

The Sabbath Recorder

Sabbath eve was planned and arranged by Don Gray, counselor for the college youth group. Music was rendered by a quartet, a trio, a soloist, and the intermediate choir.

The speaker Sabbath morning was Kenneth Smith, his subject being "Can We Make a Difference?" Lunch was served at noon. The business meeting followed the lunch hour after which there was a worship service with a sermon by Rev. Kenneth Van Horn of Dodge Center, Minn.

The May Fellowship Breakfast, sponsored by the United Council of Church Women of Milton and Milton Junction, was held in the dining room of our church Friday, May 7. Mrs. F. T. Brewster of Madison was the speaker, her subject being "The Christian Woman's Trusteeship." The meeting was well attended.

The service on Sabbath, May 1, was in observance of the 20th anniversary of the dedication of our church. The pastor's sermon was on "Twenty Years in Retrospect."

On May 8 the president of Conference met with us and gave the message of the morning, "Five Things the World Needs to Know." He joined with us in our monthly Meal of Sharing and later conferred with the Conference planning committee.

The Congregational Church is holding its weekly service in our church while repairs are being made on their house of worship. Twenty years ago we were meeting in their church while our church was in course of construction.

Work is progressing at Camp Wakonda, thanks to volunteer workers. Conference will not find the lodge finished but Pastor Randolph says, "It will be usable." — G. R. L., Correspondent.

FOUKE, ARK. — Our first series of evangelistic meetings with Rev. Ralph M. Soper of Paint Rock, Ala., as evangelist, held May 19 to 22, closed with a baptismal service Sunday afternoon, May 23, at Tank Pond near Fouke. One adult and five girls responded to invitations and were baptized at the special service. Four of these united with the Fouke Church on Sabbath morning, May 29, and two girls are uniting elsewhere.

We look forward to the second series of evangelistic meetings, June 11 to 20, at which time the evangelist is to be Rev. Loyal F. Hurley assisted by the male quar-

ter from Salem College. We ask your prayers for further spiritual blessings during the June meetings. The quartet is to be with us a few days in advance of the meetings for visitation as well as for special contacts with the young people and children. — Trevah R. Sutton.

Accessions

Fouke, Ark.

By Baptism:

Roy Slaton
Dianne Slaton
Charla Ruth Relthford
Judith L. Sutton

Marriages

Westlake - Tucker. — At the First Seventh Day Baptist Church, Alfred, N. Y., Sabbath afternoon, April 17, 1954, John E. Westlake, R. D. 2, Hornell, N. Y., son of Melvin A. and Luella T. Wright Westlake, and Mary Ellen Tucker, Alfred, N. Y., daughter of Nathan F. and Mary W. Pierce Tucker, were united in marriage, the bride's pastor, Rev. Hurley S. Warren, officiating.

Obituaries

Jones. — Frank S., was born Sept. 30, 1869, at Adams Center, N. Y., and passed away at the Brown Nursing Home in that village on April 6, 1954.

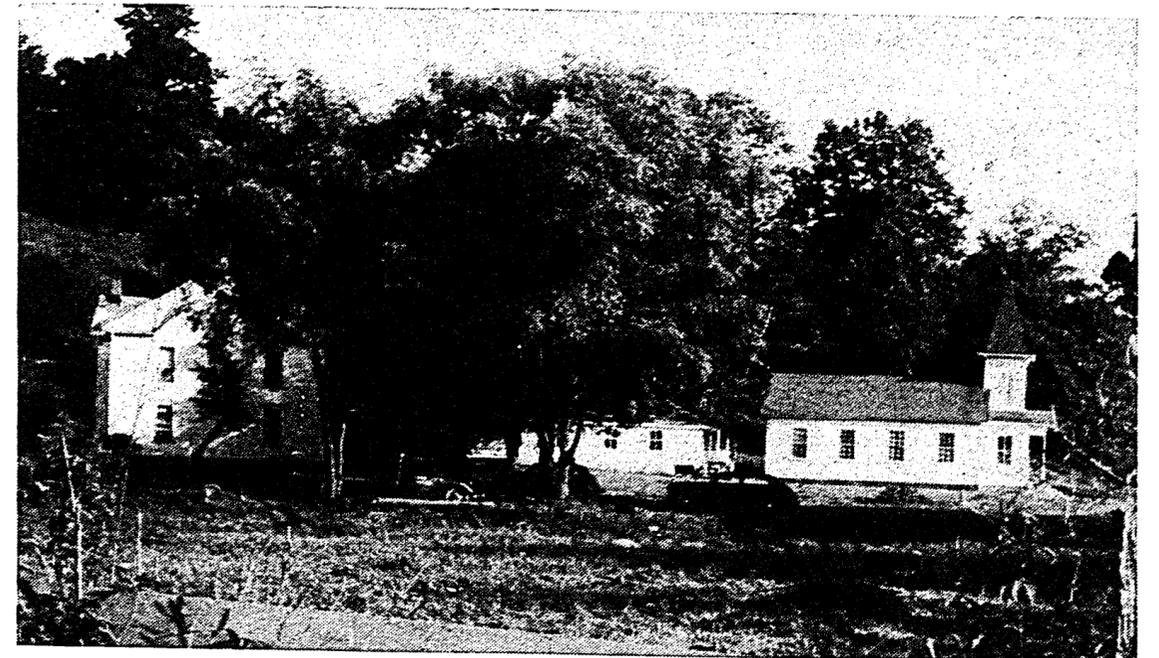
He had been a faithful member of the Adams Center Seventh Day Baptist Church for over 72 years. Mr. Jones was married twice. On April 13, 1892, he was married to Miss May Babcock who died April 23, 1930. On March 17, 1941, he was married to Miss Eva Gurley who survives him.

Funeral services were held from the Seventh Day Baptist Church on April 9, 1954, and interment was in Union Cemetery with his pastor, Rev. Earl Cruzan, officiating. E. C.

Langworthy. — John P., was born Aug. 6, 1860, near New London, N. Y., and passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Reata Rudd of Glenfield, N. Y., on May 5, 1954.

He had been an active member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Adams Center for 78 years, always faithful in attendance while he lived in the vicinity. On Dec. 21, 1886, he was married to Mary Elizabeth Wright who preceded him in death. To this union seven children were born. He leaves to survive him a son, Virgil of Elmira, N. Y.; two daughters, Mrs. Reata Rudd of Glenfield and Mrs. Hazel Brock of Petersburg, N. Y.; besides grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the home church on May 8, 1954, and interment was in Union Cemetery with his pastor, Rev. Earl Cruzan, officiating. E. C.



Middle Island, W. Va., church buildings where the Southeastern Association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches is being held June 25 to 27. Holding association meetings in some of the smaller and more rural churches frequently brings great blessing to the local congregation as well as to the visiting delegates. This church was constituted in 1832. The present pastor is Rev. David Pearson, a recent graduate of Bob Jones University.

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Thoughtfulness in Word and Deed

Thank you for calling my attention to the expiration of my subscription to the Sabbath Recorder. I would not be without its weekly visits. . . .

Enclosed please find the sum of six dollars (\$6.00): the three dollars toward my subscription and the other three to be used toward a subscription for any who may not be able to afford it. — A minister in Connecticut.

BERLIN CHURCH IMPRESSIONS

It had been about fifteen years since the editor had visited the little village of Berlin, N. Y., nestled close like a West Virginia town in a valley between two ranges of hills. Its map location is east of Albany just a few miles from the corner of Vermont and Massachusetts — a little distance from that monument-marked spot where American foreign missions began in the haystack prayer meeting.

The 116th annual session of the Eastern Association was to be called together on Sabbath eve, June 11, at the sound of the gavel in the hands of the president, Carlton L. Greene, a Berlin farmer. Well before the appointed hour, carloads of delegates had turned off the deep-shaded highway into the broad churchyard. The visitors had found that it was impossible to approach this old, semicolonial church from any point of the compass without going through miles and miles of the most glorious greens ever painted by nature's guided brush. Some of those coming from the south had forgotten that one could emerge from the heart of New York City and drive for three or four hours without seeing a city or village.

When the evening bell rang, the representatives from New Jersey, New York, and New England were ready to sit down for worship and Christian fellowship, not to mention the kingdom business that would come on the second morning. Inside there was the faint odor of new paint with its suggestion of a fresh sanctuary for a cleansed people. The ceilings of the straight balconies on either side had been painted white, giving better light reflection and an impression of height. In fact, the present interior arrangement gives a feeling of spaciousness seldom found in such a building. The unusually wide center aisle, the well-spaced pews, and the deep, ample platform contributed to this feeling. The decorative, pedestal-type pulpit is set off-center to give an open view of the worship center under the arch at the back wall. There, an ornate table supports a great Bible and 7 candles whose light is reflected on its open pages by the freshly varnished wall-paneling of unique design. The outstanding feature of this woodwork is a carefully sawed 30-inch star with one of its five points direct-

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ing the attention of the worshiper upward as if to the sky and the throne of God.

The squareness of the church is relieved by a lofty arch painted in soft color which is merely a symmetrical connection between the two chimneys necessary for the heating of the building. The two new heating stoves piped into these chimneys unobtrusively suggested that the spiritual warmth hoped for in a church would be found here. Indeed, where a group has done almost all of the redecorating and church improvement work with volunteer help, there has to be love. We heard how they built a fine two-car garage for \$100. We saw some of the children from outside who regularly attend. We were convinced that here was an old church with a future. Warmth pervaded that first service, was evident in the testimonies, and continued throughout the association. It was good to have been there.

TOO MUCH PRETENDING

There may be no connection, but here's the story anyway. The FBI finally caught their man. Hugo Hudsch of Miami, Fla., had been faking kidney trouble for 20 years in Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Florida, and eastern seaboard states to induce doctors to give him narcotics and to cash checks for him. The last doctor to be caught in the swindle turned him in. According to the AP release they had to remove him from jail to a hospital for treatment of a kidney ailment which was no longer faked — it was real.

Long ago in Sacred Writ it was recorded, "Be sure your sins will find you out." Here is a man who not only has to pay the legal penalty of his crimes but also has to pay in kind, suffering the pains he had pretended to have.

Not always do sinners receive a judgment in this life for the sins of the flesh. When they do, it is a reminder that before the bar of eternal justice there is no escape. "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, whether, it be good or bad." 2 Corinthians 5: 10. However, if we spurn not the Saviour who was sent from heaven to die for us, we may in this life have peace with God and

MEMORY TEXT

All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. John 6: 37.

may have the assurance of Romans 8: 1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

Are there among us professing Christians — church members — who are a little like this pretender who got caught? None of us would feign kidney trouble to secure narcotics or to cash checks; but would we perhaps fake headaches or other pains in order to secure the narcotic of family sympathy or to extort special privileges from a husband or a wife, a mother or a father? It is not always possible to throw off the cloak. God designed our bodies and minds in such a way as to make a complete personality. We cannot long violate that unity by pretension or self-pity without suffering the consequences. We will become unhealthy and unlovely. If we, like the prodigal, have sinned against heaven in some of these personality sins let us, like him, repent and return before it is too late.

INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The academic year has drawn to a close in most of our schools of higher education. We are glad to call attention once more to the world-wide organization mentioned in our title. There are other organizations of Christian name and purpose functioning within the colleges of our land. We do not deny their effectiveness when their leadership is strong and good. In our opinion, there is no interdenominational student group with higher ideals or greater devotion than Inter-Varsity. The leadership, as we have known it, has been radiantly Christian. The organization definitely seeks to implant saving faith where that is needed and to preserve wavering faith in the eternal verities of the Gospel where that is needed. The following paragraph from a circular letter is characteristic:

"Spiritually we have fared well. As far as we can ascertain, more students have come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour than in any previous year. I also believe that we have seen more evidence this year of a genuine concern among the Christian students for their non-Christian classmates and an attempt to walk before the Lord so that the non-Christian might see Christ in them and be won for Him. This, in one school, has brought some seventy-five or eighty students to confess conversion since last fall. Reports are coming in daily from weekend conferences mentioning conversions of students. One letter mentioned thirteen converted at one conference; another letter, seven. A fair number of the conversions have been among foreign students temporarily in this country for postgraduate work. For all this we thank God.

"Materially we have not fared as well. We have received sufficient income to take care of current expenses, but only enough to pay salaries for two months since January. . . ."

Six months ago a friend had encouraged the head office not to mention financial needs, promising that God would supply. It did not seem to work. We believe that in most Christian causes, including our own denomination, God uses human means of communication for making needs known but supplies those needs by bringing divine pressure to bear upon the devoted people who know the needs.

Tract-a-Month Club

Many church members probably give out 100 tracts per month — some months. Others perhaps have not handed a Gospel or Sabbath leaflet to a friend for many months. In the hope of encouraging regular habits of tract distribution there was formed a number of years ago a club called the "Tract-a-Month Club." The dues are \$1.00 per year, payable in June to the American Sabbath Tract Society, Plainfield, N. J. The secretary mails a chosen tract each month and the member agrees to hand it out personally within the month. New members are welcomed especially at this time.

Prayer Thought

Some letters have been received showing a real interest in the Prayer Column. These letters with their helpful suggestions are really appreciated.

Here is an original poem sent in by Mrs. Irene Post Hulett of Milton, Wis.

The Church of Christ has hidden power.
Few realize its measure.
From God's own storehouse, strong, secure
The Church may draw great treasure.

That power unloosed by Prayer's key
Would end sin's domination,
Would Christ's own kingdom bring on
earth,
Would stop the works of Satan.

What hinders outflow of that power?
O Christian! Look, and see
How disuse has corroded
Many a Christian's key.

From a tract on prayer sent in by Pastor Leon R. Lawton of Los Angeles we read: "Recently Billy Graham cried aloud over both ocean and ether waves that revival is the only hope for America. If we are to have a revival everyone knows it must begin in our churches. And if it is to begin in our churches we also know that it must begin in our prayer meetings. Prayer must be number one with us. It must have priority."

Let us hear from others so we will keep this from being a one-man column.

Ralph H. Coon.

Southwestern Association July 1-4

The last of the spring and summer meetings of associations of Seventh Day Baptist churches is the Southwestern, meeting this year in the deep South at Edinburgh, Tex. The quarterly "Southwestern News Letter," just received, informs us that the theme is "Press on Toward the Goal." Rev. Earl Cruzan of Adams Center, N. Y., will represent the Eastern, Central, and Western Associations. There will be two youth camps within the association this summer, one at Columbus, Tex., July 5 to 12, and another on Keel Mountain, Ala., July 14 to 18. The southern churches, though small, have shown strong evangelistic zeal.

Secretary's Column

Conference is now less than two months away, and with the coming of Conference, the end of the Conference year is not far away. Yet the latest report of the treasurer of the Denominational Budget reveals that so far we have raised considerably less than half the budget — with the year three quarters gone.

This emphasizes anew the importance of the Conference's determination to discourage "special appeals." Giving toward the budget was improving since February until the announcement was made that money was needed on an emergency basis to purchase the Nyasaland mission property. Almost immediately a large portion of the money needed for that purpose was pledged, but the giving for budget items — salaries of mission workers in the field, etc., — fell off sharply. The May giving shows some improvement, but has not yet caught up with the level attained in March, just before the need in Nyasaland was revealed.

This situation also reveals the oft repeated fact that Seventh Day Baptists have the capacity to give as needed, but that they prefer to give for something romantic rather than for the "bread-and-butter" needs of our everyday work. Yet that work is the heart of our denominational life. What would be the value of buying property in Nyasaland, if we fail to support workers there? Or if we fail to train American workers to carry on the work on the property, or in this country?

Seeking favorable aspects of the May giving report, we find that there are now twenty churches that are meeting their suggested targets. This is two more than fell in that group during earlier months. Between budget and special gifts, most of the agencies will be able to pay the month's salaries, but other items of operational cost are still suffering from financial malnutrition.

The essential fact remains however, that we have four months of the budget year remaining, and we have to raise seven months' share of the budget during that time.

NEW DEAN OF ALFRED THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL



Rev. Albert N. Rogers has been named acting dean of the School of Theology, according to President M. Ellis Drake. His appointment will take effect June 30.

Mr. Rogers succeeds Rev. A. J. C. Bond who has been serving as interim dean since his retirement on June 30, 1952. The new acting dean has served as assistant to Dr. Bond for two years.

Mr. Rogers has been pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred Station since January 1, 1944. Before assuming that pastorate, he had been minister to the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Waterford, Conn., minister of music in the First Baptist Church of New London, Conn., and minister of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of New York City.

Dean Rogers has been an instructor in the School of Theology for the past ten years. He earned the bachelor of arts degree at Milton College, Milton, Wis., and the bachelor of divinity degree from the Yale Divinity School in 1936. Since that time, Mr. Rogers has done graduate work in the School of Education at Syracuse University.

Dr. Bond has served as dean of the School of Theology for 19 years. On June 9, 1952, he received the honorary doctor of letters degree from Alfred University. — Alfred Sun.

Roland Gammon in *The Universalist* applies the term "nuclear" to those psychologists who have attempted to probe into the realm of the spirit to show that the superconscious and the superphysical are one, that science is mending the broken circle of faith, and that as a result, prayer is regaining its place "as a pathway to the Power immanent in us all."

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for July 3, 1954

Jesus, Our Example and Lord
Lesson Scripture: Luke 2: 40-52.

THE SABBATH — HOW DO WE KEEP IT?

Mary H. Van Horn
Edinburg, Tex.

We are Seventh Day Baptists and proud of it! As such we profess to keep the seventh day as the Sabbath, holy unto the Lord. But how true are we to that which we profess: Let us take a look at ourselves and not our neighbors. Do we measure up according to God?

"If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isaiah 58: 13, 14.

Do we criticize our neighbor for selling a dozen eggs on the Sabbath but rush to the stores in time to buy groceries Friday and get to our car just as the sun goes down, or do we eat an early supper on Sabbath afternoon and head for town in order to be there when the sun goes down? Do we go to the post office Sabbath day to get mail from our friends and relatives? Do we go to the bank or do other things of like nature on the day which Jesus claimed to be the Lord's?

Do we condemn the young people for going swimming Sabbath afternoon while we sail off on an afternoon of sightseeing? Do we talk about the insincerity of the man who irrigates or threshes on the Sabbath while we lay plans for the coming week's work, or pay back the dollar we borrowed last week? Do we lament because the children are noisy in church but think it all right to whisper or talk in an undertone about the sermon, the singer, or the hot weather?

Let us have a real soul searching, striving harder to keep the Sabbath as our Heavenly Father would have us — looking to our own shortcomings before criticizing others; and remember the words of Jesus, "Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days." Matthew 12: 12b.

LET'S THINK IT OVER

Christians should not question the power of God to perform miracles. Historically our religion is founded on miracles. Experimentally every new birth is a miracle. Having said this much, we may still be quite skeptical of some of the miracles reported by the Catholic Church.

The blood of the martyred St. Januarius, the patron saint of the cathedral of Naples, is confidently expected to melt on the first Saturday of May. It is reported to have liquified on that day for the past 400 years. If perchance it is late in melting, dire consequences for the Italian nation may result, as in 1940. A delay of four hours was followed by Mussolini's "disastrous" declaration of war. We understand that before that Ethiopian venture proved disastrous it had the blessing of the highest dignitaries of the Roman Church.

At the close of Saturday, May 1, according to Associated Press, the congealed blood was still solid in spite of the prayers of the people. Marcello Cardinal Mimmi, archbishop of Naples, urged the people to pray again on Sunday for the miracle. It is reported that during the day the blood softened and melted and that the city was then filled with cries of joy, ringing of bells, and fireworks. Is this a testimony to the power of prayer or to the spiritual leadership of a cardinal? We wonder.

Looking over a list of material advertised in Ecumenical Press Service we noted: Pentecost bulletin covers, Pentecost posters, Pentecost message, and Pentecost ministerial helps. It sounds quite Pentecostal. We wonder, however, if it isn't generally true that the churches doing the most about recognizing Pentecost as an anniversary are the churches that do the least about emphasizing it as an experience. Undoubtedly there are extremes both ways. A good friend reminded us recently that there is nothing to fear in the Pentecostal experience if it is always remembered that Scripturally the filling with the Spirit is only to give power in witnessing to the risen Christ.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

HAMMOND, LA. — Recognition of the clergy comes from many quarters. A two-column picture story clipped from the Hammond Vindicator was recently received by the Sabbath Recorder. Rev. Theodore Hibbard, pastor of the local church, is pictured receiving from the post commander on May 18 the American Legion plaque awarded for being selected the outstanding Legionnaire for 1953. He is declared to be the best chaplain the post ever had. His work for underprivileged children at Christmas time was especially singled out in the commendation. He heads the Hammond Community Service Agency which he also founded. "The activities of this friendly man should be an inspiration to all citizens of this community," said Commander Powell in the citation. — Ed.

COUDERSPORT, PA. — The First Hebron Church at a special business meeting on May 25 declined to accept the resignation of its student pastor, Darrell D. Barber, and called him to serve another year. He has reconsidered. It is reported that eight candidates who have been in a baptismal class led by the pastor are ready for baptism.

ASHAWAY, R. I. — In connection with Family Week, open house was held in the Sabbath school rooms on May 8 from 6:30 to 8:30. A Mother's Day gift, made by the pupil in the handwork period, was presented to each mother as she visited her child's classroom. The purpose of the program was to better acquaint the parents with the child's teacher and to familiarize them with the Sabbath school setup. Despite a very stormy night, a good attendance was present to enjoy the program.

Words of welcome were brought by Mrs. Edna Piccolo, Sabbath school superintendent. Mrs. Gladys Kenyon, superintendent of the graded department, told of the origination of the church school and its great need in the lives of all of us today. The children sang several of their favorite songs. A flannelgraph talk on the Lord's Prayer was given by Mrs. Eleanor Crandall and her class.

Special recognition was given to Mrs. Roy Burdick who has five children enrolled and attending regularly. She was given a year's subscription to "Home Life."

Following the program, light refreshments were served. Decorations included an artistic miniature Maypole, and at the end of each ribbon were ideas on how to better train our children in the paths of righteousness. — Mrs. Ray Kenyon, Correspondent.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. — With the approach of Easter the Battle Creek Church was represented at noonday services carried on by the Council of Churches. Pastor Davis and two of our soloists assisted. On April 10 the choir sang the well-known cantata "The Crucifixion" by Stainer, directed by Dr. Ellis C. Johanson, and accompanied by Mrs. R. T. Fetherston. The evening of April 10, a Family Night social was held, followed by the color film "Regions Beyond." This was sponsored by the Young People's Christian Endeavor. The Easter services were all led by the pastor, who chose "Hymns of the Cross" for his Friday vesper theme, and "Hymns of Praise" at the close of the Sabbath.

On May 8 we welcomed to our pulpit one of "our own boys," Rev. Robert Lippincott, pastor of the Shiloh Church, as guest preacher. His sermon on "What Is a Christian Home?" was much enjoyed. The lovely annual ceremony of dedication of babies was carried out by Pastor Davis. Another Family Night was enjoyed, this time a co-operative supper and games, promoted by the Mothers' Council.

May 15 was a very special day, when Rev. Albert E. S. McMahon of Ashtabula, Ohio, gave the sermon. He presides over a Seventh Day Baptist Fellowship which meets each Sabbath. In the evening we had a reception, which enabled us to meet Mr. McMahon informally and hear him further discuss his experiences in discovering and making known the Sabbath truth.

May 21 our pastor and a number of our members attended the Northern Association meetings in Jackson Center, Ohio. Our home preacher was one of our own members, James Gardner, whose topic was "Changing Times and Christian Fellow-

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DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer, May 31, 1954

Receipts		
	May	8 months
Balance, May 1	\$ 63.96	
Adams Center	101.25	378.25
Albion	18.67	273.60
Alfred, First		1,627.23
Alfred, Second		366.50
Associations and groups		54.20
Battle Creek	875.75	3,349.93
Berlin		345.46
Boulder	33.30	289.72
Brookfield, First		111.50
Brookfield, Second		127.95
Buffalo Fellowship		51.00
Chicago	90.00	676.00
Daytona Beach	52.25	250.25
Denver		411.32
De Ruyter	30.00	408.50
Dodge Center	59.40	225.85
Edinburg	150.00	184.95
Farina	40.00	145.00
Fouke		107.45
Friendship		40.00
Hammond	21.00	61.00
Hebron, First	7.74	83.16
Hopkinton, First	169.80	895.40
Hopkinton, Second	5.00	5.00
Independence	55.00	380.00
Indianapolis	10.00	61.10
Individuals	37.50	267.25
Irvington		200.00
Jackson Center		35.00
Little Genesee	10.00	312.44
Los Angeles	20.00	646.43
Los Angeles, Christ's		25.00
Lost Creek		761.52
Marlboro		1,343.11
Middle Island	12.55	88.17
Milton	635.25	3,032.94
Milton Junction	118.56	1,069.95
New Auburn	15.95	46.05
New York	93.50	252.44
North Loup		572.03
Nortonville	247.00	449.82
Pawcatuck		3,101.68
Philadelphia	20.00	153.25
Piscataway		121.50
Plainfield	234.97	3,384.96
Putnam County		10.00
Richburg	36.29	272.39
Ritchie		100.00
Riverside	153.95	1,574.85

Roanoke		41.00
Rockville	7.69	61.52
Salem	120.00	690.50
Salemville		63.98
Shiloh	200.00	1,655.13
Stone Fort		55.00
Syracuse		50.00
Verona	63.00	525.85
Walworth	5.00	70.00
Washington	75.00	75.00
Waterford	30.18	171.06
White Cloud	82.29	367.02
Wilkes-Barre		25.00
Totals	\$4,001.80	\$32,582.16

The figures in bold indicate which churches have met the eight months' target.

Disbursements

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$1,151.59	\$ 728.25
Tract Society	267.38	
Board of		
Christian Education	471.25	10.00
Women's Society	162.98	40.00
Historical Society	69.89	
Ministerial Retirement	285.07	127.37
S. D. B. Building	78.88	
World Fellowship and Service	11.60	87.01
General Conference	401.36	
Memorial Fund		10.00
Bank of Milton, service charge	1.19	
Balance on hand	97.98	
Totals	\$2,999.17	\$1,002.63

Comparative Figures

	1954	1953
Receipts in May:		
Budget	\$2,935.21	\$2,056.84
Specials	1,002.63	671.46
Receipts in 8 months:		
Budget	25,603.47	21,744.12
Specials	6,978.69	4,934.30
Annual Budget	63,121.22	46,635.00
Percentage of budget raised to date	40.6%	46.6%

L. M. Van Horn,
Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.

ship." Mrs. Gardner in her usual delightful way gave the children's sermonette.

All groups within the church are carrying on with their usual zest. The last "project accomplished" of the Ladies' Aid was making garments for the children of migrant workers. We miss the Arch Moultons, who have gone to live near their daughter Virginia, Mrs. Wendell Burdick, at De Ruyter, N. Y. The Women's Board had the pleasant experi-

ence of "talking with" the women of the Riverside Church recently. It was in response to the combined tape recording and slide program prepared by the board, the Riverside women recorded their voices in greetings to send back to us. — E. M., Correspondent.

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Liberty Bell

The approach of Independence Day reminds us of the old liberty bell which is visited by so many thousands in Philadelphia each year. Seventh Day Baptists have long championed religious liberty and have often been denied it. Late in the seventeenth century several Seventh Day Baptist churches were organized in and near Philadelphia. They suffered the ravages of the Revolutionary War and the atheist-inspired persecution which filtered into the Capitol City from France in the years that followed. Persecution also came legally in 1794 when Pennsylvania passed a Sunday law over the protests of Sabbathkeepers and their influential friends. Elhanan Winchester of London wrote of these Pennsylvania Sabbathkeepers in 1788: "Such Christians I have never seen as they are, who take the Scriptures as their only guide, in matters both of faith and practice."