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house on May 30 to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Although the actual date of the anniversary is June 1 the earlier date was chosen in order that their son and daughter could be with them for the occasion. — Correspondent.

**SCHENECTADY, N. Y.** — Our church had a special service June 6. A fellowship lunch was served at noon and there was a baptism of four people at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in the afternoon. Eugene Fatato, a graduate of Alfred School of Theology, assisted Pastor Osborn at both of these services.

A picnic supper was held on the evening of June 9 at the Fatato home in honor of the Rev. Rene Mauch and family. We also had a meeting at the pastor's home that evening during which hymns and prayers and a talk by Mr. Mauch were enjoyed.

Brenda Moore is home for the summer from Potsdam State Teachers College.

— Correspondent.

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## Marriages

**Williams-Scott** — Kenneth Dale Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Williams, North Loup, Neb., and Jerrolin Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartz, of North Loup, were united in marriage Sabbath day, February 28, 1959, at the Seventh Day Baptist Church, by Pastor Mynor G. Soper. The young couple will be at home on a farm in the Pleasant Hill District, south of North Loup.

## Births

**Sholtz.** — A daughter, Christine Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sholtz of Verona, N. Y., on April 1, 1959.

**Bartholomew.** — A daughter, Donna Marie, to Ray and Helen (Davis) Bartholomew of Verona, N. Y., March 25, 1959.

**Thompson.** — A son, Thomas William, to Harold and Louise (Hyde) Thompson of Verona, N. Y., on May 21, 1959.

## Obituaries

**Crandall.** — Arabelle Elizabeth Satterlee, eldest of four children of Franklyn and Emma Brown Satterlee, was born in Berlin, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1866, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Blanche Burdick, May 10, 1959.

She moved to Farina, Ill., at the age of 11 and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church of which she was a faithful member as long as her health permitted. On January 8, 1884, she was united in marriage to Daniel Pierce Crandall who died in 1950 shortly after they had celebrated their 66th anniversary. To this union were born five children, four of whom survive: Emma Vincent of Roberts, Ill., Blanche Burdick and Fay and Kenneth, all of Farina. She is also survived by two sisters: Mrs. Eva Coon and Mrs. Mayme Whitford. — Kenneth S. Crandall.

**Horner.** — Ethel C., 70, wife of the late Herbert H. Horner, died Sunday, June 7, in the Bridgeton Hospital where she had been a patient for a week and a half.

Mrs. Horner was a native of Shiloh and was active as a member of the Seventh Day Baptist church as long as her health permitted.

She is survived by: one son, Kenneth V., of Pine Beach; three daughters: Grace deWilde, RD 1, Bridgeton, Nellie Lore, Newport, and Miriam Brown, Bridgeton; one brother, John M. Cordrey, Quinton; and one sister, Mrs. David Davis, Elmer, all of New Jersey.

Funeral services were held in Bridgeton, at Brooks West Side Funeral Home with her pastor, the Rev. Charles H. Bond, officiating. Burial was in the Shiloh Cemetery. C.H.B.

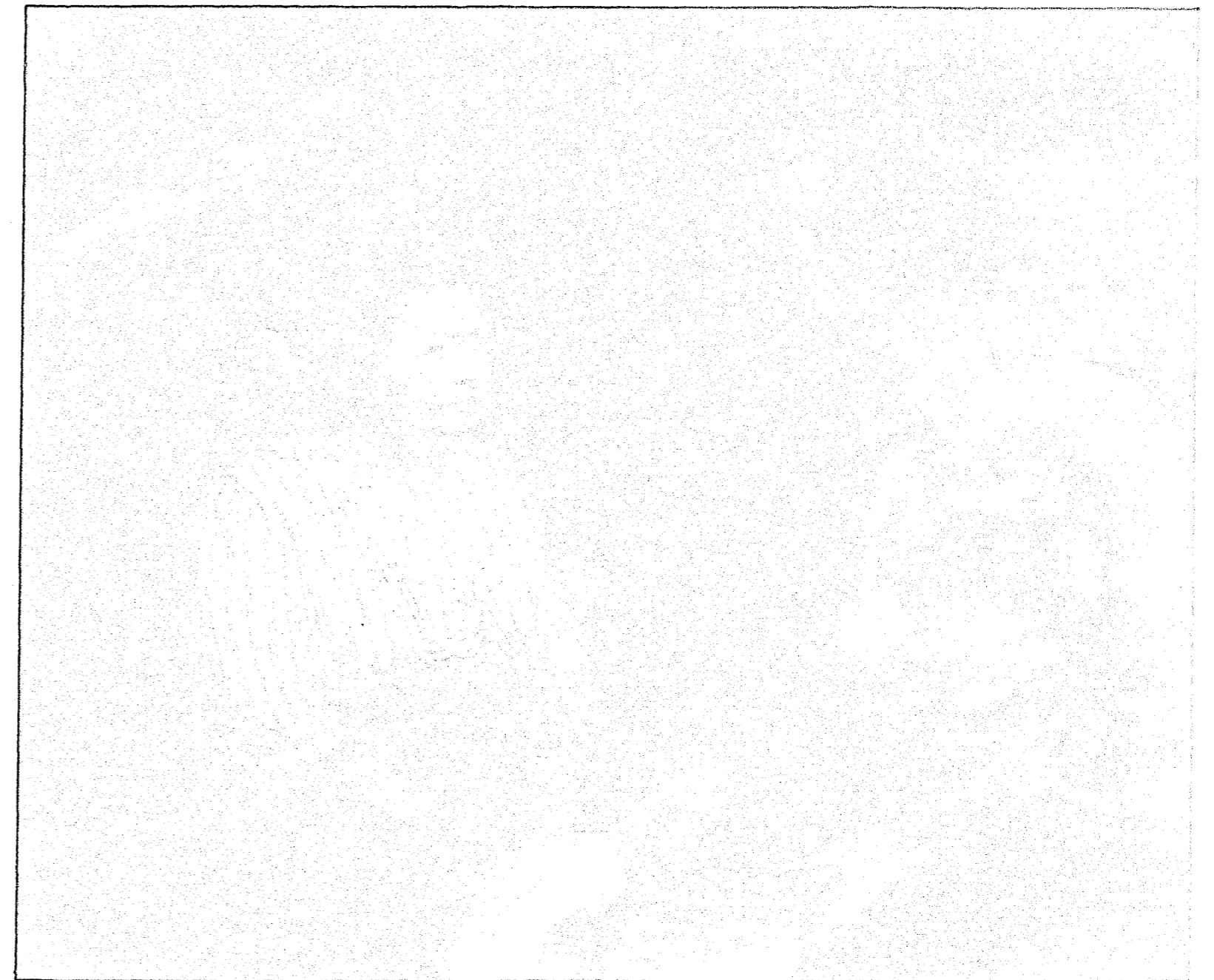
**Lewis** — Nathan Earle, son of Welcome Wayland and Emogene Taylor Lewis, was born November 2, 1876, in Ashaway, R. I., and died May 25, 1959, in Westerly, R. I.

Mr. Lewis lived in Plainfield, N. J., about 57 years. From 1901 to 1934 he was a mechanical engineer with the Babcock and Wilcox Co. of New York City.

A member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Christ, Plainfield, Mr. Lewis had served as president of the Board of Trustees. He had been vice-president of the American Sabbath Tract Society, had served as president of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh Day Baptist Memorial Fund, as trustee of the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society, and trustee of Alfred University. The youth of today and future generations will remember him as the donor of land for Lewis Camp near Ashaway.

Mr. Lewis was married to Elizabeth Allis on April 29, 1902, who preceded him in death. On April 8, 1958, he was married to Florence Warner, who survives him. Other survivors are two sons, Donald E., Ashaway, R. I., and Kenneth W., Scotch Plains, N. J.; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson at Plainfield, with interment at Hillside Cemetery. C.H.D.



## Jesus In Our Hogan

Indians dwelling in their little log hogans in the arid vastness of Arizona and New Mexico welcome the visits of the American Bible Society colporteur whose book causes their faces to shine with a new light. Here a Navajo woman tells the representative: "Now that you've brought the Bible to us it's as though Jesus came to live in our hogan."

From the film "Bearer of the Book."

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## A CHURCH VACATION?

There is a practice in some cities for the churches to take a vacation during one or more summer months. It is argued that so many of the members are away from home that the church might as well close up temporarily and that the services will be appreciated all the more when they are resumed. Some churches seem to prosper even though they are closed for a month or hold union services or a greatly modified weekly service. Other churches following such procedures appear to lose golden opportunities for service and have to struggle to recapture the loyalty of their people when full services are resumed.

On the other hand, some city and village churches find the summer months their most strenuous. Instead of operating on a limited schedule they expand their efforts. During the winter months they get along with one pastor but in summer they must have two if the work is to be properly carried on. Generally speaking, these are the churches that are doing something special for young folks, their own and others. Where a full program of Vacation Bible School and/or camp is carried on with an evangelistic outreach more help is needed. If the idea of cooperation rather than evangelism dominates in the planning of a church for its youth or adult service, there is likely to be more loss than gain and there is no need to call extra men or women to serve.

We need to face the facts. To increase the work of the church during the summer or to decrease it is a matter for earnest prayer in every locality. Is it a step forward to keep open a formerly closed church? It may be. Is it a step backward for a church to drop some of its activities or certain aspects of its worship during the summer? Again it may or may not be. The Lord knows, and we can probably know His will if we wait upon Him. To decide the question on the custom of previous years or upon the personal desires of the less spiritually minded members, would not be seeking the Lord's will. There is no "thus saith the Lord" which can be applied to all churches or to a single church in succeeding generations.

Circumstances change as membership changes and family situations change. We must ask ourselves and the Lord what our

opportunities are and how they differ from five years ago. We need to keep up to date and alert. The Scripture says that Satan is as alert as a lion "seeking whom he may devour." If we are less alert he will devour our loved ones and destroy our churches.

Are we provincial in our thinking? Do we judge the Lord's work on the basis of expected temperatures in our locality? Is it going to be too hot for us to go to church or to hold extra evangelistic meetings? Let us stop and think. It is the people who live in the more northern section of our country who complain most of the heat. Southern churches could not continue as churches if they allowed temperature to determine the number of services to be held. Our own southern churches make little distinction between the months in the holding of special meetings.

It will also be recalled that in the New York City area, where the tendency is strongest to close churches during summer months, Evangelist Billy Graham continued to pack the largest auditorium in the city straight through the summer. Does this perhaps indicate something? In the same city where some churches close their doors, others increase their seating capacity. Is our church program vital? Do people find the Lord in our church? Do we have a burden for the souls of the young folks? If so, we will constantly seek ways to increase rather than decrease the service rendered.

What we are saying is not to be construed as suggestions that the pastor and other faithful leaders should not have vacations at times when the rest will do them the most good. Such vacations can be fitted into the church program and should be. Those churches that hire student pastors or associate pastors for their enlarged summer work also have in mind giving the pastor a vacation while still carrying on the ministry of the church. Not all churches can afford this, but some other way can be worked out. Churches find that their pastor may become ill or may be called to another field. In such cases they do not close their doors. Rather, they shoulder the extra responsibility for a time and are sometimes the better for it.

## CHURCH PUBLICITY

Why do some churches prosper while others stand still? Please, we can't answer that question to the satisfaction of all in few or many words. Let us start this way to give a partial answer that deserves consideration.

Other things being equal, the church that seeks new contacts constantly and never forgets anyone who shows an interest or might be expected to show an interest will grow when another church that does not do this will decline. Perhaps this answer is nearly as equivocal as a Delphic oracle, for where is the church that can live up to the standard? It could be far more possible for an individual than for the whole body to never forget. But still it is true and it is a goal toward which to strive.

Perhaps we can go a step further by way of application. The church that seeks and tries to remember people, soon finds that it must have some practical tools with which to keep its memory active and its people reminded. The most effective tool is some sort of printed material that is dated and is sent out often enough to tie together the congregation and those for whom the members are praying. In other words, there must be church publicity that is more personal than weekly notices in the local newspaper.

The editor's big roll-top desk has one large drawer that is pulled out many times a day. Much of the space in that drawer is taken up with weekly, monthly, and quarterly publications of the churches — mostly files of bulletins. The files for some churches are far thicker than for others and have to be transferred rather frequently. We cannot escape the observation that the churches doing much publication work for the benefit of the local members and distant friends are the ones that are showing more growth. At least they are laying the foundation for growth which will come if they continue faithful.

As we were pondering on these things there came to hand a new publication from the Los Angeles Church at 4976 North Figueroa Street. It is the Angelus, volume 1 - number 1 of an attractive quarterly printed from neatly typed copy



by the offset process. The paper has existed in different form for a number of years, but now it takes on a more appealing appearance. It should be a valuable means of carrying the message of the church to those who like to know that there are some who care.

We would not leave the subject of publicity without pointing out that if your church cannot do as much as some other churches there is still something it can afford. The Sabbath Recorder in its weekly and its quarterly special-issue form costs very little. It is your publication with news of your church in it from time to time. Others do the work and pay two thirds of the cost in order that you can have something to hand out or mail out personally. Is your church taking full advantage of this way of remembering and reminding your contacts of the concern which you profess?

### I MUST ALSO SEE ROME

The Apostle Paul at Ephesus on his third missionary journey "purposed in the spirit," so we read, "to go to Jerusalem." He went on to say, "After I have been there I must also see Rome." Such plans recorded in one verse would take months and years to carry out. The voyage to Rome when it was finally made was far different than he had planned. The account of it in the 27th chapter of Acts is one of the most gripping sea stories in Christian literature. At least one complete book involving much research has been written about this trip to Rome.

Thousands upon thousands of people are saying, much as Paul said to the church people at Ephesus, "I must also see Rome." Their purposes are not the same and the hazards of the trip are now almost negligible. The apostle intended to complete his current missionary journey across the Aegean Sea and through Macedonia. Then, retracing his steps he would again visit Ephesus on his way to Jerusalem. With him it was Jerusalem first and Rome second or last. Today it is Rome first and Jerusalem second with most people. Rome claims to be the head of a

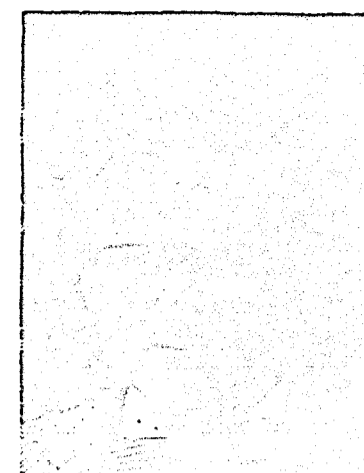
great world church, and the leaders of that church seek by every effective means to control the political situation in the nations of the world for the advancement of that church. Pilgrimages to Rome are seldom for the purpose of finding Christ, witnessing for Him, or evangelizing the people there who are without hope. Seeing the sights and gaining an audience with the Pope are the primary motives.

What about Jerusalem? This city is struggling for greater recognition in the minds of Protestants and Catholics as well as Jews as a tourist attraction. It is pointed out that from Rome to Jerusalem is only 3½ hours, a mere step, as it were, with the facilities of modern travel. It hardly seems possible to us who have thought of these places mostly in terms of what the New Testament tells us about the time involved in the spread of Christianity from Jerusalem throughout the Mediterranean world.

Most of us perhaps long for the time when we can go to Jerusalem and also see Rome. We would like to retrace the footsteps of Paul as the Catholic reporter Jim Bishop attempted to do. But why go to Jerusalem, or Rome either? Is it enough to see the sights made sacred by the witness borne there in ages past? Christianity must be renewed in every generation or it dies. It has died in large measure both in Jerusalem and in Rome. These cities need a fresh Christian witness and visitors truly committed to Christ will not weep with the Jews at the Wailing Wall but weep for the city as Jesus did, longing for a greater recognition of Christ as Savior and Messiah.

From Rome to Jerusalem is 3½ hours. How many places are there in our own land not more than 3½ hours away even by auto where we could bear witness to the saving grace of Christ? Do we think of travel just in terms of what we can see, or do we remember that in these places there are people who do not know that for them Christ died?

One lesson mankind has yet to learn is that sin cannot be cured by law.



### Let's Prepare for Conference

(An address given at Western Association, Sabbath afternoon, June 20)

By Wayne N. Crandall, president

On August 17 the General Conference convenes at Salem for the one hundred and forty-seventh annual session. I wish each of you present here today might be in attendance. There are undoubtedly many very good reasons many of you will not be able to do so. I wish to speak to you this afternoon about some of the things each of us can do and should do to get ready for Conference whether we go or whether we stay home.

First and foremost, each of us must more actively seek out the will of God in our own personal life. As our plans fail to work out may we understand that God may have a better plan for us; He may see a place where our life may be of infinitely greater service. May we again look at our Conference theme: **The Sabbath was made for man — by their fruits ye shall know them.**

In Sabbath School classes, in sermons, in youth programs, and discussions at home may we critically evaluate our customs and attitudes towards the Sabbath. This is our distinguishing contribution to Christianity. May we demonstrate by our lives that this is meaningful to us.

At the Conference we will attempt to study in a workshop the problems connected with Sabbathkeeping. This is to be conducted by the secretary of the Board of Christian Education, Rex Zwiebel. It is entitled "Meeting the Special Needs of Sabbathkeepers":

- a. Teenagers
- b. College Students
- c. Service Men
- d. Young married couples

If this workshop is to be a fruitful meeting each Seventh Day Baptist, both at Conference and at home, must try to be-

come familiar with these problems facing our young people. Each of us prayerfully studying these problems and seeking answers to them will enable us to guide our youth more intelligently. If each church can have representatives to each of these sections they can bring back interesting and valuable information for others.

The second half of the Conference theme, by their fruits ye shall know them, is fully as important as the first. Unless Seventh Day Baptists can demonstrate to the whole wide world that they do live constructive, fruitful lives of service they do not deserve to continue as a denomination.

In the Christian Herald's Daily Meditations for yesterday the Scripture reading was taken from Luke 9: 23: "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." The comment seemed especially good for us to consider:

A strange description was given in a recent book of what a person ought to be. The author wrote, "A person's antennae must be moving and his feelers waving with feverish intensity." That sounds like a busy life, with all "feelers" waving! The Christian life ought to be a busy life. If we are to be true followers of Christ who was sensitively aware of everyone in need, we ought to keep our hearts and minds aware of what goes on in our block, in our city, in our world, so that we can be instruments of God in mercy.

### Study Techniques of Service

To encourage Seventh Day Baptists to become more aware of the needs about them and to show them some techniques they may take home from Conference and put to immediate use, the Rev. Kenneth Smith is conducting a second workshop on Thursday afternoon, entitled, "Techniques from Christ's Ministry."

- a. Ministering to the needs of one in jail.
- b. Bringing comfort to the hospitalized.
- c. Welcoming a newcomer in the community.
- d. Bringing children to Vacation Bible School.
- e. Placing a tract in a person's hand.
- f. Meeting the needs of young people in trouble.

Is it because Seventh Day Baptists have the necessities of life, are living pretty much moral lives, and are on the right side of the tracks that we are oblivious to the crying needs of others? Right here and now let us study the needs of the criminal who is driven to riot, at the risk of his life, to get out of the hopeless situation in which he finds himself. May we bring comfort in the name of Christ to the ill, the stranger in our community, and to the teenager who is thoroughly confused and bewildered with the whole thing. I read last week that in our nation's capital for every 1,000 births there are 59 illegitimate white and 265 illegitimate non-white children born. What have you done in the last month or 6 months to help a young person raise his standards? These are areas in which we should be spending our time and energy.

If you feel your relations with your Savior are not just as good as they should be there will be three experienced ministers present for personal counseling following most of the evening meetings. This was the suggestion of a most dedicated person.

#### Finances

On May 31, 66.67% of the Our World Mission fiscal year had passed — eight months of the twelve. We had raised 54.47% of our budget. We should not place primary emphasis upon financial matters yet they are essential to our healthy growth. I am reminded of the statement made by a man of means who was asked to contribute to a remodeling fund in his church. His reply, "I am concerned with the spiritual aspect of the church, not financial matters."

One of the finest things that could happen to Commission is to meet one week prior to Conference with the entire OWM Budget raised in full. This will call for a superhuman endeavor. It calls for belt tightening, postponing the purchase of things we want and even need; it means filling each of the "little churches" to overflowing. We over-subscribed the budget last year, we have adopted a modest increase in the budget this year. Now let us each raise it.

Why go to Conference? To meet old

#### MEMORY TEXT

They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. Micah 4: 3b.

#### A LAMENT

By Irene Hulett

"Life is real, life is earnest,"  
Thoughtfully the poet said;  
And these words have lived and lingered  
Though the poet long is dead;  
Living yet the words he said!

His the pattern of years vanished  
Of the days when thought was strong  
When humanity accepted  
The belief in right and wrong;  
The destructiveness of wrong!

What has happened to the masses  
In this Twentieth Century;  
Why this easing of the conscience;  
Why this longing to be free;  
From restraint of action free?

Right and wrong seem merged together,  
No dividing line we see,  
No real struggling by the people  
For the soul's integrity;  
For the spirit's purity.

Youth for relaxation seeking,  
Not for earnestness of thought!  
Fun and pleasure fast pursuing  
Whatso'er the ruin wrought;  
Pleasure sometimes dearly bought.

Question I the consequences,  
What the end results will be  
When, as all restraint youth severs,  
Longing simply to be free;  
No restraint in life — just free!

friends. To see Salem and West Virginia for the first time. To have a vacation. All of these are good reasons. May we not forget the primary reason — to strengthen our understanding of God and our desire and purpose to serve Him. May we truly: "Deny ourselves, take up our cross daily, and follow him."

## Executive Secretary

### OWM SABBATH, JULY 11

"Decisions Determine Destiny!" This is the title of the lesson which the adults in our Sabbath School will be studying on Sabbath, July 11. Applied to OWM program for this year it seems quite appropriate. Your decision as to what you will give as an "over and above" gift or, if not a regular contributor, as a "special" gift to OWM Budget on this designated Sabbath will certainly play a part in determining the destiny of the OWM program of work for this year — and probably for next year too. And perhaps for many years to come! This one decision of each of us becomes very important!

Today dedicated people who make a Christian impact on the world about them are sorely needed. We believe Seventh Day Baptists are such people. OWM program is the kind of program that, through the cooperative effort of all of us, is capable of drawing new people to Christ and of helping each of us become more Christ-like.

As we decide to bring or send a gift to OWM Budget on Sabbath, July 11, let us each remember that decisions determine destiny.

#### Tract Board Meeting July 12

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society will be held in the Board Room of the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Plainfield, N. J., Sunday, July 12, at 2 p.m.

The various committees of the board will report their activities and announce the plans by which they hope to further the work of the society for the denomination. The Sabbath Promotion Committee, in particular, is expected to have its most interesting report of the year.

The board will take action on the 116th annual report of the Board of Trustees to the Society and statement to General Conference. It will also review the plans of a special committee which is preparing an attractive dramatic program for the first day of Conference. Visitors are welcome at board meetings.

### General Conference At Salem, W. Va. August 17-22

The local Housing Committee is surveying the community for available rooms for delegates to Conference. We hope for a large attendance, and it could be that there may not be enough rooms to accommodate all. Likely some will come with trailers which they will expect to use during Conference, and there may be some who will prefer to make their own arrangements at nearby motels or at Clarksburg hotels. Rooms in Seventh Day Baptist homes will be free of charge, and in motels and hotels charges will be reasonable.

It would be helpful to the Housing Committee to know as soon as possible what your wishes are in respect to lodging. Write to Mrs. Isabelle Flanigan, chairman of the Housing Committee, Salem, West Virginia.

— Publicity Committee.

#### Southwestern Association Notice

The president of the Southwestern Association, A. T. Bottoms of Long Island, Ala., is now able to announce a firm date for the four-day meeting of the churches, July 23-26. The Paint Rock, Ala., Church will be host to the Association this year. The theme, based on Psalm 119: 11 and John 1: 1, is "Hiding the Word." It is requested that names of visiting delegates be sent to Mr. Bottoms at once so that program arrangements can be completed. Visitors from afar are encouraged to attend. There will be a strong missionary emphasis throughout the four days of meetings since the Rev. David Pearson and his wife Bettie, returning from Nyasaland, will be present. It is the home church of Bettie Butler Pearson.

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POWER IN ACTION —  
In Nyasaland  
A Soul-stirring Testimony



The following statement was presented on the Missions Program of Eastern Association at Shiloh, N. J., June 13, by Miss Barbara Bivins, missionary candidate to Nyasaland. Miss Bivins has offered her services to go at an early date. The Executive Committee of the Missionary Board has considered her offer of service and is recommending that a call be extended to her at the July meeting of the Board of Managers. Announcement of this recommendation was made by the secretary of the Missionary Society just preceding the presentation of this statement. — E.T.H.

The speech that I had prepared has suddenly, just completely, left my memory because I am so thrilled with the news that I received today. I think instead of going on as I had planned I will just tell you some of what the Lord has laid on my heart.

Because of the sudden change which has come up in the plan, instead of going to school for another year or more, I plan to go to Glassboro Teachers College this summer and take some educational courses. Although I am a nurse there is a great need for teachers and I feel that I will be better equipped to serve the Lord as a true witness if I can fulfill all the duties that will be required of me.

Many of you ask how I can be sure that I should go to Africa. Is it right to leave home? Should I leave my family? Yes, I

feel that this is God's plan for me and this is where the power and action for my life will come in. There's much talk in Christian circles of the power of the Spirit and the power of God's Word. Power was given to the apostles at Pentecost from the Lord. They were given power to go forth into Jerusalem, Samaria and Judea, and to all parts of the earth to be witnesses for Christ. Power was given to Paul as he went about his early missionary duties, and that same power is given to those today whom the Lord calls to go forth.

One of the first big barriers, as I have mentioned, was the question in my own mind as to whether or not I should leave home. I was fearful a bit of just how my family would receive the news and although I know they will miss me and I know I'll miss them, I feel I have been given their O.K. by the fact that my parents gave me this Bible when I was graduated from Providence Barrington Bible College, and in the front my dad has written two portions of Scripture. One says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," and the other says, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might."

But again I can say my might can come only as I receive spiritual power from the Lord. There is a command given by Christ Himself in Matthew 28, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." This is the command and there is also set forth in the Scripture the urgency of the command, for in Psalm 115 we see a very pathetic picture of heathenism:

Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God? Our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased. Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands. They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not: they have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not: they have hands, but they handle not: feet they have, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat. They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them.

It was the vastness of this picture that compelled me to go even further in my plans for missionary work. In Romans 10, the urgency is further stressed, but here, also, a type of solution is given: "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" And for me that means without a missionary. "And how shall they preach," we read, "except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

For a while I thought it was not going to be mine to be able to give these glad tidings of good things to the folks in Nyasaland. I searched my heart trying to find what it was in my life that was preventing me from being able to go to the mission field. There are many things I know that still need to be changed. I felt for a while as if God was looking over all of His children and He was sending this one forth to work in closed churches in Maine, to open them up, that a Gospel message might be given there. Others He was sending into child evangelism. Some He was sending to Jamaica. My roommate at college He was sending to India, but I was being sent nowhere. I felt that I had been found a vessel, unfit for the Master's use, just a discarded lump of clay.

I didn't doubt His love. I just was fearful that there was not really a place for me to serve Him. And then this promise came to me from Genesis 28: 15. It is the same one God gave to Jacob as he was fleeing to his uncle: "And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." These were the very words that brought great comfort to my heart and it has been my favorite verse ever since.

"I am with thee."

If God be for me who could be against me?

"I will keep thee."

I wasn't discarded. I was kept by His love and kept for His use.

"And will bring thee again into this land."

What land I didn't know then.

"For I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of."

I was a child when I first felt the call to go to the mission field and, as I say, many times the way has been black and I haven't been able to see one step ahead. But I have His promise, "For I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." And today has been just such a blessing to me because of the news which I have just received and this is my prayer as I go forth:

May the mind of Christ my Savior  
Live in me from day to day,  
By His power and love controlling  
All I do and say.  
May the word of God dwell richly  
In my heart from hour to hour  
So that all may see  
That I triumph only in His power.  
May I run the race before me,  
Strong and brave to face the foe,  
Looking only unto Jesus  
As I onward go.  
May His duty rest upon me  
As I seek the lost to win  
And may they forget the channel  
Seeing only Him.

#### Western Association

There are six churches and one fellowship in the Western (N. Y.) Association with a total membership of 940, all within a radius of 25 miles.

Our June Association meeting was held in the Little Genesee Seventh Day Baptist Church, June 20-21, with a Sabbath day's attendance of about 250. The morning speaker was the Rev. Rex E. Zwiebel, executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education; his theme, "Faith Over Doubts." In the afternoon Conference President Wayne Crandall was the featured speaker, giving a preview of what could be expected at Salem, W. Va., in August under the topic, "Let's Go to Conference."

The youth group had a wiener roast and devotional service at Camp Harley, Alfred Station, Sabbath eve, June 19, and there was a service arranged by the adult committee in the Alfred Station Church for the adults. — Corresponding Secretary.

Prospectus  
For Maiden Hall  
Vocational Secondary School



One View of Maiden Hall

From the deep shade of a banana tree with the tail of a large stem of bananas curving into the center of the picture one glimpses the entrance to the beautiful chapel and the entrance to the well-built classroom on the left. Here education, agriculture, and Christian instruction will help to build well-rounded lives when the school opens.

An attractive prospectus for the "Maiden Hall Vocational Secondary School" is off the press. Copies have been received at the Missionary Board office.

The introductory paragraph reads: "In 1954 the Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Conference purchased 28 acres of land at Maiden Hall, St. Mary, on which to establish a country pre-vocational school where young people generally, as well as the youth from its churches, could receive such instruction. The school is under the auspices and management of the Board of Christian Education of the Seventh Day Baptist Conference."

The aims of the school are given as follows: "The aims of this school are to provide basic academic training and pre-vocational training to enable its pupils to obtain sound learning and to assist them to have basic skills in vocational subjects by which they may be able to earn their living. The school is a Christian school and

great emphasis is given to the moral and religious development of its pupils.

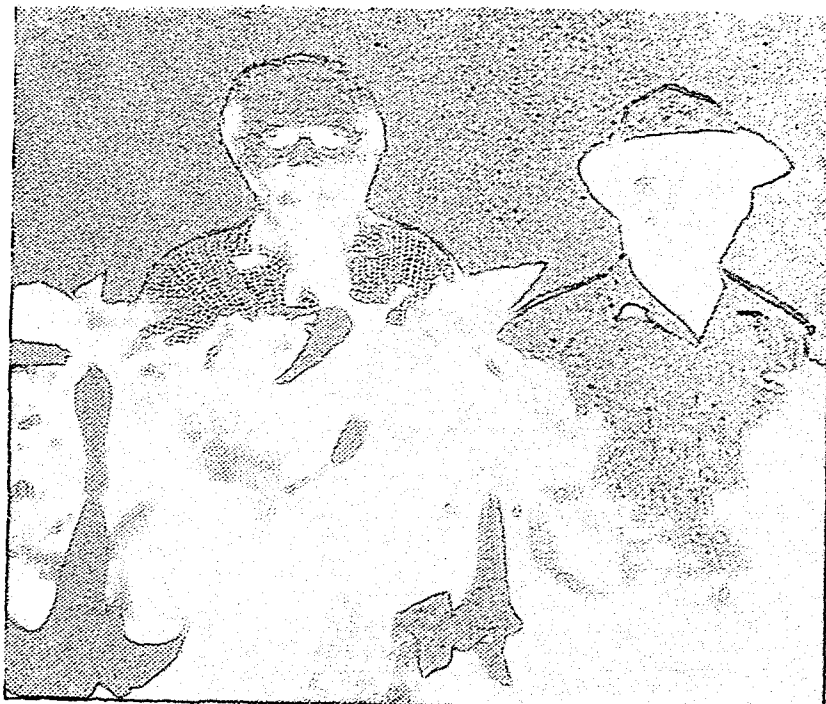
"Courses will lead to preparation for the General Certificate of Education Examination (G.C.E.). The full course of study is 5 years.

"Day - students and boarding - students will be recruited from those who have satisfactorily completed their elementary education (Form 6) and would be accepted by passing an entrance examination.

"The school year is divided in 3 terms each of 12-13 weeks. The first term will start in September, 1959."

Boarding facilities will be provided for 16 students. "Day-students can arrange for noon meals at the dining hall at a minimum cost."

One of the rules of the school: "Attendance at the religious services in the chapel is compulsory."



Back of the huge trumpet blossoms at Maiden Hall stand Rev. and Mrs. Charles Smellie who have given 4½ years to develop the farm property.

The opening of Maiden Hall School under the principalship of Roger Cazziol means the culmination of a hope and dream of our Jamaica brethren for many years.

BALANCE OWM BUDGET  
and do your part  
for OWM Program  
July 11, 1959

When and Where Will  
The Pearsons Arrive?

In spite of previous assurance by the travel bureau that the time and place of arrival of the SS African Lightning would be available soon after the middle of June, this information is still not forthcoming. The following was received on June 29 from Macpherson Travel Bureau:

The African Lightning is due to arrive on or about July 14 at either Baltimore, Boston, or New York.

At the moment it is scheduled to arrive in Boston but this is still subject to change. Definite word may be heard about July 9.

A portion of a letter from the Rev. David Pearson postmarked "Capetown, S. Africa," also received on June 29, gives the following:

"Our ship arrived here this morning (June 22) and sails at 5 p.m. if all goes according to plan.

"We boarded ship on June 8 at Beira and sailed on the 11th. We have called at a number of ports and loaded an enormous amount of goods. All of this has taken a lot of time. The sea has been exceptionally smooth, although the last two nights were not conducive to sleep.

"I cannot say just where or when we will arrive. Our ticket takes us to the first U.S. port at which we arrive. Captain Hickey, a New Englander, thinks it will be Boston, however he cannot say definitely as I believe it depends upon instruction he is yet to receive.

"Our arrival should be on or near July 11. Seek last-minute information from travel agencies."

Definite information will be given, if at all possible, as soon as received.

Vacation Time Is Here

On the back page of the June issue of *Missions* magazine, a Baptist publication, is this timely message, "On both the Home Mission and Foreign Mission Fields, your missionaries must be able to perform their ministries unhampered. Only by means of your cooperation — through your gifts — is this possible.

"Prior to leaving for your summer holiday, be certain that your church pledge has been honored so that His work may continue successfully while you are away."

Seventh Day Baptists may well read and act accordingly. "For God's work there is no vacation."

Makapwa Mission Plans

Dr. Victor Burdick as acting head of the mission at Makapwa, Nyasaland, reports: "We are all bearing up under our new responsibilities quite well so far. We know that for increased burdens, the Lord always gives increased strength. The joys of marriage lighten the burdens also, and are contagious."

Because of the increased burden that has come upon our workers at the mission it has now been decided to drop Standards IV and V from the teaching work of the mission and to discontinue the boarding school. It is hoped that tentative plans may work out for sending additional mission workers in the near future.

School of Theology News

Six men were graduated from Alfred University School of Theology with the Bachelor of Divinity degree on June 7 already having been appointed to pulpits in the area.

John F. Beeson of Corfu, N. Y., Robert A. Jones of Buffalo, David W. Phelps of Eldred, Pa., Revere C. Perkins of Ulysses, Pa., and Jesse M. Young of Scio, N. Y., were ordained as elders in the Methodist Genesee Conference the morning of their graduation. The ordination took place at Buffalo.

Raymond H. Lieber was ordained at the Congregation Christian Church of Moravia, N. Y., a week later. Dean Albert N. Rogers was invited to participate in the ordination ceremony there.

Eugene Fatato has studied three years at the Alfred University School of Theology. During the past year he supplied regularly at the Methodist Church at Troupsburg, N. Y.

He has accepted the call of the Little Genesee, N. Y., Church, beginning his work in that parish July 1. (See Recorder of June 29.) Mr. and Mrs. Fatato have two sons, Paul Jean and Nicholas, Jr.

— A. N. Rogers.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON  
for July 18, 1959

Friendliness for Newcomers  
Lesson Scripture:

Ruth 1: 19 through 2: 2; 4: 13-17.



## Young Adult Retreat

On June 17 a brochure on the Retreat for Young Adults was sent to the pastors of our churches giving details. The brochure asks that any young adult who plans to attend send his name to our office. In order that adequate accommodations can be supplied, it is quite necessary that we have a fairly complete advance registration. At a meeting of the Youth Work Committee on June 18, the fee for Young Adult Retreat was set at \$17 for individuals, and \$15 a person for married couples. As plans are now all retreaters will be housed in one building and the discussions and lectures will be held in the assembly room of that building. We hope that enough Seventh Day Baptists will respond to this, our first endeavor at holding a retreat for this age group, so that additional rooms will be needed.

Anyone who has not received a brochure about the retreat may obtain one upon writing our office, Board of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y.

Watch for further announcement.

## Missionary Stories

The mimeographing and mailing of "Missionary Stories" by Joan and Beth have been completed, and two copies have been sent to each church. Additional copies may be secured from the Board of Christian Education.

## Sabbath Stories

Some time ago we appealed to the readers of the Sabbath Recorder for stories of Sabbath experiences. We have not had enough response to make a printing. Will you share your Sabbath experience with the denomination and the world? Write it, and mail it today.

*Conference Theme*

The Sabbath was made for man  
— by their fruits ye shall know them.

August 17-22 at Salem, W. Va.

## The Unexpected Ship

## Carried Mercy

By Carl E. Hult\*

A nod a month is all the island of Ul Long Do, midway between Japan and Korea in the Sea of Japan, normally gets from the outside world. Once a month a little passenger and freight boat anchors as close as it can to the ring of steep cliffs that rise sharply from the water's edge to wall in the island. From the moment the boat pulls away until it sails back in thirty days, Ul Long Do is as isolated as it was a hundred years ago. Only a radio telegraph, beaming messages to Korea, gives the world an occasional reminder of the island's existence.

Behind the rocky cliff wall of Ul Long Do, 17,000 Koreans try to live on the meager crops they scratch from the stony, volcanic soil of their hillside farms, and the fish they can catch in the sea. Even when nature smiles on them the islanders struggle on the fringes of starvation.

In 1958 there was no smile.

First, warm currents in the Sea of Japan cut the catch of fish to less than half the average in normal years. Then, in the fall, a lashing hailstorm flattened acres of precious crops. Winter swept bitter storms out of Siberia, the worst most islanders had ever known.

By mid-January food supplies were nearly exhausted. Many of the peasants had nothing to eat but grass and seaweed. Cold and malnutrition took their toll in illness — and Ul Long Do has no hospital, and only one doctor.

The people of Ul Long Do are used to hard times — but by February, 1959, they were desperate. They had appealed to the South Korean government in Seoul. But there was little the authorities on the war-ravaged mainland could offer. It seemed there was nothing to do but starve.

And then, one February day, an unfamiliar ship sailed toward one of the rocky promontories the island calls its

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"ports." It was not the usual freighter, but a light transport belonging to the Navy of the Republic of South Korea, and it came from the direction of Pusan.

Curious, only expecting it carried military supplies, the islanders watched it drop anchor, watched small boats lowered and loaded with boxes, barrels, and kegs. On each of them was a stamp in unfamiliar English characters: Church World Service.

Nearly three thousand one-hundred-pound bags of flour and cornmeal and seven hundred and twenty cases of used clothing were stored in the holds of the ship. Its passageways were lined with drums of powdered milk and nine hundred and twelve cases of cheese were lashed to its forward deck. They were gifts of American churchgoers to the people of Ul Long Do.

It took four days to get the food from the ship to the rocky island. It took days more to divide it among the hungry, incredulous people.

To many the food meant the difference between life and death. To almost all it meant two adequate meals a day instead of a single scanty one.

With their heartfelt thank-yous came repeated expressions of amazement that people so far away could have thought of helping them. And voices rose in an added chorus of relief and gratitude when it was learned there would be another distribution in two or three weeks. Several months would pass before spring crops could mature, and with two shipments of food the people of Ul Long Do could survive until the early barley harvest in June.

## Our World Mission,

## A Call to Action

By Mark Wiley

The Captain of our salvation has issued a command: Go ye therefore, and teach all nations baptizing them . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Note the words all nations. This means our own nation also, where there are multitudes of foreign-speaking peoples in our large cities who

need the light of the word of truth which we can give them. The greatest possibility for the growth of our own denomination is in these large centers of population. This fact should be recognized and acted upon without delay. We can accomplish nothing without action.

We should remember that foreign missions exist only by virtue of home missions and unless we grow at home we cannot expect our foreign missions to grow. If our work in foreign fields is to continue to be supported by our denomination then it is most imperative that we make greater efforts to increase our membership in the homeland. To attain this we must make greater efforts to reach the great populations of our country.

How can we make a start and reach the large foreign populations of our teeming large cities such as New York or Chicago and others? There is one way of reaching those who cannot read or write English and that is by the Tract Society printing tracts in foreign tongues, so these people can understand the truth which we can impart to them. The tract can be our cheapest and most potent means of reaching these people.

All our agencies should recognize that they have only one excuse for their existence and that is the Great Commission which they have from their Lord and Master Jesus Christ. Our Associations should have one thing in mind in all their gatherings and that is evangelism. Without this, they will be impotent and can accomplish nothing worthy of a people who are called after the name of Christ.

Let us have faith and action as the fruit of that faith. God is willing to help us accomplish that which we may think impossible. With men, it may be, but with God all things are possible. "Go ye!" "Forward march!" is the command.

## Where Are They Now?

The Sabbath Recorder is glad to publish changes of address of people who have served the denomination well. One such request comes from Nettie G. Bottoms, widow of the Rev. E. H. Bottoms. Her new address is Commercial Street, Farnham, N. Y.

# The Christian Schoolteacher

By D. Alva Crandall\*

The teacher, like the parent, holds a key position in determining the future of the nation and of the world. That future, humanly speaking, depends upon the character, ideals, and ambitions of each new generation as it takes over from the preceding one. Hence character-building is the supreme end of all education. Without it, increased knowledge, and the development of skills, will prove a curse instead of a blessing.

It follows that the teacher has a wonderful opportunity and responsibility; and I do not see how anyone can measure up to either unless he sits at the feet of the Great Teacher and absorbs a generous portion of His spirit: His love for truth, His understanding of humanity as individuals and en masse, His unselfish devotion, and His unfailing sympathy.

There are many ways in which a teacher's ideals and personality shine out through his daily work: the handling of his subjects; his reaction to the personalities, problems, and questions of his pupils; his contacts with adults and community problems. To be helpful, he does not

need to be "preachy" or officious; he does need to be sure of his ground and yet humble, remembering that he, too, has his shortcomings. He must try to see each person and situation as Christ would, and to act in His spirit.

In the community, a Christian teacher can be an active influence for good. I have always felt that I should show my colors but not flaunt them, stand solidly with those seeking to follow my Master, and find a definite place to work in one of the churches of the community, without abating my loyalty to God's Sabbath, or any other phase of His will as I understand it.

In these ways, I am convinced that teachers, as well as people in other occupations, can be a positive influence for good, and can win respect, if not acceptance, for their principles and for the group to which they belong.

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## LET'S THINK IT OVER

### Do Protestants Think Logically?

Our Sunday Visitor, a Catholic paper with very wide circulation among Roman Catholics, asked a question a few years ago which is still being asked by propagandists of that faith. The question: "Since Protestants accept our Christmas, Easter, and Sunday, why not our Pope?"

It is probable that many ask this question in all sincerity. They would seem to have a logical sequence in their thinking. Historically all these celebrations are of church origin rather than Biblical origin. They are tied rather closely with the rising power of the Roman Church. Protestants may discover a flaw in the argument but it is close enough to the truth to be uncomfortable.

Seventh Day Baptists and other Sabbath-keepers have avoided at least part of the

argument; they do not accept the authority of the Catholic Church or any post-apostolic church to change the divinely appointed day of rest and worship. Perhaps they ought also to do a little logical thinking in order to avoid the remainder of the Catholic argument.

Bishop Otto Dibelius, Bishop of Berlin and Brandenburg, in a London address before the British Bible Society, told of the courageous fight of the Christians of East Germany against the anti-Christian pressures. "There is no longer a no-man's land of nominal Christians," he stated. Persecution separates the real from the nominal.

We notice the shortcomings of others because we are far from perfect ourselves.

# Teen Talk

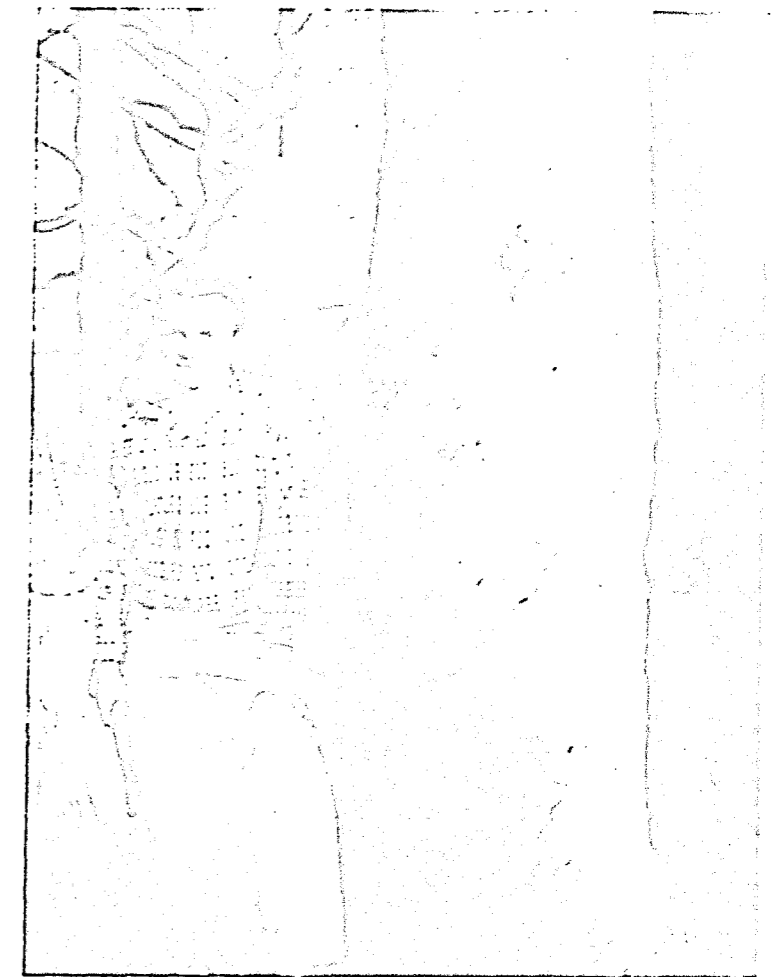
## Of Youth and Trees

What do you see in the picture? Perhaps not all the photographer saw when he looked through the eye of the camera. You see the boy with the rifle. You can only guess that he was a high school senior with untiring energy and all the vim, vigor, and vitality that go with top-notch health on a spring day and a brand new rifle.

We met him on a walk over the steep ridges of Alfred Station, N. Y. To us the name didn't matter; he was a boy proud of his new gun and careful in the way he handled it on his first woodchuck hunt of the season. Like other boys, he was willing to run up and down those hills to set up a safe target when we who were older were content to walk. He was stalwart and fine and purposeful — we felt sure. However, there were a few things about his language that made us wonder if his life was dedicated to the Lord. We felt that he would succeed in whatever he set his hand to do, but would he keep his life pure? Would he set his hand and mind to the things that would win him the respect of Christian men as he grew older? That we could not tell from the few minutes we were with him.

Beside the youth stands a tree, or what once was a tree. Again, you may not be able to see all of the detail of this unusual old tree. It once was as young and straight as the boy. It reached for the heaven above, as all little trees do. Now the truth about that tree can be known. Its branches are gone; its bark has fallen off; we can see how it grew and how it died. Just for the record, it was a cherry tree, its heartwood is red, as cherry wood is, and its exterior whitened with sun, wind, and rain.

The noteworthy thing about this old tree standing like a monument to its past life is the grain of the wood which you can see in the picture. It is quite crooked, running in a sharp spiral from bottom to top, not at all like cherry trees ought to grow. If that tree were cut down for wood and the blocks split with an axe by the boy who stands beside the trunk, his mother would hardly be able to get the



crooked sticks into the stove to bake a cherry pie. And, too, this tree was a wild one; it probably never bore any fruit that was worth eating.

I like trees. This one interests me, but I would not want my sons to grow like this one. I would hope that in the days of their energetic youth they could have such purpose and guidance that they would develop straight-grained, purposeful, fruit-bearing lives. I believe that this is possible only by a conscious determination to do the will of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. How is your life going to appear as you grow older and look back upon it?

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

### Medical Missionaries See Miniature Microscope

A miniature microscope no bigger than a pocket camera was demonstrated in New York for medical missions personnel at the 28th annual conference of the Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work. Produced in England, the McArthur Microscope can be operated in the hand and is unaffected by vibration even in planes and jeeps, Dr. Robert G. Cochrane told a group of 57 doctors and nurses from



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overseas. He is technical medical advisor to the American Leprosy Mission and was for many years principal of the Christian Medical College in Vellore, India. The microscope is ideally suited for use in jungle heat or freezing temperatures, he said, and was part of the equipment taken on a recent Antarctic expedition.

— Religious Newsweekly.

## Church World Service in Jamaica

Wherever there is a need or a potential need Church World Service seems to have an appointed representative on the job. It is interesting to note that the Rev. Raymond W. Sember (United Presbyterian) has been assigned to Jamaica, W. I., where he has been elected secretary of the Jamaica Christian Council. In addition to administering the Church World Service Relief program, which feeds more than 135,000 children and indigent old people and assists victims of hurricanes and other disasters, Mr. Sember is directing youth work and cooperative interdenominational programs for the council.

## Accessions

### Coudersport, Pa. (First Hebron)

By Testimony:

Mrs. Ronald Brock

By Testimony (Associate Members):

Mrs. Leta Burdick

Mrs. William Thompson

Mrs. Roy Tompson

Mrs. Leonard Kenyon

By Baptism:

Alva Thompson

Roy Thompson

Jack Thompson

George Tompson

Joan Brock

Betty Brock

Julia Knowlton

Jacqueline Swift

Paul Snyder

Keith Kenyon

### Little Genesee, N. Y.

By Baptism:

David Whitney

Douglas Traver

Linda Traver

Carlene Polen

David Sanford

Cynthia Sanford

### Stonefort, Ill.

By Baptism:

Leland L. Lewis

Benjamin B. Lewis

## Vocational Committee News

Correspondence received from the Vocational Committee which serves the whole denomination indicates at least two areas of activity. Steps are being taken to get someone to develop and maintain a file of vocational interests and opportunities.

The committee "is interested in sponsoring the formation of a Federal Credit Union, or some type of credit union in order to have available some funds for productive purposes." A government pamphlet explaining how such credit unions can be formed and supervised is available to all who are interested. Send 15 cents to Supt. of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. Ask for "Federal Credit Union Bylaws."

## Marriages

**Wells-Siler.** — Leland Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wells of Farina, Ill., and Miss Bernadine Siler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Siler of Bradford, Ark., were married at the First Baptist Church in Bradford, on Sunday, May 31, 1959.

**Spaur-Bond.** — Ronald Eugene Spaur, of Ireland, W. Va., and Anna Margaret Bond, daughter of L. Main and Gertrude Bond, were united in marriage at the home of the bride in Roanoke, W. Va., at the close of the Sabbath, June 20, 1959, by the bride's pastor, the Rev. Duane L. Davis.

**Cutsforth-Ling.** — Allan L. Cutsforth, of New Auburn, Wis., and Wanda L. Ling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ling of New Auburn, were united in marriage May 16, 1959, in the Seventh Day Baptist Church by the bride's pastor, the Rev. Don A. Sanford.

## Obituaries

**Blough.** — Anna M., daughter of Isaac P. and Mary Reighard Burkheimer, was born at Cessna, Pa., November 3, 1874, and died at Roaring Spring, Pa., June 15, 1959.

She was married at Johnstown, Pa., to Charles K. Blough on June 3, 1896. Mr. Blough died in 1923.

She was a faithful member of the Salemville Seventh Day Baptist Church, where she served in many ways, including many years as president of the Ladies' Aid, treasurer of the Sabbath School, and a Sabbath School teacher.

Surviving are one son, Deacon Albert C. Blough of Salemville (New Enterprise, Pa.), where she made her home, and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held in the "Brick" Seventh Day Baptist Church at Salemville, conducted by the Rev. Duane L. Davis, of Lost Creek, W. Va., and burial was in the Salemville Cemetery. — D.L.D.



## Nyasaland Missionaries

On furlough after nearly four years as head of the Seventh Day Baptist Mission in Nyasaland, Africa, is the Rev. David Pearson, and his family. Missionary work in that little tropical country is arduous. We salute this couple upon their arrival for a year of rest, study, and speaking. Let all Christians strive to match the devotion of our missionaries and give prayer-support to the work.