

DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of the Treasurer, July 31, 1955

Receipts		July	10 months
Balance, July 1	\$	81.74	
Adams Center	\$	475.00	
Albion		36.67	373.32
Alfred, First		294.75	2,951.69
Alfred, Second			663.95
Associations and groups		1,170.50	1,546.92
Battle Creek		888.63*	4,263.33*
Berlin		18.00	293.50
Boulder		34.93	367.20
Brookfield, First		50.00*	168.00
Brookfield, Second			206.50
Buffalo		49.50*	157.50*
Chicago		140.00*	1,151.00*
Daytona Beach		32.95	608.11*
Denver		41.75	664.38
De Ruyter		63.50*	1,043.13*
Dodge Center		106.12*	476.62
Edinburg			69.36
Farina		15.00	170.00
Fouke		85.16*	227.10
Friendship		44.00*	100.00
Hammond		30.00*	130.10
Hebron, First		12.31	129.82
Hopkinton, First		227.50*	1,027.45
Hopkinton, Second		20.00	90.00
Independence		80.00*	697.00*
Indianapolis		43.00*	162.60*
Individuals		12.00	2,177.61
Irvington			300.00
Kansas City		25.00*	35.00*
Little Genesee		39.45	443.41
Los Angeles		25.00	700.80
Los Angeles, Christ's			50.00*
Lost Creek			886.55
Marlboro		179.29*	1,787.54*
Middle Island		28.00*	135.38
Milton		453.95	3,692.49
Milton Junction		158.02	1,335.03
New Auburn		20.71	94.02
New York		10.00	201.70
North Loup			514.97
Nortonville		68.53	559.03
Pawcatuck		325.00	3,551.18
Philadelphia			63.00
Piscataway		26.50	191.50
Plainfield		253.25	3,294.87
Putnam County			106.00*
Richburg		68.00*	233.00
Ritchie			55.00
Riverside			3,240.28*
Roanoke		10.00	133.00
Rockville		14.88	129.70
Salem		125.00	785.00
Salemville			245.63
Schenectady		45.00*	480.90*
Shiloh		254.00*	3,144.14*
Stone Fort			60.00
Syracuse			50.00*
Twin Cities		30.00*	103.50*
Verona		48.00	688.42
Walworth		45.00*	130.00
Washington		15.00	150.00
Waterford		47.58*	320.25
White Cloud		96.43*	614.05
Totals		\$5,989.60	\$48,896.53

Disbursements

	Budget	Specials
Missionary Society	\$2,260.26	\$ 184.58
Tract Society	465.55	
Board of Christian Education	430.44	
School of Theology	471.75	
Women's Society	248.89	
Historical Society	82.11	
Ministerial Retirement	635.46	267.49
S. D. B. Building	89.23	
General Conference	715.53	
World Fellowship and Service	17.85	
S. D. B. Memorial Fund		100.00
Bank of Milton, service charge	1.84	
Balance, July 31	18.62	
Totals	\$5,437.53	\$ 552.07

Comparative Figures

	1955	1954
Receipts in July:		
Budget	\$5,355.79	\$2,939.00
Specials	552.07	494.10
Receipts in 10 months:		
Budget	43,984.78	33,433.46
Specials	4,861.75	9,003.23
Current Budget	70,750.00	63,121.22
Percentage of budget raised to date	62.2%	53.0%

L. M. Van Horn,
Milton, Wis. Treasurer.

The asterisks are for those churches which are currently ahead of their suggested targets.

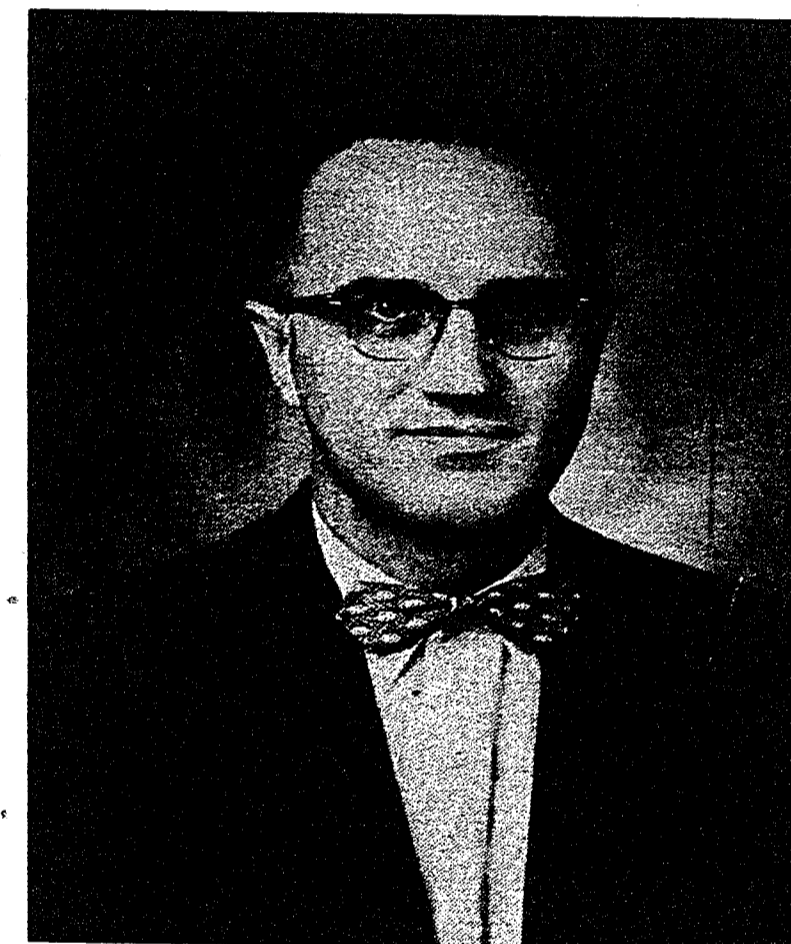
Generosity

In a great burst of false generosity Louis XI once made a solemn deed and covenant giving the entire Province of Boulogne to the Virgin Mary in perpetuity. Louis reserved "all the revenues thereof" for himself. There are a great number of superficially pious people today who say, "We are living under grace and have given all that we have to God!" But you will notice that they still keep practically all of it for themselves. It seems reasonable that God would still prefer the tithe in cold cash. — From *Developing a Giving Church*, by W. E. Grindstaff. (Fleming H. Revell Company.)

"Grasshopper faith" and "grasshopper psychology" are the terms applied by Editor Kenneth Morse in "Gospel Messenger" to those who advocate missionary retrenchment in the face of such giants as Communism, nationalism, and revolution.

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The Sabbath Recorder



REV. CHARLES H. BOND

President of the
Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
for the year beginning October 1, 1955

Scripture for the year: Matthew 5, 6, and 7.

Theme: Be happy — you are the light of the world. — Matt. 5: 11, 14.

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It happens that I have seen many committees in my day. One of the saddest sights I know is a group of committee members nodding their heads yes or no at the whim of the chairman, like so many mechanical men. No individualism there. Co-operation, yes; but not my idea of teamwork. — Clarence J. Myers, President, New York Life Insurance Co.

A PLACE FOR YOUNG FOLKS

There's a place in the world's work for young folks

Who everywhere stand for the right.

Let us put on the God-given armor

To help us to win in the fight.

The words quoted above from the Young People's Rally Song so well known to Seventh Day Baptist youth came to mind when we read an item in the Salem (W. Va.) Herald recently.

The newspaper item told of the appointment of Dr. Richard Bond to the faculty of Salem College, one of our church-related colleges which has provided the academic training in recent years for a large percentage of our young ministers. This young man received his Ph.D. a short time ago from the University of Wisconsin. The brief article points out that with the beginning of this fall term there will be a father and son on the faculty of the college. Harley D. Bond, the father, has been associated with the college since 1929 and has served as treasurer since 1942.

"There's a place in the world's work for young folks. . . ." Sometimes that place is a little hard to find; sometimes the opportunity is waiting. Usually there are openings in places where service rendered is a greater consideration than salary. We believe that young men with doctor's degrees who teach in our church-centered institutions with their notoriously low salaries are thinking of service and loyalty more than economic security.

There have been times perhaps when there were few openings for young people trained to render real service. Now the calls are many. The professions are calling. Think of the young doctors who have recently completed their training. Think of the ministers who have found churches waiting for them or mission fields beckoning. Nurses are at a premium both at home and in foreign service. Dedicated youth may render great service in the teaching profession. God has a place for young people — those "who everywhere stand for the right." Dedication is needed; preparation is required; consecration will be rewarded. Let us look beyond the approval and plaudits of men to that "Well done, good and faithful servant" which comes from the Lord Himself.

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WHO TAKES THE RECORDER?

What percentage of our active members subscribe to our denominational weekly, the Sabbath Recorder? An accurate answer to that question is not readily available although we could make a pretty close guess. We know that the percentage is not as high as it should be for the health of our local and denominational work. Here is another question that someone might like to answer: What is the relation between denominational interest and the Recorder subscription list? To put it another way: How many people attend our General Conference because the denominational paper has nurtured their interest in Conference matters, and how many people want to take the Sabbath Recorder because they have attended Conference and want to keep up their interest through reading it?

A little study has been made for the purpose of extending our Recorder readership. As previously reported, there were 414 delegates and visitors registered at our recent General Conference. The Credentials Committee listed 312 duly accredited delegates representing 51 churches. This list was compared with our subscription list. We were surprised that it yielded so few names of people who are not known to be subscribers or to have access to the Recorder. We found between 35 and 40 heads of families and young people who are not known to have the denominational periodical in their homes. Roughly 88% of the people attending Conference this year appear to be readers of the Recorder. If this can be taken as a normal year for attendance it seems apparent that the two things are pretty closely linked together.

We were not a little depressed to find among 312 people who could gather together enough money to meet the travel and incidental expense of this Conference some 35 who have not, up to the present, considered it a necessity to spend \$3.00 for 50 issues of the Sabbath Recorder. A number of those people would qualify for the \$1.00 student rate. We are of the opinion that a considerable increase in our subscription list would mean more people taking an interest in the total program of

our denomination. In this connection it may be noted that the executive secretary stated in his annual report that the backbone of his appeal to raise the Denominational Budget had been his regular articles in the Recorder.

We solicit the help of all readers in persuading their friends and neighbors in the churches that they need to read the material to be found in this paper from week to week. Let us make sure that all of our people are well informed in matters pertaining to our faith and our mission in the world.

The director of our Nyasaland, Africa, Mission writes in a letter dated August 27:

"The Sabbath Recorders continue to come, and it is a joy to read the latest in Seventh Day Baptist news. The denomination seems to grow in interest and fascination." [This, in spite of the fact that he probably receives his copies of the Recorder 1 or 2 months later than subscribers in this country.]

Coming Next Week

The next issue will carry on its cover a recent photo of the old Piscataway Church building and some of the story of this 250-year-old church at New Market, N. J., and the celebration of its anniversary on September 17. As this Recorder goes to press there are indications that there will be many present from widely separated points.

Attention is called again to the 175th anniversary home-coming of the Berlin, N. Y., Church scheduled for September 24. The old church cemetery at Berlin is extremely picturesque with its unusual epitaphs. Many ministers of blessed memory lie buried there and the following inscription is found on the tombstone of a faithful servant of the church:

REV. WILLIAM SATTERLEE

Died March 29, 1862,

aged 95 years, 6 mo., and 25 days

With us on earth he'll dwell no more;
His work is done, his toils are o'er,
But they're entwined in memory's chain
Till we in heaven shall meet again.

Secretary's Column

Heroic Effort Needed

Because we are in the process of changing treasurers of the Denominational Budget, only partial reports as to giving to the budget during August are available at this time. Such figures as are known indicate that as of eleven months we had contributed approximately \$47,000 out of a total budget of \$70,750 for the year. This leaves roughly \$23,000, or one third the entire budget, to be raised this month. *

As this is being read, but one Sabbath remains in the Conference year 1955. Let's make this a banner Sabbath! The question is not can we raise \$23,000 this month, but rather will we raise \$23,000?

The need exists, else Conference would not have written the budget as it is. Even this year's Conference, in writing the budget for next year, did not cut back on any of the running expenses included in the present budget. It did, however, cut back considerably on the amounts asked for forward-looking programs of our agencies. That in itself is unfortunate, because the work must grow if we are to discharge our obligations to God. But the fact remains that an economy-minded Conference recognized the necessity for continuing the programs for which the current budget is expected to pay.

If we don't raise this year's budget, who is to suffer? The missionaries we have sent to Nyasaland and Jamaica? the 16-page Sabbath Recorder? the Sabbath School helps for younger people, or the Helping Hand? Whom shall we cut off? It is up to us, the source of current funds for Christ's work through Seventh Day Baptists, to determine whether that work shall continue.

We established the budget. It was not imposed upon us by somebody else. It was presented to us at Conference, and there adopted by us. Can we now conscientiously go back on our decision? One agency supported by the budget recently reported that at the present rate it would "be broke by April or May." We can still raise it, if we but will!

THE KINGDOM IS EXPENSIVE

Thelma Tarbox

My neighbor is perturbed because the church which she and her family attend expects its members to tithe. She does not approve of buying her way to heaven!

To my mind, tithing is more concerned with building heaven on earth. All construction is costly these days. My neighbor does have a point, however: Is it fair for her family, with six children, to have to contribute the same amount as a couple earning an equal income, but having no children? Which brings us around to the question: Must the Christian tithe? Some may answer, "Yes. It's the law!" What law? Not the Ten Commandments! As for the ceremonial laws, they were nailed to the cross.

In Hebrews, tithing is specifically mentioned: "They that are of the sons of Levi . . . have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law. . . . If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec . . . ? For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law. . . . For the law made nothing perfect but the bringing in of a better hope did. . . . By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament." (Hebrews 7: 5, 11, 12, 19, 22.)

Tithing, a law under the Levitical priesthood, is not obligatory upon Christians. The reason why is easy to be seen. Many people can well afford to give more than ten per cent of their income to help others — through church work. If such people are taught that they have done their share by tithing, is there not the possibility that ten per cent is all they will give? Thus they rob themselves of the blessings and joy which could come from greater generosity, and the Kingdom is retarded. On the other hand, poorer families often must deny themselves of necessities in order to tithe. If the Christian devotes time and talents to church work and is a good neighbor every day of the week, is that not an acceptable way of saying

thank you to God? As with many other aspects of Christian living, it appears that Jesus expects His followers to think for themselves in regard to stewardship.

We do not have to look beyond our own neighborhood to see families unhappy for lack of Christ knowledge. J. Edgar Hoover believes that a return to religion will cure juvenile delinquency. How can a meagerly supported church lure the indifferent adult and the adventure-thirsty youngster from fascinating secular diversions?

A poor church can never win back from charitable organizations its rightful responsibility towards the needy. The good done by welfare agencies is an end in itself. But when the church alleviates misery, it is also striving to save human souls. In the face of widespread need, the loving heart cannot possibly be miserly. Pennies will never conquer the world for Christ!

More than one Christian has reversed the age-old proportion, and kept scarcely ten per cent of his earnings for himself. John Wesley garnered a fortune from his writings, yet he gave to the poor all but a pittance. In the Reader's Digest was the story of a beloved Episcopalian minister whose generosity would have kept his own family destitute except for the endeavor of his talented wife. George Reynolds, that austere New Englander, couldn't give fast enough. The more he gave, the more he prospered. His stewardship was so well calculated that when he died, not counting his print shop and his little home, he had exactly twenty-five cents to his name! Among other rewards, the pearl of generosity is our own safety. If enough give enough soon enough, bombs will never reduce our homes to ashes; prisons will become a horror of the past. We pray: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth . . ." People cannot obey God until they know what constitutes His will.

Heaven on earth has a price tag — a price tag which demands that every Christian give unstintingly of his time, money, and talent in order to show the world the Way of Christ.

"As if you could kill time without injuring eternity!" — Thoreau.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education, Inc., will be held on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 9, 1955, at 2 o'clock in the new home of the School of Theology located at 58 South Main Street in Alfred, N. Y.

The purpose of the meeting is for the election of the board of directors and such other business as might properly come before the meeting.

According to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Corporation, "Members of this corporation shall consist of: (a) All persons who are now life members of the Seventh Day Baptist Education Society, and (b) All persons who are members of a Seventh Day Baptist Church, entitled to representation in the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

"The only members entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of the corporation shall be such members as were accredited delegates to the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference at the session thereof held next preceding such annual or special meeting."

Don A. Sanford,
President.

Church Publicity

Pastors, church leaders, and association officers perhaps need to be reminded occasionally that advance publicity of special meetings, if it is designed to encourage attendance at those meetings, should be sent to the editor of the Sabbath Recorder at least one month prior to the event to be publicized. Most leaders and secretaries remember to do this. When a few do not, we are embarrassed by not being able to serve all the groups and agencies equally.

Church correspondents are reminded that it is much easier to send in news items at monthly intervals than to try to think back over the events of two or three months. If something deserves a larger write-up than a brief paragraph, please send it in as a special article. The Recorder is more anxious for feature articles of wide interest than for strictly local items. When you write, try to think how many readers will be interested.

ACCENTUATE the POSITIVE

Final message of Conference
by the new president,
Rev. Charles H. Bond
Westerly, R. I.

Even though I don't have a blueprint drawn up I have done quite a bit of thinking during the past year on what I would like to see us do or undertake to do as a people. This doesn't have to do primarily with a program. It has to do primarily with the attitude which I believe Seventh Day Baptists should develop. I have chosen as a topic "Accentuate the Positive," and I suspect that most of you recognize immediately that that has come from a popular tune of a few years ago. I could not sing it for you if you wanted me to. I don't even know the words, but I do know that Seventh Day Baptists need to accentuate the positive and to eliminate the negative. That is just exactly the note that I would like to get across to your minds and your hearts and I wish that we might continue in that frame of mind throughout the coming year and throughout the years to come.

Let me start first of all with a dream, not my dream but the dream of another man. He says that one night as he dreamed it seemed that he was taken to a great city and here he saw some of the most magnificent buildings that he had ever seen. The great stone buildings of finance, the great marble halls of the bank, some wonderful places of entertainment and amusement, very fine homes, and in the center of it all was a simple little frame building. And he noticed that people were coming and going. And as he dreamed it seemed that a hundred years had passed and he found himself back in this very same city. He recognized something of the layout but it had changed — the buildings had changed, the architecture had changed — but in the midst was this same little building with people coming and going. And then as he dreamed it seemed that a thousand years had passed. He found himself back once again in this very same city. Once again he noticed that the buildings had changed, and in the midst was this little building with people coming and going. And at last he asked

— and I suppose that it was right that he should after a thousand years — what was the importance actually of this little building. They said, "This is where men and women go to find the mind and the heart of God that they may work for Him in the building of His Kingdom.

As I think of this dream I think of the world in which we live. I think of the Church of Christ as that building. I can see people coming and going in all countries, of all nationalities, of all denominations. There they go to proclaim Him Lord of lords and King of kings. And a part of that great group are Seventh Day Baptists. Whenever I welcome young persons into the church, I don't only welcome them into the local church, I welcome them into the Church of Christ because, indeed, as a people who have taken the name of Christ, we are brothers. We are a part of the great ongoing church.

But as Seventh Day Baptists we have our own witness — our witness for Christ which others give, our witness for the Sabbath which we sincerely believe is one of the hopes of the world, because in a very real sense the world has lost the sacred day. It has lost the sense of God in time, a God that we need to seek after in a particular way on a particular day if He is to live within us, and if we are to live with Him. Yes, as Seventh Day Baptists I am proud to say that we have a real witness to give with other people witnessing for Him.

As was pointed out in our Ministers Conference, we have a wonderful statement of belief. It thrills anyone who reads it. It certainly is wide enough to include any thinking person and let him think things through with his own mind in the presence of God. And it is also deep enough that we can go just as deep into the love of God and God's concern for us as anyone can possibly go. Yes, we believe in God. We believe in Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit. Certainly we believe in our fellow men, in the Sabbath.

Once in a while I find that we begin to label one another. Some, who think a little differently, we call the conservatives and some are called liberals, and I begin to wonder. Did you ever stamp

Christmas packages, and get all stuck up as you can some times with labels? Labels are a sticky thing. Once they are on they are hard to get rid of. I can't help but think of what one of our men said at Conference at Salem some years ago, "Everything that I believe in is fundamental." I can say that everything I believe in is fundamental, and everything you believe in should be fundamental even though we may not see things just exactly the same. But if you don't have some belief that is fundamental to you, that you can stand by and build upon, there certainly is something wrong, and you need to get that foundation very soon.

I said that we believe in the Bible. We do. Some say that it was written by the finger of God; some say that it was written by the finger of man. Our Bible says that all Scripture was given by inspiration of God. I believe that. It does come from God. It does come from man. God and man work together. That is the way it has been. That is the way it always will be, because that is the way God has made us.

Some say that we need to read from the original, the King James Version. Some say, "Let us read from the new translation." I say let us read from any translation if it will help us to understand better what God is trying to say to you and to me. I cannot help but think of the great power of the sun. The sun is so hot that up close to it we couldn't even live, and yet as it comes down, without a doubt, it loses a lot of its power. But there is still enough there that it causes trees to grow, it causes grass to grow, it causes our vegetables to grow. In fact, it causes us to grow. We cannot live without it; yet it has lost much of its power. The Bible, in its translation and the way we are able to conceive it, may lose much of its power, but if we will study any Bible that I have ever seen it will help us to grow in the nurture and in the admonition of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus, the Christ. If we follow it the best we can, we will be better people. Our world will be a better world and peace will come on earth as it is in heaven, because then we will begin to live as God would have us and not as we would have us.

At almost every Conference we are likely to talk about our School of Theology and our publishing house. I believe that is as it should be. They are very real concerns. They are ours as Seventh Day Baptists. I believe that in both of these we should accentuate the positive even as we do with the Bible and with our statement of belief. I think that we should give our school all the backing possible. If there comes a time when we feel something else is needed, let us do it in a positive way and what we feel is right as a people. You know we have a tremendous job to build a morale of many people within our churches and within our denomination.

You know as well as I know that there are certain things that we can see that we can take hold of. In a sense we say, "This is ours." They represent us. And we need these things that represent us that are tangible. When I came down here on the train one man said, "Where is your headquarters?" Our headquarters is in Plainfield. He can go there and see the building. He can see the people there and know in a definite way that that is our headquarters. I believe that we need to accentuate the positive and use it with all the power that we can, realizing that in a way it represents us as a people.

I think that certainly we should accentuate the positive in publicity. Some years ago, not the last time that Conference was at Battle Creek; perhaps it was in 1940, probably very few people remember me as a frightened boy (as I still am) from the School of Theology as I stood there one afternoon and tried to lead a worship service. I thought that I would present something new to the people, that I would analyze something of our background — the numbers in years past and the numbers today. That is just exactly what I did, and I have heard it done so much in the years since that it makes me sick every time I hear a speech that starts it, or every time I see an article in the Recorder about it. We can't tell any of our men what to do, not even our Sabbath Recorder editor, but I would suggest that during the coming year that no article be sent to the Sabbath Recorder that does not accentuate the

MEMORY TEXT

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For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. 2 Corinthians 5: 10.

positive. We have something positive to live for as a people, something positive to give. Forgetting the things that are behind and looking forward to the things which are before, let us go forward.

As I read my Bible I cannot find any place where Jesus was ever concerned about numbers. He was concerned about the spirit. He was concerned about what people believed. He was concerned about teaching them the way of God but He was not concerned about numbers. One day a lot of His followers went away. His disciples came to Him, and I can almost see Him with tears in His eyes, saying, "Would you also go away?" And they said to Him, "To whom can we go, thou hast the words of eternal life." Where can we go? We believe what we stand for as a people. Everything that we stand for, as far as I have been able to determine, has its basis in the Word of God. I would not be a minister in the Seventh Day Baptist denomination if I did not believe that was so. No doubt, as most of our ministers, I would be privileged to serve in other denominations, but they don't have what ours offers. They don't have what the Bible says. We need to live as we preach. We need to live as we understand the Bible. Seventh Day Baptists have that privilege. More than that, they have that obligation.

Now, how would I suggest that we do that during the coming year as a people?
(To be concluded next week)

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

For October 1, 1955

The Birth of Jesus

Background Scripture: Luke 2: 1-40.

The Seventh Day Baptists in Nigeria As Seen by Dr. Wayne Rood

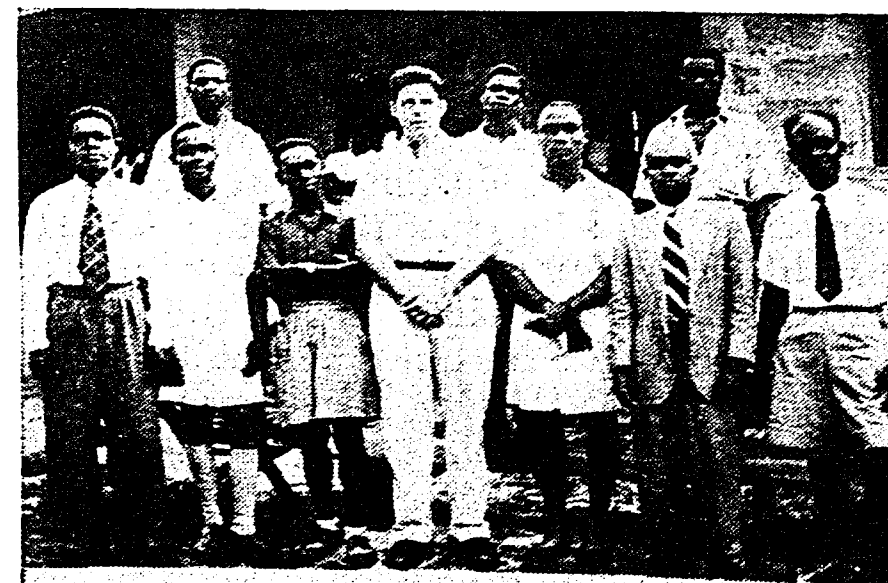
"Africa is here," say some. "Africa is not quite yet here but Africa is coming," said Dr. Wayne R. Rood as he began his illustrated message at General Conference a few weeks ago. He was reporting his firsthand impressions of the southern portion of Nigeria, W. Africa, and of the leaders of the Seventh Day Baptist churches of that area.

Professor Rood was the first representative of our denomination to meet with the native leaders of churches that began to be organized three years ago under the name "Nigerian Union Mission of Seventh Day Baptists." Since that time the groups have been seeking the official recognition of Conference through their principal spokesman and leader, Oyibo N. Imegi. The first action of Conference (1953 Year Book, pp. 28, 29) was to channel the correspondence as far as possible through the Salem, W. Va., Church whose pastor at that time had been taking the initiative in providing them with denominational study materials. The matter was again before the annual gathering of our people in 1954 through the report of Rev. C. W. P. Hansen on pages 23 and 24 of the Year Book. The 1954 Conference Committee on Missionary Interests recommended "that the General Conference commend the Salem Church for the work it has done and that the matter now be referred to the appropriate denominational agencies through the executive secretary."

During the past year the Tract Society, which was considered one of the appropriate agencies, has been carrying on direct correspondence with the Nigerian leaders and has sent tracts and books to the field. During the latter part of the year the Missionary Board through its secretary has sought to evaluate the work there by contacting Protestant church leaders and government officials. The feeling that one of our own people should visit the field (see 1954 Year Book) has persisted in spite of the fact that no provision was made for it in the budget. Mr. Tonge of New Zealand strongly encouraged this with financial aid because his leper and medical board was attempting to build a

maternity clinic there. Individuals in two sections of this country provided the remainder of the travel funds needed, and Dr. Rood made the trip in July at the request of the president of Conference.

Pictured below with Dr. Rood are 9 native leaders whom he identifies briefly. The picture was taken in front of the unfinished maternity building. A much more-detailed story of the religious experiences of some of them was given in the tape-recorded, illustrated message given at Conference. Dr. Rood has about 300 colored slides, a portion of which were used to illustrate his lecture and to show the size of the congregations. He also had the valuable assistance of an unbiased student interpreter in making his investigation.



Front Row — Left to right:

Oyibo N. Imegi of Ahoada. Leader of the Seventh Day Baptist churches. Chief correspondent with various American Seventh Day Baptists, painter, school-teacher, entrepreneur, ex-serviceman. Has 3 children.

Eli Omere of Erema. "Superintendent" of the Erema Church. Came from Seventh Day Church of God. Cuts palm trees for living. Unmarried.

Samuel Eleba of Ama. "Heads Mission at Ama" which was too difficult for us to reach, and also leads "Young People's Work." Ex-Seventh Day Adventist, ex-serviceman. Has 2 children, one wife.

Rev. Wayne R. Rood who was visiting the Seventh Day Baptists of Nigeria.

J. Nwakoma of Ogbogu. Conducts Sabbath school in Mr. Imegi's absences from Ogbogu. Once an Adventist; shoemaker. Not yet married.

Oday Benson of Idu Riverbank. Left employ of Leprosy Department in which he was a nurse. Now is a fisherman. Belonged to the United Native Church before becoming Seventh Day Baptist. Married.

J. O. Churo of Idu. Founded church at Idu. Singer and evangelist. Married with 3 children. Belonged to Church of God before joining Seventh Day Baptists at Erema. Since then has been one of Imegi's chief assistants.

Back Row:

James Odiminya. Singer at outlying church where there are 8 members. Left Church of God. Is now distributing Seventh Day Baptist tracts and preaching. Earns living by fishing. Has wife, "one child, and a baby."

Dede Amadi of Idu. Left Church of God to join Seventh Day Baptists. Now has school-teaching position, to await employment under Imegi. Meanwhile he is a fisherman. Married, with one child.

Davidson John of Oboboru. Farmer; looks after new church building. Left United Native Church to become Seventh Day Baptist. "Two children, one wife."

Origin of Nigerian Mission

There is something new in the story of the origin of this Seventh Day Baptist work as told by Mr. Imegi to Dr. Rood. Coming back to his home town of Ogbogu in 1947 and to the Seventh Day Adventist Church of which he was a member, he says he found the church in dispute and left them. Here are his words:

"I have to leave them because I have no interest in court matters. I began to look for true church. Couldn't find. So in 1947 I go to Ahoada and live there because it is near Ogbogu. About 1952 I met one Seventh Day Church of God evangelist who gave me the name of Rev. Mr. McGeachy and the Sabbath Observer in London. I read Seventh Day Baptist and was interested in the message I saw there. I wrote Mr. McGeachy immediately. He gave me a copy of the History of the Church of God by Dugger. In this I read of Seventh Day Baptists in Salem. I wrote letters to the church pastored by Rev. Mr. Hansen. He sent two books

about Seventh Day Baptists. Also I believe in small tracts program. I distribute tracts, convince group of 20 members. I wrote for more tracts and more books. These were sent through Sabbath Tract Society. Through distribution of tracts people left other churches because I am giving them free books, and join me. Now this is an honest statement. . . . In 1952 we were organized as Nigerian Union Mission of Seventh Day Baptists and wrote General Conference for official recognition."

Statement of Dr. Rood after Showing Pictures

It is indeed a mixed situation; there is a great deal of good and a great deal that is not good among these people that I met. There have been instances of people writing to agencies in the U. S. with trumped-up pictures, with false accounts. When Bibles and tracts were sent to these people they resold them for their own living. I do not think that this was one of those instances. I think these people belong to the groups Mr. Imegi said they belonged to. I met about 150 of them and he claims a couple of hundred members, and two of the churches were not able to get there. He tells me that the tracts have been distributed free. I think probably they have. If there is any financial question to be asked it is about the building of the maternity home, because the last letter that I have read from Mr. Tonge says that he has given 11,000 pounds to this project. I suspect an additional zero on this, but there is no evidence of 1,100 pounds spent on this project. Up to the present there is perhaps 300 pounds in evidence about the place. Now, of course, the place is not complete; but there is no bank account in Mr. Imegi's name in either Ahoada or Port Harcourt. And during the past few months he has paid off most of a £400 indebtedness to the government. However, I think he is a sincere man, within his limited ability. Undoubtedly there is self-interest in his mutability and this could easily be turned into a misuse of funds. Graft is rife in Africa. Graft pervades Africa from the grave digger to the prime minister. . . . There is undoubtedly misuse of funds in this group. It could be done without any great deliberation on the part of these

people, knowing no other ethic in regard to money. It is a mixed situation, with a great deal of sincerity and a great deal of inadequacy on the part of the people.

There is real need there, everywhere, on every hand. If you could have been there you would have seen the many evidences of malnutrition and of tropical disease. They do not eat the right things. There is not enough food, though the tropics would produce plenty if only the ground were worked properly and the crops taken care of adequately. There is no provision for sanitation. Life expectancy is short, and it is not a happy life. A great deal could be done for these people. It is also a by-passed area because it is a difficult area to get to and is cut off — a very difficult area for a European to live in. It is an impossibility for a European to live in this malaria-infested country without adequate logistic support. He would have to put up a home, with mosquito proofing, sanitation, and he must have supplies. He would be cut off from Port Harcourt for three months at a time during the winter season. It would be quite a problem. But these people need help. However, it seems to me, the help cannot be accomplished on a shoestring; and how one can do less than plunge in and give everything one has I do not know, because I do not believe we can trust the natives with supplies and money and equipment without supervision. There lie the horns of the dilemma. It is a matter that needs great wisdom. It is a matter, particularly if anyone should go to this area, that would require great commitment. It would not be an easy life. And there are decisions to be made by the Conference as to what it can and must do in this situation, because the people are looking for some kind of specific action, positive or negative. And there is a decision perhaps to be made by some individuals. This is not the only mission station in all the world. There are many areas like this, and the responsibility comes to us heavily — upon one who has ever seen any such area, at least.

He ended by emphasizing how hard it was to decide what to do.

The action of Conference on the Nigerian recognition request through the Com-

mittee on Missionary Interests was as follows:

"We are happy to know of the group of Christians in Nigeria, W. A., and of their desire to follow the Lord in a like understanding of the Scriptures that is held by Seventh Day Baptists. We would encourage this witness and advise that, with a view of possible future recognition, at least three years of probation for study and testing be allowed.

"We would recommend that the administration of this probation and the future relationship with those in Nigeria be referred to the Co-ordinating Council (changed to Planning Committee on the floor of Conference) of General Conference."

VIEWS ON LIBERAL EDUCATION

Report of an address given by President Percy L. Dunn, of Milton College, at the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, Aug. 18, 1955.

"Not all the important skills are taught in technical schools. In fact the more important skills — the moral, mental, and social skills — are probably better taught in the liberal arts curriculum." This was the thesis developed by President Percy L. Dunn.

"Your denomination launched three colleges — at Alfred, N. Y., Salem, W. Va., and Milton, Wis. — but this denomination could hardly continue to furnish students and funds to continue all three. During the year just closed Milton College received 10 per cent of its students and about 20 per cent of its contributions from the Seventh Day Baptist denomination," he said. "The remaining support of your educational interests results from co-operation with interested friends, and we have such friends at Alfred, at Salem, and at Milton. I consider myself to be among that number. (President Dunn is himself a Methodist.)

"One year ago many of you were guests in the village of Milton during your annual Conference, and visited the Milton College campus. We were honored to have you in our midst and wish you to return. The village is today in the afterglow of an inspiring historical pageant which portrayed the part the Seventh Day

Baptist pioneers played in the founding of the community and the college, so again our people are in a reflective mood. We owe a great deal to the Baptists who worship on the seventh day."

The speaker recalled the invitation extended by the Conference president to the three colleges, to present to the denomination "the desirability and advantages of having your young people take their education in surroundings which are receptive to their religious beliefs and among people who are interested and concerned for their welfare and spiritual growth." All three communities have strong congregations of Seventh Day Baptists.

Speaking of Alfred, he said, "My first association with Seventh Day Baptist folk was in Alfred. My appreciation of that university in general, and of its theological faculty in particular, was, and still is, very sincere. In the ministerial field of specialization your denomination has considerable concern. But it seems to me that you have historically always considered the old liberal arts background to be fundamental to theology as to all specialized training.

"Milton College and its forerunner, Milton Academy, for 111 years have specialized in just these liberal arts. Under the leadership of devout men and women of your faith — three generations of Whitfords; two of Dalands and Shaws; the Burdicks, the Crandalls, and the Babcocks; a Stillman, a Stringer, and an Inglis — Milton has been producing scholars and students for the graduate schools and for life. I said at the time of my installation that Milton College could and would operate on a five-day week. Actually we experience very little difficulty in doing this in the community of Milton, where Sabbathkeepers are so numerous."

Regarding the relationship between religion and education he said, "The future of the church rests not one whit more on higher education than the future of higher education rests on and in the church. Even the most irreligious educators and government officials in this land and abroad, admit that the Christian Church has promoted and provided much for education. In fact, 50 per cent of the

1532 institutions of higher education in America are, or were, church-related. Over 75 per cent of the 453 separate liberal arts colleges — like Salem and Milton — were started by some church group."

President Dunn defined the purpose of liberal education. "The liberal arts college tries to develop the student's intellectual qualities: his capacity to reason, his powers of perception, and to a degree his ability to understand the limitations of the human mind."

Speaking directly to his Conference audience, Mr. Dunn remarked, "No group is in as favorable a position for discovering and directing these young people as is the Christian Church. Does your own church interest itself in securing scholarships for outstanding high school seniors? They are available for them at Alfred, at Salem, and at Milton."

In pointing out that the more important skills are better taught in the liberal arts curriculum than in technical schools, President Dunn asserted, "Nothing is more important than the skill of living with one's fellow man. If we help our youth to learn how to get along with other people while still standing up for principles in which they believe, we have fortified them to be leaders in a democracy and servants of mankind."

Expressing concern for the religious growth of college students, Milton's president said, "We at Alfred, at Salem, and at Milton feel honored that you and your denomination, as well as other denominations, are concerned for the spiritual and moral welfare of your youth. We are striving honestly to strengthen them in their convictions and their loyalties." He compared the young person who plunges into technical training with no preparation in the liberal arts to an unpruned fruit tree: "It appears vigorous, but it bears little fruit, and that, often of inferior quality. A more liberal education accomplishes what cultivation will do for the tree — produces unblemished fruit in abundance. You may depend more surely on the crop, and you may safely graft if you seek specialization."

In closing, President Dunn quoted a paragraph from a statement formulated

by his college's Central Planning Committee, concerning the place of religion on the Milton campus: "The Central Planning Committee believes that a liberal education in its true meaning can be attained only in an environment in which the importance of spiritual and religious values is recognized."

Doctor of Tanganyika

A 240-page missionary book just off the press in its first American edition is **Doctor of Tanganyika** by Paul White. It is available for \$3 from the publisher, William B. Eerdmans, Grand Rapids, or from the Evangelical Book Club, Greenville, N. Y.

We found the experiences of Dr. Paul White intensely interesting in themselves and also because they are undoubtedly quite similar to the experiences of our own missionary nurses in Nyasaland, a country that is less than 1,000 miles south of Tanganyika. This Australian doctor's health failed after a little less than four years in the jungle attempting to meet the super-human tasks that face a medical missionary. He has found another avenue of service in his ability to give vivid descriptions of the country and its missionary problems.

This book gives one a living picture of the progress of the Gospel among the natives. The simple, yet powerful illustrations of the power of Christ drawn by the native pastors is indeed refreshing. The author shows how the infant mortality rate among the heathen is 80% and among the Christians only 20%. The reader will find many a chuckle in the book. The ingenious ways by which the doctor got his helpers to remember to do their duties is amusing as well as descriptive.

Describing a particularly disagreeable operation in which the patient objected to the anesthetic, he gives the words of his native helper, Daudi: "Kah," said Daudi, "Sila may object to having an anesthetic, but, Kah! he is fortunate that he is the patient, and not the surgeon."

Death has its message for the living; may it be appropriately applied.

Rev. Henry Armerding.

THOUGHTS ON CHURCH GROWTH

Lillian Tompkins

[Mrs. Tompkins is a new member of the Denver, Colo., Church of which Rev. Harmon Dickinson is pastor. She has already brought at least one other to baptism. She attended General Conference and is now a subscriber to the Sabbath Recorder. She says in her preface to these thoughts, "I have written this article because I love the Seventh Day Baptist Church."]

The Church of our Lord Jesus Christ is love, faith, and works. It is:

United in belief,
United in spirit,
United in agreement,
United in co-operation,
Universal in membership.

The ministers are our leaders. They have earned this right through study, schooling, hard work, and sacrifice. We are an army of Christian soldiers and success depends upon the leaders' and the soldiers' co-operation.

One of the first essentials to success is a feeling of lack. Then comes the urgent desire to do more with determination and persistence. Seventh Day Baptists need other people, and other people need to become Seventh Day Baptists.

A principle, so vital that God used it on three days of the six days of Creation and repeated it no less than six times in the first chapter of Genesis, is "Everything reproduces after its kind." Going back over the miracles of increase of the Bible, when the widow gave Elijah her oil and meal — what did she get? More oil and more meal, did she not? Not something different but increase after its kind. Another widow begged Elisha to save her sons from bondage. He asked, "What hast thou in the house?" "Naught save a pot of oil!" — it was the oil he increased, was it not?

When the multitudes lacked for bread, Jesus asked, "How many loaves have you?" And when told — five loaves and two fishes, He based His increase upon these things. Jesus fed the multitudes!

What we lack is members. What we have is members. No energy ever expands until it is used. No seed ever multiplied until it was sown. No talent ever increased until it was used. We want more members, and the way to do this is through an

increase in that form of energy which we have. Jesus sent His disciples out by two's. Should we not follow His example?

We must sow before we reap. We must give before we receive. Love asks, "What have we in our house that will make others happy?" and thereby attracts to ourselves everything necessary for our own happiness. Man's chief purpose on earth is to utilize and distribute God's good gifts. "I came," said Jesus, "that they might have life, and have it more abundantly," and He demonstrated and fulfilled His mission.

Said King Solomon, "There is that scattereth and increaseth yet more — and there is that withholdeth more than is meet but it tendeth to poverty."

Encouragement, Praise, Thankfulness

Encouragement and praise always magnify. Running through all of Jesus' acts as well as His teachings we find the glowing element of praise. He blessed.

Disagreement, discouragement, and fear take away. Few things slow down one's rate of activity as much as discouragement.

The sunshine of faith. Jesus said again, "I say unto you if two of you agree on earth as touching anything, they shall ask — it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For when two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

It is suggested that our home evangelists also plant seed in towns and cities where there is no Seventh Day Baptist Church, thus stirring the people's desire for Seventh Day Baptist Churches.

"God is forever making things new."

Wasted time, frequent bulldozing of a minority who remain unhappy about decisions, and unused capabilities of many church members plague the committees and boards that run America's Protestant churches, says the Rev. W. Randolph Thornton, director of the department of administration and leadership of the National Council of Churches. What to do about this will be the subject of the first interdenominational church laboratory on group relations to be held at Green Lake, Wis., March 11-14, 1956. — NCC Release.

New Filmstrips Available

As was announced at General Conference the American Sabbath Tract Society is now in the process of making available for free distribution to the churches a considerable number of new filmstrips. When completed the present purchase orders will total over \$100. At the moment the Audio-Visual Aids Committee wishes to announce the availability of three new missionary biography stories for children: Hudson Taylor, David Livingstone, and Mary Slessor. The pictures are drawings, enlargements of the illustrations in the book which tells the story.

In addition to these there are 7 new filmstrips on the life of Christ. These are very clear live pictures of re-enacted scenes from the Bible, still pictures from Cathedral films. The titles are: "Men of the Wilderness," "Holy Night," "The Last Supper," "Gethsemane," "Arrest and Trial," "Judgment and Crucifixion," and "The Resurrection." They are suitable for any age, with a longer script for youth and adults, and a simplified script in the same booklet for children.

Other titles will be announced in an early issue of the Sabbath Recorder and will include several more of the Moody Science series as well as other illustrated Bible stories. Order from the American Sabbath Tract Society, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J.

Denominational Meetings this Fall

Planning Committee. The newly constituted Planning Committee, consisting of representatives of all the boards and of the Commission, held a two-day meeting at the Seventh Day Baptist Building September 15 and 16.

Tract Board. The quarterly meeting of the Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society and the annual meeting of the Society were held at denominational headquarters in Plainfield, N. J., on September 18.

Missionary Society. The annual meeting for the election of officers was held in Westerly, R. I., September 18. The quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers regularly comes on the fourth Sunday of October, which will be October 23.

Board of Christian Education. See longer notice elsewhere in this issue.

New Jersey Yearly Meeting. The theme "Christian Joy" has been chosen for the Yearly Meeting of the New Jersey and Eastern New York Churches to be held with the Shiloh Church October 21 and 22.

Wisconsin and Minnesota. The Semi-annual Meeting of the Wisconsin and Minnesota Churches will convene at Dodge Center, October 21, 22, and 23. The theme will be "Burning Hearts." The committee in charge expresses an earnest desire for a large attendance.

Mid-Continent Association. The Denver, Colo., Church will be host to the annual meeting of the Mid-Continent Association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches, October 7, 8, and 9. Dr. Keith Davis, president, hopes for a good attendance. The new Kansas City Fellowship will be represented for the first time.

Pacific Coast. The dates for the Pacific Coast Association fall meeting are believed to be October 7 and 8, with the meetings in the new Los Angeles Church building at 4976 North Figueroa St. Dr. Victor Burdick, the new president, writes that Miss Sarah Becker, chairman of the Program Committee, has suggested that the program may be in the nature of a "Missionary Conference" with the primary emphasis on home missions. The workshops, missionary addresses, and calls to consecration are expected to result in the serious consideration of calling a full-time field worker for the Pacific Coast.

More News of Our Ministers

Rev. Trevah R. Sutton whose address for the past year has been Texarkana, Ark., has a new address: Reservoir Road, R.D. 5, Little Rock, Ark. He and his wife are teaching in Pulaski County.

Rev. Verney A. Wilson sends word that his present address is 4068 Vina Villa Ave., Dayton 7, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson had been living at Eaton, Ohio.

Darrell D. Barber, pastor at Schenectady, N. Y., now has the title "Reverend" before his name. He was called to ordination by his home church at North Loup, Neb. A statement of his Christian experi-

ence and beliefs has been received by this journal and will be printed as soon as space is available.

Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Burdick were mentioned in a recent *Milton and Milton Junction Courier* as having visited their parents in Milton and New Auburn, Wis., before returning to Daytona Beach, Fla., after attending General Conference.

Rev. Elmo F. Randolph, omitted in our previous newsnotes about ministers, visited his mother in Cleveland, Tenn., before returning from Conference to his Milton pastorate. His wife and family drove there to meet him, according to the Milton paper.

Rev. Alton Wheeler was expected to be back in his pulpit at Riverside, Calif., on September 17, after his vacation trip which included Florida and Jamaica, B.W.I.

Rev. David S. Clarke was installed as pastor of the Boulder, Colo., Church on September 3. He has been pastor at New Auburn, Wis., for a number of years.

LET'S THINK IT OVER

Dr. O. Frederick Nolde, Director of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, stated at a recent World Council meeting at Buck Hill Falls, Pa.:

"By the yardstick of Christian responsibility totalitarianism must be condemned and exposed, wherever it appears and in whatever form. . . . We must stand against submission to, engulfment by, or appeasement of totalitarian tyranny and aggression. We must also stand against the exploitation of any people by economic monopoly or political imperialism." He warned, however, "Christians can never take the stand that Christianity should seek to demonstrate its superiority over the Marxist faith by a show of atomic strength."

One person in seven today is a veteran, one in four a veteran's dependent. Together, these comprise 30 per cent of the entire population. This has tremendous financial, political, and moral implications for American life. Even the minister, by serving as a chaplain, has changed experiences. What is the church doing to prevent the severance of church relation-

ships and preparing its people for the impacts of military service?

— Dr. Richard E. Lentz.

How deep is America's religious revival? Has joining a church become simply "the thing to do"? Is our resurgence of religious motivation brought about through fear, selfishness, a longing for security? Is this a mature religious faith, or is it the parallel of foxhole religion in the age of atomic fission?

Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, president of the National Council of Churches, acknowledging a new era of "robust faith" in the 1950's replacing the confusion and frustration of the twenties and thirties, points to the danger if faith "becomes a prop and a justification for an essentially unreligious life instead of an aid to new moral and spiritual insights." Much of the new faith seems to be a revival of allegiance to old gods — a seeking after security, health, and peace — in return "for being polite to God," he states in an article in the September 20 issue of *Look* magazine.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

RIVERSIDE, CALIF. — August 6 was a happy day when eight new members were received into the church. The following Sabbath, William Rymer, one of our new members, effectively presented a message, "Let Nothing Between." Mr. Rymer, a sheriff's deputy, extends his service to God into his daily work.

Leadership of the worship service on August 20 was shared by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henry. Following the children's message by Mrs. Henry which held "children" of all ages in rapt attention, Mr. Henry presented his carefully prepared sermon on "Inspired Words."

A former pastor, Dr. Loyal F. Hurley, now professor of Biblical Interpretation at Alfred University School of Theology, preached for us on August 27. His sermon, "Great Expectations," gave a very comprehensive view of how, in Jesus Christ, the hope of all peoples is found. His words were eagerly received and will be long remembered. Some had returned from Conference in time for this service. We were thrilled at the news that our

pastor was preaching in Kingston, Jamaica, that day.

Church attendance held up quite well throughout the month of August although more than twenty were away, either at Conference or on vacation trips. The choir recessed from regular rehearsals during August and served a little less formally, without robes in this hottest season. We were glad that Mrs. Gleason M. Curtis who has served so faithfully as director of music, and Mrs. Philip Lewis, organist, with her family, had the inspirational respite of attending Conference. Mrs. Oscar Richards and Miss Dora Hurley presided at the organ during their absence. Mrs. Golden Roney, Mrs. Orvis Chapman, Mrs. Elmer Maddox, Mrs. Al Chapman, and Mrs. Starlin Ross added to the services with their vocal offerings.

Volunteer workers have continued to devote more of their Sundays at Pacific Pines Camp. Special credit goes to Robert Babcock for his faithfulness there and in church maintenance.

BAY AREA FELLOWSHIP (CALIF.) — We are now meeting every second week at one-thirty in the afternoon, at the Central YMCA in downtown Oakland. We hope at a future time to notify you of weekly meetings at some chapel in a quieter area. Mrs. McCoon of Berkeley is trying to find us a suitable place.

On July 16, there were 7 families represented with Stanley W. Rasmussen, of 551 Adelle St., Livermore, Calif., as the leader. Other recent leaders of the Bible study have been Mrs. McCoon on July 30 and Miss Pirtle on August 13. Pastor Lawton, returning from Conference by way of San Francisco, conducted the meeting on August 27 with a record attendance of 23. On September 17, Rev. Robert Lippincott of Shiloh, N. J., was scheduled to have charge of the service.

Mr. Rasmussen suggests writing to him for the following 3 important services:

1. If you want notices of every meeting.
2. If you want a gift subscription to our denominational paper, the Sabbath Recorder.
3. If you want us to investigate finding transportation for you with someone who is attending our meetings.

"What doth it profit . . . if a man say he have faith but have not works?" James 2: 14.

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Marriages

Marr - Burdick. — Donald James Marr of Janesville, Wis., and Joan Carolyn Burdick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Burdick, Milton, Wis., were united in marriage in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 28, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, the bride's pastor, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Marr will reside in Minnesota.

Obituaries

Kemp. — Major Elmer, was born in Shongo, N. Y., Dec. 29, 1884, and died at his home in Augusta, Ga., June 27, 1955.

Mr. Kemp married Inez Bess of Andover, N. Y., in 1907. With his wife he was baptized and joined the Independence, N. Y., Seventh Day Baptist Church, Sept. 30, 1911, of which church he remained a faithful member. He is survived by his widow and 4 brothers. — Grace C. Spicer, Clerk.

Rice. — Caroline Mary Greenman, daughter of Charles and Caroline Goodrich Greenman, was born at Milton, Wis., June 1, 1856. She died in her one hundredth year at Milton, Wis., Aug. 13, 1955.

She was united in marriage Oct. 4, 1877, to Miles Rice, who died May 7, 1942. To this union were born three children: Mrs. Polly Hurley of Riverside, Calif.; Mrs. Anna Stone of Milton, Wis.; and E. A. Rice of Milton, who also preceded her in death.

Mrs. Rice lived a great share of her life in the house built by her grandparents, Elijah and Polly Goodrich. Here were conducted the farewell services of her grandparents, her parents, and her husband. It was her request that her last service should be conducted in the same place and in the same manner. Her long life parallels a great part of the history of the village of Milton. She was the last surviving charter member of the Milton Junction Seventh Day Baptist Church.

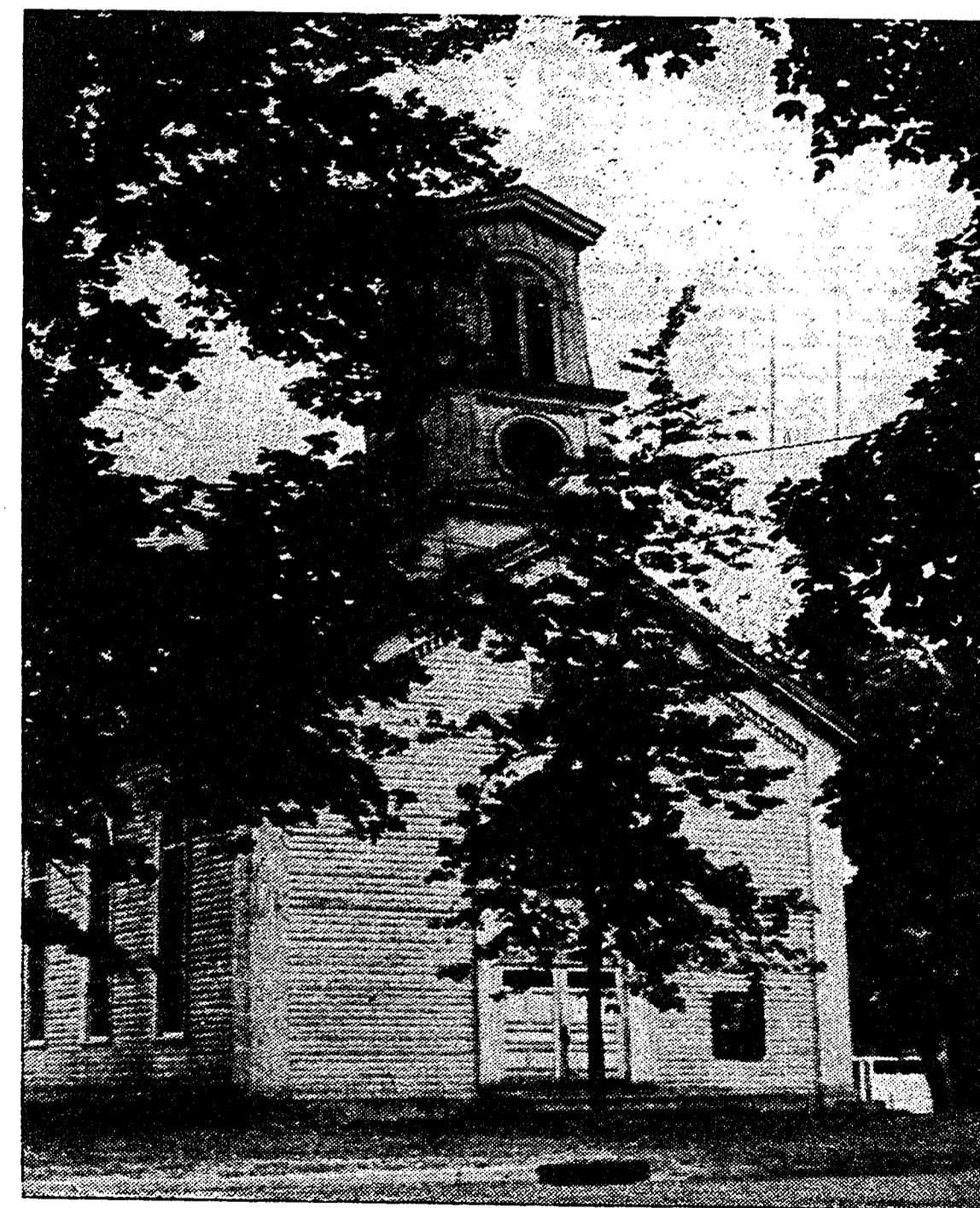
She was blessed with remarkable health and took an airplane ride at the age of 98. She was interested in present affairs and enjoyed her five grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. When she was not with her daughter, Polly, her other daughter, Anna, cared for her.

In the absence of her pastor, farewell services were conducted by her former pastor, Rev. John F. Randolph. Interment was in the Milton Cemetery. The Rebekah service was used.

J. F. R.

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