

# The Sabbath Recorder

Rev. Ralph Coon, professor of Religion and Science at Salem College, Salem, W. Va.; and Arlie Davis of Phoenix, Ariz. They all brought us inspiring sermons.

About twelve from our church attended Conference.

On August 15, through the influence of Elder Ballenger, baptism was administered to Cecil Russell from the State of Washington. She made the trip especially for the occasion, the fulfillment of a long-cherished wish of hers.

Our attention is now turned to the repairing and redeccorating of the parsonage, that it may in readiness for the coming of our new pastor, Rev. Alton Wheeler, this fall.

The general work and worship services of our church are moving along very well under the leadership of our interim pastor, T. Denton Lee. — N. M. Stone, Correspondent.

## LET'S THINK IT OVER

Speaking recently before a group of chaplains on the subject of Religious Education on Army Posts, Chaplain Hebert (denomination unknown) made the following observation about Sunday school teaching in general: "The sweet, sticky type of religious education that dwells on the birds and the bees is no longer satisfying." He went on to say that we are learning that we must teach our children the hard, realistic fact of a wicked world.

**Atheist** — A man with no invisible means of support. — Walter Damrosch.

## Marriages

**Halterman - Maltby.** — Joseph Bud Halterman of Parawan, Utah, and Lucille Ruth Maltby, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Leon M. Maltby, were united in marriage in the Verona, N. Y., Seventh Day Baptist Church Sunday, August 16, 1953. The father of the bride officiated.

## Obituaries

**Wiard.** — Clara E., daughter of Daniel C. and Clara Randall Waldo, was born in Cussewago Township, Pa., March 11, 1868, and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur L. Willmarth, 815 Grove St., Meadville, Pa., July 27, 1953.

She was married to Henry W. Wiard December 26, 1900. He, together with a son,

H. Waldo, and a daughter, E. Mildred (the second wife of the late Rev. A. Clyde Ehret), preceded her in death. Surviving besides her daughter, Mrs. Willmarth, are two brothers, one sister, and two grandsons. She was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of New York City. Funeral services were held at the Byham Funeral Home with Rev. D. P. Shafer of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial was in the Carmel Cemetery.

Maybelle Willmarth.

**Maxson.** — Elva, was born at Berea, W. Va., Aug. 17, 1872, and died in Parkersburg, W. Va., July 27, 1953. Mr. Maxson was a faithful member and deacon of the Berea S. D. B. Church.

He is survived by his wife, Minnie E. Jones-Maxson; four sons: Carlton and Waymond of Parkersburg, W. Va., Glen of West Union, W. Va., and John of Waverly, W. Va.; and eight daughters: Mrs. L. B. Flesher and Mrs. Peal Meeks of Parkersburg, Mrs. J. B. Shepler of West Union, Mrs. Ray Bonnell of Berea, Mrs. Chester Howell of Clarksburg, Mrs. Ralph Straley of Oxford, W. Va., and Miss Winnifred Maxson and Mrs. Leroy Eckman of Baltimore, Md.; and two sisters, Mrs. Jackson Hudkins and Mrs. Nevie Brissey of Berea, W. Va. Services were held July 30 in the Berea Seventh Day Baptist Church, with interment in Pine Grove Cemetery. C. W. P. H.

**Van Horn.** — Willard M., was born in Marion, Iowa, March 26, 1872, and died August 22, 1953, in Waukesha, Wis.

He was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Garwin, Iowa, before transferring his membership to the church at Albion, Wis. Though he was a nonresident member of his church, he was interested in her activities and loyal to her precepts.

Surviving are two sons: Roland, of Garwin, and Bernard, of Waukesha; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; three sisters: Mrs. Rachel Davis, Milton, Wis.; Mrs. Myrtle Furrow, Delmar, Iowa; and Mrs. Ora Vester, Battle Creek, Mich. His wife, Ruth, and one son, Harold, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held August 25 at the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, and burial was in the Milton Cemetery. His pastor, Kenneth E. Smith, officiated. K. E. S.

**Rasmussen.** — Kathryn Stanley, the two and one half month's old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rasmussen of Minneapolis, Minn., passed away in that city, August 15, 1953.

The funeral was held in the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Boulder, Colo., August 19, conducted by Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, pastor emeritus of the Boulder Church, and Elder Alexander Dugger, Bassett, Neb., of the Church of God (Seventh Day).

Survivors, besides the parents, are two sisters: Martha Belle and Carol Miller. The paternal grandparents are Clarissa (Wheeler) and Orville Rasmussen of Boulder; and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Alta Leonard of Minneapolis. E. E. S.

## Our Nation's Prayer

By Ralph Loofboro

God of the land, the water, sea, and air;  
Thou God of hope, the cure for all despair,  
Look down, we pray, and see our growing plight.  
May we not grope, forever, toward the light.  
Teach us Thy will; not ours, but Thine be done.  
May we behold, again, Thy loving Son  
In heart and mind. Again we wander far —  
Thy love remote and distant as a star.  
The scourge of war is seen in every land.  
Almighty God, stretch out Thy helping hand.  
We needs must kill, perhaps, the demon foe;  
Yet from our heart there need no hatred flow.  
O God, Thy Son, whose riven side flowed red,  
Did not avenge, but prayerfully He said:  
"Father, forgive; they know not what they do" —  
The words so old but ever grand and new.  
Oh, point the way — we know not where to tread,  
Our hearts are cold and filled with anxious dread.  
Thyself reveal, O God of destiny,  
Or perish now this nation of the free.  
We in our might are wind-blown chaff and dross  
If we reject that Saviour on the Cross.  
We knew Thee once, O Wondrous God above;  
In freedom prayed, and prospered by Thy love.  
Yet now we find, through Satan's tempting gold,  
We've gone astray, far from the Shepherd's fold.  
Show us the path where once our fathers trod;  
Search out our hearts and cleanse, Almighty God.  
Lord, give us strength, through Thee we ask it all  
In humble faith. Though nations rise and fall,  
We will emerge, victorious, great, and free,  
If we, at last, will place our trust in Thee.

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## OUR COVER

The poem on the cover was sent to us by the  
New Auburn, Wis., correspondent. She tells us  
that it was thought out, a verse at a time, in  
the field by Ralph Loofboro and written down  
at night. We believe this patriotic prayer by  
one of our farmers expresses well some of the  
prayer thoughts which ought to be in our hearts.

**THEME FOR NEXT CONFERENCE**  
**To know Him and make Him known.**

## ATTAINING NEW HEIGHTS

Not many days ago the newspapers carried a story about a test pilot, Lt. Col. Marion Carl, who shot a Douglas Skyrocket plane to a world-record height of 83,235 feet, almost a mile higher than anyone had ever flown before.

It is almost unbelievable except to those saturated with the things achieved in the space ship comic strips. How was this record made? We would not minimize the skill of the pilot. It is to be noted that he started high. His plane was dropped from a mother plane at 33,500 feet. He got his rockets firing and started to climb at 28,000 feet. He set his plane at a climbing angle of thirty to forty degrees. He burned 60,000 pounds of rocket fuel in less than three minutes, climbing the last mile and a half on momentum with dead engines. Even at that rate of climb he attained a speed of about one thousand miles per hour.

Can we relate this story to Christian experience or to church attainments? Perhaps so. The Apostle Paul hints at such a high-altitude experience in 2 Cor. 12: 2 — a man caught up into the third heaven and hearing things unheard by others . . . If that man went higher than anyone else it was partly because he was already living on a higher plane than his fellow Christians. Do we long for greater heights? Our testimony and prayer meetings witness that many of us do. Let us not blame the Lord for not lifting us up to peaks of mystical experience or to that peace of mind that goes with living far above the carnal world.

Living is our business. We have the assurance of the help of God in all our problems of daily living, to be sure. Nevertheless, we must face the fact that if we are to exceed the heights of others we must start from a point much higher than the ground level. We have godly parents; we have Sabbath schools, churches, and young people's societies; we even have mountain-top and lake-side camps which can be compared to the mother plane. Far too many of us have not been willing to be lifted by the mother plane to 33,000 feet. Perhaps we have been more interested in the thrills of "hedge hopping" than in reaching the realms of ethereal blue. Possibly some leaders have put more

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emphasis on church growth than on Christian experience through evangelism.

Then there are those matters of fuel and momentum. They can be applied to the individual experience and the denominational experience. The pilot was willing to spend every ounce of fuel and still point his needle-nosed craft into the sky. That was how he broke the world's record. In our Christian life (which includes Christian giving), how much are we holding in reserve for self? Are we willing to burn out our lives for Christ and still keep going up? We fear such people are scarce among us as a denomination. Some laymen are doing it, some ministers and some missionaries.

How long is it going to take us to get our rockets started as individuals in all our churches? Are we going to let the widows with their "mites" put us to shame? Are we going to cultivate faith and produce works? Are we going to expend ourselves and trust God for a safe landing? Are we going to choose between supporting our ministers and supporting our missionaries? Certainly not, if we get all our rockets firing.

## DENOMINATIONAL PUBLICATIONS FOR YOUTH AND MISSIONS

"The Beacon," a Seventh Day Baptist young people's publication now edited at Milton, Wis., by Miriam Seager and printed on the offset press of The Mighty Oak Print Shop is doing an increasingly commendable job. It was singled out for special commendation at the General Conference. The editor has asked that all churches send their bulletins to her regularly in order that she may pick up the youth items. Up to the present time this little bimonthly has been distributed to young people free of charge.

"Mission Notes" is another highly valuable and inspiring publication which within the year has increased its readability (and cost) by appearing in attractive lithographed form. It is printed practically at cost, we understand, by the Beacon Printery, of Redlands, Calif., owned and operated by Seventh Day Baptists. Most of the editorial work falls on Rev. Leon Lawton with volunteer help from the Los

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST

The August report of the denominational treasurer, L. Milton Van Horn, arrived just in time for publication and apparently not soon enough to be commented upon by Executive Secretary Crofoot in his column.

Reader anticipation in regard to the eleventh-month receipts is undoubtedly keen. The editor, frankly, was a little disappointed to note that, according to these figures, we are still 9 per cent below last year and that with only one month to go we are more than 25 per cent short of our goal. Our disappointment is somewhat tempered when we observe that the Conference offering apparently failed to get to the treasurer in time to appear in this report. It was reported in the Recorder of August 31 as \$1,122.89. That would bring the August receipts up to \$4,658.25 and the eleven-month total to \$35,291.79, which sounds a little better.

We may not quite reach this year's goal, but that does not mean that we cannot attain next year's larger one. A little figuring should indicate that if about \$500 more than our total August figure comes in every month of our next fiscal year we will be very close to the goal of \$63,121. Remember that some of the specials are now going to be within the budget.

Another glance at the treasurer's figures shows that special gifts cannot necessarily be blamed for our failure to receive more in 1953 than in 1952. Special gifts reported are still \$1,000 less than last year.

## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for September 26, 1953

A Slave Becomes a Brother  
Scripture: Philemon 8-21

Angeles and Riverside Churches in the mailing process. It is a faith venture partly financed by the Women's Board. The Sabbath Recorder regards it as a strong missionary ally rather than as a competitor. It is our opinion that we need even more emphasis on missions than can be given in all our publications. Let us support all of them for the good they will do us. Let us devour them as food and reach for them like sweets!



Rev. Ahva J. C. Bond

### VETERAN EDUCATOR AT ALFRED

(Adapted from Salem College Alumni Echoes)

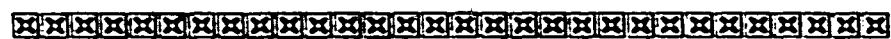
Pictured above, relaxed in his lawn chair, is Rev. Ahva J. C. Bond, dean emeritus of the Alfred University School of Theology.

Born May 23, 1875, at Roanoke, W. Va., Dr. Bond received an A.B. degree from Salem College in 1903 and was graduated in 1907 from the Alfred University School of Theology with the B.D. degree. He was honored in 1922 by Salem with a D.D. degree and by Alfred in 1952 with a Litt. D. degree.

He has held pastorates in New York, Wisconsin, West Virginia, and New Jersey, and became dean of the Alfred University School of Theology in 1935. He was elected to the Salem College Board of Directors May 15, 1919, and served on that board until early this year. In 1927 he was the Seventh Day Baptist delegate to the World Conference on Faith and Order at Lausanne, Switzerland, and in 1938 he represented the Protestant Churches of America as one of ten advisory members to a conference at Utrecht, Holland, to plan the organization of the World Council of Churches.

In 1903 he married Ora E. Van Horn, Salem, '03, who died in 1938. In 1940 he married Mrs. Agnes Kenyon Clarke of Alfred. Five of his six children attended Salem College.

Dr. Bond, who is past the age for retirement, is still acting dean on the teaching staff of the School of Theology,



### MEMORY TEXT

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." 1 John 11:15.



### SYSTEMATIC GIVING DOES IT

A recent newspaper "story" tells of a church in Connecticut which is paying off its mortgage by the device of having each member deposit in a small can in his home one penny before each meal. The can is described as standard equipment on the table along with salt and pepper shakers. In effect, this church is calling upon its members to contribute three cents a day to the wiping out of its mortgage.

A similar contribution on the part of each Seventh Day Baptist registered in our various churches would more than raise our new 1954 budget. And perhaps this would be an easy way to accomplish it. A penny a meal given to God's work at the time of eating that meal would seem to be not a burdensome way of giving, yet it would result in almost \$11 per person, which coming from our 6,252 members as reported at Conference time this year would total \$68,000 or nearly \$5,000 more than the budget. Looked at in this light, next year's budget is not so enormous as it might at first have seemed.

In whatever manner we approach our giving toward next year's budget, it is obvious that some systematic program must be followed by each giver. Be the program what it may, whether tithing, the use of some "stunt" such as the one mentioned above, or merely a determination to give a certain amount each Sabbath, our strength in numbers is sufficient, and our faith in the rightness of our beliefs is sufficiently deep, that if we approach our giving in faith, Seventh Day Baptists can meet the new increased budget without unnecessarily burdening some individuals whose devotion leads them to bear perhaps more than their full share of the load.

A. Burdet Crofoot.

which has been his principal field of service to the denomination for the past eighteen years.

### SAILING DATES

As we go to press the SS Morganster of the States Marine Line with Rev. Ronald Barrar on board is scheduled to sail for South Africa on Friday, Sept. 11, at 4 p.m. The nurses Joan Clement and Beth Severe still have faith that there will be a cancellation which will enable them to embark upon the same ship. The booking agent is not making any promises and is still reserving space on the SS Svensalen for Sept. 24.

While we write these words, the missionaries are making and packing boxes in the basement of the Denominational Building at Plainfield.

Prior to the long voyage Missionary Barrar received word dated Sept. 8 that conditions at the Makapwa Mission station were fine. We imagine that the ship taking him back to his wife and to his growing work will seem to travel very slowly. The ship is expected to take twenty-one days to Capetown, from which point the remainder of the journey is made by train. Mr. Barrar hopes to be on the field about October 2.

### FLASH

Stop the presses! Faith has been rewarded! Beth and Joan sail with Missionary Barrar as hoped. May our prayers continue to undergird them.

### NEW CHURCHES IN NIGERIA

Nigeria, Africa, it will be remembered, is a country of 25,000,000 under British trusteeship on the West Coast of Africa in the position which might be called the armpit, or more technically, it borders the Gulf of Guinea. It is about the same map distance from Nyasaland as from New York to Salt Lake City. A growing Seventh Day Baptist interest has been developing there during 1953 apparently largely through the efforts of one man. The matter came before our Battle Creek Conference through a request of the executive committee of the Salem, W. Va., Church addressed to the Commission. The request was for recognition of the Nigerian Seventh Day Baptist Church. The request was accompanied by the official letter from the church in Nigeria

which we are not taking space to print here, but which seems to be in good form.

Commission at its pre-Conference session noted the two letters and took the following action:

"Commission recommends to Conference that a letter of Christian greeting be sent to the Nigeria Seventh Day Baptist Church and that the Salem Church be encouraged to continue to keep open the line of communication with this group."

When the matter came to the floor of Conference, Rev. Clifford Hansen, pastor of the Salem Church, asked permission to give a little background information. He followed this with an amendment to the motion to adopt the recommendation of Commission. We understand that the amendment was prepared jointly by Mr. Hansen and Dr. Seager, though we are not sure of that point. The remarks and amendment which follow should make the whole matter clear to our readers.

Mr. Hansen: I would like to give you a little background to this request. It goes back to January when we received a letter from a man in Nigeria telling us he had found a Seventh Day Baptist paper in a secondhand book and the Salem Church was mentioned. He wrote to us wanting to know more about Seventh Day Baptists. The Salem Church immediately sent him one Handbook of Information concerning Seventh Day Baptists and one of the other books which we publish, Seventh Day Baptist Beliefs — A Manual for Study. We sent that to him in January.

Before the end of March we received another letter stating that on the basis of those two books a church of twenty members had been organized originally and thirty more members had joined the church making it fifty. They also requested at that time some Sabbath School Quarterlies. The Salem Church sent some Sabbath School Quarterlies. We sent ten more Handbooks of Information, ten more books, Seventh Day Baptist Beliefs, and later also sent a Seventh Day Baptist Church Manual. We gave this information also to the Tract Society which sent some tracts to these people.

In May we learned that sixty-six more people had joined the church making a

total of 116. Later in June and July we received further information informing us that there were 142 members in some five or six churches in Nigeria, and at that time we received another official request made by these people in church business session asking us for recognition.

Now we have presented that request to the Commission as you know. The Commission has given it very careful and thorough study and has made a recommendation, the recommendation being that we send Christian greetings and endeavor to keep the contact open through the Salem Church. I believe that the delegates of the Salem Church with whom I have spoken are in full agreement and accord with the recommendation of the Commission. However, in expressing the thought of some of us, I move, Madam Chairman, an amendment to the motion, this amendment to include the following:

The General Conference further recommends that the letter of Christian greeting contain the following: (1) An expression of our sincere interest in the Nigerian Seventh Day Baptist Church; (2) A suggestion that these churches organize themselves into an autonomous conference in accordance with commonly accepted Baptist procedure; (3) The desire of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination in America to send a representative to Nigeria at some future time to study at first hand the work there; and (4) The information that the Salem Church has been suggested as the point of present contact between the American and Nigerian churches. I move, Madam Chairman, that we adopt this amendment.

The amendment was passed without dissenting vote, and added to the Commission recommendation, became the action of Conference in regard to this new field of Seventh Day Baptist activity.

The foundation of every state is the education of its youth. — Diogenes.

#### Correction

The moderator of the Southeastern Association is Ernest F. Bond rather than Edwin Bond as reported in our July 13 issue.

### WHO SAID THIS?

"There are some things that should concern us as a church: (1) that there is a great shortage of young men for the ministry. This was pointed up at Conference as a paramount need. To this we must give immediate and thoughtful attention. (2) That despite great increases in giving in the church as a whole, the increase has been mostly on ourselves in our local programs. The giving to . . . philanthropic causes has increased only one per cent. (3) That our evangelistic efforts have not brought men and women into the kingdom in any large number. Have we lost the ability to lead men to Christ? This is a heart-searching problem to which we need to give thoughtful attention.

"These and other matters ought to concern us. Let us hope and pray that some of the many ideas set forth at the Conference may bring forth fruit in an advance for the kingdom."

Did you hear some one at our Battle Creek Conference say the above words? Perhaps it was some one at Denver last year or at Alfred the year before. The sentiment is voiced by several people every year when our leaders get together.

Actually the words above were penned by the moderator of the 1953 annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren, V. F. Schwalm. Other denominations have problems quite similar to our own.

### GERMAN RELIEF WORK

September, 1952, to August 1, 1953  
Frank Schober, Treasurer

#### Receipts

From various S. D. B. churches	\$ 103.41
From various S. D. B. church members	27.00
From Irvington S. D. B. Church, Nov. 14, 1952	50.00
From Balance paid by the Irvington S. D. B. Church	38.75
Total	\$ 219.16

#### Disbursements

Nov. 15, 1952 — Sent to H. Bruhn, Hamburg, Germany, for the German S. D. B. Churches	\$ 100.00
July 23, 1953 — Sent to H. Bruhn for the same cause	100.00
July 23, 1953 — Groceries	9.32
Money orders and postage	9.84
Total	\$ 219.16

### ALFRED RESUMES ITS MINISTERIAL TRAINING

Classes will resume September 17 in The Gothic at Alfred University where students are prepared for the Seventh Day Baptist ministry. Dean A. J. C. Bond, Professor Loyal F. Hurley, and Rev. Albert N. Rogers will teach; also Professor Melvin Bernstein of the Liberal Arts College faculty.

Among the courses being given this fall are Old Testament Prophets, Methods of Evangelism, Homiletics, Sabbath Philosophy, and Seventh Day Baptist History. Professor Bernstein will teach Elementary Hebrew.

Registration will be held on Wednesday, September 16, and in the evening of that date the annual convocation will be held in The Gothic Chapel. Following the convocation a reception will be held for students and friends of the school. — A. N. Rogers, President of Board of Christian Education.

### Salem College Announces New Program

Weaver M. Marr, national director of interracial service, Boy Scouts of America, Atlanta, Ga., has been named resident counselor of the new humanics program recently established on the campus of Salem College by the American Humanics Foundation, it was recently announced by college officials.

In its first year, the program is expected to initiate training for approximately twenty boys who will come from widely scattered areas of the country to enter the training program.

### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

MILTON, WIS. — According to the report of the Credentials Committee the Milton Church can boast the largest delegation at the General Conference with forty-four plus fourteen alternates. The nearest contender for that honor seems to be First Alfred with twenty.

Professor and Mrs. J. Fred Whitford of Milton, according to the Milton and Milton Junction Courier, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on September

2 in the social rooms of the Milton Church. "Prof. J. Fred" is well remembered by a host of former students as well as denominational leaders.

Reported in the same paper was the Polan family reunion in Battle Creek, Sunday, August 23, with seventy-six in attendance.

NEW AUBURN, WIS. — Since I am the Recorder correspondent I must do something to defend my title. Our attendance has been irregular this year so far, largely due to children's diseases. One family of four children has had its turn at the flu four times.

The pastor has been on the job with good sermons. When absent for some reason he has had a good substitute. Mrs. Clarke has enjoyed better health this year and took charge of the junior division in the Religious Day School, sponsored by our Sabbath school.

The pastor was director of the Vacation Bible School. Fay Nelson taught the beginners, Mrs. LaVerne Ling the primary, Mrs. David Clarke the juniors, and David Clarke the seniors. The school enrolled 39 with an average daily attendance of 34.

The children brought pennies each day to be used to buy "Meals for Millions." The collection taken at the demonstration program more than covered the expenses.

We entertained the semiannual meeting of the Northern Wisconsin and Minnesota Churches the weekend of June 26-28. Twenty-three delegates were entertained in the homes. Missionary Ronald Barrar, of Nyasaland, British East Africa, was guest of honor and gave us much information on the work and conditions of this African mission field. Noon meals were served in the United Brethren Church basement. Two hours of friendly visiting surrounded these meals.

Several delegates attended from the Minneapolis Brotherhood. They presented a nice donation to Mr. Barrar. They later sent a splendid donation for some young person from either church to use in attending Conference in Battle Creek. These two donations amounted to \$40, which would indicate the healthy condition of the brotherhood. Let us keep their interests in mind in our prayers. — A. G. Churchward, Reporter.

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

Receipts		August	11 months
Balance on hand Aug. 1	\$	25.50	
Adams Center		82.00	376.80
Albion			250.03
Alfred, First		209.24	2,186.03
Alfred, Second			659.50
Andover			27.50
Associations and groups		889.89	1,316.93
Battle Creek			3,768.44
Berlin		12.00	527.58
Boulder		47.98	499.88
Brookfield, First			185.00
Brookfield, Second			319.85
Buffalo		60.00	60.00
Chicago		93.00	843.81
Daytona Beach		15.00	496.60
Denver			599.82
De Ruyter			337.50
Dodge Center			253.95
Edinburg			190.50
Farina		15.00	261.60
Fouke			121.77
Friendship		25.00	52.00
Gentry			10.00
Hammond			40.00
Hebron, First		9.05	173.24
Hopkinton, First		257.60	1,088.30
Hopkinton, Second			75.00
Independence		24.00	428.00
Indianapolis			50.15
Individuals			2,224.41
Irvington		25.00	325.00
Jackson Center			27.00
Little Genesee		85.50	502.47
Little Prairie		3.35	35.25
Los Angeles		197.00	533.50
Lost Creek		120.00	693.41
Marlboro		187.88	1,725.21
Middle Island		7.93	113.31
Milton		557.39	4,054.32
Milton Junction		98.40	1,401.14
New Auburn			100.85
New York			295.69
North Loup		120.31	644.44
Nortonville			320.47
Pawcatuck			2,850.18
Philadelphia			137.50
Piscataway		41.50	178.00
Plainfield		290.75	3,521.75
Richburg		76.00	350.56
Ritchie			103.00
Riverside		93.53	1,888.52
Roanoke		10.00	67.00
Rockville			83.80
Salem			509.00
Salemville			149.73
Schenectady			40.00
Shiloh		256.32	2,237.77
Stone Fort		10.00	60.00
Syracuse			100.00
Verona		71.00	807.64
Walworth			85.00
Washington			191.00
Waterford		13.60	198.49
Welton			10.00

White Cloud	18.53	428.96
Wilkes-Barre		25.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$4,049.25</b>	<b>\$42,219.15</b>

Disbursements		Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$1,106.70	\$	325.90
Tract Society	433.30		
Board of Christian Education	600.25		
Women's Society	79.45		
Historical Society	133.00		
Ministerial Retirement	397.60		152.21
S. D. B. Building	111.30		
World Fellowship and Service	21.00		
General Conference	617.40		10.28
Bank of Milton, service charge	1.67		
Balance on hand	59.19		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$3,560.86</b>		<b>\$ 488.39</b>

Comparative Figures			
		1953	1952
Receipts in August:			
Budget	\$3,535.36	\$3,676.64	
Specials	488.39	228.38	
Receipts in 11 months:			
Budget	34,168.90	36,312.11	
Specials	8,050.25	9,123.95	
Annual Budget	46,635.00	43,825.00	
Percentage of budget raised to date	73.03%	82.8%	
L. M. Van Horn, Milton, Wis. Treasurer.			

## Marriages

**May - Carskadon.** — On June 9, 1953, in the First Presbyterian Church of Clarksburg, W. Va., Nancy Jane Carskadon, daughter of Mrs. Charles Guy Carskadon and the late Mr. Carskadon of Clarksburg, was married to Lewis Hoffman Van Horn May, son of Mrs. Hallie V. May of Salem, and Mr. Homer H. May of St. Marys, W. Va. Dr. May is now doing interne work at the Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia. The couple reside at 826 Pine St., Apt. 4C, Philadelphia 7, Pa.

**Barker - Rowe.** — Richard Barker, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Barker, Colon, Mich., and Dorothy Rowe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Rowe, Sr., Battle Creek, Mich., were united in marriage at the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Battle Creek, Mich., on August 9, 1953. The bride's pastor, Rev. Alton L. Wheeler, officiated. After September 1, Mr. and Mrs. Barker will reside at Dearborn, Mich.

## Annual Meeting of the Missionary Society

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society will be held in the Pawcatuck Church, Westerly, R. I., September 20, 1953, at 2 p.m. E. T. H.

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# The Sabbath Recorder



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The mystery of mysteries.  
Happiest they of human race  
To whom their God has given grace  
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,  
To lift the latch, to force the way;  
But better had they ne'er been born  
That read to doubt or read to scorn.

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The man who said on his deathbed:

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