

# The Sabbath Recorder

Pastor Thompson's denomination (Disciples of Christ). They brought greetings from their country and though they are of a different denomination, we are all "one body in Christ." One of them lives in Kingston and a young man from his church attends our own Crandall High School. — Correspondent.

NORTH LOUP, NEB. — Pastor David Clarke and family arrived in North Loup the latter part of June and spent several days getting settled in their new home. Paul Hummel brought their household goods and took Pastor Soper's goods when he returned to Boulder.

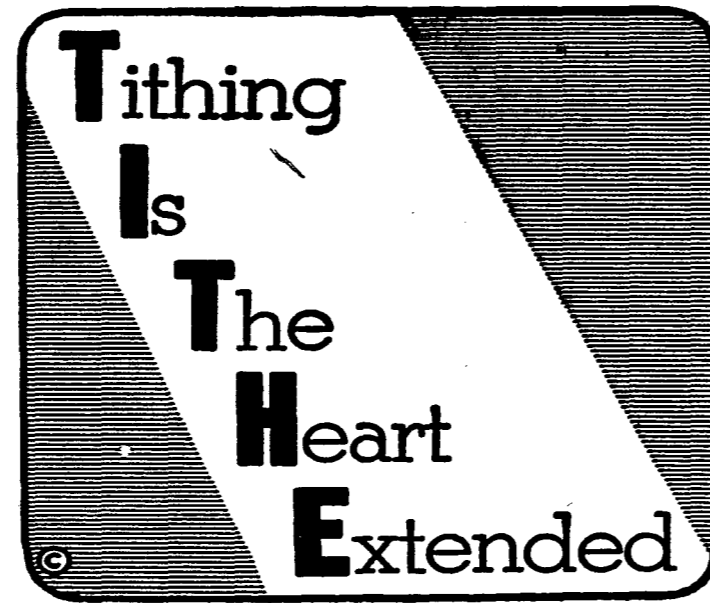
Rev. Mr. Zimmerman of the Ord Presbyterian Church was guest speaker on July 1, when the Clarke family were welcomed into membership in the church. In the evening of July 8 a social and pound party were held for Pastor Clarke and family. The Rev. Leon Lawton and family had arrived during the week and were guests in the home of Mrs. Lawton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Brannon. During the evening he showed colored slides and told of their work in Jamaica. Later in the week, Mr. and Mrs. Lawton went on to California where they spent a short time with Mrs. Lawton's sister, Mrs. Jack Hunt and family. They planned to return to North Loup and then go to General Conference in Amherst, Mass.

On July 11, the North Loup church bus with about a dozen campers and sponsors, Pastor Clarke, and Mrs. Vernon Williams, left for Rocky Mountain Camp.

The annual church meeting was held July 9. Several items of interest were discussed and election of officers was held. — Correspondent.

## OUR COVER

At the time of honoring the memory of John James the Martyr of London we do well to mention Dr. William Meade Jones, a learned American minister who served the Mill Yard Church as pastor from 1872-1895. In *Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America* his name appears on 43 pages (from p. 39-1379). A notable historian, scholar, missionary to Palestine, Sabbath reform writer, he is remembered for his remarkable chart of the week showing the position of the Sabbath in 160 ancient and modern languages.



## Obituaries

Piersall.—Audra Lamb Waters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Lamb, was born at Hamilton, N. Y., July 13, 1895, and died at her home in Sherrill, N. Y., on July 9, 1961.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church, Oneida, and of the Ladies Aid Society of the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Marin Piersall; four sons: Rodney, Donald, and Glen Waters, all of Oneida, and Myron Waters of the U. S. Air Force; four daughters: Burdean (Mrs. Clair Shea) of Munnsville, Dorothy (Mrs. Maurice Warner) and Marie (Mrs. Kenneth Davis) of Verona, and Alecia (Mrs. Robert Cochran) of Roswell, N. M.; a brother, Lawrence Lamb of Hamilton; and twenty-nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor C. Rex Burdick from the Campbell-Dean Home for Funerals in Oneida and burial was in the Woodlawn Cemetery at Hamilton. — C.R.B.

Williams.—Henry Angelo Williams, son of Leander and Abigail Fuller Williams, was born October 8, 1876, at Orleans, Neb. and died July 3, 1961, at the Ord Hospital following several months of ill health.

When he was quite young, the family moved to North Loup, Neb. where he later joined the Seventh Day Baptist church. On March 14, 1899, he was united in marriage with Bertha Rood. To them were born two sons, Melvin of North Loup and LeRoss of Kearney, Neb., and one daughter, Beth (Mrs. Cecil Severance). In March 1961 they celebrated their 62nd Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. Williams spent most of his life farming near North Loup, except for nine years at Gentry, Ark. He is survived by his wife; 2 sons; a sister, Mrs. Matie Stillman; and a brother, Bert; 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. His daughter Beth preceded him in death.

Farewell services were conducted at the Seventh Day Baptist church, by the Rev. David Clarke, and interment was in Hillside Cemetery. — D. S. C.

*"Instead of the Thorn - - -"*



**"The desert shall rejoice  
and blossom as the rose . . .  
Behold your God shall come; . . .  
He will come and save you . . .  
in the wilderness waters shall break  
out, and streams in the desert."**

— Isaiah 35.

## FROM CACTUS TO SABRA

The American Christian Palestine Committee, which furnished the photo of prickly pears dotting the spiny, thick leaves of the familiar desert cactus, calls attention to what might well be considered fulfillment of prophecy in the Holy Land. No longer is the prickly cactus the symbolic sentinel of wasteland in Palestine. Israel is green again, growing all the vegetables and fruits needed for a population of two million and shipping ten million cases of citrus fruit to other countries.

The native-born Israeli calls himself "sabrah," the Hebrew name for prickly pear. The name probably is meant to signify an inner sweetness under an exterior that is dangerous to touch. Not until the Messiah is more generally accepted will the last verse of Isaiah 35 be truly fulfilled:

**"And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."**

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## Is Coexistence Christian?

Some of the questions that face the Christian in these days of East-West tension are indeed hard to answer. Take, for example, the problem of "coexistence," as it is called. Church members within the iron-curtain countries voice the opinion that the Western world should drop much of its opposition to communism, and should work out a plan of coexistence with the system that dominates those nations that are considered to be on the other side of the cold war. On the face of it there might seem to be Scripture to substantiate that attitude. Are we not told as much as lies in us, to live peaceably with all men? Yes, but there are other compelling Scriptures telling us that we must put on the God-given armor and fight evil wherever it emerges. Is there a Christian attitude that can be adhered to regardless of nationality and country of residence?

On the one side we read a message from the National Conference of the Churches in Czechoslovakia associated with the Christian Peace Conference held in Bratislava the last of April:

With deep regret we mention the fact that in the Western world some responsible circles in the Roman Catholic Church and in the Protestant churches directly help in misusing Christianity as a tool of the cold war and for supporting hatred against peoples living in the socialist countries. To justify theologically the use of atomic weapons and to prepare spiritually a crusade against socialist countries is in profound contradiction with the genuine message of the Gospel.

The publication from which this is quoted is sufficiently pro-communist to have had some difficulty in being admitted to the mails of this country (but now comes unchallenged). Its editors seem to feel that peaceful coexistence must be worked out according to the peace plans of Premier Khrushchev. They apparently cannot see why Christians in Great Britain and the United States think otherwise. One would gather that the Christianity of some of us is, in their opinion, suspect.

It would not be right to quote the American Bar Association as the voice of Western Christianity but one can quote it as the voice of men trained in clear thinking and logical analysis. These lawyers see the Soviet aim in talking "coexistence" as an attempt to postpone general war while territorial and political gains are sought

## MEMORY TEXT

For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things. 1 Timothy 6: 10, 11a.

by other means. The Communist manifesto of December 1960 states in part: "Peaceful coexistence does not mean conciliation . . . On the contrary, it implies intensification of the struggle . . . for the triumph of socialist ideas."

The American Bar Association analysis calls it a temporary truce. It seems to be the hope of Mr. Khrushchev and his associates to use the righteous and peace-loving attributes of Christians to lull the Western nations into inactivity while his forces plot the destruction of Christianity by supplanting it with socialist ideas and a world-wide athiestic political dictatorship.

We contend that some of our brethren in the iron-curtain countries (and some in this country) are not seeing the issues clearly, even though they are clearly stated and consistently adhered to by the Communist leaders.

A Christianity that does not transcend nationalism has no right to the name. We must strive for a faith that expresses itself in loyalty to properly constituted governmental authority, to be sure. There must also be a loyalty in these days to properly constituted international authority. So we would interpret Romans 13 and other passages. However, the Christian has to reserve the right, under God, to profess a loyalty to Christ that may conceivably put him in conflict with national laws and international agreements. It is a tremendous responsibility. May we pray for wisdom.

Is the follower of Christ duty-bound to promote "coexistence"? It does not seem so. As understood by the Communists who are trying to sell the idea to the Church it seems quite inconsistent with the Great Commission. Christians are not to advocate "hot" war or "cold" war but war against sin and a battle for the souls of men.

## Notes on Pastoral Relations

It has been mentioned before that the North Loup, Neb., pastor resigned some months ago without a call to another church. When his church called the pastor at Boulder, Colo., that church extended a call to Mynor Soper of North Loup. The exchange has now been worked out very nicely. The truck that brought goods from Boulder returned with goods from North Loup. Now David Clarke is established in Nebraska and Mynor Soper in Colorado.

Word comes from Alfred Station, N. Y., that the Rev. Victor Skaggs of the Albion and Milton Junction churches has accepted their call, effective December 16. Just prior to that, their present pastor, the Rev. J. Paul Green, will be moving from Alfred Station to the Marlboro, N. J., parsonage to fill the vacancy created by the departure of the Rev. Paul Osborn to work in the Little Rock, Ark., area. Here again plans were made well in advance and the Western New York church benefits by not having a long interim between regular pastors. The time element should also help the Wisconsin churches in their effort to secure a replacement for their pastor.

The two cases mentioned above are quite different. The latter is the more normal course of procedure among Seventh Day Baptists in recent years. There are other accepted procedures. One thing, however, stands out clearly: churches and pastors do well not to take hasty action. A number have written agreements that at least three months' notice will be given on either side before a change is made. In most cases three months is not enough to make decisions and carry on the necessary correspondence. Often it is not sufficient time for the pastor to complete the work that he would like to do before he leaves. Certainly anything that churches and ministers can do to make transfers work smoothly is to the glory of God. Laymen and clergymen must more and more recognize their total responsibility for the furtherance of the cause of Christ — a cause that demands the best of our knowledge and our consecration.

JULY 31, 1961

# Executive Secretary

## The Focus Is on "Me"

The incorporation of Year Book quotations included herein began as a simple study to discover the relationship existing between the individual Seventh Day Baptist to his church, to General Conference, and to the four major denominational agencies. What began as a matter of purely personal interest has been quite revealing. It could be of more general interest. It is therefore submitted for your consideration.

### General Conference: "Seventh Day Baptist General Conference"

Established 1801, Incorporated, New Jersey, 1938

Headquarters: 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, New Jersey

Membership: The incorporators named in certificate of incorporation and all other members of good standing of churches admitted to membership in voluntary association of Seventh Day Baptist Churches known as the "Seventh Day Baptist General Conference," and those who may hereafter be associated with them or their successors.

Purpose: To advise on appeal all matters pertaining to doctrine and discipleship, faith and practice . . . ; to promote divine worship, spread and maintenance of the Christian Religion, Sabbath observance, Sabbath and Bible Schools, secular and religious education . . . and generally all the interests of religion as embodied in the Seventh Day Baptist Denomination of Christians and expressed by it . . . ; and to provide pensions for ministers of the gospel . . . , or (funds for) any charitable purposes pertaining to the interests of Seventh Day Baptists, and that the operation of said corporation may be conducted and its purposes and objects promoted, in any and all parts of the world (Year Book 1958, pp. 70-71).

### Agencies

#### Educational: Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education

Incorporated in the State of New York

Headquarters: Alfred, New York

Membership: All persons who are now (at time of incorporation) life members of the Seventh Day Baptist Education Society and all persons who are members of a Seventh Day Baptist church, entitled to representation in the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

Purpose: To promote the cause of education in general, to develop the educational convictions of the people of the churches represented in the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, to found and foster such denominational institutions of Christian education as the corporation may approve, to make educational surveys, to plan courses of study, to print and distribute literature and periodicals, and to employ such representatives as may best promote the purposes of the corporation in the church schools, the young people's organizations, college, and the School of Theology of the denomination (Year Book 1956, page 170).

#### Missionary: The Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society

Incorporated in the State of Rhode Island

Headquarters: 403 Washington Trust Building, Westerly, Rhode Island

Membership: All persons contributing \$25 in his or her own name, and in not more than two payments, may become a member for life. And any person contributing one dollar annually to the funds of the Society may be a member. But it shall be understood that only Seventh Day Baptists are eligible for membership in the Society. All churches . . . through their delegates to Conference . . . which delegates . . . shall be members until the next annual meeting.

Purpose: To disseminate the Gospel in America and other parts of the world, and the promotion of kindred religious and benevolent works (Year Book 1960, p. 153).



## Bible Study on the Priesthood

By Dr. Stanley W. Rasmussen

Why, in some churches, is the preacher called "the priest," while in other churches he is called another name, such as "the pastor"? Christians who are well-read in church matters know there is a real difference. It is not just a matter of names, but reflects entirely different ideas of what Christ did and how God works in us. We need to see what the Bible says, to get the truth.

In the very earliest Bible times, it would appear that the head of each household made sacrifices for himself and his family. (Cain and Abel, Gen. 4: 3-4; Noah, Gen. 8: 20; Abraham, Gen. 12: 7

and 13: 18.) It is not clear, however, that just any head of a household could act as priest. Perhaps it was only those who were specially chosen who could make sacrifices.

In Genesis 14: 18 to 20, we read the peculiar story of Abraham and Melchizedek. It is strange in several ways: it shows a gentile who was "priest of the Most High God"; it is recorded of Melchizedek and no one else that Abraham gave him tithes; and besides, this gentile priest was also a king.

To appreciate this last peculiarity, we must remember that Hebrew priests were never kings, and Hebrew kings could not take the priest's place even for an instant. Two kings tried it, Saul and Uzziah, and they both came to grief. (1 Sam. 13: 9-14; 2 Chron. 26: 16-20.) The Hebrews separated church and state much more completely than their neighbors, and more than some nations do even today. In England, for example, Queen Elizabeth II is nominal head of the Established Church. When the priesthood became well established, it was definitely limited to a minority of the people. In particular,

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#### Women's Society: Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference

Headquarters: Battle Creek, Michigan

Incorporated as a part of the General Conference in New Jersey

Membership: All women who are members of a recognized Seventh Day Baptist church.

Purpose: To encourage women of the denomination in the interests of Christian culture, to foster individual responsibility and united action in matters of Christian citizenship, to enlist and direct united efforts of the women in projects of Christian service, and to stimulate interest in the various enterprises of the denomination (Year Book 1958, p. 78).

From the foregoing description of membership and purpose, it is quite obvious that membership in General Conference and membership in its agencies focuses on one person — I. Also that the purposes of General Conference and its agencies dovetail directly into each other.

Is it not time that "I must be about my Father's business"?

only a Levite could be priest. In Judges 17: 5-13, verses taken from a story out of Israel's dark and violent early history, we find that sometimes an ordinary person tried to serve; but a legitimate priest, as the story implies, had to be a descendant of Levi. The temple priests were even more strictly limited, being descendants of Aaron (2 Chron. 26: 18).

Furthermore, the priest was undoubtedly consecrated in a series of special ceremonies. The long passage in Leviticus 8, describing the ordination of priests by Moses, was probably used as an ideal or pattern for the ordination of priests many generations later. Whether this is true or not, it is clear that a Jewish priest was somebody "pretty special" in the community.

Now, what did the priests do? It is clear that in general, they offered sacrifices to God; that was their business. They prayed to God for the people (1 Sam. 7: 8-9). In the early days of Israel, they acted as prophets also (Judges 18: 4-6), trying to show the people what actions would be acceptable to God. In fact, they did many of the things that Christians are now supposed to do, and they also offered the various sacrifices. But the climax of priestly activity was the high priest's business on the Day of Atonement, once in the year. No sacrifice or ceremony is more completely described, except the passover. Read carefully Leviticus 16, especially verses 6, 21-22, and 29-30. There you will find the meaning of the whole priestly system explained as clearly as the Old Testament can explain it. The high priest was God's agent, representing the people before God, and symbolizing both the people's repentance and God's removal of their sins.

The priesthood was interrupted by the Babylonian captivity, but restored along with the temple. It was never fully re-established except as a part of the temple worship, and finally ceased altogether when Jerusalem was destroyed in A.D. 70. By that time there was no further need for the priestly order. With Christ's ascension, its symbolic task was done.

The letter "to the Hebrews" is very clear on this point: the so-called Levitical

priesthood, along with the whole system of sacrifices, is now unnecessary, because it was only symbolic of Christ's mission. Since Christ has come, no other high priest is needed (Heb. 8: 1; 9: 6-14).

Hebrews explains that Christ could not possibly have been a Levitical priest, because He came from the tribe of kings (Judah), not the tribe of priests (Levi). But there was one other priest in the Bible, only one, who was also a king. That was Melchizedek. So Christ is called a priest "after the order of Melchizedek," who was king and priest at the same time.

It is true, we don't need the high priest now; but how about the others — the regular order, the regular priests, who prayed for the people and taught them and sacrificed for them? With a little search, we can answer that question too.

Mark 15: 37-38 states that at Christ's death the "veil of the temple" was torn from top to bottom — thus exposing the Holy of Holies to the ordinary priests outside. The ordinary priests could see and enter the most holy place. Hebrews 10: 19 says that through Christ the "brethren" may enter the holiest place boldly — speaking to the whole church, not just a few leaders. Peter 2: 9 goes further: "Ye are . . . a royal priesthood . . ." (KJV). He also was not writing for a few leaders, but for the whole church. To clinch the argument, note Revelation 1: 5-6 as follows: "Jesus Christ . . . hath made us kings and priests . . ." Again, the words were obviously written for the whole church.

We can say, then, that every Christian is a priest, as far as the priesthood still exists. The Christian is not a priest by birth, like Samuel, or Eli, but a priest by God's calling, like Melchizedek. The mention of "royal priesthood" in Peter, and of "kings and priests" in Revelation, should remove any doubt.

Now we can understand why there is no Bible reference to Christian priests as a separate group. Elders — yes; deacons — yes; teachers, prophets, evangelists, missionaries, overseers (bishops), treasurers — yes; pastors — yes; but no

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## President's Message

### "Thanks to All"

The next publication of the Recorder will be the Conference issue, so this seems to be the appropriate time and the logical place to give expression of thanks. Plans are made, the program is assembled, and entertainment has been arranged for the 149th General Conference. Now there is a short interlude before the sessions actually get underway.

Appreciation from this office must be expressed in all directions. First, and most important, I would offer thanks to God for His guidance in every phase of the year's activities. Heartfelt thanks are due to all the friends across the nation whose prayers and good wishes have been given.

Thanks are certainly due, even though in advance, to all those who have aided in the preparation and presentation of the program. Speakers, workers, Bible study leaders, prayer service leaders, committee chairmen and members, and all others participating in the General Conference are included in this expression of appreciation. Special commendation should be given to the Eastern Association Entertainment Committee, Elmer Stuart, Hiram W. Barber III, and the Rev. Earl Cruzan in particular, who assumed so much of the responsibility for making the physical arrangements that are necessary for a pleasant and profitable meeting.

No list of credits would be complete without noting prominently my employers, Wilfred B. Utter and The Utter Company, whose generosity and co-operation in allowing so much time from my duties with the *Westerly Sun* during this year have made it possible to do the job.

Last of all, I must thank the delegates for placing this great responsibility on my shoulders. Being Conference president is a sobering experience, but a richly rewarding one. If the denomination survives this year's administration, I am sure that the president will be the chief beneficiary. The salary is not much, but the "fringe" benefits are incomparable. I have especially enjoyed the privilege of

visiting so many congregations and Associations, and only regret that it was impossible to reach them all.

Pray and work so that this 149th General Conference will indeed ". . . be about my Father's business."

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

### Quarterly Meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Board

The quarterly meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society was held Sunday afternoon, July 16, 1961, at the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church. This meeting was held one week earlier than the regularly scheduled date because of the planned trip to Europe of Secretary Everett T. Harris (accompanied by Mrs. Harris and Rev. Paul Burdick of Waterford, Conn.).

Secretary Harris will be carrying letters of greetings from our American General Conference to our brethren in England, Holland, and Germany.

The annual reports of the treasurer and secretary were presented and received and ordered published for presentation to Conference.

It was reported that Rev. Paul B. Osborn began work with the Little Rock, Ark., church as of July 1, 1961.

Rev. Marion C. Van Horn is moving to Texarkana, Ark., as pastor of that church since the Fouke church has chosen not to be included in the Shepherding Pastor plan this year. Pastor Van Horn will continue to serve as Shepherding Pastor of the Southwest field. The Board took action providing him with the same amount of financial support as heretofore, the Texarkana church and Houston Fellowship also increasing their support.

It was reported that to date no one had been secured to serve as field worker but efforts to secure such a worker are being continued.

Mr. Harley D. Bond was in attendance at the meeting of the Board for the first time since taking office as Executive Secretary of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference. Members of the Board were in attendance from Plainfield, N. J., Waterford, Conn., and Wakefield, Rockville, Ashaway, and Westerly R. I.

## The Church at Home



(This sermon was presented to the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church at Westerly, R. I., by Pastor Earl Cruzan on Sabbath morning, April 29, 1961, and requested for publication. Mr. Cruzan is also chairman of the Home Field Committee of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Board. — E. T. H.)

The Philistines had captured the ark of the covenant thinking that it was the God of Israel. They thought that if they had the ark in their possession they would have even greater power over their enemies. But they found that Dagon, their fish-god, was broken before the ark; and wherever the ark was kept they were visited with plagues. They moved it rapidly from town to town, and each town in turn suffered difficulties. They determined to remove it from their midst.

They took two milk cows with calves at home and yoked them to a cart upon which they placed the ark. The cows took it to Beth Shemesh. There the people welcomed the return of the ark. They used the cart for fuel, the cattle for sacrifice and offered a sacrifice unto God. They opened the ark to see what it contained and God visited them with a great slaughter.

They called the men of Kirjathjearim to come and take the ark, which they did. They kept it for twenty years in obscurity — they did not set up a place to worship God. They were too busy with other things until Samuel warned them again and again that they must give up their false gods and turn to the Lord.

What of the church in America? We think of America as the home base of Christianity today. What of the church in America? What will we do with it? More and more people are professing a belief in God and are even joining the churches, but what of the power of the church? What of the witness of Christ in civilization today? As a powerful witness against wrong and a strong advocate of truth and moral righteousness, where does the church stand today?

As the church has reached out to inscribe more and more names on its membership rolls so that it can speak proudly of the numbers of adherents, it has also weakened its message so that those brought in might not be offended by the message.

For many people the church is peripheral — it has not reached the center of life itself. And with increasing lip service the heart and the soul of the Christian religion has been lost. There has come a compromise — the allowing of lesser gods in the hearth of the home — lesser gods which too often have grown into greater gods. Compromise has been the order of the day — the excusing of human nature because it is human nature, and the rationalizing which convinces one that although the thing done does not quite measure up to the code of Christ, the benefits accrued thereby are of such value that the action is justified.

It takes on many forms. It makes insidious inroads upon our business life. Compromises are made in jobs and employment so that we compromise rather than stand by conviction. It takes a serious toll in the pleasure that we seek; we often defend ourselves by explaining that the pleasure is more to be desired than the standards of God.

The President of the United States is asking that there be consideration of an ethical code especially in the politics and business of our country.

Christianity has lost much of its vitality. It is something desirable — something worthy to be a Christian. One should be a member of the church and attend as occasion allows, but the vitality of the redemptive message has often been lost. Perhaps America feels so secure in her way of life and her standards of living that she does not need the assurance of salvation.

The great cry today is for unity among Protestant denominations. The feeling is expressed that greater influence can be felt by a united protestantism. In a sense this is true. But if it is with the feeling that there will be more unity in the pronouncements made from the top with the hope that the people will accept them, the loss will be greater than the gain. For such pronouncements will carry far less

authority than if the individual witness of the Christian is made because it is the witness of conviction. From the individual witness comes the witness of the church.

What of Seventh Day Baptists in America? We have reached out in foreign fields as the call has come. The calls have been coming faster than we can answer them or investigate them properly. But at home for many years we have grown lax and careless. Last year for the first time in many years, we showed a slight increase in membership in America. May this be a good sign. May we begin to make an outreach in this land. May we strengthen our church.

A major concern before us is how we can strengthen our churches and how we can establish new churches, new Sabbath Schools, new fellowships.

Many of our churches have increased pastors' salaries in the past few years so that more of our pastors can engage in full-time Christian work; yet we have but eight churches paying salaries of \$3,600 and up.

Home field work is on the increase on the part of the Missionary Board. We have had a Shepherding Pastor on the Southwest field for a number of years. In this area, we have had three new churches organized and two new fellowships since he went there.

We are putting a City Pastor-Evangelist on the field at Little Rock, Ark., on July 1. His is to be an all-out effort with the Little Rock church and all of our boards and agencies to try to build a self-supporting church at Little Rock in the next few years and then perhaps to move on to a new field of endeavor.

A new policy adopted by the Missionary Board is to give support in new areas asking for help only on the basis of a full-time ministry. Under this plan, increased aid is being offered to Daytona Beach over a period of three years, in the anticipation that with a full-time pastor they can become a strong enough church to carry their own program. We rejoice that they are to have a full-time pastor beginning next fall.

We are looking for a man who will be a field man, who will be contacting lone

Sabbathkeepers, making contacts with small groups, working toward the establishing of new fellowships, Sabbath Schools, and churches. We do not have the exact title for him, but we know what we want him to do and it is a large order to fill, probably too large for one man to fill adequately. This is just a beginning of what we would like to see happen. Next year, we would like to see many churches reach out into another community to establish a Sabbath School, a fellowship, or even a church. To do this it must mean sharing in leadership — both pastoral and lay leadership.

(To be continued in the August 14 issue.)

### Milton College President Cites Great Advances

Two contributions amounting to over \$50,000 have pushed the Milton College Development Campaign over its three-year goal of \$600,000. This announcement was made by President Percy L. Dunn in his eighth annual report to the board of trustees.

At the same time it was revealed that construction has been started on the Daland Memorial Fine Arts Center, a \$155,000 project to remodel the college's old gymnasium into a center for music, drama, and art. Construction was also begun this week by private interests to provide a men's residential quarters immediately adjacent to the campus.

President Dunn also told of the recognition given the college last month by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, which approved the Milton application for "Candidate for Membership" status. This recognition is given colleges approaching full regional accreditation.

Milton College progress of the past seven years was outlined by President Dunn, who noted that the 1954 operating budget was \$118,000 as compared to \$334,000 for 1961. The college payroll has more than doubled from \$80,000 to \$175,000 in the same period, he said. He forecast an enrollment in excess of 400

students in September with 150 living on campus. This is compared to an enrollment of 193 with more than 50 per cent commuting in 1954.

Progress of the past year has included the opening of Milton's first new building in 50 years, the athletic center; the opening of a new all-campus cafeteria; completion of a new dormitory for women, and starting construction of the Fine Arts Center.

Looking to the future, President Dunn indicated that progress has been made in obtaining funds for the construction of a new library, the next project in the campus improvement plan.

Three major plant changes are contemplated this summer including the moving of the Sociology Department to the third floor of Whitford Hall, moving the Business Administration laboratory to the lower floor of Main Hall into a section formerly used for cafeteria, installing a reading laboratory on the lower floor of Goodrich Hall, and moving the alumni and admissions offices into new quarters in Main Hall. Moving of the Music Department into the new Fine Arts Center during the first semester will open office and classroom space in the former Daland residence, more recently known as the Studio.

### Bible Study on the Priesthood

(Continued from page 6)

priesthood, except for Christ and what we now call "the priesthood of believers." To have a special priest in the church is not according to the Bible. It is either a remnant of Judaism or a bit of paganism. There were always plenty of priests in the temples of Jupiter or Mars or Bacchus! The Apostolic Church got along very well without them, however, and so should we.

Even though we have no need of a priest in our churches, each of us does have a sort of priestly responsibility. God has given us Christians things to do. If we do not present Him to the world, no one will. If we do not pray for the people and try to show them God's way, it will not be done at all. God has raised us up to be His kings and priests — we must not let Him down.

### Salem College Approaches a Goal

By Clem Clower

Salem College officials received confirmation of their acceptance as affiliated members in the North Central Association of College and Secondary Schools accrediting agency.

Notice of this affiliation was conveyed to Salem officials through David Madsen, associate secretary of the accrediting agency. The summer issue of the North Central Association Quarterly listed Salem College along with other colleges receiving this status of candidate for full membership.

Dr. K. Duane Hurley, Salem president, said, "This new status as a candidate for full membership with the North Central Association validates the fact that Salem College has been doing an outstanding job in the field of education through the years. Also, when our present construction program is completed, it should brighten the possibilities of our acceptance as full members in the accrediting association." (Salem is presently constructing girls' and boys' dormitories and a cafeteria, which will be ready for use in 1962.)

Salem College is one of the first institutions in the area served by the North Central agency to volunteer in the new program of affiliated membership prior to full accreditation.

During the past school year, a team of experts in the field of education visited the Salem campus. They conducted an inspection similar to the type of visitation inspection when full membership is examined.

### August Sabbath Recorder Dates

Two issues are always omitted on alternate weeks in August. This year the omitted dates will be August 7 and 21. Copies of the August 14 issue will be available for distribution at General Conference. The August 28 issue will be able to carry some of the first reports of Conference to all subscribers. If you know of a family not now receiving the denominational paper, why not help them to start getting the news and pictures now?

### S. Kenneth Davis Ordained to the Ministry



The ordination on July 22 of S. Kenneth Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Courtland V. Davis, now of Jamaica, W. I., was a solemn but joyous occasion for him, his family, and a host of friends. The Alfred, N. Y., church where he has been student assistant to the pastor took action on April 9 to call him to ordination, and later sent invitations to a number of churches to send delegates to the council.

Seldom does such a service call together people from so many places. In addition to members of the family who had assembled from Plainfield, N. J., Parkersburg, W. Va., Milton, Wis., and Jamaica, W. I., there were many friends from near and far. The candidate's local and denominational work had been primarily with young people. It was fitting that the campers and staff of nearby Camp Harley attended the morning and afternoon services in a body. The fact that he is soon to undertake the pastorate of the Daytona Beach, Fla., church made his statement of faith and his ordination of personal interest to Seventh Day Baptists of the whole Northeast as well as to those who are permanent residents of Florida, for the membership of that church is drawn quite largely from northern churches. During the afternoon service Winfield Randolph, representing both the Adams Center, N. Y., and the Daytona Beach churches, remarked that the officers of that Florida church had called a business meeting that very day at Alfred (a quorum being present) to thank the Alfred church for ordaining their pastor and to ask the church to carry through in arranging for his recognition by General Conference.

Although the ordination council was not called together until afternoon, the morning service was something special in a university town at vacation time. The sanctuary was very well filled to hear a sermon by the Rev. Loyal F. Hurley on "A Man Sent from God," based on the call and work of John the Baptist. The qualities necessary for an effective, convincing preacher of righteousness were forcefully outlined and applied.

Following the morning service a tureen dinner was provided by the local people for a crowd that filled the Parish House. At the close of the meal Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis were surprised with three gifts — one from the young people, one from the choir (for Mrs. Davis), and a purse of money from the church.

The afternoon service was in several respects quite personal. His father read appropriate Scripture from 2 Timothy 2 and led in prayer. When it came time for the charge to the candidate, it was given by Mrs. H. C. Van Horn of Milton, Wis., grandmother of the candidate's wife — a very well-prepared charge. The statement of Christian experience was more personal than some because it did not fail to point out the years of doubting and rebellion against God before he came to the point where he could dedicate himself to the service of Christ.

Following the statement of experience and beliefs Dr. Melvin Nida of the School of Theology, by previous arrangement, sought to get questions from those present. He himself inquired about the logic of saying that God was limitless and yet was limited by Himself. He also asked some questions about the candidate's unwillingness to baptize except by immersion. One person requested a little further elaboration on man's need of salvation and how that salvation is provided for by the death of Christ. The answers to the questions brought out the convictions and beliefs of Mr. Davis in these matters a little more fully than the prepared statement. The vote to proceed with ordination was quickly passed, with no one taking the opportunity at this point to comment on the candidate's manifest qualifications for the ministry.

The charge to the church took a different form than usual, perhaps because it was held in the church that he is soon to leave. Albert N. Rogers, dean of the School of Theology, made remarks fitting to all the churches Mr. Davis may service in the future.

The consecrating prayer was offered by Dr. Loyal F. Hurley as Mr. Davis knelt on the platform before all the people and eight ordained ministers laid their hands on his head. Several licensed pastors were in the congregation, and one veteran servant of the Lord, H. Eugene Davis, who was unable to climb the steps.

The welcome to the ministry was given by the Rev. Hurley S. Warren, who had baptized both Mr. and Mrs. Davis while pastor at Plainfield. He spoke of having assisted in their marriage and of having been associated with him for three years in the ministry of the Alfred church. It was a welcome into the larger aspects of the pastoral and preaching ministry.

Following the benediction by the Rev. S. Kenneth Davis almost the whole congregation came forward to shake hands with him and his devoted wife, wishing them the blessing of God upon their work in the years to come. — Editor.

#### Rene Mauch Travel Plans

"I am flying (from British Guiana, S. A.) to Trinidad on the 26th of July and on the 27th I will proceed to Kingston, Jamaica, by way of Barbados, Antigua, and Puerto Rico. I made arrangements to stop over in Jamaica until Monday so I may have a chance to visit with our brethren in this island. On the 31st I will go on to Nassau where I shall spend a few days working on the boat. I shall go by ship to Miami and thence on to Montreal where I plan to arrive on or around the 10th of August, in time to leave for Amherst. This is the outline of the journey.

"I look back with much pleasure over my stay here during the past months. As always, some goals have been reached while others have not. But as a whole I personally feel that my stay here has been worth while."

### Thoughts from Florence

By Paul S. Burdick

(Gleaned from a letter dated July 15.)

While waiting for the coming of Rev. and Mrs. Everett Harris, and the visit to the churches of England, Holland, and Germany, it has been arranged for me to spend a little time in Italy and England.

One can come to love Italy very much. It is a country of the old and the new, side by side. One cannot help but admire the spirit of the people, who are trying so hard to improve their lot. Great wealth and deep poverty exist side by side. The countryside is beautiful. Fields of hay and grain, olive trees and vineyards are all expressive of the care of the farmers, but apparently much of the land is owned by absentee landlords, and not by those who work it — at least that seems to be true in the very limited section I have visited. And poverty can make people desperate. That explains why communism has grown to 24% here, while in nearby France it stands at 2%.

To these people, Mussolini is still one of the greatest men of this century. His only mistake is that he "lost the war." They pinned their hopes upon him, but alas, he gambled tragically with the fate of his country. Looking back over our own course, it appears that in allying ourselves with Stalin we made as great a mistake. It was done in desperation, to hold back Hitler's advance until we could prepare to enter on England's side. Tragedy upon tragedy! The first of which was our treatment of Germany at the close of World War I.

The lesson of these unholy alliances is that when you ally yourself with the Devil, he always comes out on top.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for August 12, 1961

Mark: Making Good after Failure

Lesson Scripture: Acts 12: 25; 13: 4-5, 13; 15: 36-39; Col. 4: 10; 2 Tim. 4: 11b; 1 Peter 5: 13.

for August 19, 1961

Silas: Trustworthy Co-worker

Lesson Scripture: Acts 15: 22, 30-32, 39-41; 16: 19-25; 1 Thess. 1: 1; 1 Peter 5: 12.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

### I Quote

Again it was the privilege of the secretary of the Board of Christian Education to attend a Christian Writers' Conference. This year we went to Green Lake, Wis., where the conference was held on the grounds of the American Baptist Assembly, July 1-8. There were writers and leaders from a dozen different countries, and their concerns primarily were that there must be a flood of Christian literature to meet the challenge of Godless communism. The quotation heard most of all as quoted from natives in other lands was, "Christians taught us how to read, but the communists furnish the literature."

One of the programs was an impromptu panel discussion made up of the leaders and the nationals. Among the many profound observations that they made were the following:

"Let us not fool ourselves, we MUST have Christian opposition to communism." — Beatrice Adams.

"In our work with the National Council of Churches Literature and Literacy Program it is our belief that we must have the mind to emphasize Christianity rather than to just beat communism." — Miss Marion Van Horne.

"Our Christian message is not getting through to Europe." — Prof. Gilbert Brown.

"We need to communicate to outsiders as well as to those within the church." — Mr. Dennis Clark.

"Secular publishers need to be challenged to publish Christian articles." — Dr. Ben Browne.

Questions that were asked included: "How can we make Christians aware that they must keep informed on world subjects?" and, "Are Christians really interested in other people?"

There is some indication that the secular press is interested in publishing books that emphasize the Christian way of life. This was illustrated by the fact that the life of Adoniram Judson is the story in the Dolphin paperback book called "To The Golden Shore." Dolphin books are published by Doubleday and Doran. Adoniram Judson was the first Baptist

missionary, and the book, written by Courtney Anderson, is a graphic portrayal of the trials of a pioneer for Christ.

Seventh Day Baptists have had and do have wonderful missionaries whose lives were and are fully dedicated to the Gospel. Have we ever had a writer who was devoted enough to develop his writing talent so that the Gospel as we understand it can be published abroad to help stem the tide of godless philosophies? Have we ever had a fiction writer who would weave Christian principles and thought into a fascinating tale? Do we close our eyes to journalistic possibilities?

If you have any talent for writing, you will be inspired and challenged at a Christian Writers' Conference. The Seventh Day Baptist Women's Board will help you attend if it is your purpose in life to serve your church through writing. There are more Christian Writers' Conferences scheduled this year. Write to the Women's Board, and see if you qualify for a scholarship — Mrs. Arabeth DeLand, 8333 Hall Rd., Bellevue, Michigan.

Those who attended the Green Lake Conference from our denomination this year were Mrs. Doris Coney and the Rev. Don A. Sanford, along with this correspondent.

#### Pre-Con Retreats

Plans for the two Pre-Conference Retreats have been completed down to the final details. Youth and young adults across the nation eagerly await the day of departure for New England, in anticipation of high experiences in company with their fellow Seventh Day Baptists. Past years indicate that, beyond a doubt, the Holy Spirit will be very much at work in many of these young lives during the retreats, as well as during the General Conference that follows. For the young person of receptive attitude, these will truly be days to be remembered.

Registration for both Pre-Cons will take place during the afternoon of Wednesday, August 9. The young adults will meet at Lewis Camp. Upon arriving at Ashaway, Rhode Island, they will find signs directing them to the camp. At the end of the road, the young adults will

explore "New Frontiers of Faith" with the Rev. Alton L. Wheeler, director.

Laurel Park, site for the Youth Pre-Con, is located on Route 5, three miles north of Northampton, Mass. It is here that "Project Macedonia" will be carried out under the direction of the Rev. David S. Clarke.

For youth, the program of General Conference will be supplemented by interpretation of Conference business, led by the Rev. Kenneth E. Smith, and varied youth activities directed by Mr. and Mrs. Denison Barber.

See you at Pre-Con and Conference!

#### WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. A. Russell Maxson

##### Women's Board News Notes

The women's activities at Conference, beginning on Wednesday, August 16, will provide opportunity for fellowship, information, discussion, and inspiration.

On Wednesday at 11 a.m., the regular Conference session will be led in a worship service arranged by Mrs. Neal Mills of Rockville, R. I., on that part of the Conference theme assigned to us — the two words, "Be About." Mrs. Mills will lead a panel discussion on "What Christian Woman Are About." Special music will be given by Miss Emma Burdick of Waterford, Conn., and Mrs. Don Lewis of Ashaway, R. I. To close the hour a short play will be given by the women of Westerly, R. I., entitled, "About What?" Mrs. Elston Van Horn of Westerly is the author and director of the play.

On Thursday morning a discussion period has been tentatively scheduled, from 9:30-11:00, when any question you may have will be discussed in the group. Bring your questions, or send them in to Mrs. John Cornish, 492 Emmett St., Battle Creek, Mich.

On Thursday evening the women will meet together for dinner from 5:00-7:00, followed by the Annual Meeting of the Women's Society. Every woman is a voting member, and all are urged to attend to consider the report of the Women's Committee of Conference and to elect officers for next year's board to be located at Milton, Wis. Mrs. LeRoy DeLand will

preside at the business meeting and Mrs. Paul Maxson of Berlin, N. Y., will bring the closing devotions.

The display table at Conference is a good place to exchange ideas on programs, program booklets for the society, projects, etc., and to meet old friends. Please bring your contributions or send them to Mrs. Paul Cushman, 134 Mountain Drive, Pittsfield, Mass. Save time to spend at the display tables for new and refreshing ideas.

The Annual Report of the Women's Board is in the hands of the printer and will be sent out again this year to the keyworkers in place of the July Newsletter, with the hope that it will reach every woman before Conference. Please read it and bring it to Conference with your questions and suggestions.

Two girls have been helping with the Women's Board summer program of Bible school and camp work. Miss Miriam Mills of Rockville, R. I., has assisted in the Bible school at Ashaway for two weeks, and Miss Ruth Ellis has assisted for two weeks each in Bible schools at Berlin, N. Y., and Rockville, R. I., and one week at Lewis Camp.

Mrs. LeRoy DeLand attended the meeting of the Southeastern Association held in June at Camp Selby, Selbyville, W. Va. On Sabbath afternoon Mrs. DeLand and representatives of other denominational boards told of their work during the past year, their plans for the future, and how the people of the Association could help in the denominational program.

Hats off to the associational representatives! Every one of them reported this year for the societies in their Association, so that the column in the Annual Report is complete! It is not easy to make a full report, for the women in our churches do a tremendous amount of work and carry on many worth-while projects of hand and heart. No report could ever show how much thought, prayer, and work lie behind the figures given, but it was all done to help someone in His name.

We would like to express again the appreciation of our board to that woman in each society who is the lifeline of communication between the board and the society — the keyworker. She sometimes works under a handicap, and to do her job as well as she can she needs the interest and co-operation of everyone. Thank you again, keyworkers.

More women have been reading books and religious magazines this year! How do we know that? There are more honor readers in our churches than ever before. We hope the reading has been a source of information and inspiration. Another interesting item from the Christian Culture Committee is that 200 Meditation cards were requested by the Salem, W. Va., society to be distributed to the girls at the Industrial Home for Girls located at Salem. The cards for this use have been sent out each year for several years, and seem to be much appreciated. The cards this year bear, as the inscription, the words of our women's theme for the year: "Come — Is Not This the Christ?" There will be some available at Conference.

##### NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**BAY AREA FELLOWSHIP, CALIF.** — We continue to have meetings every week at 10:30 a.m. in the beautiful chapel of the Arlington Community Church in El Cerrito, north of Oakland.

Rev. Oscar Burdick and Dr. Stanley Rasmussen share in leading the worship services. For example, on July 15, Dr. Rasmussen led the service, while Mr. Burdick officiated at the organ, and following gave the sermon. We feel we are privileged to have so fine an organist in our group.

We have two new members coming regularly this year, one of Sabbath School age, so that we have a cradle roll class of four, and a junior class of three. The juniors are studying the life of Christ, and also are making a map and studying the Indian Americans, with emphasis on missionary needs.

The adult class is finding this series of lessons in the **Helping Hand** particularly valuable.

We gave special emphasis to Sabbath Rally Day, and were happy to have the Stephen Thorngate family from Monterey worshipping with us then.

Other visitors to our services this spring were Pastor Saunders and his family, and later the Albyn Mackintosh family, all from Los Angeles. The Philip Lewis family from Riverside also visited in the area, spending Sabbath day in Monterey. — Correspondent.

**FARINA, ILL.** — On the first Sabbath in April our Association co-ordinator and his wife and daughter were here. Mr. Gray spoke concerning the coming of the North Central Association in 1962. The Rev. Addison Appel and two sons were also here, having brought some of his household goods as he had accepted the call to the pastorate of the church.

On the third Sabbath in April several of the Stonefort people were here to help celebrate the 95th Anniversary of the organization of the church. Pastor McSparin of that church conducted the service and Communion.

On the third Sabbath in May several of our people went to Stonefort for the anniversary of their church.

The closing program for the Farina Union Vacation Bible School was presented Friday night, June 16, in our church. There were seventy-five pupils from the United Church of Christ, the Methodist, and Seventh Day Baptist churches.

We were very glad to welcome back the Appel family on July first. A potluck dinner was enjoyed in the parish house after the service. — Correspondent.

##### Servicemen Spiritually Deficient

General Robert Taylor, deputy chief of Air Force chaplains and a survivor of the "Bataan death march" in World War II speaks well of the young men now entering military service but expresses the conviction that churches are not doing as much as they could to reach the youth in their regular worship services. He observes that the military is getting youth with an increased knowledge about the world but not about spiritual matters in comparison to former years.



**OUR WORLD MISSION**

**Statement of the Treasurer, June, 1961\***

**BUDGET RECEIPTS**

	Treasurer's		Boards' 9 Mos.		Treasurer's		Boards' 9 Mos.
	June	9 Mos.			June	9 Mos.	
Adams Center .....	231.45	721.10		Lost Creek .....	150.00	1,282.50	
Albion .....	104.35	464.11	10.00	Marlboro .....	369.26	2,768.19	55.00
Alfred 1st .....		3,173.38	1.50	Memorial Fund .....		1,070.30	
Alfred 2nd .....	260.40	1,550.86		Middle Island .....	50.50	186.50	
Associations and Groups .....	507.45	669.67	668.10	Milton .....	399.11	5,360.73	135.00
Battle Creek .....	1,081.14	4,892.57	92.00	Milton Junction .....	109.25	1,113.78	
Bay Area Fellow. ..		34.50		New Auburn .....		218.79	
Berlin .....	37.26	521.77	67.50	North Loup .....		583.37	
Boulder .....		300.10	35.00	Nortonville .....	176.99	1,159.82	70.00
Brookfield 1st .....		346.80		Ohio Valley .....		20.00	
Brookfield 2nd .....		162.30		Old Stone Fort .....		108.00	
Buckeye Fellow. ....		25.00		Paint Rock .....	25.00	219.50	
Buffalo Fellow. ....		150.00		Pawcatuck .....	419.73	3,833.87	105.00
Carraway .....		3.75		Plainfield .....	357.64	3,469.54	450.00
Chicago .....	89.00	640.00	320.00	Richburg .....	178.00	718.00	
Daytona Beach .....	106.00	810.49		Ritchie .....	55.00	212.00	9.00
Denver .....	102.26	199.56	25.00	Riverside .....		2,273.74	
DeRuyter .....		362.50		Roanoke .....		15.00	
Dodge Center .....	78.24	676.80		Rockville .....	53.39	246.86	
Edinburg .....		33.34		Salem .....		739.44	
Farina .....	5.00	80.65		Salemville .....	107.00	230.71	6.00
Fouke .....	25.00	107.79		Schenectady .....	34.00	148.00	
Hammond .....	16.50	61.50		Shiloh .....	793.49	4,026.36	50.00
Hebron 1st .....	31.00	227.72		Texarkana .....		47.72	
Hopkinton 1st .....	89.75	1,645.15	40.00	Tract Society .....			306.00
Hopkinton 2nd .....	26.65	87.65		Verona .....	439.50	1,446.48	
Houston .....	28.62	100.54		Walworth .....	113.60	395.10	
Independence .....	133.25	946.60		Washington .....		348.00	
Individuals .....	75.00	2,572.62	133.41	Washington, People's .....	10.00	71.00	
Irvington .....	200.00	1,390.00	400.00	Waterford .....	89.41	786.07	
Little Genesee .....	134.00	491.78	10.00	White Cloud .....	122.31	515.56	
Little Rock .....		124.92		Yonah Mountain..	15.00	18.75	
Los Angeles .....	250.00	1,285.55	30.00	Alfred Sch. Theo. ..			400.00
Los Angeles Christ's .....		60.00		Totals	\$7,680.50	\$58,554.75	\$3,418.51

**TREASURER'S DISBURSEMENTS**

Board of Christian Education .....	\$ 636.18
General Conference .....	960.64
Historical Society .....	184.49
Ministerial Retirement .....	697.69
Ministerial Training .....	839.76
Missionary Society .....	3,127.06
Tract Society .....	763.42
Trustees of General Conference .....	50.89
Women's Society .....	188.15
World Fellowship .....	98.62
Special Fund .....	133.60
	<b>\$7,680.50</b>

**SUMMARY**

Current annual budget .....	\$111,295.00
Receipts for 9 months .....	61,973.26
Balance needed in 3 months .....	49,321.74
Average needed per month .....	16,440.58
Percentage year elapsed .....	75%
Percentage budget raised .....	55.683%

G. E. Parrish,  
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# The Sabbath Recorder



**MISSIONARY FAMILY COMES HOME**

The focus is almost always on foreign missions at General Conference. Nothing is more encouraging or inspiring to the delegates than the stories of missionaries fresh from the field and the dedication of families about to depart. Pictured above are Dr. and Mrs. Victor Burdick (married in Nyasaland) as they alighted from their plane in New York July 25. Present also at Conference is the Leon Lawton family just completing a furlough from Jamaica, W. I., and the Leland Davis family preparing for service in British Guiana, S. A. Mr. and Mrs. Courtland Davis, also from Jamaica, had to return from their one month holiday on August 7. Others presently or previously connected with foreign mission work will challenge those in attendance.

\* Due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, the giving for May was not published. The total giving for May amounted to \$5,812.42, which sum was distributed to the agencies in the same proportion as that of other months.