

OUR WORLD MISSION  
Statement of the Treasurer, June 30, 1959

BUDGET RECEIPTS

	Treasurer's		Boards'	Treasurer's		Boards'
	June	9 months	9 months	June	9 months	9 months
Bal., June 1 ....\$	5.05					
Adams Center ..	141.37	782.95				
Albion .....		422.99				
Alfred, 1st .....	657.65	3,072.39	5.00			
Alfred, 2nd .....	222.75	1,586.02	39.00			
Associations & Groups .....	467.18	626.49	247.04			
Battle Creek ....	535.26	4,259.34	64.39			
Bay Area .....			50.00			
Berlin .....	21.43	581.16	156.00			
Boulder .....	48.20	494.01	25.00			
Brookfield, 1st ..		450.75	55.00			
Brookfield, 2nd ..		318.55				
Buffalo .....		150.00				
Chicago .....	69.59	761.34	420.00			
Daytona Beach ..	75.25	588.75				
Denver .....	144.15	489.51	50.00			
DeRuyter .....		415.77	14.00			
Dodge Center ..	58.03	893.96	700.00			
Edinburg .....		105.00				
Farina .....		168.05				
Fouke .....	30.00	151.90				
Hebron, 1st ....		165.67				
Hopkinton, 1st ..	76.70	1,426.00				
Hopkinton, 2nd ..		46.00				
Independence ....		809.00				
Individuals .....	58.00	2,712.00	384.06			
Irvington .....		800.00				
Jackson Center ..		10.00				
Little Genesee ..		302.26	15.00			
Los Angeles .....	860.00	2,205.00	25.00			
L. A., Christ's ..		125.00				
				\$5,897.19	\$57,448.12	\$3,401.27

TREASURER'S DISBURSEMENTS

	Budget (Designated & Undesig.)
Missionary Society .....	\$2,592.67
Board of Christian Education .....	474.04
Ministerial Training .....	637.34
Ministerial Retirement .....	770.51
Historical Society .....	103.73
Women's Society .....	98.67
General Conference .....	496.10
Tract Society .....	655.42
Trustees of General Conference .....	45.10
World Fellowship and Service .....	23.55
	\$5,897.13
Balance, June 30 .....	.06

NON-BUDGET GIFTS

June Receipts .....	\$10.00
June Disbursements:	
Salem College .....	\$10.00

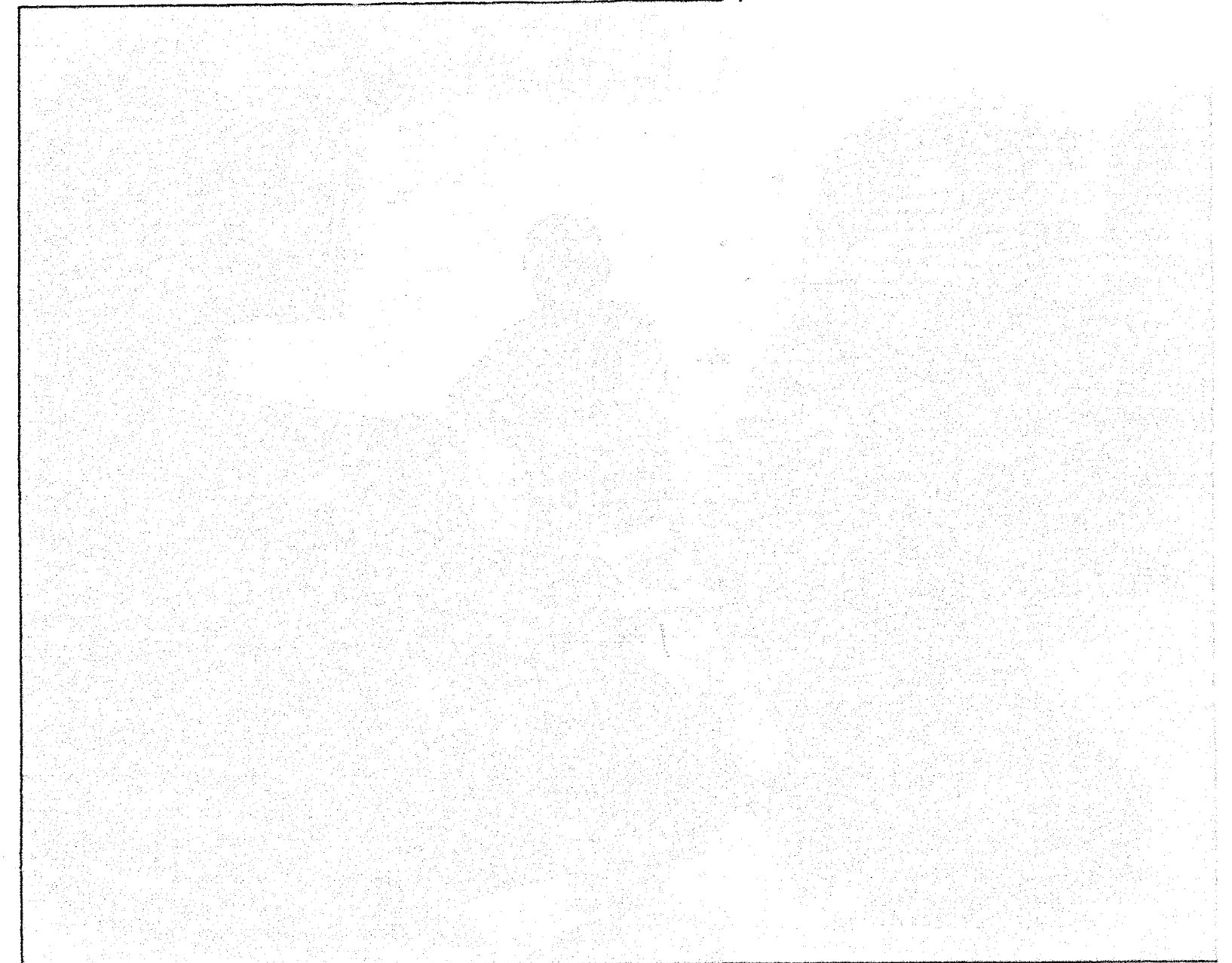
SUMMARY

Current annual budget .....	\$99,735.00
Treasurer's budget receipts 9 mos. ....	57,448.12
Boards' budget receipts 9 mos. ....	3,401.27
	\$60,849.39
Remainder required in 3 mos. ....	\$38,885.61
Percentage of budget yr. elapsed .....	75.00%
Percentage of budget raised .....	61.01%

Eldred H. Batson,  
Treasurer.

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# The Sabbath Recorder



THEY TOO MUST BE TAUGHT

World Refugee Year, just begun, is a time when Christians remind themselves to deal out their bread to the hungry and to teach the untaught how to read the message of God's Word. Schools in India on the primary level often consist of only a Christian teacher and a small group of children.

GENERAL CONFERENCE MEETS AT SALEM, W. VA., AUGUST 17-22

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## Facts About Alcohol

Your editor would like to commend to thoughtful readers the unbiased, scientific booklet entitled "Basic Facts About Alcohol," which is described by Fred Squires elsewhere in this issue. Any leader who has occasion to refer to alcohol statistics will find this large-type, easy-to-read document one of the most usable ever compiled. "It has no ax to grind," writes Mr. Squires from his Surveys and Research office in Chicago, and we concur.

When is a driver considered intoxicated? Some laws provide that a man with 5% of alcohol in the blood is to be considered sober but with 15% he is intoxicated. In the zone between, law enforcement officials may use their discretion. Usually they do not accuse a man unless he has the maximum. The Journal of the American Medical Association, March 22, 1958, stated: "When the accused is found to have the physical symptoms of intoxication and a blood level of 0.05% he should not be exonerated on the basis of chemical tests."

The above is a sample of what is found in the booklet. Under another heading it explains how much drinking it takes to produce a concentration of 5% of alcohol in the blood. It takes just a little more than two beers or two cocktails, or about one ounce of pure alcohol. What effect does this concentration (which cannot be avoided if one drinks) have on driving? It can be described as about the same as wearing dark sunglasses at night.

One of the most interesting statements from the Christian point of view is that loss of judgment and the capacity for self-criticism occur before obvious symptoms of intoxication. It is here that the Bible speaks in no uncertain terms. Take, for instance, 1 Corinthians 11: 31, "For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged." This was written, as we may well recall, in connection with an abuse of the Lord's Supper that had crept into the new Gentile church at Corinth. The abuse had to do with drinking of wine in connection with the Communion service. Thus we are not taking out of context those words about judging ourselves.

Now here is the situation with alcohol. He who drinks only moderately is wearing dark glasses in front of his eyes, is dim-

ming his judgment, and is deliberately limiting his capacity for self-criticism. What one of us, professing to be a Christian, can afford to limit this capacity? The old nature still clings to us after conversion. It is nowhere more noticeable than in self-justification. That is one of our besetting sins. To combat it we need all of our powers and the conscious indwelling of the Holy Spirit. For a Christian to lower his guard or to limit his capacity to criticize himself is to fall into serious sin — not necessarily crime, but sin. In the day of judgment the Righteous Judge will hold us accountable for this type of sin, which is accentuated by even a moderate use of beverage alcohol.

## Ecumenical Press Service

Did you know that the Sabbath Recorder has the very best facilities for keeping posted on World Council of Churches news? Perhaps you did not, for the editor has never taken occasion to mention it. Your periodical subscribes to Ecumenical Press Service and pays the extra cost of air mail to get ten pages of news every week direct from WCC headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland.

The fact that ours is a weekly rather than a monthly publication makes it advisable to ask for the fastest mail service so that if anything unusual happens anywhere in the world which is concerned with inter-church relationships covered by EPS, our readers can get that news quicker in the Sabbath Recorder than in most other religious periodicals. The fact that we work closer to our deadline than most others is also a benefit to our readers.

What we have just said does not imply that articles in the Recorder marked EPS are always as fresh as the most recent air mail from Geneva. It only means that if there is room, and if the news is important enough to command immediate publication, our readers will hear it first in the Sabbath Recorder. Naturally there is not room for much of this material. Priority is given in our pages to the events and the thoughts that are esteemed to be most interesting and vital to the majority of our subscribers, who are Seventh Day Baptists.

JULY 20, 1959

The editor saw some pictures recently of WCC work that seemed to tell a gripping story. Ordered from Geneva by air mail, they were available for printing in less than a week. Such service is gratifying.

Our people, we believe, want to know what is going on in the religious world as well as what is happening in our local churches, but we desire not just to know but to keep things in proper balance. We have no desire to be like the Athenians who "spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing" (Acts 17: 21). We have listened to Paul on Mars Hill and in his epistles. Therefore our greater concern is with the Word of God and with proclaiming Jesus Christ and Him crucified. We weep with Paul over cities that are full of unbelief and unrighteousness. Our periodical seeks to echo the faith-building, life-building messages of the apostles to the churches.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

### Songs for Worship

Looking for a new songbook for Sabbath School or a small, moderate-priced hymnal? If so, your committee might like to consider the new one just published by Zondervan of Grand Rapids, Mich. Its 279 "best loved hymns and Gospel songs" appear to be unusually well selected. Some are new, and many older ones are not often found within the same book. Your editor counted 35 that he did not remember seeing in other songbooks.

Cliff Barrows of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Team says: "Songs for Worship is one of the finest hymnals that I have seen . . . an excellent job of combining the favorite hymns, beautiful binding and moderate price, which makes this outstanding hymnal available to any church. I heartily recommend it."

### How Many Refugees?

We are starting what is called World Refugee Year, a year of giving special emphasis to the refugee problem. Most of us, living secure and at ease, quickly forget the vast numbers who are barely living in places that can only take on a slight semblance of home when those who profess to care show that they do care.

Do we realize that in Hong Kong alone there are some three million refugees from Red China dependent largely on Church World Service for food, clothing, and medical supplies?

A large, modern community center in Hong Kong, made possible in part by gifts from American church people to Church World Service, has been formally dedicated. The center fills a drastic need in a city with probably the highest refugee population in the world, Dr. Kenneth G. Hobart, of CWS, reminds us. An average of 10,000 new refugees arrive legally and illegally in Hong Kong every month.

### Do Our Churches Grow?

The question is rather pointedly asked by some friends of Seventh Day Baptists (and sometimes by those who are not really interested) — do your churches grow? The editor, calling recently in the home of a friend who believes in the Sabbath but does not find it possible to attend our church services, was asked by the devout woman, "Are there revivals in your churches? Are they putting forth real effort to grow?"

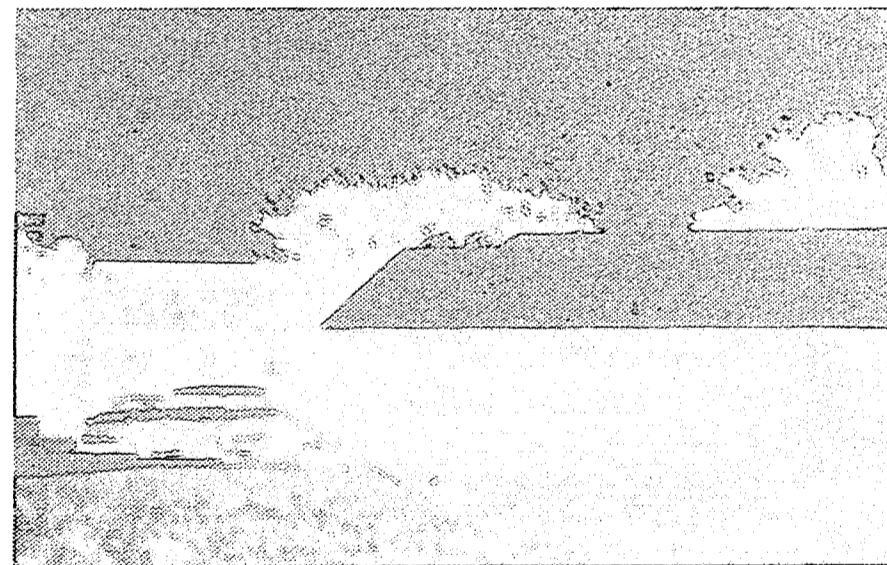
It is a bit difficult to explain to one who does not know our churches individually the differences between them, and why no one type of effort will bring conversions and new church members in every community. Sometimes we are forced to be a little apologetic because our Year Book statistics are not very impressive.

In that connection we can perhaps take refuge in some of the experiences of our Lord and Master. No Christian will entertain the thought that Jesus was not a good preacher, that He did not know how to do personal work, or that His ideas about the building up of His Church were incorrect. Nevertheless, we read of some failures. It is said (and He gave the reason Himself) that in His own town He "could there do no mighty work" because of their unbelief. In other places multitudes hung on His words and presented themselves for baptism and admission to the circle of His disciples.

The unwillingness to abandon a sinful way of life seems to be stronger in some

places than in others. The willingness to follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit as He speaks through human instruments is weaker in some circumstances and places than in others. This adds up to admitting that we cannot predict universal success when trying to bring about changes that involve the will of man. We can only rejoice when we see such successes. That also is Scriptural. There would not be such great rejoicing in heaven "over one sinner that repenteth" if every sinner was easily brought to the foot of the cross.

This leads up to a certain degree of rejoicing with one of our smaller churches which has experienced quite an ingathering of souls. The Sabbath Recorder recently received for publication from the pastor of the Marlboro, N. J., Church a list of 17 accessions — mostly by baptism and testimony. This is not the only pastor who has had the joy within the past month or so of welcoming into membership a considerable number of new members who have been prayed for and who have been nurtured by the faithful ministrations of the church. Vacation Bible Schools and camps will doubtless lead to many more additions to the Lord's fold and the local church fold.



Marlboro Parsonage and Church

The editor of the Sabbath Recorder would be glad to print pictures of churches or groups of new members when the total is in the neighborhood of 15. Pastors are again reminded that a six months' trial subscription is offered free to new Seventh Day Baptists in this country when adequate information accompanies the accessions mailed to the editor.

Do our churches grow? Yes, they do, in the providence of God.

### MEMORY TEXT

"But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God" (John 1: 12, RSV).

### General Conference At Salem, W. Va.

August 17 - 22

#### Eating Facilities

Provision is being made for excellent mealtime service during Conference at Salem, August 17 - 22.

In addition to the several fine eating places in town, the College Cafeteria will be in full operation throughout the week, as a convenience to all in attendance.

The College Cafeteria has been redecorated and several items of new equipment have been installed, making it possible, by rotating the use of chairs, to serve 250 persons or more at any one mealtime.

To make adequate preparation, the cafeteria management would like to have some indication as to the number of people expecting to eat at the cafeteria. All registrants who would like to eat on the college campus are urged to send a postcard right away to Mrs. Blanche Marks, College Cafeteria, Salem, West Virginia.

Meals will cost \$1.00 or less per meal, depending upon the amount of food selected. Half-servings at half-price will be available for children 12 years of age or under. Meal tickets will be available at time of registration on the Salem College campus.

#### Opportunity for Mealtime Work

Fifteen young people will have an opportunity to work for their meals during Conference time (August 17-22) at Salem, according to the cafeteria management.

Those who are interested in such employment should write immediately to Mrs. Blanche Marks, College Cafeteria, Salem, West Virginia.

In the letter of application the following matters should be included: age and sex of applicant; previous experience with feeding services, if any; work preference

— dishwashing, serving tables, food preparation, kitchen and dining room clean-up, etc.; expected time of arrival in Salem; a letter of reference from the pastor of the applicant's church; and any other information which might be helpful.

It will be necessary for each cafeteria helper to work approximately three hours per day, each day of Conference.

Those who are selected for this special service will be notified by mail and should expect to give priority to this assignment from the time of their arrival in Salem.

### THE HOUSE IS NOT THE HOME

The house itself is not the home,  
Though beautiful it stands,  
Designed by master architects  
And built by skilful hands;  
For wealth may build a structure grand —  
A mansion, if you please —  
But beauty doesn't make a home,  
Nor splendor, pomp, and ease.

A home is made of loving hearts  
And faces bright with smiles,  
Of gentle hands that help us on  
Along life's weary miles.  
It has a lot of peace and cheer,  
And plenty of good will;  
A lot of joy to keep us well,  
Or sympathy when ill.

A house may be a lonely place,  
Or place of mere abode;  
Instead of bringing joy and peace  
May add a greater load  
Because of those who fret and frown,  
And hate instead of love;  
Who bring a bitterness to life,  
Not bliss from God above.

A home is sweet, though rich or poor,  
If Jesus dwells within —  
Abiding in our hearts and lives  
And overcoming sin;  
Then bringing Heaven's sunshine down  
To cheer us on our way,  
And lead us through this toilsome world  
To Heaven's golden day.

— Walter E. Isenhour.  
Taylorsville, N. C.

# The Source of Power

By Lester G. Osborn

"Ye shall receive the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon you" (Acts 1: 8, AV margin).

Have you bought your ticket to the moon yet? A number of people have applied for such tickets. We are assured that the first trip will be within five years. Who will say, "It can't be done!" Artificial satellites have been put into orbit; two monkeys have been sent 300 miles into the air and returned to earth. Atomic-powered submarines have sailed under the polar ice cap; not to mention long-range guided missiles, Univac, and other great machines which do unbelievable things.

The other night on the news broadcast over television, we saw a replica of the first airplane. A clumsy looking thing it was — a far cry from our jet-propelled planes today, which often annoy us by breaking the sound barrier overhead. Do you remember when 25 miles per hour was terrific speed for an automobile, and a young chap who "loafed along at 40" was considered extremely reckless? Go to an automobile museum and look at the stylish models of those days, and then look in the show windows and at the cars on the highways.

The older generation may remember going to a neighbor's "way back when" to marvel over the hand-cranked phonograph with its cylinder records and morning-glory horn. Not much like our modern, automatic hi-fi and stereo record players! Recall, if you will, the first radio you ever heard — over earphones. Now we not only hear but we actually see the speakers and the action on our TV screens.

But why go on? We are living in a power age. No more hand-cranking or running on batteries. Today it is jet propulsion and atomic power which bid fair to replace gasoline, diesels, and dynamos. Power has changed.

Behind all this power is something else — nature. And back of the power of nature is nature's God, the Creator, the Author of natural laws. "In the beginning God created." Man has just used God's natural laws. One example will have to

suffice. Bound in matter is tremendous power. Man has learned to split the atoms of some of the elements and release this power.

But we are thinking of spiritual power in this sermon — power for spiritual accomplishment. "God is my strength and power." "Ye shall receive the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon you." Here is one power which, unlike what we have been talking about, has not changed. It is the same today as it was when Jesus promised it to the apostles.

## The Apostles' Mission

On the eve of His ascension, Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." "Go therefore and teach (make disciples of) all nations." And a little later: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." On the eve of His crucifixion, speaking of the believer, He said: "The works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do." That's what Christ commanded His followers. Then He went back to heaven, leaving the task to them. Wasn't He expecting too much?

But we quoted only part of each of the verses. "Greater works shall he do; because I go to my Father." He prefixed the Great Commission with, "All power is given unto me. . . . Go ye therefore." He promised that when He got back to heaven He would send the Holy Spirit from the Father. The Greek word, variously translated "Comforter," "Counselor," "Advocate" means "one called alongside of to help." He told them that they would be "endued with power from on high" (Luke 24: 49) and that they would receive it through the infilling of the Holy Spirit. In other words, they were to be energized to do "greater works" and to accomplish their mission by the power of the Holy Spirit working in and through them — through the fullness of the Holy Spirit. On the day of Pentecost they re-

ceived the promised power — "the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon them" — and they began to witness with spectacular results.

Greater works! When did Jesus ever win 3000 followers in one day? The apostles did not claim any glory, but gave it to Him. When Peter and John healed the lame man, Peter said: "Why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk" (Acts 3: 12). When they were asked at their trial: "By what power or by what name have ye done this?" Peter, "filled with the Holy Spirit," answered, "by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth" (Acts 4: 7, 10). All hail the power of Jesus' name! The Book of Acts is the record of the mighty working of God the Holy Spirit using consecrated men.

Introducing the Book of Acts, Luke says that he had already written of "all that Jesus began both to do and to teach." Acts records what He continued to do and teach through the apostles, energized by the Holy Spirit. The invisible Head of the Church was in the heavenlies directing the work of His visible body, the Church on earth, through His executor and administrator, the Holy Spirit. The Book of Acts does not close; it just stops. One almost looks for the words: "To be continued." What is the next chapter? Isn't it all that Jesus continues to do and teach by the power of the Holy Spirit working in believers — "the modern acts of the Holy Spirit"?

## Our Supernatural Task

The works of Christ in the days of His flesh here on earth were supernatural — beyond the power of man to accomplish. Yet He said: "Greater works than these shall he do." Was that just for the apostles? No, our task is the same — the Great Commission is for us too. What a superhuman task! "Go ye into all the world. . . . Make disciples of all nations."

The supreme question facing man is his relationship to God. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself." But Christ has left the earth and is now sitting at the right hand of God. The Savior is in heaven; the sinner is on earth. There

## Basic Facts About Alcohol

By Fred D. L. Squires

Under this document title are thirteen pages, twenty-five germane sub topics, one hundred fourteen paragraphed items of fact, scientific finding, official figures, specifically quoted opinions of specialists — these in a word comprise the content of this remarkable document, bias-free and prepared in a most objective form.

What does this document talk about?

Just to put it concretely it sets about putting into capsule form answers to these questions among others:

What is alcohol? Why do people drink alcohol beverages? What is intoxication? What happens when you drink?

Is alcohol ever a stimulant? Can tolerance to drink ever be built up? Is alcohol ever a food? Does alcohol warm the body?

Is alcohol useful as a medicine? How does alcohol affect various organs? What about alcohol and health? What of alcohol and mental illness? How is alcohol related to other drugs?

What are the actual high points about alcoholism in the U.S.A.? How are numbers of alcoholics estimated? How can

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must be some way by which they can be brought together. A superhuman task? Yes!

"I am come that they might have life," said Jesus. We also read: "In him was life." He is "the way, the truth, and the life." The problem which faces us is how the life that is in Him may be transmitted to those who are "dead in trespasses and sin." Christ raised the physical dead; we are to bring spiritually dead men to life, and make them into the image of the living Son of God. Who can do that? No human being.

Ours is a supernatural task, a task beyond human power, even all the power of this power age in which we live. Talk about the labors of Hercules: slaying the Hydra, bringing the golden apples of the Hesperides, bringing Cerberus from the lower world, cleansing the Augean stables — twelve of them in all. Hercules stood aghast, despairing.

(Concluded in next issue)

alcoholism be cured? What of alcohol and crime? What is the relation of alcohol to auto accidents? How many drinks make a driver legally intoxicated? How much bootlegging in 1959? What does a straight look at liquor and taxes reveal?

What does beverage alcohol cost industry, the American home, the average American citizen? How much is spent annually for alcohol advertising? How is alcohol related to the ethical viewpoint? What may be done toward solving alcohol problems?

Every one of these questions and others related therewith are tersely and fairly answered in this document, available without charge to any individual writing to the publishers: "Basic Facts About Alcohol," 10219 S. Union Avenue, Chicago 28, Ill.

"Basic Facts About Alcohol" was written, according to its compiler, Mrs. Ruth Peterson, "to provide a brief and accurate manual which will give a sharply delineated outline and be useful for quick reference on the basic and vital aspects of the subject."

#### MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

##### Southeastern Association Meetings

It was the privilege of the secretary of the Missionary Society to attend and take part in the meetings of Southeastern Association held with the Middle Island, W. Va., Church, June 26-28, 1959. The following Seventh Day Baptist churches were represented at the Association meetings: Lost Creek, Roanoke, Ritchie, Salem, Salemville, and Middle Island. Letters of greeting were received from other churches in the Association (Daytona Beach, Fla., and Washington, D.C.).

Deacon Leslie Welch, visiting delegate from the Central New York Association, preached on Sabbath morning on the theme of the Association, "Salt of the Earth." The host pastor, the Rev. Donald Richards, had charge of the morning worship service.

On Sabbath afternoon two deaconesses were set apart in an inspiring ordination service. Miss Greta Randolph of Middle Island and Miss Conza Meathrell of Ritchie each offered brief but satisfactory

statements as to their beliefs and Christian experiences. The Rev. Paul Maxson, visiting delegate from Eastern Association, preached the ordination sermon. A charge to the churches was given by Deacon John Williams. Pastor Duane Davis offered the consecration prayer, and Deacon S. Brada Sutton expressed a welcome to the diaconate.

Following the ordination service the Lord's Supper was commemorated with Pastors Clifford Hansen and Paul Maxson officiating. The new deaconesses assisted in this service. Late on Sabbath afternoon the women of the Association met under the direction of Mrs. Lloyd Lukens, a representative of the Women's Board.

Of outstanding interest was the report of the Co-ordinating Council Committee of the Association given during a lively business session held on Sunday. A vigorous home missions program was evident from the reports. After much discussion it was voted to continue for another quarter a radio ministry of fifteen minutes of purchased time over a radio station in Clarksburg, W. Va. We were privileged to hear one of the broadcasts on the night after the Sabbath, as a part of the evening worship service.

The missionary secretary took parts requested on the program, preaching on Sabbath and Sunday evenings and leading two workshops on Sunday on the themes, "How to Make Personal Visitation More Effective for Christ and His Church" and "How to Make Tract Distribution More Effective for Christ and His Church."

Leland Bond, acting moderator, presided effectively and gave the program and the business sessions a lively spirit, which helped to make the excessive heat and humidity bearable. One outstanding accomplishment of the Association was the adoption of a revised constitution. The Committee on Revision was Ernest Bond, chairman; Clarence Rogers, and Pastor Duane Davis.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

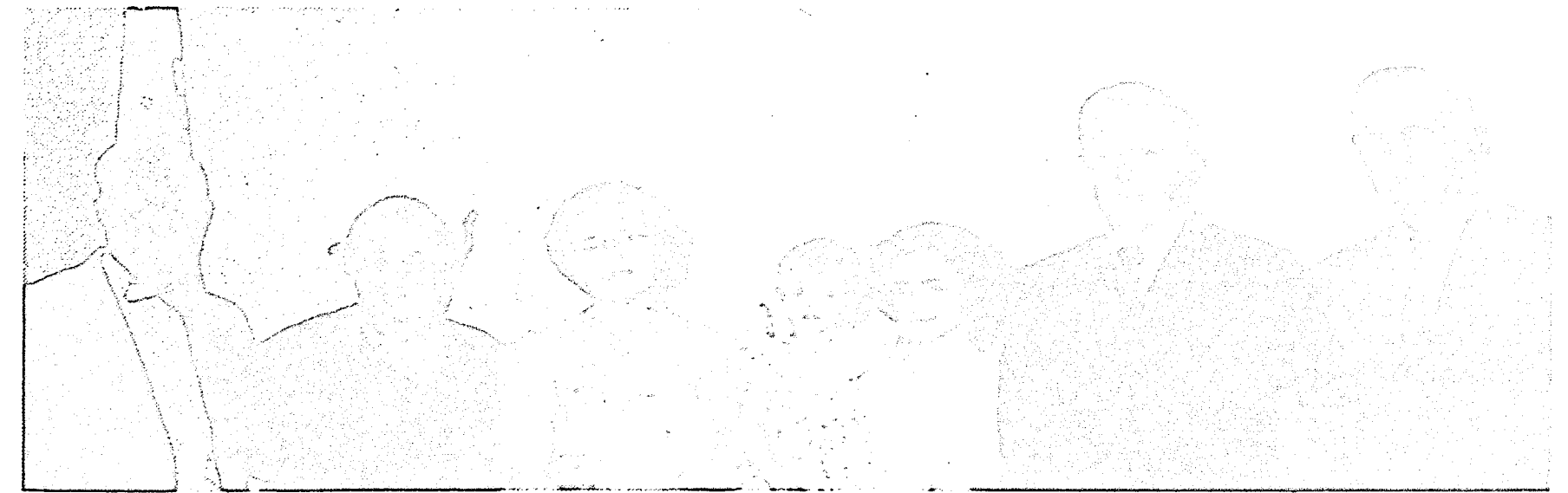
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Why Do Good People Suffer?

Lesson Scripture: Job 19: 19-25, 42: 1-6.

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#### Friends Greet Missionaries at Special Board Meeting



Left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Harold K. Pearson, Mrs. Robert L. Butler, Sr., Deborah and Bettie Pearson, Rev. David Pearson, and George V. Crandall, president of the Missionary Board.

There was much uncertainty about the place and time of arrival of the Rev. David Pearson and family who have been in Nyasaland for nearly five years. Their ship, the S.S. African Lightning, came into Boston harbor a few hours ahead of schedule on Sunday afternoon, July 12. Although parents, friends, and Missionary Board representatives made the trip to Boston, the first social gathering was the following evening at Westerly, R. I.

There was little time to announce the meeting but most of the members of the board were present and the attendance of friends was large. It was estimated that there were about 70 people in the vestry of the Pawcatuck church to visit with the missionaries and to listen to the first account of their experiences on the mission field.

After the informal reception and refreshments, George V. Crandall, president of the Missionary Society, called the meeting to order and asked the young couple to speak. In the meantime pictures had been taken by photographer Arthur Brayman for the *Westerly Sun* and for the *Sabbath Recorder*.

What does a young woman say in five minutes after five years in a strange land where she has given birth to her first child? Perhaps not what most of us would expect. She began by thanking the Missionary Board and the denomination for the privilege of working in our behalf on the other side of the world. She went on

to give a clear, ringing testimony of the saving grace of Christ. She told of the special openings that had come to her to bear witness to the love of Christ, especially to the curious children who came out of the bush to observe the ways of the white people. Then, too, there were larger opportunities for leading children and young people through school and Sabbath school classes. She noted that she did not come in contact with many who had previously heard nothing about Jesus but with a great many who had previously rejected Christ and the Christian way of life. It was a joy, she said, to help quite a few to accept the Savior.

Mr. Pearson asked his wife to remain standing and to act as his interpreter while he told a story in Chinyanja about their trip by air to Nyasaland and their first impressions of missionary work in that land. Both missionaries demonstrated their ability to understand and speak the native language. Mr. Pearson remarked that Deborah was teaching it to them.

The head of Makapwa Mission then went on to give a brief report of the growth of the work during the time they had been on the field. He gave credit for new church members to the native pastors, remarking that they did most of the work and that they were better able to reach their own people. The numbers have almost doubled, but numbers do not count as much as quality, he stressed. There is great need for instruction before and after

members are received into the church. Many of the people do not want baptismal classes; they are looking for easy membership. The constant effort is to raise the standards.

An interesting remark was made about the newest missionary representative in the field. He had been reminded that in the U.S. he was known as a man of great patience. After working with the people of Nyasaland for a time and observing how slow the progress was toward desired Christian goals, he said, "In the United States my patience was never so sorely tried."

Progress, though slow, is noticeable, affirmed the speaker. Leadership is improving, giving is on the increase, and it is to be hoped that within a few years the native church (not the medical mission work) may be put entirely in native hands. He was uncertain how much time remained for missionary work but passed on the word of a veteran missionary, quoted from the Bible, "Occupy till I come."

Missionary Pearson answered a few questions from members of the board about work in Africa. There is so much to tell that one hardly knows where to begin or stop, he observed.

David Pearson's father and stepmother, present for the occasion, spoke briefly by invitation. Mr. Pearson mentioned his previous reluctance to encourage his son to go into the uncertainties of this African field, and added that he now felt it was God's will. Both he and his wife stressed the need for interdenominational fellowship at home and abroad with other Sabbath-keeping bodies.

Mrs. Robert Butler, mother of Bettie Pearson, who had flown to Boston from Paint Rock, Ala., was also asked to say a few words, which she did graciously and touchingly. Just the day before at Boston she had seen her granddaughter for the first time. She told of attending a meeting years ago when Bettie was about the age of little Debbie. A speaker at that meeting asked how many mothers would be willing to let their daughters go out as foreign missionaries if the call for such service should come clearly. Mrs.

Butler remembered having stood alone in that meeting and having to explain to the other mothers how she was able to do it. "I have never faltered in that stand through the years," she added.

The evening closed with a note of appreciation. Some had traveled far. Some were in their own church. All felt that they had received a blessing.

The editor agrees with the missionary secretary and many others that it is a wonderful inspiration for growth on the home field to have enough foreign missionaries now so that some are coming and going each year and bringing their devotion and enthusiasm to our denominational gatherings.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

#### Helena Knox Tells Camp Miles Experiences

The following report is made up from the report to the Youth Work Committee of the Board of Christian Education of their field worker, Miss Helena Knox.

Now that Camp Miles is over, and I have a taste of my summer's work, I am eagerly anticipating the balance. I was nothing short of thrilled with the response from the campers to my offerings.

Camp Miles was held in Chemin-A-Haut State Park, Bastrop, Louisiana. The facilities were very nice and adequate for just such camping purposes as are ours.

The program was full and varied. It included two classes, a workshop, an alone hour, a period of singspiration, morning praise, vespers, swimming, team recreation, and group planning periods.

My class followed the morning clean-up period. To set the mood each session began with the Rally Song. Discussion and immediate situations added to the material which I presented.

An outstanding feature of each day was the workshop each afternoon. It was in this period that the filmstrips were shown and discussed. The two which you furnished, "Battle on a Small Planet" and "Do You Dig Friendship?" were used along with several others that the camp director, Pastor M. C. Van Horn, had secured.

A briefing period was conducted before each filmstrip, and the campers were told

what points to look for. Following the showing, we held a discussion in which we brought out, in camper language, the message and application of the filmstrip. The response was gratifying.

I am glad that Camp Miles was my first assignment. There is a tremendous strength of spirit in the midst of these young people. They have the great obstacle of distance to overcome in order to enjoy the fellowship which unites them. The camp is called Camp Miles as a testimony of the great distance involved. I am going to enjoy taking from here some of the spirit and drive these young people possess.

Ten of the campers plan to go to Pre-Con Retreat at Camp Mahonegon in West Virginia.

The youth groups are well organized as Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowships. The SDBYF in Fouke-Texarkana call themselves the Christian Comrades. They keep busy with activities, projects, and fun sessions.

The Association is now planning to send an exchange camper next year. They are wholly behind the exchange camper program, and hope that they can benefit by having a camper in exchange.

#### Young People at Conference

On August 17, the young people from Pre-Con will unite with the other youth attending General Conference for a week packed with activity. It is our fondest hope that all will come ready and willing to enter into the total program with a gracious Christian spirit.

The Youth Fellowship Breakfast will be held on Wednesday morning, and the speaker will be Alise Ogden, a member of the Youth Work Committee. Her speech will focus on interdenominational youth work as well as the challenging items of local youth activity.

On Friday night we will have the Youth Banquet with Helena Knox doing the honors. Helena is on the field visiting and working in our camps and Associations. She will have an interesting story to tell of her summer's work.

Each noon of Conference, soon after lunch, the youth will gather with the Rev. Kenneth Smith and have the business of

Conference interpreted for them. These sessions have proved to be very informative and inspirational the past two years. No young person will want to miss them.

Of course, we'll all want to attend either the Father-Son or Mother-Daughter Banquets on Wednesday nights. With United States Senator Jennings Randolph speaking for the menfolk, and Missionary Bettie Pearson speaking for the women, these banquets promise to be highlights of Conference.

Recreational activity is being planned a-plenty for evenings after sessions.

You just won't want to miss General Conference this year!

#### Young Adult Retreat

Registrations are slow in coming to our office for the first Young Adult Retreat which will be held at Camp Caesar, Aug. 12-16. Mr. Burton, manager of Camp Caesar, reports that many improvements have been made since the Pre-Con of 1950. We'll be making out a schedule as soon as he forwards meal times and other data necessary for the foundation of schedule-building. There will be boating on their new lake, hiking, swimming, and all the standard recreation activity available for our enjoyment. You will want to bring the usual camping necessities along with your bedroll.

If you find that you can come at the last minute, do come, but if you know now that you can be there, please let us know. Write Rex Zwiebel, Box 15, Alfred Station N. Y.

#### Vacation Church School Reports

As soon as your Vacation Church School is over, we would like the director to fill in the report blank that was sent to each church, and see that it is sent to the office of the Board of Christian Education along with the information on Sabbath School and youth activity.

#### Board Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Christian Education will be held one week later than usual this quarter. The board will meet July 26 in the School of Theology building.

Decisions for Christ in Jamaica

Missionary Leon Lawton tells of eighteen first decisions for Christ and two rededications being made following a baptismal service which was being held in the Kingston, Jamaica, Seventh Day Baptist Church. Among those making decisions were "some who had been prayed for for a long time." Pastor Lawton writes, "How we praise the Lord for His goodness!"

His letter continues, "In addition to these, there are at least five others who made decisions in the meetings at Mountain View and some others that made decisions at White Hall and Four Roads." (These are fellowship groups associated with the Kingston Church.)

Regarding all who have declared their intention to accept Christ as their Lord and Savior, Pastor Lawton writes that they will be brought into a Pastor's Study Class in preparation for baptism and church membership. We rejoice with our Jamaica brethren for the working of the Holy Spirit among them.

Minnesota Missionary Work  
From Missionary

Pastor Kenneth Van Horn's Report

The Rev. Kenneth Van Horn writes that he was privileged to take part as host pastor on the occasion of the observance of the 100th anniversary of the Dodge Center Seventh Day Baptist Church. This centennial observance was held as a part of the meetings of North Central Association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches at Dodge Center June 19-21.

Pastor Van Horn reports having also taken part in the 100th anniversary of the Minnesota Council of Churches on June 9, 1959. "A Century of Progress" was re-enacted. He carried the banner of Seventh Day Baptists in the closing ceremony of the Centennial held in the Minneapolis Auditorium. He states, "It really was a magnificent production."

In regard to his services as missionary pastor at Twin Cities, Mr. Van Horn reports, "Our main effort expended this past

quarter was in distribution of Special Records and other pieces of literature."

Pastor Van Horn has accepted a call to the pastorate of the New Auburn Seventh Day Baptist Church and plans to begin services there September 1, 1959. He will continue serving the Twin Cities Seventh Day Baptist Church with preaching services at 3 p.m. on the first and third Sabbath of each month.

WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. A. Russell Maxson

Worship Service

THIS I BELIEVE:

Jesus Christ

Is the Son of God

By Mrs. Arthur Burnett\*

Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Scripture: John 6: 69; Mark 1: 11

Meditation:

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. We often hear this statement, but do we really stop to realize its significance to us? As God's Son, Christ performed many acts while on earth to show us God. Thus He proclaimed himself as God's Son. He led His life as an example to us that we who are also children of God might help others to believe. Are we following this example?

Jesus went about doing good. Do we see the opportunities we have each day to "do good" — the neighbor with small children who would welcome a few minutes of "babysitting" or the elderly lady down the street who is very lonely and would appreciate a cheery visit?

Jesus came to seek and to save — to be a friend to sinners. Are we using each chance we have to tell others of His great salvation? We can at least invite someone who does not attend church to go with us in order to hear the message of salvation.

Jesus came to heal the broken-hearted. When we meet someone in need of sym-

\* Ellen Swinney Burnett, a member of the Waterford R. I., Church and formerly of Niantic, Conn., is now residing at Topsham, Maine, with her husband and baby daughter Barbara Jean. She will be remembered as author of one series of our Junior Quarterlies and also as a graduate in Christian Education.

pathy and understanding, do we take the time to listen to and to pray with that person?

Jesus came to show us the superlative way to live, and how to conquer all the problems of life. Do our lives show others that we are trying to exemplify this way? Can they see that we look to God and His Word when we meet a difficult situation?

Christ is the source of all hope and joy. Only when we have Christ as our Savior and really let Him be our guide can we know this hope and joy. Do people with whom you come in contact each day witness these things in your life?

Jesus Christ — And We

Christ has no hands but our hands  
To do His work today;  
He has no feet but our feet  
To lead men in His way;  
He has no tongue but our tongues  
To tell men how He died;  
He has no help but our help  
To bring them to His side.

— Annie Johnson Flint.

Prayer: Our Father: We thank Thee for the example of Christ. May we faithfully follow His way and thus show others we believe He is Thy Son. In Christ's name, Amen.

Registration for Conference

Church clerks have now received word from Greta F. Randolph of Salem, W. Va., mimeographed questionnaires for individual or family use. The Salem Registration and Information Committee can better serve Conference delegates if they will immediately secure and fill out these forms that are now available. The sheet lists information about the hotels and motels. Delegates desiring such accommodations should make their own reservations in advance from the list supplied.

Conference Verse

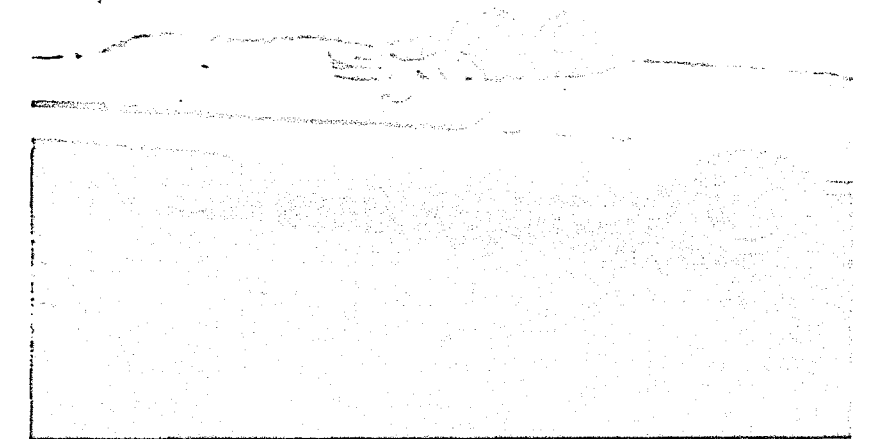
The Sabbath was made for man  
— by their fruits ye shall know them.

August 17-22 at Salem, W. Va.

Teen Talk

Summer Dreams

What high school boy doesn't have day-dreams of a convertible with white-wall tires and lots of power? While he is dreaming of such a car he is also indulging in another dream. He has visions of someone to share the front seat with him.



Dream Car

There comes a time when the car is not for the bunch of boys with whom he pals around. No, the ultimate in convertible dreams includes a pretty girl who may be attracted by the car but also one who will like him for what he is rather than for what he owns.

What high school girl does not also have her dreams of a boy who has such a car pulling up in front of her house on a summer evening and waiting just for her? She wants him to be a boy with whom she can have lots of fun and one whom she can trust and respect. For him she will dress in her best and she will be bright and gay.

Summer dreams of youth are important dreams. They should be understood and appreciated. But Christian young folks are glad to have a little guidance and help in their dreams. Parents and respected counselors can give such guidance. Treasured Bible verses may act as a wholesome check if there is a tendency to live too much in the dream world or to devote too much thought to material things or to pleasures that crowd out the more profitable things of life. One such verse from the words of Jesus is this: "... for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance

of the things which he possesseth" (Luke 12: 15).

It is interesting to notice that this quotation is not complete. The first part of the verse is a strong warning needed by youth as well as by the older people to whom it was spoken: "Take heed and beware of covetousness."

How are we going to have that dream car and keep it running and at the same time keep spiritual values in their proper place? How can you, a girl, "love the Lord thy God with all thy heart" and at the same time spend most of your thoughts dreaming of a devoted boy with a sleek-lined car? These are problems we must face as we dream our summer dreams. There is great drive and incentive in these visions of success if there is a reasonable possibility of making them materialize.

Is it not also true that there is Someone in heaven who once walked this earth as a young man and gave His life for us? By His example He showed us that the abundant life is one of giving rather than getting. He has dreams for the youth of this generation. Have you asked Him daily what His dreams are for your life? When He left earth to go back to heaven after His supreme sacrifice, He sent the Holy Spirit to convict of sin and to be the true guide. He can help make all your good dreams come true and your selfish dreams disappear from your mind.

#### Evangelistic Outlook

(Thoughts of a subscriber)

The outlook for good outlooks is good. A challenging evangelistic outlook is "very good." Come on in; the "water of the Word," "the living water," is fine. "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. Let him that heareth say, Come." "There is a river," "the river of God which is full of water," "the streams thereof shall make glad the city of God" and the hearts of those who "abide" there. "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely." "Whether you live or whether you die you are the Lord's." "Having loved His own" He loves them "to the end." But "why die" when it is so very much better to live? "I have set before you life and death, therefore choose life." Nothing, but nothing, "shall be able to

separate us from the love of God," the God of the living. "Believeth thou this?" Yea, "I know that thou believest." "I beseech thee, therefore" "be a doer of the word" and "sow beside all waters."

Walter J. Revell,  
South Bend, Ind.

#### Philippine Protestants Protest

A ceremony in which The Philippines were "reconsecrated" to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by President Carlos P. Garcia has drawn a vigorous protest from the Philippine Federation of Christian Churches.

Dr. Gumersindo Garcia, Sr., Federation president, in a letter sent to President Garcia on the eve of the ceremony declared that it "violates the principle of separation of church and state which requires that our democratic government should treat all churches equally. Our government which you represent should refrain from taking any official participation in any church activity whatsoever."

The ceremony was the climax of the 60th anniversary celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart held in Manila early in June.

In his letter Dr. Garcia stressed that "The Sacred Heart of Jesus celebration is an event which is peculiar to the Roman Catholic Church and one which non-Roman Catholics do not believe in. It is therefore not consistent with the democratic principle that they should be included in this consecration without their consent."

He cited the example of the late President Manuel L. Quezon and other government members who in 1937 refused to have their names included in a list of participants in the Eucharistic Congress because they believed it would be a violation of the principle of the separation of church and state. He also noted that in 1956 when the late President Ramon Magsaysay participated in a similar ceremony he was "gracious enough to make an announcement later on that instead of consecrating the whole Philippines to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, he was only consecrating the Roman Catholics."

— EPS, Geneva.

#### Dodge Center Church Observes Centennial At Association Meeting

The regular meeting of the North Central Association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches, held in Dodge Center, Minn., June 19-21, was highlighted by the celebration of the centennial of the church.

The theme of the Association meeting was "Fruits of the Spirit."

The Friday evening session was led by Donald Payne and featured centennial greetings, both in letters and in personal experiences. Appropriate music made a delightful setting for this Sabbath eve service. Many told of the early days of the church and of sweet memories of past ministers and events.

The Sabbath morning sermon was presented by the Rev. Don A. Sanford of New Auburn, Wis., soon to take up his new pastorate in White Cloud, Mich. He used the theme of the meetings as his text and urged the Sabbathkeepers present to always keep in mind the fruits of joy and peace, love and long suffering, gentleness and goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.

The regular schedule of the morning worship of the host church was carried out with music by the local church. Miss Mary Thorngate directed the choir with Mrs. Marguerite Clapper at the piano and Miss Thorngate at the organ. The children's sermon was given by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Kenneth Van Horn, soon to take up his new pastorate in New Auburn. His topic was on not hiding one's light under a bushel. The Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, Milton, led in prayer and John Conrod, student pastor at Chicago, read the Scripture.

During the afternoon the centennial pageant, "One Hundred Years of Worship," was given. It was written by Myra Thorngate Barber of Minneapolis. Members of the church comprised the cast. The story showed the past, present, and future of the church.

In the evening, Mr. Van Horn spoke, taking the place of the Rev. Victor Skaggs, Milton Junction and Albion, who was unable to take his part on the program. Mrs.

Abbie Van Horn of Milton spoke on "Joys of Being a Minister's Wife."

A sunrise breakfast to which all were invited was held in the country Sunday morning. The message was given by Pastor Conrod, which was followed by the breakfast and fellowship. The program was prepared by the young people of the church.

Sunday afternoon, a workshop was planned and directed by Pastor Randolph of Milton. His theme was "The Importance of the Practice of the Presence of God."

During the morning the business of the Association was taken care of with President D. C. Lippincott presiding. New officers for the Association were selected: Leland Shaw, president; Rolland Maxson, Jr., vice-president; Mrs. Clinton Green, secretary; and Don Gray, treasurer. The next meeting will be held in Milton Junction.

Special music was presented by a male quartet from Milton and Dodge Center. A selection on the musical saw was played by Don Gray. A singspiration was led by Herbert Crouch on Sabbath evening.

Dinners on Sabbath and Sunday were prepared and served by the women of the church. The fellowship during these two meals was delightful. Guests were entertained by church members during the weekend.

Visitors from seven different churches besides other guests, numbering well over a hundred, were present.

— Correspondent.

#### OTHER FOLDS AND FIELDS

Methodists Abandon and Reopen Churches

Over a period of several years, as the population has shifted from rural to urban and suburban areas, the Methodist Church has closed small churches and chapels in rural sections of the United States. Many of these once were thriving churches, but as members moved away, the congregations dwindled to a handful and the buildings finally were abandoned. Within the last four or five years, however, Methodists in various sections of the country reversed this trend. As suburbs creep farther out into what once was farm



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land and as new communities spring up in the open country, an abandoned church building may be surrounded by new homes with young families. With new people to be served, some of the abandoned churches have been reopened.

## Peace Project

The best peace projects are the missionary and evangelistic efforts of Bible-believing churches that point men away from the confusion of this world to the peace of God. — Editorial in Action.

## Grim Humor

Commenting on the announced plan of the Red Chinese Government to reduce the thousands of alphabet characters to a 26-letter alphabet United Evangelical Action remarks that it is logical, since the government has already reduced the number of Chinese by about 20 million.

## Accessions

Marlboro, N. J.

By Baptism:

Carol Branch  
Donna Branch  
Joseph Campbell  
Daniel Cruzan  
Sharon Davis  
Richard Davison, Jr.  
Betty Jeanne Lawrence  
Edward Rae Lawrence  
Karen Peterson  
David Sheppard  
Erwin Sheppard  
Evelyn Sutton

By Letter:

Lloyd Coon  
Marguerite (Mrs. Lloyd) Coon  
Mrs. Alberta Godfrey

By Testimony:

Richard Davison, Sr.  
Margaret (Mrs. Richard) Davison  
Schenectady, N. Y.

By Baptism:

Beverly (Mrs. Gordon) Kilts  
Victor Burns

### AUGUST RECORDERS

Two issues of the Sabbath Recorder will be omitted in August, the issues that would have been dated August 10 and 24. Librarians and others who carefully file our periodical should note these dates.

## Marriages

**Barber-Maxson.** — Denison D. Barber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Barber, Jr., of Westerly, R. I., and Eunice Jane Maxson, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Paul L. Maxson, of Berlin, N. Y., were united in marriage Sabbath afternoon, June 20, 1959, in the Berlin Seventh Day Baptist Church, by the bride's father.

**Slack-Jacox.** — At the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Alfred, N. Y., on Sabbath afternoon, June 20, 1959, Lyle Howard Slack, 212 Hickman Street, Bridgeville, Pa., son of Merle B. and Lillian R. Bixby Slack, and Mary Elizabeth Jacox, Alfred, N. Y., daughter of Leland H. and Iva E. Norwood Jacox, were united in marriage, the bride's pastor, Rev. Hurley S. Warren, officiating.

## Obituaries

**Babcock.** — Philip J., son of Oscar and Martha Babcock, was born at Humboldt, Neb., April 29, 1885, and died at Horton, Kan., March 10, 1959.

When he was nine years old, the family moved to Nortonville, Kan., where he grew to manhood. On August 22, 1934, he was united in marriage with Huldah Winkler of St. Louis, Mo., who survives. Also surviving are a brother, Glenn, of Valley Falls, Kan., and a sister, Mrs. Madie Coppinger, of Nortonville, and many nieces and nephews. — Lenna Bond Babcock.

**Maxson.** — Mabel A., daughter of the late William B. and Amanda Titsworth Maxson, a lifelong resident of Plainfield, N. J., died June 19, 1959, after a short illness.

For many years Miss Maxson taught music and was pianist in the Plainfield schools. A brother, Henry L. Maxson, attorney-at-law, of Freeport, Long Island, died several years ago.

She is survived by a cousin, Dr. M. Josie Rogers, of Daytona Beach, Fla.

In the absence of her pastor, the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, services were conducted by Deacon Frank R. Kellogg in the A.M. Runyon Funeral Home. — F.R.K.

**Bond.** — Edwin O., son of Lavinta and Preston Bond, was born in Humboldt, Neb., July 14, 1885, and died at Winchester, Kan., June 28, 1959.

He leaves his wife, Bessie; five children: Edwin P., Lima, Mont.; Raymond C., Denison, Kan.; James, Lawrence, Kan.; Mrs. Robert Christie, Monrovia, Kan.; and Mrs. Kelly Dillon, Dellingham, Wash.; two sisters: Mrs. Addie Hurley, Redlands, Calif., and Mrs. Rose Brandon, Topeka, Kan.; one brother, B. F. Bond, Atchison, Kan.; 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted in the Nortonville Seventh Day Baptist Church by his pastor, the Rev. Robert Lippincott. Interment was in the Nortonville Cemetery. — R.P.L.

### THE SYMBOL OF SACRIFICE

Well might the sun in darkness hide,  
And shut His glories in,  
When Christ, the mighty Maker, died  
For man, the creature's, sin.

Here, Lord, I give myself to Thee,  
'Tis all that I can do.