

OUR WORLD MISSION
Statement of the Treasurer, July 31, 1959

BUDGET RECEIPTS

	Treasurer's		Boards'			Treasurer's		Boards'	
	July	10 months	10 months	10 months		July	10 months	10 months	10 months
Balance, July 1 ..\$.06				Lost Creek	720.23	1,426.40		
Adams Center	205.25	988.20			Marlboro	658.65	2,917.87	99.00	
Albion	229.61	652.60			Middle Island	19.25	173.00		
Alfred, 1st	957.21	4,029.60	5.00		Milton	740.71	5,465.22	100.00	
Alfred, 2nd		1,586.02	39.00		Milton Junction	373.59	1,547.34		
Associations & Groups	91.88	718.37	572.04		New Auburn	72.73	191.73		
Battle Creek	1,294.27	5,553.61	64.39		North Loup	242.85	772.65		
Bay Area			50.00		Nortonville	294.51	1,515.81	40.00	
Berlin	69.47	650.63	156.00		Old Stone Fort		100.00	10.00	
Boulder	108.00	602.01	25.00		Paint Rock		150.00		
Brookfield, 1st ..	152.00	602.75	55.00		Pawcatuck	438.37	3,709.53	164.28	
Brookfield, 2nd ..		318.55			Plainfield	445.37	2,871.01	460.00	
Buffalo	50.00	200.00			Richburg	296.00	1,079.25		
Chicago	217.00	978.34	420.00		Ritchie	90.00	280.00		
Daytona Beach ..	112.81	701.56	66.34		Riverside		3,005.60		
Denver	164.01	653.52	50.00		Roanoke	77.00	203.00		
DeRuyter		415.77	14.00		Rockville	23.19	322.24		
Dodge Center	79.32	973.28	700.00		Salem	64.88	1,395.88		
Edinburg	64.87	169.87			Salemville	54.52	135.72	17.00	
Farina	50.25	218.30			Schenectady	80.68	218.68		
Fouke	27.00	178.90			Shiloh	1,004.58	4,395.55	35.00	
Hebron, 1st	127.83	293.50			Syracuse	5.00	5.00		
Hopkinton, 1st ..	152.28	1,578.28			Texarkana	12.50	35.50		
Hopkinton, 2nd ..	28.25	74.25			Tract Society		3,000.00	226.50	
Independence	305.00	1,114.00			Twin Cities		150.00		
Individuals	95.50	2,807.50	384.06		Verona	270.55	1,513.79		
Irvington		800.00			Walworth	56.27	321.77		
Jackson Center ..		10.00			Washington	72.00	434.00		
Little Genesee ..	197.37	499.63	15.00		Wash., People's	8.00	40.00		
Little Rock	35.00	35.00			Waterford	192.11	1,008.97		
Los Angeles	154.38	2,359.38	25.00		White Cloud	126.41	582.70		
L. A., Christ's ..		125.00							
						\$11,408.57	\$68,856.63	\$3,792.61	

TREASURER'S DISBURSEMENTS

	Budget (Designated & Undesig.)
Missionary Society	\$ 4,619.57
Board of Christian Education	1,069.66
Ministerial Training	1,505.76
Ministerial Retirement	980.41
Historical Society	233.32
Women's Society	257.38
General Conference	1,145.40
Tract Society	1,444.75
Trustees of General Conference	101.40
World Fellowship and Service	50.85
	\$11,408.50
Balance on hand, July 3107

NON-BUDGET GIFTS

July Receipts	\$107.20
July Disbursements:	
Missionary Society	\$107.20

SUMMARY

Current annual budget	\$99,735.00
Treasurer's budget receipts 10 mos.	\$68,856.63
Boards' budget receipts 10 mos.	3,792.61
	\$72,649.24
Remainder required in 2 mos.	\$27,085.76
Percentage of budget year elapsed	83.33%
Percentage of budget raised	72.84%

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Leaders Meet Before Conference

Every year there seems to be more planning and preparatory business than the year before in order to assure that delegates to the General Conference of Seventh Day Baptists will have a basis for wise decisions when it comes time to take action on the forward-moving work of the denomination. The first gathering of leaders this year was at Lost Creek, W. Va., on the evening after the Sabbath, August 8. It was a joint meeting of the Planning Committee and the Commission (something new) called to formulate a program of advance to present later to the Conference.

The program of advance is the outgrowth of action taken at Covina, Calif., last year — action calling for a study of ways and means by which our churches in this country could best be strengthened and increased in number and effectiveness. Both Commission and the Planning Committee had devoted time to this matter at meetings during the year. The special combined meeting, presided over by the Rev. Earl Cruzan, chairman of Commission, devoted most of its Sabbath night and Sunday sessions to this matter and came up with definite current and long-range proposals closely related to the great Jubilee Advance program of the Baptist churches of America. Further consideration of these proposals was scheduled on the program of General Conference which convened a week later at Salem, W. Va. Readers are invited to follow closely the action of the Committee on Reference and Counsel and of the whole Conference, which will be reported later.

Most of the secretaries, officers, and Commission members arrived in West Virginia before the Sabbath and worshiped either in the Lost Creek or Salem Churches. A few came later by bus, train, and automobile, and one member missed this meeting, being delayed by sickness.

The evening meal, served generously by ladies of the Lost Creek Church, perhaps does not require mention, although the fellowship around the big table was as satisfying as the meal itself and gave opportunity for sharing of recent experiences and further contact with missionary-elect Rene Mauch, who had been the guest speaker of the day at that church.

Enjoyable as was an evening meal in the dining room, it was in marked contrast with that other type of joy experienced when the

appointed representatives took their places around a similar table in the open space at the front of the square brick church. By this time evening had come and with it the settling down of darkness around the rural church. Beyond the winding road on the one side stretched the Seventh Day Baptist cemetery that climbs the hill and exposes to view the glistening grave markers of former leaders who had been laid to rest. On the other side, crowding around the edges of the sloping lawn, were the untended bushes and trees of a little ravine. The windows of the church were open on this side when the meeting was called to order at the close of the Sabbath.

No longer did one hear the reverberating noises so common to a basement dining room. There were two voices heard, the myriad evening songs of the tiny insects of the woods drifting in through the open windows and the voice of the leader of the meeting as he read from the Word of God and presented some appropriate devotional thoughts. The blending of the voice of nature and the direct revelation of God could be taken as a reminder of the task before the group of chosen leaders assembled in the church — the task of relating the written message of God as understood by Seventh Day Baptists to the world outside the church. The opening devotions, including a circle of prayer, set the mood for a meeting of minds as secretaries and Commission members considered the work ahead.

It is not our purpose at this point to give a full report of the deliberations. It was a time of give and take, of consideration and reconsideration, such as is necessary before definite, well-worded plans can be formulated. The men and women who dropped their secular or other religious work gave their best thought and stimulated each other's thinking. In addition to consideration of a new program of advance in the homeland, they shared information which would help the Commission in its further deliberation on the next Our World Mission budget and other matters.

Toward the end of the meeting there was a little discussion of the relation of the budget suggestions of the Commission to the work of the boards. A new approach to this subject was begun at the December, 1958, meeting of Commission, it was

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MEMORY TEXT

Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

1 Cor. 4: 1, 2.

brought out. The chairman noted that Commission no longer tells the boards what particular items of their budgets will have to be eliminated in order to bring their asking down to what seems possible to raise as a total budget.

The executive secretary made this statement in that connection:

"The only thing that is Commission's responsibility is to get what seems to be a reasonable budget to present as a total Conference budget, and all they do is recommend it. They don't make it. Conference makes it."

The chairman added, "Commission regulates the budget to the point of the amount of income that the board can expect from Our World Mission budget. Now the question is whether we regulate to the point of saying, 'With this amount we give you, you do this or this or this and cut out this and this and this,' or whether within this allotted amount you plan your program and you make your budgetary items line up with your expected income accordingly."

The secretaries of the boards seemed to agree that this procedure gave their boards more freedom to carry forward the work which, with their more intimate knowledge of opportunities, they felt led to undertake.

The combined meeting of Commission and Planning Committee ended at the supper hour on Sunday, August 9. Both groups held separate meetings in the evening. The meeting of the full Coordinating Council was scheduled for the following Sunday morning at the Salem Church, at which time the further deliberations of Commission would be discussed with two representatives of each board, prior to submission of the report to General Conference the next day.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for September 12, 1959

God's Concern for All People

Lesson Scripture: Jonah 3: 1-2, 10—4: 11.

The 1960 General Conference

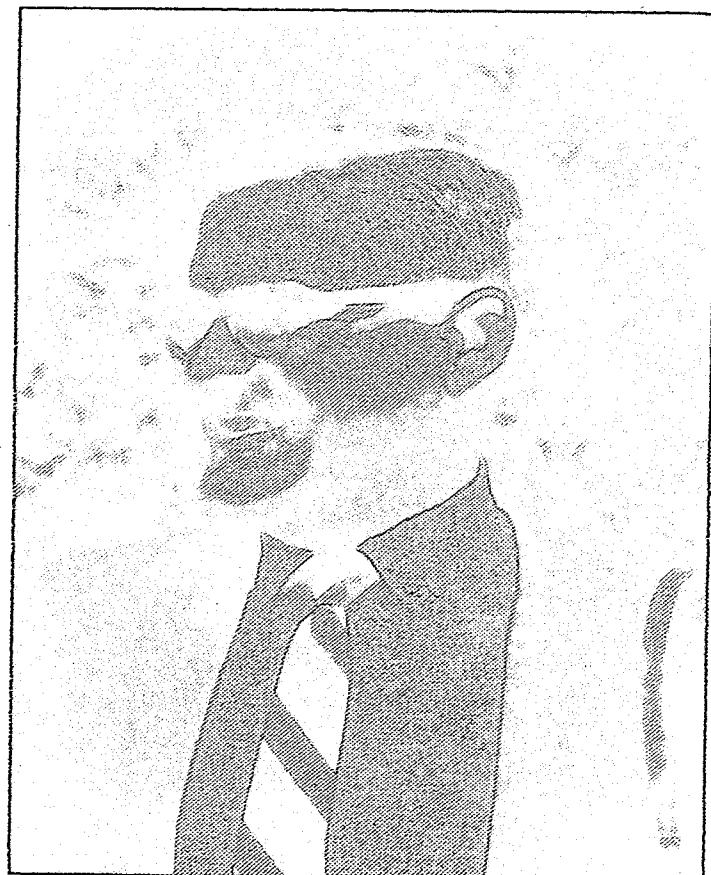
It is now possible to make advance announcement in regard to the 1960 General Conference. It will be held at Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Ark., beginning on August 22, a little later than usual. This was the only suitable date available at the conference grounds where Seventh Day Baptists had such a successful gathering in 1955.



The new president is the Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, pastor of the Albion and Milton Junction, Wis., Churches. Mr. Skaggs has chosen for his theme "For Jesus' Sake." He announces that he will carry forward some of the things started by the retiring president, Wayne Crandall, and will

emphasize our adaptation of the Baptist Jubilee Advance. His election to office was expected, since it is now accepted policy for the first vice-president to be nominated as the president. It insures better continuity of program and work.

The new vice-president is again a layman, Loren G. Osborn, of Westerly, R. I. He has headed the African Interests Committee of the Missionary Board for some time and has had valuable experience in other lines to qualify him for his probable



elevation to president of the 1961 Conference. He becomes also a member of the Commission for three years. He is a son of the Rev. Lester G. Osborn and brother of the Rev. Paul B. Osborn.

Protestant-Roman Catholic Relationships in Colombia

(The situation is serious, says the Division of Foreign Missions at its meeting, May 27, 1959.)

Dr. Howard W. Yoder presented the Protestant-Roman Catholic Relationships in Colombia. He stated that attention was being called to this matter due to certain discrediting done by Roman Catholic authorities endeavoring to imply that incidents relating to religious intolerance and religious persecution never happened.

Due to the continuance of these incidents in Colombia and the lack of information among the American people concerning the facts of the situation, the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America at its Annual Meeting, April 27, 1959, approved a resolution and recommended its adoption by the Executive Board. This resolution was

VOTED: Recognizing the need for the Protestant Churches in the United States to demonstrate their spiritual unity and sympathy with the Evangelical Churches in Colombia during the continued limitation of religious liberty and the religious persecution in certain areas of Colombia, the Executive Board of the Division of Foreign Missions urges its member boards to keep their respective churches informed of the situation through press releases and church papers, and to make public statements in their official meetings that will remind the American public of these injustices.

In light of the seriousness with which the Protestant leaders represented by the Division of Foreign Missions regard the continued persecutions in Colombia, the Executive Board urges the International Missionary Council and the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs to seek effective ways and means to terminate these tragic incidents of religious intolerance and fanaticism in Colombia.

Conference Begins

By the Editor

It is a great day for hundreds of delegates when the time actually arrives for the beginning of the annual General Conference of Seventh Day Baptists. When this day dawned on Monday, August 17, the homes and motels of Salem and vicinity were already pretty well filled. Nearly 300 people had been registered and assigned to lodging places on Sunday. By Tuesday morning the number had swelled to 509, making it one of the largest Conferences in recent years. Most of the young people who had attended the Pre-Con Retreat registered on Sunday afternoon for the week of meetings about to begin.

Can one tell by the way a denominational gathering begins how it will go in the days to come? Perhaps not, for sure. Nevertheless, when such a meeting begins on a high spiritual tone there is reason to believe that the tone will carry through. Conference began with a prayer meeting after being called to order by the president, Wayne Crandall.

The first prayer meeting was at nine o'clock. On other days the delegates were invited to come together for prayer an hour earlier. The first leader was the Rev. Donald Richards, one of the young West Virginia pastors. The service was held in the college auditorium. It was estimated that 130 people were seated at the appointed hour and more streamed in. The leader made brief introductory remarks well fitted to unite in one purpose a large company of people who had been visiting and renewing old acquaintances.

A prayer meeting usually opens with selected Scripture, an opening prayer, and hymn singing. This one did also. Mr. Richards emphasized our need to depend on God, giving one or two good illustrations of people who expected and experienced answers to prayer. Then came the call to prayer. The first voice raised in supplication from the audience was that of the president. People from California, West Virginia, New York, and other states followed with brief prayers. Each asked for God's guidance and the

spiritual success of the Conference. They were mindful of the Lord's business which must be done in the days ahead.

So Conference began. It was hoped that the whole week would maintain the spirit of that first meeting. When the day drew to its close there was another brief time for audience participation in prayer. The president expressed the concern he had felt at previous Conferences when only a relatively small number gathered together in another room for the scheduled time of prayer at the close of the evening services. To bring the blessing to the whole audience he therefore scheduled on each evening a ten-minute period of prayer called "Conference Meditations" before the final benediction. Again on that first day the time was filled with earnest and well-voiced prayer as all stood with bowed heads.

Good Things to Come

The Sabbath Recorders published the next few weeks should prove to be of unusual value to all who are interested in the news and work of Seventh Day Baptists. Some of the inspirational messages will be printed for the benefit of the thousands who were not able to hear them at Salem, W. Va. It is hoped that these issues will be shared with friends who are not subscribers and with members of families who do not always get to see the Recorder.

The important business of Conference will be reported to our readers through written reports, notes, and tape recordings. It is expected that the Commission's comprehensive report will appear in consecutive issues beginning next week. Pictures will accompany some of the articles. Be sure to read your Sabbath Recorder and extend its benefits by telling others about it and perhaps by sending gift subscriptions. The price is only \$3.00 per year in the United States.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Pastor James Mitchell has requested publication of his new street address which is 620 No. Broadway, McAllen, Texas.

THE WATERFORD CHURCH

One Hundred Seventy-Five Years

By Paul S. Burdick*

Freedom to worship God in the way that God's Spirit may lead is the heritage of long years of struggle, in which Sabbath-keeping Baptists, along with other Baptists, have had an honored part.

Seventh Day Baptists living in Rhode Island at Newport and Westerly were friends of Roger Williams and assisted in making that colony a haven for persecuted minorities in the early days of religious intolerance.

In Connecticut, however, the colonial constitution was not friendly to those who deviated from established forms of worship. So it is not surprising to find that in 1675, John Rogers was thrown into jail, and twice more in the next two years he, his brothers, and their father James, were put into New London jail because they refused to attend church on Sunday, but continued to work on that day, met for worship on the seventh day, and baptized by immersion. (More fines, imprisonments, whippings, and putting into stocks were to follow.) They were visited and strengthened by visiting brethren from the Seventh Day Baptists in Newport.

This bit of history shows that this group was making a stand for religious liberty in this colony only twenty years after its founding by John Winthrop the younger.

During the hundred years of colonial history that followed, a part of these believers maintained a rather close association with the Sabbathkeepers of Rhode Island. Others, forming an independent group, came to be known as Rogerenes, after the name of their founder. These refused the use of medical care by physicians and held many opinions akin to the Quakers.

The group of those who, in 1784, petitioned the church at Hopkinton to be set apart as a Seventh Day Baptist Church, include such name as Rogers, Westcote,

*The article was prepared for publication in the New London Day as the Waterford, Conn., Seventh Day Baptist Church prepared to celebrate its 175th Anniversary on August 29 and 30, 1959.

and Lester. A little later appear the names of Beebe, Crandall, and Clarke. Meeting at first in the homes of members for worship, an arrangement was made with the "First Day Baptists in and about New London" to own and use jointly a meetinghouse on what is now Niles Hill Road. This building stood on land near where the East Neck Chapel now stands (or rather what was the chapel, but is now being remodeled into a dwelling house).

Two other meetinghouses have been used by this congregation. The first was directly across from the cemetery on Great Neck Road, and the present building a few rods south of the cemetery and on the same side of the road.

The present building dates back to 1860, and was built largely by donated labor, and at a cost for materials of only two thousand dollars.

Several men of note have been members of this church. In 1884, upon the 100th anniversary of the founding of the church, one of its distinguished sons, Prof. William A. Rogers, who was at various times professor of astronomy at Alfred University, at Harvard University, and professor of physics at Colby College, wrote a history of the church to be read on that occasion. The Rev. Boothe C. Davis, who was its pastor in the 1890's, later became president of Alfred University. The Rev. Carroll Hill, its pastor during the 20's, became president of Milton College in Wisconsin. The Rev. Albert N. Rogers, another recent pastor, is now dean of the School of Theology of Alfred University. The Rev. Everett Harris, now secretary of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society at Westerly, R. I., and the Rev. Wendell Stephan, chaplain of the Hartford Hospital, were also recent pastors.

It has often been the policy of the church to call as its pastor some young man who wished to attend Yale or Hartford theological institutions to further his education.

In 1844, a Seventh Day Baptist woman in Washington, New Hampshire, became acquainted with a group of Adventists, persuading them that the seventh day of the week was the right day on which to worship. Thus was founded the fast-growing denomination known as the Seventh-day Adventists.

Those interested in New England church

buildings may see in Newport, Rhode Island, the first building used by Seventh Day Baptists in America, built in 1729. It is now a part of the Newport Historical Building, and its interior is an excellent example of colonial church architecture.

Another former Seventh Day Baptist church building is the old Greenmanville Church, now used as a worship center in the Mystic Seaport.

(The writer of this article, the present pastor of the church, is indebted for his facts to a "History of the Waterford Seventh Day Baptist Church" by Prof. William A. Rogers, to Volume II of "Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America," to "The Rogerenes" by John R. Bolles and Anna B. Williams, and to old records of the church.)

Coordinating Council Meets Before Salem Conference

The days before Conference are busy days for many people, especially for all the people making preparation for the entertainment, program, and business of Conference.

In a sense Conference began on Sunday, August 16, for on that day the Coordinating Council met at 9 o'clock and through the day in the Salem Church.

The Coordinating Council is the largest central agency of the denomination, being composed of the Commission and two members (including the employed secretaries) from each of the major boards. It is a larger group than the one which met the previous weekend at Lost Creek, West Virginia.

The general purpose of this meeting of the Council was to review the action and discussion of the previous week with a view to giving the boards through their representatives a full understanding of the thinking of Commission relative to budgets and other matters. Each board had a chance to discuss the changes in the proposed total OWM budget. The greater block of time, however, was spent on forward-looking plans that were not directly related to the financial program of the coming year.

Time was spent on the question of the possibility of a change in the Conference year. Would it be to the advantage of our whole work to have the denominational budget year coincide with the calendar year? The group did not feel that it

was ready without further study to suggest such a change. The same was true of a suggestion looking toward getting all boards to use the same fiscal year.

It was noted that last year we came to the end of our Conference year with an oversubscribed budget due to strong "eleventh-hour" giving. The situation was new, and there was no established policy on how the treasurer should disburse the funds at the beginning of a new year. Although it will take a herculean effort this year to bring us the same problem it was felt that it would be well to have a definitely agreed-upon plan for the future. Should the additional funds be disbursed as a sort of bonus to the participating agencies or should they be distributed according to the new percentages to take up the possible slack in the first month-of the Conference year? The above mentioned questions and some others discussed were not expected to be acted upon at this session of General Conference. To be thinking in terms of oversubscribed budgets is a hopeful sign. Members of the Commission would welcome earnest prayer on the part of our people to make this possible problem become one that would require decision.

The meeting was not altogether hopeful. Almost all boards and agencies had submitted budgets for a larger work than Commission felt could be supported at the anticipated level of giving of our people. This meant that some projected and much-needed advances in our current outreach program at home and abroad would have to be curtailed. Other articles and the OWM budget as finally adopted by Conference will show the thinking of the delegates chosen by the local churches.

"To figure what inflation has done to you since 1946, look at what's happened to your buying power.

"A married couple with income of \$3,000 in that year needs \$4,445 — a boost of 48 per cent — just to stay even in 1958. If your 1946 income was \$5,000, you need \$7,343 today to match it." — Westminster, Md., Carroll County Times.

Young Adult Retreat

The first annual Pre-Con Retreat for young adults, under the direction of Secretary Rex Zwiebel, was held at Camp Caesar, West Virginia, August 12-16, 1959.

Thirty-five enthusiastic young adults entered readily into a program of lecture-discussion, worship, and recreation that was sponsored by the Youth Work Committee of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education, J. Paul Green, chairman.

The adventure began as the campers traveled sharp curving roads that run through deep green mountains leading to the beautiful 4-H camp which is artistically located near Webster Springs, W. Va.

We occupied a building that had sleeping rooms on two sides of a large assembly room. Other camp buildings housed 5 bands from West Virginia schools. Strangely enough, the bands were accepted by the group, and though the rattle of the drums now and then outside the lecture room silenced the speaker, most remarks from campers were in the nature of recalling (too many years in the past) when they, too, were trying to make music in a school band.

The "meat" of the retreat consisted of lectures on young adult activity at home and at church, delivered by the Revs. Charles H. Bond and Alton L. Wheeler. Discussion time after the lectures seemed much too short.

Between the lectures we sang together under the leading of Carol Harris. Harmony of voice is very rewarding to singers who sing for the glory of God even when there is no physical audience.

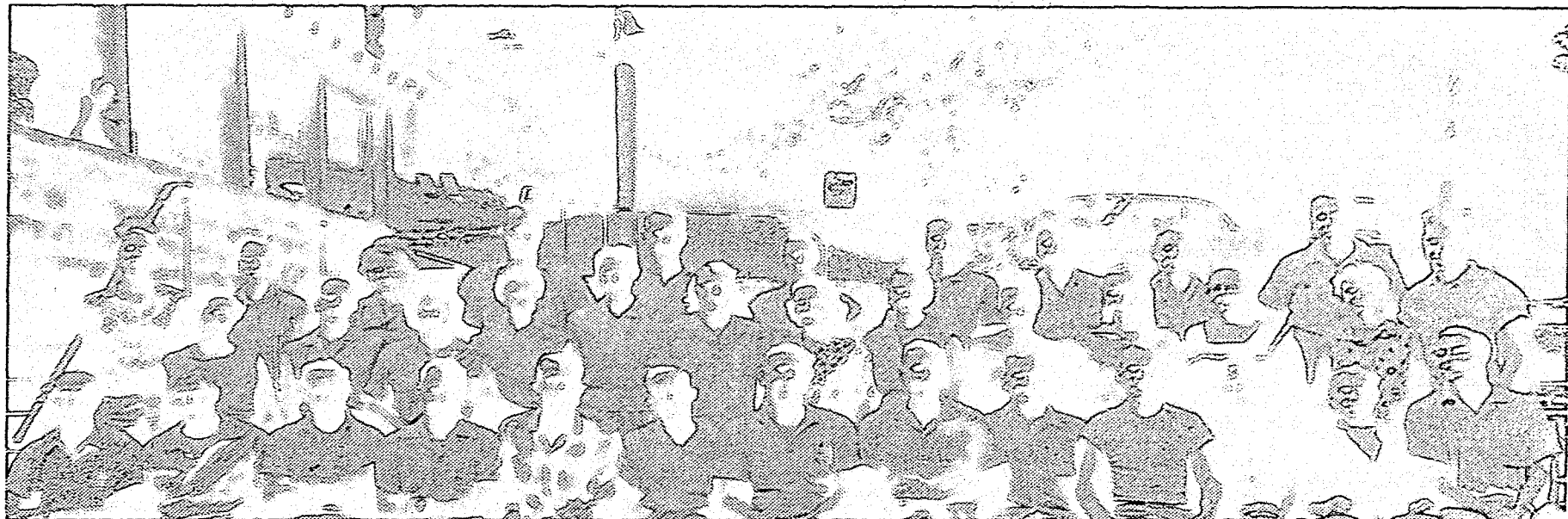
Inspiring worship, during the alone hour, by the new lake for vespers, and in the chapel, gave spiritual uplift. The Rev. Paul L. Maxson was the leader, and all participated with whole heart and spirit.

A lively pace of recreation was set by Fred and Venita Zinn during free time and for the campfire sessions. Some of us figured that the half-mile walk to and from meals three times a day, and the mile walk to the lake and back for vespers was all the exercise we needed.

The assistant to the director and chief counselor was Madge Sutton. We made note that Mrs. Sutton served on the staff of the first Pre-Con for young people and now for the initial Young Adult Retreat. It was a genuine inspiration to have her there.

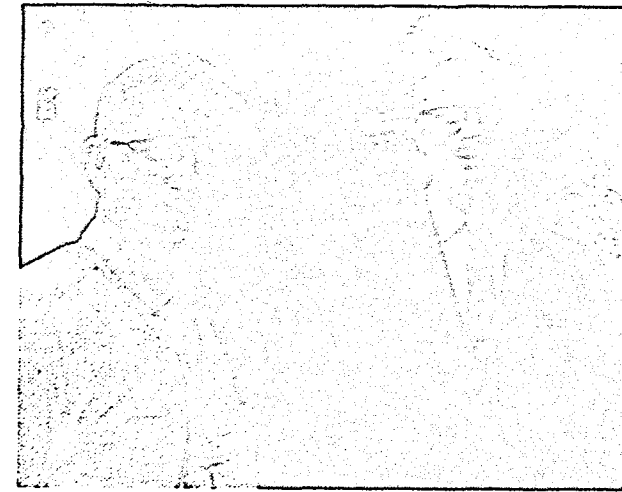
Three members of the Seventh Day Baptist Commission, the Rev. Victor Skaggs, Dr. LeRoy DeLand, and Philip Lewis, visited us on Sabbath afternoon. They were well received, and they voiced their appreciation for the opportunity to talk of denominational matters with the interested group.

A rising ovation of gratitude was given by the retreaters for those responsible for initiating Pre-Con Retreat for Young Adults. It is hoped that plans will soon be in motion for another next year.

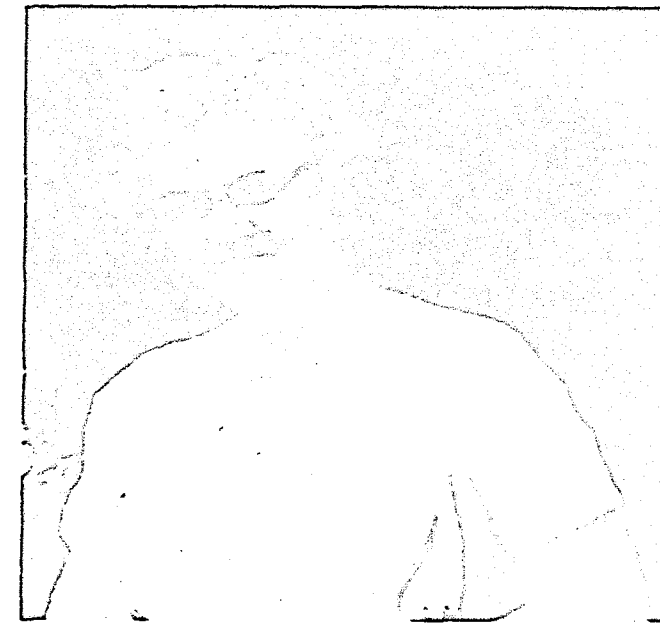


Front row — left to right: Charles Bond, Paul Maxson, George Parrish, Denison Barber, Owen Davis, Kenneth Davis, Leland Bond, Alton Wheeler, Rene Mauch, Fred Zinn, Allwyn Crichlow, Carl Greene, Ed Green; second row: Ethel Wheeler, Ruth Johanson, Eunice Barber, Helen Green, Ruth Rogers, Mary Neils, Lettie Bond, Madelene Parrish, Anne Marie Mauch, Venita Zinn, Arabeth DeLand, Meleta Babcock, Frank Green; third row: Laura Sayre, Carol Harris, Madge Sutton, John Curry, John Williams, Eulala Williams, Mary Curry, Austa Coalwell, Geri Hargis, Rex Zwiebel. Not in the picture were Ann Bond, Sylvia Bond, Della Fern Lippincott, Esther Hansen, Thomas Bond, and William Rymner.

Little Glimpses of Conference People



Salem College president, K. Duane Murley (right), the gracious host and "handyman" of Conference, pauses for a snapshot with the Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson of Plainfield, N. J.



Mrs. Marian Hargis, formerly a missionary to Jamaica, came to Conference from Los Angeles.

A Junior Conference group enjoys afternoon play at the gymnasium of the Industrial Home for Girls at Salem. The children report that they learned much in their morning meetings. The leaders were faithful.

Young people from far-separated places relax on Sabbath afternoon on the hillside campus of Salem College where they chat about the experiences of the youth retreat and General Conference.

Missionary Interests at Conference

Loren G. Osborn, alternate appointed to President George V. Crandall, presided as missionary interests were presented at General Conference Wednesday afternoon, August 19. The theme of the presentation was "Teamwork in Missions at Home and Abroad," following the general emphasis through the year of our Conference president.

The program began with an introduction of missionary pastors and home field workers. Each gave a brief statement of work and plans. Included among these was the final report of Field Evangelist Loyal F. Hurley who concludes his services on September 30.

Mr. Osborn then called on Pastor Earl Cruzan to present an address on "The Lay Development Plan for Seventh Day Baptists." Of outstanding interest to all churches was the proposal that every church conduct a "Church Retreat and Planning Conference" as soon after Conference as possible. Such a retreat would have as one of its aims the setting up of a church program for the coming year.

Under foreign mission interests Headmaster and Mrs. Grover S. Brissey and Rev. and Mrs. David C. Pearson were introduced. The two Jamaica missionaries responded by reviewing the past year's accomplishments and plans for future work.

Rev. and Mrs. Rene Mauch, missionaries-elect to British Guiana, who had just completed a circuit of visits to churches in this country, spoke of their cordial reception by all. They went on to tell of their plans for completing the mission boat and proceeding to British Guiana this fall.

Of outstanding interest to the Conference were the messages of Miss Sarah Becker and Miss Barbara Bivins, medical missionaries-elect to Nyasaland. It is hoped that they may be able to join the Makapwa Mission staff early this fall.

It was announced that Mr. and Mrs. Courtland V. Davis had agreed to serve as successors to Headmaster and Mrs. Grover Brissey at Crandall High School, Kingston, Jamaica, in the summer of 1960.

Secretary Everett T. Harris presided at a

workshop on the Lay Development Plan for Seventh Day Baptists on Wednesday evening of Conference. Those taking part as leaders in the workshop were Mrs. Doris Fetherston, Rev. Edgar F. Wheeler, and Rev. Victor W. Skaggs.

World-Wide Communion

Like Easter, World-Wide Communion Sabbath should be one of the spiritual high points of the year in the local church. Careful planning and the wide use of effective materials can make possible an Easter attendance on World-Wide Communion Sabbath in your church.

A descriptive Order Blank folder was mailed to all pastors and church leaders to aid them in securing materials helpful for making this Sabbath the most meaningful and inspiring of the year. These materials may be secured by addressing the Department of Evangelism, NCC, Box 301, Madison Square Station, New York 10, N. Y.

To make this Sabbath a great spiritual experience we need to begin to plan at once. Plan wisely, plan big, plan spiritually.

Plan great things for God
Expect great things of God

Alert every organization, group, and class in your church. Publicize by newspaper, mail, telephone, and word of mouth. Let this Sabbath initiate a Christian fellowship and kindle spiritual fires that will be wholesome and last throughout the fall months and on through the entire year.

Work and Plans of the Pearsons

Missionaries David and Bettie Pearson assisted in special revival meetings at Paint Rock following their return from Nyasaland and a brief visit with their parents. They then attended the Pre-Con Youth Camp and General Conference at Salem, W. Va.

Tentative plans have been made for a few visits to churches in the East to be made during the brief interval between Conference and the beginning of studies at Gordon Divinity School on September 15, 1959. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson are planning to take courses of study at this school.

It is proposed that visits by the Pearsons

be made on the following schedule: August 23-25 at Berea, W. Va.; August 29 (Sabbath) at Lost Creek, W. Va.; September 5 (Sabbath) at Schenectady, N. Y.; September 12 (Sabbath) at People's Christian Church, New York; September 13-14 at Westerly, en route to Gordon Divinity School. Some additional visits may be made between Sabbaths.

Youth News

Camp Harmony

Camp Harmony, which was held at the 4-H Camp Wabasso near Redwood, N. Y., began on July 8 with thirty-six campers and ten staff members attending. These included our two exchange campers from Battle Creek, Mich., Karen Fick and Laurie DeLand. The ages of the campers ranged from 10 to 19.

We were divided into three different age groups, each having three different classes. They were taught by Pastors Delmer Van Horn, Rex Burdick, and Charles Swing, and Joyce Sholtz, Barbara Crandall, and Bob Sholtz.

For recreation there was swimming, boating, canoeing, softball, tetherball, and many other games which we all enjoyed.

This year there were three special interest groups from which we could choose one. They were arts and crafts, the camp paper, and music.

In order to get the daily jobs done and keep camp clean, we were divided into four work crews. The leaders of these were Loren Sholtz, Amy Greene, Dianne Avery, and Connie Reed. Each day we had a different job to do. The groups also ate together and planned skits, etc., for campfires.

Vespers were held outside every night but Sabbath eve and the last night of camp. Tuesday night we held our consecration service. This was a very inspirational service.

At campfire we did the usual skits, challenges, and songs. Sabbath night everyone went swimming, and this was a welcome treat.

Connie Reed.

Conference Offering Good

It would appear that Seventh Day Baptists are showing a greater love and loyalty for their world-wide mission than previously. The OWM offerings in the churches, which were designated as Conference offerings, amounted to about \$1,102 received and \$1,859 reported to the treasurer but not yet received on the final day. The Sabbath morning offering of the 689 people present at the service was \$2,009. Individual gifts received amounted to \$483. The Pre-Con and Young Adult Retreats also made contributions the previous Sabbath, bringing the total offerings to \$5,544 — about \$1,000 more than last year. The goal, however, is still far from being reached, and the time remaining is short.

Delegates and Visitors At Salem Conference

Registration of delegates and visitors is the week-long task of a local committee. In fact, preregistration was being taken care of for weeks prior to General Conference. The committee did an unusually good job, we would judge, in getting the names of local as well as distant delegates, remaining in their room until the very last evening.

The Credentials Committee of Conference also labored long in compiling the list of delegates and visitors submitted by the churches. It was a rather imposing list when completed. Representation was good and unusually widespread. The records showed 53 churches and 3 mission fields represented. The committee noted 45 ministers and pastors present. The number of official delegates was 428, with 14 of them representing more than one church. Visitors registered by churches numbered 276, making a total of 684. That was very close to the number counted in the Sabbath morning audience.

By way of comparison, this Conference was much larger than last year's, held in California. Then the delegates numbered about 230 and visitors 197. When the meeting place was at Alfred, N. Y., in 1956, there were 409 delegates and 369 visitors. At that time 53 pastors and ministers registered, with 54 churches sending delegates.

— Editor.

Ordination of Deacons at Verona, N. Y.

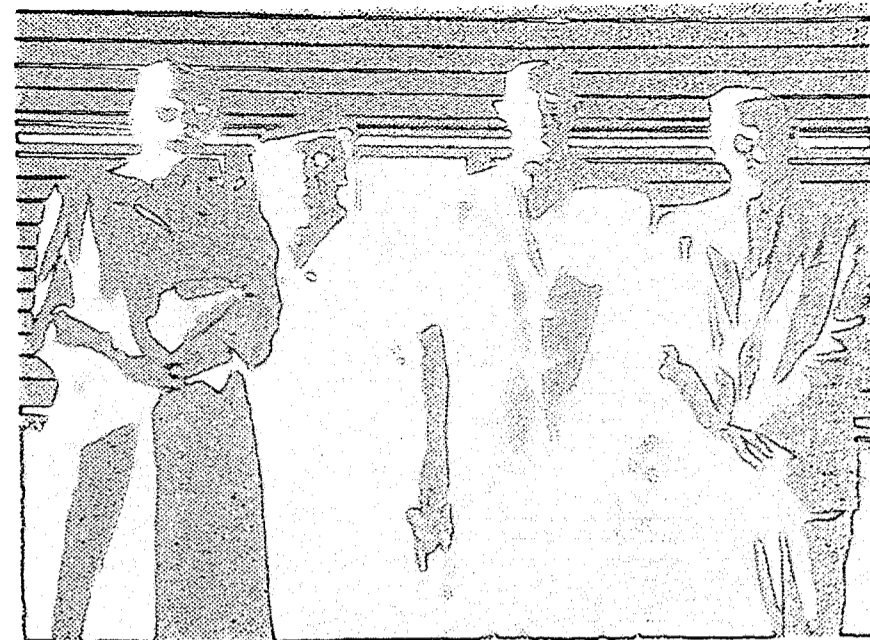
It was a truly great occasion when two new deacons and two deaconesses were ordained to serve the Verona, N. Y., Seventh Day Baptist Church on August 1. Invitations had gone out far and wide to all the churches of the Association, to all living former pastors, and to many others. The all-day meeting was larger and more representative than an Association gathering.

The ordination sermon in the morning was preached by a former pastor, Herbert L. Polan, now of Battle Creek, Mich. Other ministers present were Loyal F. Hurley of Boulder, Colo., Lester G. Osborn of Schenectady, Delmer Van Horn of Adams Center, Charles Swing of De Ruyter, and H. Eugene Davis of Alfred, N. Y., Rex Burdick (the local pastor), Victor Skaggs of Albion and Milton Junction, Wis., Leon M. Maltby of Plainfield, and Howard Waddell, a former supply pastor at Leonardsville, N. Y. Besides these there were 15 or more deacons and deaconesses who had some part on the program. The one coming from the greatest distance was Gleason Curtis of Riverside, Calif., who was visiting in the East.

The church, which was enlarged a few years ago under the pastorate of Victor Skaggs, was filled to capacity both morning and afternoon. Fifteen minutes of spirited singing at the beginning of the afternoon service, together with special vocal numbers, set the mood for a very impressive ordination service.

The pastor announced the manner of selecting the four candidates for the diaconate and proceeded to the organization of the council. All Seventh Day Baptists present were invited by the local church to be members of the council. Upon the election of a local moderator and a clerk, Craig Sholtz and Mrs. LaVerne Davis, the program went forward.

The candidates in turn stated something of their experiences and beliefs in order that the delegates might have added basis for their decision to ordain. Each spoke well, quoting Scripture and relating how the Lord had guided in the past. Garth Warner, the youngest of the candidates,



Deacons and deaconesses ordained at the Verona, N. Y., Church, August 1. Left to right: Carol Davis Crandall, Marion Williams Sholtz, Floyd Sholtz, Garth Warner.

told of the influence of his parents (who were present), of his baptism by the late Rev. A. L. Davis, of his military experience, and of the recent faith — strengthening things that had come into his life. He could not remember back beyond the time of knowing and loving God but testified that it was much later that he personally accepted Christ as his Savior. In the last year and the last month he has felt the leading of the Lord more than ever before.

It is expected that two of the statements considered unusually valuable to readers will be printed in these pages. Mrs. Burton Crandall, one of the candidates, had requested that her daughter Barbara sing "God Did a Wonderful Thing for Me." She and her brother David added much to the sacredness of the occasion with their piano and organ music. Burton Crandall later gave the welcome to the diaconate in well-chosen words, and her father, the Rev. H. Eugene Davis, closed the service with prayer.

When all the candidates had spoken, the council unanimously voted to accept them and to proceed to ordination. A fitting charge to the four was given by former Pastor Victor Skaggs. At the proper time another former pastor, Lester G. Osborn, directed the laying on of hands and led in the consecrating prayer.

The Rev. Loyal F. Hurley, well known in the Association, charged the church to recognize itself for what it was, a legal

organization, an ecclesiastical organization, a doctrinal organization, but above all a fellowship. He stressed the importance of each of these aspects of the church and reminded the Verona people that they should not be afraid to stress doctrine and creed — the things that make them different from some other churches. "Fellowship," he said, "implied a new relationship with God and with man." "The only begotten Son of God," he pointed out, "paid the unspeakable price on the cross to bring us back into the fellowship which had been lost through sin." In his closing remarks he charged the congregation, "Be a church," by which he meant, "Love one another." This fellowship is more important than any legal, ecclesiastical, or doctrinal consideration, he affirmed. — Editor.

WISCONSIN YOUTH CAMP

By Mrs. Leila Maxson

Camp Wakonda, the Seventh Day Baptist camp for the North Central Association, which has been developed by the members of the Milton Church and their friends, has completed its ninth camping season.

Twenty high school boys and girls ended a week's camping on July 20 with the Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph as supervisor. Others on the staff were Miss Helena Knox, a 1959 Milton College graduate who has been employed this summer by the Youth Committee of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education; Miss Laura Sayre, a junior at the University of Wisconsin; the Rev. Kenneth Van Horn, pastor of the Dodge Center, Minn., Church; and Mrs. Elmo (Madelene) F. Randolph, camp cook.

Helena conducted a workshop on the newly formed Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowship organization; Laura was in charge of games and campfire programs; Mr. Van Horn served as counselor for boys and conducted a period, titled, "The Practice of the Presence of God."

Campers came from three churches of the Association, and Miss Camille Crandall, Canisteo, N. Y., represented the Western Association as an exchange camper.

John FitzRandolph, a junior next year at

the Milton high school, was elected honor camper for the year and this qualifies him to be the exchange camper next year from Wakonda.

The Rev. Victor Skaggs, pastor of the Albion-Milton Junction Churches, was the director for the junior camp which over 30 boys and girls attended from four of the Association churches. Miss Mary Neils and Laura Sayre, both of Milton, and the Rev. Elmo F. Randolph were others on the camp staff.

The development of the 66-acre camp has been a high adventure of faith and work over the past nine years, states Pastor Randolph. Many hundreds of Christians, young and old, have had their lives enriched by the Wakonda program.

The Wakonda lodge was built and paid for by Milton Church members and friends. The Stillman Memorial Cabin, given by Miss Rose Stillman in memory of her sister Ruth, was erected in 1958 and is becoming one of the favorite spots, particularly of the older people, though several honeymoon couples have also stayed there. The newest structure, nearly complete, is the Crosley Memorial Picnic Shelter, given in memory of Dr. and Mrs. George Crosley by their niece, Mrs. Jane Hurley Pierce.

A 38-acre wood lot across the road southwest from camp is now being purchased. In addition, the camp committee sees the need for improving existing facilities. First, new plumbing will be installed, and the next project will be a building containing showers and lavatories and a room for storage. The committee estimates that a total of \$5,000 will be needed over the next three years to complete the improvements to the camp.

Dr. Browne Elected

The Associated Church Press, an organization of 156 Protestant and Orthodox publications in the United States and Canada, has elected Dr. Benjamin P. Browne of the American Baptist Publication and Education Society as its president for 1959. Dr. Browne is well known to Seventh Day Baptist ministers, having lectured to them at their conference in Westerly, R. I., two years ago. He heads two Christian Writers Schools.

Church Leaders Take Brief Vacations

The executive secretary, after more than two weeks of hard work with Commission and Conference in West Virginia, decided that she must take a week off before plunging into the many responsibilities coming to her as the normal result of these meetings.

The Rev. Leland Davis, pastor at Battle Creek, announced that he could be reached the week after Conference at the home of his wife's parents at Shiloh, N. J. He was scheduled to fill the pulpit there on August 29.

The Riverside pastor, Alton Wheeler, took his vacation before Conference, spending part of the time with Mrs. Wheeler's mother in Florida. They travel with a trailer.

The Rev. C. Rex Burdick of Verona, N. Y., was expecting to take his family by trailer for a week's vacation in the Adirondack Mountains.

Pastor C. Harmon Dickinson planned to spend part of his vacation at De Ruyter, N. Y., with his wife's sister.

The minister of the Marlboro, N. J., Church spent some time between Lewis Camp and Conference with his folks in Schenectady and his wife's folks at Verona, N. Y.

The Rev. Victor Skaggs, invited to speak at an ordination service at Verona, visited for a few days with his wife's people at De Ruyter, N. Y., before going on to Salem.

The Alfred, N. Y., pastor, Dr. Hurley S. Warren, spent part of his vacation with his daughter in Plainfield, N. J.

After entertaining Planning Committee and Commission at Lost Creek, W. Va., and spending a strenuous week at Conference, the Rev. Duane Davis planned to relax for a week on the farm with his parents at Verona, N. Y.

The Rev. Herbert L. Polan, in semi-retirement, did not get to Conference as intended. He and his wife found responsibilities at Plainfield in connection with the arrival of a new grandchild.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

RIVERSIDE, CALIF. — Children's Day is always a high spot in the Riverside Church. Under the direction of Miss Dora Hurley and her earnest co-workers, a sparkling program was presented on June 6 following the regular worship service. Through recitation, drama, cartography, and song, the Word and Our World Mission were made more real to us. Special mention is made of the impressive memorization of Isaiah 53 by David Henry, Jr. The monthly fellowship luncheon followed the morning service.

Wayne Hambleton has been appointed leader of the Senior Youth group.

A series of camps began July 21. The first week was allotted to Intermediates; July 3-5, to Seniors; 5-12, to Juniors; 12-15, to Primaries. Up to the present time the Junior Camp is enjoying the highest attendance, with 57 boys and girls enrolled.

The Dorcas Society held its closing meeting of the present calendar year, June 17, at the home of Mrs. Philip Lewis. A pot-luck luncheon was served in the patio. Annual reports and the installation of new officers were in order.

Sabbath, June 20, was marked by the arrival of our summer pastor, the Rev. Ralph D. Coon, and his wife. Pastor Wheeler spoke convincingly on "The Scriptures Teach Lessons of Life." In the evening the Coons and Miss Nola Gray, here from Milton, Wis., to assist in the camping program, were honored at a reception at the church.

June 27, Associate Pastor Coon brought the message, "Of Him, Through Him, To Him."

The regular quarterly church business meeting was held, June 29, two weeks ahead of schedule, due to the camping program. On June 7 there was a special church business meeting which had for consideration camp rental, the purchase of a more efficient mimeographing machine, and the matter of sending the choir director to a music institute in the spring.

The Bible study and prayer service Sabbath evenings have been devoted to the study of the Book of Isaiah. We have rejoiced in the addition of four new mem-

bers to the church by baptism or by profession of faith. Others are desirous of taking the blessed step.

Pastor Wheeler alternated with Pastor Coon in the pulpit throughout the summer, preaching his final sermon on July 18 prior to leaving for his vacation. During our regular pastor's absence the Coons will reside at the parsonage. — Correspondent.

COUDERSPORT, PA. (Hebron). — June was a very active month for our church. The first Sabbath afternoon in June the Rev. Delmer Van Horn officiated at a baptismal ceremony at a pond near the church. Nine persons were baptized. Included were three generations of one family. The following Sabbath afternoon baptismal services were held at Little Genesee, N. Y., with one more from our church being baptized. The right hand of fellowship was received by the ten members joining by baptism, the one by testimony, and the four joining as associate members during the morning worship services.

Our Vacation Church School began June 22 under the direction of Miss Evelyn Kenyon. Thirty-one children were enrolled and attended for five days with a picnic the last day. On Sunday eve, June 28, Parent-Sharing night was held with parents and friends attending. Each class under the direction of the teachers participated in the program. Also each class had on display all the work and handicraft which had been completed during the week. The teachers are to be commended for their work in making the school so successful. Pastor Van Horn receives special thanks for serving as a teacher every morning during his last week as pastor.

A farewell party was given for Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn and family immediately following the Parent-Sharing program. They were presented with farewell gifts along with best wishes from their many friends.

July 4 we were happy to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Eugene Fatato and two sons into our church and community. Pastor Fatato presented his first message on that morning's worship service. — Correspondent.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

ADAMS CENTER, N. Y. — A farewell reception was held Sunday evening, June 14, for Pastor Earl Cruzan and family. The program was planned by the three churches which he served, and was presented in the form of "This Is Your Life" with readings, skits, songs, and choral numbers. In true TV style a hand-inscribed book was prepared. He was presented with a set of The Interpreter's Bible from the three churches, and many personal gifts of money. They left for Westerly, R. I., on June 24.

The Rev. and Mrs. Delmer Van Horn and family arrived here June 30, from Little Genesee, N. Y. We were most fortunate in having only one week's lapse in pastorates.

Miss Amy Greene and niece, Mrs. Dorothea Musk of Gainesville, Fla., worshiped with us during their month's vacation at Campbells Point. Miss Greene is our oldest member and will observe her 90th birthday anniversary September 19.

On July 11 our congregation joined with the Association campers at Camp Harmony at their Sabbath services.

A reception to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Van Horn and family to the churches and communities was held Sunday evening, July 26. He will also serve the Honeyville and South Rutland churches. These churches participated in the program of music for the evening. Ice cream and cake were served and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

No church services were held here on Sabbath, August 1. Many attended the service of ordination to the diaconate at the Verona Church.

At our annual church meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year: moderator, Gilbert Horton; assistant, Gerald Greene; clerk, Mrs. Barbara Gilmore; treasurer, Chris Langworthy; trustees, Harold Scriven, Garrelt Bakker, Albert Gilmore; choir director, Mrs. Mary Ellen Reed; assistant, Pastor Van Horn; organist, Mrs. Mary Ellen Reed; assistant, Mrs. Van Horn; youth choir director, Albert Gilmore.

Reports showed: That we had joined in the Released Time Religious Education programs with the proceeds of a Meal of

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Sharing used in this project; that a new constitution for our church was drafted; that the Ways and Means Committee has served several ham dinners; that the church has been rewired and outlets added in the kitchen; that the new door and steps with an entrance light in the east end of the church were completed in time for Association; and that the pipe organ was cleaned and repaired.

The special offering taken for the OWM Budget was \$150.

— Correspondent.

Marriages

Flock - Christensen. — Dean Flock, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Flock, and Phyllis Christensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Christensen, all of Ord, Neb., were married at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in North Loup, Neb., June 14, 1959, with the pastor of the bride, Mynor G. Soper, officiating.

Lane - Crow. — Marion Lane and Mrs. Merle Crow were married July 14, 1959, at Ord, Neb., by County Judge Elsworth Ball.

Preisser - Potts. — Karl Preisser of Chicago, Ill., and Jonelle V. Potts, daughter of Mrs. Anna Estes of Aurora, Ill., were married on Aug. 2, 1959, at the Stonefort, Ill., Seventh Day Baptist Church, the Rev. Addison Appel officiating.

Births

Burdick. — A daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, to Rev. and Mrs. Oscar C. Burdick, 7641 Terrace Drive, El Cerrito, Calif., on July 8, 1959.

Clement. — A son, Rex William, to Donald and Phyllis (Babcock) Clement, of Ord, Neb., July 6, 1959.

Granger. — A daughter, Jerrolin Kay, to Harry and Jeannette (Williams) Granger, of Petersburg, Neb., July 25, 1959.

Obituaries

Clement. — Harriett, daughter of Frank B. and Cecelia (Williams) Robbins, was born Nov. 24, 1867, at Wells, Minn., and died June 13, 1959, at a rest home in Scotia, Neb.

The family moved to Nebraska where she was married to Dr. J. B. Hoshaw. To them was born one daughter, Celia (Mrs. A. D. Moulton), of Battle Creek, Mich. After the doctor's death Mrs. Hoshaw taught school for some time.

On March 25, 1896, she was married to Carl Clement. To them were born three sons: Neil, who preceded her in death, Frank, of Huntington, W. Va., and Paul, of Batavia, Ill. Following Mr. Clement's death on Oct. 28, 1923, Mrs. Clement returned to North Loup. She was a

member of the local Seventh Day Baptist church.

Surviving are her daughter, two sons, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and one brother, LaMonte, of Delevan, Wis.

Services were conducted by her pastor, Mynor G. Soper, at the church, and burial was in Hillside Cemetery at North Loup. M. G. S.

Comstock. — Jessie Watts, daughter of Henry Arthur and Eva Adele (Green) Watts, was born Nov. 13, 1884, at North Loup, Neb., and died July 8, 1959, at St. Charles, Ill.

On June 11, 1904, she was married at North Loup to Ralph J. Comstock of Comstock, Neb. To them were born two sons: Leon, of Batavia, Ill., and Ivan, of St. Charles, Ill.

In 1929 the family moved from Nebraska to Illinois. The home has been at St. Charles for many years. Mrs. Comstock was a member of the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Besides her husband and sons she is survived by two grandchildren; two sisters: Mrs. Madge Fuller, of North Loup, and Mrs. Eva Hann, of Long Beach, Calif.; and one brother, Martin, of Gardena, Calif.

In the absence of Pastor Mynor G. Soper, farewell services were conducted Sabbath morning, July 11, at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in North Loup, Neb., by the Rev. Clarence Buehler of the Methodist Church. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery at North Loup. M.G.S.

Kagarise. — Alvy Frederick, son of Jerome and Belle (Frederick) Kagarise, was born on March 5, 1879, at Salemville, Pa., and died July 4, 1959, in New Enterprise, Pa.

He was married in 1900 to Ella Berkheimer who preceded him in death. Surviving are three children: Jack and Mrs. Mary Leber, both of New Enterprise, and Russell, of Harrisburg; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lawrence and Raymond; two sisters, Mrs. Susie Diamond and Mrs. Nettie Boyd, all of New Enterprise.

He was a member of the Salemville Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held at the Byers Funeral Home, Woodbury, by the Rev. Edgar Detwiler. Burial was in Salemville Cemetery. Mrs. Albert Blough.

Thomas. — Blanche Crandall, daughter of James R. and Elmina Sherman Crandall, was born in Alfred, N. Y., November 24, 1880, and died at Bethesda Hospital, North Hornell, N. Y., June 13, 1959.

She joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Alfred in 1893, thus having held one of the longest memberships in the history of the local church.

She was married to William H. Thomas on January 1, 1902. To this union were born two children: Miss Helen W. and Roger S., both of Alfred, and both of whom survive. There also survive two granddaughters, Susan and Sally Thomas, of Alfred. Mr. Thomas died in 1941.

Memorial services were held on Monday afternoon, June 15, at the Alfred Church with her pastor, the Rev. Hurley S. Warren, officiating. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

— H.S.W.

MISSIONARY GROUP AT GENERAL CONFERENCE



"Send them forth with morn's first beaming;
Send them in the noontide's glare
When the sun's last rays are gleaming,
Bid them gather ev'ry-where."

"And when they had fasted and prayed,
and laid their hands on them, they sent them away."

Pictured here are six people under appointment to go to the foreign field within the next Conference year, three on furlough from Nyasaaland and Jamaica, and seven who have served in Jamaica, New Zealand, or China. Grover Brissey, also on brief furlough, was not available.

Seated, Miss Mabel West; front row left to right: Miss Sarah Becker, Mrs. Emmett Bottoms, Mrs. David Pearson, Neal D. Mills, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. O. B. Bond; back row: Courtland V. Davis, Mrs. Davis, Miss Barbara Bivins, Mrs. Rene Mauch, Rene Mauch, David Pearson, Mrs. Grover Brissey, Mrs. G. D. Hargis, O. B. Bond.