COMING EVENTS

Semiannual meeting of Dodge Center, Minn., and New Auburn, Wis., Churches at Dodge Center, June 20-22.
— Ethel Greene, Corresponding Secretary.

Western Association — June 21, 22, at Alfred, N. Y. First service on Sabbath at 11 a.m. — Mrs. F. J. Pierce, Corresponding Secretary.

Southwestern Association — Hammond, La., June 25-28. — Mrs. Mary H. Van Horn, 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.

Pacific Pines—Adult and Family Camp, June 29 - July 6.


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

BIRTHS

Gregoire. — A son, Douglas Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. David Gregoire, Milton, Wis., February 7, 1952.

Van Horn. — A son, Jerold Lynn, to Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Van Horn of North Loup, Neb., February 13, 1952.

Babcock. — A daughter, Shirley Diane, to Dr. and Mrs. Allen Babcock of Eldorado Springs, Mo., March 1, 1952.

Cox. — A daughter, Maris Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. George Cox of North Loup, Neb., April 19, 1952.

Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer’s Last Book Released

With the passing of Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer in April of this year, the Christian world lost one of its most prolific writers. One of the outstanding authors on theological and Biblical subjects of this generation, “Sons of Adam” was his 50th book.

As if by divine guidance, Dr. Zwemer had just prepared, before his death at the age of 85 years, a new booklet entitled “Prayers,” just released by the American Tract Society, 21 West 46th Street, New York 36, N. Y. This is Dr. Zwemer’s 51st, and last, book.

It is a 32-page booklet measuring 5 1/2” x 7 1/2”, with colorful paper cover, retailing for 30 cents per copy.

Christians everywhere will wish to have a copy of this brilliant devotional masterpiece, a fitting tribute to a beloved and faithful servant of the Lord. Order direct from the publisher.

Accessions

North Loup, Neb.

Baptism: Ronald Goodrich and Homer Brannon.

Obituaries

Swenson. — Carroll B., only son of Timon and Mabel Cockerill Swenson, was born in Viborg, S. D., July 2, 1919, and died at the Veterans’ Hospital in Grand Island, Neb., May 13, 1952.

He was baptized and joined the North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church, of which he was a trustee at the time of his death. He attended grade and high school in Viborg, and spent one year at South Dakota State College.

He served four years with the Army, more than two years of which were spent overseas, on Attu, Kwajalein, and Leyte Islands. While on Leyte he contracted the illness from which he never recovered.

On December 22, 1945, he was married to Lois Marjory Barber.

He was a kind and loving husband, and through all the months of illness and suffering he was tenderly cared for by his wife;

His mother preceded him in death in 1939.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his father, one sister, Elma, other relatives, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at the Seventh Day Baptist Church in North Loup on May 16. Rev. Francis D. Saunders officiated.

Burial was in Hillside Cemetery at North Loup. — From the Ord Quiz.
Prospects Become Brighter for Churches and Colleges

Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, president of the Golden Rule Foundation, calls our attention to pending legislation which may permit "a taxpayer to deduct as much as 20% of his gross income instead of the present 15% for contributions to charitable, educational, religious, and other tax-exempt organizations.

This provision came as an amendment to a House-approved bill which allows sports organizations to deduct from their income tax all proceeds of performances given for the benefit of the American Red Cross.

The bill has now been returned to the House and is in the hands of the Committee on Ways and Means. It is important that the Committee on Ways and Means be urged immediately to give favorable consideration to this bill and report it to the House for adoption before adjournment.

This provision which would become effective on the first of August, January, will be a great aid to colleges and hospitals, and all tax-exempt organizations devoted to religious and welfare services which are dependent upon private contributions for their support.

The chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means is Honorable Robert L. Doughton from North Carolina. He should be addressed c/o House Office Building, Washington, D. C. - Robert M. Hopkins, President.

Golden Rule Foundation, 60 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y.

Possible Increase of Deductions for Charity from 15% to 20%

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Further, he writes, "Perhaps you would be interested to know the system I used (which Everett and I worked out many years ago). This began the New Jersey Churches as a start, we found a point directly between the Shiloh-Marlboro Churches and the Plainfield-Piscataway Churches, distanced in inverse ratio to the membership of the two groups. Using the same system for the Rhode Island-Con­necticut, and the New York City-Berlin Churches we are designing the center of population of the Eastern Association, which is (quite surprisingly) near Center Islip, L. I."

"Using a similar system for each of the other associations, then finding the center of population of the Eastern and Central, the Western and Southern, etc., we can finally determine it with reasonable accuracy for the whole country."

"The interesting feature to me is the westward movement of our center of popula­tion in the past 30 years, from north­eastern Ohio to northeastern Indiana."

"This" and a new lease on life."

REVIEWED STANDARD VERSION OF THE HOLY BIBLE

The Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible is being hailed as the "greatest Bible news in 341 years." Nearly three and one half centuries have passed since the King James Version was published. In its fourteen years of work, thirty-two outstanding Bible scholars have been engaged in the task of revising the Holy Scriptures. Dr. Luther A. Wiege, Dean Emeritus of Yale Divinity School, who served as chairman of the committee of translators said, "The Scriptures were written in Hebrew and Greek, and what we have been revising is the English translation of the Bible — the English words, phrases, and sentences which are used to express the meaning of the Hebrew and Greek. It is interesting to note that every attempt was made to preserve the literary qualities of the King James Version" in so far as accuracy would permit. The committee and those who are pro-
Corresponding Secretary's Office
American Sabbath Tract Society

Dear Brother Kellogg:

Thank you kindly for the literature that you sent in answer to my request for information. I have gone over it very carefully and find it in complete accord with my own convictions and understandings.

I shall look forward to visiting you at an early date and lay before you my ministry over the years so you can better judge if I would fit in with the work of the Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Hoping and praying that God's power will work mightily with increasing fervor through the Seventh Day Baptist Church so that its ministry will be received more and more throughout the nation.

In his service,
Most cordially,
(Rev.) Albert E. S. McMahon
4008 State Avenue, Ashtabula, Ohio, June 9, 1952.

ALFRED UNIVERSITY NEWS

The commencement assembly of several hundredJos was held recently on the campus of the Alfred University School of Theology for the past seventeen years, was granted an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters by Dr. Corliss F. Randolph on June 9, 1952. The degree was conferred by President M. Ellis Drake after Dean Bond had been presented by Dr. Wayne R. Rood.

Honorary degrees were also conferred upon Edward U. Condon, director of research for the Corning Glass Works, who gave the commencement address, upon Arthur Bartlottomer, president of Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and upon Samuel Ray Scholes of Alfred who is retiring as head of the department of glass technology in the New York State College of Ceramics. Graduates numbering 224 received degrees of course.

Don Alberne Sanford, the only graduate of the School of Theology this year, received the Bachelor of Divinity degree. He is serving as pastor of the Independence and Andover Seventh Day Baptist Churches and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark R. Sanford of Little Genesee.

Dean Bond will retire July first as dean of the School of Theology, but he will continue as acting dean temporarily. His books of poems and sermons were mentioned in his citation along with his creative work in interdenominational bodies including the World Council of Churches. — Contributed.

Nomination of Dean Bond for Honorary Degree
By Wayne R. Rood
June 9, 1952

Mr. President:

It is my privilege to place before you the name of Aliva John Clarence Bond as a candidate for an honorary degree. Graduate of Salem College his native West Virginia and bearer of a Doctor of Divinity degree from that institution, he has for years been the dean of the School of Theology of Alfred University, the institution from which he earned his Bachelor of Divinity degree. Ordained a minister of the gospel by the Seventh Day Baptist denomination, he has contributed a full generation of leadership to its congregations both as pastor and as a denominational official. He was an early participant in the Interfaith Movement of the Council of Christians and Jews, an incorrigible leader of the Ecumenical Movement, a delegate to the Constituting Council of the Federal Council of Churches, and twice to committees abroad of the World Council of Churches. As preacher and teacher he has demonstrated his ability as author and poet, and is probably the most voluminous publisher of his denomination in this century. As dean of the School of Theology he has distinguished himself as friend and colleague both for his knack of combining penetration with humor and for his personal knowledge of his chosen field. Therefore, Sir, I present him to you for the conferring of the degree, Doctor Littlerarium, honoris causa.

DENOMINATIONAL-ASSOCIATIONAL RELATIONSHIP

By Dr. E. Keith Davis
Member of the Commission
(Given at the Pacific Coast Association, Riverside, Calif., on Sabbath afternoon, April 12.)

Our Paramount Need

Here is where we might consider a shift in emphasis for a moment. There has been in the minds of some the idea that the denomination exists only for the boards in order that they might have a reservoir from which to receive funds to carry on their work, and it would appear that this was the original concept of our elders in the formation of the boards. Certainly the boards approved the denomination as far as incorporation dates are concerned. This may be the way that we want to keep it. It would imply that the chief denominational objective of the individual in the local Church was to supply the boards with funds in order to accomplish their work. This would imply that the boards were doing work which we as individuals would be unable to do. There could be no quarrel with this reasoning. The only flaw in it appears to be that in the setup there is no provision for keeping the pews full of individuals who are supplying the Denominational Budget after the present generation has expired.

In spite of this fact we grew well for a while, namely, up until 1900. Since that time there has been a rapid decline in the membership of our Churches and in the number of Churches. After facing this question for several years, there are some who feel that a new need has arisen, which we as a denomination have not met, and furthermore, the existence of which we have not even admitted; that is, the need of filling the pews of the local Church and beyond that the development of more Churches in the United States. It is this failure to grow locally that has accounted for a great deal of dissatisfaction in our membership which has been expressed in many quarters of the denominations. Believe me, the dissatisfaction exists, and those who deny it are behaving like ostriches.
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If we may consider and admit that this is a pressing need at the moment, a next logical question might be: How did it come about? Why have we been growing steadily up until 1900? What happened then? It is at this point that there are many conflicting ideas. Some say, "We lost our evangelistry, and hope." Others say, "The emphasis was changed from evangelism to Christian education," and others say, "Modernism came and dropped us." All these honest attempts to find the answer. At this point let me say that I do not know the answer either. In general it probably was not a single thing that caused it, but a combination of several things.

However, in view of what has been said in the introductory remarks, I believe that we have assumed the filling of the pews is a local Church problem, and that as a denomination little help should be forthcoming in this direction. If so, the answer has appeared on the horizon which might be developed into a new Church, it is largely the problem of the nearest Church to develop it.

True, money and helps might be forthcoming from our boards and agencies if they have been assigned to it as a responsibility, but it is assumed that initiative is to arise and be maintained at the local level. In some instances this has been so, but we have not met. Does this not point out that a need has arisen which we have not met? Namely, one of having in our denominational structure some agency which has as its interest these developments.

Time and space do not permit discussion of all the shortcomings and their shortcomings might be remedied. However, I believe that at Conference at Alfred last year there was an expression that we are now going to study these shortcomings and do our best to solve them. I am sure this thinking was manifest in committees and on the floor of the general sessions.

The Place of the Home Fields

From those who have been giving some thought to the question of creating a new agency, or giving to an already existing one the responsibility of uniting our denomination's efforts, we have had the following ideas. Let us say that we create a new body, but give to the Commission, in addition to its present duties, the problem of making long-range plans, and with this responsibility some authority to assign the detailed work of these plans to the various agencies.

May I cite a specific example? I understand that here on the Pacific Coast there are several small groups of Lone Sabbaths, keepers who might be developed into fellowships and eventually into small Churches. They are now the problem of your individual Churches and association. You are doing your best to keep interest alive with the facilities with which you have to work.

Under the proposed change this could happen through the Denominational Budget. A full-time employee might be sent to this field for a long-term period, five to ten years if necessary, in order to develop it. If as the result of this effort we should gain a few more Churches and possibly five hundred new Seventh Day Baptists, would the boards not be able to develop larger programs and have more financial aid to pass on?

We have used the same principle in foreign missionary work. The work of the Missionary Society using this principle has progressed so well that we are no longer able to keep up with it financially. Why can't we develop the home field in the same manner?

How is it that we, representing a group of rugged individuals, have lost the vision of the development of our home field. Let there be no misunderstanding, there is no question that we are not doing all that we might be doing, nor would there be any re-trenchment as far as I know, in the effort that we are already putting forth. However, this should be pointed out, that there now exists an equilibrium in that the present home field is no longer financially able to support any further expansion in the foreign field.

To my knowledge no foreign field has ever become self-supporting financially. That may be the result of poor management, but whatever the cause, the facts remain, regardless of the age of the foreign Churches, that we cannot continue to support those fields. With the present decline how long will it be before there are no longer any resources at home; then what of the foreign field? I am not attempting to make the home Church's status more important than the foreign, but I am trying to be realistic in pointing out that the time has come for something locally to build a supporting structure in order to maintain the present superstructure.

There are those who are crying, "Why doesn't the Missionary Society go into Nyassaland and give those people aid?" My friends, there are not enough people at home to support the Missionary Society with its present undertakings. There are those who say, "Why don't we give our ministers lay salaries and more retirement pay from the Memorial Fund?" To my knowledge, there are very few millionaires among us.

We have two alternatives: The present membership might go from house to house begging from outsiders for funds; or we might get busy and spread the gospel message and Sabbath truth here in the United States, and thereby develop some self-supporting Churches that might be able to do a little more than their own local Church budget.

The Aim and Purpose of Reorganization

How does reorganization purpose to accomplish this? These thoughts have been developed by the Preliminary Committee to make Commissions a representative group of the associations. That is, each association might elect a representative group or the association. That is, each association might elect its representative to Commission. In this manner, the problems and opportunities that exist within the association would be taken to the central planning group. In turn, the suggestions that come from the central group would be brought back to the association through its representative. There are advantages and disadvantages to this and these will be discussed at your business meetings tomorrow, I presume.

This brings me to the topic at hand: Denomination-Associational Relationship. As you know, at the present there is no relationship between the two. There is merely a nodding acquaintance. What has been proposed might be summarized briefly as follows. The afore-mentioned representative Commission should be considered. This Commission would consist of delegates from the General Conference be held once every two years and that these sessions be largely for the review of the work done and some additional planning for the future. They would also be inspirational from the standpoint of sermons, music, and messages, but a greater inspiration might come from reports of the corresponding secretary. He might be able to report that our membership has increased rather than declined a few hundred the last two years, and that there had been or three new Churches formed rather than two or three closing. Believe me, I hold some of the latter type; we have had a good deal of the former from time to time.

On alternate years, the association might be developed into a regional conference and conducted in the form of a workshop for the development of religious leadership, Sabbath school teachers, and camp programs. The associations might hold their meetings at different times of the year to meet their local needs. This would allow the best leadership of the denomination to be at most of the association meetings. If this program were carried out the association might come into a brotherhood relationship with the denomination, both from the standpoint of fellowship and from that of our Father's work. Do we dare to be so venturesome?

Many other proposals have been made whereby we might make improvement in our setup, but there is not enough time for a discussion of them now. I will be glad to offer them for your consideration at your sessions tomorrow if you wish. May I conclude by saying that we have a pressing need now for the development of the home field and that this might bring into a brotherhood relationship with the denomination, both from the standpoint of fellowship and from that of our Father's work. Do we dare to be so venturesome?

The High Cost of Enthusiasm

As-Samir for May 23 reports a statement by Abd Al-Majid Muhmud, Iraqi Minister of Economy, in which he said that Iraq's losses as a result of stopping the passage of oil to Haifa, Israel, have exceeded $3,193,500 since the beginning of 1948. — Middle East Press Review.
THE BREAD OF LIFE
By Rev. Paul S. Burdick
Pastor, Seventh Day Baptist Church, Salemville, Pa.
(Sermon preached at Ministers' Conference, Brookfield, N. Y., May 8, as revised.)


Not since the time of Nero, and persecution under the Roman Empire, has Christianity felt such opposition as it faces today. And not since the Inquisition of the Middle Ages have Christians suffered such mental and physical tortures to force them to deny their faith, as they suffered in some countries today. Our foes are well organized. They are well indoctrinated, and they show a missionary zeal that would put much of our missionary activity to shame.

In the year in which the Bible was distributed in the Orient at the rate of 25 million copies, a certain book of Communist doctrine was distributed to the number of 90 million copies, Richard Shaul told the Foreign Missions Conference at Toronto. Is that one reason why we are in retreat where they are advancing?

The Communists have gone ahead with a program of social advancement based on the theory that all men are to be raised to an idealism of Christ in the full flower.

We have but to witness the things which we have seen and heard and felt in ourselves. But when one after another of us gets a thrill of that spiritual food, the Bread of Life, has given us power to resist temptation, overcome bad habits, gain a new relationship of love toward our fellows, when this occurs again and again in every age, we must admit that the true power of God was present in this Person, His Son, and through Him has passed on to others.

"God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself." We know the fact, apparent in myself, and evident in the lives of others, of the redemptive power of Christ, the Bread of Life, all other miracles seem lesser concern. The power of redemption from the power of sin can believe that many other seemingly impossible things are possible. Even eternal life seems to be possible. The one who has God's living presence within himself.

"But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you."

And let us have faith that this same redeeming Power can save the world. We agree that the world needs saving.

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Let us start with the words in 2 Corinthians 5: 19: "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself." Christians, even those whose faith is weak, have to acknowledge that God is in some individuals, perhaps in a good father or mother or friend. In fact, it seems that the surest way of recognizing God at work in the unchanging and the lowly Christ is his work. He enters history through the lives of God-filled men.

Sometimes we admit that God can and has lived in the life of our loved one, it is also possible that He could indwell one person completely and fully. If this statement raises doubts, it is only because of our own imperfections. Yet how can we limit God; or how can we say what would be possible for His power to accomplish in a life that was wholly given to His service? That life of God which is seen in a few persons among us in the seed, is seen in Christ in the full flower.

What of the Future?

In thinking of the future, there are two extremes to be avoided. The attitude of the pessimist, that man's condition must grow increasingly worse until Christ comes to set things right, is opposed to the attitude of the optimist who believes that man by his own efforts must improve the world and bring about the millennium. The truth is somewhere in between. Whatever improvement is gained in man's standard of living may yet save the world, which otherwise is lost because of the inherent selfishness and foolishness in human hearts.

But let us not think that because a man has outwardly accepted Christ as Saviour, he is then ready to save the world. It will require constant training in the Christian vocation of lawyer, doctor, farmer, etc., and perseverance in carrying out the principles of Christ in our daily work. We have seen too much lately of the so-called Christian who seemed to think that the holding of public office should offer opportunities of filling one's pockets at public expense; or that treating all races fairly was an ideal which could be upheld from the pulpit but was to be forgotten when one entered the workaday world.

God can work only through men whose life and work are devoted to His purposes. But He can create a better world when men are in a condition to receive it from His hand.

In thinking about the return of Christ, we are apt to overlook the place of Pentecost in it. Jesus told his disciples, "There be some standing here who shall not taste
What Is Man?

For man must be redeemed if he is to share in the blessings or assist in the establishment of the kingdom which Christ came to proclaim.

Man represents a conflict of opposing forces. There is the life force which seeks to preserve and improve the physical body and its environment. It is a good force when properly controlled. There is, on the other hand, a Godward-seeking force. It impels us to seek the welfare of our fellows. It keeps us continually dissatisfied with our selfishness and sinfulness, so that we are forever striving to go so low that he is totally unaware of the promptings of this divine voice. But where these two forces, one working from below and one from above, come into conflict, there is turmoil and tension. Paul describes this situation in his own life in the 7th chapter of Romans.

Now this conflict need not be perpetual. There is a way of resolving it. Romans 8:7-11 tells us: "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I, by the Spirit of our God, will keep you in all goodness and by all means, that the day of Christ may come upon you unblamed." There is no need for man to be continually in conflict with the Spirit. He may escape that conflict if he will by accepting the teachings of Christ and the grace of God. If he does so, he is in line with the will of God and is made perfect in Christ Jesus, who has died for us and has risen again and is now interceding for us. Then he may share in the blessings or assist in the establishment of the kingdom which Christ came to proclaim.

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Riverside Pastor Finishes Second Year of Graduate Study

On May 15 the pastor (Rev. Leon M. Malby) completed his second year of part-time theological studies at Fuller Seminary in Pasadena. The work done in the equivalent of one year of full-time resident study (36 hours) is required for the degree of Master of Theology. The laying on of hands of the college president and the writing of a thesis have been delayed due to the pressure of Church work, but may be accomplished at a later date. The thesis will be a thorough study of Paul's teaching on the subject of "Law" in the Epistle to the Romans.

Not every course taken has been of equal value to the present ministry in Riverside. However, your pastor aspires to no teaching position. His primary purpose in more schooling is to improve his ministry to all classes of people. The benefits derived have been many. It has been a real refreshment for me, coming twenty years after receiving the bachelor's degree in theology. The refreshing has been both at the fountain of knowledge and the fountain of grace. My acquaintance with books has been matched by a broader acquaintance with great religious leaders. Three years in the Army takes one to some of the far corners of the world; but two years in such a seminary as Fuller does even more to develop a missionary interest. Chapel speakers come from the far corners of the earth to present the mission cause. Those blessings were rich indeed. — The Church Chimes, Riverside, Calif.

Rev. Trevah R. Sutton

Accepts Fouke Call

Rev. Trevah R. Sutton, pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Jackson Center, Ohio, has accepted the call of the Church of like faith at Fouke, Ark.

Rev. Mr. Sutton has tendered his resignation to become effective as of September 1, 1957, in Washington, D.C. With his family, he will move to Fouke to take up his duties there.

Mr. Sutton has been pastor of the Jackson Center Church since January 1, 1949.

ORDERING AT AUCKLAND, N. Z.

March 29, 1952

(Charge to the candidate, Randall Mason, by Rev. P. A. Tonge.)

Brother Mason, the day has come when the desire of your heart to be a minister of the Gospel Church has been laboring long and hard to make yourself fitted for the task that is before you. There has been much prayer for you on the path before you and, while it is true many have also fallen by the wayside, it is only by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit that you can fulfill the obligations which you have been called upon by our Lord and the Church to do.

It has fallen my lot to be called by the Church and by our Lord to give the charge to you, and as the disciples of old were charged, and as Paul gave his charge to Timothy, so today, Brother Mason, believing that the Lord has called you to the sacred work of the ministry, and seeing that the Church has recognized this call and will have, by prayer and the laying on of hands, separate you to the work of the Gospel of God, as a representative of the Church of Christ, I beseech you to give earnest heed to the word of the living God, which declares, "... O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked, and he turn from his way, he shall live; yet thou hast delivered thy brother's life." Ezekiel 33:7-9.

Brother Tonge quoted from Paul's letters to Timothy.

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, of which he hath made you spiritual house, and to purchase his own blood." Acts 20: 28.

... Taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for
Filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that faileth not away. 1 Peter 5:2-4.

You are to preach the word of God, not the opinions and traditions of men. You should ever be conscious of the fact that you are a minister of Christ, your presence to the command of God. You are to preach the truth, but also to perform the service of Christ in power and great glory.

Your message must be such as to lead whom you have today taken upon yourself to be a most appropriate change the date this year, will be provided with undated manuals. H. R. C.

"MAKE CHRIST KING"

This was a popular slogan some years ago. Did those who popularized it think back to the teachings of our Lord? He said, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand" — "The kingdom is among you" — "is within you." Pilate asked, "Art thou a king?" to which Jesus replied, "Thou sayest it, for I am a king." We cannot make Him King. He is King. We may submit to Him — acknowledge Him as our King; but whether we will or no, He is King. We work to bring in the kingdom of heaven, to increase it in the earth. The way we do this is to teach and preach to the Gentiles, who will be brought to render themselves to Him and thus become citizens of the kingdom of which He is the King.

The kingdom of heaven is engaged in the great cause of God. May the new Israel into the kingdom of God prepared for us from the foundation of the world. H. R. C.

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

The 22nd annual continent-wide observance of Men and Missions Day will be on Sunday, October 12, 1952, by action taken by the Executive Committee of the Laymen’s Missionary Movement. The theme is "CHRISTIAN MISSIONS — THE WORLD’S HOPE."

This is a month earlier than usual and the change has been made after a careful survey of a number of factors related to the simultaneous observance. Advice has been received that many Churches would prefer to place a strong emphasis in Men and Missions Day in the local Church year, to gear into the Every Member Canvass and other Church programs.

The new date is a week after World Communion Sunday and is at the beginning of the general period when attention is focused upon the role of the churchman in his Church, the community, the nation, and the world-wide kingdom of God. It would appear to be a most appropriate date.

It is very desirable to have the simultaneous observance of the day. The impact is naturally greater. However, Church and community programs at times make it impossible. To cope with this situation, Church and mission need depair its unique Men and Missions Emphasis, the Laymen’s Missionary Movement will provide undated materials and Speaker's Manuals for those who desire to observe another day. Likewise, those communications that find it inappropriate to change the date this year, will be provided with undated manuals. H. R. C.

WORSHIP PROGRAM

By Mrs. M. C. Van Horn
Brookfield, N. Y.

Who walks beside a wilderness and does not sense its beauty.

Sunner days are full of beauty — red roses, yellow butterflies, green grass, blue skies, and songs of birds. Do you take time to see and hear them?

The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them. Proverbs 20:12. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Psalm 19:1.

Our family and friends are full of beauty — love, fellowship, and Christian character. Do you take time to see their good qualities?

... Whatever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Philippians 4:8.

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. John 13:34.

The Bible is full of beauty — comfort, strength, and inspiration. Do you take time to study it and know its value for you?

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119:105.

... Incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding. If thou shalt hearken unto my sayings, then shalt thou find the knowledge of God. Proverbs 2:5-6.

Hymn—"Take Time to Be Holy.

Our Father: All of us in our own hearts name to Thee the beauties all about us, for which we give Thee thanks. ... We pray Thy blessings, on those we love whose names we mention. ... We ask Thy guidance for ourselves as we strive to understand Thy Word. Amen.
FROM THE WOMEN'S BOARD PRESIDENT

As president of the Women's Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, I view it as my duty and great privilege to attend the meeting of the Board of Management of the Department of United Church Women of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America held at the Baptist Assembly grounds at Green Lake, Wis., May 14, 15, 1952.

God's wonderful handiwork was present on every side and His Spirit seemed to pervade not only the formal meetings but the fellowship of the individuals present. It was my privilege to room with a college instructor from Nashville, Tenn., and a Negro minister's wife from Detroit, Mich.

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I was five years old on June 6 and I have a twin brother. His name is Paul and he is writing to you, too. I have another brother. His name is David and he is nine years old.

Shiloh, N. J.

Dear Sharon:

I am sure you can guess just how happy I was to receive your letter. The only letters I have for the Sabbath Recorder this week are yours and Paul's. I do hope you will write often.

I am glad you know my big boy. You see I like him. too. I hope that he and his family will be able to come out to see me for at least a few days when school is out. If they do, perhaps I can go home with them for a little visit. If so, I hope to come to know you. I almost do now after reading your letter.

Quite a number of boys and girls about your age often come in to see me. A little boy named Douglas likes to go downtown with me and a little girl named Alberta calls out whenever she sees me, "Hello, Grandma Greene!" They are each five years old.

I do believe those tadpoles could have been around long or they wouldn't have become frogs. How about it?

Yours with love,

Mizpah S. Greene.

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Marriages

Fullerton - Barber. — Howard Fullerton, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Fullerton of Bear Lake, Mich., and Winifred Barber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Barber of Manistee, Mich., were united in marriage on May 11, 1952, at the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Battle Creek. Rev. Alton L. Wheeler officiated.

Obituaries

Maxson, - Ida McAllister was born in Bloomfield, Ark., in 1889. On October 4, 1907, she was married to George L. Maxson at Bentonville, Ark. Two children were born to this union: George LaRoy in 1909, and Ethel Geraldine in 1911.

Mrs. Maxson was baptized by Rev. Henry J. Jordan and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Gentry, Ark. In later years she has lived in Exeland, Wis., Alfred, N. Y., Battle Creek, Mich., and River Falls, Calif. After an extended illness while making a visit in Battle Creek, she was called to rest on May 15, 1952. Besides her husband, son, and daughter, she leaves one brother, Joe McAllister of Monrose, Colo., two sisters: Minnie Coyle of Los Angeles, Calif., and Kate Peemster of Gentry, Ark., three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Services and interment were at Battle Creek. A. L. W.

Stewart, — Alice Leach, daughter of John and Hannah Quigley Leach, was born in Philadelphia, Pa., on January 12, 1860, and passed away at the Edgerton Memorial Hospital on December 28, 1951. At the age of nine she went to live in the home of Howard Davis, the N. A. age 12 she was baptized by Rev. Walter B. Gillentine and joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church.

On February 5, 1876, she was married to Hugh C. Stewart. The Stewarts moved to West Hallock, Ill., in 1880, later to Albon and Milam Counties, and coming to Montrose in 1906. Mrs. Stewart was a stanch churchwoman and Sabbathkeeper, a member of the Women's Circle, a constant reader of the Sabbath Recorder.

She was preceded in death by her husband and three of her six children: Frank, Hattie (Mrs. Ben Wille), and Rollo. She is survived by her sons Howard of Clinton and Willibor of Columbus, Ohio, and by her daughter Hazel (Mrs. Gilbert Anderson) as well as eleven living grandchildren and seventeen living great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at Albrecht Funeral Home in Milton Junction on December 31, 1951, by Rev. Carroll L. Hill. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Albon. C. L. H.
DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET

Statement of Treasurer, May 31, 1952

Receipts

Balance on hand May 1. $ 46.29
Adams Center 88.25
Alton 153.89
Alfred, First 223.92
Alfred, Second 417.85
Andover 25.00
Associations and groups 187.63
Battle Creek 2,350.01
Berlek 123.00
Boulder 31.02
Brookfield, First 129.00
Brookfield, Second 203.64
Chicago 368.90
Davenport Beach 400.90
Denver 120.18
De Ruiter 25.00
Dinuba 52.00
Dodge Center 125.00
Edison 6.00
Farina 15.00
Franklin 21.80
Friendship 34.00
Gentry 5.00
Hammond 77.07
Hebron, First 16.45
Hopkinton, First 238.25
Hopkinton, Second 26.00
Independence 20.00
Indianapolis 80.79
Individuals 1,500.00
Irvington 230.00
Jackson Center 21.50
Little Cambridge 410.43
Little Prairie 1.40
Los Angeles 223.00
Lourie Creek 203.92
Marlboro 663.86
Middle Island 14.63
Milford 3,605.52
Milton Junction 178.03
New Auburn 35.96
New York City, First 101.30
North Loup 346.00
Norristown 187.00
Pawcatuck 3,006.10
Philadelphia 12.50
Piscataway 218.30
Plainfield 155.39
Pottawatomie County (Pla.) 15.00
Richburg 38.00
Richile 55.00
Riveride 1,829.39
Roanoke 10.00
Rochester 11.65
Rockville 187.66
Salin 889.35
Salmonville 30.23
Shiloh 215.00
Stone Fort 7.00
Verona 41.75
Walworth 20.00
Washington 14.20
Waterford 13.86

Disbursements

Missions Society 1,026.90 $ 53.94
Tract Society 448.20
Board of Christian Education 605.70
Women's Society 13.80
Ministerial Retirement 225.90
S. D. B. Building 94.20
World Fellowship and Service 18.90
General Conference 484.20
Balance on hand 44.38

Totals $3,044.38 $1,040.31

Comparative Figures

Receipts in May: 1952 1951
Budget 8,897.44 8,897.44
Disbursements: 2,263.83 2,263.83

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Missionary Society 1,040.31 751.72
Tract Society 7,047.46
Women's Society 19,206.48
Ministerial Retirement 4,510.48
S. D. B. Building 37,000.00
World Fellowship and Service 61.79
General Conference 51.99

Milton, W. L. M. Van Horn, Treasurer.

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