

**DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET**  
Statement of the Treasurer, October 31, 1954

Receipts	
	October
Albion	\$ 17.67
Associations and groups	36.13
Battle Creek	428.88
Berlin	24.00
Boulder	41.77
Brookfield, First	10.00
Chicago	120.00
Daytona Beach	43.70
De Ruyter	341.63
Dodge Center	95.00
Farina	15.00
Independence	30.00
Indianapolis	15.90
Individuals	1,953.11
Little Genesee	64.29
Los Angeles	76.50
Marlboro	317.82
Middle Island	16.13
Milton	363.75
Milton Junction	127.69
New Auburn	18.72
Nortonville	34.50
Philadelphia	20.00
Piscataway	12.00
Plainfield	207.50
Putnam County	10.00
Rockville	11.00
Salemville	68.00
Schenectady	100.00
Shiloh	230.00
Walworth	25.00
Waterford	21.35
White Cloud	31.59
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,928.63</b>

Disbursements		
	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$1,238.08	\$ 400.85
Tract Society	289.60	
Board of		
Christian Education	566.08	25.00
Women's Society	140.48	85.00
Historical Society	51.52	976.56
Ministerial Retirement	398.72	228.84
S. D. B. Building	55.36	
General Conference	448.96	
World Fellowship and Service	11.20	
Balance on hand		
October 31	12.38	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$3,212.38</b>	<b>\$1,716.25</b>

Comparative Figures		
	1954	1953
Receipts in October:		
Budget	\$3,212.38	\$2,403.31
Specials	1,716.25	375.42
Annual Budget	70,750.00	63,121.22
Portion of budget raised to date	4.5%	3.8%

L. M. Van Horn,  
Treasurer.

Milton, Wis.

**SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON**  
for December 4, 1954  
The Use of the Sabbath  
Lesson Scripture: Mark 2: 23—3: 6.

**Accessions**

Lost Creek, W. Va.  
By Baptism:  
  Carolyn Loofboro  
  David Curry  
By Testimony:  
  Mrs. David (Helen Ruth) Curry  
  Mrs. James (Donna) Williams

**Obituaries**

**Johnson.** — Bertha G., daughter of Louis Frank and Anna Ayers Glaspey, was born in Farina, Ill., on June 1, 1874, and died in Point Pleasant, N. J., on Oct. 20, 1954.

Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. Charles A. Manson, of Point Pleasant; Dr. Isabel Johnson and Mrs. Joseph G. Hancock, both of Greenwich, N. J.; and a son, Arthur G. Johnson, of Point Pleasant. She was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Shiloh, N. J. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Benjamin R. Durham at the Van Hise Funeral Home with burial in the White Lawn Cemetery in Point Pleasant. — B. J. M.

**Van Horn.** — Alberto Jay, was born Feb. 23, 1868, at Welton, Iowa, and died at a Cedar Rapids hospital Oct. 4, 1954.

Mr. Van Horn resided at Garwin, Iowa, most of his life and was a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of that community until its dissolution. His first wife and mother of his children, Lucy Babcock, died many years ago. His second wife, Mrs. Mary McPheran, whom he married in 1922 died in 1936. At the death of his third spouse last spring he returned from Oakland, Calif., to make his home with a daughter in Cedar Rapids.

Survivors are a son, Harold, and a daughter, Mrs. Frank Van Horn, both of Cedar Rapids; 7 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Blanche Furrow, of Blair, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jackson Burns of St. Paul's Methodist Church of Cedar Rapids and burial was at the Garwin Union Cemetery. — Mrs. Blanche Furrow.

**CALENDARS WITH THE SABBATHS IN RED**

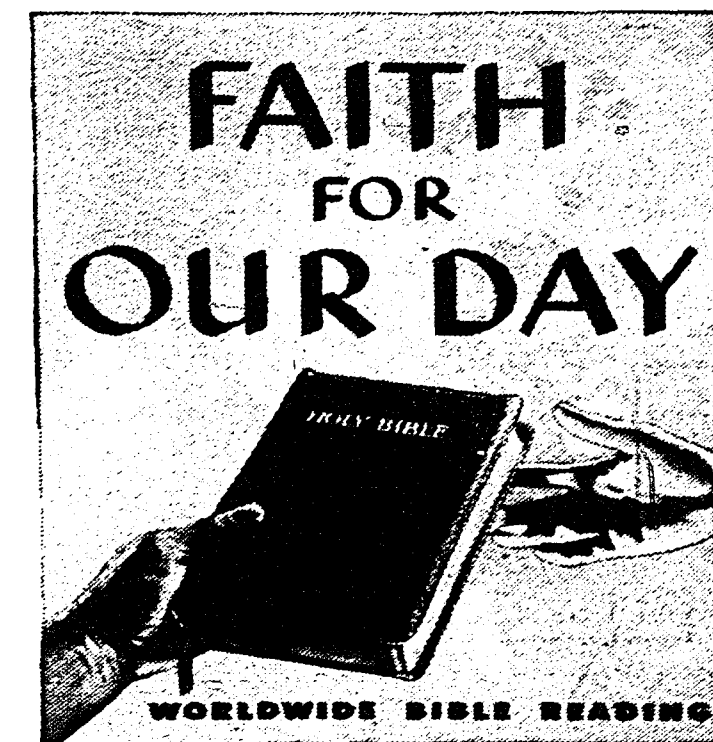
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# The Sabbath Recorder



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"I am sure that all who value faith and freedom join with me in congratulating those good people who annually bring to pass this meaningful observance."

**DECEMBER 11 IS BIBLE SABBATH. OBSERVE THE DAY!**

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Leona Frances Choy, author of the poem "Revelation" on page 245, is a newcomer to our pages. She is an American, a graduate of Wheaton College, the 29-year-old wife of Rev. Theodore Choy and mother of three boys. They live in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where Mr. Choy is working on a master's degree to prepare himself for greater service for the Lord when they return to the Orient. Although Mrs. Choy receives remuneration for some of her work she has graciously given permission to print this and two other poems in the Sabbath Recorder.

## THE BIBLE'S DAY

In the last issue we printed the Thanksgiving-to-Christmas Bible readings suggested by the American Bible Society. We hope that if there are any who did not receive at church the bookmarkers containing these readings that they will keep our printed list handy throughout the period.

Most of our churches are probably using the free bulletin cover which features the picture used on this week's Recorder cover and which carries the line, "The Bible's Day." In deference to Seventh Day Baptists, the American Bible Society a few years ago substituted that title for "Universal Bible Sunday" on all the folders. We should show our gratitude by loyal support of the vast work of the society.

"The Bible's Day" kits, giving suggestions for the observance of the day, have been sent out to over 150,000 ministers. Nearly all denominations are encouraging their congregations to join wholeheartedly in a special emphasis on the Bible in their programs on the week-end of December 11 and 12. The twelve-page brochure which is part of the kit is a very informative digest of a 1954 Spanish language book, "The Bible Builds in Latin America," by Charles W. Turner. Your pastor no doubt has it. If not, the American Bible Society would probably send anyone a copy upon request.

Attention is called to the words of President Eisenhower on our cover. Faith for our day comes from reading the Bible even as in the days of the early church. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Rom. 10: 17.

## SIN AT THE WHEEL

Nearly everyone would agree that it is sinful to drive a car on our crowded highways when under the influence of alcohol. Many also affirm that it is sinful for responsible guardians of society to allow people in such a condition to sit behind the wheel. We like to think that these sinners at the wheel are not of our company; they are those intangible cases out there somewhere. Do we dare to look for sin closer at home?

Another day, Safe Driving Day, has been added to our calendar of special days. The President's Action Committee for

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Traffic Safety has sent out publicity to promote the observance of such a day on December 15. We cannot expect our readers to remember every special day. However, some of this material was written by a minister, and it struck so close that we felt the urge to challenge our readers with the charge of sin at the wheel made by Rev. Robert F. Royster of La Porte, Ind. His article is entitled "Immorality on Wheels." Too long have we tried to excuse our bad driving habits by tactly denying that there is any relation between sin and traffic rules. The minister lays it right on the line when he says:

"It is time we faced the fact that most traffic accidents are simply the moral consequence of wilful, wicked acts — acts that are habits of sin, grown used to and committed without a twinge of conscience."

The selfishness which an otherwise good Christian manifests in claiming a doubtful right-of-way, in crowding in front of other cars, in going too fast or too slow, in disregarding pedestrians, or even in parking the car — this selfishness is sin, a sin which all too frequently causes more pain and misery than a fist fight. Selfishness is a more basic sin than drunkenness, for the latter is only one brazen example of it. Selfishness is the sin that drives dictators to their slaughtering.

Did you ever ride with a person who cursed almost every driver who impeded his progress in any way? Have you, too, been guilty in a genteel sort of way? As we remember that we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, we must ask ourselves this serious question, "Have I repented of and turned from the sin of selfish driving?" If our Christianity has not penetrated to that cherished, modern citadel of personal driving habits, we need to be reminded that repentance must begin at the house of God.

Christianity has failed if professing Christians are not at the forefront of courteous, safe driving. We do not believe it has failed or will fail. We who are Christians will be more vigilant in watching our own attitudes on the road; we will not be guilty of sin at the wheel.

## THE KING AND I

Since there are so few people who can use the expression "The King and I," it gives one a peculiar sensation to read those quoted words. There just aren't very many kings any more and not many folks who have common experiences with kings. What was the remainder of that sentence? Notice: "I can truly say that the King and I found great comfort and strength from our reading of the Bible." Those words were spoken recently in the Bible House in New York City by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, when she accepted a King James Version Bible from the American Bible Society.

No, we cannot claim that we sat down with the king and read the Bible with him. But we as husbands and wives and families sitting down in our own homes can read the same Word of God and receive the same comfort and strength that is needed by kings and queens. It is usually little people, not big people, who are ashamed to admit a dependence on the Bible.

The Emperor of Ethiopia, Haile Selassie, in a double-breasted business suit was recently pictured in the Bible House without his imperial retinue, adding his name to those of millions of others who are signing the World Good Will Book and contributing to the work of the Bible Societies. It was not too many years ago that the Emperor of Ethiopia had to flee his throne under the aggressive onslaughts of a so-called Christian nation. None stand so high that they need no help. None sit at so low a footstool that they need be without hope. All of us may have common experiences with kings in reading the Bible. That is because before the great King there is "neither bond nor free." We can all have daily fellowship with the King. Such is the joy poetically expressed in the hymn, "I Walk with the King."

Let us remember the words of Queen Elizabeth, "The King and I found great comfort and strength from our reading of the Bible." Are you reading your Bible every day?

## Secretary's Column

### We Are Seventh Day Baptists

As Seventh Day Baptists we have always guarded jealously our practice of freedom of choice — and rightly so. This is one of the major tenets which set Baptists apart from many other church groups.

Because we hold many basic beliefs in common and because we recognize many common tasks which are too big for us to handle individually, we have affiliated in local churches, in associations, and in the General Conference. We have set up joint agencies to carry out various facets of our common task of making "disciples of all nations (including our own), baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

We have set up various boards to which we have delegated different portions of this common task. We have the Missionary Board whose charge is to carry the Gospel abroad and to certain areas within our own country. We have the Tract Board which is charged with carrying on the task through the printed word. We have the Board of Christian Education basically responsible for the training of Christian leadership. Each of our denominational agencies has been assigned a part of the task for which each of us individually is basically responsible.

Such delegation of a part of our duty does not in any way relieve us of our individual responsibility. Christ's command was directed to each of His followers personally, and each of us personally is responsible for the discharge of this command. Since we can't each of us individually carry the Gospel to Jamaica or Nyasaland, or print tracts presenting the Truth, or train ministers and young people's leaders, or preserve the history of our faith in safekeeping, it behooves us to do the next best thing and furnish the sinews for those whom we have charged with these portions of our duty.

There are a few churches listed in our Year Book whose names did not appear at any time in the record of the treasurer of the Denominational Budget during the Conference Year recently completed. There

are, of course, many more individuals who did not give anything toward the budget this last year. Recognizing that we are Seventh Day Baptists, and as such are members of the denomination as a whole, let us search our consciences and see whether we are obeying Jesus' command when we fail to make any contribution toward a joint discharge of portions of that command which are too big for us individually to handle.

This year's budget could be realized if every member of the denomination contributed \$12 during the year. Obviously there are many of us to whom a contribution of \$12 per year would be impossible. It is equally obvious that there are many to whom a contribution of this amount would be merely a token gift. If each of us gives according to his means we can realize the budget, but if some fail to give even a widow's mite, we stand in danger of ending the year with a repetition of past history and the budget not met.

### 1955 Conference Plans

It was decided at the General Conference session at Milton, Wis., last August that the 1955 Annual Conference of Seventh Day Baptists would be held in a resort area, namely, Mt. Sequoyah, a well-developed camp near Fayetteville, Ark. The exact dates were to be worked out with the management of the camp.

Conference President Clarence Rogers now announces that agreement has been reached whereby the Conference will be held from Monday, Aug. 15, to Sabbath, Aug. 20. The program as now planned will begin with a devotional service either Monday afternoon or evening. The business will start Tuesday morning as usual and an effort will be made to conclude all business on Friday.

Conference will then end on Sabbath day with a program filled with inspiration.

Watch the pages of the Sabbath Recorder for further plans to be announced by President Rogers.

**Conference Theme: "To Serve Him"**

### Prayer Thought

When in dire need of help we need no urging to enter the prayer closet; the cry of prayer comes spontaneously to all who know or even hope that God hears. Almost equally natural is the urgent intercession for the health of loved ones. It needs little instruction. Far too many of us, however, have to be stirred, encouraged, and instructed before we learn to pray earnestly, consistently, and effectively for the conversion or spiritual welfare of those outside the usual circle of our family love. How can we account for this? It is not because we disbelieve in prayer or that we really think that physical health is more important than spiritual wellbeing. It is a form of self-centeredness that can be corrected. Therefore, let us take it to the Lord in prayer.

### Sabbath Thought

Too many people consider the Sabbath truth as an issue between them and people who hold other religious views, rather than as an issue between the individual and God. We cannot desecrate the Sabbath by using it for our own purposes without suffering spiritual loss.

God says, "O that there were such an heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever" (Deut. 5: 29). — L. G. O., in Ashaway Messenger.

### REVELATION

By Leona Frances Choy

Perfect love, yes, perfect love,  
This my constant plea!  
How can I e'er attain its height?  
Its depth I cannot see.

I sought to love Him as I ought,  
I faltered constantly;  
He lifted every stumbling step,  
And led me patiently.

At last He drew me to Himself,  
And poured His love so free;  
Then my response was perfect love,  
HIS LOVE revealed through me!

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR REVIVES CHURCH

The fifty-year history of the Battle Creek Church prepared under the direction of Dr. B. F. Johanson has recently been received at the Recorder office. It is interesting to surmise that this strong church might have died a speedy death soon after its organization if it had not been for an active Christian Endeavor Society.

The history states that the church was organized with 17 members, Dec. 10, 1904. On the next page we read: "Because of a lack of denominational leadership this church was inactive for several years until Rev. Judson G. Burdick was sent here by the Missionary Society late in 1908. A reorganization was effected by the Rev. Mr. Burdick early the next year and the church began to thrive. This was due largely to the fact that it was made known through the Sabbath Recorder and other sources that there was opportunity for Sabbath employment in our city."

From the above it would appear that the Sabbath Recorder in a small way and the Missionary Society in a large way were responsible for the revival of this languishing infant church. However, when Dr. Johanson comes to the story of Christian Endeavor he points out that this society was the group which petitioned the Missionary Board to send a minister to Battle Creek "as the situation looked promising for reviving the church." The C. E. organization had sprung into existence during the time when the church itself was dormant, namely, in March of 1908.

We may venture to guess that this is not the first or only time that youth in its Christian Endeavor organization has saved or revived a church. The society has had continuous existence and is the oldest auxiliary of the church. Once more we take off our hats to youth banded together in a society of such lofty ideals as the Christian Endeavor.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for December 11, 1954

The Fourth Commandment

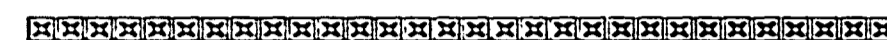
Lesson Scripture: Ex. 20: 8-11;  
Deut. 5: 12-15; Matt. 5: 17-20.



### MEMORY TEXT

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: . . .

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. Luke 4: 14, 16.



### RURAL CHURCH SITUATION

Any denomination may well learn something from the reports of the eleventh National Convocation on the Church in Town and Country which was held in Salinas, Kan., October 26-28. It was attended by 1,000 delegates from 20 denominations who gathered together from 250 communities in 30 states and 4 Canadian provinces.

With the decline of the small church in the country arrested only in the last dozen years, the purpose of the convocation was to consider the current situation, exchange ideas, and inspire rural leaders with plans for greater strength of church program in the nation's towns and "wide open spaces."

The leaders found that there was a great deal of overlapping of effort in many communities and large gaps in others. In seven counties in Kansas it was discovered that there was a church for every 300 persons. More than half of the churches had less than 100 members. A survey disclosed that in one town of 4,000, eleven of the twelve churches had changed pastors during the two-year period of the survey. This appears to be part of the reason why the youth program in the rural church is generally the weakest part of the local church work. It indicates that all is not well when the turnover of pastors is that large.

Herbert E. Stotts of Denver's Iliff School of Theology charged that the "population is not leaving the rural areas as fast as the church is," and that the rural church cannot afford to allow its membership to continue being second-class Christians." The seminaries, he said, are full of young men eager to serve in the country if given a chance.

Bishop Martin, president of the Nation-

al Council of Churches, said the country parish needs a man with broad vision, sense of humor, and a love for people. He also charged Protestant ministry with aiding the "flight from the country" by subscribing to "success in the city" as the standard of success. "What the church can do about it," he said, "depends on the man who represents the rural church, on whether he reveals in his own life the belief that there is something there worth staying for."

From the Seventh Day Baptist point of view we have to admit being party to some overlapping of parishes in communities where we have churches. It is not a real overlapping, however, because those who have found the Sabbath truth have something so distinctive that they need a church of their own to preserve the sacredness of the day. On the other hand Seventh Day Baptist ministers and people in small towns have almost invariably been at the forefront of religious co-operation and have generously served parishes that were much wider than their membership. Our own experience would indicate that no matter how many other churches there are in the community, the Sabbathkeeping church has its place and a wide area of community responsibility. — Ed.

### History of Sioux Bible

The Sioux Indians were deported from Minnesota for the uprising of 1862 before the translation of the Bible into their language was completed. History turns back its pages to show the difficulties of making the translation.

"The Dakotah language used by the Sioux was extensive and complicated. The Minnesota Historical Society possesses a dictionary of the Dakotah language used by the early missionaries. It is a thick book, 583 pages written out in patient longhand.

"Doctor Thomas Williamson, the great missionary, took some of the Bible from the Greek into the Dakotah. One man who translated part of the Bible could not read. The famous frontier trader, Joseph Renville, listened to the Bible as it was read to him in English, translated the English into French and then took the French into the Indian language."

Star Record.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Recent World Council publicity comments on the post-Evanston discussions in these terms: "The ecumenical yeast is high, and the dough calls for vigorous and immediate working." A number of books have already appeared for those who want to read more about it.

Former Premier Tetsu Katayama, Japan's first Christian prime minister, who held office shortly after the war, has completed a translation of the New Testament into Japanese. It presents the essentials of the New Testament in a form that can easily be understood by all. Working with a group of associates, including experts in the English, Greek, and Hebrew languages, this political leader who is the senior advisor of Japan's right wing Socialist Party, used as the basis for his translation the popular Goodspeed English Bible.

"No nation in the world's history has ever been as rich as the United States is now. It has 40 per cent of the world's income though only 7 per cent of the population of the globe. . . . Were this country's income distributed equally, it is estimated by the Twentieth Century Fund that it would be \$1,525 per capita, as contrasted with \$181 per capita in Soviet Russia." — Newark (N. J.) News.

### Bibles for the Blind

During the past year, the American Bible Society produced a new edition of the New Testament in the Revised Standard Version in four volumes of Braille Grade 2; and the same New Testament on 40 talking book records; while continuing to supply the entire Bible in the King James Version in 170 records. Large shipments of Braille paper were sent to Japan for Bible use during the year; a new edition of the New Testament in Korean Braille was completed; a first edition of the Society's "Small Volume of Scripture Passages" was printed in Arabic Braille; the first edition of the Gospel of Matthew in new Armenian Braille was completed; and work was begun on the production of the "Small Volume" in Portuguese in talking book records.

### RISE UP AND BUILD

"Our zeal and dedication must grow! Too long we have been relatively ineffective in evangelism — about three per cent increase by baptisms each year! Too long we have been content to let congregations sleep peacefully while our neighbors were ignored by our church ministries! Too long we have let other denominations organize the new congregations when we were nearby and unconcerned, or at least inactive! Let us have done with it!

"Our Lord has given us, as well as others, the commission to bear His 'good news.' He has given us youth who thrill at the chance to give a summer to evangelism in the local church. Let us use these youth in our churches. He has given us laymen and laywomen who are eager to witness and evangelize for Him if we train them to do so. He has given us financial resources to provide the material equipment needed — new church houses and their furnishings.

"More important still, He has given us the promise of His Spirit to empower us to do His work. Let us consecrate ourselves. Let us dedicate our resources and our talents."

The above paragraphs from an editorial in "Gospel Messenger," weekly organ of the Church of the Brethren, fit our denomination, too.

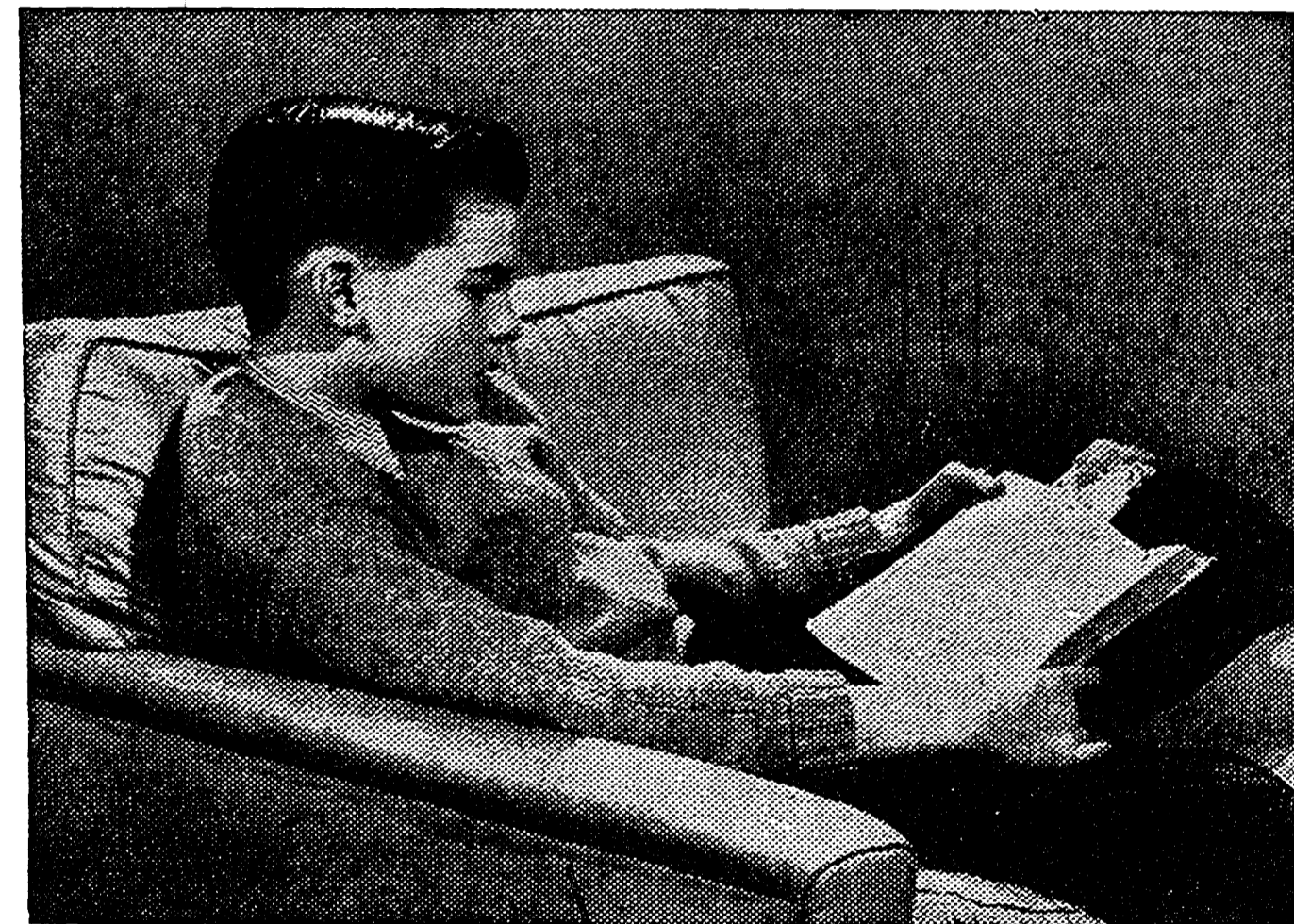
### News About Ministers

Word comes from Boulder, Colo., that Rev. E. A. Coltrin, who resigned as pastor late in the summer and moved to another community, is again serving the church as pastor. Because Mrs. Coltrin is teaching school in the other community they have not been able to take up full-time residence in the parsonage.

In our articles about pastors in the September 6 and 27 Recorders we did not have the latest information about Rev. Carl R. Maxson. He has finished his training and is located in the Protestant Chaplain's office at Kings Park State Hospital, Kings Park, N. Y. In addition to his duties in this 10,000-patient institution, he supplies the pulpit regularly for the New York City Church.

# The Sabbath Recorder

## Youth Reads The Bible



One Book, and only one,  
The Book my Father gave;  
One Book, and only one,  
The Book with power to save.

One Book, and only one,  
That points the pilgrim way;  
One Book, and only one,  
To keep me, lest I stray.

— J. R. Clements.

### New Filmstrips Available

Among the new sound filmstrips available from the American Sabbath Tract Society is one entitled "The Church Is There." It has 88 frames in black and white and two 78 rpm records with running time of 18 minutes. It can be used from junior age to adults and would be suitable for a worship service as well as missionary education meetings. Its story is about as follows:

"Various members of a 1950 Christian family report on their findings concerning the many projects which today's church is carrying on to help solve major problems of the world's people. In a council meeting, a family decides that they should know more about the work of the church. In subsequent family meetings, this family learns that the church is really accomplishing results in areas of Christian education of children and youth, better race relations, wholesome recreation for young people, Christian youth camps, religious ministry to migrants, overseas relief, displaced persons resettlement, home and foreign missions.

"The family soon comes to appreciate the church as a progressive, dynamic program at work today in every area of life in the United States and other lands. No longer taking the work of the church for granted, the family resolves in a spirit of prayer and consecration that each member will accept his responsibility for continuing and enlarging the service of the church."

Other new titles available are: "A Plea for Justice — Amos," "Thanksgiving with Jesus" (Children's series), "Christian Symbolism," "Saint Paul at Philippi," and "The Story of Ruth." These are without sound.

### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

VERONA, N. Y. — Our Ladies' Benevolent Society held its October meeting at the home of Jennie Sholtz. A baby shower was given for Carol Crandall. It was reported that the baked ham supper netted \$240 which will be applied on the Building Fund. The Candy Committee reported \$29.05 from the sale of candy, and \$25.60 was cleared at the bazaar. The society has voted to send 2 boxes of used clothing to our Nyasaland Mission.

The Father and Son Banquet was held in our church on the evening of November

6. An interesting program was given. Orville Williams acted as toastmaster and Maurice Warner was song leader. Floyd Sholtz gave the toast to sons, and Kenneth Davis, the toast to fathers. Two educational films were shown, and a cartoon comedy concluded the program. The program for the evening was planned by Pastor and Mrs. Skaggs and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Crandall. — Correspondent.

DE RUYTER, N. Y. — From a recent church bulletin and the DeRuyter Gleaner comes information that the local church is taking an active part in the plans for setting up the proposed Protestant Released Time Religious Training Program. The Christian Business Men's Association of Cortland has offered to sponsor the program in co-operation with the Bible Club Movement. A public meeting to discuss the matter was scheduled for November 17. The plans are in accordance with state law.

The trustees of the church have installed a new oil conversion unit in the furnace at the parsonage. The pastor writes that it is a great improvement on the church property and one which is greatly appreciated by the pastor's family. The item in the bulletin suggests to the members that contributions toward the expense would be welcomed.

### Obituaries

Barber. — Howard M., son of Paul M. and Clarrissa Angeline Kenyon Barber, was born July 24, 1872, in Ashaway, R. I., and died after a short illness in the Westerly Hospital Nov. 6, 1954.

Mr. Barber, a former chief engineer of C. B. Cottrell and Sons Company, retired in 1947. During his 56 years of service, over 300 patents were taken out by himself for improvements made on the printing presses.

He was a member of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church and for 32 years a member of its Board of Trustees. He was also a trustee of Alfred University, and of the American Sabbath Tract Society.

He was the husband of the late Bertha Roberts Barber, whose death occurred March 22, and is survived by a son, Robert S. Barber, of New London, and a grandson, Robert Winship Barber, also of that city.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Charles H. Bond, at the Schilke Funeral Home on Nov. 9, and burial was made in the River Bend Cemetery.

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