

**OUR WORLD MISSION**

**Statement of Denominational Treasurer, June 30, 1957**

			Receipts			
	June	Budget 9 mos.	Non-Budget 9 mos.	June	Budget 9 mos.	Non-Budget 9 mos.
Balance, June 1	\$ 87.34			Los Angeles	232.75	1,136.33
Adams Center	136.20	759.28		Los Angeles, Christ's	15.00	100.00
Albion		404.74		Lost Creek	19.31	880.70
Alfred, 1st	551.00	3,588.69	85.00	Marlboro	217.50	2,030.36
Alfred, 2nd	269.99	1,044.14		Middle Island		165.00
Tract Society	2,000.00	2,000.00		Milton	849.71	4,743.23
Associations and groups	458.95	547.05		Milton Junction	99.85	1,395.85
Battle Creek	534.76	4,333.02	363.00	New Auburn		64.09
Bay Area	50.00	55.12		North Loup	114.80	380.18
Berlin	75.70	489.72		Nortonville	125.00	581.30
Boulder	55.00	438.10	25.00	Paint Rock		137.00
Brookfield, 1st	15.00	247.74		Pawcatuck	347.73	3,550.43
Brookfield, 2nd		129.60		Plainfield	209.69	3,809.37
Buffalo		145.00		Putnam County		105.00
Chicago	154.00	1,057.00		Richburg	30.00	456.80
Daytona Beach	73.94	511.29		Ritchie	12.00	157.00
Denver	105.04	454.39		Riverside	982.52	2,154.35
De Ruyter	93.00	607.00		Roanoke	10.00	225.00
Dodge Center	37.78	502.45		Rockville	37.68	181.46
Edinburg		296.10		Salem	152.76	906.76
Farina	66.25	370.00	8.50	Salemville		78.97
Fouke		140.10		Schenectady		187.89
Friendship	24.00	219.50		Shiloh	448.00	3,627.10
Hammond		80.00		Stonefort	50.00	75.85
Hebron, 1st		258.57	15.29	Syracuse		50.00
Hopkinton, 1st	104.60	1,205.65		Texarkana		19.16
Hopkinton, 2nd		81.00		Twin Cities		40.32
Independence	80.00	857.00	33.00	Verona	142.68	1,280.39
Individuals	27.00	2,746.00	2.00	Walworth		126.00
Irvington		400.00		Washington	4.55	304.05
Jackson Center	20.00	400.00		Waterford	65.55	557.34
Kansas City	20.00	250.00		White Cloud		333.48
Little Genesee	165.70	486.22				
Little Rock		12.00				
					\$9,372.33	\$54,597.23
						\$ 974.03

To date, the following have reported on the Little Church project: 25 Churches, 3 Fellowships, several individuals.

Total received \$2,013.72.

Disbursements		Comparative Figures	
	Budget (Designated & Undesignated)	Non-Budget Gifts	
Missionary Society	\$4,049.65	\$ 110.36	Current annual budget
Tract Society	560.00		Treas.' budget receipts in 9 mo.
Bd. of Christian Education	1,001.00		Boards' budget receipts in 9 mo.*
Women's Society	128.00		Approx. 9 mo. budget total
Historical Society	202.00		Amount required next 3 months
Ministerial Retirement	1,066.44		Ave. monthly requirement next 3 mo.
Ministerial Training	1,003.00		Budget receipts in June
S. D. B. Building	82.00		Per cent of budget year elapsed
General Conference	1,035.00		Per cent of budget raised to date
World Fellowship & Service	69.00		Approximate budget shortage to date
Benevolence		5.00	
Oneida Valley Nat. Bank	.32		
	\$9,256.97	\$ 115.36	
Balance, June 30	60.56		

\* This is an approximate amount of budget gifts received directly by our boards, according to the latest figures reported from the board treasurers to the executive secretary.

Olin C. Davis, Treasurer.  
Verona, N. Y.

# The Sabbath Recorder



**GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS**  
**AUGUST 13 - 18**

Milton College throws open its doors to welcome hundreds of delegates to its campus for the one hundred forty-fifth session of the General Conference of Seventh Day Baptist Churches. This Southern Wisconsin college founded by the denomination before the Civil War has been supported by the denomination and has contributed much in leadership. Many delegates will welcome a return to the campus; all will feel a warm welcome.

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## No Wind in Her Sails

The Mayflower II has captured the attention of America, especially that section of our country where the first Mayflower landed in the earliest days of our colonial history. New England papers daily traced the progress of the twentieth-century adventurous voyage of that replica of the historic wooden sailing vessel as it drew nearer to Plymouth.

It arrived with tumultuous acclaim although adverse winds would have kept it outside the harbor for several days if a tugboat had not cast a line on its blunt-nosed prow and towed it painfully against the force of pounding waves and wind. Now the bark has made its way South to New York where its sails are furled and its empty masts barely show above the dock. It bobs like a cork at Pier 81 in Manhattan. Its gangplank is down, and large signs invite sightseers aboard.

As the little ship approached the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor it was sailing with a brisk wind, a proud symbol of a day when freedom-loving Europeans first sought religious liberty in this new land. Something marred the end of its journey. New York's millions looking out of their skyscraper windows could have seen the wind go out of the sails. A modern helicopter drifted close over the vessel for a good view. We are told that a police helicopter chased the first one away. Its rotors with their down-thrust blew the wind out of the billowing sails, leaving the bark helpless, unable to come about. Again a tug had to be summoned to bring it into port.

Something else marred the conclusion of the voyage for some of us. A certain brewery laid hold of an entry in the log of the original Mayflower which mentioned the shortage of beer as being one of the reasons why the ship landed at Plymouth Rock instead of farther south. A full-page picture in a New York paper shows a pretty girl assisting the crew members of the Mayflower II taking on a supply of this brand of beer. The caption explains the extra advantages enjoyed by this modern crew and extols the merits of its brand of alcoholic beverage.

We confess that this and some other things we have seen in the papers have

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taken most of the wind out of the sails of the Mayflower as far as we are concerned. The faraway sails at sunset glistened white but upon closer view it appears that little of the spirit of the original cruise was aboard this replica. Perhaps it was too much to expect. Commercialism and publicity seeking seem to predominate regardless of the intentions which were stated at the beginning of the voyage.

Is there a lesson for us in this? Perhaps so. It might be stated in the words of the Bible: "Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?" (Gal 5: 7.) Let us take heed lest having sailed well toward the desired haven, we approach the end of our voyage with no wind in our sails.

## Yankee Stadium Experiences

The Protestant Church Council of New York City which is sponsoring the Billy Graham Crusade planned with the evangelist a climaxing rally in Yankee Stadium on July 20. It was hoped that they could fill the 70,000 seats as a great Christian witness.

Jesus said that a city which is set on a hill cannot be hid. The editor of a weekly publication wonders what he can write that would be news to very many of our readers when most of the 170 million people of the nation have had opportunity by newspaper, radio, and television to hear about that meeting in the stadium. All we can hope to do is to tell briefly our own experiences as being part of the biggest crowd that ever assembled in and around that stadium. The crowd inside was estimated at 100,000. Some of the 10,000 turned away finally squeezed in; others listened over hastily installed loud speakers on the outside.

Our Plainfield church people who attended were fortunate in having special tickets, though even special tickets were of little value forty-five minutes before the service began. The ball park, when we entered it, was so transformed that it was hard to imagine it as one of the nation's best baseball fields. The infield had been enclosed with a circling snow fence, back of which not a blade of grass

## MEMORY TEXT

Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. Hebrews 4: 1.

or a yard of brown dirt could be seen. Instead, the field appeared to be paved with the yellow faces of people standing all the way back to the walls of the outfield. An extra large platform had been constructed on the smooth brown of the infield. At every vantage point were television and movie cameras and extra lights with cables running to power sources in the stands. The green grass within and around the diamond continued to show its beautiful rich texture even after the curtain of darkness settled around everything but this bright oasis within a city desert of barren stone.

To our left could be seen the orderly rows of a choir of 4,000 voices. The thrill of hearing the Hallelujah Chorus sung by such a choir is beyond description. Unity of faith and purpose was further experienced as the Christians of that audience joined in the Lord's Prayer at the opening of the service.

Such a crowd could not be restrained from a burst of applause when Dr. Graham, Vice-President Nixon, and others made their way to the already crowded platform. The other audience expressions coming later in the program were such as one would expect in a church gathering rather than in a baseball stadium. In general, however, the quietness of 100,000 people enduring the discomfort of the 93° heat was amazing. At least 30,000 of them were without seats, yet there was little moving about.

Vice-President Nixon, speaking for 10 minutes, brought the greetings of the President and spoke of his own close association with and deep appreciation of Dr. Graham and his work. He sympathetically analyzed the success of Graham's preaching. The evangelist responded humbly and announced the continuation of the crusade for three more weeks.

Once more, as on previous occasions at Madison Square Garden, we felt the power of united prayer, the simple eloquence of the speaker appealing to his audience to think clearly of their relationship to God. To be part of such a vast visible audience and to hear at firsthand an evangelistic message that was going to the homes of uncounted millions, was a moving experience. We were not surprised when all around us, even in such a selected audience, there were middle-aged men, mature women, and some young people who stood almost unseen to accept Christ. Later, many others with deep feeling rose at the rededication call. People called upon to think had done some hard thinking. They could not be counted, but we believe that in the work of Christ in the years ahead vast numbers of them can be counted upon.

### Book Review

#### They Wait in Darkness

This book about the little country of Uganda, just east of Kenya and bordering Lake Victoria and Tanganyika to the south, just came to our attention through Evangelist Roger Cazziol of Milan, Italy, who worked with the author, Dr. George W. Shepherd, Jr. It was published by John Day Co. in 1955 and sells for \$4. A substantial book of 308 pages it tells the experiences of the author as he tried to help the native farmers of Uganda through their farmers co-operative. Living with the Africans he found a tremendous task before him of helping them to get over the rising tide of distrust of Europeans, to become more responsible, and to finally achieve equal business rights with the white settlers and the Indian merchant class. The co-operative movement, however, fell apart for lack of capital and supervision.

This is not a mission book in the narrower sense of the word, but it is a moving story of a high-principled American who understood the African mind in that strife-torn area better than any whose writings we have had opportunity to read. The background of the Mau Mau uprising in neighboring Kenya is interestingly treated.

### Priests Need Help

Those who have had any experience with converted Roman Catholic priests will find their hearts moved with compassion for them. At first thought we would not be aware of former priests being in need of economic help and spiritual rehabilitation. Priests as we usually meet them are so secure, so confident, often overbearing cocksure. Once they are converted and cut loose from the apron strings of the hierarchy of the mother church they frequently are destitute, emotionally confused, and quite unable to re-enter society at a non-priestly level.

This does not mean that they cannot make the adjustment; rather that many of them need special help. It is a little like the soldier, returning from the protection of military life, victorious battle situations, and automatic obedience to discipline, suddenly cast upon his own resources in civilian life. It even approaches the situation of a converted drunkard. Constant human love and understanding are required to build substantially on the new-found faith.

Christ's Mission in New York is devoted to helping Catholics to gain freedom from that which they have found to be a yoke and, having gained the freedom, to live victoriously. This mission operates a place called Dugan Center at Sea Cliff, Long Island. Its purpose is to help former priests to learn to live in a world they have never faced — to orient them to a new way of life in Christ. At that place well-trained workers give them physical, mental, economic, and spiritual guidance until they are adjusted to a normal life outside the Roman Church.

In our praying, let us remember those who render such a service. It is far from the experience of most of us but is quite parallel to a portion of the announced ministry of our Lord. He was sent to the "lost sheep of the House of Israel."

May my life ever be a  
Challenge and never a Compromise.  
— Howard Grevenitz.

## President's Column

### Stewardship and the Ministry

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it (Mal. 3: 10).

This is one of the greatest promises in God's Holy Word. A faithful steward knows that the Lord expects the tithe in order for His work to go forward.

Funds that are required to meet the needs of Our World Mission will naturally be an important topic at our General Conference in Milton. Faithful stewardship would help in many ways to provide the means and help in the solution of our problems.

Ministerial training, ministerial support, and ministerial retirement are three of these problems.

Are we being fair to our retired ministers who are not benefiting by the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, in expecting them to live on a few inflated dollars each month?

We are trying to make some progress in the support of the pastors who serve in the smaller churches by providing, on a matching funds basis, a salary that yet seems quite inadequate for the economic level in our country.

We are in great need of more leaders that are consecrated and trained for the ministry of the Gospel. Are we praying that God will call out more workers for full-time service for Him, and are we adequately assisting those that do answer the call? Are we now fair to those who need more preparation and are serving small churches that are not close to the seminary at Alfred? Is there a way that we can help train all that are dedicated for service?

We must supply the vacant pulpits, and launch out in an expanded program at home as well as abroad.

Plan to attend General Conference  
Milton, Wisconsin, August 13-18

### Milton Ready for Conference

By Leila Maxson, Publicity Chairman

Milton is preparing for Conference. The General Conference Committee has almost completed all details for its share in the Conference program.

Miss Marjorie Burdick, chairman of the registration and entertainment committee, has sent information forms and registration blanks to all pastors of all churches. Any lone Sabbathkeepers with queries should address them to Miss Burdick at Milton.

Housing facilities are available on the Milton College campus, and church members in the community are opening their homes to guests. Nine men can be accommodated in the Men's Dormitory; and 30 to 35 people can be placed in Goodrich Hall. Present plans call for women to use the first and third floors and couples to use the second floor. Prices at both these dormitories are from \$3 to \$4 per person for the week. Each individual is asked to bring his own bedding, where possible, for the dormitories. Bedding will also be furnished by local church members.

There are several hotels and motels available within a radius of 10 to 12 miles, with rates ranging from \$7 to \$12 per couple a day. Reservations are requested.

Trailers may be parked at Camp Wakonda which is about four miles from Milton. The kitchen in the lodge contains stoves, a refrigerator, washing machine, and cooking equipment. Several tents with cots are also available at the camp. There is also ample space for tents which anyone may wish to use. Toilet facilities are available.

From Tuesday through Sunday, breakfasts will be served at the college cafeteria located in the basement of Main Hall. Lunch and dinners will be served by the local churches, in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, with lunches priced at \$.85 and dinners, \$1.25.

The local postmaster asks that you request that your mail be addressed in care of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, Milton, Wis.

Information Headquarters will be located in Main Hall at Milton College and



will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., except Monday, August 12, when they will open at 2 p.m. If headquarters should be closed, telephone 362 for information or room assignment.

When you arrive in Milton, call at the Information Headquarters where you will: (1) Register; (2) receive your room assignment for lodging; (3) get information concerning places where meals may be obtained; (4) purchase tickets for special luncheons.

Conference sessions will be held in the Milton College Gym with Prof. Herbert Crouch serving as chairman of the physical arrangements committee. College classrooms will be used for committee meetings, and special rooms will also be set aside for typing reports, special meetings, etc.

The room to the left of the gym entrance will be the news headquarters, where daily news bulletins will be issued and where the *Conference Crier*, with Justin Camenga as editor, will be published. This room will be staffed at all times and will be used as the "nerve center" for phone calls, messages, etc., from the registration office.

Special post cards are being prepared for use of the Conferencees, and stamps and envelopes may be obtained at the information desk.

The nursery will operate in the Milton graded school. Mrs. Theron Ochs is chairman of this committee.

The Middlers Conference will meet at the Music Studio on High Street and at Camp Wakonda, and the Junior Conference will meet in the Methodist Church on Whitewater Street.

The General Committee is most anxious that everyone, who wishes to, may attend Conference and stresses the fact that the Seventh Day Baptists in the community are opening their homes to those coming to Conference.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for August 10, 1957

Hannah: Keeping Faith With God

Lesson Scripture: 1 Samuel 1: 9-11, 20-28.

### THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

The following is a recommendation of the Advisory Board of the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church to the quarterly business meeting of that church which was adopted by that meeting unanimously as the position of the church. Below the recommendation are listed the reasons for such a stand.

The Advisory Board would recommend to the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church that we approve the continuance of the present program of the School of Theology rather than the "Alternate Plan for Training Seventh Day Baptist Ministers" as set forth in the *Sabbath Recorder* of May 27, 1957, for the following reasons:

1. The budget request to General Conference for the School of Theology for 1957-58 is \$12,600, or only \$600 more than the estimated cost of the "alternate plan."

2. Considerable progress has been made since the Conference of 1953, along the following lines:

- Relocation of the School of Theology in new quarters by Alfred University;
- Improvement of the library facilities;
- Increase of the full-time faculty;
- Raising of the faculty salaries;
- Increase of the student enrollment.

3. The proximity of six Seventh Day Baptist churches within a radius of fifty miles of Alfred, which offer Sabbath privileges and ministerial service opportunities, not to mention a certain amount of financial support. The environment created by these churches has been a strong factor in the development of theological students who might have been thrown entirely upon their own resources.

4. The Alfred location affords an area of service covering parts of several states, with the co-operation of district superintendents of the Methodist Church and leaders of other churches, as well as some financial support. The closing of the school would deprive the area of theological training.

5. We are concluding a century of theo-

logical education at Alfred, the location of the school having been decided by a majority vote of the churches voting. Experience, resources, and prestige indicate that we should continue to cherish this privilege. One reason cited for the decline of Seventh Day Baptist churches in Great Britain was that they did not train their own ministers.

6. We commend the phase of the "alternate plan" which provides for strengthening the Christian Education programs offered at Salem and Milton. We would call attention to the strong courses that Alfred now offers.

7. The School of Theology affords a continuing interest in the affairs of Alfred University for those whose love and loyalty have been identified with the university through the years.

### SEMINARY STUDENT WRITES

[In the letter below Kenneth Davis endorses the position of the Alfred Church on continuing the Theological School. In adding his personal observations he makes reference to the editorial in the July 15 issue.]

At least one of our pastors, who had pre-ministerial training in Seventh Day Baptist colleges, has been quoted to the effect that except for his work at the Alfred School of Theology, he does not believe he would have been able to withstand the pressure brought to bear upon him in later training at non-Sabbatarian theological schools to forsake the Sabbath.

May I reaffirm your statement that theological arguments are not involved by pointing out that the Seventh Day Baptist students presently enrolled here range from quite conservative to quite liberal in their thinking, yet all of them favor continuation of the school.

In my own opinion, closing the school would not be a strategic withdrawal, but an admission that the truths Seventh Day Baptists have preserved for hundreds of years are either no longer valid or no longer worthy of distinction.

At the present time Seventh Day Baptist theologs can feel perfectly free to study in other schools knowing that we are giving others a chance to study in our school. However, it seems to me that to close our school and send all our minis-

terial students to schools supported by someone else would reduce us to the position of parasites.

### Salem College Further Strengthens Faculty

The names of Harold and Alberta Bakker have been added to the faculty of Salem College according to word received by the *Sabbath Recorder*. Mr. and Mrs. Bakker are both graduates of the college and have been teaching in Michigan prior to the appointment just announced. Mr. Bakker will be teaching in the History Department and his wife in the Home Economics Department. They are loyal, talented Seventh Day Baptists with pleasing personalities.

In a previous issue, announcement was made that Dr. Stanley Rasmussen of Livermore, Calif., would come to Salem this summer to head the Physics Department for the coming year. No mention was made in that notice of his wife. Mrs. Rasmussen, with an A.B. degree from the University of Nebraska and a master's degree in nursing from Yale, will also be on the Salem faculty this coming year, heading a health clinic and teaching certain courses in health.

### Plan for Daland Memorial

A Daland Memorial is being planned for the Milton College campus in the way of remodeling of the music studio there, it has been announced by a special committee recently appointed. It would give recognition to the outstanding educational and cultural contributions made by three generations of the Daland family.

Phase 1 of the drive will consist of refurbishing some of the rooms, installing new wiring and plumbing, and the acquisition of an electric organ. Phase 2 will cover the construction of a separate rehearsal-recital auditorium adjacent to the studio.

**WANTED — \$9,546.95 for Conference collection! Nation-wide goal is one tenth of Our World Mission current-giving budget. Do your part and give as much as you can!**

## YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE

The college youth group at Milton, Wis., has submitted suggestions to guide the young people in making the most effective use of their time during Conference week.

### Mornings

What should young people do every morning from Tuesday to Friday? They should attend the Conference sessions, say the college youth. What about Sunday? There is the traditional sunrise breakfast for youth, after which they would do well to be in the Conference session helping to decide important matters.

### Noon Hours

The program for young people schedules youth discussions every noon except Sabbath.

### Afternoons

On Tuesday, the messages by Beth Severe and Joan Clement, the youth program of the Board of Christian Education, and the report of the Commission are considered "musts."

On Wednesday, everything is optional: the programs of the Historical Society, the Women's Board, and a swimming party.

On Thursday afternoon, according to the thinking of the college people, no one will want to miss the Tract Board program or that of the Board of Christian Education.

On Friday, there is an excursion marked optional.

Sunday afternoon, it is suggested that all hear what is said by the Missionary Board, the executive secretary, and Rev. Earl Cruzan. After that, contests and games are scheduled.

### Evening Meals, Meetings, and Fun

On Monday evening there is a Vocational Conference banquet to which the youth are invited. Youth banquets are scheduled at 5:30 on Tuesday and Thursday with a corn roast on Sunday at the same hour.

Every evening from Tuesday through Sunday, all young people are requested to be at the gym to start the Conference session with a hymn sing.

After 9 p.m. there will be roller skating on Tuesday evening and a Communion service Sabbath eve. The evening after the Sabbath at 8 o'clock, an all-Conference program is the scheduled event which no young people will want to miss.

### Church Delegations at Graham Crusade

Several Seventh Day Baptist churches were able to send delegations to one or more services at Madison Square Garden in New York. The Shiloh and the Marlboro churches both chartered buses. The Irvington and the Plainfield churches quite consistently filled cars with members and friends. These delegations were recognized in the daily newsheets distributed nightly to all who attended. Many from the above churches received unexpected blessing from the meetings, according to their own testimony.

### Christian Endeavor Decisions

At the closing service of the International C. E. Convention in Portland, Ore., July 13, there were many decisions following the message on "Christ Calls" by Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, vice-president of the International Society. Said Dr. Meadows, "The call of Christ is a call of love, a call to review one's life, a call to a commitment, a call to a new principle of life — that of giving rather than getting, a call to new leadership, and a call to a new enrichment of life. The happiest people in all the world are the people who are faithful followers of the Christ."

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

## Evangelism Program at Albion

Reported by the pastor,  
Kenneth E. Smith

It is my pleasure to make a brief report of the Evangelistic Program in the Albion, Wis., community, June 21 to July 7, 1957. The over-all picture at the conclusion of this program is one of real satisfaction to the pastor. At the time of this writing I am in the midst of the follow-up phase and the full impact will not be known for some time, but I am both pleased and hopeful. It appears that there were several tangible results to be reported.

The attendance was good for this time of year in this community. Despite a midweek dip we finished with an average for the program of 65. The high was on Friday evening, July 5, when we had 127 present. Most of the program was more or less affected by a heat wave accompanied by high humidity, and all things considered, I felt that we did well.

I have no hesitation in saying that the visitation program was the most significant development in the life of this church and community in a long time. The organization of an Evangelism Committee was itself a real boost, but the actual visitation was thrilling to everyone who took part. Every team was well received and many visits resulted in attendance from persons who do not usually attend our church. Almost every home in the central area of Albion was visited, a total of about 80 homes. Besides the team visitation, the quartet went with the pastor to Milton-Milton Junction and sang in about a dozen homes for the sick and the shut-ins. I would recommend an expansion of that phase of the program. It was powerful in its results.

There were several clear-cut decisions for Christ. It seems better not to give the specific number since I am now working with two persons who may wish to be added to that number. Any one of these experiences would have been worth all the effort of the campaign and the church will surely be stimulated by those who will be joining soon. A special baptism service will be held next month.

I have nothing but commendation and praise for those who came to us and left us richer for their coming. Dr. Hurley made a profound impression on many people who understood the Gospel for the first time. Despite the oppressive heat and a heavy schedule, he counseled with people late at night and worked with the team in the mornings. The team proved itself musically and otherwise. They were warmly received by the community because their friendly spirit was always evident.

We were delighted to have the assistance of Ron Wright in the Vacation Bible School. I believe it is not bad timing to have such an evangelistic effort in conjunction with the school since many of the parents show added interest in the church at that particular time. This is especially true of the many families which do not belong to the church. Perhaps it would be worth considering in future planning so that the young people's team could assist with Vacation Bible School in the mornings. It should give them training and also provide a contact with the homes from which the children come. Needless to say, we never have too many teachers.

Perhaps the pastor has gained more from the program than anyone else. The thrill of having a team of assistant pastors will last me a long time, and it will encourage us to more systematic evangelism in the future.

### Jamaica Visit Postponed

The missionary secretary, Rev. Everett T. Harris, did not make the contemplated trip to Jamaica which was announced in the July 15 Recorder. When the Missionary Board met on July 21, it was decided that on the basis of receipt of a budget just adopted by the Jamaica Conference and other fresh information that the visit might well be postponed. It was felt that arrangements for setting up an Executive Committee and plans relating to the schools could be discussed nearly as well by correspondence for the present.



MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

### Historic Newport Church Visited

A group of young people from Alfred, N. Y., recently visited the oldest Seventh Day Baptist house of worship in America at Newport, R. I., during their "New England Pilgrimage." This beautiful and historic little church building is located within the Newport Historical Society Building at 82 Turo St., Newport, R. I.

Pastor Charles Bond and Secretary E. T. Harris administered the Lord's Supper to the group assembled. The old historic platter and cup were used in serving the bread and wine. This single cup from which each one partook was a fitting symbol of our oneness in Christ. This is the way our fathers in the faith communed during past generations.

Dr. Herbert O. Brigham, the librarian of the Newport Historical Society, was present and spoke briefly to the young people. He has since written, "We very much enjoyed the pilgrimage from Alfred to the old shrine church and I enjoyed being able to welcome the group and to join in the Communion service."

Mr. Brigham pointed out a need for help in support of the cost of upkeep of the old building. He wrote, "We recently spent \$828 to lay a new plywood floor and over that a heavy linoleum which replaced a very dilapidated floor covering which had outlived its usefulness." Then he adds, "Please send a note to the *Sabbath Recorder* stating that small contributions for the support and benefit of the old Seventh Day Baptist Church in Newport will be most welcome."

In closing, Mr. Brigham quoted a very interesting article written in 1953 by James G. Edward, associate editor of the *Newport Daily News*, in regard to the old Meeting House. The article is as follows:

"Tucked safely within the brick walls of the Newport Historical Society is one of America's oldest and most beautiful churches. The little wooden building erected in 1729 by a congregation which, in 1671, had severed connection with the parent church for greater freedom in the exercise of religious faith in the observance of God's Holy Sabbath, the Seventh day

of the week.' This charming Colonial structure, 36 feet long and 26 feet wide, probably had fourteen pews on the main floor and ten pews in the gallery. All have been removed, but the beautiful staircase and the splendidly carved pulpit and sounding board remain. The tiny church was moved from its original site on Barney Street to the Historical Society grounds, a few yards distant, in 1887."

## Youth News

"For Christ and the Church" is the theme of the new biennial program of Christian Endeavor launched at the 44th International Christian Endeavor Convention in Portland, Oregon, July 8-13.

More than 1,300 young people from the United States and Canada listened to addresses by Dr. Earle W. Gates, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, Rev. Melvin M. Forney, Dr. Carlton C. Buck, Rev. Paul M. Nagano, and Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, and pledged themselves to a new loyalty to the basic principles of Christian Endeavor and to renewed efforts for evangelism and citizenship.

"Our first emphasis must be given to the enlisting of boys and girls, men and women for Christ and the church," Dr. Earle W. Gates, president of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, declared in the keynote address.

In his address on "What It Means to Follow Jesus Christ," Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, said, "Christian Endeavor itself is the fruit of evangelism, and is a demonstration of the effectiveness of both mass and personal evangelism. At the heart of evangelism is the Great Commission and Christ's high command, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.' Implicit in that commission and command is the truth, comprehensive and eternal, that social change, that the Christianizing of the social order, that the new and better world wait always on new men and new women. Men and women redeemed by Jesus Christ and made new in Him are the new world builders."

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

### I Speak for Christian Citizenship

#### A Letter to My Congressman

By Ellen L. Heacock  
Denver, Colorado

This letter and her record of citizenship activities won for Miss Heacock first place in Division A in the 1957 Citizenship Contest sponsored by the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

Dear Mr. Congressman:

Today's teen-agers are faced with many serious problems — problems such as Communism, racial prejudices, juvenile delinquency, dope, and alcohol. The world is giving us these problems and demanding an answer to them from the teen-agers. We fully realize the seriousness of them. We acknowledge the fact that our lives are directly affected by them, whether they be international, national, or local problems.

Communism is one of the problems that concerns not only teen-agers, but people everywhere. This is an especially big problem to Christians because the Communists don't believe in God. The few that know Him are forbidden to worship Him. We are deeply humble that we live in a country that is willing to fight against such human oppression. We feel it is our obligation to God and mankind, not only to fight to free these people from communistic domination, but to share with them our wonderful message of peace and joy with Christ. With Christian love and perseverance we can make this a world filled with peace and the love of Christ.

We have another problem in the United States that is of major concern to most of us. This problem is racial segregation and prejudice. God is no respecter of race or color. Then why should we be? We are disobeying the command to "love one another" when we refuse to associate with people whose skin is a different color from ours, whose speech is accented, whose customs are different from ours. Love is the answer to this problem. When we have brotherly love for people of different races, we have an understanding

of them and their problems. Instead of forcing them to accept our way of life we must make them feel welcome and wanted. We teen-agers have many opportunities each day to spread Christian love to both the new and old Americans of different races. With Christ's help we can all do our part to end racial strife.

Juvenile delinquency is a problem that has plagued people through all ages. It seems to have reached its height with our age. Why do so many young people use dope, drink alcohol, and smoke? Why do they destroy public and private property? And why do they steal? Poor home conditions, unbalanced emotions, and bad influences are the answers, say some people. The main cause of juvenile delinquency is a lack of Christ in the teen-ager's life. It is our responsibility to let Christ's light shine through us to them. We need not shun these teen-agers because they have gone astray at one time — instead we should befriend them and try to guide them in a straight path. We have a responsibility to show these teen-agers that they don't have to smoke and drink to act grown-up, that they don't have to use dope to be one of the crowd. We have a responsibility to prove to them that by being a Christian they can rise to greater heights than they ever dreamed of.

Yes, Mr. Congressman, we teen-agers are faced with these problems and many others. We realize that we have many responsibilities to our God and to our world in accepting them. Our acceptance of these responsibilities will affect people of all nations and of all races. If we can bring Christ into the lives of non-Christians we will eventually wipe these problems off the face of the earth. It is our responsibility to let others know of Christ and of the wonderful peace He brings to those who love Him. When others learn of this there will be no communistic domination. There will be no racial prejudices. There will be no teen-age vandalism.

How we handle these responsibilities and problems will not only affect our generation, but it will affect the future generations of the world. We can pave the way

to a peaceful world, but we have to train our children to follow and maintain the road of peace. Just as we have come to know Jesus Christ through our parents' guidance, so we must train our children to know Him. Only in this way can peace be truly preserved.

Just how will we handle these problems? We have many things to contribute toward solving these problems. We have education, a high standard of living, and a free government with which to work. All of these tools are worthless without Christian love, understanding, energy, and perseverance. In the hands of non-Christians these tools could become weapons of war. Therefore we Christian teen-agers must put forth every effort we have to overcome these problems that are facing us.

Yes, today's teen-agers are faced with many problems. We realize that we cannot make this a better Christian world by ourselves. Just as America's foundation is a faith in God, so we are accepting the challenge to make the foundation of the world a faith and trust in God. We are thankful for the Christian leaders of our country and pray that we might follow in their footsteps. It is with God's help that our leaders function now and it is our earnest desire that He will always help those who, like you, help govern America. Mr. Congressman, we teen-agers realize that it is only with God's help that we will be able to fulfill this challenge which we have accepted.

### S. O. S. — O. W. M.

"D. O. Y. D."\*

Your help is needed! Our World Mission is depending on your dollars. Remember that your August and September gifts could be responsible for a fully raised budget this year! Give liberally to the Conference collection in your church or in Milton. Then continue your contributions for our great cause!

\* "D.O.Y.D." —

Depending on your dollars.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

### Adult Teacher Materials

One of the principles for the teacher of adults is to be able to present different viewpoints in connection with the Sabbath School lesson. In order to do this it is quite necessary to have at hand more than one quarterly or reference besides different translations of the Bible. Probably the best helper outside the quarterly is the **Interpreter's Bible** which comes in 12 volumes. It may be thought too expensive for the average Sabbath School teacher to own personally, but most of our Sabbath Schools could buy it a volume or two at a time for the school library. Thus it would be available to all of the teachers and church workers. **The International Lesson Annual** is one of the most complete for the study of the Uniform Lessons. Now would be a fine time to order a copy of the 1958 edition. Don't be afraid to use diversified materials. The teacher and student are after the truth and no one writer has a monopoly on it. Jesus said: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Who does not desire freedom?

### Pre-Con Retreat

The time grows short until a hundred young Seventh Day Baptists will climb into cars or onto buses, trains, and planes and head for Indian Trails Boy Scout Camp near Milton, Wis. There they will begin four days of intense training in Christianity according to Seventh Day Baptist interpretation, and form a fellowship which will be a source of inspiration all their lives.

Registration will commence at 2 p.m., Thursday, August 8, and the meetings will close at 2 p.m., Monday, August 12.

As this is being written, there are several "Retreaters" who have not registered. If it has been impossible to get a registration blank, or if plans for attending have been uncertain, youth are urged to come anyhow.

We would like to have advanced registration if at all possible. This helps the business manager and cooks to plan for accommodations and food.

WOMEN'S WORK — Geraldine Nelson

### AUGUST DEVOTIONAL

#### FAITH —

#### the Substance of Things Hoped For

(This devotional was contributed by Margaret E. LaMont of Nortonville, Kansas. She studied at Alfred and Milton, is a Sabbath convert, newspaper worker, and chaplain of the Women's Missionary Society.)

Song: "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Hebrews 11: 1-6; Matthew 9: 27-31.

Meditation: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Heb. 11: 1).

Let us note a few of the elements which faith involves:

1. **Belief** in the existence of God, in His knowledge of us, and His reward for us if we diligently seek Him. Such faith had Job of old: "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." Paul had it: "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

2. **Serenity** about material needs. This does not condemn industry and thrift. Just don't worry yourself sick. "Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?"

"Said the robin to the sparrow,

I should really like to know

Why these anxious human beings

Rush about and worry so."

Said the sparrow to the robin,

Friend, I think that it must be

That they have no Heavenly Father

Such as cares for you and me."

3. **Tranquillity** in time of storm. It may be a literal one, or it may be a storm of affliction or temptation. To the frightened disciples in the storm-tossed boat on the Sea of Galilee, Jesus gave a gentle rebuke, "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?"

"Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;

The clouds ye so much dread

Are big with mercy, and shall break  
With blessing on your head."

4. **Healing** in illness, not always granted, but probably oftener than we realize. The Master's word of healing to the two blind men was, "According to your faith be it unto you."

"The healing of the seamless dress

Is by our beds of pain;

We touch Him in life's throng and press,

And we are whole again."

5. **Victory** over the world. Glorious are the promises to him that overcometh, and the overcoming is by faith. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Song: "Faith Is the Victory."

### OTHER FOLDS AND FIELDS

Some churches are still banning women from the ministry. Others have only recently allowed them to be ordained. Meanwhile the Pacific School of Religion, according to its June bulletin, has awarded the highest earned theological degree to three candidates, one of whom was Miss Leslie Zeigler of Modesto, Calif. She will teach in a college or seminary.

The annual national assembly of the Swiss Federation of Protestant Churches, meeting recently in Geneva, heard reports from its executive council about steps taken during the year to urge the Swiss Government to make provision in Swiss law for the rights of conscientious objectors to military service.

The assembly refused a request to consider establishing an international Protestant radio transmitter in Switzerland. [Ecumenical Press service, reporting these actions gives no reason for this second action.]

"Rapid growth of evangelical churches in neighboring countries to the south is producing a tremendous demand for trained leaders," says Methodist missionary administrator Dr. James E. Ellis. "Nowhere in the world has Protestantism grown more rapidly in the last generation than in these countries. The churches could employ at least twice as many theo-



## Teen Talk

### A Little Chat about This and That

You see quite a little youth material in the Recorder this time. There has been more than usual lately because the young folks your age have been in camp or Bible School and everyone who writes news for the Recorder naturally wants to tell what the teen-agers and children have been doing. There will be lots more to write about when all the camps are over and Conference has ended.

We wonder sometimes how many of you turn to this column every week. It would be nice to hear from you. I know how it is; writing letters seems too much like an assignment in school — and this is vacation time. Just the same it could be fun to put your thoughts and questions down on paper just to see if teen-agers on the other side of the country are facing the same things you are facing. Maybe you have some answers as well as questions that you would like to see printed.

Did you know that some young folks about your age are taking big responsibilities in some of the smaller churches? One or two are acting as church correspondents, not just for youth news but for all the news being sent to the Recorder. Others are helping with street meetings. One got a write-up in *Christian Life* recently for his work as a Gospel magician. We hear of some who are giving clear and ringing testimonies of what Christ means to them and of their joy in keeping the Sabbath.

On the mission fields those we have sent out send back stories — stories of schoolboys who were willing to turn away from the superstitions of their parents and to really endure persecutions for the sake of Christ. More of these true stories will come to us from Nyasaland when our two nurses are able to get to the churches with their experiences.

When we think the Christian way is unpopular and hard, then is the time to remember that the people we really admire are those with the courage to stand alone.

In a great revival meeting the young folks who get the real blessing are those

logical graduates as are available each year." Future pastors for Protestant churches in Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Paraguay, Bolivia, and Peru are now being trained in the famous Union Theological Seminary in the heart of Buenos Aires.

Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, executive secretary of the New York office of the World Council of Churches, states in connection with the Faith and Order Conference to be held in Oberlin, Ohio, Sept. 3-10, 1957: "Oberlin will represent the concern which goes beyond co-operation and frankly faces the question of union."

### World Council News

A 77-year-old German bishop who is one of his country's most articulate foes of totalitarianism will speak on "The Battle for the Minds of Men" at a public meeting at Woolsey Hall, Yale University, New Haven, Conn., Thursday, Aug. 1, at 8 p.m.

Bishop Otto Dibelius, a president of the World Council of Churches, is one of three world Christian leaders to address the meeting. As bishop of Berlin-Brandenburg, he presides over an area much of which is in Communist East Germany. Recently because of his outspoken criticism of curtailment of religious freedom in East Germany, he has been denied permission to visit his parishes there.

Bishop Dibelius offered similar opposition to Hitler, when, in an uncompromising sermon before Nazi government leaders, he declared: "The dictatorship of the totalitarian state is irreconcilable with God's will."

### The Next Issue

The next issue of the *Sabbath Recorder*, dated August 12, will be mailed to subscribers on Friday, August 9, and will be available for distribution at General Conference at Milton when the Tract Board presents its program. It will feature Milton pictures, late news from missionaries, items from the boards, and articles of evangelistic emphasis. News and messages of Conference itself will have to wait until the issue of August 26. (There will be no issue of August 19.)

who look neither to the right nor left but are willing to stand alone. What joy comes to them when they learn afterward that many others are ready to stand with them.

The misery and despair of the world's hundreds of thousands of refugees herded in European and Middle East camps and wandering in Hong Kong streets is the greatest challenge ever to face the churches, relief experts were told recently. Meeting in Eastbourne, England, 150 representatives from 35 countries heard grim reports from critical world areas. It was the annual meeting of the World Council's Division of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees.

### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

TEXARKANA, ARK. — As a part of the Sabbath worship service on Mother's Day, six children and their parents took part in a service of dedication of babies.

Sixteen children attended Bible School, June 17-21, in the church. The three classes, beginner, primary, and junior, all used the theme of "Helping Hands."

Five of our young people attended Camp MILES near Hammond, La., and four carloads from the church attended the Southwestern Association meetings the following weekend. We were happy to be accepted and welcomed into the Association at this time as a new church.

At our first quarterly business meeting, July 7, we voted, among other things, to have appointed a Home Missions Committee, which is to investigate the possibilities of sponsoring and supporting some project of outreach in our own or a neighboring state. The church voted to pay part of the pastor's expenses to Conference. Also at this meeting, we were happy to accept two new members by letter, Rev. and Mrs. Wardner T. Fitz-Randolph, who now live here in Texarkana. This brought our charter membership, which was closed at this time, to a total of 21 members. — Correspondent.

NORTONVILLE, KAN. — We are carrying on all usual appointments of the church in the absence of a regular pastor

— hearing splendid sermons from local ministers of other churches. Our average attendance is about 65.

The annual business meeting was held in the evening of July 6 and officers elected for the coming year.

Plans are going ahead for our annual barbecue to be held September 17 under the direction of Lloyd August. The dedication of the Lord's Acre gifts will be October 26.

We now have a splendid and growing library. Ruby August is chairman of that project. — Correspondent.

ROCKVILLE, R. I. — Our church sends summer greetings to all its friends over the denomination as it gives a brief report of activity during the first half of the year.

Two Family Night socials have been held. At the first, the Rev. Charles Bond showed and explained slides on "Our World Mission." At the second, we had a filmstrip on stewardship in connection with our Every Member Canvass program.

Sabbath Rally Day was observed with a fellowship dinner at the parish house after the church service.

We were favored on April 27 by a visit from our Conference executive secretary, Mrs. Doris Fetherston, who talked to us about our different denominational interests.

On the evening of May 1 we were happy to entertain one session of the Ministers Conference which had convened in Westerly.

The Rockville Church assisted by the Second Hopkinton Church conducted a Daily Vacation Church School June 18 to 28. There was an enrollment of 42 besides 8 visiting children who only attended a day or two. The average daily attendance was 35. An interesting program and display of handwork ended the school on Friday night. This was well attended, and on Sunday parents and friends of the children joined them at a picnic on the church lawn for a good time with games and a big picnic lunch. We are very grateful to the Women's Board for sending us a Vacation School teacher in the person of Miss Connie



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Coon who contributed much to the success of the school.

Our women's society, the Loyal Workers, has been very busy. Since the first of the year they have had one food sale, sponsored the World Day of Prayer Service in our church, repaired the church hymnbooks, started a Mission Christmas Stocking project which will materialize in December, sent four boxes of hats to Jamaica, served one meal to the members of the Ministers Conference, held two public suppers, arranged to send two juniors to Lewis Camp, participated in the Reading Contest sponsored by the Women's Board, contributed to Our World Mission, United Council of Church Women, and to local projects.

## Pray for Japan

Into the vacuum created by rising nationalism, revived Shintoism and Buddhism, fast-growing new made-in-Japan religions, anti-Westernism, and discouraged missionaries and pastors, your prayers must come pouring — making the difference.

Every weekend all of the 150 students of Japan Christian College go out on definite evangelistic assignments with the Seniors acting as "Pauls" to the Freshmen "Timothys." — Japan Harvest.

## Births

**Owen.** — A son, Paul Owen 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Owen, of Los Angeles, Calif., on June 28, 1957.

**Burdick.** — A daughter, Martha Eileen, to Rev. and Mrs. C. Rex Burdick of Salem, W. Va., on June 21, 1957.

**Gray.** — A son, Mark Earl, to Bruce and Enid (Green) Gray, of Milton, Wis., June 9, 1957.

**Ylvisaker.** — A daughter, Karen Rae, to Ronald and Mary (Bowers) Ylvisaker, of Milton, Wis., July 11, 1957.

**Johnson.** — A son, Glen Stanley, to Robert and Barbara (Fox) Johnson, of Milton, Wis., July 15, 1957.

## Obituaries

**McWhorter.** — Mary Alvanetta, daughter of James and Elizabeth Randall Knight, was born in Garwin, Iowa, Dec. 4, 1871, and died in Mercy Hospital, Janesville, Wis., July 4, 1957.

Mrs. McWhorter had lived in Seventh Day Baptist communities and had been affiliated

with Seventh Day Baptist Churches throughout her lifetime. Since the passing of her husband Henry, in Edelstein, Ill., in 1954, she had resided in Milton, Wis., where she was faithful in attendance at church. Her membership in her later years was with the Jackson Center, Ohio, Church.

Mrs. McWhorter was the mother of four children by her first husband, Herbert Lippincott: Joy, Noble, Truman, and Alwyn June. Of the four, only Truman, of Milton, survives her. A granddaughter, DeEtta Kastorf, and a grandson, Wayne Lippincott, also survive her.

Funeral services were conducted in the Milton Church on Sabbath morning, July 6, by Pastor Elmo Fitz Randolph. Burial was at Edelstein, Ill.  
E. F. R.

**Stillman.** — Harold Clifton, son of Rev. Mazzini G. and Marcella Crandall Stillman died at his home in Pueblo, Colo., in late October, 1956. His wife, Rachel Coon Stillman, daughter of Dayton and Mary Coon, followed him in death at the end of November, 1956.

Both Harold and Rachel Stillman were dedicated Christians, faithful in their stewardship of time, talents, and possessions in the cause of Christ. They were both members of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church and participated actively in the life of the Baptist Church in Pueblo, Colo., their home. Both had successful careers as teachers — he in music and manual arts, she in elementary school teaching.

Farewell services were conducted in the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church by Pastor Elmo Fitz Randolph with interment in the Milton Cemetery. [Obituaries were prepared at the time but for some reason did not get to the Recorder.]  
E. F. R.

**Whitford.** — Silas S., son of Daniel and Huldah Stillman Whitford, was born July 7, 1875, in Almond, N. Y., and died June 1, 1957, at Bethesda Hospital, North Hornell, N. Y.

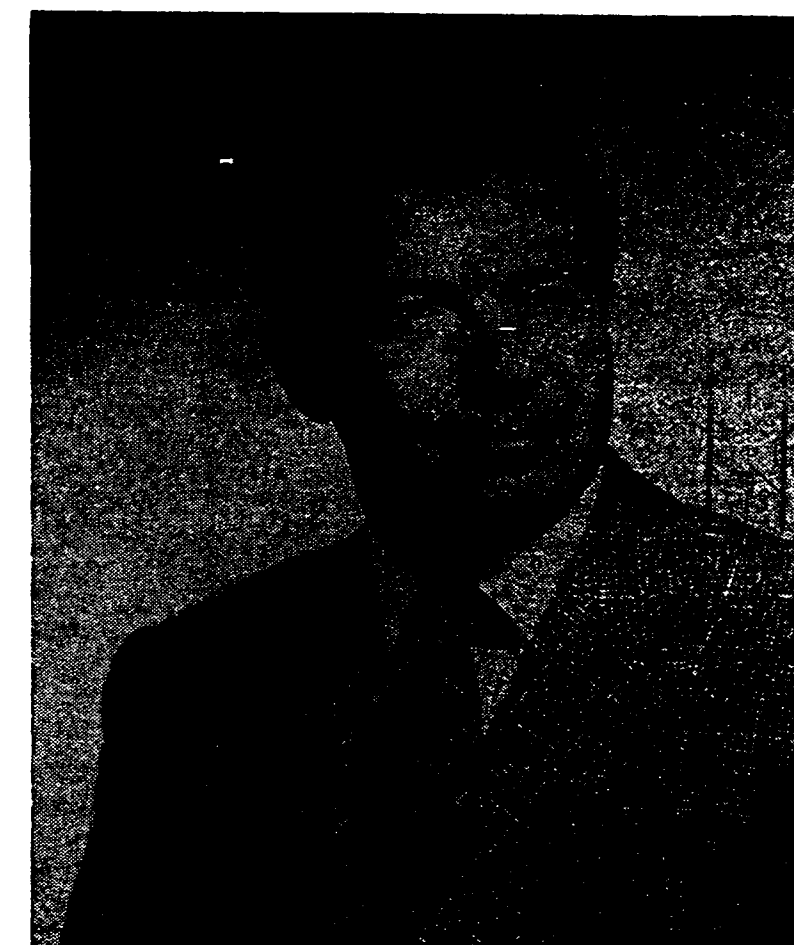
He lived most of his life on a farm on Hartsville Hill. He was a deacon in the Hartsville Hill Church until it closed and since then has been a deacon in the Second Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church at Alfred Station.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Theodore Dunn of Hornell, with whom he made his home recently, and Mrs. Jesse Clark of Andover; four sons: Robert and Frank of Almond, Harold of Dansville, and Max of Corning; two sisters, Mrs. Agnes Emerson of Newark and Mrs. Alta Pettibone of Hornell; 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor J. Paul Green and Rev. Albert N. Rogers. Burial was in the Alfred Rural Cemetery.

J. P. G.

**Help Wanted:** Married man with dairy farming experience. Year-round employment. Eight-room house with 1½ bathrooms, hot and cold running water, and automatic heating system. Contact Edward D. Lawrence, R.D. 1, Bridgeton, New Jersey. Phone BR 9-2656J12. State wages desired.



Charles F. Harris elected president of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference a year ago presents his program and presides over the business sessions at Milton, Wis., this week, August 13-18. He has given unstintingly of his time and effort. The delegates from East to West, North to South, and from the mission fields will see the culmination of his plans as the program unfolds and as the Conference takes the action needed to further the work of the Lord.