new version, and in almost every case, including letters to editors, those who have been unable to endorse the Revised Standard Version have expressed the need for revision. Shortly after the initial publication of the RSV, the United Evangelical Action magazine ran six consecutive articles with unfavorable and favorable criticism. The response to these articles was tremendous. Some accused the new version of a liberal theological bias and they proposed another revision or translation which would be evangelical and

conservative. It is my firm conviction that no honest translation of the Scriptures can be made with predetermined theological or doctrinal bias. God must be allowed through a faithful, scholarly translation to mold theological and Christian convictions. We must be willing to submit to His authority and pass it on to our people.

Perhaps I should express a word of concern lest we have many versions but none which speaks with authority to the great mass of English-speaking people. English-speaking Roman Catholics have always had a different version than that of Protestants. Now they are working on a modern English version which may indicate a new interest in the Bible among them. The Jehovah's Witnesses already have their own official version, "New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures," which seems to bend the Bible to support their particular doctrines. For instance, the designation "Jehovah" is inserted 237 times into the passages of the New Testament. They have translated the divine tetragram (YHWH) from Hebrew manuscripts of the New Testament made in the sixteenth century and later as their authority for ignoring earlier Greek manuscripts. There are other similar oddities in this version.

The danger is that several denominations and groups may undertake their own translations to support their own particular beliefs. Wouldn't this lead to a maze of confusion in recognizing an authorized version of the English Bible?

The need for a revision is as true today as it was in the days of Tyndale, whose one ambition was that the Bible might be an open and meaningful book for the "boye that dryvest the plough."

What a high calling we ministers have to preach faithfully and teach the Bible that it will be an open Book for all who hear. Bible-centered preaching, anointed by the power of the Holy Spirit, is a basic way to cause the Truth of God to live for our people. May we spearhead a return by Seventh Day Baptists to the authority of the Bible and a renaissance of reading and studying the Scriptures for devotional strength as well as a guide for daily living.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Report of the delegate, E. Wendell Stephan, to the General Conference

Your delegate would report less than adequate participation on the General Board of the National Council of Churches. Our Conference has been represented only three times this year, once by Mrs. L. H. North, once by Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, and once by your elected delegate.

However, it is important that this contact be maintained at least at the present level and expanded when time and personnel permit, for this is one of the solid ties which our people enjoy with the larger body of the Church of Christ. While our contribution to this work is never large, our participation as a people is deeply appreciated and our delegates are always given a most cordial welcome.

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Report of our Representative, Lloyd D. Seager

Your representative would report that he has received a number of communications from the headquarters of the Council concerning meetings and other activities of some of the agencies or the organization. It has not been possible to attend any of the meetings this year. It is important to point out that the 2nd assembly of the World Council of Churches will meet in Evanston, Ill., in August of 1954. Your representative has urged our Commission to recommend to Conference that we send a delegate to the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches.

He would further recommend that an advisory committee be appointed to work with our delegate in planning for our participation.

There are some who insist that the Hallelujahs of religion shall always support the Hurrahs of the state. This was the error made in Europe. Religion must always stand in judgment upon those practices of the state that violate the moral law. — G. B. Oxnam.

LATE MISSIONARY NEWS

Plans for the public appearance of our trio of Nyasaland missionaries between Conference and their time of sailing have been tentatively made as follows by our missionary secretary:

On Wednesday, August 26, they will appear at Alfred, N. Y., in a meeting sponsored by the Evangelical Society. From there they will go to Little Genesee, N. Y., where a joint meeting will be held with the Nile and Richburg, N. Y., and Hebron, Pa., Churches. On Sabbath, August 29, the missionaries will be present at Nile, N. Y., at the service for ordination of Paul Osborn and will speak the following evening at a joint meeting of the Independence, Andover, and Alfred Churches at Alfred, N. Y. From there they will journey to Berlin and will speak to the church there Tuesday, Sept. 1, and will move on to Ashaway, R. I., where they will present the work of Nyasaland. On Sabbath, Sept. 5, there will be a union meeting of all our New England churches, the place not yet determined.

On Monday, Sept. 7, they expect to travel south to Plainfield, N. J., where the nurses and Missionary Barrar will prepare for their trip to Nyasaland. It is expected that Ronald Barrar will sail Sept. 11 on the SS Morgenster and the nurses will leave Sept. 24 on the SS Svensalen, States Marine Line. However, if it is possible to obtain passage even yet on Sept. 11 for the nurses they will sail at the same time as Mr. Barrar.

If their sailing is delayed to the 24th it is expected that they will speak at the Plainfield Church on Sabbath, Sept. 12, and visit such other churches as can be conveniently reached in the remaining time.

Conference Delegates

At the closing business meeting of the Battle Creek Conference it was announced that 450 out-of-town delegates and 130 local church residents had registered at the desk. It was estimated that there were well over 600 people present at the Sabbath morning service.

You haven't begun to give until you feel glad over it. — Anon.

MISSIONARY SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT

A. Activities of the Secretary

A busy year has passed in which the corresponding secretary has begun to grasp the scope and content of the field of his labors. A semester's study at Kennedy School of Missions of the Hartford Seminary Foundation has aided in this. Much appreciation is expressed to those who made these months of study possible, especially for providing a co-secretary in the office that the work might go forward without interruption.

The extensive correspondence of the office has been cared for. Material for the Sabbath Recorder has been provided regularly. The quarterly issues of the "Missionary Reporter" have been prepared and distributed. An associate editorship has been maintained on the quarterly publication, "Mission Notes" which is partly sponsored by the Woman's Board and is prepared and sent out by leaders of the Pacific Coast Association.

Eastern, Central, and Western Associations were attended and the program and interests of the Missionary Society were presented. Visits to our churches of the Southwestern Association were made over a period of about two months. All churches and fellowship groups of the association were visited and special evangelistic services held on some instances. The following additional churches have been visited during the year for religious services or for presenting the work of the Missionary Society: Pawcatuck, Second Hopkinton, First Hopkinton, Waterford, and Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Churches. Special occasions and services were as follows: attending ordination services for Rev. Orville B. Bond and arranging for the sailing of Mr. and Mrs. Bond to Kingston, Jamaica; maintaining contact with the Tract Board, the Board of Christian Education, the Woman's Board, and the Memorial Fund, and also serving as a member of the Advisory Council of the Alfred School of Theology. The midyear Planning Committee of the Commission and board representatives was attended at Plainfield. On this occasion the secretary met with the Commission as an alternate for Pastor Osborn during the last day of Commission meeting.

In the ecumenical field an effort has been made to keep in touch with the work and suggestions of the Division of Foreign Missions of the N. C. C. Assistance from these leaders has been requested and promptly received on several occasions.

B. The Forward Look

It is hoped that greater efforts may be made during the coming year in advancing a spirit of evangelism among our people in the home churches. It is thought that this might be done by renewing interest in Preaching Missions or Preaching Crusades among the churches, the board again offering to pay travel expense of the chosen evangelist and giving whatever encouragement is needed to win support of the plan.

The need for a full-time missionary evangelist on the Home Field is deeply felt by many of our leaders. It is thought that such a field worker, employed by the Missionary Society and under the direction of the board, could remain long enough in a given locality to really stir the people and establish a good work for our Lord.

It is proposed that Associational Missions Committees could assist the evangelistic zeal of the churches through an active committee chairman who would be willing to give encouragement to the churches and also serve as an advisor to the board in matters affecting the churches of that association. Such expense as the chairman would incur would be shared by the board. This plan is in keeping with the Constitution and By-Laws under which the board has been operating for many generations.

There is also a belief held by many leaders that student summer quartet work should be under the direction of the Missionary Board and should be a part of a total program of evangelistic outreach. If the means are provided we are willing to undertake this.

Our missionary pastors have been caught in a circle of having to put so much of their time and energy in supplementing their salaries that they have not been able to give adequate time to their churches to enable them to grow strong enough to provide better support. An "across the board" increase to missionary churches, raising the maximum limit on pastors' salaries from \$1,300 to \$1,600, is proposed as a way to break this depressing situation. It has in mind that such an increase will be granted on the willingness of the churches to match one half the amount of increase and

agree during the next four years to cover an expected decrease of \$50.00 a year or such proportionate amount as will take care of the increase within four years.

C. Conclusion

The long-range goal of missions should occasionally be redefined and brought to mind. It has been suggested that a generally accepted aim of all missionary efforts is to make the Lord Jesus Christ known to all men as their divine Saviour and to persuade them to become His disciples, then to gather these disciples into Christian churches which shall be **self-propagating, self-supporting, and self-governing.**

It is believed that the above suggestions for the home field if put into effect will revive and strengthen this most needed area of our efforts and will be done in line with our long-range goal of stepping aside as soon as these churches grow strong enough to carry the load. In the development of leadership among the nationals on foreign fields this same goal is in our minds and prayers.

If the people of our denomination will show their confidence in the future of our missionary work by providing the means for an advance, the Board of Managers is willing and eager to lead out — and to our Lord and Saviour be ascribed all the glory and honor now and throughout all ages. — Amen.

JAMAICA CONFERENCE

The Jamaican Seventh Day Baptist Churches held their conference this year with the Kingston Church, July 15-19, 1953.

A report of the conference received from Missionary Wardner Fitzrandolph tells of the attendance of twenty-two officers and 25 delegates together with visitors representing in all 17 churches. The regular attendance at business sessions was 66 to 70. The evening services ranged from 175 to 300 and were spiritual feasts. There were 240 at the Communion service with 140 partaking.

"The program consisted of prayer meetings, devotional services, business sessions, and an evangelistic meeting each evening. Sermons were delivered by our preachers from churches through the island. On Sabbath there was a baptismal service in which five candidates were immersed by Rev. W. T. Fitzrandolph, pastor of the Kingston Church."

On Wednesday evening there was a welcoming service for the Bonds and on Sunday afternoon there was a farewell service for the Mills family.

Rev. Orville B. Bond wrote extensively concerning the Jamaica Conference and it is hoped that his letter can be published in full at a later date. He concludes with this timely thought: "My Christian friends, your money is not wasted when you invest in Jamaica or definitely in Crandall High School, for you are investing in youth who are getting a vision of consistent living.

Make generous contributions through your church to our Missionary Society for the support of the Jamaica Mission."

E. T. H.

APPRECIATION TO BONDS

Rev. Orville B. Bond has shared with us a letter of welcome and appreciation from an old friend of Sabbath Recorder readers, Mrs. Emily Smikle. We would be happy to include this letter in full if space in the Recorder permitted, but it does not. She concludes with these words: "In closing let me wish that all the windows and doors of heaven may open and showers of rich blessings may be poured upon you to give you strength to meet your daily task, and power to overcome the evil one, and that you might be able to teach our boys and girls that are committed to your charge, and that you both be faithful and true all of your days. I beg to remain yours in the Blessed Hope, Emily Smikle."

Such letters warm the hearts of those receiving them and truly give strength and encouragement to keep on serving God in humble ways.

E. T. H.

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Children's Page

Dear Mrs. Greene:

My name is Jerry Wayne Vierow. I am five years old and will start kindergarten in Oneida Castle this fall.

My father is sick, so I'm staying a few days with Grandma Zilla (Thayer Vierow) while my little sister, Kathy, almost three, stays with Grandma Eula (Warner Sholtz).

I am having a good time fishing. We caught one fish but it got away, and two fish bit off the worms.

Grandma reads Jack and Jill stories to me.

Grandpa Bill brought be a rubber frog. It jumps when I squeeze the bulb and scares people and makes them laugh.

I have a mother cat named Minnie and four baby kittens. Last winter a big skunk came at night into Grandma's back room and ate from the cat's dish. We watched it but did not try to scare it, so everything was O.K.

I went to Bible School and liked it so much that I did not miss a day. There were about one hundred and sixty-five children there. I like to sing and learned many new songs.

We go to the Verona Church and Sabbath School. Kathy likes to go, too.

I'll write again some day.

Your little friend,
Jerry Vierow.

Durhamville, N. Y.

Dear Jerry:

I can't begin to tell you how glad I was to receive your good letter and I hope to hear from you often. Yours was the only children's letter I have this week.

I am sorry to hear that your father was sick and hope he is much better if not entirely well by this time.

Your rubber frog must be a lot of fun. I'm sure it would keep me jumping, for my grandchildren say I'm a prize jumper, and I do believe they like to see me jump. It surely doesn't hurt me.

I'm glad you could enjoy Vacation Bible School. I enjoyed telling stories to the children at Independence Vacation Bible

School and found they were good listeners.
Yours in Christian love,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Three Little Pairs of Shoes

The day had been long and weary,
My patience was worn o'er and o'er;
I was longing for the hour of bedtime,
For the children to be in bed once more.

They had run and raced and played
"Hossy,"
"Gid-de-up" 'round and 'round the room,
Jeanette, Joyce, the baby, and June Ann,
Till I thought my life was doomed.

I had worked and scolded and "paddled,"
Loved and praised them all day long;
Tied broken shoestrings, washed dirty
faces,

Yet everything went "dead wrong."
But now! Oh, how quiet and restful;
I just rocked and rocked by the door.
No childish songs, prattle or clatter;
So I just sat and rocked some more.

As I glanced toward the radio table
A wonderful sight came to my view:
One that I'll forever remember,
'Twas three little pairs of shoes.

The first pair was Joyce's, the baby's,
With the toes worn a little thin,
From creeping and creeping and
scrabbling,

Bound to walk and win
The praise of all about her,
Smiling, cooing — talking fast;
What a sweet ten-months-old baby,
Oh, if only it would forever last!

Next was a little larger pair,
Proudly owned by Jeanette dear.
She always called them "my birthday
shoes."

(Heaven had lent her but three years.)

The next were June Ann's, the five-year-
old's —

Her shoes were larger yet,
And one shoestring was broken and tied,
Oh, Junie, our darling pet.
Somehow the toil and troubles
And somehow the cares of the day
Took wings and instantly vanished
Ten million miles away.

CONSERVATIVE PROFESSOR AND RSV

Dr. John P. Milton, head of the Old Testament department at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., says he has reached the conclusion that the Revised Standard Version of the Bible "is on the whole an excellent translation.

"That is my confident judgment from my own use of RSV. I shall continue to use it, and to urge others to use it, because I believe firmly that in spite of criticisms that I myself have voiced, God can use it mightily in our day.

"I have little patience with those who would substitute for ecclesiastical Latin an ecclesiastical English from the 17th century as the permanent religious language of Protestantism; nor do I have much patience with those spiritual voices who would slander everyone with whom they do not agree. If such a spirit enters the criticism of RSV, it does not reflect the Spirit of Christ.

"Whatever imperfections the Revised Standard Version may have it is on the whole an excellent translation which glorifies God and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Why hinder it by carping criticism? Why not rather learn to appreciate it and thank God for it?"

— Religious News Service.

I sat and held the three little pairs
That would break my heart to lose.
The most precious things in all the world
Were those three little pairs of shoes.

Written by Maude Ethelyn Rose, Milton Junction, Wis., thirteen years ago. Dedicated to my nieces, Joyce, Jeanette, and June Hamele, Portage, Wis.

Dear Miss Rose:

Thank you for the charming poem. All articles for the Children's Page should be sent directly to me. Address Mrs. Mizpah S. Greene, E. Greenwood St., Andover, N. Y.

I should like to attend Conference but I'm sorry to say that is impossible this year.

Sincerely yours,
Mizpah S. Greene.

Conference Budget and Offering

The next issue of the Recorder will contain some explanation of the new financial structure of the denomination which makes possible the greatly enlarged budget of \$63,121.22. There is reason to believe that it can be raised. It includes \$7,350 for Nyasaland. Probably the most outstanding action of Conference centered around the arrangement for bringing the Nyasaland work into the budget.

Our current budget is far from being raised. The Sabbath morning offering was generous, amounting to \$1,122.89. The full amount of special offering taken into the churches August 22 is not yet available.

WORLDWIDE BIBLE READING

President Dwight D. Eisenhower is serving as the honorary chairman of the Worldwide Bible Reading program that is sponsored by the American Bible Society from Thanksgiving to Christmas. President Eisenhower leads a list of distinguished citizens who compose the national sponsoring laymen's committee of the program.

This year is the tenth anniversary of Worldwide Bible Reading. More than 150,000,000 little bookmarks, listing the daily Scripture passages from Thanksgiving to Christmas, and 30,000,000 responsive readings for Universal Bible Sunday have been distributed during this decade.

This reading program is a world-wide event, when millions of Christians in our own land and from forty nations abroad read the same verses each day.

The 68th annual conference of the Evangelical Mission Covenant Church of America called upon the church's 53,000 members to read the Bible "in all of its translations and versions." It thus avoided making a decision on the new Revised Standard Version of the Bible, subject of some controversy in conservative Protestant circles.

—R. N. S.

One of the evidences of the inspiration and infallibility of the Word of God is that it has survived the fanaticism of its friends. — Selected.

OUR DUTCH CONFERENCE

Report of the conference of our Dutch Churches held at Haarlem, Holland, July 10-12, 1953, as given by Rev. P. Taekema to Rev. James McGeachy July 14, 1953 (Condensed).

It was with great pleasure that the pastor of the Mill Yard Church spent a day with Rev. P. Taekema, on his return from the Danish Conference. In the home of the leader of our Dutch churches he was hospitably entertained by Sister Taekema, and had the pleasure of meeting Brother and Sister Dijk from Nieuwe Pekela in North Holland. Pastor Taekema's half sister was also there.

After giving an account of his experiences in Denmark, he was in turn favoured with an account of the Dutch Conference which had just been held, and as this should be of interest to all Seventh Day Baptists we desire to share the news. (Sent to the editor of the Recorder by Bro. McGeachy.)

The theme of the conference was Psalm 139: 23, 24: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

The conference opened on Friday evening at 8 p.m. with a word of welcome from Pastor Taekema, who dealt with Ps. 116: 12, bidding his hearers think what they could render to God for the blessings of the past year, and to look to the future with hope. God is ready to forgive our past failures. Believers can have confidence that God has a plan for each one, and a purpose for us in the future. A season of prayer was led at 8:30 p.m. by Bro. H. de Jong of Leeuwarden.

On Sabbath morning, breakfast was served in our own chapel, the opening worship being conducted by Bro. M. Kramer, also of Leeuwarden.

At 10 a.m. the morning service was held in the Moravian Chapel which was kindly loaned for the occasion. Rev. Mr. Taekema developed the chosen theme, showing from the beginning of Ps. 139 that the omniscience of God was a fact which was recognized by the psalmist, and that the closing words of the psalm voiced a prayer based upon that recognition. This was followed by the Holy Communion.

The service at 3 p.m. was led by Bro. G. Zijlstra of Rotterdam, and a message on the theme was given by Bro. H. Visser of Haarlem. This was followed by testimonies, and questions about the theme.

At 5 p.m. Bro. Zijlstra gave a report of his visit to Denmark, and of the wonderful spirit he had found in the Danish brethren. This brought great joy to the Dutch Church, which was founded about the same time as that in Denmark, in 1876.

The youth took charge of the evening meeting, and young Bro. Guert Dijk of Amsterdam expressed his thoughts on the theme. The chapel was full. A Bible quiz aroused great interest as five teams of two each tested each other's knowledge. Community singing followed.

The annual business meeting was held on Sunday morning. Reports were given by the delegates of the five churches in Holland, and Pastor Taekema gave an account of the services he had rendered to the churches, and visits to the isolated members.

The Dutch Church now has 111 members. One was baptized at Leeuwarden during the year. The financial report was given, and the Committee of Control nominated for 1953-54. Each of the five churches takes control in turn. Leeuwarden is in charge for the coming year.

Rev. P. Taekema has been elected President of the Conference for each of the past 16 years, and was elected again.

Some discussion followed on the time and place of the 1954 Dutch Conference. It was suggested that it be in a country place to attract the youth, and Randerloo in the Province of Gelderland in the centre of Holland, where there is a Baptist Youth Centre, was named. The final decision has been left to a committee of three. Pastor Taekema expects to attend a conference of Baptist ministers at Randerloo in the autumn.

The Young People's business meeting in the afternoon was held under their president, Bro. B. van der Kolk, with Bro. van Dijk of Utrecht as the advising elder, linking them with the older members of the church.

With this meeting the conference ended at 4:30 p.m.

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION CONSIDERED

Rev. Paul S. Burdick

The searchlight of interest was turned to our colleges and theological school as the Board of Christian Education continued its program into Wednesday afternoon. A committee which had been appointed a year ago to study theological training brought in its long awaited report. Our school of theology at Alfred has received much attention recently because of the high cost of education per student, and because its salary standards and library facilities are below those required for accreditation by the various associations of colleges and theological schools. Such approval is highly desirable if our graduates are to continue to receive their degrees, and if desirable students are not to be attracted elsewhere for their theological training.

The committee, consisting of the following members, had spent much time and patient study upon the report which they brought in: Courtland V. Davis, chairman, Clarence Rogers, Dr. Lloyd Seager, Burton Crandall, Earl Cruzan, and Alton L. Wheeler. Dr. Wayne Rood's absence from the committee line-up was noted, but we were told that he had participated actively by correspondence and in the field of research.

Six proposals were brought in by various members of the committee as well as a definite recommendation as to raising the standards of training required for accrediting of ministers by our Conference. This last proposed action would call for the satisfactory completion of at least four years of preparation above high school (instead of the three years now required) and that this study shall include at least six semester hours in Sabbath Philosophy, Seventh Day Baptist History, and Seventh Day Baptist Polity.

The six proposals presented by the committee included a wide choice of possibilities, ranging all the way from a fully accredited theological school at about double the cost to our denomination of the present annual budget of \$9,780, to much less expensive plans, such as giving what courses in religious education are

possible in our colleges, while encouraging candidates to seek further training in theological schools of their choice elsewhere.

In the question period which followed the presentation of the above report, many points were raised on the various propositions. It was brought out, for example, that even more important than the content of the courses offered in a theological school is the sort of spirit that permeates the teaching, and the fellowship with other students. Therefore, it seems that contact with teachers and students of our own faith, through a part at least of their theological course, would prepare them more adequately for future work among fellow pastors and the churches of our faith.

We need, someone said, a strong denominational endeavor that shall include the total educational facilities to be offered our students for the ministry. This is vital in planning for the future of our denomination.

To a question from the floor regarding the taking into account both liberal and conservative viewpoints in planning the future of our school of theology, the chairman replied that the province of the committee was only to consider the facilities to be offered the student rather than the content of the theological courses. Another remark from one closely connected with the Board of Christian Education was to the effect that whereas in the past the board had made some effort to choose the sort of teacher whose outlook would bridge the gap between the various viewpoints, they could not guarantee that such teachers might not grow and change their viewpoint as time passed or that the people of the denomination might not become critical of a teacher of whom they once approved.

By a vote of Conference, the committee was asked to reconsider their report and bring in a definite recommendation regarding one of the six proposals. This they did, and at a later meeting brought in a report favoring project number one, which would strengthen the present Alfred School of Theology looking toward its accreditation by the Middle States Asso-

ITEMS OF INTEREST**New Gospel for Korea**

A new Gospel is being published for Korea by the American Bible Society. It is an illustrated copy of the Gospel of John. This will appear in the Hankul orthography, which is approved by the Government and now being widely used in Korea. Five hundred thousand copies are needed, according to the request received by the Bible Society.

General James A. Van Fleet, USA Retired, who spent so many months with the Army in Korea, is planning to present the first copy from the press to President Syngman Rhee in Korea, illustrating the good will of the American people.

The Bible Society has also supplied to Korea 515,277 copies of the Illustrated Book of the Acts in Hankul Korean.

Part of the "strategy" of the Christian churches in many parts of the world to cope with the official ban upon Christianity under the Communists in China is to "surround" China with churches of faith. A large number of missionaries who have seen service in China but who are unable to carry on their ministry there at present, has been "deployed" for service among Chinese who are in Malaya, Borneo, Sumatra, and in hundreds of the smaller islands of the Pacific, and even within other nations on the Asiatic mainland. New attention is also being given to Christian work in the "Chinatowns" of the United States.

The World Council of Churches has no standing as, nor ambition to become, a super-church with its own creedal concepts. The World Council realizes that,

ciation of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It would include increasing the allotment to the school under the Denominational Budget from \$3,000 to \$4,000, with further additions expected later, and the approval of the school's plan for continuous support by direct appeals to those interested. Also, the advisory council of the school is asked to investigate the possibility of charging tuition.

by its nature, the only authority it can have is in the wisdom of what it says. — Dr. Franklin C. Fry (Lutheran).

Wednesday, September 16, has been set as the date of the next meeting of the General Board of the National Council of Churches. Morning and afternoon sessions will be held at the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

SHILOH, N. J. — Daily Vacation Bible School was held with Rev. Rex Burdick as supervisor and Jonathan Davis general chairman. There was a staff of seven teachers with three high school girls assisting. A demonstration night was held for parents and friends.

Open-air evangelistic meetings were held on the lawn at Mrs. Elizabeth Shepard's on three Saturday evenings in July. These meetings were well attended. On the concluding night the back row of seats was occupied by Puerto Ricans.

Twenty-nine boys and girls, between the ages of 9 and 16, attended a week of camp in the "Deer Woods of South Jersey." Rev. Robert Lippincott was supervisor and was assisted by Rev. Rex Burdick and Rev. Ronald Barrar. Mrs. Marie Lippincott was counselor, with Mrs. Helen Cruzan seeing to it that the boys and girls were well fed. Mothers from Marlboro and Shiloh made the trip (about 65 miles) to camp each day to help prepare the meals. Rev. Mr. Barrar was especially enjoyed, and one evening showed pictures on the screen as an added campfire treat.

On July 25 the 139th annual session of the Female Mite Society was held with Mrs. Bessie Rainear presiding. Special music was provided by a sextet singing "All Alone." The guest speaker was Rev. Ronald Barrar, who told of the customs and duties of the women in Nyasaland. The "mites" of the society and the Hannah Wheeler Memorial Fund were given to Mr. Barrar for his mission work. Five new members were added to the society.

A choir party was held recently for the members who have been married in the past year. Those honored were Mr. and

Mrs. Owen Probasco and Mrs. Anne Trout Duffield. A treasure hunt was enjoyed, the final destination being the church where the gifts were found. About 35 members were present.

On August 1 and 2 the older young people of Marlboro and Shiloh held their retreat camp in the "Deer Woods." Rev. Leon M. Maltby spoke Sabbath morning and taught a class on Sunday. Mrs. Maltby was girls' counselor. Twenty-one young people were present — two coming from Plainfield. A spiritual fellowship was enjoyed by all those present, and five of the young people took a stand for the Lord, signifying their desire to be baptized.

Rev. Harmon Dickinson and family and Rev. Leland Davis and family have been visiting relatives here before going on to Conference. — Mrs. Percy C. Davis, Correspondent.

LITTLE GENESEE, N. Y. — Rally Day was observed May 16 with a sermon by our pastor on the Crucifixion and Resurrection. After the service, dinner was served at the Community Center. In the afternoon Rev. Albert Rogers of the Second Alfred Church spoke on the duties of the new executive secretary and on the Denominational Budget. Questions were asked and answered by Mr. Rogers on denominational interests.

In June, the Western Association met with the Nile Church. Friday night, the Richburg, Nile, and Hebron Churches met at our church for the evening meeting. On Sabbath day our members attended at Nile. Rev. Hurley Warren of Alfred brought us a very inspiring message.

July 2, Rev. Ronald Barrar, our Nyasaland missionary, spoke at the church to a large number from Richburg, Nile, and our own church. A generous offering was taken to be used for the work in the mission.

Daily Vacation Bible School was held from July 20 to 24 with an enrollment of 86. Pastor Van Horn was director, aided by ten teachers from the community. A fine program was given on Friday evening showing what can be accomplished in even a short time by teachers and children. On the following Monday a picnic was held at Shinglehouse Grove for the parents and children.

Several of our young people are attending the denominational camp at Camp Harley, Alfred Station, N. Y. — Mrs. F. S. Whitford, Correspondent.

VERONA, N. Y. — Our successful Vacation Bible School closed Friday, July 24. An interesting demonstration was given Thursday night in the New London Methodist Church and there was a picnic Friday on our church lawn. There were 170 pupils registered and twelve teachers. Mrs. Garth Warner was supervisor.

There was an attendance of over 100 at the Sabbath morning service at Camp Wabasso at Millsite Lake, the camp of the Central Association, near Watertown. Thirty-two young people from the association spent the week there. The camp director, Rev. Earl Cruzan of Adams Center, was assisted by Rev. Victor W. Skaggs and Miss Joyce Sholtz of Verona, Rev. Marion Van Horn of Brookfield, and Mrs. Leon Maltby of Plainfield, N. J., formerly of Verona. Ten young people from our church attended. Two Bible study classes were conducted: a study of the Book of John by Mr. Van Horn and "The Sabbath in the Bible" by Mr. Skaggs and Miss Sholtz. Handicraft, swimming, and canoeing were also taught. Mrs. Herman Palmer of Brookfield was cook, and a life-guard was in attendance.

The Ladies' Aid Society held their monthly meeting July 23 with Mrs. Leila Franklin. The worship program was conducted by the president, Mrs. LaVerne Davis. The subject was "Go Teach." After the business meeting a quilt was tied.

Miss Rosemary Hare and her father of New Zealand were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Stone and daughter Jean of Canestota. — Correspondent.

Annual Meeting of American Sabbath Tract Society

The annual meeting of the American Sabbath Tract Society will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Wat-chung Ave., Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday, September 13, 1953, at 2 p.m.

Franklin A. Langworthy,
President,

Frederik J. Bakker,
Recording Secretary.

The Sabbath Recorder

Accessions

Nortonville, Kan.

Testimony:

Jack Mitchell

Salem, W. Va.

Baptism:

Mrs. Lewis May (Nancy Carskadon)

Esther Hansen

Charles Hansen

Profession of Faith:

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Freeland

Marriages

Coll - Swiger. — J. Howard Coll and Mary Helen Swiger, daughter of Mrs. Ottis F. Swiger, Salem, W. Va., were united in marriage in the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church, on Sunday, June 17, 1953. Pastor Clifford W. P. Hansen officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Coll now reside at 29 Cedar Blvd., Apt. 15, Pittsburgh 28, Pa.

Nicoll - Saunders. — Bruce Douglas Nicoll, U. S. Air Force, and Ann Saunders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saunders, Albion, Wis., were united in marriage at the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church, August 8, 1953. The bride's pastor, Kenneth E. Smith, officiated.

Births

Boyd. — A daughter, Carol Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Boyd, on February 26, 1953, at New Enterprise, Pa.

Obituaries

Langworthy. — Harry E., son of George B. and Lenora Barber Langworthy, was born in Ashaway, R. I., October 4, 1895, and died in Westerly, R. I., July 23, 1953.

He was a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church and of the H. W. Merrill Post, American Legion. Besides his wife, nee Elizabeth Patterson, Mr. Langworthy is survived by two daughters: Mrs. Lenora Elizabeth Hansen and Miss Evelyn Langworthy; two grandchildren; a brother, Lloyd B. Langworthy of Ashaway; and three sisters: Mrs. Donald Bertch of Harrisville, R. I., Mrs. Byron Taylor of Potter Hill, R. I., and Mrs. Grace Hiscox of Granby, Conn.

The funeral service was held in the Schilke Funeral Home on Sabbath afternoon with burial in River Bend Cemetery. Rev. Harold R. Crandall officiated.
H. R. C.

Brown. — Estella Babcock, daughter of Rev. Simeon H. and Elizabeth McCormick Babcock, was born in Maplewood Township, near Jackson Center, Ohio, on July 25, 1870, and died in Janesville, Wis., July 23, 1953.

She was married to Dr. Mark L. Brown on November 15, 1894. Much of her married life was spent in Milton. Later the family moved to Ft. Atkinson, Wis., where her husband passed

away in 1921. Mrs. Brown lived in Milton during the later years of her life, until her failing health made it necessary to care for her elsewhere.

She was baptized in childhood by her father and was a loyal member of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church. Surviving her are a daughter, a son, two brothers, a sister, a granddaughter, two great-grandchildren, and many other relatives.

Farewell services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, in the Milton Church on July 26, 1953, and interment was in the family plot in Ft. Atkinson, Wis.

A. B. V. H.

Loofboro. — Elmer E., son of John Wade and Susan Forsythe Loofboro, was born May 4, 1862, in Clinton, Iowa, and died August 3, 1953, at his home in Albion, Wis.

He was married to Euphemia Narcissi Sayre on Dec. 2, 1885, and the couple marked their 65th wedding anniversary in 1950. Mrs. Loofboro died Jan. 19, 1951. Surviving are a son, Dwight, of Albion; two brothers, Dr. E. B. Loofboro, Janesville, and Rev. Eli Loofboro, Westerly, R. I.; a sister, Mrs. Alice Burdick, Milton; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted from the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church by the pastor, Kenneth E. Smith. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery, Albion. K. E. S.

Randolph. — Idell Bingaman, was born in Salem, W. Va., October 10, 1876, and died June 18, 1953, in Washington, D. C.

She was a faithful member of the Salem S.D.B. Church for more than half a century.

She is survived by one son, Jennings Randolph, of Washington, D. C.; one daughter, Mrs. H. F. Carr of Birmingham, Mich.; a brother, Burlin Bingaman of Okmulgee, Okla.; and two sisters, Mrs. Berta Ford of Syracuse, N. Y., and Mrs. S. M. Moore of Clarksburg, W. Va.

Funeral services were held in the Salem Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sabbath, June 20, with burial in the church cemetery.

C. W. P. H.

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The Seventh Day Baptist Publishing House has a good opening for some young woman who is a high school graduate and who has a knowledge of typing. Must be on "friendly terms" with figures since cost finding and billing will be the main job. Here's a chance to work in pleasant surroundings with church privileges and other advantages near at hand. Good salary, vacations with pay, etc. Write

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Rev. Lester G. Osborn

The newly elected president of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference was born in Milton, Wis., spent considerable time on the Pacific Coast, received his theological education in the East, has served the midwestern church of Nortonville, Kan., has completed a relatively long pastorate at one of our strongest eastern churches (Shiloh, N. J.), and is currently pastoring the historic First Hopkinton Church at Ashaway, R. I.

See article on page 100.