

# The Sabbath Recorder

gress will be held. In addition there will be a reception on the afternoon of the opening day, June 25, honoring all women present.

All Baptist women who plan to attend the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Miami Beach this year are urged to write at once for housing reservations to Baptist World Congress Housing Bureau, P. O. Box 1511, Miami Beach 39, Florida. NOTE—Seventh Day Baptist women will be represented.

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**RIVERSIDE, CALIF.**—We enjoyed a very profitable series of sermons on our denominational beliefs which began at the new year and continued through March. The Sabbath School hour was used for discussion of our Articles of Faith, with all adults meeting together, and children's classes being taught by the young people. They in turn used these topics for their discussion in the Youth Fellowship meetings. The choir tried to fit their presentations to the subjects.

We feel most fortunate to have had the services of Pastor Glen Warner this winter, while he attends seminary at nearby Claremont. This meant that though Pastor Wheeler was called away in January, and was on the East Coast all of March, the work of the church went on under Pastor Glen's leadership.

An innovation this winter was the Washington's Birthday Weekend Retreat, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gibson. Our fall retreats have been increasingly enjoyable, but winter ones have not been possible until this year, when heating equipment has been installed in some of the buildings at Pacific Pines Camp. We had a beautiful weekend as to weather, and it was most inspirational. Heating of the buildings will extend possibilities for renting the camp, also.

Two "Missioners" have served other churches this spring. Besides Pastor Wheeler's stay in Marlboro, Dr. L. H. V. May spent some time in Denver, Colo.

Director of Evangelism Leon Lawton is in this area during April, his visit culminating in the Pacific Coast Association meetings April 23-25. A more extended report of his work will come from the Association.

## Obituaries

**Clair.**—Hazel Coats, daughter of William Wallace and Emma Louise Kenyon Coats and widow of William Clair, was born Nov. 6, 1881, and died after an extended illness in a nursing home at Hornell, N. Y., March 7, 1965.

She was a long-time member of the Nile Seventh Day Baptist Church, transferring to Alfred after her husband's death about 17 years ago. She was a member of the Ladies Aid and Evangelical Societies of the Alfred church, and also of the Garden Club and Civic-Amandine club.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. G. S. Weglau, East Rockaway, N. Y. and by a son, Richard Clair of Illinois.

The memorial service was conducted by her pastor, the Rev. David S. Clarke, at the Landon Funeral Home in Hornell, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery in Friendship, N. Y. — D.S.C.

**Crandall.**—Daniel Alva, son of David Lee and Phoebe Burdick Crandall, was born in Pendleton Hill, Conn., December 25, 1879, and died at the Harlow House, Hope Valley, R. I., March 23, 1965.

After graduating from Alfred University Mr. Crandall taught in public schools in Rhode Island and Connecticut. He retired in 1930. He joined the Rockville Seventh Day Baptist by letter from Alfred, N. Y., and was a faithful and devoted member until his death.

Surviving are: his wife, Grace Dunn Crandall; three daughters, Elizabeth (Mrs. Arthur Belfleur of New London, Conn.; Abbie (Mrs. Philip Godbout) of Hope Valley, R. I.; and Madeline (Mrs. Kenneth Taylor) of Baltic, Conn.; also three sons, Daniel E. of Exeter, R. I., John L. and Harold B. A., both of Ashaway, R. I.; 27 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

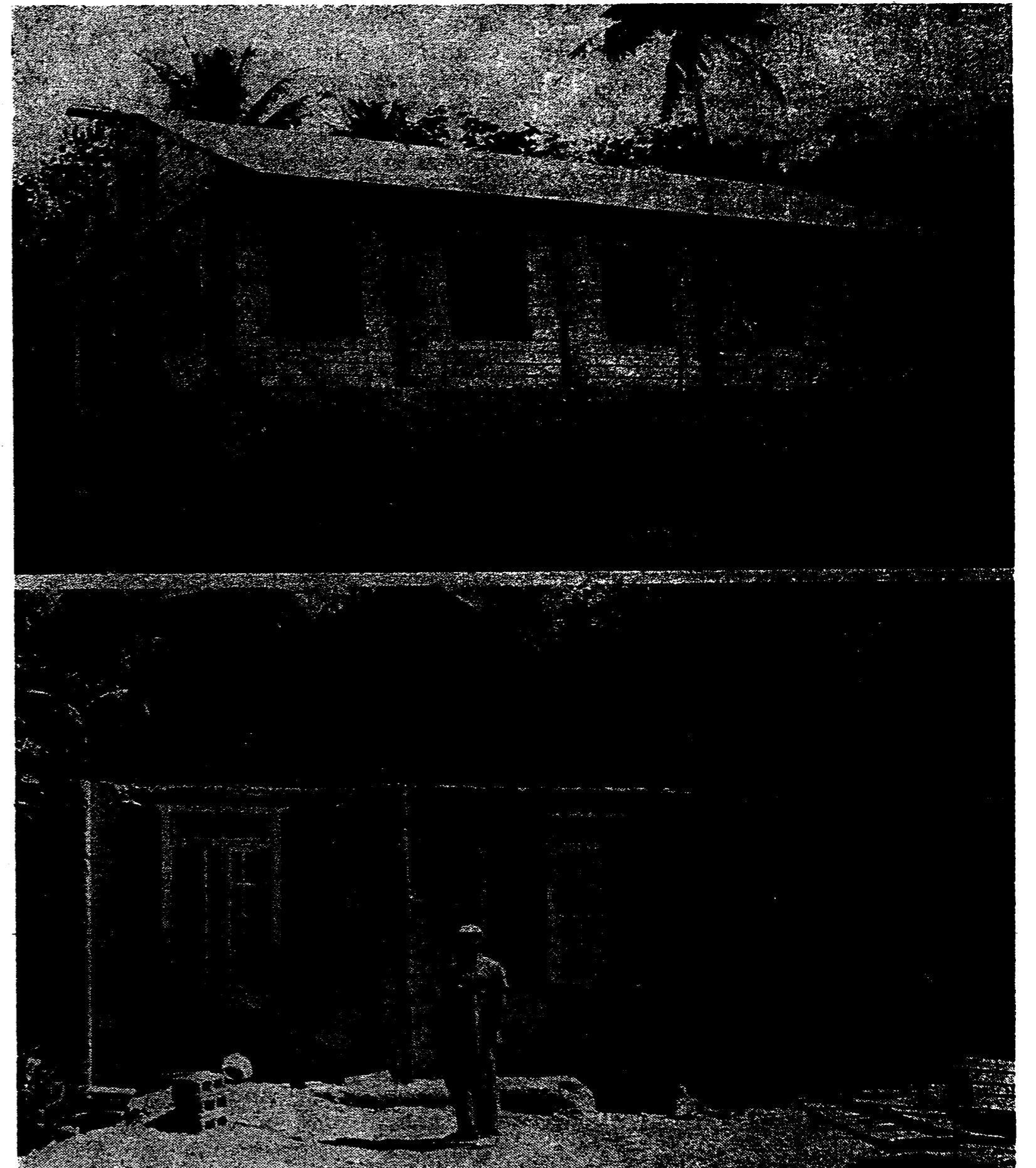
The funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Neal D. Mills. Interment was in Rockville Cemetery. — N. D. M.

**Stillman.**—William C., born Oct. 21, 1898 was adopted in infancy by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stillman of Alfred, N. Y., and died after a lengthy illness March 18, 1965, at Bethesda Hospital, Hornell, N. Y.

He was a member of the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church. A painter by trade, he re-decorated the church the last time it was done.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Edward Aiken, North Bergen, N. J., and a granddaughter.

Memorial services were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. David S. Clarke, at Crandall and Crandall Funeral Home in Hornell on March 20. The body was cremated and the ashes scattered. — D. S. C.



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## Univac, a Tool to Man

The Univac computer system, just out of the experimental state, can be a valuable tool in modern libraries, providing information in printed form to the inquiring mind on a wide range of subjects in just four seconds simply by pressing a few buttons. Such machinery is demonstrated by the American Library Association in the United States Pavilion at the World's Fair. Here is an amazingly fast essay or reading list service of data stored in a 490 Real-Time Computer. Answers may be requested from, transmitted to, and printed at any location in the country or throughout the world, where data transmission facilities are available. For example, you would like to have an essay on "Equal Opportunities for All" drawn from articles in Encyclopedia Britannica. If your local library has some of this new equipment your essay will be in your hands in four seconds just the same as at the World's Fair.

Information about this amazing computer-printer accompanies your essay and very nicely compares and contrasts its work with that of the human brain. It concludes with the statement, "But, the computer is only a fast idiot. It has no imagination; it cannot originate action. It is, and will remain, only a tool to man."

But the bewildered, uncomprehending editor can hardly believe his eyes when the printer starts to whirl one tenth of a second after the last button is pressed to select the subject. It prints something like a typewriter but infinitely faster, 922 lines per minute. Thus it takes longer for the operator to punch four buttons and step over to the machine to tear off the printed page than for the computer to search its memory and print out the essay. How wonderful it would be if we could unerringly scan the entire memory of a lifetime in one tenth of a second and pull together the things that are needed to make our daily decisions or to write our editorials. This machine operates at speeds measured in millionths of a second to provide the answers to questions asked of it.

The literature points out that except for speed and accuracy this marvelous computer-printer cannot compare with the human mechanism. "You parallel — and

exceed — all the elements that this computer possesses," it states. We store in memory the input of our five senses just as this machine stores the tape-recorded material of professional librarians. Performance and co-ordination, accomplished in us by brain and nervous system, are taken care of by units of the Univac. In man the output of information is largely by speech; in the computer it is by intricate machines. It is all marvelous, but is completely dependent upon man, its maker, its thinker, its operator. It exceeds man's normal capabilities largely in its perfect memory and its speed of retrieving stored information.

This brings us quite logically to a new appreciation of God. Man's thinking ability, his creativity, is so terribly small in comparison to God, whose mind at the same instant could conceive and create the vastness of the stellar universe, all the marvels of life on earth, and the infinite variety that appears under the microscope. All the imperfections of man's memory and his thought processes are set against the perfection of the same things in God. We long for greater co-ordination within our minds and between mind and body. God does not err in judgment nor in that which comes from His omnipotent hand. But greater still is the glory of God's moral judgment and His work of salvation. The machine can think no wrong, do no wrong; man can and does. He is a person with selfish, sinful thoughts, conscious that he is in rebellion against the righteousness of God. He knows his need; he is aware of two destinies.

But there is a God above able to speak His own thoughts, not just at 121,704 letters per minute like the Univac printer, but to countless millions at the speed of perception and at the same time. By His Holy Spirit, He enters into mind of man, calling him to accept salvation, guiding him into truth, sustaining him through temptation, assuring him of eternal joy. In times past He has moved upon the hearts of men to record His revelation in what became for us the Bible, the written guide of truth and righteousness. Here we may say that much of God's memory is stored for us.

It is our knowledge of God that inspires us to use the resources He has given us for the benefit of the world in developing such equipment as the Univac. For modern man God becomes far more needed and perhaps a little more comprehended.

## Welcome Mat Withdrawn

If you were a visitor in Montgomery, Ala., over the weekend you might have to choose your church with care, for some of the churches on Palm Sunday decided to choose their visitors with care. The deacons of the 3,100-member First Baptist Church, in effect, had a rope tied to the welcome mat and pulled it back if they had reason to think that any of the would-be visitors had been demonstrating during the week.

Against the pleas of the pastor for an end to racial prejudice a large and long-drawn-out business meeting of the church on the preceding Friday had voted down the proposition, "It is the recommendation of the deacons that the First Baptist Church of Montgomery reaffirm its open door policy and admit to its services anyone who wishes to attend." The church officials declined to state the strength of the vote.

The group turned away from the worship service was composed of both Negroes and whites. They were identified by the pastor as some of the "paid agitators." The Rev. J. R. White, pastor, in his Palm Sunday statement, included these words, "I must say to you that the gospel of Christ is for all men without distinction. God loves all men, black or white, red or yellow, with the same kind of love. God is no respecter of persons... The marchers and demonstrators in an attempt to change the social structure are waging a psychological warfare against the church... We must do everything that we can in positive action to seek racial harmony and good will..."

The action of the church and the statement of the pastor seem to leave a chance for some uncertainty in the mind of a would-be churchgoer visiting Montgomery, Ala. Must one before deciding to go to church consult the newspaper to see if there have been any civil rights

demonstrations in the city during the week? We would hope that all churches would be as open to the dark-skinned as to the drunkards, to the people of other faiths as to those of no faith, to Northern Baptists as to Southern Baptists, and to Seventh Day Baptists, if they should desire to attend.

Among prominent Baptists who have been in Montgomery recently was Dr. Edwin H. Tuller, general secretary of the American Baptist Convention, who flew from New York March 25 as the official representative of the National Council of Churches to participate in the reception of the civil rights marchers as they arrived from Selma. Two planes were chartered by the Protestant Council of the City of New York.

### World's Fair Booth Again in Operation

Opening day at the New York World's Fair, Wednesday, April 21, marked the first of another 180 days of Baptist and Seventh Day Baptist witness in the Protestant Pavilion near the main gate. If the first day was a sample of the attendance throughout the season this venture will prove to be a success. There were nearly 160,000 people on the grounds, about half of them students taking part of their Easter vacation to visit the Flushing Meadows extravaganza and its religious exhibits. A surprisingly large number of boys wore the little black, saucer-like Jewish caps on the back of their heads because this was the week of the passover festival.

The Protestant Pavilion drew a large number of visitors although the opening ceremonies on a sunny day kept most of the people outside during the morning hours and the evening attractions in other places thinned the ranks somewhat between darkness and 10 o'clock. The booth operated by Baptists of six denominations was again one of the most popular booths in the large pavilion. Last year 175,000 people were counted, more than in any other booth except that of the Seventh-day Adventists which had a beautiful picture and an attractive give-away program.

Among the first 450 people to register at the Baptist Booth on opening day was evangelist Billy Graham. His schedule evidently allowed him to be in New York for the opening ceremonies of the fair and of his own large pavilion. He also has a prominent unattended booth in the Protestant Pavilion which presents a gospel message and announces the program in his nearby auditorium. The dedicated young attendants in the Graham pavilion reported in the evening that the auditorium had been filled throughout the day.

Seventh Day Baptists have a somewhat more consistent witness and informational program than last year. One of our tracts will be constantly available in quantity on the circular desk at the entrance of the booth. Each of the six participating conventions was invited to display one piece of "evangelistic" denominational literature. On the first day only three of them had taken advantage of the opportunity. Our people who visit the World's Fair between now and next October are urged to visit the Baptist Booth and make themselves known. Those who come by subway, train or bus can well make this their first stop, for it is near the Gotham Gate where public transportation comes in. We will take our turn in manning the booth in August and September, for which a considerable number of volunteers will be needed.

The schedule by denomination for manning the booth is as follows:

**April 21 through May 26** — American Baptist Convention.

**May 27 through June 14** — North American Conference.

**June 15 through August 20** — Southern Baptist Convention. There will be two young women students at the booth during this time.

**August 21 and 22** — American Baptist Convention.

**August 23 through September 15** — Seventh Day Baptist Conference. (Contact the editor of the *Sabbath Recorder* if you can serve.)

**September 16 through October 17** — National Baptist Convention.

### Church Building in Jamaica

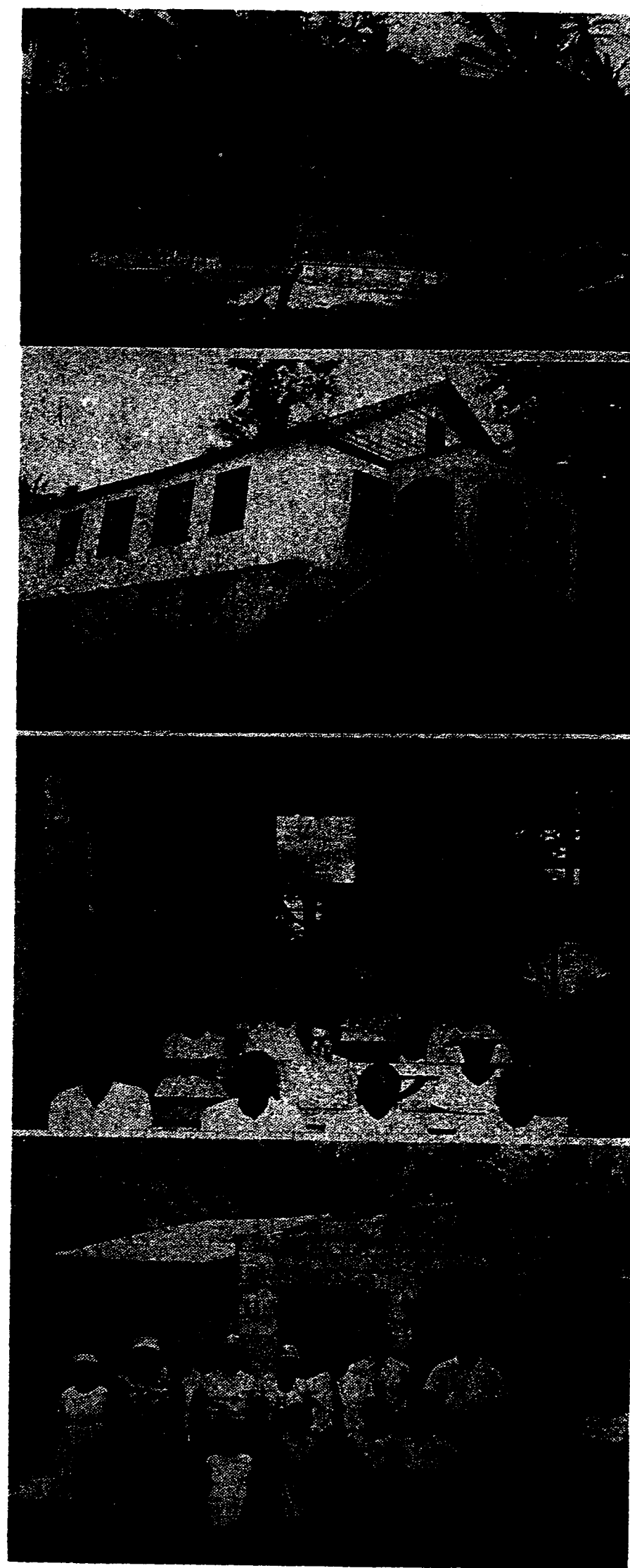
Jesus told the sad story of the rich man who decided to pull down his barns and build greater. He would then have room to store all his goods and could prepare for a life of ease and indulgence. His was an attitude of unconcern for the welfare of his soul or the souls of others, for which he was called into account by his sudden death that very night.

But to pull down churches and build greater is to show concern for the souls of other by sacrificing your own comfort and ease. The need for larger churches is an evidence that the Great Commission is being effectively carried out. On the island of Jamaica there is scarcely a Seventh Day Baptist church that has not been torn down at least once to build larger and better. The cover of this issue shows two churches that are now in the process of rebuilding, not with all the conveniences of American churches, but good according to Jamaica standards and the financial ability of the members. There will be room enough at present for the growing congregations.

The upper photo on the cover is of the Blue Mountain church. Nothing remains of the original smaller building but the floor. It is in use every Sabbath and will be ready to be the host church of the conference in July.

The lower picture is of the Albion Mountain church near the north shore of the island as it appeared on April 2. The accomplished builder who devotes all of his time to the construction or rebuilding of Seventh Day Baptist churches is Deacon Johnston, whose home church is Tydixon. The Albion Mountain church will be forty feet wide and will have a baptistry, as all the newer churches do. The cost of rebuilding is held to a minimum. The work progresses as the funds permit, but the builder is building men as well as churches and insists that the workmanship be of the best. Everywhere the dedication of Deacon Johnston is well spoken of.

The churches pictured on this page are on various parts of the island, farthest



MEMORY TEXT

To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number.

— Isa. 40: 25, 26a.

west and farthest east. Each has its thrilling story. At the top is the sizable new church at Deeside, a building only three years old. It boasts electric lights, which few country churches have. Starting as a mission of the Wakefield church just a few miles away, it is now strong and active.

The Bowensville church in the center of the island boasts most of its recent improvement on the inside with new pews and pulpit.

The interior view of the Font Hill church shows the simple beauty of architecture from the hand of Mr. Johnston. It has the finished walls and the louvered windows that characterize the newer buildings.

Money is not plentiful among the Maroons (cockpit country) in western Jamaica on the edge of which the Accompong church is located. Though their building is unfinished it is not really boarded up or abandoned; it is quite nice inside. Just a few of the members were present when the picture was taken early Wednesday afternoon. This church has sponsored the nearby church of Bethsalem. The local leader is the hatless young man in the center.

Church improvement is an ever-present goal for all the churches of our faith in Jamaica, and one that they are constantly working at. Our Missionary Board has a substantial item in its budget to match the funds of local churches for church building and improvement. This is administered by the Jamaica Conference in such a way that churches take turns in drawing from it. Otherwise the amounts available would seem very insignificant, since there are so many churches with ambitious building programs such as those illustrated here.

The Concept of Leisure

We recently read an article by a Professor A. R. C. Duncan, head of the Department of Philosophy at Queens University in Kingston, Canada, on how to employ leisure beneficially.

In essence, he stated that "the man who has been educated for leisure, the liberally educated man, is a man whose interests are wide and active, whose powers of thought and judgment have been trained and stimulated so that he is free, unprejudiced, and self-reliant in his outlook on life, a man who is capable of making decisions and using his initiative in difficult situations, a man who will never be panicked by external pressures into losing his sense of perspective. Essentially he will be a man who is good at his job whatever that may be, but whose interests are not limited to his work. He will among other things be in a position to take an active interest in political life. Leisure is a condition of genuine democracy."

In conclusion, he commented that, "if we could persuade ourselves to think correctly about leisure, if we could stop confusing it with amusement or recreation or play, if we could stop thinking of it in the negative way that has grown up in the last couple of centuries under the impact of the industrial revolution, as time in which we are not working, as essentially empty time, but come to think of it in a positive manner as the time which we spend in developing and enjoying our fundamental human capacities, then perhaps we should be able to integrate work and leisure in a manner which will represent a definite advance on previous ages in western history."

This concept of using leisure to the best advantage is one that we are going to have to re-examine. The future holds more leisure time and if we put it to use properly, perhaps we can find answers to our employment problems; juvenile delinquency; improve our standard of living; and, more important, we as individuals can better learn to live with one another. — Dateline, April 1965.

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

Trip to British Guiana

It was the privilege of the secretary of the Missionary Society to visit the British Guiana mission field April 6-18, 1965. The kind invitation of Rev. and Mrs. Leland Davis to stay at their home during most of the secretary's visit was accepted and enjoyed. Also, the gracious invitation of Pastor and Mrs. Joseph Tyrrell of Parika to stay awhile with them was accepted and appreciated.

One of the high points of the visit was the attendance at the annual Conference of Seventh Day Baptist Churches of British Guiana held with the Wakenaam church at an all-day meeting on Sunday, April 11. During the conference it was voted to approve the request of the Albouystown group of Sabbathkeepers "to link up with the Seventh Day Baptist Conference."

Pastor Jason was present at the conference sessions and carried the request of his church group. The secretary spoke to the Albouystown church on two occasions and some of the members were in attendance at the Sabbath afternoon farewell service and "high tea" served in his honor.

One of the closing actions of conference was to express "sincere appreciation to the Missionary Society for sending Secretary Harris to visit the churches and attend Conference." Another action was recorded to express "heartfelt thanks" to the Nortonville, First Alfred, and Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Churches for assistance in supplying copies of the **Helping Hand** to the British Guiana brethren over a period of several years.

Included in the secretary's visit were the Seventh Day Baptist churches at Georgetown, Parika, Wakenaam, Bona Ventura, and Dartmouth. All these churches are carrying on the work of our Lord faithfully and show promise for the future. A most cordial welcome was received in every instance. It was a happy privilege to visit in the home of Brother Archibald Tobin, the new Conference president. To reach his home and visit the Bona Ventura church it

was necessary to travel, along with Missionary Leland Davis, down the Pomeeroon River about 14 miles in a motor launch somewhat similar to the one that is hoped may be provided some day soon for Pastor Davis' use.

Pastor Davis, Brother Jacob Tyrrell, Pastor and Mrs. Joseph Tyrrell traveled with the secretary to the airport in Georgetown where we visited during a long wait for the Pan American plane to New York. The secretary arrived in New York five hours after the scheduled hour to find his wife and son James patiently waiting.

It seems to the secretary that the trip was very worthwhile in giving him a better understanding of the problems of the field and in getting better acquainted with the older as well as several younger church leaders. He is grateful to God for "travel mercies" and to the many friends and loved ones who held him up in their prayers.

Meeting of Haarlem and Amsterdam Churches

The yearly meeting of our two sister churches in Holland, the Haarlem and Amsterdam Churches, was held at Haarlem, on March 27, 1965. Brother G. Zijlstra wrote under date of March 28 regarding this meeting:

"We were there together with most of the members of both of these churches and many brethren and sisters from the other churches. We had a very good Sabbath, beginning on Sabbath evening with a welcome by Brother Visser. . . .

"Also present for the first time was Brother Schreuder, the brother that was baptized a few months ago at Amsterdam, from Arnhem. With him came another ex-Adventist brother from Arnhem, whom we had already met at the baptism of Brother Schreuder. In the afternoon, when each one was given the opportunity to speak a few words, this brother, Mr. Haaisma, came forward to speak and brought the startling news that he wished to join the Amsterdam church. Brother Haaisma was formerly a member of the Reformed Church, when he came in contact with an Adventist and talked about Sun-

day-keeping. Brother Haaisma promised to tell this Adventist brother the biblical grounds for Sunday-keeping. He studied his Bible, but could not find any arguments for it. He was thereby convinced of the truth of Sabbath-keeping and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. As he served as a Sabbath School teacher and became more familiar with the teachings of this church he found himself in disagreement with them and left the church in 1952. It appears that he has known us and other Sabbathkeeping groups since then. It was he who directed Brother Schreuder to the Seventh Day Baptists. He is accustomed to meet with a few brethren at Nijmegen (not far from Arnhem). His age must be about 45 years, as he has a daughter, his eldest child, of 21 years.

"His decision was a most surprising thing to us. It resulted in his being with us this feast Sabbath and being received as one of us. You will easily imagine how happy we felt, and feel. His whole education pointed our way. He also mentioned, that at Nijmegen there are more brethren interested in Seventh Day Baptists. We have to await developments. If the Lord thinks it will be good for us, He will bring them to us also."

In another letter Brother Zijlstra writes: "Next month the Leeuwarden church intends to invite us for a 'small' conference at Fredeshiem in the north of the country. I think we shall invite friends of Brother Schreuder too, that they may experience our meetings. Perhaps the greatest thing for them will then be the personal contact, when they will be able to put their questions before the brethren."

#### Correction

An error was made during the printing process of one of the figures in "Administration Overhead" on page 8 of the April 19 issue. The last line of the second paragraph should read "administration \$15,985. Total \$75,505." The total was wrong.

Celebrating its third birthday in 1965, the Bible-A-Month Club of the American Bible Society is unlike most book clubs: Bible-A-Month members don't get, they give a Bible a month.

### "But God Gave"

By Claston Bond

During the inspirational meetings here at Dodge Center, Minn., in which Pastor Soper led our thoughts and challenged us anew to Christian witness, three of the young people in our family answered the altar call and offered themselves in rededication. I was troubled, at first, as I wondered, "Had they not given their lives to Jesus and been baptized?" Then the verse in the Bible given through Paul came to my mind. In 1 Cor. 3:6 Paul was moved to write, "I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase." This verse, as I thought about it, became a source of comfort and encouragement as we endeavor to lead others in the Christian way.

As one who loves the soil and the laws of God that are manifest in nature, I pondered this verse. I would like to share the truths I saw in it.

Each year I carefully plant my garden. It is watered by showers from above and sometimes I water it when the soil is dry. I cannot say just which—shower or raindrop or hand watering—is the one that caused the seeds to sprout. The seed sprouted but not of any power I could give. The water was needed for it to grow and bear fruit. Should I not be thankful that it responded to the watering?

Is not this a picture of what Paul was writing? Although some planted and some watered, God gave the increase. I am not certain with my own young people who first planted the seed of faith in their hearts. Perhaps it was one of their parents. I do know that through their early years this faith was watered by many people. My own mother, stricken with incurable cancer, held them on her knee and read to them of Jesus. Our former pastor, Kenneth Van Horn, helped water their faith. As they learned the wondrous truths of the Bible in Sabbath School each teacher and friend had a part in watering and caring for this faith. The ones who led their young voices in song gave more water to this growing faith. As each of them felt led to accept Jesus and ask for baptism Pastor

Richards had a vital part in the care of their young faith.

When Pastor Soper came to us this spring, he presented to them challenges to witness for Christ as young people. This, too, was watering of the precious, sometimes fragile, faith. Now I am convinced and firmly believe that each of us has had a part in helping them in their growing faith. God has nurtured them through the Christians who had a part in watering their faith.

I am thankful my own young people went forward to rededicate their lives to "Him who is able." Truly I can see now that God gives the increase. May we be ever ready to give a helping hand, a word or prayer which may be the drop of water needed to keep alive someone's faith. We can't always see the fruits of the growth in faith but I believe we can trust and give all glory to Him who giveth the increase.

#### Association Meetings

The spring meetings of Seventh Day Baptist Associations in the United States are in full swing and will continue through May and June. All readers of this journal are urged to give serious consideration to attending the Association in which their home church is situated or, if a lone-Sabbathkeeper, to the meeting that is most convenient. In most cases free entertainment is available, especially if names are sent in advance to the host church. These meetings are well planned for inspiration, fellowship and outreach. Further information about plans for and reports of the Associations will be published when available.

Pacific Coast Association has already met at Riverside, Calif., the weekend of April 23-25.

Northern Association at Battle Creek, Mich., is the first weekend of May and is merged to some extent with the Ministers Conference which includes the weekend—April 28-May 3.

Western Association will be held May 14-16 with the Sabbath day sessions in the Alfred, N. Y., church. Since the churches of this Association are closely

grouped in western New York and nearby Pennsylvania there does not need to be much provision for overnight guests.

Eastern Association will convene with the Shiloh, N. J., church on the following weekend May 21-23. The announced theme is "What Manner of Love." This Association takes in all the churches of New England and New Jersey, including two in Eastern New York.

Central New York Association goes this year to Verona, N. Y., the first weekend of June.

Southern Association, for the first time, is held in "The Sunshine State," at Daytona Beach, June 11-13. The program will include the ordination of deacons and deaconesses prior to the communion service.

North Central Association is scheduled to meet at Dodge Center, Minn., June 18-20.

The Southwestern Association will be held this year (for the first time) at Little Rock, Ark., June 9-11, with the theme, "I Know Whom I Have Believed." People planning to attend are urged to pray that it may prove to be a time of revival and outreach.

#### One Hundredth Birthday of Salvation Army

Churches are invited to join with the Salvation Army in the celebration of its centennial. This sister church doing a work which many churches wish they could do and cannot deserves special recognition on National Salvation Army Week May 16-23. Very graciously the central office is offering bulletin covers in ample quantity to any church wishing to use them. They can be ordered by pastors or picked up at local Salvation Army corps in all 50 states. They feature a reproduction of a painting of the founder, William Booth, and an extract of one of his addresses.

Sabbath Rally Day bulletin covers will be used in most of our churches on May 15. Why not arrange to have Salvation Army bulletin covers on May 22 and pray for the continuing work of the Army in 71 countries.

# Christian Education Is Adventure

by Rex E. Zwiebel

(An address given during dedication services for the Christian Education wing of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church.)

(continued from last week)

The sacrificial building of this Christian education wing acknowledges the fact that we no longer live in a world that is primarily agrarian, but in a world that is directed through technology. And new building does call for new insights, new visions, new dedication, and a new telling of the old, old story, so that the love of God will influence and direct the affairs of church, family, community, and the world.

The teachings of Christ must be shown to apply to human needs. Conditions must be set up where teacher and learners will come together and relate to one another with candor and honesty.

The work of the Sabbath School, youth fellowships, and camps is the same as the work of the total church, and that work is the same as that of Jesus Christ — to reconcile man to God. This is the characteristic work of the church. No other organization works solely to that end. Two offices of the work are worship and teaching. These are shared by all churches, synagogues, and temples.

If other denominations can build beautiful churches, Christian education buildings, and then build schools for the daily education of their children, in what position does that place us? How do we as Seventh Day Baptists compare?

The grand addition to the church at Westerly is to be admired. You folks are to be highly commended for your acts of faith and sacrifice. Very few Seventh Day Baptist churches express such tangible confidence and concern, but we know that this must be only the beginning.

Every soul must be renewed, and evangelization must be given a strong place in the thinking and actions of every member. New people must be brought in. We cannot stand still now. I have been sold on the idea that the average attendance at Sabbath School is the determining factor in the

growth of the church. This has been scientifically proven. Just as new methods must be introduced in teaching, along with new dedication, just so new methods of recruitment must be the order of the day. There is no other way but to go out and bring them in. Few will come of their own accord.

When we sat in classes in the Alfred University School of Theology we were impressed with the idea that quality is what counts — quality of life, quality of teachers, quality of church members, and all the rest. This must be the goal — quality must not be sacrificed, but we must not forget that quantity is a necessary factor.

A church might have 10 members of faultless quality, but if the 10 are not interested in adding some quantity to their organization, it will die.

We rejoice in the fact that there are some 45,000,000 persons enrolled in the Sabbath and Sunday Schools in the United States. That represents a number that approaches the enrollment in the public schools. But when we realize that some 145,000,000 are not enrolled in a church school, we know we have to do much more to meet the tremendous challenge.

According to our statistics some 4,000 Seventh Day Baptists are enrolled in our Sabbath Schools across our country. That figures about two thirds of our membership. That is good. Seven hundred Seventh Day Baptists teachers and officers make conscientious effort to present the gospel and to relate it to life. Thank God for them. But we know that we are but scratching the surface in effort and outreach. According to the figures sent for the 1964 Seventh Day Baptist Yearbook, Pawcatuck has some 205 church members with 75 persons counted in the Sabbath School classes. Nine teachers and

officers are doing the work. Yours does not match the denominational average. May I suggest that your first goal be to make the denominational average, and the second be to exceed it.

I'm sure that new interest in the Christian education adventure has been shown simply because of the new building. More will come if you good folk have the will to make it so. Under the impetus of the new start in building for Christian education may your program become more and more effective in building quality and at the same time increase in quantity.

Years ago the Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph told us the story of a man trying to test the wisdom of a sage. There was little that the wise man did not know, so the man decided to give him a real test. He said he would put a live bird in his cupped hand. It would be fixed so that the wise man could not see it. He would say to the wise man: "I have a bird in my hands. Is it alive or dead?" If the wise man said it was alive, he would crush the life out of the bird and show him a dead bird. If the sage said it was dead, he would open his hands and let it fly away. Thus he approached the wise man and asked him the question. The sage, being truly wise, slowly answered: "It's up to you."

Beloved, enter into the new program with the loving, trusting, spirit of Jesus Christ, and you will find that Christian education is adventure.

IT'S UP TO YOU.

**Sabbath  
Rally Day  
May 15, 1965**

**WHY?**

**To Strengthen Convictions  
to Promote the Sabbath**

**HOW?**

**Encourage Maximum Attendance  
Engage in Tract Distribution**

## Youth Retreat at Dodge Center

Dodge Center, Minn., young folks, numbering about 20, gathered in retreat during the weekend of April 16-18. Only three from out of town were able to be present because of high water. These were Jim and Judy Jensen of Minneapolis, also Bruce Greene who is employed in that city. Plans had been made for a much larger gathering. The Wasioja schoolhouse was rented for the occasion, being near near Dodge Center. The home of Deacon and Mrs. Wallace Greene was also open to the group.

On Friday night there was a worship service arranged by Phillip Greene and Phyllis Payne, with a further service before separation for the night. After breakfast, all came to church in Dodge Center for the regular service. The anthem presented by the group directed by Barry Clapper of Mankato, was a highlight of the morning. The early morning worship at the hall was presented by Barbara Bonser.

A Meal of Sharing dinner was served at noon of which the young folks partook. After dinner the retreaters went to Rochester where they saw the film "Day of Triumph" in the Civic Auditorium.

After supper in Wasioja, there were vesper services arranged by Barbara Greene, followed by entertainment, and another worship period before retiring.

The Sunday morning service was in charge of Bill Bond and Pastor Richards. After the noon meal, there was a closing circle and return home.

Sponsors for the Youth Fellowship in this community are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Langworthy and Deacon and Mrs. Wallace Greene.

## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for May 15, 1965

A Leader Commits His Life to God  
Lesson Scripture: 2 Samuel 5: 1-7, 9-12

for May 22, 1965

A Nation Rallies to God  
Lesson Scripture: 2 Samuel 6: 12-13, 17-18;  
7: 13, 11b-13

### With Mrs. Beattie in Korea

The news stories of the work of Mrs. David G. Beattie circulated to friends in this country are doubly interesting because this is a Sabbathkeeping relief and gospel work operating on faith and because it is a great humanitarian undertaking with a very small support base. In addition to this the Beatties have shown a real interest in helping Seventh Day Baptist Koreans establish a work in that land. As they have prayed for us and have been of service to some of our friends, so we should pray for them and the herculean tasks to which they have set themselves. They do what they can to help destitute people help themselves.

Mrs. J. C. Whidden of Tacoma, Wash., who sends out the Beattie newsletters includes a handwritten note asking that we "call on God to move in the hearts of His children to be willing to sacrifice that this 'long-sought-for' land may be planted." The plan is to grow the grain to make the flour that will enable many widows to bake and sell bread for a livelihood.

Part of Mrs. Beattie's letter follows:

"Plans for good food seem wise and well founded, also getting crops in for fall is imperative. We have tried so many things to see our dear folks working, so giving to keep them from starving isn't like a dole to take away their self-respect. Much has succeeded in a measure, to gratify the sacrifice and efforts of you who share our concern. But mainly the treadmill goes on, and I definitely need rescuing myself. In fact, just a few days ago, I didn't expect to see you again. Yes, I came very near to passing over, and rest looked very desirable. If the Lord spared me to put into effect some of the things I believe I've learned of His way out of poverty, may He give the means and strength to carry through. I just can't get discouraged, even though money is used for food as fast as it comes.

"It will cost comparatively very little to get equipment for making soy milk which is not known about, yet the beans are here and every child, especially those who are sick, needs this drink. Oil can be pressed from beans and sold, and the

remains used in soup. We have no good bread, cakes, or cookies, just the poorest devitalized pastry that folks buy, because little else is available. These thousands of pitiful stands on the sidewalks sell the cheapest candy, gum, and cookies. With some earthen ovens, or better, our idle folks could make delicious things to consign to these stands. Nothing to do? It looks simple and plain to me that there is plenty to do that will get the folks of these many slum areas (where we do what we can, in ministering the good word of Salvation, and material help), caring for themselves, even prospering. Our God is a God of common sense and sound reason in everything. I fully believe that a few thousand dollars could get this heavy load of relief on the right foundation of industry. The women producing food could finance their husbands planting crops on the available land. Our means can then go to other areas, that our present 'charges' prevent us from doing."

Mrs. Beattie normally does not have time to write personal letters, but she has had a little time lately due to the illness mentioned above. Under date of April 12 she wrote to the editor in part as follows: "These dear folks have no idea that I have any limits of strength, and I have been giving far beyond the dictates of common sense... but I am thanking the Lord that my heart is getting more normal. I'm using this opportunity to try to catch up on long neglected correspondence."

She goes on to comment briefly on the work of Youngchoon Rie, the young man who has gone to Taejon City to take up residence, rent a building and try to start the first Seventh Day Baptist Church of Korea. She is hoping to see him again soon when he comes to confer with her. "As to his efforts," she writes, "I have no way of knowing just what they are or how successful, but I believe he is a very conscientious young man who will do his best. With the donors praying for him earnestly we can trust the Lord that the way will be a plain path before him. 'Sow beside all waters.' Who knows which will prosper? Yes, our Lord can bless all of our efforts."

### Work as Well as Worship Slated For Baptist Congress in Miami Beach

Afternoon sessions of the Baptist World Congress meeting at Miami, June 25-30, will combine work with inspiration, program leaders assert.

Four week-day afternoons will be devoted to sectional meetings by the Baptist World Alliance Study Commissions and other special interest groups. The programs are expected to represent hard study and planning work for more effective evangelism and other church activities around the world.

The Alliance's Study Commissions will be in charge of the four sectional meetings on Friday and Tuesday afternoons. These commissions are concerned with doctrine, evangelism, missions, Bible study, membership training, religious liberty, and human rights.

Theodore F. Adams, chairman of the Congress program committee, said that morning sessions of the Congress will include both business and worship and the evening sessions will be of a worship nature.

Four of the five evening sessions will meet in the 72,000-seat Orange Bowl stadium in Miami, with Evangelist Billy Graham preaching on Saturday and Sunday nights.

Representatives from 69 countries have already registered for the 11th Baptist World Congress meeting.

Dr. Adams said that Baptist leaders from 42 countries already have accepted places on the program, and he is awaiting replies from individuals in several other countries. — BWA.

### N.A.E. World Relief Commission

There are many avenues of world relief through church organizations. Church World Service is by no means the only one. The National Association of Evangelicals (N.A.E.) reports that its World Relief Commission during 1964 shipped 11,787,632 pounds of food and that its total of food, clothing, medicines, and medical supplies had a dollar value of \$629,007. It maintains four efficiently operated clothing depots to which churches and individuals contribute.

### In Memoriam Mary Vicinus

The obituary of Miss Mary Vicinus who died at Bogota, Colombia, April 20, does not appear on our back page. She was not a member of a Seventh Day Baptist church or a missionary officially supported by our denomination. However, since she first came to Shiloh, N. J., as a young schoolteacher of Baptist faith she has been interested in our doctrines, our people, our mission work. She was quite well known throughout the Eastern Association and in some other areas.

She left public school teaching about 20 years ago to go to Colombia, S. A., as a faith missionary. Her first years were spent in a rural community where she, along with other missionaries and native converts, endured persecutions instigated sometimes by Catholic priests. In more recent years she taught children of missionaries, operated a book store, and was engaged in hospital work in Bogota. Her circular letters to friends at home and her visits when on furlough have been of great inspiration to large numbers. Throughout all the years she has been a reader of the *Sabbath Recorder*, sent most of the time by an organized group in the Shiloh church. She has stated that the sun never set on Friday night in the mountains of Colombia without her remembering that the Sabbath was beginning.

With the past two years she has had several operations, some of them for malignant growths. A few weeks ago another operation revealed that her liver was affected with cancer in its advanced stages. When told that the end would come within two months, she wrote her friends that her last trip—to be with her Lord—would be the best. To those who remain it seems an untimely death of one who might have had many more years of self-sacrificing missionary work in the land where she chose to give her life. But the mystery of life, the facilities of the flesh, and the purpose of God combine to evoke deeper faith for those who "have this hope in them."

## Easter Sabbath in Milton

By Berta Hull Coon

Easter morning, April 17, dawned in a flurry of snow, following close upon a terrible tornado which had struck on all sides of us, causing unestimated havoc in six states.

By eleven o'clock the storm had subsided, and people gathered from far and near; the sanctuary was packed, and an overflow in the parlor. As I entered, a young man from the Methodist church was playing a medley of Easter music on the trumpet, accompanied by Elizabeth Daland, at the organ.

Almost the usual order of service was observed, with the addition of the dedication of infants and their parents, and special music. A traditional Polish carol was sung by the juniors, under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Green. The senior choir was joined by the blue-robed high school choir. There was a carillonic call to prayer, and Professor Ivan Fitz Randolph sang, from memory, "The Holy City," by Adams. The ornate iron lanterns were dimmed, the room hushed. From every nook and cranny, echoed by every rafter, his voice rang with the poignant, then triumphant story in song. Older people remembered that it was our dear Kenneth Babcock, so beautifully, at his Dr. George Post's favorite, sung by Kenneth Babcock, so beautifully, at his farewell service. Here and there, across the darkened room, heads were bowed, with tears, remembering loved ones so lately laid to rest.

In the absence of our director, Herbert Crouch, Doris Rood directed the adult choir, and the offertory was an Easter fantasy, with Elizabeth Daland at the piano, and Gladys Sutton Randolph, now of Freeport, Ill., at the organ.

Our beloved pastor gave a thoughtful message on "Easter: a festival of faith." The joyous postlude, the greeting of friends from many Wisconsin cities, and the simplicity of the altar: the lighted cross, one tall white candle, among the Easter lilies, and the large open Bible

— this was Easter in Milton, when loyal loving, friends came back to strengthen their faith, and carry away memories.

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

**FARINA, ILL.**—On Sabbath day, April 10, we observed the 99th anniversary of the founding of the Farina church. We combined the anniversary observance with this year's emphasis, "Making Our Beliefs Relevant for a Contemporary World." An invitation was extended by the church to Rev. Elmo F. Randolph of the Milton, Wis., church to be present for this occasion. He delivered a sermon on the theme, "Laborers for the Lord." Pastor Randolph emphasized in his opening remarks the particular influence on his early life of men who had in years past filled the pulpit of the Farina church. Pastor Wayne Maxson gave several excerpts from the records of the church at its beginning in 1866. The morning service was concluded with communion, presided over by Pastor Maxson and Pastor Carlos McSparin of the Stonefort, Ill., church. A bountiful carry-in dinner at the parish house followed the morning service.

In the afternoon Mr. Randolph led the assemblage in a discussion of "Our Community Witness," which proved lively and very interesting. Attending the day's services were several members of the Milton church, several members of the Stonefort congregation, including members from Marion, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo. Farina members were present from Kirkwood, Mo.; Harrisburg, Kinmundy, and Vandalia, Ill., the latter being Mrs. Mabel Allen, who served our church for many years as organist, and is presently a resident of the Fayette County nursing home at Vandalia. The 100th anniversary service of the Farina Seventh Day Baptist Church will be held June 12 and 13, 1966.

— Correspondent.

**LOST CREEK, W. V.**—On February 3, a blustery winter day, Pastor Saunders and family arrived in Clarksburg and found a comfortable apartment at the corner of Fifth and Wilson Street awaiting them which they will occupy until the

completion of our new parsonage on property adjoining the church. So far weather conditions have interfered with beginning construction but we are hopeful that it will be ready for occupancy by the end of June.

We feel we have been greatly blest in securing such an able pastor and family after trying unsuccessfully so many times. New interest has developed in all church activities and attendance has increased.

Impressive welcoming services, planned by Deacon Leland Bond, were held for the Saunders family on Sabbath day, February 6. Presented to them and to the church were several keys that would be needed in order that both might enter into a fruitful period of service in the Lost Creek church and community. All these keys would be worthless without the Master Key, our Lord and Savior.

Invitations were given to pastors and their families who had so willingly served our church while we were without a pastor, also to representatives from churches of our denomination, many of whom attended and took part in the services. We had a capacity crowd. Pastor Saunders' message followed the welcoming services, after which a fellowship luncheon was served in the church social room, giving opportunity for everyone to meet the Saunders family.

The pastor has delivered a series of very helpful messages based on 1 John 1: 3, each message considering one of the articles of the Statement of Belief. He is now presenting another series on "Put on the Armor." All these have been inspiring and should cause us to work harder in Christ's vineyard.

The Ladies Aid is busy serving dinners, trying to get finances to furnish the new parsonage.

The regular business meeting was held the night after the Sabbath, April 10. It was well attended. Many reports were given and business items discussed.

Our Youth Fellowship meets regularly each week. Through the efforts of Mrs. Saunders they now have a Youth Quartet. They will be in charge of the services Sabbath day, May 8, while Pastor Saunders is away. — Correspondent.

**DODGE CENTER, MINN.**—There was joy at the "open house" in the church basement Sunday, April 4, celebrating the Golden Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Payne. All of their children and grandchildren were present to honor the event, as well as many old time friends and neighbors. Both are loyal members of the church here, a son and son-in-law being deacons. Another daughter, Mrs. Rex Brewer, is a deaconess in the Riverside, Calif., church. Mr. and Mrs. Payne hold important offices in the church and auxiliary societies. For years, Mrs. Payne has been a hard worker in the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Sabbath day, March 27, was a red-letter day in our church, when Barbara Bonser, teen-age daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bonser, gave from the pulpit a stirring appeal for more loyalty to the church and pastor. Lannie Crane, eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arden Crane, assisted the Junior Choir, when he drew, with much talent, a chalk picture while the group was singing. After the service the congregation had an old-fashioned love feast.

The filmstrip, "Pilgrim's Progress," is being shown at the weekly prayer meetings. Discussion follows.

In spite of the long winter and floods in Minnesota, the regular appointments of the church and societies have gone on without interruption. Dodge Center and close communities were never in danger of high water.

Plans are going steadily forward for Vacation Bible School to be held the week of June 7-11, with all day sessions. Association meetings will be held June 18-20. Several executive meetings have been held for making out the program and other details.

The floors of the sanctuary were recently cleaned and cared for.

"Missioners for Christ" is a group of persons selected to contact others in behalf of Christ and the church.

Older members of the Junior Society assisted the pastor in a service of worship at the Fairview rest home on Easter Sunday. — Correspondent.



## Annual Meeting—Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society

The Annual Corporate Meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society will be held Sunday, May 16, 1965, at 1:30 p.m., in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J. All those interested in the work of the Society are invited to attend.

Albert N. Rogers, President,  
Frederik J. Bakker, Secretary.

## Accessions

Shiloh, N. J.

By Baptism:

Monica Lou (Mrs. John) Haaf  
Frances G. (Mrs. Donald) Probasco  
Dale Howard Ferguson  
Robert Elliott Harris  
Jay Probasco  
Neil C. Probasco  
Ronald Owen Probasco  
Robert William Richardson  
Bradley James Williams

By Letter:

Jean Grosscup

## Births

**Brooks.**—A daughter, Kathryn Elizabeth to Ronald and Alice (McSparin) Brooks of Alton, Ill., on April 8, 1965.

**Greene.**—A daughter, Nancy Lee, to Charles and Marylin Joubert Greene of Hopkinton, R. I., on February 18, 1965.

**Sponseller.**—A son, Steven Royal, to Royal L. and Donna (Maxson) Sponseller of Dow Air Force Base, Bangor, Maine, on March 2, 1965.

**Welch.**—A son, James Anthony, to Lowell and Patricia (Weidman) Welch of Vernon, New York, on February 20, 1965.

## Obituaries

**Davis.**—Belford E., son of the late Auley and Stella Brocking Davis, was born in Shiloh, N. J., Jan. 30, 1897, and died at his home in Shiloh April 6, 1965, after several months of failing health.

Mr. Davis, who was a carpenter by trade, spent all of his life in Shiloh. He was married Feb. 10, 1946, to Leona Gaynor Davis.

He was a faithful member of the Shiloh Seventh Day Baptist Church which he joined Feb. 25, 1908.

Surviving besides his wife are a daughter, Sarah Nieukirk of Shiloh; one stepdaughter, Myrtle Davis, of Shiloh; a stepson, Norman Davis, of Mansfield, Ohio; five grandchildren; four brothers, Otto and Isaac of Hialeah, Fla.,

Marvin and Daniel of Shiloh, and two sisters, Martha (Mrs. Howard) Scull and Theresa (Mrs. William) Parvin of Shiloh.

Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Charles H. Bond. Interment was in the Fernwood Memorial Park Cemetery near Shiloh.

— C. H. B.

**Hollister.**—Florence Eliza Ayars, daughter of Charles C. and Susan Pierce Ayars, was born Sept. 2, 1881, in Freeborn County, Minnesota, and died Feb. 10, 1965, in a Colorado hospital.

Her father, a pioneer from New Jersey, settled in the Freeborn County area, moving to Wells when Florence was ten years old. Under the ministry of the Rev. James Hurley, she accepted Christ and joined the Dodge Center church. Her interest in the church has continued. She followed a teaching career in Minnesota, North Dakota, and Arkansas.

She was married to Henry Clarence Livingston June 12, 1912. One daughter, Evelyn Edith, was born.

On September 2, 1922, she was married to Crandall A. Hollister, who died in 1939, after which she returned to teaching.

In 1949 she moved to Leadville, Colo., where she lived with her daughter.

Survivors besides her daughter Evelyn (Mrs. Gordon Furnam) are: one granddaughter; two sisters, Flora Ellen Ayars and Laura May Bond of Dodge Center; two brothers, Arthur W. and Lewis W. Ayars, both of Dodge Center; a niece and a nephew.

A memorial service was held Feb. 14 at the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Denver, Colo., with the Rev. Albert N. Rogers officiating.

Funeral services were held February 17, at the Dodge Center church, with Pastor Richards officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Dodge Center. — D. E. R.

**Langworthy.**—Jessie Adelia Saxton was born February 29, 1872, in Berlin, Wis., and died December 24, 1964, at her home in Dodge Center, Minn.

She came to Minnesota in 1880, attended school in Dodge Center, and was baptized and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church. In April 1893 she was married to Louis Langworthy. The couple lived in the Dodge Center area except for several years spent in South Dakota. Mr. Langworthy died in February 1932.

To them four children were born: Floyd of Beloit, Wis.; Leta (Mrs. Frank Stebbins); Leslie of Dodge Center; and Rex, who died at the age of three years.

Others surviving are two other children, Lee of Dodge Center and Neil of Duluth, Minn., whom she raised from infants as her own children; one sister, Lillie (Mrs. Grover Ingersol) of Dodge Center; 11 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren and a number of nephews and nieces.

Funeral services were conducted in the church by her pastor, the Rev. Don Richards on Sabbath, December 26, and interment was in Riverside Cemetery. — D. E. R.

The Sabbath Recorder

"I have come  
that men may have life,  
and may have it  
in all its fullness."

—Jesus Christ

-- Inside ....

HE HELPED ME  
THEY KNOCKED AND I  
OPENED THE DOOR  
HOW TO READ THE BIBLE