COMING EVENTS

National Family Week — May 4-11. Theme: "Brotherhood Begins at Home."

Annual Seventh Day Baptist Ministers' Conference — Brookfield, Ct., May 12-14, 1952. The conference probably will open Monday evening and close Thursday noon.

Bi-monthly meeting of the Tract Board — Shiloh, N. J., May 11, 1952.

Sabbath Rally Day — May 17, 1952.

Northern Association — The spring session of the Northern Association will meet May 23-25 at Jackson Center, Ohio. The first service will be on Friday at 8 p.m., EST, and the session will close with business at the Sunday morning fellowship breakfast. M. B., Sec'y.

Central Association — June 6-8, 1952, at De Ruyter, N. Y., with the opening session at 8:00 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, June 6. Theme — "Go Ye." — Bernice D. Rogers, Corresponding Secretary.

Southeastern Association — The annual sessions of the Southeastern Association will be held at the Salemville, Pa., Church, June 27-29. Sessions will begin Friday night at 7:30 and close with a Sunday evening meeting. Rev. Paul S. Burdick, pastor, New Enterprise, Pa.

BIRTHS

Langworthy. — A son, Frederick Christopher, to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Langworthy II, Adams Center, N. Y., on January 25, 1952.

Pickard. — A daughter, Laura Eileen, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pickard of Newfoundland, AFB, Newburgh, N. Y., January 29, 1952.


Dinner. — A son, Timothy Ewes, to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Dinner of Battle Creek, Mich., March 23, 1952.

Merchant. — A daughter, Suzanne Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. Claire Merchant of Battle Creek, Mich., April 21, 1952.

OBITUARIES

Wilborn. — J. Alfred, son of James Y. and Sarah Frances Stillman Wilborn, was born in Plainfield, N. J., October 21, 1875, and passed away in his home in Dunellen, N. J., April 10, 1952.

He was baptized by Rev. L. E. Livermore and united with the Piscataway Seventh Day Baptist Church at New Market in 1891. He joined the New York City Church in 1898 and rejoined at New Market in 1911. He served in various church offices.

In 1909 he married to Elizabeth Elvira Boice, who survives him. To this union were born a daughter, Marion Frances, who died in 1916, and a son, Austin Douglas, now of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Mr. Wilborn received a Bachelor of Science degree from Rutgers College in 1897, and a Master of Science degree in 1905.

By profession he was a teacher. Several years ago he retired as principal of the Olive Street School in Newark, in which capacity he had served for twenty-five years. He did some writing, his articles having appeared in various periodicals.

Farewell services were conducted from the Runyon Funeral Home, Dunellen, N. J., on April 14, 1952, by Rev. Hurley S. Warren. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield.

H. S. W. Williams. — Chester C, son of John and Mary Chapman Williams, was born at Lowville on September 24, 1872, and died at his home in Adams Center, N. Y., on March 8, 1952.

He was graduated from Adams Collegiate Institute in 1894 and taught in Jefferson County schools for about ten years. He conducted a general store in Adams Center for over forty years before retiring in 1946.

His wife preceded him in death on August 16, 1939.

He was a faithful member of the Adams Center Seventh Day Baptist Church for 64 years. He was ordained deacon in 1912 and elected moderator of the Church in 1914. He continued in these offices until his death. He was faithful in service to his Lord and Master.

Farewell services were held from his home on March 11 with Rev. Earl Cruzan officiating. Burial was in Union Cemetery at Adams Center.

E. C. Bonham. — John, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bonham, was born December 17, 1880, and passed away April 7, 1952, at his home in Shiloh, N. J.

He was baptized and joined the Church in 1892 and has been an active member of the Church for many years.

Mr. Bonham is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Russell Mattson and four sisters: Mrs. Henry Ewing, Mrs. Paul Lyon, Mrs. Harold Milward, Mrs. Charles A. Banko.

Farewell services were conducted on April 10, 1952, in the Goodson Funeral Home in Bridgeton by Rev. Robert Lipinski and burial was in the Shiloh Cemetery.

R. L.
MINISTERS' CONFERENCE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

According to a last-minute reckoning more than thirty different people will participate in the program of the Ministers' Conference at Brookfield, N. Y., May 5-8. Special lecturers include Dr. M. Holmes Harshorne of Colgate University and Dr. John C. Trever of the National Council of Churches' Division of Education. Laymen who will address the conference are Conference President Orville B. Bond, Salem College President K. Duanie Hurley, and Miss Evalois St. John of the Historical Society Library.

Ministers who will participate in the program are listed as follows: Marion Van Horn, Paul Maxson, Melvin Nida, Loyal Hurley, Paul Burdick, Rex Zwiefel, Clyde Ehret, Clifford Hansen, Lee Holloway, Earl Crazan, Hurley Warren, Harold Grundall, David Clarke, Albert Rogers, Alton Wheeler, Orville Babcock, Carroll Hill, Elmo Randolph, Victor Skaggs, Everett Harris, Wayne Rood, Herbert Polan, Trenil Schull, Rex Burdick, Robert Lippincott, and Charles Bond. Oscar Burdick of the School of Theology will serve as organist for the conference.

Program Committee.

THE SECRET OF LOVING MARRIAGE

By Mrs. L. A. Wing

If there is power in prayer: Who suffered loss today because I failed To offer up to God an intercessory plea? Who has been hungry because Of my neglect to give the needed bread? So full, so full, is all the world today Of hungry people waiting to be fed. How shall I meet the responsibility? If but an hour I should lose touch with Thee? Lay on my heart the burden of those souls Whom thou wouldst have me serve In loving ministry. Berlin, N. Y.

The Sabbath symbolizes God's immortality and our immortality. These are its doctrinal implications. God created the world in the beginning, but He also created the human soul. God sought to make men constantly conscious through the regular and frequent return of His holy day. — A. J. C. Bond.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

To the Editor:

As a Seventh Day Baptist working in the field of public education I was greatly interested in the statements concerning public education made by Rev. Joseph M. Dawson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. I am one of the many other Seventh Day Baptists working in that field who would also be interested. Dr. Dawson said in part:

"The present crisis in American culture at the point of religious training could be attributed directly to the shabby, ignorant, indolent, and immoral conduct of the American Protestant Churches for neglecting unescapable duty."

"Do the Churches not comprehend that our American system requires the fullest activity on their part in supplying the essential element of religious training? Have they given up the battle, or are they too cowardly or too lazy, to undertake it?"

"Strictly religious instruction, as allowed in some public schools at present in violation of the United States Supreme Court's prohibition of it, is so negligible that it is scandalous. If patched up so as to satisfy everybody, it would become a watered-down faith that the Churches themselves would sneer at as 'the public school creed.' By this I do not belittle the public schools — they are our number one asset in the nation's civic life, the true source of our democracy and the greatest means to national unity. They teach moral and spiritual values, they properly teach much about religion, and most of the teachers in them are members of our various Churches.

"The public schools are correctly called 'secular,' in the same sense that our gov-
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American Sabbath Tract Society

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Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Harry Y.) Virginia Boling,

P. O. Box 161,

Twenty nine Palms, Calif.

Commander Donald R. Wilson
to Receive Honorary Degree

President K. Duane Hurley of Salem College, Salem, W. Va., has announced that Donald R. Wilson of Clarksburg, W. Va., National Commander of the American Legion, will receive an honorary degree and deliver the commencement address at Salem College on May 29.

Young Wilson, a graduate of the University of Virginia Law School, began his legal activities in Clarksburg immediately following his discharge from World War II. He served as county attorney, commander, district commander, and department commander. Following a number of national committee assignments, he was chosen national commander at the Miami convention last year.

In announcing that Commander Wilson has accepted the Salem College invitation, President Hurley said, "We are delighted and honored to have this great American leader come back home to address our commencement. His able and courageous leadership is an inspiration to every patriotic American."

Sincerely,

(Mrs. L. L.) Nina Lewis,
North Loup, Neb.,
April 22, 1952.

Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
DENVER, COLO., AUGUST 19-24, 1952

PACIFIC COAST ASSOCIATION

By Alta H. Grieshaber and Neva Hunt

The Pacific Coast Association which met in San Francisco, April 11-13, 1952, opened very successfully Sabbath eve with a vesper service. Devotions were led by President Albyn Macintosh, followed by various testimonies by each Sabbath school class from the primary to the seniors, developing the theme of the association meetings, "Accountable to God for My Brother." An address of welcome was given by Rev. Leon M. Malby. The testimony meeting was conducted by Mrs. Florence Ritz.

A part of our morning Sabbath school from which everyone received a deep blessing and thrill was the song service, and music by the orchestra. The lesson, "Thomas and the Risen Lord," was studied. Rev. Leon R. Lawson, pastor of the Los Angeles Church, delivered the morning sermon, "Accountable to God." Anthems were sung by the combined choirs of the Riverside and Los Angeles Churches.

Our souls being sufficiently fed for the time being, the Riverside ladies satisfied our physical wants with a delicious chicken pie dinner.

A Sabbath afternoon children's hour was led by Iris Malby, while the young people conducted the adult service. Again a deeply thrilling and blessed song and praise service was enjoyed. Talks given by Lucille Malby and Leroy Merrill, solo by Richard Arlen, and an anthem by the choir were followed by the address, "Denominational-Associational Relationships," delivered by E. Keith Davis, a member of the Commission, from the Denver Seventh Day Baptist Church.

That evening Maxwell Lathrop, former missionary to Mexico and representing the Wycliffe translators, gave a short talk and showed a motion picture, "To Each in His Own Tongue." portraying the work of the translators. A social hour ended the Sabbath.

Association Purposes

At 7-30 Sunday morning the young people held a fellowship breakfast at Fairmont Park. The annual business meeting opened at 9:30 with devotions by Gleason Curtis. Purposes of the association in general were drawn up, as follows:

For fellowship and worship among like-minded Christians, encouraging one another to live what we believe;

To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, "teaching them to observe all things" as Jesus has commanded;

To promote home missions and evangelism, including sending out visitation groups of laymen, particularly young people;

To carry on Bible study courses and training programs particularly for young people;

To keep alive our interest in what is going on in local and national government circles;

To carry on our interest in world missions in co-operation with others.

Other Business

It was voted that this association express to the General Conference its interest and willingness to elect a representative to the Commission according to the proposed denominational reorganization plan.

A committee, consisting of Rev. Leon Lawton, Rev. Marian Hargis, Alice Hayward, and Mary Moore, was named to confer with Beth Severe and Joan Clement who have volunteered their services for the Nyasaland mission field, and to correspond with the Missionary Board and Rev. Ronald Barrar regarding the work there.

Officers elected are as follows: President, Philip Lewis; vice-president, Rev. Marian Hargis; corresponding secretary, Opal Dunn; recording secretary, Nettie Cran dall; treasurer, Merle Ashcraft. Elmer Maddox and Albyn Macintosh were elected to serve on the executive committee as members at large. Ministers of the Pacific Coast Association serve as advisory members.

Closing Meeting

After a covered dish luncheon, the closing meeting of the association began with the orchestra and a song service led by Christine Watkins. Two topics were discussed, "Accountable to God for My Brother in Foreign Missions" by Sarah Becker, and "Accountable to God for My Brother in the Home Field" by Pastor Malby.
FOUR W's OF FREE EDUCATION

By President K. Duane Husley
Salem College, Salem, W. Va.
(Inaugural address delivered on Friday, April 4, 1952.)

Not many weeks ago a young man from a foreign country sold all of his possessions and traveled to the United States expecting to be given a college education without charge. He had seen the brochure from a midwestern school which adheres, as institutions of higher learning should, to the concept of a free education. The foreign student undoubtedly has discovered, however, that the word "free" in this case has a different connotation than he had expected.

It would seem that many people today have this young man's idea regarding the word "free." People have been conditioned to look for "something for nothing." A glance at any newspaper or magazine, or a casual listening to the radio, will reveal how much the advertisers play upon the public's desire to get something gratis.

Convinced, however, that "free" has a larger meaning, Salem College has always stood — and will continue to stand for a free education in its own right. This is the heart and vitality of our democratic way. Let it be proposed that free education is founded upon four W's — wonder, wisdom, work, and worship.

Freedom to Wonder

Students on the college campus today should be guided into a freedom to Wonder. Independent thinking is difficult; many individuals would rather be told what to believe. There are two extremes: Those who will not think at all, and those who give way to radical, loose, unreasoning thought. The college has the responsibility of providing an atmosphere where right thinking can take root and grow. Certainly progress is made when man's mind is freed.

Educators are sometimes criticized or made fun of for spending too much time in their "ivory towers." As the President of Hamilton College has pointed out, the only objection should be to the choice of material for the tower. If it is cool, dead bone — hardly the material to describe the mind of a master teacher-scholar, or the place where he spends his time. But if it is a thrilling, inspiring core, then all right. The professor needs to separate himself far enough from the noise and the dust of mundane matters to see clearly, to gain perspective, in order to give his students higher goals for higher tasks. He should be free to Wonder, and to encourage the students who come under his influence with the same freedom.

Freedom to Work

As a second W in the freedoms of a liberal education, every member of today's society should be free to Work, being inspired to get a full day's work rather than as little as possible. It would seem that in its instruction, Christian higher education should create in the workman a desire to give honest labor. Equally important, of course, is equitable and adequate remuneration. Both honest labor and honest pay should be recognized and insisted upon. One should not be dethroned from its place of first importance.

The Dean of Education of New York University has sounded a timely alarm. Today's economic structure, he says, suffers from a lesserened sense of responsibility and a dulled conscience with regard to sharp practices in business. The same rackets are near rackets in reality. A materialistic outlook on life has a corrosive effect.

Within the immediate experience of each of us, no doubt, is evident some of this corrosion: The teacher observes the student who refuses even to throw waste-paper in the basket, tossing it aside, insisting that somebody is paid to keep the room orderly. The vocational counselor meets the adult who asks first, "What requirements do I have to complete?" How can I be prepared myself to serve my fellow man?" The business executive is confronted by the protective business. He ignores the fact that he finds out anything about the job, asks, "How much do I get per hour?" The energetic workman, trying to do a good job, is heckled by a lazy fellow laborer who con

Continually mutters, "Take your time. Make it last." These are not the types of people who make a Christian higher education.

One of the great imperatives of this age is to re-establish the ideal in vocations: Service above self. The liberal arts college has no solution. But, with the imaginative spirit inspired by contact with generations with the validity of personal initiative and ingenuity. Here are foundation stones of American greatness.

There is inspiration in observing those who have met with great success in self-forgetfulness motivated by the intention of really serving mankind. Mark, for example, the young man who had failed in business in New York City, trying to amass a great fortune by so-called "sharp" methods. Out of his failure came success in the city of Miami, when he applied a simple formula: Do a better job of painting automobiles for less than anyone else.

Consider also the case of the gas station attendant in Salem, who had a vision of giving the public more for their money and started the first "serve yourself" station, and his station is still in operation; and now the nation's highways are dotted with similar locations where the customer can wait upon himself and save money. This is the vision of unselfish service not only helped him in overcoming every obstacle in building a chain of stations for himself, but motivated his furnishing blueprints to his competitors without charge.

Or, take the example of the man in Albuquerque who in the prime of his life was crippled with arthritis. He had been an X-ray technician and the loss of the use of his hands precluded success in that field, but the good, old-fashioned American caninity he developed for himself a portable public address system. Now he is happy and self-supporting as an advertising investigator that sells his furnishing blueprints to his competitors without charge.

Perhaps some of you may know the brilliant scientist who gave up a lucrative job to be a modern-day pioneer on an island in the middle of one of our eastern rivers.

Occasionally we hear about research experts, professors, and others who give up the comfort of a salary, classroom, and home to climb the highest mountains in search of scientific fact. The loss of feet and fingers — and sometimes, life — are considered an unimportant sacrifice.

It is important to maintain this freedom to Wonder. Progress and peace can be achieved only through individuals who are unfettered in body, mind, in spirit.

In this secular age the Christian college has an opportunity and an obligation to lead those whom it influences into exciting new adventures instead of untried or forgotten paths to previously unscaled heights of the spirit, too. Just as in the first century, the Christian life today is a radical life. To practice truth as set forth by the Teacher of Galilee is nothing short of revolutionary, yet such is the high privilege of the Christian school.

Freedom to Worship

It takes freedom to wander from the beaten path; it takes also the fourth W of a free education, the one which leaves the individual free to Worship. This does not suggest a free enjoyment of all spiritual values, but rather puts each individual in position to relate spiritual values to his own living in the best way for him.

But the Clarkurg address, Robert Vogler told in graphic terms how in certain parts of the world there is no longer freedom to Wander.

Each of us can think of certain activities with which we like to fill our otherwise leisure time. Whether it be to climb a mountain or traverse the country by automobile, we all love this freedom. That longing compelled a young college graduate and his bride to forego a luxurious honeymoon to experience instead the excitement of barnstorming around the world in an old airplane which the young man had bought for a song and completely rebuilt in his spare time while going to college.

Many parts of today's world. In a recent address, Robert Vogler told in graphic terms how in certain parts of the world there is no longer freedom to Wander.
Increasingly, thinking men, men who understand economic conditions in our country, and in the world, men who are intimately connected with political and social affairs, warn that only a religious awakening can save society.

The Library of the College, dedicated to Christian principles, finds itself in a unique position to sound this warning and lead students to accept its challenge.

There remains a significant field of education in America yet to be cultivated, a field containing the fertile soil of basic religious concepts, planted with seeds of eternal truth, and watered with unbiased, unprejudiced attitudes, so that all students may be strengthened in their most sacred, important convictions. A Christian climate is the only one in which such growth can flourish.

To have a Y.M. or Y.W.C.A. on a college campus is good, but it is not sufficient. To have a Christian Education department is commendable, but not the ultimate in Christian influence. To provide vital worship services is wonderful, but not the complete answer.

Personal Commitment Essential

The Christian influence begins to take deep root when, after worshiping and working together, with faculty and administration, the students feel the importance of absolute honesty in the taking of examinations; the necessity of real sportsmanship in the playing of games; the dependence upon a silent prayer before an examination or other important activity; the willingness to let God have a hand in the direction of one's life-work or the choosing of a life mate. Such conduct is dependent upon personal and definite commitment to the ways of the Master Teacher.

A Christ-Centered Curriculum

As pointed out by the special nation-wide committee now studying the purposes of our Christian colleges, such a curriculum is a gigantic undertaking does not come overnight. It is built upon a thoroughgoing Christian philosophy of education. It comes when and only when the college, in such a curriculum, is thoroughly committed to this distinctive philosophy, working through a curriculum which is definitely Christ-centered. It is important that a student body actively support these philosophies and aims, recognizing that there are at least two aspects of Christian education, the required and the voluntary — and making room for voluntary participation even in required activities. The truth must be taught, put into practice, through applying Christian ethics in all of the college's relationships.

Press On!

It is a long road that leads to this goal — a goal that provides for the Four W's of a free education. Salem College already has made outstanding progress along this way, determined always that students have a chance at an education which will really make them free — free for work and leisure: for worship and study: for being something, as well as doing something. Students, teachers, and leaders of the past have taken tremendous strides in this direction. They are to be commended, but the road stretches ahead. With renewed vigor it is incumbent upon us to "press on" and "set our faces for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

"Those who originated our free government were students of the Bible and devoutly religious men. If their successors lose this religious motivation and forget the word of God as revealed in the Bible, freedom will perish." — Selected.

The Hargises' Itinerary

Rev. and Mrs. Ronald I. Hargis, as they continue their visitation of Seventh Day Baptist Churches, under the auspices of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education and as the first phase of the new Co-ordinated Denominational Program, announce the following itinerary: May 8-18 — Nortownville, Kan. May 19-26 — Fowke, Ark. May 27 — Fowke, Calif. June, July — Churches in California, Pacific Pines Camp. All readers of the Sabbath Recorder who are interested in this phase of the new Co-ordinated Denominational Program will continue in prayer for its spiritual effectiveness.

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HOME NEWS

Rev. Ralph M. Soper ended his pastorate with the Fowke Seventh Day Baptist Church in 1953. The first of April he assumed the pastorate of the Oakdale, Ala., Church. His new address is Paint Rock, Ala. That he may be blessed in his labors in this new field is our earnest prayer. Our thoughts and prayers are also with the Fowke friends as they seek a new pastor.

The Church at Edinburg, Tex., has been without a pastor since Rev. C. Bur­chard Loofbourrow closed his work there and returned to his home at New Auburn, Wis. Brother James M. Mitchell was to assume the pastorate at Edinburg the last of April. It is our sincere hope that he may be used by God for the upbuilding of the cause and kingdom in that place.

In February, Rev. Theodore J. Hibbard of the Hammond, La., Church, with Mrs. Hibbard and two of their children, drove to Edinburg where they spent two weeks in special services. In evening services were held, five afternoon meetings, and Brother Hibbard preached at the Sabbath services on February 16 and 23. They found interest among Mexicans in that locality. Seven of these were baptized by Mr. Hibbard. Mrs. Hibbard was a great help to him, being able to speak the Spanish language. Brother Hibbard speaks very highly of the lay leaders in the Edin­burg Church and sees in that place a promising field. Friends in Beaumont and Houston were contacted on this trip.

H. R. C.

BRITISH GUIANA

Rev. Wardner T. Fitzrandolph, now in British Guiana, is visiting all the Seventh Day Baptist Churches in that country and conducting evangelistic services in them, aided by the pastors. Preceding these services, pastors and leaders were called together, when Brother Fitzrandolph presented plans which he had formulated. These were discussed and adopted. They were presented to the General Conference in May for their approval. The leaders of the Church were heartily in the venture. Mr. Fitzrandolph informs us that a meeting of the British Guiana Council of Seventh Day Baptist Churches is planned before his return to Jamaica.

The first of April, Mrs. Fitzrandolph was called to Texasarka, Ark., by the serious illness of their daughter, Mrs. Ruth Smith. The latest word that we have is that they are improving. Let us continue to pray for her.

H. R. C.

AUSTRALIA

Rev. and Mrs. Emmett H. Bottoms arrived in Sydney, Australia, on April 8, having sailed from Auckland, New Zea­land, on April 4. They were met at the boat and cordially welcomed by Dr. A. Kube and his son Stephen. Miss Rose­mary Hare, one of the New Zealand friends, arrived by plane at about the same time and went by rail to the Kube home at Warrimoo where they had dinner and an enjoyable evening. Dr. Kube had rented a small cottage near his home, where Mr. and Mrs. Bottoms stayed while they were at Warrimoo. They held a sunset service in their cottage on Sab­bath evening, April 23, and a service the next morning. In the afternoon a service was held in a rented hall with an interested audience of seventh day and first day people. Dr. Kube paid the rent for both the cottage and the hall.

Brother and Sister Bottoms were to spend a few days contacting Sabbathkeepers in Melbourne, and on April 21 they were to leave there on Sunday evening, April 20, to arrive in Perth, Western Australia, Friday morning, April 25. On April 27 Mr. Gibbs is pastor of a small cottage near the Bottoms, and it was expected that he would find living quarters for Mr. and Mrs. Bottoms' use while they are in Perth. They will remain in this city until May 10, when they sail for Capetown, where they will arrive about fifteen days later. They will go immediately to Natal and spend some time with Rev. Ronald Barr on that mission field.

H. R. C.

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CO-ORDINATED PROGRAM EMPHASIS

The Co-ordinated Program Emphasis of the National Council of Churches of Christ for 1953 is related to plans made by the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council. The enlarged meeting of the Committee of the International Missionary Council to be held in Willingen, Germany, in July, 1952, will bring to a focus world-wide studies on the Missionary Obligation of the Church, with recommendation for strong and extensive implementation. The Central Committee of the World Council of Churches is preparing for the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches called to meet in Evanston, Ill., in August, 1954. It has issued a study leaflet entitled "The Calling of the Church to Mission and to Unity," and has referred this to the Churches for study. These meetings before and after 1953 provide a natural framework for emphasis during that year on the mission that lies at the heart of the Church, to bring home to the American people the fact that it has been placed in this world by God not to enjoy a static existence, but to bear a mission to the world around it.

The 1953 Emphasis centers on the calling of a united Church to a deeper sense of mission in the world today. God calls us through the Gospel of our Lord and the need of the world to a deep personal commitment of all we are and all we have. This means nothing less than that all men everywhere, as individuals and as groups, be given the opportunity to come into a saving knowledge of God as He is known through Christ. This is our mission. God calls us through the gospel, the need of the world, and the very nature of our mission to unity of spirit and effective unity in action to fulfill our mission. The 1953 Emphasis is a regional emphasis. It is a matter of global strategy for the Church in America and throughout the world. In these days of ecumenical fellowship we must think and plan and act in terms of the world-wide community. An Administrative Committee has been appointed by the General Board for the planning and direction of the 1953 Emphasis. This committee will assume responsibility for co-ordinating the efforts of the various units of the NCCCUSA as they are related to the Emphasis.

The General Board has appointed Rev. Russell Stevenson as chairman and Dr. Charles Forman as executive secretary of the Administrative Committee.

The Administrative Committee is adequately represented from all divisions, departments, and commissions of the National Council.

The Administrative Committee will make every effort to relate its plans and co-ordinate its work effectively with the state and local Councils of Churches. It shall make the resources of this Emphasis available to denominations for the enrichment of their ongoing program, and seek their co-operation in the development of these resources.

It is contemplated that the program of the 1953 Emphasis will include such projects as institutes for clergy, laity, and young people, community meetings, seminars, colloquies, radio broadcasts, publication and distribution of related literature, special services in Churches, etc.

It is expected that the personnel participating in the program will include those various parts of the world to be designated by both the IMC and the WCC as interpreters of the church both the Willingen and Evanston meetings.

The 1953 Emphasis of the National Council is an effort at all levels and for all areas of the Church's life to awaken people to the realization that Christendom is a world movement of a living faith, with the divine power which alone is adequate for the revolutionary needs of our day.—National Council of Churches.

H. R. C.

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Red Rocks and Red Rocks Amphitheater, Denver Mountain Parks, Colo. The Pre-Conference Retreat will be held at Red Rocks Camp, near this place.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

THE QUIET TIME

(For personal or group devotions)

By Mrs. Marjorie Maxson

In preparation, would you read and meditate on the words found in Proverbs 3: 3-6; 29: 18.

Call to worship: Philippians 3: 13-15

Hymns: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind; Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life; He Leadeth Me.

Scriptures: 3: 3-6; 29: 18

Meditation: In these quiet moments it would be a rich experience if each of us, who reads these words of the wise man of old, could share with all the others the thought train into which we are led. They speak first of all directly to our inmost soul—"Let not mercy and truth forsake thee; Trust in the Lord"—"In all thy ways acknowledge him." Plain, simple, straight to the heart.

But not just to you, or me, but to our families, our community, our nation, and our world. "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

In recent months we have been stirred by a sense of fellowship with Christians around the world in the World Day of Prayer, and our vision is broader than before. We perceive that the qualities that keep our own hearts are the bulwark also of a nation. As citizens of our land, we recognize that in our own lives, selfishness, and dishonesty undermine its strength. Other nations, refusing to keep the moral and spiritual laws of the universe, have gone down in defeat. We need the far view to see the will of God for us.

Prayer: Our Father, we come before Thee with praise and petition. Heal our spirits, and in healing, lift them up. In our humility we would be strong. Give us a new vision of Thee and of our urgent need for guidance. Help us to evaluate anew the needs of our world and find the way in which we may, individually and collectively, become a force for good. Make the leaders of our land seek to know Thy will and lead our nation into paths of righteousness. Bless our families, and the young people in them, who are the citizens of tomorrow. May we understand our part in Thy plan for the world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

Over 2,000 Protestant young people and their adult leaders are expected to attend the United Christian Youth Movement Conference at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., August 27-31. Delegates will come from Youth Fellowships of over 30 denominations, from Councils of Churches, and youth-serving agencies.

"To unite committed youth in Christian action is our purpose in calling the conference," says Donald W. Shriver of Richmond, Va., national chairman of the United Christian Youth Movement.

Delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada will meet to extend and interpret the UCYM theme, "United! Committed! In Christ!" and to emphasize gains made in co-operative youth work through the recent Call to United Christian Youth Action.

One of the conference program features, Mr. Shriver announces, is a radio forum on the political responsibilities of Christian youth. A youth committee last fall invited as panel participants Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, John Ramsey, CIO staff member from Atlanta, Ga., and Gordon Shull, University of Illinois graduate student.

Platform speakers include Rev. Charles Templeton, evangelist of the National Council of Churches' Joint Department of Evangelism; Miss Marjorie Penney, director of Fellowship House in Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. James Robinson, pastor of the Church of the Master, Presbyterian, in New York City; and Dr. Gerald E. Knoff, associate general secretary of the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches. — United Christian Youth Movement. R. I. H.
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304 Roncroff, RD, N. Tonawanda, N. Y.

Dear Judith:

I have never had so many children's letters all to answer the same week. Of course it makes me very happy, but I have to make my answers short if I get all the letters written. The Chinese baby must have been very cute. I wish I could have seen the little fellow.

A little boy knocked at my back door and told me that his kite string was caught on my telephone wire. It was so high up that we couldn't quite reach it with a long pole. By throwing the pole at it he finally knocked it down, greatly to his relief.

With love,

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THE SABBATH RECORDER

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It is getting hot now. We have some cress blooms in our garden. I will have to say good-bye for now.

Your friend,

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Dear Mrs. Greene:

I have some baby kittens. They are starting to get their eyes open. Some of them are already open. I have a new pair of roller skates. I'm having fun with them.

I am getting over the measles. I told daddy and mother that I liked the measles better than any other sickness.

My little lamb is nice. Her name is Pinkey. I am going to ask my daddy if I can have Pinkey outdoors, tied by a chain fastened to a stake. We have a new calf. I named him Dickey. He is very gentle but sometimes he is really frisky.

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Sincerely your friend,

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Dear Janet:

I think it is a fine plan to learn about Seventh Day Baptist Churches, pastors, and mission, and making your maps it all seem more real to you. I remember one time I wrote a letter to one of our pastors and sent it to a certain Church. Not long after, I received a letter from him stating that he had not been pastor of that Church for several years and advising me to learn more about our Churches. I soon followed his good advice.

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Dear Mrs. Greene:

I notice children's letters have been scarce in recent Recorders so I am writing one.

We have had a little Chinese baby but he has gone home now.

Down around our house it looks like spring. The sun and the daffodils are scarce in recent Recorders so I am writing one.

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CHRUCH NEWS

VERONA, N. Y. — The beautiful wall panel showing the Resurrection scene, with the angels and the flowering plants made an ideal Easter setting for our Sabbath morning service. Two anthems were rendered by the choir and Pastor Skaggs sang a solo, "The Holy City," with Mrs. Garth Warner, accompanist. The subject of Pastor Skaggs' sermon was "Surprise Ending" and the children's Sunday School brought "Seeds and Stones."

The Young People's Social Club met on the evening after the Sabbath, April 12, at the parsonage. Readings were given by Jean Vieron and Joyce Sholtz, a solo of Jean Vieron, and an accordion solo by Louise Hyde. A letter of appreciation was read from Daphne Williams, a student in Jamaica, British West Indies, who is receiving contributions from the club toward her education. Slides were shown by Olin Davis.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, Richard Warner; vice-president, Twila Sholtz; secretary, Louise Hyde; treasurer, Robert Sholtz; chorister, Joyce Sholtz; pianist, Jean Vieron; critic, Pastor Skaggs.

Press Committee.

DENVER, COLO. — The annual dinner of the Seventh Day Baptist Church was held in the social room of the Church, January 6, for its members and friends. A buffet dinner was served, and everything was prepared and served by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thorngate, chairmen; Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Van Dyke, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thorngate. A new committee is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke, and new members added are Mr. and Mrs. Grant Burdick.

Universal Week of Prayer was observed January 4 to 12.

The Church helped, in signing a petition against the closing of the church in this community, to keep the church open to all who seek glorious adventure via books.

Birthday calendars appeared in our home in a project of the Friendly Class, while gleanings from the Sabbath Recorder appear in our weekly bulletin as the sale of Recorder subscriptions continues.

The Friendly Class invited 10 Air Force men to a turkey dinner January 19, and a couple of hours before dinner was to be served, we were notified that 20 would accept. The hurried summons for food was answered in abundance. The guests readily entered into our plans for entertainment.

The planning service was called to action for the forthcoming Conference. The headquarters are, the Broadway Baptist Church and a Pre-Conference Retreat camp site has been established in the foothills of the Rockies.

February 9, the Christian Endeavorers took charge of the services with Katherine Davis, president, in charge. A Scripture contest was set for February 15, and the Church newspaper made its appearance in February.

Pastor Dickinson received an invitation from the Riverside, Calif., Seventh Day Baptist Church to assist with evangelistic services there the latter part of March. The Denver Church voted to release him for this work, and Rev. Erlo E. Sutton supplied the pulpit for two Sabbaths, coming from Boulder in spite of one of the worst snowstorms of the winter.

During March, stewardship was stressed by various laymen, Mrs. Esther Stanton, Lyle Masson, E. Keith Davis, and Luther J. Hansen, during the Church service.

The "Marchers" donation to the Denominational Budget totaled $82.50, raised from 50 percent of the membership.

The total offering for the Denominational Budget for the month was $122.22.
THE SABBATH RECORDER

Alfred Sun, April 17.

MILTON, WIS. — Professor J. Fred Whitford is the 1952 president of the Milton Church. Other officers are the same as last year. C. F. Boord is the new member on the board of trustees.

We are greatly enjoying the music of our three choirs and feel that our junior and intermediate choirs are doing fine work under the direction of Kenneth Babcock and Herbert Crouch respectively. Professor Stringer who has so splendidly conducted the adult choir was given a dinner last fall in honor of the completion of his 25th year of service in that capacity. Many expressions of appreciation were given.

The eighth series of union Lenten services were held Thursday night with a Communion service in the local Methodist Church. The meetings were held in the Methodist, Congregational, and Seventh Day Baptist Churches of Milton and Milton Junction and were varied in content. There was a life of Paul, a religious motion picture, “The Great Commandment,” two sermons by out-of-town speakers, a drama, “The Second Living,” a film festival conducted by Dr. Alvin Brightbill, Professor of Church Music in the Church of the Brethren Seminary of Chicago, and the Communion service.

Our Church was crowded at the Easter Sabbath morning service although the day was rainy. There were many visitors from away. The service was lovely and spiritual with the lighted cross, and the Easter lilies symbolizing immortality; the beautiful music, all three choirs singing; the reception of the new members, baptized the night before, and one received by letter; the message by the pastor on “The Spiritual Significance of Easter,” and the hymn, “Jesus at the Congregation.” We felt closer to our risen Lord and Saviour and inspired with new faith and courage.

The Lenten season should be made of the progress made on our “camp site.” The men’s Brotherhood headed by the Church camp committee have begun the spring work on the development of the camp. A fine well has been put down and the work of building has started, and Dana Paxton is the new member of the Brotherhood are planning to do much of the work.

A committee headed by Professor D. N. Inglis has spent work for some time on a Church census, and a long-delayed revision of the roll has been partially accomplished.

Milton is a busy Church and there are many things which might be mentioned, such as the continuous faithful work of the Women’s Circle, the activities of our young people, of our busy pastor and wife, and the meals of sharing still held monthly.

There were 125 “Marchers” in the recent Denominational Budget promotion.

WESTERLY, R. I. — Although New England weather has made the headlines several times this winter, severe storms have by-passed Westerly and we have had a mild winter. We are having a busy winter, the Church and her auxiliaries working together to instruct and inspire her membership for fuller service in kingdom work. The Church has been on a roll, and some of which were shown in the fall, was finished during the Lenten season at our Friday evening meetings. These pictures have made Paul’s experiences very real and inspiring. Attendance at Friday evening meetings was doubled during the showing of these pictures, and friends from other churches and communities were present.

Pastor Bond’s sermons during Lent, on the theme of, “When at the Cross,” have been so forceful as to cause many to work out their own convictions. Many of whom have been converted, and several others who have held their hands, have presented their names for baptism. The sermons have been given during the following congregation meetings: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, Feb. 21, March 7, 14, and 21. During the week of Holy Week, the meetings were held Thursday night. A film was shown, “The Vision of the Temple,” on the second night of the meetings. Pastor Bond’s sermon, “The Eternal Triumph of the Empty Tomb,” was both challenging and comforting. His talk to the children was entitled, “Your Real Self, the Soul.”

Ten members have been added to the Church, three of whom are on the associate list.

The social life of the Church is fostered by the monthly Church family nights. There is still something to be desired in attendance at these socials, but for those who co-operate in this phase of our Church’s life, there is a blessing of closer fellowship. In January we were highly entertained by Chon Day, well-known contrast, who reminded informally and illustrated his talk so aptly. In February a huge birthday party was held. Centerpieces were beautifully decorated birthday cakes for each month. In March there was a skit put on by a cast from the Women’s Aid Society.

We enjoyed a rare musical treat in March when Dr. Frank Asper, organist of the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, was presented in a recital at our Church by the Westerly Organ Guild. It was thrilling to hear our fine organ in the hands of so great an artist.

The young boys are playing basketball again in the First Baptist Bantams in the Junior Church League. In order to play in the league, players must attend at least 75 per cent of Sabbath school classes each month.

Our annual Church meeting was held April 13, preceded by a fine turkey supper. Reports from Church organizations and committees and from officers and the pastor were read, and indicated increasing interest and activity. Especially encouraging were reports from the Sabbath school and junior and senior youth groups. We have a thriving primary department. Several children from homes not connected with the Church have become regular attendants, through the invitation of our boys and girls. Thus the Church is reaching out through its children. The older young people are training to take their places in the Church and community in the fellowship group.

Pastor Bond is indeed a busy man. He gives unstinted service to the Church and its membership, besides having an active part in the work of the American Baptist Association. He preaches at Clarks Falls each Sunday and at present is supplying the pulpit at Hopkinton on Sabbath afternoons. He
COMING EVENTS
Sabbath Rally Day — May 17, 1952.
Northern Association — The spring session of the Northern Association will meet May 23-25 at Jackson Center, Ohio. The first service will be on Friday at 8 p.m., EST, and the session will close with business at the Sunday morning fellowship breakfast. M. B., Sec'y.
Central Association — June 6-8, 1952, at De Ruyter, N. Y., with the opening session at 9:00 a.m., Daylight Saving Time, June 6. Theme — "Go Ye." — Bernice D. Rogers, Corresponding Secretary.
Eastern Association — Shiloh, N. J., June 13-15. Theme — "The Light of the World." The first service will be on Friday at 8 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, and the association will close Sunday morning. — Mrs. Percy C. Davis, Corresponding Secretary.
Southeastern Association — The annual sessions of the Southeastern Association will be held at the Salemville, Pa., Church, June 27-29. Sessions will begin Friday night at 7:30 and close with a Sunday evening meeting. Rev. Paul S. Burdick, pastor, New Enterprise, Pa.

IT'S THE POINT OF VIEW
Early the other morning John B. Gambling related an experience which he might have had while sunning himself on a bench in a park along Riverside Drive in New York City.
As the Riverside Church chimes were playing, Mr. Gambling turned to the man on the other end of the park bench and said, "Aren't those chimes medodiously beautiful? Such harmony! So enchanting!" "You'll have to speak louder. Those bells are making such a racket I can't hear you," replied the man.

takes his turn as hospital chaplain and conducts morning devotions over the local radio as scheduled. A unanimous vote of confidence was given him at the annual meeting. — Mrs. E. F. Loofboro, Correspondent.

VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
Oreen E. Davis, Vocational Committee Chairman
40 Kalamath Street, Denver 9, Colo.

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The Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co.
Full-time employment for saleswoman for brassieres and girdles.
The Florsheim Shoe Co.
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Stenographer — Credit Dept. Year-round. Top pay for ability. Five-day week.
Standard Oil Co.
Male clerk, high school graduate. Opportunity for advancement. Permanent.
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Burroughs calculator operator. Permanent.
Upper Avenue National Bank
Burroughs calculator operator. Permanent.
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Women for office work. Maintaining records and general work.
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Typist-stenographer, ages 17-45 years. Permanent.
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Billing clerk to work with caller on typewriter billing machine. 40-hour week. No Sabbath day work.
Apprentice plumbers and bricklayers and laborers always in demand.

Anyone interested in these listings please consult Mark Wiley, 6334 S. May Street, Chicago, Ill., Key Worker for the Chicago Seventh Day Baptist Church.

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Eugene C. Galloway comments: "I found the chart to be soundly Scriptural according to my concept of the Word of God."
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