

## Accessions

Little Genesee, N. Y.

By Letter:  
Harry Wilson

Salem, W. Va.

By Baptism:  
Kathy Ann Davis  
Toni Darlene Davis  
Penelope Louise Hurley  
Elizabeth Ann Rogers

## Births

**BOND.**—To Mr. and Mrs. S. Thomas Bond, Salem, W. Va., a son, Thomas Kurt, January 5, 1966.

**HARRIS.**—A daughter, Robin Lynn, to F. Warren and Jean (Grosscup) Harris of Shiloh, N. J., on April 19, 1966.

## Obituaries

**GREENE.**—Robert A., son of Milo and Alice Sisson Greene, was born in Alfred, N. Y., Dec. 9, 1894, and died at his home in Clearwater, Fla., April 24, 1966.

In 1914 he became a member of the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church, in which he continued a lifelong interest and membership.

Mr. Greene served in the U. S. Army Medical Corps during World War I.

He was united in marriage with Miss Marian Stillman of Alfred on May 27, 1918.

He held a B.S. degree from Alfred University, an M.A. from Columbia University, and a Ph.D. from Cornell University. Dr. Greene was a professor in the Science Department of Genesee (N. Y.) State College for 35 years, retiring in 1954. He was co-author of "Problems in Biology" and author of "Teachers Handbook," "Marionettes in School" and many plays for children and the Marionette theater.

Survivors include his wife, Marian Stillman Greene, of Clearwater, Fla., and two daughters, Mrs. Howard G. (Janice) Franklin of Clearwater, and Mrs. Joseph B. (Elaine) Wilson of Dunedin, Fla., and six grandchildren.

Memorial services were held in Clearwater on April 26 and on April 30 in Genesee by the Rev. Hurley S. Warren, associate pastor of the Alfred church. Interment was in the family plot at Genesee.

—H. S. W.

**FIFIELD.**—Alice White, daughter of Henry and Loviah (Kimble) White, was born April 16, 1870, at Bellton, W. Va., and died at a Battle Creek hospital Dec. 3, 1965.

Her father, a Civil War veteran, was a U. S. Senator from West Virginia for many years. Her mother died when she was small and she and her sister were placed in a convent for their early schooling. As a young woman, Alice studied typing and shorthand and worked as a secretary in West Virginia before coming to

Battle Creek as a Sanatorium guest more than 50 years ago. While here she accepted a job with the secretary of the institution, George E. Judd and worked there for 30 years.

In 1921 she was married to Elder George E. Fifield who served as pastor of the Battle Creek church. The five years before his death in 1926 were the happiest in her life. After his death, she made her home with her sister, Iona White. They lived together until the death of her sister in 1941.

There is no way in mere words to tell of Mrs. Fifield's service to her church and denomination. She served many years as teacher of what came to be known as the Fifield Bible Class of the Sabbath School. She was active as a deaconess as long as her health permitted, and always willing to help in the Ladies Aid. She gave the communion table used by her church in memory of her husband. Following his death, she typed about 200 of her husband's sermons, and copies were presented to the Theological Seminary at Alfred University and to the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society at Plainfield, N. J. Her knowledge of her Bible was thorough and a great blessing to her after her eyesight failed in later years and she could no longer read her beloved Book.

Her concrete faith in a living God made her the true example of a real Christian. This virtue commanded the love and respect from all who worked with her either in business or the church. She was an unfailing inspiration to her pastors.

Mrs. Fifield is survived by her stepmother, Mrs. Mary White, a half-sister, Theresa White, both of Huntington, W. Va.; another half-sister, Lydia, Charleston, W. Va., and a half-brother, Henry White of Arizona. Another half-sister, Margaret, lives somewhere in Florida.

Memorial services were held at her church December 5. Burial was on Dec. 6 at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Battle Creek, the Rev. Eugene Fatato officiating.

—E. N. F.

**STEADMAN.**—Hetta M., daughter of Cyrus and Rachel Hawkins, was born Sept. 15, 1880, at Chillicothe, Ohio, and died at the Battle Creek Sanatorium Feb. 1, 1966.

Mrs. Steadman had been ill for a long time and hospitalized many times.

She was married to David L. Steadman Oct. 9, 1902, at Tustin, Mich. Except for short periods in New York State and Kankakee, Ill., they resided in the Battle Creek area since 1907. She joined the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church June 29, 1918, and was active in the church and the Ladies Aid as long as her health permitted. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Helen, at home; a son, Rollie E., and a daughter Mrs. Douglas (Florence) Wilson, all of Battle Creek; three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a step-granddaughter. Services were held at the Farley funeral home in Battle Creek with her pastor, the Rev. E. N. Fatato, officiating.

—E. N. F.

# The Sabbath Recorder



**Western U. S. Area Spiritual Retreat  
Held at North Loup, Nebraska, May 3-9.**

Left to right—Wallace A. Greene, Dodge Center, Minn.; Albert A. Appel, Albion, Wis.; L. Wayne Babcock, Norfolk, Neb.; Leon R. Lawton, Battle Creek, Mich.; Alton L. Wheeler, Plainfield, N. J.; Paul B. Osborn, Kansas City, Mo.; Mynor G. Soper, Los Angeles, Calif.; Albert N. Rogers, Denver, Colo.; Duane L. Davis, North Loup, Neb.; Marion C. Van Horn, Texarkana, Ark.; H. Earl DeLand, Metairie, La.; Kenneth B. Van Horn, Little Rock, Ark. For a story about the program and the experiences of the participants see page 5.

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## The Holy Spirit Our Helper

When the disciples heard Jesus say that He was going to depart and then He and the Father would send the Holy Spirit to be their comforter, it should have filled them with joy. One of the functions of the Holy Spirit is clearly outlined in Romans 8: 26, "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words" (RSV).

It is small wonder that some segments of the Christian Church have put strong emphasis on the benefits of an experience like that of the disciples on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came upon all of them with unprecedented power, fulfilling the promise of the risen Lord. Neither is it strange that other segments of the Church have made Pentecost one of the great days of the church year. If we had to choose between the pentecostal experience (which is not necessarily, or often, connected with a certain day of the year) and the one-day observance, the right choice would be clear. The question in the minds of some is whether our Lord expects all to speak in tongues as those few did and also whether He wills that a special day be observed once a year.

If Pentecost (fifty days after the pass-over) is to be a day of Christian as well as Jewish observance, then the infilling of believers with that Holy Spirit should be emphasized. Many trace the origin of the Christian Church to the day of Pentecost as described in Acts 2, for some 3,000 converts came to the faith through the spirit-endued preaching on that day.

This year Pentecost falls on May 29. Its observance is strongly emphasized by the World Council of Churches. The leaders have appropriately chosen the theme, "The Holy Spirit Our Helper," taken undoubtedly from the passage in Romans quoted above. The presidents of the WCC in their annual message say, "The Holy Spirit has come, still comes, and will come to our aid and our rescue." They go on to say:

"Pentecost confirms the historic reality of our faith. Whatever men may do or may not do they cannot alter the fact

that our world was the scene of God's great redeeming acts, and that in a human life He manifested the fullness of His grace and glory. . . .

"We pray that through the message of Pentecost, that God is our Helper, churches and Christian people everywhere may be given new heart and confidence and find in Him the source of the only lasting hope."

Although Seventh Day Baptist churches are not strongly committed to the special days observed in the more liturgical denominations they do well to make strong and frequent emphasis on what Pentecost meant to the New Testament Church and what we in our day must do if we are to manifest the fruits of the indwelling Spirit. Setting aside May 28 as one time to center our thoughts on a fuller understanding of the work of the third person of the Trinity may well be very helpful.

## Is Our Financial Pulse Stronger?

"Let's play doctor!" is a familiar cry among small children. They like to imagine that they are calling at the homes of sick patients and making them get well quickly. Judging by TV shows and comic strips, adults like to do the same thing without moving from their easy chairs. Have you tried that game with our churches? Each month some of us have tried to put our finger on the financial pulse of the people in all the churches by looking at the figures on the back page. We have been noting that the pulse was weak and unsteady—an indication of some kind of sickness, one would suppose. Giving has been far below what was hoped would be the normal rate. This month the pulse is stronger.

It is one thing to look at the improvement in total gifts and quite another to say for sure that they reflect a restoration of financial good health. We may not be in a position to hang out the M.D. shingle, for there are many things that go into an accurate diagnosis. We note that receipts in April were \$2,779 higher than in March, making a total for the budget of \$10,388. The improvement is

considerable and is only about \$3,000 short of what is needed in each of the remaining months of the Conference year. What led to the April increase? One factor may have been that the month had five Sabbaths. Another is that the largest church was not credited with anything in March but \$1,291 in April. All the larger churches forwarded their receipts on time; some of the smaller ones did not. A look at the figures shows that about 30 churches sent in more than last time and 23 are credited with less. In some cases the amounts were much higher and in a few much less.

So the more normal temperature and pulse rate may not be much to talk about yet. On the other hand, a trend upward is hopeful. Furthermore, a stewardship emphasis and a direct mail appeal to all Seventh Day Baptists are now in process. It can be assumed that these reminders will make all of us aware that we ought to do something about improving our health picture. We have now heard the voice of the doctors and should heed their prescription for deeper breathing, deeper digging exercises. Our health can be improved next month.

## Memorial Day

As we approach Memorial Day this year our thoughts are of those who have nobly died in the service of their country in causes that were considered just, men who were called to the colors by personal conviction or were conscripted. We recognize that regardless of whether they died in action or years afterward their service to their country should be recognized with flags and flowers.

While we meditate on the heroes of the past and the security of the nation wrought in part by their years of service we are mindful that at no time of national emergency have all been sure that the cause was big enough for the sacrifices made. There have been those who felt that in times of peace, in times of small wars and big that the nation needed to be called to repentance. The same is true today when we are engaged in a limited conflict far from our shores. Some have

doubts about the necessity of our involvement but few, we believe, have any doubts about honoring those who even now are giving their lives for their country in the hazards of this strange bush war. Men in conflict display far more national loyalty than most of those who remain comfortably at home.

It is a time, like so many others, when it is quite appropriate to call America to her knees as is done in the poem printed on another page of this issue. Copies of the song are available from the American Sabbath Tract Society.

#### GUEST EDITORIAL

### Senseless Slaughter

The tragic headlines which announce the loss of American lives in Vietnam make us constantly aware of the senselessness of war. The only consolation—if, indeed, there is any consolation—is that this fight in a steaming far-away land is being waged in the name of freedom and decency.

But there are other tragic headlines. Too many, in fact. And we manage to turn away from them without compassion. These are the headlines dealing with the loss of life on U. S. highways. Yet when we use these editorial columns to discuss highway safety (there, we've said it!), we can almost sense the curtain of callousness being drawn down—an invisible barrier between the printed page and the thinking mind.

This fails to alter the fact that our highway casualty list is tragic, perhaps even more so than our losses in Vietnam.

In Vietnam the losses are suffered in the name of a worthy cause. On our highways, the atrocities are committed for the worst possible causes — such causes as "Get-there-before-the-other-guy" . . . and "Hurry-up-and-wait" . . . and "I'll-take-my-share-of-the-road-anyway."

Last year, according to a report by The Travelers Insurance Companies, 48,500 men, women, and children were killed on the nation's roadways. That represents approximately the entire population of a city such as Coral Gables, Fla., or Beverly

Hills, Calif., or Hoboken, N. J., or Fargo, N. D. Doesn't that merit your attention for a few moments?

Last year 4,100,000 persons were hurt in traffic accidents. That represents nearly half the population of New York City. Doesn't that make you stop and think?

As a responsible periodical, we are frustrated as we attempt to help alleviate this gruesome problem. We can put it on the printed page for all to read. But who's to read it? And who will take it to heart enough to do his part?

How do we convince our citizens that they should stop murdering themselves on the highway? Editorial columns do not really provide the solution. But you do. We all do—as good citizens—every time we get behind the wheel.

—Travelers Insurance Co.

### Invitation to Riverside

The Riverside Seventh Day Baptist Church extends an open invitation and a cordial welcome to all Seventh Day Baptists who will be coming to this area for the sessions of the General Conference August 15-20. We shall be happy to have you worship with us or otherwise share fellowship with us if you are able to be here longer than for the six Conference days.

A special invitation is given to families of Youth Pre-Con Retreaters and drivers of Pre-Con cars, to share our homes and our city August 10-14 while the retreat is in session. Rooms in our homes are available to you during this time. With the mountains, the beaches, and the city of Los Angeles all within an hour's drive, there are many interesting and valuable day trips which may be made with Riverside as a base.

If you would like such room arrangements, please write to the Seventh Day Baptist Church, 4415 Lemon Street Riverside, Calif. 92501.

The church is also making arrangements to entertain the families of the Commission members while the Commission is in session in the Riverside church, August 7-14.

—C. Rex Burdick, pastor.

### Western Area Spiritual Retreat

By Paul Osborn

What do twelve men find to do for seven days, including one Sabbath? Talk, mostly, and especially so when all are involved in pastoral leadership of Seventh Day Baptist churches. The pastors were Albert A. Appel of Milton Junction, Wis., Duane Davis of North Loup, Neb., H. Earl DeLand of Metairie, pastor at Hammond. Paul Osborn of Kansas City, Mo., Albert N. Rogers of Denver, Colo., Mynor Soper of Los Angeles, Calif., Kenneth Van Horn of Little Rock, and Marion Van Horn of Texarkana, Ark. Also present were Wallace Green, licensed by his home church of Dodge Center, Minn., and serving the New Auburn, Wis., church once a month, and L. Wayne Babcock, student at Norfolk, Neb., who will be taking up the pastorate at Dodge Center as soon as school is out. The other two men serve larger areas, the General Secretary of the General Conference, Alton L. Wheeler of Plainfield, N. J., and the Director of Evangelism for the Missionary Society, Leon R. Lawton of Battle Creek, Mich. All of these met in the Seventh Day Baptist Church at North Loup, Nebraska, from May 3 through May 9th, to participate in a program under the direction of Mr. Lawton.

The six "work days" began at 8:30 with personal devotions from the book of Malachi. At 9 o'clock Director Lawton led a class on Evangelism in which new and old ideas and methods were introduced and discussed. Pastor Rogers led the daily worship at 10:20, directing our thoughts each day to a different "person" to which we are called to minister. Secretary Wheeler shared the plans, hopes, and dreams of his office and the Planning Committee in the 11 a.m. class on "Our United Witness."

The first afternoon class was a study-discussion in which each of the men took his turn leading, with thoughts centered around Robert Coleman's book **The Master Plan of Evangelism**. The second afternoon class, listed as "Open Discussion," led by Pastor Duane Davis, was usually started before the 4 o'clock

time and continued right through the supper hour, for most of the free time was spent in this type of sharing!

The 8 o'clock evening services were open to the public. The first night a film, "Anything Can Happen," produced by the National Association of Evangelicals, was viewed. It was an effort at an honest appraisal of what's wrong with evangelical churches. On Sabbath night we were invited to the Loup Valley Youth for Christ meeting which was held in the Seventh Day Baptist church. The other four nights Kenneth Van Horn presented a provocative series of four Bible studies on Stewardship.

Sabbath day services were planned by the North Loup church. The Rev. Alton Wheeler and President Van Horn preached Sabbath eve and morning, and after a fellowship dinner the church was challenged with the presentation of "Our World Mission" by the general secretary.

What is the benefit derived from attendance at such a retreat? Of course there is the advantage of lessons learned and ideas gained from the class sessions at which new and improved materials were introduced and discussed, and the uplifting of the goals of the group as the challenge of the stewardship, being "Entrusted with the Gospel," is considered. But beyond all of this is the gain for each of the pastors as the fellowship with Christ is shared, as common problems and uncommon experiences are discussed, as the work and witness of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference is presented and critically examined. The subjects of the various classes (reported in the **Recorder** of May 2) overlapped somewhat, and the discussions many times carried right through the meal times.

The churches are undoubtedly the largest winners from the retreat, for their pastors return, not only full of new ideas and enthusiasm, but reassured of the constant fellowship of fellow Seventh Day Baptists, as ". . . we are laborers together with God" (1 Cor. 3: 9a).

The fellowship was enhanced by the entertainment of the men in the homes of church members, with dinner and supper being served at the church. Each moment was a real treat!

## Eastern Association at Westerly

By the Editor

The Eastern Association comprised of churches in the geographic area which contains the oldest Seventh Day Baptist churches in America met on the weekend of May 6, 7, and 8 with Pawcatuck Church at Westerly, R. I., a seaport city of 14,267 (1960 census) which was celebrating its 297th birthday that same week. It was the fifth town in the colony of Rhode Island to be incorporated, with a Royal Charter dating back to 1669. History records that the Seventh Day Baptists organized the first church in the community.

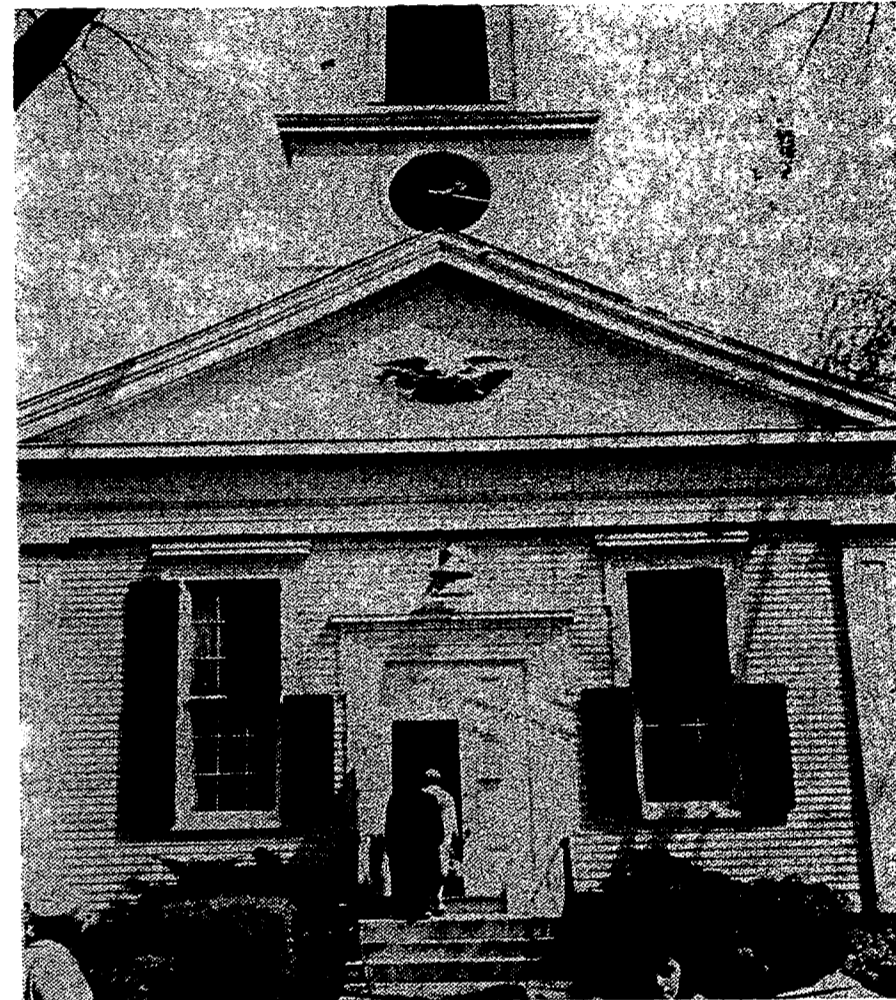
This is the first time that the Westerly church has entertained the Association since enlarging its building with a two-story education extension, which added much to its ability to adequately care for the large numbers coming from the other New England communities, from New Jersey and Eastern New York. Delegates beyond normal driving distances were housed in the homes of members or in motels if they preferred.

The theme of the meeting as decided upon by the Executive Committee was drawn from the frequently repeated words of Ecclesiastes 3, "There is a time." This was emphasized in the welcoming remarks of the president, Mrs. Donald Lewis (which will be shared with our readers) and in all the messages of the Association, including a motion picture on the evening after the Sabbath—an interpretive ballet dance built around this chapter.

On the first evening five of the children of the Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Wheeler of the nearby Ashaway church presented a half hour worship service which was followed by a covenant or testimony meeting led by the Rev. Everett T. Harris. He called attention to the fact that the preacher of Ecclesiastes said, "There is a time to speak." Nearly twenty-five people, including the twelve ministers present, spoke briefly, affirming their faith.

The Sabbath morning message was delivered by the Rev. E. Wendell Stephan, a hospital chaplain at Hartford, Conn., director of Chaplaincy Services of the

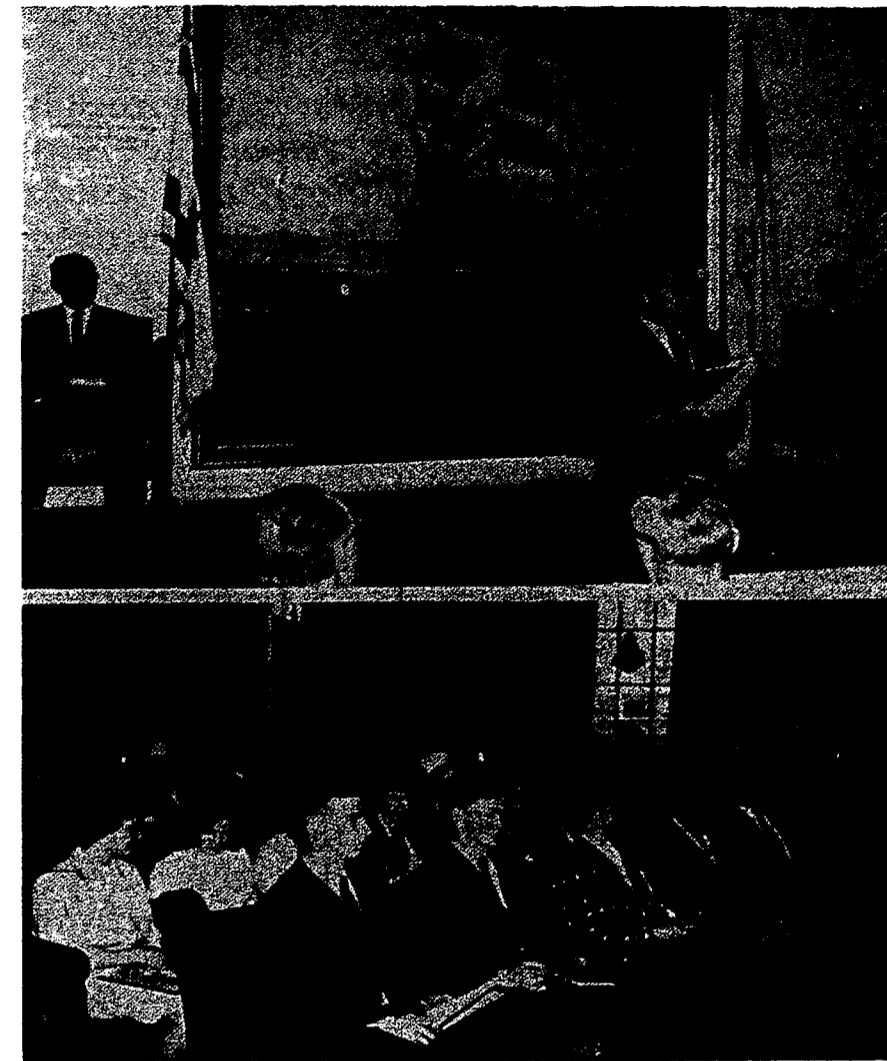
Greater Hartford Council of Churches, and formerly pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Plainfield, N. J. His message drew out of the many things mentioned in the Scripture passage the idea that life should be lived to the full, relating this chapter to the New Testament passages about abundant living and illustrating it with modern day experiences of people who have successfully met life's problems and opportunities.



Restored Greenmanville Church

Sabbath afternoon was counted by many as the high point of the Association meetings. Arrangements had been made to hold the service in the beautifully restored Greenmanville Seventh Day Baptist church building which is now a part of the Mystic Seaport development of the Marine Historical Association. Mystic Seaport is only a few miles from Westerly. It is known from coast to coast and a \$2.50 admission to the grounds is charged. By previous arrangement all Seventh Day Baptists wore a special tag for free admission to the church area.

After singing by the congregation the group was welcomed by Harold D. Disco of the Historical Association who said he had never heard such singing in that



Service at Mystic Seaport. Upper Photo facing audience: Saunders, Disco, Richards; heads: E. Van Horn, L. Osborn.

building. He outlined some of the history of the ship-building seaport and the church, both of which flourished over a century ago. His remarks were followed with a more detailed story by the Rev. Donald Richards (Central N. Y. Association) of the Greenman brothers and the church that they built for their workmen who were of the same craft and faith. Special music was presented by the Westerly choir. The guest speaker of the day was the Rev. Francis Saunders of Lost Creek, W. Va., representing the Southeastern Association. His challenging sermon on the theme will appear in a later issue of this publication.

The meals of Association were handled nicely in three ways. Sabbath noon the congregation had a chicken dinner at a nearby Baptist church. Supper on the Sabbath was at the host church on a cost basis with a demonstration by the capable cooks of how tasty a New England clam chowder can be. The Sunday noon meal which brought the weekend fellowship to a close was a bountiful carry-in meal furnished free.

The business meeting called at 9 o'clock Sunday morning was presided over by the first vice-president, Denison Barber. All necessary business was expeditiously considered. The delegates to other Associations last year reported their experiences: the Rev. J. Paul Green at Central; the Rev. Edgar Wheeler at Southeastern (Daytona Beach, Fla.); and the Rev. Charles Bond at Southwestern (Little Rock, Ark.). The most thought-provoking committee report was that of the Evangelism Committee. It featured a survey of 11 of the churches of the Association. The statistics showed that average church attendance was about half the membership, that more than half of the churches had conducted some sort of evangelistic meetings, but that the net increase in membership was very small. Nearly all of them foster camping experiences and nearly as many participate in Vacation Church Schools, although the number of Seventh Day Baptist children attending is small in relation to the size of the churches.

The major evangelistic work contemplated in a larger budget was not carried out—helping some needy church with pastoral support. It was decided to draw on this accumulated fund to help support the newly called pastor of the Schenectady church, the Rev. Leland Davis.

Several resolutions drawn up by a special committee were accepted. One dealt with the unique opportunity of Sabbath promotion that seems to be ours. This will be printed as a separate item.

The principal officers for next year when the Association goes to Berlin, N. Y., are as follows: George Burdick of Cohoes, N. Y., president; Paul Cushman of Pittsfield, Mass., 1st vice-president; Miss Lyda Bentley of Berlin, N. Y., corresponding secretary; Miss Ruth Ellis of the Berlin church, recording secretary; and Mrs. L. Harrison, North of Plainfield, N. J., treasurer.

### SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for June 4, 1966

#### Reformation Under Hezekiah

Lesson Scripture: 2 Chron. 29: 1-11, 35b-36; Isaiah 30: 15.

### There Is a Time

Welcoming remarks at opening session of Eastern Association by president, Mrs. Donald Lewis, at Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church in Westerly, R. I., May 6, 1966.

In choosing our theme for this Association, it was our thought to work around the Scripture reference Ecclesiastes 3, which begins, "For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven."

Here is a Scripture so full of life and living that it seems to be speaking to our world today. It shows us that there must be a balance in our lives. There is a time to laugh; there is also a time to weep. There is a time to speak, but there is also a time to refrain from speaking. There is a time to love and there is a time to hate. When one mourns, he can know that there will be a time to dance later.

Sadly, many people are off balance and in mental institutions, people who never learned how to take their times of adversity. Maybe it is good for us to be reminded that times of adversity are part of life. Maybe to know this will give us faith that good times are as much a part of life as bad times. Life is full of these things to be accepted and enjoyed.

In these days of searching discussion of, for example, "Is there a God? Why does He not show Himself?", it may be that this is the time for us to think again and look into our beliefs. For one thing, people, theologians are not afraid to speak out and wonder. This is good. "Christian love is the kind that allows others to be free to grow, to see their needs and to listen and help fill those needs. When one does this, he is showing the spirit of Christ; we are seeing a Christian in the flesh."

The more we study, listen and learn, the closer we come to our Creator. The facts of being born and growing and thinking are more wonderful than all the dogmas in the world. Each one of us is given this opportunity to live, and through living and learning to become more attuned to his Creator.

Tomorrow Rev. Wendell Stephan will speak to us upon this same theme. Tomorrow afternoon and Sunday morning

Rev. Francis Saunders and Rev. Charles Bond will use the theme for their respective addresses. Tomorrow night through the medium of the dance we will see another interpretation of this theme. Each presentation will be different, according to the experience and understanding and talents of each individual.

I welcome you all to the Eastern Association meetings.

### Tracts in Ghana

One of the newest areas of Seventh Day Baptist work overseas is in Ghana, West Africa. The work there is being advanced (with some difficulties) by several talented men who at one time were connected with another Sabbathkeeping organization. Chief among these is Ralph Cann. He is calling for literature, teaching materials, and other items which he feels are necessary for evangelistic and church work. Some have been sent and reportedly put to good use.

Among the English tracts sent there was one which the leaders in Ofinso, Ghana, felt was much needed in their personal work. They hope to follow it with others. Word has been received that they translated and printed (4,000 copies) of "Seventh Day Baptists and Seventh-day Adventists, How They Differ." The printing, financed by them, was at the very low cost of £5., we are told. When it is possible to produce other literature in the local language they feel that the work can move forward more rapidly.

An outline of their beliefs and practices indicates that the leaders are well grounded in beliefs that are in substantial agreement with those of Seventh Day Baptists around the world. The contact with our leadership in this country has not yet been enough for them to fully understand the way our conference operates and the limits of what we can do to help establish churches in a country where we have not been able to send missionaries. It is hoped that the leaders and people will keep up their courage and spread the faith with the Divine and human resources available to them.

### Lines from Uncle Dave

I'm sure looking forward to Conference! Attending General Conference makes me feel like a nomad in the Sahara must feel about that oasis water-hole he knows is ahead away. I feel like saving our money to get to go to Conference is one of the smartest things that Aunt Daisy and I do each year.

There's different reasons for going to Conference, naturally. After you've gone several years, one of the big things to look forward to is seeing other brethren that you've met before and read about in the Church News of the **Sabbath Recorder**. We admit that we are like a big family in the Seventh Day Baptist Conference, and some folks have been quick to criticize that. I'd agree that if Conference gatherings turn out to be just a genealogical society, we've missed the point of what the Lord helped us all to become these years that Seventh Day Baptists have gone to a Yearly Meeting. But, you know, I've discovered that there's a fellowship that is bigger than just meeting old friends and college alumni and distant relations. And that came home to me last summer at Alfred when a new Seventh Day Baptist with a different racial background enjoyed herself just as much as some of us with those old Rhode Island last names. And I've just been thanking the Good Lord ever since for the fellowship we have in Christ Jesus with one another. It really is true what we sang last Sabbath day in the hymn before the sermon,

In Christ there is no East or West,  
In Him no South or North,  
But one great fellowship of love,  
Throughout the whole wide earth.

I'll be looking forward to seeing you in California in August. But if you can't make it, I trust you'll be praying for us and that the Lord will use the sermons, the business meetings, and the fellowship to His honor and glory.

Did God alter history's course so that His prophecies would be accomplished? No! God predetermined all history.

—I. E. B.

### Association Dates

**Western Association** has been in session at Little Genesee, N. Y., the week-end of May 21. A report of the meetings and of the ordination of the pastor on Sabbath afternoon will appear in an early issue.

**Central New York Association** meets with the First Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church at Leonardsville June 3-5. The moderator is Lyle M. Davis of Brookfield and the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Louis Sholtz, R. D. #2, Oneida.

**Southeastern Association** meets with the Salem, W. Va., church the third week-end of June. The moderator is Doyle K. Zwiebel of Salem and the corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Castle, also of Salem.

The Paint Rock, Alabama, church is host to the **Southwestern Association** this year. The dates are June 9 - 12. Robert Butler, Jr., president, of R. D. #1, Brownsboro, Ala., is in charge of program arrangements. Guest speaker and visiting delegate from the Western, Central N. Y., and Eastern Association is the Rev. Rex Zwiebel of Alfred Station, N. Y.

Camp Miles, the Association camp, will be held at the usual place, Chemin-A-Haut, State Park in Louisiana, June 20-26.

### Multiplied Money

Interested in seeing your money grow? There is probably no gift plan that can match the multiplication of MAP (Medical Assistance Programs) with offices at P. O. Box 50, Wheaton, Ill. The Christian Medical Society sends drugs and surgical materials to 300 mission hospitals in 70 countries. The materials are contributed by drug companies; freight is paid by the government; receiving countries charge no duty; mission boards help with warehousing and clerical work. Gifts from Christian donors take care of the remaining costs. In this way a \$10 gift provides what extra is needed to ship \$1,000 worth of life-saving drugs and supplies through MAP.

### Seventh Day Baptists in Burma

(A reprint from "The Sabbath Observer—Official Organ of the Mill Yard Seventh Day Baptist Church in London," February 1966.)

Recently we have made contact with our new churches in Burma. Burma is a very interesting country with China and Tibet on its northern borders, and Siam on the east with the Bay of Bengal in the south. Its chief rivers are the Irrawaddy and the Salwin which flow into the Bay of Bengal, to the west of which lies India. The capital is Rangoon with its famous Shwe Dagon Pagoda, a great center of the Buddhist religion which prevails in Burma. . . .

Christianity has had most success among the hill tribes of the north, where our three churches are found about 800 miles from the capital. Our principal church is at Tahan, and the other two at Tuivar and Tuingo. The work was begun there in 1960 by Bro. Rokunga and Bro. Lian Ngura (president of our Burmese Conference). The chief pastor is Rev. C. Khawvelthanga who travels long distances on foot to visit the churches. He does not know English, but the young secretary of the Conference, Bro. Lal Sawi Thanga, knows English well. He is working at present in a Government office in Rangoon, where Bro. L. Ngura also resides.

To help the work in Burma the Mill Yard Church has recently sent some financial aid from our Sabbath School offerings, and this has enabled Pastor Khawvelthanga, accompanied by Bro. Rokunga, to travel by jeep and lorry to visit in an easier fashion, not only the churches already established, but villages where there is the prospect of raising up other churches: Khamphant, Zohmun, Kanan, and Hmuntha. At Zohmun another church is in process of being established, 36 souls were recently baptized there.

The places named are large villages with an estimated population of about 3,000 in each. We inquired if a bicycle would be any help, but it seems that the country is so rough and hilly that one would not be of much use, besides which

such machines seem to be very costly in Burma.

Our American brethren have sent them tracts which are being translated into the Lushai language. We have also sent some of our English publications, and we hope some of the articles and tracts will also be translated into this language. The prospects seem very bright for the future of our work in Burma. They are considering ordaining two more pastors, two experienced elders have been chosen for this honour, but as they cannot be supported by the mission they will work on a self-supporting basis.

At present their most urgent need is for a larger church building in Tahan which with 300 in attendance is too small, as it only holds 200. We would ask our readers to remember our Burmese brethren in prayer that God may continue to bless their work and witness.

### Mrs. Leland Davis Writes From British Guiana

"We were interested in reading of the various ways churches studied or emphasized British Guiana in February. We would love to see one of the fact sheets. A few churches wrote that they wanted information from us as they were taking a later date to remember our work here. Leland spent considerable time trying to answer their questions and telling them interesting facts. Maybe that's partly why he hasn't written you and the fact that he is tired and so the work goes slower. He came home from Bona Ventura with a cold which he still had when he went to Wakenaam last weekend. He had to "doctor" to get through. I think his cold is much better now.

"All of us keep very busy. Mr. Leland Bowen and Mrs. Inez Peters attended a seven sessions workshop on Christian Home and Family Planning. Mr. Bowen and Jacob Tyrrell both attended the last business session of the Evangelical Council of Churches. Mr. Bowen was asked to serve on the committee to plan for the Council's participation in the Independence Celebrations. They are hoping to prepare a float for the parade for one

thing. (NOTE: May 26, 1966 is the date set for national independence.)

"We are still having very dry weather. Cattle are dying on the East Coast of Demerara—some 150 head. The farmers are suffering crop failure and all the villagers are greatly inconvenienced, carrying and carting water. This makes all evening services at church late in starting. Everyone says we must have rain in May, the start of the next rainy season. Soon we will have to have our water rationed here in the city. One news editor humorously wrote we should pray for half and half wet and dry season, so we can have water for our needs but not enough to spoil the Independence celebrations. There are cases of typhoid in the Essequibo and Pomeroon areas. If you stay for ten days you have to have a test made when you come out, so Leland was told at Charity.

"We have just received some bad news. Jacob and Gloria Tyrrell's baby (born Jan. 5th) just died in her sleep today. She didn't have a cold or any other noticeable infection so they are quite shocked. They had just brought her to church to be dedicated two Sabbaths ago. They thought she was healthy and always said she was a good baby. We went over to the house to see them before Leland went to Ruimveldt for the meeting. Mr. Bowen was going over to see Jacob after the meeting."

It seems well to add a few words to the above letter from Mrs. Leland Davis, known to many at Shiloh and Marlboro as "Gertrude." She did not know that her letter was being shared through **Sabbath Recorder** pages but we feel sure that she will not mind. It carries many facts and insights which need to be shared.

It is expected that Pastor and Mrs. Davis and daughter Mary Sue will arrive back in the States on Sunday, July 17. They are planning to attend Conference at Redlands. It is understood that Pastor Davis has accepted the call to the Schenectady Seventh Day Baptist Church to begin services on September 1, 1966. Many friends and loved ones are remembering them in our prayers.

### News from England

From Rev. James McGeachy, pastor of the Mill Yard Seventh Day Baptist Church, has come word that arrangements have been made for Mrs. Theona Rasmussen of Salem, W. Va., and her family to visit London this coming summer. It is anticipated that they will assist the Mill Yard Church in a friendly visitation program, including visits to the Seventh Day Baptist Fellowship groups at Herne Hill, Birmingham, Brockley, and Holloway. Mrs. Rasmussen will carry slide sets on which she may speak as she brings her distinctive witness to the love and keeping power of God.

Pastor McGeachy has written also that he plans to represent Seventh Day Baptists at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance to be held in London, August 1-4, 1966. Another matter of interest to Seventh Day Baptists is the word that Brother Alfred Mellmann has been elected to succeed Elder Otto Kohler, deceased, as president of the German Conference of Seventh Day Baptists. Brother Mellmann will be remembered as one of the representatives of the German Seventh Day Baptists at the Consultation of Seventh Day Baptist Conference representatives held at Salem, W. Va., in August 1964.

Of particular interest is the news that several Seventh Day Baptist groups in the general area of London are in the process of banding together to form a Seventh Day Baptist Conference in England. Pastor McGeachy's letter detailing this matter (which has previously been reported on these pages) was an interestingly written description of the whole day spent on organization plans.

### Correction:

The vice-president of the Mid-Continent Youth Fellowship is Miss Judy August, instead of the one reported erroneously (p. 12, May 2 issue). She, like the other officers, are members of the Nortonville Seventh Day Baptist Church which will host next year's Spring Retreat. My error.

—Pastor Al Rogers, Denver, Colo.

## Famine in India, Despair and Hope



### Open Cracks

Against the background of parched earth with wide cracks stands the little boy of one of India's famine-stricken villages. His clothing also shows some cracks in it. Some of the thousands dying from starvation and suffering from malnutrition are being saved by food and funds from Church World Service. A food-for-work project to be undertaken by the villagers will deepen this parched earth basin to store the hoped-for monsoon rains in the coming months.

Village life in India's famine areas is slowing almost to a standstill from hunger's debilitating effects . . . Desperate parents are pleading, "Take our children—keep them alive—we can't!" . . . Farmers without food, forced to eat grain normally reserved for seed and unable to get more seed, sell their ploughs, then their bullocks, finally their land to get money to buy food on the black market.

These scenes were among those recalled by American Protestant churchmen returning from India's famine belt, a strip about 150 miles wide running east to west through the central part of the sub-continent. Failure of the mon-

soon, periodic rain-bearing southeast wind upon which crop growth and surface water supply depend, has brought massive crop loss and critical water shortage to the area.

"It's plainly visible from the air as a sun-baked brown strip," said Dr. J. Harry Haines, general secretary of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. "It gives you a forewarning of the parched villages you will find."

Concurrently Church World Service, overseas relief arm of the National Council of Churches, is co-ordinating an initial appeal to member denominations for funds to accelerate emergency feeding from 500,000 to one million persons, and for measures to increase water supply and crop yields.

"I've seen famine in China, and calamities in other parts of Asia," said Dr. Haines, "but this is just about the most serious disaster I've seen. People will say India has always had food shortages, but this situation goes beyond that."

He stressed the need for food priorities for children and nursing mothers, "to keep them alive for the next few months," for drilling for deep well water, and for supplies of seed grain and fertilizer.

The Reverend Telfer Mook, regional secretary for Southern Asia of the United Church Board for World Mission, returned after a month's travel in India to say "I've been to India many times—in fact I've lived there for periods of several years in the past. But this time I felt there was something different — something frightening—in the air.

"When I visited the village of Khariar in Kalahandi district of Orissa State, the staff of our hospital and mobile clinic told of the heart-breaking experience of parents bringing their children and pleading with the staff to take them."

But the picture is not all that grim, Mr. Mook said. In places where food distribution is starting or is being accelerated, "children are getting one good meal a day, and adults are given grain to take home. It is exciting to see the mood of villagers actually change from despair to hope because they have received food, and have been assured that food will continue to come."

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

## The Foundation of Freedom

By Diane L. Schweizer  
Philadelphia, Pa.

(This editorial, which was printed in the February 3, 1966, issues of the TIMES NEWS-PAPERS (NORTHEAST TIMES, CASTOR TIMES, and MAYFAIR TIMES) of Philadelphia, won for Miss Schweizer first place in the individual section of the 1966 Citizenship Awards Program sponsored by the International Society of Christian Endeavor.)

When the Pilgrims landed in America in 1620, it was to establish religious freedom for themselves in a land without dictated religious practices. Their desire for religious freedom grew into the complete freedom that we, a few hundred years later, enjoy in the strongest free nation in the world. The same belief, for which our forefathers fought, that freedom is not a man-made institution but a God-given privilege, is still disputed in the world.

Freedom is exemption from the power or control of another. The molders of our Constitution determined to have a nation independent of any other. The members of the Constitutional Convention opened each session with prayer to God for His guidance, patience, and inspiration for the legislation they wrote. Strongly rooted in our Constitution is our freedom of religion. Our personal and political liberties are under God's law and man's law.

As the generations progress, the adolescents of each age mature into the citizens who shape and govern our country. As young people, we must be prepared to accept the responsibilities of adult citizen life in our democratic society. There is a saying that each generation builds a road for the next. "The road has been well built for us." It is our obligation to build the road for the next generation. We must—and I believe we are—starting to lay the foundation to build that road. Through organizations like the Peace Corps our young people are joining in the struggle to break "the bonds of mass misery and the chains of poverty."

It has been said that the younger generation is falling away in darkness. It is my hope and my belief that today's youth

will light the way to a brighter tomorrow. Teen-agers are already giving themselves in many ways, such as international school aid, gifts to Vietnam, recreation co-ordinators at city playgrounds, financial aid to poverty areas, and through hospital volunteer work where they present hope to the aged and comfort to the sick.

We are the new age and "in our hands will fall the final success or failure of freedom." We must have the educational resources and the faith in God necessary to meet successfully the challenges of the age. "This is a great country; it can be greater. It is a powerful country. It can be more powerful. We are Americans. That is a proud boast. That is a great privilege, to be a citizen of the United States, and we must meet our responsibilities." We can understand the principles of freedom, but we must support them and apply them "to assure the survival and the success of liberty." In doing this we must constantly remember that the foundation of our strength and our purpose is still faith in God.

### Vocations Committee

Progress in completing the list of Vocational Representatives of all churches is being made. An attempt has been made by the Vocational Committee of the Board of Christian Education to contact every church not listing a person in the 1965 yearbook to act in this capacity. However, there are still a few churches whose replies are needed to complete the listing. If your church has not yet sent in a name to represent you as a vocational representative won't you please do this in the near future so the committee may complete this project?

A few months ago copies of "Who's Who and What They Do" and "Sources of Financial Aid for Seventh Day Baptist College Students" were sent out to the churches. Pastors, vocational representatives, and Sabbath School superintendents should have received copies. If any interested person did not receive a copy and wishes one please write to the chairman of the Vocational Committee, Kenneth E. Kenyon, Box 1172, Alfred, N. Y. 14802. A great many hours of work were

put into this project by the former committee and every effort should be made to make the material available to our young people for whom it was prepared.

**WOMEN'S WORK** — Mrs. Lawrence W. Marsden

### General Secretary Visits Women's Board

The Women's Board, which usually meets the first Monday night of the month, held its May meeting on Sunday evening, May 1, so that General Secretary Alton Wheeler could be present on his way to the Ministers Retreat at North Loup.

Mr. Wheeler spoke on some of the ways in which the board has served in the past and ways in which it can continue to serve. He stressed the fact that although the Missionary Board concentrates its work in the mission area and the Board of Christian Education in the field of Christian education, the Women's Board is not limited to working only for the women, but works for the whole denomination, giving their help where needed. Sometimes this help is requested by other boards or by the general secretary's office. He expressed thanks to the board for "pitching in" wherever needed and to Mrs. Leora Hartman, corresponding secretary, for her work in bringing the membership lists up to date.

Several of the women took advantage of the opportunity to ask questions. We all were grateful for the privilege of having him present and being able to discuss things with him.

### New Office Equipment

The Board Room at the home of Marjorie Burdick, 349 High St., Milton, Wis., looks much more businesslike and efficient with its new light green office furniture. The board voted to use the increase from the invested Mary Maxson bequest for this purpose. We felt that this will be of much help keeping the records available in one place and more convenient for all who work with the Women's Board material.

### Good Thoughts for Women —Or for Men

The Women's Fellowship of the National Association of Evangelicals had a meeting at the Hilton Hotel in Denver on April 19 while the N.A.E. was in session. One of the speakers was the Rev. Wade Coggins, the assistant executive secretary of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association. He told the women:

"People are not aware of the connection between their newspapers and the cause of missions. . . I hope you learn to read your newspapers as a prayer sheet. When you read of storms, pray for the afflicted people of that land. When you read of a government falling, you should pray that God will establish a government that is open and friendly to missions."

Another speaker was Mrs. Carl Gunderson, widow of the treasurer of the N.A.E., a layman, builder and strong supporter of evangelical causes. She gave this little gem, "There are three things which can never be recovered: the spent arrow, the spoken word, and the lost opportunity."

### LET'S THINK IT OVER

#### Pray for England

The editor of *Decision Magazine* has asked all other editors of denominational journals to call attention to the need for prayer in connection with the forthcoming month-long London Crusade of Billy Graham (June 1-July 2, 1966).

Why should there be special prayer for London and all England? Because there is deep spiritual need over there and a very high percentage of indifference to things religious. If any one man can change the spiritual tone of the British capital it is Billy Graham with his evangelistic organization. But one man cannot accomplish much unless the effort is undergirded with earnest prayer. Says Sherwood Wirt, the editor:

As the Greater London Crusade approaches, we are learning afresh the plain truth that it is God who sends revival. It is God who brings the miracle of the new birth to individuals. ". . . Except the Lord (build) the city, the watchman waketh but in vain" (Psalm 127: 1). Unless God moves in, this crusade will be

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### MEMORY TEXT

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. Rom. 8: 16-17.

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merely an expenditure of human effort. Let us claim this day for the Lord.

The religious situation is described as follows:

The Church of England reported less than 3 per cent of London's population was in its churches on Easter Sunday last year. One Free Church denomination reports only 27 out of 1,000 Sunday School pupils ever become members of the church. In the same denomination Sunday School drop-outs are causing an annual net loss of 8,000 pupils and each year the curve is plunging more steeply all over Britain.

Prayer, of course, is needed for America, every city and hamlet, but special prayer ought to go up to heaven for England at a time when, in the providence of God, many can be turned to the Lord through the instrumentality of the Graham evangelistic team.

### Slighting of "Greatest Story" Called Grievous Omission

Seven members of the West Coast Committee of the Broadcasting and Film Commission of the National Council of Churches and all the members of the Radio Television Committee of the Los Angeles Presbytery signed a report stating that it was "a grievous act of omission" when the BFC failed to vote a motion picture award to "The Greatest Story Ever Told."

The statement issued by the group said, "To us, this film which has been heralded by clergy and laity alike for its depth of expression, revealed insights, and magnificent artistry, represents the interpretative re-telling of the life of Jesus Christ for this generation and those to come."

The statement continued, "We cannot condone selections of motion pictures by the National Council which include scenes of nudity, obscenity, and blasphemy. The tacit approval given by these

awards appears to be the antithesis of the Christian concern."

"When we approve motion pictures which take the name of our Lord in vain or include scenes of nudity and obscenity and justify them with the rationale of plot development, we are giving our approval to practices which violate basic Christian principles and at the same time offer implied encouragement to any producer who wishes to do likewise."

The reference was to other pictures which received awards.

—ABNS.

Praying can be a most difficult thing to do. Words are inadequate to express feelings; thoughts race and tumble over one another. How fortunate is the person who can pray easily; whose words and thoughts seem organized and come out in beautifully turned phrases. God, can You read thoughts? Can You understand this problem?

### *America, To Your Knees*

America, to your knees!  
Your only hope is prayer;  
The world is filled with strife,  
Confusion and despair  
But God is still in Heaven.  
His power is over all.  
America, to your knees!  
In supplication call.

America, to your knees!  
Your forefathers of old  
Loved God and served Him faithfully,  
For righteousness were bold.  
They read and lived God's Word,  
Honored the Sabbath day.  
America, to your knees!  
Confess your sins and pray.

America, to your knees!  
Now is no time for pride;  
In humble pleadings call,  
"O God, be on our side;  
We've sinned and disobeyed;  
We've wandered far astray."  
America, to your knees!  
Return to Christ today.

Words by Esther Kerr Rusthoi.  
Music for song by Elizabeth Fisher Davis.



**OUR WORLD MISSION**

**OWM Budget Receipts for April 1966**

|                                | Treasurer's    |           | Boards'  |  |                               | Treasurer's    |             | Boards'  |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------|--|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------|--|
|                                | April 7 months |           | 7 months |  |                               | April 7 months |             | 7 months |  |
| Adams Center ..\$              | 89.00          | \$ 584.50 |          |  | Memorial Fund                 | 631.63         | 1,687.90    |          |  |
| Albion .....                   |                | 263.74    | \$ 50.00 |  | Metairie .....                |                |             |          |  |
| Alfred, 1st .....              | 688.45         | 3,256.68  |          |  | Middle Island..               | 110.00         | 249.00      |          |  |
| Alfred, 2nd .....              |                | 1,917.16  |          |  | Milton .....                  | 1,291.49       | 4,935.77    | 100.00   |  |
| Algiers .....                  |                |           |          |  | Milton Junction               | 82.00          | 674.65      |          |  |
| Assoc. & Groups                |                | 41.20     | 106.57   |  | New Auburn .....              |                | 164.55      |          |  |
| Battle Creek .....             | 527.45         | 3,129.42  | 70.00    |  | North Loup .....              |                | 322.65      |          |  |
| Bay Area .....                 | 290.00         | 290.00    |          |  | Nortonville .....             | 213.50         | 1,040.31    | 50.00    |  |
| Berlin .....                   | 307.70         | 965.61    | 81.30    |  | Old Stone Fort..              | 20.00          | 156.00      |          |  |
| Boulder .....                  |                | 249.35    | 50.00    |  | Paint Rock .....              |                | 150.00      |          |  |
| Brookfield, 1st ..             |                | 226.00    |          |  | Pawcatuck .....               | 506.05         | 3,425.37    | 117.20   |  |
| Brookfield, 2nd..              | 22.59          | 52.59     |          |  | Plainfield .....              | 338.31         | 3,320.84    |          |  |
| Buckeye Fellow-<br>ship .....  |                | 60.00     |          |  | Richburg .....                | 251.50         | 824.62      |          |  |
| Buffalo .....                  |                | 200.00    |          |  | Ritchie .....                 | 25.00          | 236.00      |          |  |
| Chicago .....                  |                | 697.50    |          |  | Riverside .....               | 1,231.51       | 4,317.73    |          |  |
| Daytona Beach..                | 108.33         | 718.32    |          |  | Roanoke .....                 |                |             |          |  |
| Denver .....                   | 124.80         | 992.49    | 25.00    |  | Rockville .....               | 47.62          | 407.79      | 25.00    |  |
| DeRuyter .....                 | 55.00          | 200.20    |          |  | Salem .....                   | 120.00         | 750.00      |          |  |
| Dodge Center ..                | 147.60         | 430.66    | 100.00   |  | Salemville .....              | 29.63          | 211.42      | 6.00     |  |
| Edinburg .....                 |                |           |          |  | Schenectady.....              |                | 63.00       |          |  |
| Farina .....                   | 49.00          | 235.40    |          |  | Shiloh .....                  | 445.05         | 3,440.53    |          |  |
| Fouke .....                    |                | 30.00     |          |  | Syracuse .....                |                | 55.00       |          |  |
| Hammond .....                  |                | 30.00     |          |  | Texarkana .....               |                | 38.00       |          |  |
| Hebron, 1st .....              | 59.00          | 437.20    |          |  | Trustees of                   |                |             |          |  |
| Hopkinton, 1st..               | 263.50         | 1,399.40  |          |  | Gen. Conference               | 133.25         | 133.25      |          |  |
| Hopkinton, 2nd                 |                | 61.00     |          |  | Verona .....                  | 145.83         | 748.42      |          |  |
| Houston .....                  |                | 50.50     |          |  | Walworth .....                | 50.00          | 372.00      |          |  |
| Independence ..                | 127.25         | 588.00    | 15.00    |  | Washington .....              |                | 103.00      |          |  |
| Individuals .....              |                | 434.49    |          |  | Washington,<br>People's ..... | 30.00          | 110.00      |          |  |
| Irvington .....                |                | 1,100.00  |          |  | Waterford .....               | 151.10         | 707.10      |          |  |
| Jackson Center..               |                | 500.00    |          |  | White Cloud .....             | 105.50         | 546.71      |          |  |
| Kansas City .....              | 55.00          | 278.28    |          |  | Yonah Mt. ....                | 30.00          | 60.00       |          |  |
| Little Genesee ..              | 157.85         | 817.15    | 15.00    |  |                               |                |             |          |  |
| Little Rock .....              | 16.00          | 16.00     |          |  | Total Budget..                | \$10,388.21    | \$54,618.58 | \$826.07 |  |
| Los Angeles .....              | 748.00         | 2,338.00  | 15.00    |  | Non-Budget ..                 | 216.64         |             |          |  |
| Los Angeles,<br>Christ's ..... |                | 110.00    |          |  |                               |                |             |          |  |
| Lost Creek .....               | 200.00         | 470.00    |          |  | Total                         |                |             |          |  |
| Marlboro .....                 | 362.72         | 2,196.13  |          |  | to Disburse ..                | \$10,604.85    |             |          |  |

**APRIL DISBURSEMENTS**

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Board of Christian Education ..... | \$ 748.26 |
| Historical Society .....           | 44.30     |
| Ministerial Education .....        | 1,602.08  |
| Tract Society .....                | 1,190.57  |
| Ministerial Retirement .....       | 761.95    |
| Missionary Society .....           | 4,199.65  |
| Trustees of Gen. Conference .....  | 149.14    |
| Women's Society .....              | 235.82    |
| World Fellowship & Service .....   | 162.44    |
| General Conference .....           | 1,474.00  |
| Church World Service .....         | 21.64     |
| Salem College .....                | 15.00     |

Total Disbursements .....

**SUMMARY**

|                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1965-1966 OWM Budget .....        | \$120,554.00     |
| Receipts for 7 months:            |                  |
| OWM Treasurer .....               | \$54,618.58      |
| Boards .....                      | 826.07           |
|                                   | <u>55,444.65</u> |
| Amount due in 5 months .....      | \$ 65,109.35     |
| Needed per month .....            | \$ 13,021.87     |
| Percentage of year elapsed .....  | 58.33%           |
| Percentage of Budget raised ..... | 45.99%           |

Gordon L. Sanford,  
OWM Treasurer.

April 30, 1966

# The Sabbath Recorder

## Going Home

*All in the mad April-morning I heard the angels call  
It was when the moon was setting, and the dark was over all;  
The trees began to whisper, and the wind began to roll  
And in the wild April morning I heard them call my soul.*

*I thought that it was fancy, and I listen'd in my bed  
And then did something speak to me—I know not what was said  
For great delight and shuddering took hold of all my mind,  
And up the valley came again the music on the wind.*

*But you were sleeping; and I said, "It's not for you, it's mine."  
And if it comes three times, I thought, I'll take it for a sign.  
And once again it came, and close beside the window bars,  
Then seemed to go right up to heaven and die among the stars.*

*So now I think my time is near. I trust it is. I know  
The blessed music went the way my soul will have to go.  
And for myself, indeed, I care not if I go today,  
But you must comfort them when I am passed away.*

*O look! the sun begins to rise, the heavens are in a glow,  
He shines upon a hundred fields, and all of them I know.  
And there I move no longer now, and there his light may shine,  
Wild flowers in the valley for other hands than mine.*

*O sweet and strange it seems to me, that ere this day is done  
The voice, that now is speaking, may be beyond the sun—  
Forever and forever with those just souls and true—  
And what is life, that we should moan? why make we such ado?*

*Forever and forever, all in a blessed home,  
And there to wait a little while, till you come with me to roam.  
To lie within the light of God, as I lie upon your breast.  
And the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest.*

By Bernard Keown  
of North Loup, Neb., age 16