### COMING EVENTS

**Mid-Continent Association, North Loup, Neb., October 3-5, 1952.**

Pacific Coast Association, Fall Meeting, October 11, 1952.

The Yearly Meeting of the New Jersey and Eastern New York Churches will be held with the Plainfield Church on October 17 and 18, beginning at 7:30 on Sabbath eve, October 17.

**Seventh Day Baptist General Conference**

**BATTLE CREEK, MICH., AUGUST 18-23, 1953.**

**LET ME BE A GIVER**

God, let me be a giver, and not one
Who only takes and takes unceasingly;
God, let me give, so that not just my own,
But others' lives as well, may richer be.
—Mary Caroline Davies, in Watchman-Examiner.

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"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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"The holy supper is kept, indeed, in whatsoever we share with another's need; not that which we give, but what we share, for the gift without the giver is bare; who bestows himself with his alms feeds three—Himself, his hungering neighbor, and Me."

—James Russell Lowell.
Conference President's Corner

Speaking to you from the "Conference President's Corner" of the Sabbath Recorder in the past three weeks, we have focused attention on "yoke-bearing" in Christian stewardship (Denominational Budget raising effort); Christian fellowship (yokeslaves and Christ); and Christian discipleship (learners from Him through the Bible).

What of our worship as Christians? Is the regular Sabbath worship of God, in company with our yokeslaves, important to Christian experience in our time? Certainly, if we follow the Master's example we shall not neglect the "assembling of ourselves together" regularly in divine worship. For 'as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath.' We will all agree that the regularity of attendance at public worship is one valid criterion for determining the vitality of a church.

How many Seventh Day Baptists attend our regular services of Sabbath morning worship? Would you dare to take a chance on entering into a project to find the answer to this question over a period of a month? I propose that we conduct such a project, denomination wide, during the month of November.

It seems appropriate to choose the month of November for such an attendance campaign since it is also the month of the national Religion in American Life emphasis, urging all Americans to attend and support the church of their choice.

The suggested procedure for our church attendance campaign will be to urge every church to keep accurate records of church attendance each week of November (five weeks) and report their weekly totals for tabulation and reporting in the pages of the Sabbath Recorder. It would prove interesting, we believe, to study the results at the end of the month church by church — similar to the manner in which Denominational Budget contributions are given to us. A fair presentation of attendance statistics might be made by figuring the percentage of church attendants in relation to the number of resident church members.

Details of the proposed campaign will

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"Judge not, that ye be not judged." Matt. 7:1.

A PRAYER
"Knowledge we ask not — knowledge Thou hast lent,
But Lord, the will — there lies our bitter want.

Give us to build above the deep intent
The deed, the deed." —The Voice.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

It has recently been indicated that the Recorder should outline its specific objectives. What are the aims or policies of a future editor shall be is not ours to say, but we can outline what we have long felt upon this subject.

The Sabbath Recorder is primarily a paper for Seventh Day Baptists. It is, and must necessarily be supported by them, therefore:

1. It should minister to their spiritual needs by furnishing inspiration to better living and deeper consecration and by helping to enlarge the spiritual vision and understanding of its readers.

2. It should promote the knowledge of the true Sabbath and the spirit of real Sabbathkeeping.

3. It should constantly furnish information about what Seventh Day Baptists are doing. It propose to do this through denominational boards, committees, and other organized agencies, if there are such, and also through the local churches.

It should keep before our people the financial needs of our work and the progress made toward the realizing of our Denominational Budget.

It should contain news of the Ecumenical Church and information concerning some of the humanitarian projects which interest all the Christian world.

We realize that not all the ground has been covered in this statement, but these are some of the aims which we long believed should be those of the Sabbath Recorder.

HOLY SMOKE!
Rev. Marion C. Van Horn
You really don't think so, I am sure. But what if your church building really did catch on fire? I installed the fire fighting system when two of our Seventh Day Baptist churches burned to the ground. In both cases the fire resulted from unsafe conditions which were common knowledge. Do you know of unsafe conditions in your church? Is there a fire extinguisher in the furnace room? Is there a cupboard where oil mops, floor wax, furniture polish are stored? Is it a vented metal cupboard, on legs, and set away from the wall?

Did you ever have a fire drill? At least one Seventh Day Baptist church has had to evacuate children from the building because of fire during the Sabbath school hour. And how about the outside doors? Are they the conventional kind of double door, which is held closed by the door with little levers at top and bottom? Do the levers work? That's a miracle! All outside doors should be equipped with panic hardware.

Many of our churches were wired for electricity a long time ago. In many of them more and more lights and fixtures have been added — even whole kitchens and basements have been added — and in some cases without adequate attention to the wiring facility for carrying the extra load.

This is also the season to inspect the heating plant and flues. Soon they will be bearing the burden of winter heating. Do your smoke pipes go through ceilings or partitions? If they do, ventilated chimneys should be installed. Do not be deceived by your oil burner. It will increase the temperature of the smoke pipe by 40 per cent.

Just one more thought. It is also important that the facility for the fireman get to the building be adequate. If he is not able to confine the fire within a limited space, thought may need to be given to the matter. Is there somewhere
in the ceiling a hole which is supposed to allow access to the attic space under the rafters and the eaves. If it should be necessary, bid and have them get through this hole with a line of hose or other fire-fighting equipment?

Let's have any church or parish house fires this fall and winter. Why not ask the local fire chief to come and make a routine inspection of the church property? He will be glad to do it, and it may save more than the insurance.

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY OPENS FALL TERM

A convocation in The Gothic chapel opened the fall term at the Alfred University School of Theology. Dean A. J. C. Bond gave the address after President M. Ellis Drake had brought greetings to the students. Dr. Ellis Drake characterized the opening of the school to the individual student's religious life, his knowledge of the Bible, his familiarity with the history and life of the Church, and the training he seeks in the professional work of the minister. "Alfred can train you in some of these as well as any other school," he said, "and in some ways better than any other school— in that you are seeking to be Seventh Day Baptist ministers."

Rev. Loyd F. Hurley, D.D., and Mrs. Hurley welcomed the faculty at the convocation. As professor of Biblical interpretation, Doctor Hurley will teach an eight-hour course in Old Testament this term. He studied at the Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colo., this summer after closing his pastorate in Salem, W. Va. He and Mrs. Hurley have established their home in Alfred.

New students at the seminary this year are Donald E. Richards of Riverside, Calif., and Delmer E. Van Horn who has recently become pastor of the Little Genese Church. Mr. Richards is a graduate of Salem College and with his wife, the former Miss Edna Ruth Randolph of Bristol, W. Va., has an apartment in the student quarters of The Gothic. Mr. Van Horn grew up near North Loup, Neb., and taught school in West Virginia a number of years. Feeling the call to the ministry he was licensed by the Salem Church and accepted the invitation of the Little Genese Church to serve them while studying at Alfred.

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A Running Review of Conference

Rev. Hurley S. Warren

(Continued from last issue)

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The services of work on Sabbath and Sunday mornings were held in the sanctuary of the Broadway Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson and Rev. Albert C. Lewis, respectively. Dr. James MacPherson, pastor of the Broadway Church, participated in the worship on Sunday morning and in the services of the congregation, and was the chairman of the prayer committee.

Morning and evening prayer services were conducted throughout the Conference. The opening devotional service was conducted by Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson and Dr. James MacPherson, pastor of the Boulder Seventh Day Baptist Church. Each and every session of Conference provided for Scripture and Prayer.

The business sessions were conducted at the Broadway Church with the exception of the one on Sunday morning, which was held at the Denver Church. Much of the business of Conference is being published in the Sabbath Recorder. More of the actions taken doubtless will appear and a complete record of the proceedings will be found in the 1952 Year Book.

The final business of Conference came on Sunday evening. The type of business was quite different from that of the former sessions. Miss Beth Severe and Miss Joan Clement were recognized as missionary nurses, Rev. Loyd F. Hurley on behalf of the downtown Baptist Church, and Mrs. Elmo Davis on behalf of the North Denver Baptist Church. Dr. James MacPherson, pastor of the Broadway Church, presented some of the missionary work that is being done in the Southern Hemisphere. The last session of Conference was held on Thursday evening and included the report of the Thursday evening committee of the Conference. The chairman of this committee is Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, who has served as chairman for the last three years. The work of the Conference is now complete, and the people are left to the good work of the Church.
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Day Baptist Church; Rev. David J. Williams of Chicago, Rev. Leon R. Lawton of Los Angeles, and Rev. Robert P. Lippincott of Shreveport were received as accredited ministers; while Rev. Lester G. Osborn received the right hand of fellowship on behalf of Rev. Lee Holloway of Warren, N. Y.

Rev. Elmo F. Randolph was then presented as the new president of Conference. His statement appeared in the Conference President's Corner of the Sabbath Recorder for September 1.

The Pre-Conference Retreat, the Junior Conference, and the youth activities during Conference are being reported by special writers.

The report of the Committee on Courses and Resolutions, adopted by Conference, gives recognition of the work of the Denver and Boulder Churches in the entertainment of the Conference and the Pre-Conference Commission meeting. The array and arrangement of the gladioli in the Broadway sanctuary were an inspiration and a delight.

We left Denver in the full glow of an "Experience with God."

TAPE RECORDINGS

Following is a list of tape recordings taken at the Conference in Denver. The personnel in charge of the recording equipment was not professional, so our work may be lacking in some respects. We trust that no serious injustices have been done to the performances.

Those who own a tape recorder or who can borrow one from a near-by church, school, or other source may write to Rev. Marion C. Van Horn, Brookfield, N. Y. We can send as many as four reels in a carton. We ask that they be returned by Special Handling. There is no charge, though a contribution toward the expenses would be gladly received.

No. 1—(14 minutes)—Youth Chorus with Lyle Sutton reading Scripture—Conference Choir.

No. 2—(20 minutes)—Male Quartet

No. 3—(7 minutes)—Congregational Hymn. Vocal solo by Francis Saunders

No. 4—(28 minutes)—Address by Mrs. Martin on Women's Program

No. 5—(22 minutes)—Song Service led by Clarence Rogers; Devotions, President O. B. Bond; Scripture, Thomas H. Bond.

No. 6—(10 minutes)—Devotions by Francis Saunders—Male Quartet

No. 7—(15 minutes)—Men's Chorus

No. 8—Devotions led by Trevah Sutton—Conference Choir.

No. 9—(25 minutes)—Part of Sabbath morning service: Harmon Dickinson, Melvin Nida, Paul Burdick, Wayne Rood.

No. 10—(14 minutes)—Devotions led by Male Quartet

No. 11—(22 minutes)—Temperance Sermon by Leon Lawton

No. 12—(10 minutes)—Conference Choir on Sunday morning and Sunday night—led by Eric Sutton.

All recordings are at 7 1/2 speed.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

ALFRED, N. Y. — The First Alfred Church in session for all work in earnest after a rather unusual summer. Neighboring ministers seemed glad to fill our pulpit each week of the interim and leave us good sermons. Faithful members kept flowers at the altar. Others attended to the assembling and printing of the church bulletin, and the Sabbath school was kept in session. Our students were gone except for those attending summer sessions. Many others were off on vacation and a number attended Conference.

Rev. and Mrs. Hurley S. Warren, Barbara, and Joseph arrived in Alfred September 3; the furniture was settled for the fall. David, the older son, a graduate of Salem College, has work at a near-by church. He was conducting his first service on September 6. He was "deeply touched," as was the congregation, by the consideration of our sister church of Plainfield, N. J, in providing for this first service of Rev. Mr. Warren, a beautiful floral offering with the accompanying words, "May God bless you all in your church work under the leadership of your new pastor."

Dean A. J. C. Bond received the members of the Warren family into church membership and welcomed the new pastor in behalf of the church.

At the September 13 church service, Rev. Mr. Warren spoke of his deep appreciation of the many things the Alfred people had done for them and especially of their help in starting a "well organized church" as he gave tribute to the former pastor, Rev. Everett T. Harris, and Conference co-operating membership and community.

On the evening of September 13, a reception was held in the parlors of the pastor's home for former workers and family. Others in the receiving line were the president of the church, Gerald Burdick, and Mrs. Burdick. Lovely corsages, made by Roberta Glover, were presented to the women in line. Music was furnished by a flute trio composed of Camille Crofoot, Sara Jacob, and Meridith Dake. Among special guests were Dr. M. Ellis Dake, president of Alfred University; Rev. Lewis Moser, pastor of Union University Church, and Mrs. Moser; and University Chaplain E. Myron Sibley and Mrs. Sibley; Pastors Don Sanford, Independence, and Delbert Little, Geneva; and other representatives from most of the churches in the Western Association.

The first fall meeting of the Evangelical Society was held on September 10. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Dora Degen, Miss Miriam Shaw, vice-president, president. Devotions were led by Mrs. Mabel Reynolds who wrote into this a description of the "Four Marx's" as given at Conference, arranged by Mrs. Paul R. Crandall, Riverside, Calif. Miss Fucia Randolph, our society's delegate to Conference, gave an excellent report, which was much appreciated.

The Friends-Forum Class put aside the regular Bible lesson on September 13 and carried out a program of "Conference Echoes." Eight members who had attended Conference gave three-minute highlights beginning with the president of the class and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Langworthy, and ending with Rev. and Mrs. Loyal Hurley, who are most welcome additions to the group. Others taking part have already been mentioned—Mrs. B. R. Crandall, Correspondent.

CARRAWAY, FLA. — On a recent Sabbath the church at Carraway had a pot-luck dinner in honor of Paul Beebe who has since left for induction into the Armed Forces. Following the dinner the Lord's Supper and the ordinance of foot washing were observed.

During July and early August we had two small but successful Vacation Bible Schools, one at Carraway and one at Pharr. Mr. and Mrs. Cannon of Lake Como loaned us a folding table which greatly helped in the work. — Mrs. C. A. Beebe, Correspondent.

WATERFORD, CONN. — The Waterford Church has enjoyed a very active summer. A successful Vacation Bible School was held Sabbath days from 12 noon to 1 o'clock, and on Sundays from 9 to 12 noon for 8 weeks for children 3-14 years of age. Seventeen children were enrolled. They had a closing picnic August 24 at Ocean Beach for both children and parents. Free rides were given each child on the merry-go-round and the miniature railroad. The closing exercises were held August 29 with all the children participating in the program.

An invitation was extended to all the New England churches to attend the 6th annual Music Festival. It was preceded by a swim in the ocean and a picnic on the parkinson lawn for all wishing to participate.

The finance committee put on an Italian spaghetti supper at the local Fire House Hall, from which $50 was realized.

The Ladies' Aid has had two very successful food sales; at one, fancywork was also sold.

The Sabbath school held its annual picnic on the parkinson lawn where good fellowship was enjoyed by all. — Correspondent.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

A very interesting item appeared in the bulletin of September 13 of the Lost Creek, W. Va., Church as follows: "The Co-ordinating Council of the West Virginia Seventh Day Baptist Churches will meet tomorrow." We hope this means a more united and effective work on the part of our West Virginia churches.

We also learn that Pastor Rex E. Zwiebel is now teaching in Salem College.
We learn from the Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Review that the General Conference of the Jamaica Seventh Day Baptist Churches was held in July at Wakefield. All officers were present and several delegates from sister churches. Mrs. Luther W. Crichlow was present and heartily welcomed. The meetings were largely devotional and evangelistic in character. On the closing day, thirteen candidates were baptized.

A net gain in membership of 123 was reported, and an increase in money given. A Young People’s Board was organized to promote work among young people. A minimum budget of £392 was adopted.

A partial list of the officers elected for the current year follows: President, Rev. N. H. Grant; recording secretary, Mrs. Clara C. Thompson; corresponding secretary, Rev. W. T. Fitzrandolph; treasurer, Mrs. Bertha Fitzrandolph; president of the Women’s Board, Miss I. Rennalls; president of the Young People’s Board, Mr. H. A. Grant.

We are greatly interested in the program of the work for the kingdom of God as represented by Seventh Day Baptists on the island of Jamaica.

**AUTUMN DAYS**

Lois F. Powell

I love the autumn sights and sounds!
It seems that then God’s love abounds,
When sleeping nature dawn has kissed
And driven away the nightly mist,
Which with its ever-changing views
Bathed verdant hills with freshening dews.
God’s sunshine floods the earth with health.
Each radiant day displays His wealth.
Shadowed by few of city’s ills
The soul grows strong, and blessing fills
The days with bounty rich and sweet.
In harvest’s harmony complete.
Where high green hillsides wait our will
We pause to gaze o’er waters still.
The quiet tells our heart of peace;
From troubling thoughts brings sweet release.
Some comfort kind to those who mourn;
Some burdens off sad hearts are borne;
Some counsel comes to sad perplexed,
Encouragement to spirits vexed,
And closer Heaven seems to be —
It draws near, in verity!

**Marriages**

Sholtz - Junnilla. — On August 30, 1952, Katherine Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Junnilla, 1534 Hyde Park Ave., Waukegan, Ill., and Paul Norman Sholtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Sholtz, 2718 E. Locust St., Davenport, Iowa, were united in marriage in St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Waukegan, Ill., by Rev. Robert Heizo assisted by Dr. Alver Rautalahti. The new home is 909 W. Main St., Urbana, Ill., where both Mr. and Mrs. Sholtz are enrolled in the graduate school of the University of Illinois.

**Obituaries**

Gregoire. — David Andrew, son of J. A. and Clarissa Hurley Gregoire, passed away in the park at Milton, July 3, 1952, at the age of 40 from a heart attack.

David was born in Welton, Iowa, July 9, 1911, and moved to Wisconsin at the age of ten years. He was baptized by Rev. James L. Skaggs and joined the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church.

On November 10, 1934, he and Beatrice Grant, Whitewater, Wis., were married. They have made their home at 352 College St., Milton, Wis. Four children, David, Donald, Delores Kay, and Douglas survive him as well as one brother, Glen, and a sister, Leona. His father passed away in 1933. David was employed at the Burdick Corporation, Milton.

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 6, 1952, from the Phelps Funeral Home and the Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church. Burial was in the Milton Cemetery.

B. G. G.

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Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Wisconsin and Chicago Churches, October 31 - November 1, Milton Junction, Wis.

Fall Meeting of the Northern Association, October 17-19, Battle Creek, Mich.

**The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.**