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explain to friends and acquaintances why I don't take in many school activities.

Since I have been in high school, such occurrences as the one I mentioned before have actually helped me to determine many basic factors in my beliefs. Knowing that my friends and classmates understand and respect my ideals and beliefs, though they are different from their own, has helped to give me the strength, encouragement, and determination to be true to my God, my church, and to myself. I hope that I have been able to give a little help to others while I myself have been progressing.

Several times I have had friends ask about my church and why I keep Sabbath instead of Sunday. I have tried to explain why the seventh day of the week is the one I feel I should keep, and also explain that my way of observing the Sabbath probably differs some from that of some other Seventh Day Baptists though the primary reason of all Seventh Day Baptists is taken from the Bible. From the Book of Genesis, chapter 2, verse 3, I quote: "And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it: because that in it he rested from all his work." This one passage has been my major stand-by when expressing my faith to others.

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**MILTON, WIS.** — At a special church business meeting called for the evening after the Sabbath, May 14, favorable action was taken on a recommendation of the trustees to approve plans of the Camp Committee for an addition to the lodge designed to house toilets, washrooms, showers, and storage space. The cost of the recommended addition will approximate \$2,500.

**HOUSTON, TEX.**—The Houston Fellowship is holding meetings biweekly in the homes of its members. Inspiring meditations have been given by the members. Our activities since the last Recorder article include:

1. A series of newspaper advertisements, placed on the church page, stating our Seventh Day Baptist beliefs. These were ably planned by Stephen Pierce, the fellowship's president. Several contacts

were made and are being supplied with tracts.

2. A special meeting to hear the Pearsons, with an attendance of twenty-five.

3. May 20, a communion service and dedication for the parents of the newest Houston Fellowship member, Andrew Stillman, conducted by Shepherding Pastor Marion C. VanHorn. We greatly appreciate Mr. VanHorn's quarterly visitations with us.

The greater Houston area offers job opportunities for almost any type of work. We would invite anyone who would like a larger place of service in his Master's Kingdom to "Come over into Texas and help us."

— Mrs. George Stillman,  
Secretary.

## Births

**Monroe.** — A son, Kerry Duane, was born May 23, 1960, to Mr. and Mrs. Berwin Monroe of Little Rock, Ark.

**Wheeler.** — A daughter, Angela Charisse, to Dr. and Mrs. Edward R. Wheeler of Muscatine, Iowa, on May 8, 1960.

## Obituaries

**Bond.** — Ormond Ellis, the son of Henry and Cora Ellis Bond, was born July 19, 1915, at Dodge Center, Minn., and died May 24, 1960, at the same place.

On July 7, 1927, he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized by the Rev. Edward Holston, joining the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Dodge Center, where he remained a member throughout his life.

In 1941 Ormond joined the Army Air Force and served as a mechanic, spending approximately three years in England.

On April 28, 1950, he was united in marriage to Yvonne Rosamond Edison at Kenyon, Minn. To this union were born four children: Eugene Ormand, Carole Marie, Brian Ellis, and Bradley Warren. One son died in infancy. He is survived by his wife and children; his father; two brothers, Claston and Arthur, all of Dodge Center; three sisters, Leona Bushaw of Superior, Wis., Ardith Greene of Dodge Center, and Bernice Jensen of Minneapolis, and several nieces and nephews.

Ormond was an outstandingly kind and patient husband and father who bore his responsibilities quietly each day. The Twenty-third Psalm and the Beatitudes had particular meaning for him.

— Mary Thorngate.



## Experiencing Worship Together

The coming of summer brings many new experiences for the youth of our churches. For many there will be opportunities for new friendships in camps and conferences. Not the least of the summer joys will be the experience of worshiping together at the gatherings of youth and adults. Feeling the presence of a friend as heads are bowed reminds us that at such times we are in the holy presence of that unseen Friend. Without Him neither summer's sun nor winter's study can be truly joyous.

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Our World Mission ..... Back Cover

## Our World Mission

Loyal Christians within our denomina-  
tion find their attention drawn once each  
month to the back page of the Recorder  
where on other weeks they look for vital  
statistics (births, marriages, accessions, and  
obituaries). The columns of figures show-  
ing the giving of our people to Our World  
Mission for the preceding month are just  
as truly vital statistics. By that compilation  
one can get a pretty good idea of our indi-  
vidual and denominational vitality. Depth  
of Christian experience and the depth to  
which one thrusts his hand in his pocket  
for contributions to the cause of Christ  
are as closely related as head and heart.

Mention was made by two different  
speakers at one of our Associations recent-  
ly to the Dead Sea which receives but  
never gives. One mentioned that the  
same headwaters fed both the Lake of  
Galilee and the Dead Sea but that the  
former shared all that it received. It  
therefore teemed with life and irrigated a  
great countryside. Further application  
than the apparent one could be made. If  
we who call ourselves Christians and Sev-  
enth Day Baptists allow ourselves to drop  
as far below sea level in our day-by-day  
Christian experience as the Dead Sea then  
we, like it, would find it impossible to have  
the proper outflow of blessing to others in  
the form of giving. It is true that some-  
thing for the benefit of man can be ex-  
tracted from the briny Dead Sea and  
perhaps also from some professing be-  
lievers who all their lives have been  
receiving without giving; but it is not an  
ideal procedure. We might add that a  
living church cannot be financed by the  
obituary column of the church paper.

The vital statistics on the back page of  
this issue are better — much better —  
than a month ago. What that improvement  
represents in the way of newly dedicated  
pocketbooks is hard to estimate, but  
surely there are some. However, our an-  
nual Conference is fast approaching and  
the end of our fiscal year comes soon  
afterward. The larger amount received in  
May (\$8,583) needs to be exceeded by  
about \$3,875 each of the 4 remaining  
months in order to carry out the mission  
which God laid upon our hearts eight or  
nine months ago. June 25 is Our World

Mission Day. Let us make it meaningful.  
Mr. Batson, our treasurer, would be glad  
to send in those better vital statistics next  
month at this time.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

### Not Milk and Honey But Milk and Paper

We think goats are funny; they eat  
paper and drink milk. The American  
people are just one step higher than  
goats, it seems. Our per capita consump-  
tion of paper is just below that of milk  
and water. The promised land flowed  
with milk and honey; ours with milk and  
paper.

To turn from the ridiculous to the  
sublime, we note that Jesus was nourished  
by the Scriptures and stopped the tempter  
with: "It is written, Man shall not live by  
bread alone, but by every word that pro-  
ceedeth out of the mouth of God." With  
something higher than literalism we  
recognize that Christians are known in  
mission lands as people of the Book —  
people who "devour" its pages. We recall  
also the hard-to-understand passage in  
Revelation 10 where John the beloved  
disciple was told to eat the little book  
from the angel's hand. The book was  
sweet as honey; but to "prophesy again  
before many peoples, and nations" — that  
would be as bitter as paper in the stomach.  
It may be that we, too, are called upon to  
take a sweet message to unwilling hearers  
in these last days.

### Building with Belief

We readily understand that the Church  
must be built on faith, for so said its  
founder, Christ. But when the Department  
of Church Architecture (NCC) at its re-  
cent twentieth annual meeting urges  
church architects to build with "belief,"  
that is a slightly different angle. What the  
chairman, Edward S. Frey, meant was that  
churches consulting architects about new  
buildings do not do enough thinking  
ahead of time and fail to explain ade-  
quately the purposes for which the various

rooms of the new church structure are to  
be used. The result is, according to him,  
that some of the rooms do not express the  
purpose and belief that might have been  
built into them.

We know that we often fail to com-  
municate our faith to our fellow men  
but perhaps we had not thought much  
about the need for careful expression in  
this area.

## The Nature of Man

One of the major divisions in Systematic  
Theology deals with "the nature of man"  
and this is also reflected in most state-  
ments of belief drawn up by the various  
denominations. It is a subject upon which  
much time is spent in theological semi-  
naries. One would not expect to find that  
particular subject stressed in a school that  
limits its field to technology. But the  
borrowing of theological terms is some-  
thing to which we should become ac-  
customed.

The case in point is the announcement  
by Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
that Aldous Huxley, British writer, has  
been chosen Visiting Professor of Human-  
ities for the 1960 fall term. His series of  
lectures at M. I. T. will be entitled, "The  
Nature of Man." The Huxley name is  
not usually associated with theological  
studies — more frequently with evolution.

## Unsaved Christians

Nothing seems so contradictory as put-  
ting the terms "unsaved" and "Christian"  
together. It is not Biblical. We could  
put it another way and remind ourselves  
that an unsaved Christian is not a Biblical  
Christian. One who is unsaved is not a  
Christian at all. Probably the term should  
not be used, especially of someone else.  
However, when a person looks back from  
a richer experience to his years of fruit-  
lessness and lack of peace even after join-  
ing the church and calls himself an  
"unsaved Christian," we do well to accept  
his use of the term.

Strange as it may seem, a missionary  
about to return for his second term on

the mission field wrote to Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship that he went to the field and worked for the Lord a full term before that work of grace, conversion or rebirth, was wrought in his heart. He is by no means the first to profess conversion after becoming a faithful church member, a missionary, or a minister. To acknowledge such a possibility is, to be sure, disturbing and introduces an element of confusion, but we should think in terms of the spiritual health of those dear friends or relatives who bear such testimony and should encourage them to grow. If their new experiences are of God (and there is seldom any question of it), we do not want "to be found given to fight against God," as Gamaliel said, by trying to convince them that they were saved before they experienced the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit.

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Protestant Body in Italy  
May Now Legally Own Property

After twelve years of diplomatic and judicial effort, the government of Italy has finally published a decree recognizing the Italian Assemblies of God as a legal entity entitled to hold property.

This announcement, released through the Washington office of the National Association of Evangelicals, climaxes efforts begun in 1948 to incorporate the Assemblies of God. When the Minister of the Interior failed to act upon the initial application, the matter was taken to the courts and finally reached the Council of State (Italian Supreme Court) in 1954.

Although this body ordered the Minister of the Interior to provide such a legal entity, it was two years before such a decree was drafted. Apparently clerical pressure was applied again and it was not until the American government intervened on behalf of the considerable amount of United States funds invested in property that should have been held by this corporation that the Italian government finally acted. Now word has come that the last legal step — that of publishing the decree in the *Official Gazette* — has been taken.

## President's Message

### General Conference — Our Aims

The sessions of our General Conference are scheduled each year in August. Each year we meet to do the joint business of the churches: to hear reports and make plans for the work of the year and the years to come. Each year we meet with the high hope that in inspiration and study and worship we will achieve, by God's grace, high moments when His Spirit's power and presence are evident and He speaks to us in unmistakable terms. Each year we meet to pour out our ardent praises before God and to let our petitions regarding our common concerns be heard.

This year we meet on the grounds of John Brown University, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, August 15-20. Several hundred Seventh Day Baptists will be worshipping and studying and doing business and living together for six days. Our aim will be to glorify God in worship, to discover His will in business, to rededicate ourselves and our churches to His service for Jesus' sake.

Each Seventh Day Baptist is invited to be a part of this fellowship. Plan to attend the sessions if you can. If you cannot attend, join even now in a nationwide fellowship of prayer for the blessings of God upon us as we meet. Consider the advisability of a brief consecration service for the Conference delegates of your church. They are your representatives in the work of Christ's Church. Pray that in this representative capacity they may seek and find and do His holy will. However opinions may divide us, this desire to do His will is the strength of our unity and our one hope in Christ.

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Cooperative Program receipts to support work of the Southern Baptist Convention reached a record \$17,101,216 during 1959. Of this amount \$7,465,912 went to foreign missions and \$5,330,000 was shared by six Southern Baptist seminaries.

### Eugene Fatato Ordained To Ministry

By Albert N. Rogers

Eugene N. Fatato was ordained to the Christian ministry by a council called jointly by the First Genesee and First Hebron Seventh Day Baptist Churches at Little Genesee on Sabbath afternoon, May 28. He has served as pastor of the two congregations for the past year.

Rev. Paul Maxson of Berlin, N. Y., preached the ordination sermon from 1 Timothy 6, "Man of God." He served the Schenectady Mission during the years when Eugene was growing up and wrestling with a call to the ministry. He called on the candidate to guard what is entrusted to him: that the earth is to be held in stewardship, that human life is holy, that God the righteous is inescapable, and that life's most needed victories come through the principle of sacrifice. The message was illustrated from his own experience as a pastor.

S. Kenneth Davis, a college and seminary classmate of the candidate, participated in the morning worship which was conducted by Pastor Fatato. A mid-day dinner was shared by all at the Little Genesee Community Hall.

Jack Reynolds, moderator of the host church, called the council to order and was elected chairman for the day. Mrs. William Thompson, clerk of the First Hebron Church, was named clerk of the council and read the list of delegates present from the six churches of the Western Association and the Buffalo Fellowship.

Nicholas Fatato, father of the candidate and a leading member of the Schenectady Seventh Day Baptist Church, read the Scriptures, after which prayer was offered by Rev. Ralph Hutchinson, pastor of the Methodist Church of Bolivar which is adjacent to Little Genesee.

In his statement of experience and belief, 'Gene, as he is generally known, told of his struggle to put the call to Christian service out of his mind during

his years in military service, at college, and in business with his father in Schenectady. He paid tribute to many who had believed in him and helped him, and pledged his best efforts to a life of growing usefulness as a Seventh Day Baptist minister. Beginning with the denominational Statement of Beliefs, he discussed the principal articles of faith held among Seventh Day Baptists and affirmed his agreement with them. The statement was unanimously adopted as satisfactory.

A charge to the candidate was given by Dr. Melvin G. Nida, associate professor of Biblical Studies at the Alfred University School of Theology. Rev. Albert N. Rogers, dean of the school, gave a charge to the churches. The consecrating prayer was offered by Dr. Hurley S. Warren, pastor of the First Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church, and all ministers present united in the laying on of hands.

The welcome to the ministry was given by the Rev. Paul Maxson. Appreciation was given more than once during the day to Freda, the candidate's wife, whose capabilities as a housewife and secretary are well known. The newly ordained minister pronounced the benediction.

Music was furnished for the services by the combined choirs led by Mrs. Mary Cudahay and Mrs. Carl Polen. Mrs. Cecil Grantier was organist.

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### "A Favorable Atmosphere"

Pope John XXIII has appealed to Roman Catholic missionaries to show more understanding toward their "brethren who bear the name of Christ in their heads and hearts, but are separated from the Catholic Church," say reports from Rome. The Pope, addressing the General Council of Papal Missions, said every attempt must be made to break down obsolete ideas and overcome prejudices in creating a favorable atmosphere for "return to the Church of Rome." "In this way doors can be opened for the unity of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ," the Pope declared.

— W. W. Reid.

Department of Evangelism  
Gleanings From the Minutes

The Rev. Leon M. Maltby attended the May 4 meeting of the Board of Managers of the Central Department of Evangelism NCCC held at the Interchurch Center on Riverside Drive, New York. Secretary Maltby was one of 29 denominational representatives, 7 departmental staff members, and 7 guests and new members who had met to consider the many phases of the work of this important department of the National Council of Churches.

A fifty-page report of the minutes of this meeting has come to Secretary E. T. Harris, the second denominational member of the Board of Managers, who was unable to attend the Department meeting. Space will not permit a review of these minutes but they cover such interdenominational activities as: the report of the executive director, Dr. G. Paul Musselman; the report of the Rev. Meryl Ruoss, executive secretary of the Department of the Urban Church in the Division of Home Missions; Dr. Ralph Holdeman's report of the Educational Evangelism Committee; the report of the University Christian Mission Committee; report of the Spiritual Life Committee; report of the Committee on Christian Approach to the Jews; report of Literature Committee; report of the Passenger Ship's Chaplaincy Service Committee; report of the Pentecost Committee; report of the Committee on a Christian Ministry in the National Parks.

November 29 and 30, 1960, were approved as dates for the next meetings by the Department.

Only one paragraph of one report will be quoted to show the pertinence to our times of the matters being considered. It is as follows:

"Reference was made by Mr. Ruoss to the mobility of the new America, with one-third of the population in the United States changing addresses every year. The average community is replaced by new people every five years; in some, every three years. In the inner city this occurs

every six months or a year. What does this say about our mission to reach people? Possibly first we need to get over the assumption that there is something wrong with people who move; and this makes the educational task of the church very important. We must give people a religion to carry with them. The chances are that the American people will become even more mobile."

Missionary Personnel  
For British Guiana

A letter has been sent recently to Missionary Board and denominational leaders requesting their help in recruiting suitable missionary personnel for British Guiana now that the resignation of the Rev. and Mrs. Rene Mauch has been accepted. Our church people are also requested to remember this matter in their prayers that God may touch the hearts of just the right ones to go for us.

The following suggestions were made in the letter: "A married couple is hoped for. An experienced Seventh Day Baptist pastor would be preferred, one who could lead out in evangelistic services. Good health and a knowledge of how to keep well are essential. Georgetown is a modern city with British schools for children through the lower grades. Select schools are available for high school training."

Through the Missionary Society there is being offered, "An adequate salary, a children's allowance (for educational purposes), a travel allowance on the field, moving expense and rental allowance for a home in Georgetown, a rental allowance for a place of worship in Georgetown."

The letter closes, "If you know of one who would be interested to go as our missionary, please write to the secretary of the Missionary Board." If God is laying it upon the heart of one of our brethren to go for us, we would urge you to share this information that He may guide us all in this matter.

We do believe that our Heavenly Father intends that we should not give

up our efforts to more adequately serve the British Guiana mission field.

Commenting on open doors of missionary opportunity, one missionary has written, "We should not hesitate to enter an open door or even a swinging door. It is usually possible to get out through the windows if the door is closed but pretty hard to get in that way." British Guiana is now an open door for Seventh Day Baptist missions. No one knows how long it will remain so. Today is an acceptable time. God help us to use our opportunity aright.

Jamaica Mission Notes

Pastor Leon R. Lawton in writing regarding the one-day retreat at Maiden Hall held on May 24, reports that ten were present to study the Scriptures on certain perplexing questions. He writes: "We had a good day in that there was a good spirit manifest generally and a real seeking for the meaning of God's Word."

Pastor Lawton reports that preparation is being made for the publication of a limited number of copies of "A Prospectus for Crandall High School" showing proposed curriculum and faculty set-up.

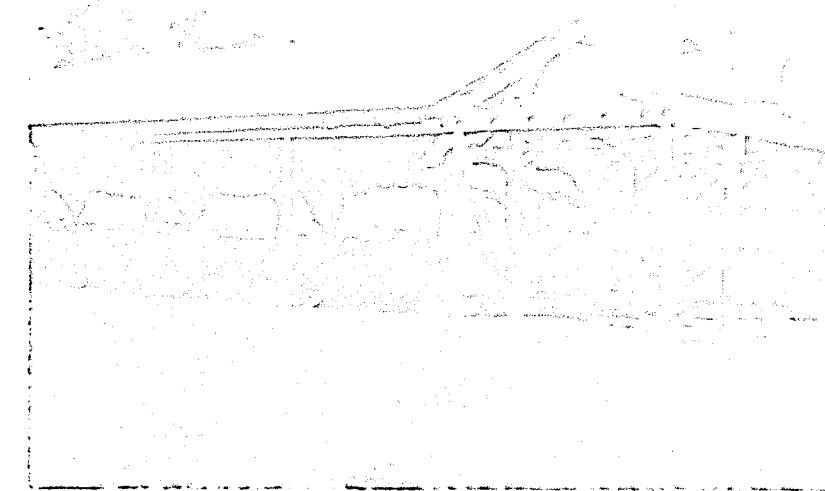
A "Bible Reading Fellowship" (A Systematic Study and Reading of the New Testament in Nine Months — June, 1960, through February, 1961) is being promoted in the churches. Reading helps are to be furnished those who wish to participate in this project. The aim of this "Bible Reading Fellowship" is "to make the New Testament — its meaning, its message — our personal possession." The key texts are: "Thy word have I hid in mine heart that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119: 11); and "These were more noble . . . in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so" (Acts 17: 11).

Flash — Nyasaland Arrival

"Dr. and Mrs. Victor Burdick announce the birth of a son, Victor Harold Burdick. He was born Friday afternoon, June 10, 1960, at Malamulo Mission Hospital, Nyasaland."

Something New  
Down on the Farm

There are not so many who sound the praises of farming as an occupation for Seventh Day Baptist youth or other youth — at least not in the pages of our religious periodicals. Perhaps it lacks in glamor but certainly not in challenge. The young farmer though he may specialize must have many skills and be an all-around man. Modern farming requires much knowledge, and success may depend on adopting new methods.



Shown here is something that needs explanation. Believe it or not, this is a partial view of modern hay-drying equipment on a Seventh Day Baptist farm — the first of its kind in the whole county. The farm is a company consisting of LaVerne W. Davis and two of his sons at Verona, N. Y. These young men are challenged to give their best to dairy farming, and they are equipped by preparation and interest to give much. Their large dairy herds of purebred stock produce heavily through the winter because they have the finest hay that cows ever ate.

The simple building pictured above houses a large oil burner (shown at the open end). The grass is cut at its very best, baled immediately and hauled on special slat-bottomed trailers under this roof. Air-tight tarpaulins are lowered from the ceiling, enclosing the load of bales, and clamped to the trailer. Hot air is then forced from the overhead ducts down through the green hay, driving out

## CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE

Charles D. Swing

(Given upon the occasion of his ordination to the Gospel Ministry May 21, 1960.)

I thank my Lord for the privilege of telling my Christian experience and my Christian beliefs. When I think of the way that the Lord has worked in my life, I bow in thanksgiving for His wonderful love and grace. I was born and reared in a Christian home in Freisburg, N. J., the eldest of seven children, two sisters and five brothers. In my formative years I went with my parents to the Freisburg Lutheran Church and became a member there. I recall being very active in Christian Endeavor and other youth activities. I also recall my mother, along with others, talking to me about becoming a minister of the Gospel, but I thought that was far beyond me so I did not consider it at this time, but I know that as long as mother lived she never gave up the idea.

I moved away from home and the home church and did not attend any church regularly. I can look back and see that God still had His hand on me, because He led me to a shy Christian girl in Shiloh. I speak, of course, of Esther, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin C. Davis. She had a strong faith, and we have all seen evidence of that faith many times. We were united in marriage the first day of June, 1931, by the Rev. Eli F. Loofboro, pastor of the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church.

The Lord continued to work, and in 1935 the Shiloh Church had an evangelistic campaign. The Rev. H. C. Van Horn was the evangelist and the Rev. Leon M. Maltby, the pastor. I was convicted of sin in one of the meetings and also accepted the Sabbath of the Bible. Then began a study of the Sabbath and Sunday. Finding no basis for Sunday as the day of worship I wanted to become a Sabbathkeeper. I was baptized and joined the Shiloh Church February 22, 1935. I am thankful to Pastor Maltby who baptized me and accepted me into the fellowship of the church. He was very patient with me and

my weaknesses. As time passed there came a need for deacons in the church, and on November 2, 1941, I was elected along with two others. We were ordained on Sabbath, November 15, 1941.

During these years the Lord continued to work. There were Bible studies and courses in the parsonage under the direction of Pastor Lester G. Osborn. Then came the Gospel team. We held street meetings, services at the County Home for the Aged, and evangelistic services for migrants at Seabrook Farms. We will be forever grateful for these opportunities of service, fellowship and growth.

The Shiloh Church granted me license to preach the Gospel on January 8, 1950. We will be thankful always for this expression of confidence. We were grateful to be able to occupy the pulpit at Daytona Beach, Fla., most of one summer. Later we moved to Syracuse, N.Y., and started attending the De Ruyter Church. At that time the Rev. Clyde Ehret was pastor. He called upon me to preach for him in times of illness, and after his death we were able to be of service until Pastor Edgar Wheeler was able to move here.

It was a joy to substitute for him when needed, and after he accepted the call to another church, the De Ruyter Church called me to be their full-time pastor. The Lord had continued to work all these years, and continued to call, but I had not answered. This time I could not resist any longer. After wrestling with the call for some time we had to say yes.

You have probably noticed I have used the term "we." This is because we as individuals do not live our lives alone. Everything I have done since I have been married has affected my wife. When the children came, it affected them. We have had to give up good positions and financial influence because of principles, and Esther and the family were always willing. They said, "It's quite all right, we are with you." I thank them. We want to thank the De Ruyter Church for their confidence in us and for giving us the opportunity for full-time service. We are grateful to other churches for allow-

## Summer Work Camps In 31 Countries

Work camps sponsored by the World Council of Churches will be held in four African countries for the first time this year. The interdenominational camps in the Belgian Congo, Ghana, Kenya, and Southern Rhodesia bring to a total of 47 the number of camps to be held in 1960.

In 31 countries throughout the world this summer more than a thousand young people with strong backs and a zeal for Christian service will work without pay to help others. Nearly two hundred of these will be young Americans.

The camps are sponsored by the Youth Department of the World Council of Churches.

Participating in each camp will be an interracial group of from fifteen to twenty-five youth between the ages of 19 and 30. They will come from 55 countries and will represent the Protestant, Anglican, and Orthodox confessions.

Camps last about one month and the schedule includes about six hours a day labor, daily worship, Bible study, and discussion.

The purpose of the camps is to give youth "the opportunity to express their sense of responsibility by working with their hands to meet human need."

Work in Africa includes a variety of projects. In the Belgian Congo, youth will help build a Christian youth center at Kolwezi. In Ghana they will work on construction of a road for a village near Accra. In Kenya, campers will erect a communal building and work to improve the water system of a village near Nairobi. In Southern Rhodesia, they will fence the property, build an access road and develop an outdoor recreation area for a YWCA center at Bulawayo.

ing us to preach the Gospel in their midst.

We ask your prayers as we continue to labor for Him. We know we are feeble in ourselves, but we also know, with Paul, that we can do all things, through Christ who strengthens us.

## MEMORY TEXT

Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. Matthew 25: 1, 2.

the moisture and preserving the high-protein content and flavor. The day's cutting is ready in a few hours to be elevated to the hay loft for winter use.

This is but one of the labor-saving improvements that requires capital but pays for itself. One of the boys has become a capable electric welder and is now able to make on-the-spot repairs to the farm machinery and to fabricate at lower cost many of the things needed around the barns.

Does this have anything to do with church or with Sabbathkeeping occupations? Yes, in more than one way. It gives farming a challenge that many other occupations lack. It removes the drudgery of the hardest farm tasks. Farmers can stay awake in church and have as much time as others to devote to Christian work.

There is something new — always something new — down on the farm. Living is more gracious. There is something more than a roof and a car to call one's own. And, with wise management, there is money to maintain the church and support missionaries in the needy countries of the world. If the stalwart young man grown on the farm feels the call to go to one of those mission fields, he has the practical knowledge that will make the governments welcome him as he presents the Gospel.

## Christianity Unique?

Some religious leaders advocating the abandonment of the claim that Christianity is unique in its message to the world call themselves prophets blazing a new trail in the forest. Others might reply that they have failed to sense the difference between blazing a trail and firing the forest.

News and Views

The Committee of the Women's Board arranging the summer program of assistance in Bible School and camp report the following schedule:

Miss Janet Van Horn — Bible School at Berea, W. Va., early in June, then Bible School at Texarkana, Ark., and Southwestern Association Camp.

Miss Beverly Davis — Bible School at Lost Creek, W. Va., and Association Camp at Camp Joy.

Miss Ruth Ellis — Lewis Camp.

Miss Mary Niles — Bible School at Dodge Center, Minn., and Paint Rock, Ala., and Camp at Battle Creek, Mich.

Miss Judi Coalwell — Paint Rock, Ala.

Plans for the observance of the 75th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer in 1961 are coming through to us from the Committee of 75, the initial meeting of which was attended by Mrs. LeRoy DeLand of Battle Creek, Mich., and Mrs. L. H. North of Plainfield, N. J. A study booklet for all women has been prepared by J. Carter Swaim, entitled, "There Came a Woman."

One goal for the observance is the participation of every Protestant and Orthodox church in the United States. Every effort is being made to have the packets out earlier than usual so that we may order early and in larger quantities. This prayer fellowship is one in which all of us can share.

A report which we have read with considerable interest is that of the Quadrennial Conference of the National Student Christian Federation held at Athens, Ohio, on the World Mission of the Church.

Attended by over 3000 students and religious leaders from 78 nations, some of the topics for exploration were "Technological Upheaval," "New Nationalisms," "Racial Tensions," "New Patterns of Obedience in Missions."

From the comments of some of the delegates it was a conference where young

people of differing races and backgrounds were searching earnestly to learn the Christian's responsibility in the world he lives in. Some of the comments are interesting and significant.

"To me, more impressive than the number of delegates, is the fact that so many people from vastly different cultures and backgrounds could discuss a common problem peacefully and arrive at a definite workable solution. This happened many times daily."

"Too often we merely argue our point of view without listening to what the other fellow has to say. He may be able to help us. God has a deep concern for all of His people, and it is our responsibility to make a real encounter with our neighbor, whether he is a Christian or not. **The Real Frontier is Man Himself.**"

"One of the most meaningful areas of concentration for me was racial tensions. . . . The main emphasis is that we meet all people on an individual basis, accepting them for themselves. After all we do not make friends with races but individuals."

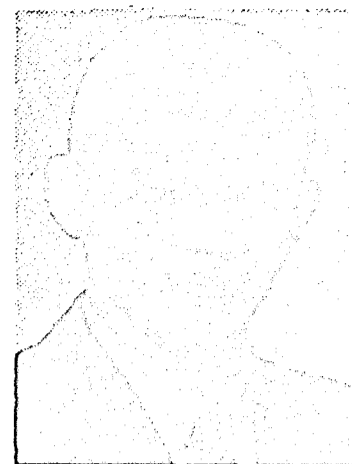
"The Conference benefited me in three ways: 1. It strengthened my faith in Christ and increased my dedication to Him. 2. Made me more aware or more intensely aware of some of the problems which confront our age. 3. Gave me insight into how I can mold my life to be centered on Christ. Those around me were thinking in this direction also."

The editor of this column would welcome a personal word from anyone who attended this Conference. An evaluation from one of our readers would be appreciated.

Patience Needed

Well, we have no quick formula for making politicians, editors, and voters, intellectually mature. Religion has always been charged with emotion, tradition, and pride, and few men can discuss religious differences dispassionately. We can only suggest that behind the current uproar lie certain great moral purposes represented by the expressed goal of our organization, "the separation of church and state."

— From an editorial in Church and State.



I Speak For Christian Citizenship

Melvin F. Stephan\*  
Denver, Colorado

A friend of mine, let's call him John, went to a camp this past summer and at that camp God called John into His service. Previous to the call, John was just a good Christian youth. He tried to refrain from swearing and from riotous living. He believed in the adage, "Cleanliness is next to godliness." But John had one fault — superiority snobbishness. He, being a superior student in school, felt that he was above the norm. Because of this, John was having a difficult time making new friends and was slowly losing old ones. At camp, after his decision for Christ, a new light was shed on his idea of life and he rejected his superiority and became a gratifying example of humility.

Since gaining this new insight, John has developed the ability of going that extra mile with each and everyone. He tries to help those around him with matters of the soul because he is a very understanding soul within himself. He loves to diagnose others.

John has also been given the talents of music and clear speech. His music has developed into the ability to play three instruments and to singing with his tenor voice. He has learned to be very eloquent of speech in drama classes.

John has learned to take the good and easy with the evil and hard. He likes to think of prayer as his guide to life along with his Bible.

Since his return from camp, the Youth Fellowship has elected him president, and

\*This was a prize-winning letter in the state Christian Endeavor Christian Citizenship Contest, Division A. The writer feels a call to the Gospel ministry, he states. His family moved from Nortonville, Kan., to the Denver area a few years ago.

through the group he is working for the glory of God.

I admire in him the new-found quality of humility, as much as the older ones of application and sincerity. John is a young man to look up to.

Strictly Personal

A New Book by Eugenia Price

A personal answer to the question "Can one establish a personal relationship with God?" is given by Eugenia Price in her new inspirational book *Strictly Personal*.

In this book Eugenia Price helps readers establish a personal relationship with God and to find out what He is really like. As she points out, the quest for knowledge of God has been ageless. Headhunters in Africa and Athens' intellectuals have tried to answer the question, "Can man by searching find out God?" Gods have been fashioned after man's own image and there have been bird gods, animal gods, and fish gods, as well as gods of wood and stone and marble and metal, and more cultured civilizations have worshiped reason. A few sensed their limits and saluted an Unknown God, but none found rest.

*Strictly Personal* is Eugenia Price's seventh book and each of her first six has been a religious best seller. She is also a popular speaker and over a half million copies of her books have been sold. Besides "Strictly Personal," her books include "Woman to Woman" (which sold over 75,000 copies), "Share My Pleasant Stones," "Discoveries," and she is now working on "The Story of the Bible."

Comment: *Strictly Personal* should be required reading for everybody: dedicated Christians, backsliders, and atheists. It is an exciting adventure for intellectuals, butchers, bakers and candlestick-makers. It ought to be against the law not to read it. — Charles Urquhart, Radio and Television Director, New Jersey Council of Churches.

*Strictly Personal* is published by Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich. (June 17; \$2.50; paper bound \$1.50).

Interest Groups  
At Pre-Con for Youth

Each afternoon of Pre-Con, except Sabbath, we will be given the opportunity of meeting in smaller groups, for an hour, to help us in Christian growth and leadership. On the basis of choices given in questionnaires answered by 1959 Pre-Conners, several "courses" are being offered. When you send in your pre-registration, you will be asked to give your first and second choice.

1. SDBYF — Our summer Youth Field Worker, Luan Sutton, will lead an interest group on the work of the Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowship, with suggestions for local SDBYF's, Association groups, and on the national SDBYF level.

2. Vocations—Pastor S. Kenneth Davis of Alfred, N.Y., who has had some experience himself in several vocations, will conduct this interest group, with attention given both to choosing a vocation suited to you as an individual and as a Seventh Day Baptist Church member.

3. Working for Christ in the Church — Many youth say they'd like to help in the work of their home churches, but have trouble finding where they fit into the general program. Pastor Alton L. Wheeler of Riverside, Calif., will lead this interest group, and will gear the thinking to specific things you can do.

4. Christian Stewardship — "Stewardship is the practice of systematic and proportionate giving of time, abilities, and material possessions based on the conviction that these are a trust from God, to be used in His service for the benefit of all mankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love." This group is being arranged for by George Parrish of Battle Creek, Mich., chairman of our Conference Stewardship Committee.

5. Missions — We haven't full information ready to release now but we are hoping to have an interest group led by some of our Seventh Day Baptist missionaries who have served on one of our

overseas missions. More about this one in the Sabbath Recorder soon.

Worship at Pre-Con

The worship at Pre-Con Youth Retreat will be led this year by Joyce Sholtz. Joyce is a grade-school teacher in Central New York, and has worked with the young people of the Verona Church and the Central New York Association for several years, in their Camp Harmony and in their Association Youth Fellowship.

Joyce will lead us in our study and meditation as we prepare for the "Alone Hour," and will guide us as we participate together in the worship experiences of Pre-Con. She will also aid Gary Cox in planning the worship services we will lead at General Conference on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Recreation at Pre-Con

You'll be glad to hear that John Brown University has some exceptional recreational facilities, and we can use them for Pre-Con.

Down the hill from the main campus are located a college gym, a large field for soft-ball, etc., and two tennis courts. Best of all, for August in Arkansas, is a good-sized swimming pool for our use, with lifeguards provided by the university. We are planning to have plenty of time provided for the use of these facilities and, of course, they'll be available during General Conference, too.

Our recreation and campfire leaders will be announced through the Sabbath Recorder and other publicity soon.

Music at Pre-Con

Music is always one of the inspirations of Pre-Con. Last year, every person who answered the Youth Committee's questionnaire said the music at Pre-Con was thoroughly enjoyed. Whether it is in the time set aside for music together, singing anthems or spirituals, in informal singing of fun songs around the table, or a time of consecration when hymns and choruses

are meaningful in worship services, music lifts us toward God and unites us together.

The music this year will be led by Gary Cox. Just over Youth Pre-Con age himself, Gary will bring the enthusiasm of his Senior year at the University of Colorado with him to Pre-Con. Maybe you'll remember him from his home at North Loup, Neb., or Salem College, or working with the Denver Church, or singing in the evangelistic quartet with Loyal Hurley in 1958. If you do, you know we have much to look forward to for our music this year.

By the way — our latest news flash tells us Gary is going to teach music next year in a high school at Boulder, Colorado.

*youth news*

METAIRIE, LA. — The young people of the Metairie SDBYF, the Berean Lights, on the 8th day of May, put on a special Mother's Day program for the adults and children. The mothers were presented with corsages and were asked to pick their favorite hymns. The young people sang two special numbers for them. The program also included Scriptures, which were read by the mothers present.

On June 5 another service was planned by the young people for the adults and children as a Father's Day program. Fathers received carnations and were asked to pick their favorite hymns as the mothers did. An interesting feature was a black light program including Scripture.

— Judi Coalwell,  
Corresponding Secretary.

On another page of this issue there is a list of young ladies recruited by the Women's Board to assist in Bible Schools and camps in other than their home churches. Some of these girls have never before had such experiences or responsibilities. Other girls and women will work just as faithfully without travel cost or a sustenance allowance in their home churches.

Up to the present, church correspondents have not told the story of young

men who are called to serve their own or other churches. Glen Warner, among the Salem College students preparing for the ministry, preached at Verona, N. Y. (his home church), on June 11 when the pastor was attending a sister Association meeting at Westerly, R. I. During the summer he will find other opportunities to serve in his home church and community.

Herbert Saunders, son of one of the Los Angeles pastors, went from Salem College to Battle Creek to become one of a lengthening line of student assistant pastors who have helped out in the expanded summer program of that church.

Edward Sutton, another ministerial hopeful of Salem, hailing from the Washington, D. C., Church, has been welcomed to the work at Los Angeles where he will serve during the summer months in camp, Bible School, and other work.

The story of seminary students and their summer areas of service will probably be covered in another article. None who are preparing for full-time service for the Lord are known to be without opportunities to give of their time and talents.

Methodist Woman Deplores Segregation

In her annual report to the Woman's Division of Christian Service, of the Board of Missions, Methodist Church, Miss Thelma Stevens, of New York, said that Methodist women continue to be concerned about segregation in education, employment, and housing, and about "the pattern of segregation within the church, particularly the Methodist Church. . . . In the minds of some people, name-calling and communist labels have become the order of the day, with the umbrella of the Methodist Church shading its full quota of the name callers. The forces which have continually linked the questions of race and communism have had a varied relationship to a propaganda machine manned by fascist groups, or by the unwitting and sincere victims of fear within the church itself and sometimes even within the government."

## MEETING PLACE FOR WORLD BAPTISTS



Giant Maracanao Stadium, with a capacity of more than 150,000, will be the scene of a Sunday afternoon evangelistic rally closing the tenth Baptist World Congress at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 26—July 3. Evangelist Billy Graham will speak. The smaller auditorium at the left — with a seating capacity of 25,000 — will be the scene of weekday sessions. Both meeting places are among the world's foremost examples of postless architecture. Congress delegates (or messengers) will represent 23,000,000 Baptists in 106 countries who have fellowship through the Baptist World Alliance.

### Southern Baptist Convention Church-State Resolution

Representatives of the second largest Protestant denomination (9,500,000 members), meeting in annual convention at Miami Beach, voted unanimously for a resolution that takes a strong stand on the separation of church and state with particular reference to the religious issue in the present political campaign for the Presidency. The well worded resolution requires careful reading. It follows.

1. We hereby reaffirm our faith in the historic principle of separation of church and state as expressed in the Bill of Rights and the constitutional guarantee that a man's personal faith shall not be a test of his qualification for public office.

2. We reaffirm our convictions that a man must be free to choose his own church and that his personal religious faith shall not be made a test of his qualification for public office. When a public official is inescapably bound by the dogma and demands of his church, he cannot consistently separate himself from these. This is especially true when that church maintains a

position in open conflict with our established and constituted American pattern of life as specifically related to religious liberty, separation of church and state, the freedom of conscience in matters related to marriage and the family, the perpetuation of free public schools, and the prohibition against the use of public monies for sectarian purposes.

3. Therefore, the implications of a candidate's affiliations, including his church, are of concern to the voters in every election. In all cases a public official should be free from sectarian pressures that he may make independent decisions consistent with the rights and privileges of all citizens.

4. We remind every member of every church of his obligation to pray for public officials, to participate in the full democratic process, including the voting, and to seek divine leadership in the selection of those men who guide the destiny of our land in such a time as this.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for July 2, 1960

Men Who Speak for God  
Lesson Scripture: Amos 7: 7-15

THE SABBATH RECORDER

### A Great Christian University?

Protestant evangelical leaders are hopefully exploring the possibility of establishing a large Christian university in the metropolitan New York area, it was disclosed on May 5.

An initial investment of \$20,000,000 is being sought for the new campus, which would include an undergraduate liberal arts college and at least four graduate schools.

September, 1963, has been mentioned as a possible target date for the opening of classes.

Included among the planners, who have been holding conversations for more than a year, is Evangelist Billy Graham.

Dr. Carl F. H. Henry outlines the *raison d'être* for the proposed school in an article, "Evangelical Advance: Do We Need a Christian University?" in the May 9 issue of *Christianity Today*.

"The tide of American thought and life," his article said, "makes imperative a Christian university devoted in depth to the Biblical revelation of God, of man, and of the world; aggressively challenging pagan and secular theories of reality and history; and supplying a steady stream of spiritual leadership to all professions and vocations, including diplomacy, business, and communication. . . ."

"In addition to individual projects and literary excursions," he said, "members of a Christian university faculty must engage in corporate conversation, research, and writing, each contributing toward the production of textbooks to penetrate the collegiate world and to challenge the monopoly now held by secular scholars."

Dr. Henry asserted that "a Christian university must aggressively press beyond much of contemporary evangelical education. While a supradenominational institution cannot commit itself to specific denominational creeds, a Christian university ought to seek in this day of doctrinal decline an undergirding statement both Biblically authentic and intellectually adequate for depth of faith and a compre-

hensive world-life view. Equally important, a university's academic priority and efficiency ought to be guarded so that faculty and students are not deviated into constant preaching or promotional activity, since a worthy graduate school must be devoted to study and research and writing. Moreover, the sphere of campus morality ought to provide a strategic opportunity to dramatize, in personal as well as social ethics, Christian dedication primarily to the commandments of God rather than to the regulations of men."

It is believed that a final decision on whether to pursue the September, 1963, target date, or to abandon the university idea, will be made this summer.

### Good Samaritan

#### Teaches Stewardship

The Good Samaritan represents those whose philosophy of life is: "What is mine is mine but only that I may give to others." They are God's faithful stewards. Their hearts are tender towards not only their own people but also towards those of other lands. They see the people in their need and do everything possible to bring relief to them. The "go-giver" is here. The true missionary is here. Like Peter and John at the Gate Beautiful they say: "Such as I have give I thee: In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." And then they do something. They extend the right hand and lift him up!

Strewn along the highways of this old world are millions who are in desperate need. Eternal souls languishing in spiritual darkness, without Christ and without any hope, facing the hell of "outer darkness." It isn't enough to say, "God bless you," to them . . . we must DO everything possible to meet their needs. You and I can DO something to take the Gospel to them.

Noel O. Lyons in GEM.  
(Greater European Mission)

There is probably more falsehood peddled in liquor propaganda than anywhere this side of hell.

— John Daley in *Western Recorder*.



**OUR WORLD MISSION**  
Statement of the Treasurer, May 31, 1960

BUDGET RECEIPTS					
Treasurer's		Boards'	Treasurer's		Boards'
May	8 Mos.	8 Mos.	May	8 Mos.	8 Mos.
Balance, May 1 .....	\$ 2.27		Lost Creek .....	286.13	1,204.51
Adams Center .....	75.25	538.65	Marlboro.....	341.40	2,510.74
Albion .....	191.63	559.53	Memorial Fund.....		1,457.68
Alfred, 1st .....	447.75	3,400.31	Middle Island.....	25.00	113.00
Alfred, 2nd .....	218.90	1,204.35	Milton.....	635.52	4,453.50
Associations and			Milton Junction.....	100.00	957.25
Groups .....		171.26	New Auburn.....	77.00	138.75
Battle Creek .....	585.11	4,630.70	North Loup.....		516.05
Bay Area .....			Nortonville.....	106.00	861.50
Berlin .....			Old Stone Fort.....		80.00
Boulder .....	37.98	527.97	Paint Rock.....		150.00
Brookfield, 1st .....	69.70	469.05	Pawcatuck.....	412.50	3,332.00
Brookfield, 2nd .....	125.00	436.00	Plainfield.....	195.60	3,019.75
Buffalo .....			Richburg.....	79.00	507.65
Chicago .....	258.00	1,029.00	Ritchie.....		290.48
Daytona Beach .....	327.75	835.00	Riverside.....	647.08	2,104.23
Denver .....			Roanoke.....	12.00	122.00
DeRuyter .....			Rockville.....	20.59	298.76
Dodge Center .....	15.00	515.27	Salem.....	20.00	281.00
Edinburg .....	31.00	146.50	Salemville.....	60.17	171.83
Farina .....			Schenectady.....	36.00	148.00
Fouke .....	77.50	153.07	Shiloh.....	976.00	3,249.55
Hammond .....	13.80	45.97	Texarkana .....		30.00
Hebron, 1st .....	32.24	249.92	Tract Society.....	700.00	2,100.00
Hopkinton, 1st .....	179.10	1,465.55	Twin Cities .....	150.00	250.00
Hopkinton, 2nd .....			Verona.....	121.05	1,175.25
Houston .....			Walworth.....	70.00	293.00
Independence .....	132.00	718.00	Washington.....	27.50	217.45
Individuals .....	380.50	3,369.50	Washington,		
Irvington .....			People's.....	19.00	55.00
Jackson Center .....			Waterford.....	79.78	769.00
Little Genesee .....	55.60	450.68	White Cloud.....	51.87	516.03
Little Rock .....	27.50	43.50	Yonah Mountain .....		10.00
Los Angeles .....	60.00	1,480.00			
Los Angeles,					
Christ's .....		140.00			
				\$8,592.77	\$56,005.28
					\$2,225.73

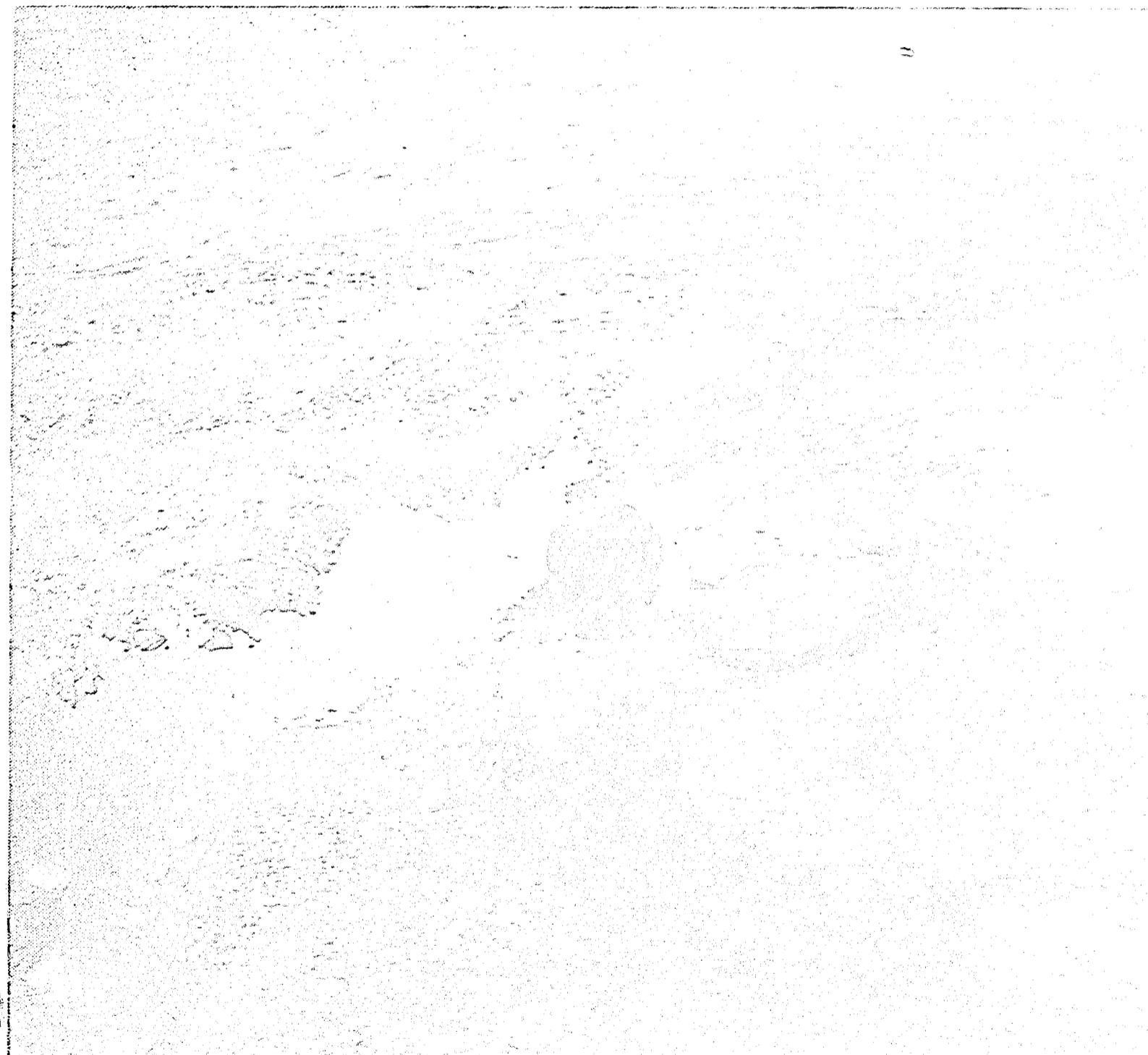
TREASURER'S DISBURSEMENTS	
Budget	Designated & Undesignated
Missionary Society .....	\$3,499.89
Board of Christian Education .....	840.16
Ministerial Training .....	1,071.72
Ministerial Retirement .....	480.21
Historical Society .....	180.71
Women's Society .....	254.86
General Conference .....	955.71
Tract Society .....	1,095.53
Trustees of General Conference .....	69.93
World Fellowship & Service .....	132.39
American Bible Society .....	2.00
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Balance, May 31 .....	\$8,583.11
	9.66

Non-Budget Gifts	
May Receipts .....	\$15.00
May Disbursements:	
Salem College .....	\$ 5.00
Milton College .....	10.00
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	\$15.00

SUMMARY	
Current annual budget .....	\$108,022.00
Treasurer's budget receipts 8 mos. ....	\$ 56,005.28
Boards' budget receipts 8 mos. ....	2,225.73
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	\$58,231.01
Remainder required in 4 mos. ....	\$49,790.99
Percentage of budget year elapsed .....	66.67%
Percentage of budget raised .....	53.91%

Eldred H. Batson,  
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### HOW THINKEST THOU?

At water's edge, oblivious of camera and perhaps to all in his immediate past, the young thinker sits erect gazing across the expanse before him. Perfect knowledge is not his possession; understanding is still limited; but what he sees is good, and what he sees is his. Wisfully he may wonder why his elders are so concerned with unimportant problems. God reigns; God is good; all of our needs are supplied; so why worry?