

# The Sabbath Recorder

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## Marriages

Bottoms-Gunderman.— Jack Bottoms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bottoms of Farnham, N. Y., and Carol Gunderman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gunderman of Angola, N. Y., were united in marriage, April 29, 1967, in St. Joseph's Cathedral, Buffalo, N. Y.

Cottrill - Davis.—Mr. Orval E. Cottrill Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Orval E. Cottrill, Parkersburg, W. Va., and Miss Brenda Sue Davis, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Edsel Davis of Salem, W. Va., were married on June 10, 1967, at the Salem Seventh Baptist Church by Elder Ernest L. Cottrill, uncle of the groom.

Wellman - Whitehair.—Dennis Wellman, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Warren Wellman, Moundsville, W. Va., and Miss Linda Whitehair, daughter of Cuba Lee Whitehair, Berea, W Va., were united in marriage May 27, 1967, at First Christian Church of Parkersburg, W. Va., by the Rev. Alan Bone.

## Births

Cruzan.— A son, John Scott, to John and Christina (Bosshart) Cruzan of Boulder, Colo., on August 10, 1967.

Fansler.— A son, Kenneth William, to Robert and Marietta (Gray) Fansler, of Deepwater, N. J., on September 2, 1967.

Hester.—A son, Jody Fernell, to I. Fernell and Kathryn (Looney) Hester, of Jasper, Fla., on August 20, 1967.

Sayre.—A son, William John, to Mr. and Mrs. John Sayre of Milton, Wis., on August 5, 1967.

Wheeler.— A daughter, Kelli Jo, to Kent and Billie (Zeek) Wheeler of Basehor, Kans., on August 11, 1967.

## Obituaries

CHURCHWARD.— Minnie L., daughter of George and Carrie Green, was born Jan. 7, 1880 in Freeborn, Minn., and died Sept. 18, 1967. She was hospitalized for over seven years with a broken hip.

At an early age she was baptized and joined the Seventh Day Baptist church of Dodge Center, Minn. She was married to Alton G. Churchward, who survives her.

In the first year of her married life she was called to be the missionary pastor of the Marlboro, N. J., church, where she labored in 1909-1910. Prior to that time she had been a WCTU worker for five years, which she counted as her training for the ministry. Her SABBATH RECORDER article of Nov. 27, 1911, and the YEARBOOK report of 1910 indicate the good pastoral work done by this woman. She also later served the New Auburn church as interim pastor and officiated through the years at a few funerals and marriages.

Mrs. Churchward is survived by two daughters Althea (Mrs. W. B. Cuff) of Wausau, Wis., and Deloris (Mrs. James E. Krahn) of Eau Claire, Wis; five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

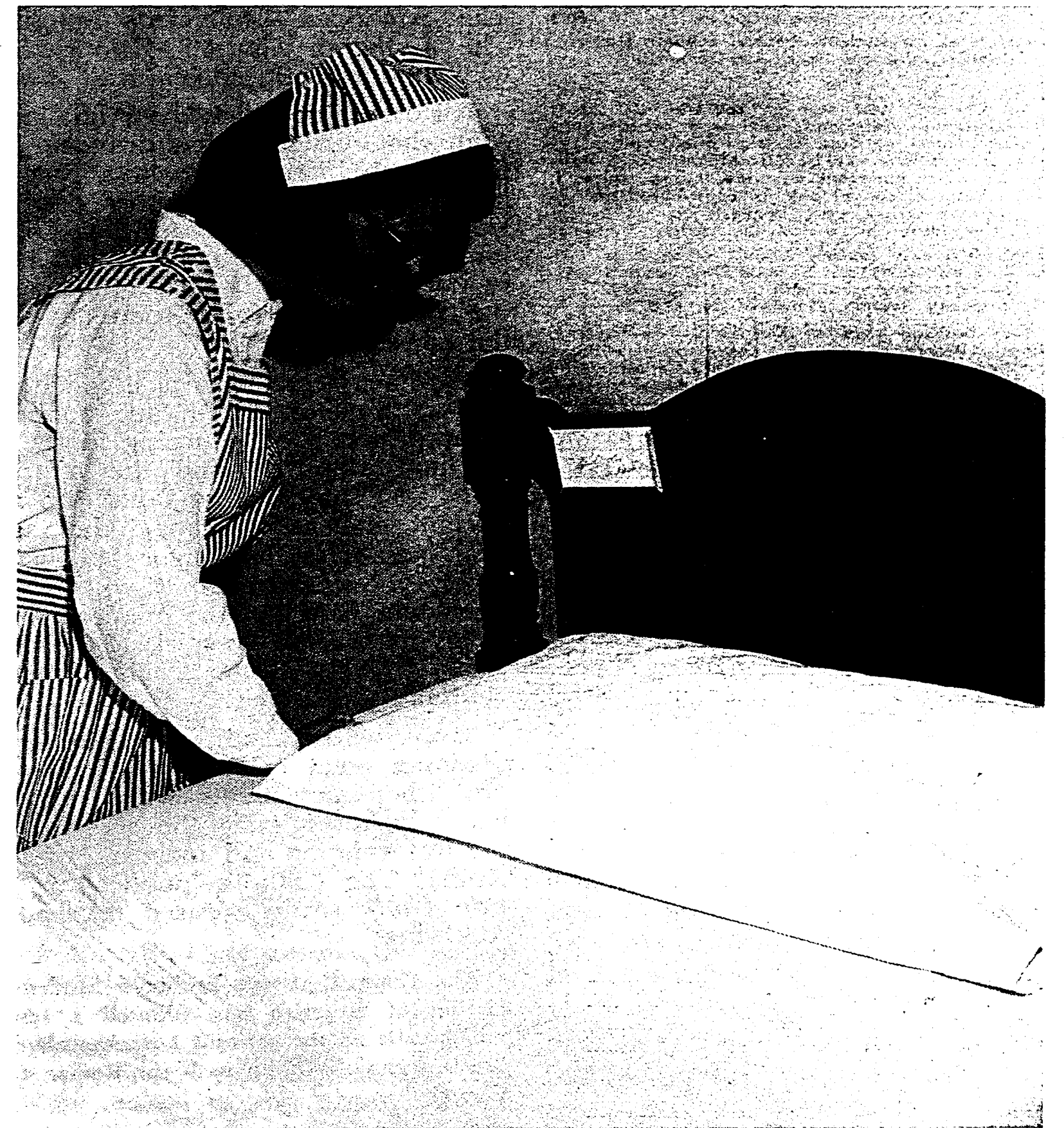
Funeral services were conducted at her home church in New Auburn by her pastor, Edward Sutton. Burial was at Lakeview Cemetery, Chetek, Wis. —E. S.

LOOFBORO.—Ralph R., son of Ralph and Mary Loofboro was born Aug. 19, 1901, in Welton, Iowa, and died in his home at New Auburn, Wis., Sept. 7, 1967.

Though not an actual member of a church anywhere, the New Auburn Seventh Day Baptist Church claimed him as one of its most "spiritually active members." He had given his life to Jesus Christ in recent years. Several of his poems have been printed in the SABBATH RECORDER.

He is survived by his wife Esther (Bee) Loofboro; a son Walter; two brothers: Eli and Leo; and four sisters: Alice (Mrs. Phillip Ling), Susan (Mrs. Ivar Pederson), Mrs. Esther Clausen, and Clara (Mrs. Wesley Loofboro). There are also several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in the New Auburn Seventh Day Baptist Church, with Pastor Edward Sutton and Don Gray, North Central Association field coordinator, officiating. Interment was in the New Auburn Community Cemetery. —E. S.



### Humble Tasks Are Challenging

Our Master gave much time to the sick and suffering, which inspires His young followers to do with a will what their hands find to do.

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## 450th Reformation Anniversary

This year of 1967 is an important milestone in the progress of Protestantism. It has been 450 years since Martin Luther laid the groundwork for the Reformation by nailing his ninety-five theses to the door of the castle-church at Wittenberg, October 31, 1517. Of all the churches pushing a celebration of this anniversary none are more prominent than the various branches of the Lutheran Church: Lutheran Church in America, Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches, The American Lutheran Church, and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, with a coordinating office at St. Louis.

All other Protestant denominations are somewhat related to this dramatic beginning in 1517 which eventually created a climate in which churches other than Lutheran could grow. It is impossible to imagine what church life would be like in our generation if Luther had not had the courage to criticize Rome and to take the consequences.

We have a great heritage which we do well to remember with due honor. The great principle of returning to the Bible as final authority and the affirmation "The just shall live by faith" are as important and as relevant today as 450 years ago. There is danger that these and other Protestant principles will be slurred over and lost by the modern church, partly by way of the spirit of ecumenism, partly by way of the secularizing of the church.

Even when Lutheran churches are planning great celebrations jointly there are other movements within Lutheranism which minimize the significance of the Reformation and advocate a return to Rome. The Catholic publication *Direction Unity* seems pleased to report the following:

The Council of the Lutheran Student Association of America has adopted a resolution which calls on the nation's Lutheran churches to "seek organic reunion with the Roman Catholic Church."

The action was taken by the legislative arm of the association during a six-day annual meeting at the University of Colorado, Aug. 22-27.

## MEMORY TEXT

Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles. —1 Peter 2: 11, 12a.

The resolution—adopted by voice vote—was declared unanimous in the absence of dissent.

The establishment of a separate church was not the intention of the Lutheran reformers but was "forced by a series of historic and ecclesiastical misfortunes," the resolution's preface said.

"In the light of these facts," the preface added, "it appears that the Lutheran tradition is not one of a separate church so much as an emergency movement within the pale of Roman Catholicism."

It then called upon the American Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Church in America and the Lutheran Missouri Synod to:

1) "Undertake a strenuous study of Lutheran ecclesiology . . .

2) "Explore the possibility that Lutheranism and Roman Catholicism need not regard themselves as separate churches or denominations but merely as different points of view within the Western, that is, the Roman, Church and . . .

3) "Seek organic union with the Roman Catholic Church."

The same little paper, now in its second year of publication, notes that there is also in the Episcopal Church a movement to undo the Reformation by returning to the Catholic fold. The report begins thus:

Official Catholic-Anglican talks ended in Taplow near London (Sept. 4) with a joint statement urging church sharing, common texts for worship, and collaboration in seminary education as first steps toward ultimate unity.

The commission conducting the talks included five Anglican and five Catholic bishops and 10 other leading theologians. They said in a statement:

"At Gazzada (Italy) in January, 1967, we took the first steps toward restoring full unity between the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion.

The statement goes on to mention

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some of the problems encountered but ends with the expressed hope that when the tensions of 400 years are overcome there can be reunion.

Friendliness and mutual understanding are to be encouraged, but not for the sake of a united church at the expense of well founded Christian doctrines. If the ritualistic churches (Lutheran and Anglican) are letting ritual similarities outweigh biblical doctrines then other churches, such as ours, may be called to reemphasize important distinctions.

## Bold Planning

The Los Angeles church is one of a number that spent a full weekend in a church-owned camp discussing their needs and planning for the future. Under the theme of "Facing Frontiers with Faith" they discussed ways of strengthening the church and association. The family camp at Pacific Pines ended with a business meeting which voted (1): That we call a team of SCSC workers for next summer and that the Lay Development Committee work out the plans. (2) That the Lay Development Committee give consideration to a full-time Christian Education director and assistant to the pastor at some future date.

It will be recalled that the Pacific Coast Association is attempting a project this year which no other association has dared to undertake—the full employment of a field pastor. It should be noted that in number of churches this is one of the smallest of the nine associations. The field is large and the vision of work to be done seems to be clear.

Some other associations have a part-time field coordinator or in other ways sponsor cooperative work within their borders. A number sponsor fair booths and radio programs.

Bold planning for the churches and the association is something more than unrealistic dreaming. It involves a clear vision of the need, strong dedication to a mission, and a faith-filled approach to financial resources.



### More than Expected

Praise God, our people did respond very well to the last month appeal for the denominational budget. In an editorial in the October 9 issue we asked the question, "What is to be expected?" An attempted answer was somewhat cautiously stated, "There is reason to believe that the dollar response (to the 'Day's Wage for Christ') when tabulated will be quite encouraging." Just how encouraging it was can be judged by the figures received from the OWM treasurer just in time for publication last week. You have observed that for the last month of the Conference year Mr. Sanford received over \$20,000, which brought us up to 91.53% of the budget. Such loyalty, such dedication, was more than some of us dared hope for, although there was hope privately expressed that we might reach 90% of the goal.

It means something when almost every church sent in much more money than usual and when lone - Sabbathkeepers mailed in substantial gifts in the name of the church. Did you notice that \$878 came in from individuals which could not easily be credited to churches?

What is so pleasing about this admirable response at the end of the year? It is not the dollars, not the worry that is taken off the board and agency administrators. It is rather the feeling that our people believe in their cause, that they see something ahead in which they want to have a part. They were convinced that a good work had been attempted and they wanted to make a little sacrifice to bring it to completion. Extra giving brings blessing to the generous giver. It is having a small part in dedicated service.

The September giving was something of a record. Last year there had to be a special appeal in September. The giving totalled \$14,724. Thus we exceeded it by more than \$5,000 last month. For the whole year 1966-67 we gave \$114,173 on a \$124,735 budget. The year before we gave \$112,255 on a \$120,554 budget. We have made a commendable comeback and have shown what we can do if we try. Systematic tithing would have

been better. If we had given half as much each month as we contributed in September we would have raised 100% of the budget instead of 91% Shall we learn a lesson from this and claim the blessing of the Lord each month?

### Church Picture Identified

The cover picture on the October 9 issue has been positively identified by more than one person. Many thanks! We really did not know, although the editor should have remembered, for he attended meetings there at least once or twice nearly forty years ago.

The beautiful interior is of the Walworth, Wis., church before electric lights were installed. A lady from the Albion (Wis.) church making a trip to the East Coast brought some pictures with her for the Historical Society. Among them was another copy of our cover picture with an identifying inscription on the back. Being away from home, she had not yet seen the October 9 *Sabbath Recorder*. Mrs. R. T. Fetherston, who has been spending two weeks in Plainfield working on the 1967 *Yearbook* was also quite sure that this was the Walworth church where she attended often in her girlhood days. Were there other readers who recognized the church sanctuary?

The Walworth building was sold a few years ago to another organization in the community which put it to good use. The small congregation continued to use it for a time but now holds periodic meetings in homes and receives encouragement on occasion from the Milton church.

### RECORDER Comment

The September 4, 1967 issue of *The Sabbath Recorder* published a tribute to Rev. Loyal Hurley, written by Albert N. Rogers, pastor at Denver, Colorado. The article is beautifully written under the title, "A Man Called Loyal." Again, if you are not a subscriber to *The Sabbath Recorder*—well, it is the only publication where such masterpieces of writing can be read.

—"Heart and Mind," Farina, Ill.

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### Good News for Modern Man

When the American Bible Society brought out a year ago the paperback modern English edition of the New Testament with the above title there was no way of knowing that it would, without



5,000,000th New Testament (TEV)

much advertising and without being sent to bookstores, jump to the top of the best-seller list. The first printing was a modest (for the Bible) 150,000 copies. Before the end of the year the sales through Bible Society offices required several more printings and reached a total of 5,000,000 on September 7.

The Rev. Dr. Howard Moody Morgan (right) chairman of the American Bible Society's national distribution committee, presents the five millionth copy of *Good News for Modern Man*, The New Testament in Today's English Version, to Edmund F. Wagner, ABS president.

On October 1 a new edition in a sturdy flexible vinyl cover went on sale at the headquarters of the American Bible Society, 1865 Broadway, New York. The price is \$1.00. The cost price of the paperback edition has had to be advanced from 25 to 35 cents.

### Witnessing for Christ and the Sabbath

By Clarence T. White

One Friday afternoon, while operating the high-lift tractor on a construction site, the superintendent came excitedly over, waving his arms and halting me. He started out with instructions for the next day, what to back fill, etc. I quickly interrupted him by letting him know that I would not be operating the machine on Saturday because I would be in church. I went on to tell him that if it was really necessary I would call my employer and have another operator do the work for him. I also told him that my employer respected religious beliefs and because all the others worked six days I would also be entitled to six days a week. He allowed me to work on Sunday.

This superintendent was very surprised to know that some people kept Saturday for the Sabbath instead of Sunday. I was very quick to reach my pocket and give him the tract "The Sabbath and Sabbathkeeping Baptists." He thumbed through it hurriedly and said, "I must read this." Then he went on to say that the back fill around the sidewalks could wait till Sunday.

Yes, when we least expect it, there is a chance to share our faith and be able to give an answer by handing out a tract from the American Sabbath Tract Society at 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J. 07061. Are you "ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear" (1 Pet. 3:15)?

Note: Mr. White of Bellwood, Ill., a RECORDER subscriber, says that he is soon moving to 1232 W. Chestnut St., Centralia, Wash. 98531.

### Alcohol and Riots

We are not going to come to grips with crime, or with highway deaths, and perhaps not even with riots in the immediate future, without coming to grips with the role that alcohol and young people play in all of them. —Sen. Wayne Morse.

## Board and Society Meetings Held at Plainfield

The annual meeting of the American Sabbath Tract Society was held in the Board Room of the Seventh Day Baptist Building, Sunday afternoon, September 17, at 4:30 p.m. It was preceded by the quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees. The date but not the place is specified in the constitution. The meeting took its usual course, adopting the annual report of the trustees as presented to Conference, electing members and officers, and appointing a new Nominating Committee. (The president appointed one trustee and two are members of the society but not of the board.) For the first time, in accordance with a recommendation from Conference, the employed officers (corresponding secretary and assistant treasurer) were elected by ballot—yes or no.

In view of the Conference proposal that societies consider holding their annual meetings at Conference, a change in the constitution was proposed which would allow the meeting to be held "in conjunction with Conference convened." Said constitutional change will be voted on at a special meeting of the society at the time of the board meeting, December 10. Discussion on the advisability or non-advisability of holding the annual meeting at Conference was postponed to a later meeting.

At the earlier board meeting reports were given by officers and standing committees. Members were particularly interested in the report of the committee that supervises the functioning of the publishing house. Nearly a year had passed since commercial printing was discontinued. From the figures available it appeared that the publishing house so far was operating "in the black" by a comfortable margin. More accurate figures, however, will be available a little later. The board as a whole was in deficit spending, largely because it was working on a tight budget, trying not to decrease its service to the denomination, and not receiving as much income as expected through OWM giving.

The corresponding secretary called at-

attention to the fact that orders for literature had been running higher than usual during the summer quarter, for a total of 26,466. The widest use of tracts was at the various association or church-sponsored booths at state and county fairs. One of the functions of the secretary's office is to answer inquiries from anywhere in the world, and to encourage those who are willing to give of their time in isolated situations to promote the cause of Seventh Day Baptists.

The editor reported that there had been more than the usual amount of appreciative response to the content of the *Sabbath Recorder*. He said that plans for combining *Mission Notes* and the *Recorder* on a twice-a-year basis were progressing well. (Readers have already seen the first such issue sent to the combined mailing list.) Other first-of-the-month emphasis issues emphasizing the work of the boards are being worked on. However, it will not be possible to send them to all families until money is available and postal regulations are cleared. No date could be predicted at the moment.

Following the annual meeting there was an organizational meeting of the new board at which committees were tentatively named. Several proposals were made by the president for the work and meetings of the board. These were discussed. Some were accepted, some are to be studied further. The third meeting was not convened until 5:30 p.m., and was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. It had been a pretty full day counting committee meetings in the morning and four and a half hours devoted to board and society matters in the afternoon.

### Literacy Campaign Needed

There is a growing feeling that many of the great problems of our day and the panaceas for these problems of conscience in the broad sphere of war and peace and other world issues are, in the words of Rev. H. Littell (president of Iowa Wesleyan College) turned over to "specialists in power who are morally, ethically and spiritually illiterate."

# 1968 DEDICATED SERVICE



## *An Invitation To You To Become Involved!*

Dedicated Service—what a wonderful way to witness for the Lord we love so much! And the greatest part about it is that it's for everyone. There's no age limit and no particular qualifications except a deep-rooted love of Christ and a desire to serve Him.

If you are high school age or older and enjoy working in Bible School and camp you can become a Dedicated Worker for the Board of Christian Education. If you are through high school the Summer Christian Service Corps is crying out for workers to help spread the Good News throughout our land. Each of us has a special talent even if sometimes we keep quiet about it. Have you ever thought of sharing your talent and abilities with others by offering to be a Missioner? And for those of you who don't feel you fit into these programs just look around you. Our local churches are crying out for dedicated workers who will teach, clean up camps, serve dinners, tend to the nursery, sing in the choir, head a committee and so on and so on.

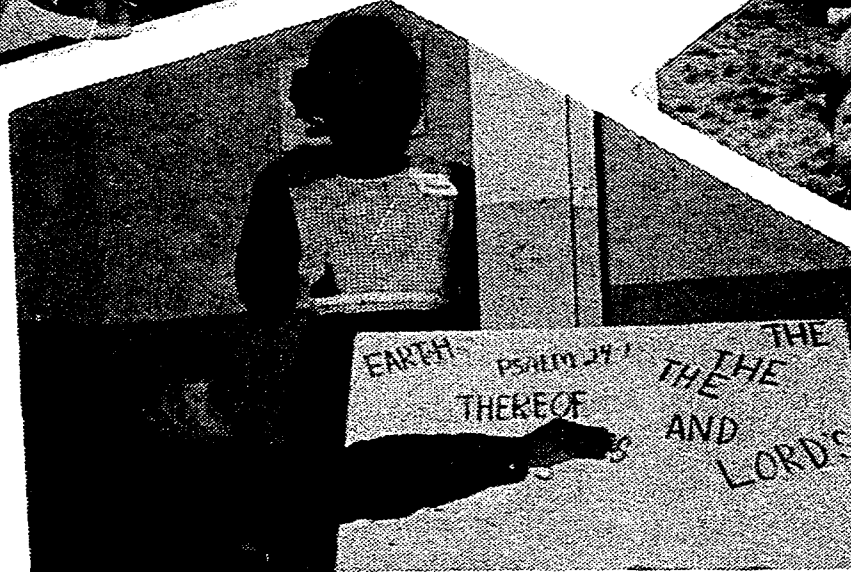
Okay, so you don't think you're able. Have you prayed about it? Seriously, have you sat down and had a talk with God? By the way, don't do all the talking—allow yourself enough time to listen to God. Not only do you need to open your ears but your mind and heart, too. We are so set in our ways it's really tough for us to let go and let God . . . and it won't happen overnight. It takes a lot of work and practice. As we get better and seek God's guidance more and learn to lean on Him, more doors open to us until at last we are actually serving Christ in everything we do instead of just the big things. And we feel good and are happy every day. Serving Christ brings peace to the worker and perhaps to countless others.

I forgot to mention one risk—that of losing one's life in Christ! Are you willing to take this risk and to let go and let God have His way? (I'm still working at it and it's great!) Will you join with others or even work alone in service for Him? Christ needs workers every day. He needs you and me!! How can we ignore His call?

*Nancy Cruzan*



## MAKING CHURCH MEANINGFUL



HELPING CHILDREN KNOW THE LORD



EAGER  
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#### WHY DO YOUTH BECOME INVOLVED IN SUMMER DEDICATED SERVICE?

"Many factors influenced me in joining Dedicated Service. My wonderful Christian family and friends had much to do with it. My pastor played a by-no-means small role in this decision. He was the person who challenged me to join SCSC. Also, the SCSC kids at Pre-Con and Conference showed a joy they had found. They made me see that being a Christian is not enough. A person has to give his all to the Lord. I also felt a tug at my heart and then a definite call from the Lord for a dedicated summer. Being a Christian, I could not turn down my Savior's bidding."

". . . because I felt that doing so was God's will."

"God led me to Dedicated Service. He left me with the feeling it was something I should do even though the pastor of my church questioned my going that last week before I left."

#### WHAT DO THEY SAY FOLLOWING THE SUMMER SERVICE?

"There is so much to tell, so much to be done, but most of all so much to thank God for!"

"All I can say is that I wouldn't have missed this opportunity for anything. I wouldn't trade summers with anyone, anywhere."

"As a whole, this summer has been one great big joyful experience for me, and I pray that it might have been the same for those I came in contact with. Time flew quickly and seemed, almost, to be too short. I pray that my experiences might not end here, but that I will continue to learn and live by them for they have been truly great. And the Lord is truly alive in my heart."

"I was and still am persuaded that trusting the Lord and grasping every opportunity He places before us increases and fulfills our needs as children of God as is promised."

## "YOKED IN MISSION WITH CHRIST"

Dedicated Service has been a growing concept and action among Seventh Day Baptists. It is destined to enlarge in scope and service in the months ahead.

"There have always been those in our churches who on the local level have given Dedicated Service—in teaching Sabbath School, in holding responsible and time consuming offices, in giving work on church building, parsonages, and in the construction and upkeep of our church camps. For Seventh Day Baptists the cooperation and the involvement of members in the total witness of the church is held high.

"Such involvement, however, has been limited because other matters have dominated the life, and such service, while wholly given, is usually on the circumference rather than at the focal point of life.

"DEDICATED: 'to set apart to a definite use or service.' In this context we think of lives that are set apart from the normal pursuits of life voluntarily given in trust to the Lord for a set period of complete use in the witness and work of the church. This is done without salary. The main objective is to reveal the love of Christ and His concern for the primary need of men—to know God's provision for them causing them to yield their lives into His hand for His purpose."

(Quotes from the booklet S. D. B. DEDICATED SERVICE, pp. 3, 4. Published in 1965)



SUMMER WORKERS AND TRAINING STAFF, 1967

**CLIP AND MAIL . . .**

I AM INTERESTED in the Seventh Day Baptist Dedicated Service program.

Please send me the items checked:

- S.D.B. Dedicated Service (booklet).
- Application Form for Dedicated Service.
- Project Form, for churches to use in establishing a Dedicated Service project (includes missionary).
- Additional Copies of this folder for personal distribution (No. ....?)

Mail this to:

The General Secretary  
Seventh Day Baptist General Conf.  
510 Watchung Avenue  
Plainfield, N. J. 07061

DO . . . . IT . . . . TODAY! . . . .

**A PASTOR REPORTS ON THEIR 1967 PROJECT . . .**

"Several youth made decisions for Christ. Several new youth started attending Sabbath School and church and we hope we can hold at least some of them. We have established a friendship of concern for the families in the neighborhood; . . . It has resulted in stimulating a greater interest of concern and cooperation in the hearts of the church members, which was shown by their willingness to teach VBS, be helpers, furnish transportation, give generously toward the VBS expenses, provide snacks, etc. Above all, the teaching and preaching of the gospel has resulted in the Holy Spirit being able to work through His Word and our witness for Christ."

**APPLICATIONS For Service in either D.V.C.S., Camp or S.C.S.C.**



Need to be in by December 15, 1967, in order to allow for planning of projects and the correspondence training offered prior to the summer program.

If you are still unsure about next summer, it is better to enroll and have to drop out than to miss this training and at a later date try to fit in.

Send in your request for the application forms today!

My personal interest is in: (Check one or more)

- Vacation Church School
- Camp Worker
- Missioner
- Summer Christian Service Corps
- Work Project doing .....
- Home Talent worker in .....
- C. O. M. E. ....
- Extended Service .....

Name: .....

Address: .....

City: ..... State .....

Zip.....

Home Church: .....

**PROJECTS**

"SERVICE PROJECTS may be initiated and financed by the denominational boards, agencies, associations or local churches. These projects are coordinated by the Planning Committee. A definite training period usually will precede the period of service. The volunteer in Dedicated Service will be cared for during his period of service by the project sponsor and will primarily be under and responsible to his own Project Director, though general oversight will be given by the Planning Committee through the General Secretary."

"Length of projects may vary. They may be for a season, a vacation period, a week or more, or for one year. Dedicated Service projects are those where outside help is needed to aid local church workers reach a definite goal. Such is given 'to help people help themselves' and is only temporary in nature, in cooperation with those on the local level."

As the need and vision come and are made known, such facts will be matched to the dedicated youth and adults who step forward to volunteer their service."

(From S.D.B. Dedicated Service, a booklet published in 1965, pp. 4, 5.)

PROJECT FORMS should be sent in by JANUARY 15, 1968, so advance planning and training can be done.

MISSIONS—Sec. Everett T. Harris

**Director Leon Lawton's Services and Plans**



The loving interest and prayer support of Seventh Day Baptists is requested for the Rev. Leon R. Lawton as he carries on a full and sometimes strenuous program of services as Director of Evangelism. It seems well to note a few of his services and plans so that we may continue to hold him up in our prayers.

Director Lawton continues to carry on pastoral duties and occupy the pulpit of the First and Second Brookfield Churches, all within the limitations of an extensive program of field work. The Brookfield churches provide a home for Pastor Lawton and family. Recently these churches sent a generous gift to the Missionary Board as an expression of appreciation for the present arrangement.

Director Lawton accepts a few requests from churches each year to serve as "Missioner," as these requests may be brought into his schedule. Under such arrangement he came to Westerly at the request of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church for the weekend of September 29 - October 1, 1967. In addition to bringing the Sabbath morning message, he led a "Growth by Groups" program, showed a film and led discussion of "The Crusade of the Americas," and met with the young people on two occasions for training for visitation evangelism and for putting such a program into practice.

From Westerly Director Lawton planned to drive to Nortonville, Kansas, to attend Mid-Continent Association meetings October 6-8, co-hosted by Nortonville-Kansas City churches. It is expected that he will remain in the Kansas-Nebraska area during October, working with Pastors Paul Osborn, Duane Davis and Clifford Bond to carry forward the work of evangelism wherever opportunities arise.

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On his return trip he will stop off at Chicago to attend a Regional Meeting of Crusade of the Americas Planning Committee.

We hope soon to receive a written report of Pastor Lawton's experiences which we may share through Recorder pages. Again we urge that he be remembered in our prayers.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel

**Executive Committee Meeting**

The Executive Committee of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education held its first meeting of the fiscal year on October 7.

The newly elected president, the Rev. Ernest K. Bee Jr., announced the make-up of the board committees and their chairmen. Chairmen reappointed include Kenneth E. Kenyon, Vocational; Burton B. Crandall, Higher Education; Lyle Sutton, Youth Work; Mrs. Frank (Jean) Snyder, Family Life; Nancy Cruzan, Dedicated Service. New chairmen are H. O. Burdick, Finance; E. Wayne Cruzan, Publications; Mrs. Gordon (Helen) Ogden, Nominations; and Mrs. Ernest Bee, Publicity.

Recommendations and suggestions from General Conference were discussed and appropriate action taken looking toward their development through the board committees.

There was much discussion concerning the possibilities of holding our annual corporation meeting at General Conference. It was noted that our by-laws would have to be changed to make this possible.

A request that we grant the privilege of the reprinting of our publication *You and Your Church*, by L. Sawi Thanga of Burma, was considered.

Budgetary matters came under the usual discussion.

**Youth at Milton College**

A report from the pastor of the Milton Seventh Day Baptist church shows that the following Seventh Day Baptist youth are enrolled at Milton College: Alan, Ann, and Steven Crouch, Philip Rood,



Russell Johnson, James Skaggs, Jeffrey Fitz Randolph, David Applegate, Donna Sanford, Nancy Abelmann, Philip Davis, Andrea Crandall, Sharon Williams, Randy Dickinson, and Diane Lippincott.

### Christian Education Week

Three programs that were used as a part of Christian Education Week have been shared with the editor of this page—from Pawcatuck, Salem, and Milton.

They included Teacher Dedication Services, discussions on "What Is Teaching?", "What Is a Teacher?", "Why Are They Teaching?", "Who May Qualify?", and "What's in It for All these People?"

On the back of the special bulletin used for the service at Pawcatuck were listed the officers and teachers of the Sabbath School. Below, it was noted that "Other Christian Education concerns of our church include camping programs, Vacation Bible School, and teacher training courses."

Here is the litany used at Salem:

**Leader:** Our Father, God, we realize that this to which we dedicate ourselves is Thy work: with Thee all things are possible. Therefore, trusting in Thy grace: To help persons know and love and serve Thee,

**Teachers:** We consecrate ourselves, our Father.

**Leader:** To help others to understand, appreciate, and accept the way of Jesus Christ,

**Teachers:** We consecrate ourselves, our Father.

**Leader:** To help others become persons who have the breadth of sympathy which Jesus had, the radiance of His joy, the fullness of His love,

**Teachers:** We consecrate ourselves, our Father.

**Leader:** To encourage others to participate in the life and work of the church,

**Teachers:** We consecrate ourselves, Father.

**Leader:** To share with others our understanding and appreciation of the Bible,

**Teachers:** We consecrate ourselves, our Father.

**Congregation:** Realizing that Christian growth is the goal of the Sabbath School,

we will endeavor to give our support by faithful attendance and participation. Bless us, our Father, in the renewal of our dedication to Thee, and through the indwelling of thy Holy Spirit, keep us ever faithful to it, so that we may shed abroad Thy love to all whom we serve in Thy name. Amen.

### Religion on Television

"Choice, the Imperative of Tomorrow" is a four part Look Up and Live series on the CBS-TV Network which will appear on the Sundays of November, 1967. Check your TV guides for local listings.

This series gives you an opportunity to view and discuss a most unusual educational effort. It is sparked by the University Christian Movement and augmented by numerous church and educational groups as they study technology and its effects.

Seventh Day Baptists have an unusual opportunity to participate in these programs as they usually are shown at 10:30 on Sunday mornings.

It is suggested that you unite with others to form a discussion group about the broadcast programs. Study material was recommended in the September, 1967, *International Journal of Religious Education*.

"Haven't you wondered, in the age of cybernetics and technology . . .

how does man choose?

How do you choose?

When and where will we choose to use the unlimited energy now available?

Longer life! More people on earth.

What values will be appropriate? Why?

How do you feel about them?"

### PREACHERS

A preacher is like a carpenter. His tool is the Word of God. Because the materials on which he works vary, he ought not always pursue the same course when he preaches. For the sake of the variety of his auditors he should sometimes console, sometimes frighten, sometimes scold, sometimes soothe.—Martin Luther.

# YOUth

### Bad News — Good News

By Nancy Brannon

It is always difficult to break bad news to people. It is especially hard on those who have to break it. Our bad news is that the *YOUth* devotional publication which you have been hearing about for so long will not be continued at this time.

Many of you have contributed devotions for this project. Praise the Lord! Many thanks too! But we did not want to spoil your good thoughts. For two college students that means studying, and this additional project has become a burden instead of a joy. Since our time will not allow us to do a good job in reproducing your inspirational thoughts, we thought it would be best not to continue with this project in the form originally intended.

However, since so many of you sent such good material, we felt it was a shame to let it sit around and collect dust. So we are also announcing good news. Your *Sabbath Recorder* editor has graciously accepted the request to print one or two of your articles each week in a feature column for youth. This will include articles by young people, church leaders, and foreign SDBs. We hope and pray that this ministry will partially replace *YOUth*, at least for the present. Please notify your young people and friends who may not have seen this notice of the change. (Remember subscriptions to the *Sabbath Recorder* for college students are only \$1.00 for the school year.)

Please continue to send articles of interest to youth and to support this effort in your prayers. Further articles, suggestions or complaints should be directed to:

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### My Friend

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, but the word of our God shall stand forever —Isa. 40:8.

Have you ever felt that everything has gone wrong and everyone has turned against you and that no matter what you do or say or no matter how hard you try, you fail and find yourself alone? Or are you ever lonely when there are plenty of others around you?

Loneliness—what a horrible, empty state to be in! But . . . are we ever really alone? And, if so, why? I think part of the time we are lonely because we think too much of ourselves; we sit around and nurse our hurt feelings or pride or love and fail to see the fellow next to us who is trying to shake our hand. But worse than losing sight of others at this time, we too often lose sight of God also. I guess we take His presence too much for granted and thus forget Him. But we shouldn't! He wants to help if we ask Him to. When I get lonely or downhearted, I talk to God. He is a Friend who never leaves my side. He loves and cares for all of us, and, you know, there is a special quality about Him that seems to take the loneliness and empty, aching feeling away. Next time you feel downhearted please put through a direct call to my Friend God and let Him help you through. (P. S. Call collect!)

People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges.

—Joseph Fort Newton.

(Nancy Cruzan, Milton, Wis.)

### TROUBLES

When I'm troubled by thoughts which pertain to political questions or household affairs, I take up a psalm or a text of Paul and fall asleep over it. But the thoughts which come from Satan demand more of me. Then I have to resort to more difficult maneuvers before I extricate myself, although I easily get the upper hand in thoughts of an economic or domestic character. However, when I'm angry with God and ask Him whether it is He or I who's wrong, then it's more than I can handle. —Martin Luther.

### Prayer Calendar Suggestions

By Marjorie Burdick

Romans 12:3 (NEB) "In virtue of the gift that God has given me I say to everyone among you: do not be conceited or think too highly of yourself; but think your way to a sober estimate based on the measure of faith that God has dealt to each of you."

The theme for our people, "Facing Frontiers with Faith," had the emphasis on "Individuals" for 1966-67. How have we shown self-improvement during the year?

Let's do a little self-analysis these last days of October. Shall we ask ourselves in our prayer-time some questions, and then seek God's help along whatever lines we need?

Try some of these:

Do I always show my appreciation—avoiding palaver?

Am I willing to use myself in service to others? Do I avoid belittling my abilities?

Can I say what I have to say in a few well-chosen words without tiring others by repeating?

Can I take criticism or correction with grace?

Can I give two-for-one? In other words, am I willing to give two silent prayers for each criticism of person or cause that I voice?

If I chide or tease others, can I take the same when it is turned on me?

Am I a graceful loser in games or sports?

When working with others on a committee, can I do it willingly and cheerfully?

Do I always do my part carefully and well—even to the job of dishwashing? Do I treat every dish as an individual—"handle with care"?

Perhaps I need to ask for understanding and patience. Perhaps I should give

thought and prayer of thanks for a good quality I see in some person or project to which I object. In whatever ways I need improvement, I should take courage and ever keep on trying to grow.

I Peter 4: 7, 8a (NEB) "The end of all things is upon us, so you must lead an ordered and sober life, given to prayer. Above all, keep your love for one another at full strength—".

### BIBLE READING

Women, are you on schedule with your Bible reading for the year? Plan to report the number of your group who succeed with this program of reading the Bible through in 1967.

### SEVENTH DAY BAPTISTS Reading Through the Bible in 1967

"THIRTY MINUTES A DAY  
WITH THE WORD"

Watch this column for monthly schedule

NOVEMBER		
1	Jeremiah	14-17
2	Jeremiah	18-22
3	Jeremiah	23-25
4	Jeremiah	26-29
5	Jeremiah	30-32
6	Jeremiah	33-36
7	Jeremiah	37-39
8	Jeremiah	40-42
9	Jeremiah	43-46
10	Jeremiah	47-49
11	Jeremiah	50-52
12	Lamentations	1-5
13	Ezekiel	1-3
14	Ezekiel	4-6
15	Ezekiel	7-9
16	Ezekiel	10-12
17	Ezekiel	13-15
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24	Ezekiel	34-36
25	Ezekiel	37-39
26	Ezekiel	40-42
27	Ezekiel	43-45
28	Ezekiel	46-48
29	Daniel	1-3
30	Daniel	4-6

### It Happened in the Senate

There was something special for a considerable number of Seventh Day Baptists in Washington on Thursday, July 27, 1967. It was in connection with the U. S. Senate.

On that day Seventh Day Baptist young people from the Central New York Association were in Washington and, by special arrangement, were seated in the Senate gallery when that day's session opened. Needless to say, it was an awesome and exciting experience to be listening to the proceedings of the highest legislative body of our country.

There was more. On that occasion, in the absence of the regular presiding officer the only Seventh Day Baptist senator presided. The *Congressional Record* for that day begins as follows: "The Senate met at 12 o'clock meridian, and was called to order by the Honorable Jennings Randolph, a senator from West Virginia." The young people, who had previously met the senator must have felt at ease, and a little proud.

That was not all. The Senate has a chaplain, duly appointed and schooled in making appropriate prayers to begin the session. He was there that day, but by previous arrangement through the office of Senator Randolph the prayer on that day was offered by the Rev. Delmer E. Van Horn who was with the youth delegation. We quote again from the July 27 *Congressional Record*:

Rev. Delmer E. Van Horn, pastor, Washington Seventh Day Baptist Church, Laurel, Md., offered the following prayer:

O Thou who art the creator of the majestic and beautiful arches of the sky, the seas and the land, we would praise Thee, our Father, and give Thee thanks for the gift of life, the rich heritage of our Nation, and for the inner strivings of our hearts which cause us to seek after a more meaningful way of life. May Thy Holy Spirit empower our faith to never falter. Grant that we may respond to Thy love, O Thou who understands our every need, and hears and answers prayer. Direct now, we pray Thee, these who have been chosen by the people, that they may have a wisdom far greater than that of human

mind, and that they may have the courage to live and speak the convictions of their hearts with love and patience, tact and perseverance, until true brotherhood in Thee, O God, exists throughout the universe. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

There was one more experience for the youth on that day which will not be forgotten. When they left the Senate gallery for their noon meal, they were the guests of Senator Randolph in the dining room. Whether or not those young folks will assume that all senators are as interested in common folks as they found one senator to be, they had a unique experience of recognition and identification through the efforts of Pastor Van Horn and the Honorable Jennings Randolph. —L. M. M.

### Colored Prints on Sale from Historical Society

Colored prints of communion sets, church documents and objects of artistic and historical interest to Seventh Day Baptists are now available as a result of photography done this summer by Robert E. Burdick of Syracuse, N. Y., in the Historical Society rooms.

Robert Burdick is son of Rev. and Mrs. Paul S. Burdick, Waterford, Conn. His work was on exhibit at General Conference in Grand Rapids and brought much comment.

Suitable for framing, the prints depict many choice items in the Society collection displayed by Miss Evalois St. John, librarian. They are available either in postcard size or enlargements for mounting and all are sharp and clear with faithful coloring. Churches which have placed their communion sets in the Society's vaults for safekeeping may wish to order a picture of the set for hanging in social rooms or halls. Other prints are of early church records in Britain and America, and of articles associated with prominent persons in denominational life.

An earlier set of slides dealing with the work of the Society is being revised with this added material. Robert Burdick was asked to produce this series as a result of his fine work in photocopying oil paints



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done by his grandfather, Bert A. Brooks, self-trained Seventh Day Baptist artist of Waterford, Conn., who died in the late thirties. Copies of these prints are also available and chiefly include seascapes and still life treatments.

Prices fixed to recover cost of materials plus a small return to the artist are 50¢ for postcard size and \$4.00 for 8 x 10 enlargements postpaid. Write Rev. Albert N. Rogers, president, 2301 Wadsworth Blvd., Denver, Colo. 80215 for list of prints.

## Licensed to Preach

Under Seventh Day Baptist polity when a local church wishes to express its confidence in certain members who have indicated their felt call to the ministry the church may by vote grant them license to preach. In olden days it was spoken of as encouraging them "to improve their gifts." A number of young people have recently been given such licenses.

From Ashaway, R. I., came word this summer that Miss Connie Coon had been given a license to preach.

A Daytona Beach, Fla., information sheet states that Timothy Looney, who has devoted three summers to dedicated service, was recently licensed.

The North Loup, Nebr., church bulletin states that at the October 1 business meeting the following three young men were granted licenses, Harold King, Robert Babcock, and LaVere Soper. All are engaged in some kind of training for greater service.

## SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for November 4, 1967

MAN

## THE INDIVIDUAL

One of the greatest contrasts between Christianity and Communism is in their treatment of the individual. Communism deals with society, Christianity reaches for the individuals who make up the society. Communism puts in power a ruthless government, because no individual is more important than the state. Christianity puts in practice compassion and love because the individual is important to God. Put these facts alongside the fact that Communism denies the existence of God, while Christianity believes that Christ and the Father are one God, and it is easy to see why these two philosophies are mutually exclusive.

## Accessions

SALEM, W. VA.

By Baptism:

Harold Hulin  
Duska Goodson  
Thomas Goodson

By Letter:

Josephine Rogers (Mrs. Stephen)

Associate Member:

Chattie Mae Swiger (Mrs. Del)

## Obituaries

**GAVITT.**—Edmund Russell, son of Munson and Sybil Champlin Gavitt, was born May 25, 1886, and died at Halifax General Hospital, Daytona Beach, Fla., Sept. 26, 1967.

He was a master mechanic and had given up operating his own business only about a year ago. He was married to Ethel Rogers on Nov. 8, 1911. For the last twenty-seven years they had lived in Daytona Beach. He was baptized on April 4, 1958, and joined the Daytona Seventh Day Baptist Church. He was a trustee and a most willing worker.

Surviving are his wife and a sister, Mrs. Minnie Lewis, of Niantic, Conn.

The funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Marion C. Van Horn, and burial was in Bellevue Memorial Park in Daytona Beach.

—M. C. V. H.



## Reformation Symbol in Washington

The streets, parks and church grounds of our nation's capital are graced with statues of men who have made important contributions to our history and culture. The Protestant Reformation has probably come to its fullest flower in America because our new country could more easily break with church tradition than the countries of Europe. It is fitting for Martin Luther to stand high on a memorial stone in front of a Lutheran church in Washington. Let us not lose sight of the Reformation doctrines which gave him the courage to stand for fundamental truth as found in the Word of God.