Tract Society:
- Toward a budget of $21,275.00
  - Sabbath Recorder .................................................. $ 3,425.00
  - Literature and visual aids ................................. 1,000.00
  - Administration ................................................. 1,200.00
  - Light and janitor service ................................ 150.00
  - Total budget ...................................................... 5,775.00

Board of Christian Education:
- Toward a budget of $9,000.00
  - School of Theology ........................................... $ 3,000.00
  - Administration .................................................. 3,000.00
  - Publications ....................................................... 1,705.00
  - Retirement .......................................................... 600.00
  - National Council of Churches ............................. 150.00
  - Youth work .......................................................... 150.00
  - Miscellaneous ...................................................... 151.00
  - Total budget ...................................................... 8,000.00

Women's Society:
- Toward a budget of $1,060.00
  - Committee expenses ........................................... $ 425.00
  - Administration .................................................... 355.00
  - Printing special booklets .................................... 90.00
  - Total budget ....................................................... 1,060.00

Historical Society:
- Toward a budget of $5,645.00
  - Office supplies and expenses ................................. $ 110.00
  - Increase in assistant librarian's salary ................ 300.00
  - Insurance ............................................................. 100.00
  - Accessions, research, and care of library ............ 800.00
  - Expansion ............................................................. 300.00
  - Light and janitor service .................................... 150.00
  - * Ministerial Retirement ..................................... 1,770.00
  - Toward a budget of $12,000.00 .................. 5,500.00

Seventh Day Baptist Building
- Toward a budget of $2,755.00 ................................. 1,485.00

World Fellowship and Service:
- Toward a budget of $275.00
  - World Council of Churches ........................................ $ 50.00
  - National Council of Churches ............................... 100.00
  - Commission on Chaplains ..................................... 50.00
  - Baptist Committee on Public Relations ................ 25.00
  - Religion in American Life ................................... 50.00
  - Total budget ....................................................... 275.00

General Conference:
- Toward a budget of $10,175.00
  - Expenses of officers ........................................... $ 775.00
  - Expenses of Commission ....................................... 1,200.00
  - Year Book ............................................................. 675.00
  - Executive secretary salary .................................. 4,200.00
  - Executive secretary expenses ................................ 2,000.00
  - Expenses of Ministerial Training Survey................. 750.00
  - Budget promotion .................................................. 400.00
  - Vocational Committee ........................................... 100.00
  - Printing and stationery ....................................... 200.00
  - Contingent Fund ................................................... 625.00
  - Total budget ...................................................... $10,925.00
  - Less surplus ......................................................... 2,700.00

Balance requested for 1952-1953 ...................... 8,225.00

Toward a total budget of $90,680.00 ...................... $46,653.00

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A PRAYER
Kindle anew
a light within my soul;
Shield it with Thy
dreadful power from gusts of winds
That it may burn steadily
through the changeful years
A fragment of Thy light.
By Huldah Schaeblin,
in an old Presbyterian Tribune.

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No Distribution of Russian Bibles Within Russia

There has been no distribution of Rus
sian Bibles within Russia since 1947, ac
ting to information issued by
of the American Bible Society. The society re
ceives a steady demand, however, for Scrip
tures by Russian-speaking people now liv
ing in other lands. The Bible Society
recently made a grant of 1,000 Russian
Bibles for distribution to Russian-speaking
displaced persons in Paris and throughout
France. The printing of these books was
made through the Paris office of the
International Committee of the Young
Men's Christian Association of the United
States and Canada.

How About It?

Are Seventh Day Baptists "afraid to do something different?"

As a题 that is worthy of concern, and the interests that the Sabbath Recorder repre
sents, whatever is done in a different way, should be done toward the further up
building of the Kingdom of God. Other
wise, from our point of view, the different
way would be accepted more for the sake of change than for the sake of the king
dom.

One determining factor in kingdom build
ing is the baggage that we carry. This applies to the individual, the home, the church, the kitchen, office, shop, schoolroom, farm, shop, and field. More recently, perhaps, some people have acted as
though they could "take it with them."
The Master Teacher has a direct word about baggage. "Do not lay up stores of wealth for yourselves on earth, where the moth and "wet-and-ear destruction, and where thieves break in and steal. But amass wealth for yourselves in Heaven, where neither the moth nor "wet-and-ear destroys, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your wealth is, there also will your heart be." Matthew 6: 19-21 (Weymouth).

Are we accumulating earth's baggage or heaven's?

H. S. W.

"Experience With God"

A Summary of Conference Sermons and Addresses
By Dr. Wayne R. Rood

American Pacific Society of Religion, Berkeley, Calif.

"Our part, as Seventh Day Baptists in Christianizing the world, cannot ignore the normal life and social processes," said President Orville B. Bond in opening the 140th annual session of the General Conference at Denver, August 1st. "For that reason and for that special emphasis the theme for this Conference was chosen," he continued, "and to that end this Conference program is dedicated."

An Experience of Conference past it was evident that Mr. Bond had taken these "religious experiences of a lifetime" and woven them into an expression of each delegate's experience of finding God.
the discipline of climbing up to its source, even as hikers from Boulder make an annual trek to the glacier: “If God be God, the opportunity to climb toward Him is our greatest opportunity.” Climbing requires discipline, he pointed out — of climbers will fail to have God’s visions, and the smallness of our need: “Sir, give me this water.” “God created the world for a purpose, and a large part of that purpose seems to have been to provide a home for man,” said Mr. Randolph, who observed that in the Machine Age the home is losing its central place in society, “Sir, give me this water.” However, Mr. Van Horn pointed out that in the Machine Age the home is the place for an experience of God.” In the face of the challenge of secularism to Christian values, he urged lifting the disciplines of prayer, and normal family conversation concerning the areas. The Davis children were urged and given pointed illustration. “We train and study for years to become specialists in some profession,” he observed.

HUMAN INTEREST SIDELIGHTS OF GENERAL CONFERENCE

By Rev. Albert N. Rogers

“The great Communion,” central feature of the Yearly Meeting of Seventh Day Baptists in Rhode Island two centuries ago, according to Miss Evslois S. John’s historical paper on early phases of denominational organization, was a highlight of the Denver Conference. Two successive services were held in the Seventh Day Baptist Church on Kalamath Street to accommodate the delegates who wished to partake on Sabbath morning before the main Sabbath service in the Conference auditorium.

Rev. C. Harmon Dickinson, host pastor to the Conference, has been serving the Denver congregation nearly two years since coming from Ashaway, R. I. He studied at the Alfred School of Theology and Eastern Baptist Seminary.

Vice-Presidents Al były Macintosh of Los Angeles, Calif., and Rev. Charles H. Bond of Westerly, R. I., were in the chair for much of the meeting time of General Conference, but President O. B. Bond did not leave his self-selected corner seat in the auditorium.

Two families en route to Denver had somewhat fearful encounters with the famous Yellowstone Park bears.

The Davises had their day in guiding the youth activities of Conference. Elno Davis, as chairman of the local church youth committee, joined forces with Duane Davis of Alfred and Nortonville who represented the Youth Work Committee of the Board of Christian Education. Will Davis headed the crew of cooks at the Fellowship "breakfast on top of Lookout Mountain Saturday morning, and in-laws gave valuable assistance.

in conclusion, “but we seem to spend little time specializing in the techniques of making a Christian home... We will have to come to a new experience of God in our homes if we are to find it at all.” (To be continued)
Jamaica and British Guiana are open doors and now is the time to press forward there. Who will go to British Guiana to direct and lead our workers there? It is just too much to ask Rev. Wardner Fitzrandolph to carry the supervision of two fields. If his health should break under this load, whose responsibility taking over these hopes and plans?

We all know that for several years now Rev. Ronald Barrar has been laboring in Nyasaland under the auspices of the New Zealand churches and has accomplished great things. He has been called the 'forgotten man,' but an analysis of the special giving of our people as it has been handled through the Missionary Society shows that approximately one third has gone to this field, or almost $100 a month. Add to this the fact that much giving to this field has gone direct, and not through the Missionary Society's proportion of the united budget.

Let us remember also that promising new fields have been revealed to us in Australia and on the east coast of New Zealand among the Maoris. Brother Barrar and what I hope may some day be an adequate staff of workers.

If the money is forthcoming to bring Missionary Ronald Barrar to this country for a well deserved rest and for certain refresher courses he may wish to take, I would say by all means let us pay his expenses and bring him here for a visit.

This is an analysis that Mr. Emmett Bottoms to those fields. Here are to be found hundreds of Sabbathkeepers who have taken much joy in the deep bonds of fellowship with others in America who "keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus."

These are only a few of my hopes and ambitions, my aspirations and longings of heart. There are others. Our Seventh Day Baptist brethren of Holland have requested that we give more of the money earned by them and work with them. Pastor Taekema's last report shows an increase of 6 to the church at The Hague, with 8 baptisms during the year. This shows the encouraging possibility. A young man is needed who is fitted for work with young people.

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And now, having said this much, I am ready to say more — we do want to launch out into new fields. With adequate support of the older, more established fields, it is my hope and ambition that Dr. Emmett Barrar may be able to launch out in the Nyasaland field, accepting certain responsibilities, counting it a high privilege, a blessing in the saving and blessing of a life and soul that is surely coming and will continue to come to thousands of our brethren in the mission fields of Africa. With the approval of Brother Barrar and what I hope may some day be an adequate staff of workers.

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natural element of Christianity makes its greatest impact when Christians are sealed, filled, and led by the Spirit of God. This spiritual dynamic force constitutes one of the Christian’s greatest needs.

The Scriptures
I believe that the canonized books of the Bible constitute the authoritative, reliable, and final Word of God. In the realizations it is without error. I believe the Scriptures were inspired by the Holy Spirit using holy men as agents in transcribing God’s message. Human personality was incorporated into the writings; nevertheless, the message transferred to the prophets and apostles as recorded is absolutely accurate. The 66 books of the Bible reveal holy men as agents in transcribing God’s image of God, a free, moral, rational being. I believe that man was created in the image of God, a free, moral, rational being. I believe that man was created in the image of God, a free, moral, rational being. I believe that man was created in the image of God, a free, moral, rational being. I believe that man was created in the image of God, a free, moral, rational being. I believe that man was created in the image of God, a free, moral, rational being.

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Salvation
I believe it is the duty of all men to repent of sin and accept Jesus Christ as Saviour. All men are lost until they appropriate by faith the atonement of sin made by Jesus Christ. Apart from the blood of Jesus Christ, I believe that there is no salvation or forgiveness of sins. Christ Jesus is the only entrance way, the only begotten Son of God who came to bring reconciliation. Individual works will never result in the salvation of the soul, rather, it is necessary to be born again of the Spirit of God, and resultantly, the joy of salvation will flood the heart of the believer. I believe that the invitation to salvation is universal and Jew and Gentile may trust Christ and be saved. I believe that salvation is dependent upon and is a partaker of Jesus Christ and Lord.

Eternal Life
I believe that every person who trusts Christ for salvation instantaneously receives eternal life. It is a present reality for born-again Christians. Eternal life in its perfection will be realized when all the righteous dead are resurrected at the end of this age and clothed with an incorruptible body likened unto that of Jesus Christ prior to His ascension. I believe that the saved believer can possess the assurance that he is a partaker of eternal life. Hence, anxiety concerning his eternal destiny is unnecessary.

The Ordinances
I believe that there are but two perpetual ordinances for Christendom until Christ returns: Baptism and the Lord’s Supper. These are merely emblems or symbols with spiritual significance. I believe that no special grace is imparted by the observance of these ordinances. I believe that the Scriptural mode of baptism is by immersion. Baptism is only commanded for believers as exemplified by Christ and His early followers. It is but an external act testifying to the inner experience of grace in the transformed life.

I believe that the Lord’s Supper was instituted by Christ as a memorial of His sacrificial death on Calvary’s cross. Only born-again Christians should be invited to participate in its observance. Frequent observance is beneficial in reminding believers of the great price that was paid, even the shedding of Christ’s blood for man’s sin.

The Sabbath
I believe that the seventh day is the Sabbath of God, instituted at creation and has never been abrogated. I believe that Christ and the early apostles observed the Sabbath as a day of worship. Man’s salvation is in no way dependent upon Sabbath observance. However, for the born-again Christian, Sabbath observance is a test of love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. The Sabbath should be a day of spiritual and moral activity and also a day of physical rest. Jesus was Lord of the Sabbath, hence, additional blessing for those complying in obedience to Christ’s lordship.

The Church
I believe that the majority of the references to the word church in the Bible refer to the local body of believers. The local church should play the major role in the nurturing of believers and in the evangelizing of the lost. Here God’s Word should be studied and proclaimed. I believe that each local church should hold autonomous, looking only to Christ as its head. I believe that only regenerate and believing persons, after a careful examination, should receive membership in the local church. Furthermore, cooperation in the gospel with other churches ought to be practiced. I believe that all truly born-again believers are component parts of the Church Universal. The responsibility of reconciling the world to Christ is the task of the individual constituents of the Church of Jesus Christ.

A NEW CHURCH PAPER
The Adams Center, N. Y., Church has selected the best copy of a church paper for which they are still seeking a name. It will be published quarterly or semi-annually as the need requires. Following are extracts from this number.

The service was in charge of Pastor Earl Cruzan, after which the ordination service was turned over to Rev. A. Clyde Ehret, chairman of the Ordination Committee of the association. Mr. Ehret joined in the service together. Action was taken electing him as chairman and Mrs. Margaret Streetley as clerk. The action of the church was read by the clerk, followed by the reports of the committees. Rev. Mr. Ehret preached the ordination sermon.

An open house was served in the dining room to approximately 125 people.

The service of ordination was held at 2 p.m. The charge to the church was given by Rev. Victor W. Skaggs of Verona, and the charge to the candidates by Rev. Marion C. Van Horn of Brookfield. Special music was furnished by Mrs. Delberta Greene and Mrs. Mary Williams. Coloring to the service was extended by Deacon Gilbert Horton.

All deacons and deaconesses present joined the ministers on the rostrum of the church while the candidates knelted for the consecration prayer which was offered by Pastor Cruzan.

The candidates for ordination were Paul Greene, Nathan Whitford, Gerald Greene, Mildred Scriven, and Mildred Greene.

It would be fine if we could see the Sabbath Recorder in each and every home. Our denominational paper not only brings us articles of inspiration; it also keeps us informed and up to date on happenings among our churches and within the denomination. You can have it in your home for $1 a year. It only takes six cents a week to have the Recorder as a regular weekly visitor.

In addition, the paper records annual reports of church officers and organizations as given at the annual church business meeting held on July 3, 1952, and other items and quotations of interest.

A friendly old colored man once said:

"I never puts anybody in my desipery.

Good government is one thing which cannot be preserved in alcohol. — Clip-sheer.
MUSIC AT CONFERENCE

By Alberta D. Batson

Music at Conference serves a twofold purpose — a minor, but worth-while purpose which is to give the delegates and friends a chance to relax and to express themselves musically and all together as in our hymn singing. But an outstanding purpose of the music at Conference is the giving of inspiration and it was truly evident at the Conference in Denver.

From the organ preludes at the opening of the sessions to the closing hymns each evening the feeling of God’s presence, of trust, love, and fellowship was very much with us. Especially impressive was the fact that so many different people had a part in our musical inspiration. We had various song leaders, organists, soloists, etc. It is good to have many people working for the glory of God through music.

The work of the Conference choir should receive special recognition. Their sincerity, and inspiring music was a real joy to all who had the privilege of hearing them and their week of service was highlighted when on Sunday night they sang the Hallelujah Chorus. The members of the choir under the direction of Roger H. Johnson, with Mrs. W. G. Wells of Boulder, Mrs. Miss Rose Marie Emerson of Alfred Station, and Rev. Francis Saunders of North Loup. Luther Hansen of Denver played a violin solo.

Worthy of mention were the young people and their youth choir, the members being those who attended the Pre-Conference Retreat. Their director was Al­bert N. Rogers. This group sang on two evenings. The men’s chorus under the direction of Roger H. Johnson, with Mrs. Miss Rose Marie Emerson of Alfred Station, and Rev. Francis Saunders of North Loup. Luther Hansen of Denver played a violin solo.

Many very helpful messages were brought to us during our memorable days in Denver and the fellowship was most enjoyable. A mixed quartet con­posed of President and Mrs. K. Duane Hurley and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rogers sang for us at one session.

At the suggestion of the committee appointed by the Board to assist the editor in securing materials for the Sabbath Recorder, a letter is being sent to every church asking for certain information of interest to be published. It is asked that recent pictures of the churches be furnished that cuts may be made. If pictures are already satisfactory cuts in the file so new ones will not be necessary. It is hoped that a prompt response will be made by all the churches.

Attention

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FROM THE EDITOR’S MAILBOX

In reference to an editorial in August 4th Recorder which we received today (These figures and data based on figures taken from 1951 Year Book).

Amount paid pastors $96,535.49
Paid pulpit supply 3,283.00

Total paid S.D.B. pastors $93,249.49
divided by 45 regularly employed S.D.B. pastors.

Average (not including parsonage) $2,072.21
Average (including parsonage figured at one sixth of salary) $2,417.58

I wish these figures had appeared with your much-needed editorial for comparison with other denominations listed.

August 5, 1952.

To the Editor of the Sabbath Recorder:

It was greatly interested in the front page reproduction of Holman Hunt’s masterpiece “The Light of the World” in your issue of July 21st — presumably in reference to Rev. Earl Crouch’s sermon on the same theme on page 30 of that issue.

William Holman Hunt was one of the most famous artists of today, he painted many wonderful pictures that are now in museums and galleries all over the world. He painted this picture, which is now on exhibit at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, in order to express his own thoughts about religion. The picture shows a group of shepherds with their flocks in the field, and in the background is a hill with a cross on it. The shepherds are looking up at the cross, and their faces are turned towards the light. This picture has become very popular because it expresses the idea that even in the darkest of times, there is always a glimmer of hope and light. The scene is also symbolic of the story of the Good Samaritan, which is told in the Bible. The Good Samaritan was a kind and compassionate man who helped a受伤的 traveler on the side of the road, and this picture shows how we can all be good Samaritans to others in need.

SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION

By Frank R. Kellogg

Sabbath Recorder

It is a privilege to bring a message from the Southwestern to your notice. The following is a brief summary of the work of the association.

The Southwestern Association is a group of churches that are located in the southwestern part of the United States. They are a part of the Methodist Church and they have a mission to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to those who are in need.

The association is made up of several different denominations, including the United Methodist Church, the Southern Methodist Church, and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. They work together to serve the needs of the community and to spread the message of the gospel.

In recent years, the Southwestern Association has been involved in several projects to help those who are in need. They have worked to build schools and hospitals, to provide food and clothing, and to offer counseling and support to those who are struggling.

The Southwestern Association is committed to serving the community and to spreading the message of the gospel. They are a group of people who are dedicated to helping those who are in need, and they work together to make a difference in the world.

For many years he struggled for recognition, and his first version of the 'Light of the World' was a failure. Later, he had a different version, and the suggestion of a friend that he should ask God’s help through prayer and meditation. His second version succeeded, and the 'Light of the World' became a famous masterpiece that has touched the attention of many people around the world on a Saviour’s love.

By touring the Britain Empire the masterpiece found a resting place in St. Paul’s Cathedral, the crypt of which the great artist lies buried.

Your faithfully,

Gordon M. Dye-Keele

Editor, Sabbath Observer.

144, Crescent Drive,
Pettis Wood, Kent, Eng.
children's hour led by Mrs. Coalwell and Mrs. Deland, and laymen's hour in charge of Rev. Mr. Dewe. One time there was a report from the Missionary Committee of the Southern Association given by Miss Mary Alice Butler.

I was asked to bring the message Friday evening. In connection with this service, which was well attended, there was a testimony meeting with many taking part. Deacon Darwin Maxson of Gentry, Ark., was a special guest.

The Sabbath morning service was something I shall never forget. The children brought the sermon in charge of the personnel of the Daily Vacation Bible School. They presented the program that was given at the closing of the school. About 35 or 40 young people took part, ranging in age from 4 to 16 years. It was a thrill to see those children wearing their caps and a silver star for each day's attendance. The scarf was initiated "Hammond Daily Vacation Bible School." They marched in singing (not just making a noise but singing beautifully and sweetly), their faces radiant with enthusiasm. Every word, every note came right from their hearts. They just carried the audience along with them as they sang praises and hymns. Their enthusiasm made one feel like joining with them. Not only was their singing inspiring but it was also an inspiration to see the small children walking that one mile from their homes to the church and back. They had that right in the spirit of Christ, that one would do all in the power of God, to help young people.

At the conclusion of the service the young people and children stood on the front steps, it was asked who had his picture taken. They marched with their decorations to the public school cafeteria (which was about six blocks away) singing their songs. There a most delicious dinner was served, as were all the meals, without charge.

Friends, if anyone came to that Sabbath morning service to scoff he would have remained to pray, or, if one came in the spirit of Christ, that one would still be praying for those children. Altogether it was a wonderful experience. All services were well attended and well worth attending.

It was a joy and pleasure to meet the people of the Southwest and in and around Hammond and to discover by personal experience what is meant by southern hospitality. All the people, young and old, cannot do enough for a guest.

Rev. Theodore J. Hibbard and Rev. John H. McKay deserving a great deal of credit for the success of the occasion with credit also to a group of a dozen or more men and women who assisted and worked in Christian unity.

The next Southwestern Association meeting was held in Oakland, Ala.

One thing that greatly impressed me and caused some concern was the conditions and possibilities connected with the Hammond Church. The Church has twenty-four members, twenty men, women, and young people. Many come from New Orleans which is sixty miles away.

In the past year the Church has gained ten new members with two more expecting to join soon. When Rev. Mr. Hibbard became pastor, there was a church attendance of about eight or ten. Today, counting the women and children that the pastor brings in, the attendance is about forty-five. I say women and children because the men are too busy and do not sense the importance of the church.

But what it is said of them children and young people may be true about the needs and sufferings of people in other places. We wish there was something we could do about it. Friends, here is a need at our very doorstep. We do not need to send a man to that field. He is already there and doing a great work — a man of courage, consecrated to the task of saving souls, striving through love for Christ and the people around him to bring into their lives the joy and peace of Christian living. Rev. Theodore J. Hibbard is giving of his best to the Master. He needs our prayers and financial support.

If you could see these people that the pastor brings in, see the eagerness in their faces as they listen quietly and reverently to the message of God's love, if you could hear those childish voices singing of Jesus' love for them, you could better understand their meaning when He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." Some of them as they approach to hear the story of a Heavenly Father who cares for them. They need to know that there is someone who cares. This includes you and me as well as the Master.

Friends, God has a plan for each individual life even though we do not always fit into it. God has a plan for the Seventh Day Baptist denomination, I wonder if it might not be in part at least to help evangelize the South and Southwest. Possibly it could start with the Hammond Church. Is it not worth thinking and praying about?

"A vision without a task is a dream; a task without a vision is drudgery; a vision and a task is the hope of the world." —Anonymous.

Editor's note: After the above was prepared for publication, a very full account of the Southwestern Assembly was received in the office of our Secretary, Miss Mary Van Horn; treasurer, Mrs. William Coalwell.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

London, Eng. — A memorial service for the late King George VI was held on February 16, 1952, the day following the royal funeral.

Three socials held on the nights of December 8, 20, and 28 were surprisingly successful and well attended. There were many people embracing almost all the arts. Both visitors and members thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and as quite a number of the guests attended the afternoon service at Mill Yard preceding the social, it brought many new contacts into church life. There was, too, a corresponding increase in the collections.

A cordial welcome was extended to Ebght Codington, a Jamaican Seventh Day Baptist who lives at 24 Christian Street, Whitechapel (near the site of the old Mill Yard Chapel). He attended the service on March 22.

A small well-bound notebook entitled "Mill Yard Seal Register," kept by Dr. Brindley, contains the details not contained in this report. The church property left by the late Brother Vane, was forwarded to Dr. Corliss. The exhibits of the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society. Its safe receipt was acknowledged.

An inquiry about the work of the Evangelistic Sabbatarian Mission and aims was received from Kenneth Herring of Gillingham, Kent, and was replied to and literature sent.

Correspondence has been received from Mrs. Asivatham and from Brother G. Zijlstra of Holland, the latter telling of the revival of our Dutch magazine De Begijnenbrie. As a token of regard and gratitude for services rendered, a gift of two pounds from the members of Mill Yard Church was forwarded to Mrs. Zijlstra, who attained his 90th birthday on April 18, by Pastor McGeeachy at the service on the following day.

Inquiries concerning Seventh Day Baptists in Amsterdam, various quarters — including one from a member of a Catholic family who has left the Roman Church and has become inter-
ested in the Sabbath — and each has been replied to and suitable literature sent.

The Sabbath Observer now costs sixpence each copy. Concerning a pastor. Rev. Leon M. Malby received the vote of two thirds majority of the members present and has been extended a call. The church also voted to support the sending of Beth Severe and Joan Clement to Nyasaland and to give financial support to a school from the Sarah Beech Fund was transferred into a Beth Severe Fund. The money for their support would be handled by the association treasurer in co-operation with our sister churches of the Pacific Coast, and be in turn sent through the denominational Missionary Board.

The SSE officers are in the process of preparing for war. We need the name "Seventh Day Baptist" written over the front doors also need a yard light. We need a signboard in the front yard besides highway signs pointing the way to our church. We owe $2,500, borrowed from the Memorial Fund, on the property. This sum we intend to repay as soon as we can.

Pastor Mitchell and family are in the little apartment. They are sincere Christians burdened for lost souls.

Though none of our little group is sick, several are not really well. Those of us who attend services go regularly. We are thankful to God that we now have a place of our own in which to meet to worship and for the health that permits us to meet in Christian fellowship.

So far this year we have sent $94.12 to the Denominational Budget. We have sent $4,12 to the SABRETT. We have sent $12,612 to the missions. This is Christianity?" Where is God found?" “Who was Jesus?” “Was Jesus God?”

Following the discussion groups a church service was held, directed by Rev. Ronald Hargis. From the chapel the retreaters were dismissed for the alone time. Printed sheets containing material to direct the young people confused concerning the search for God were issued. The alone time periods were enriching experiences. At 10:30 the campers gathered for a class in hymnology directed by Mrs. Shireen Hurley which ended the morning sessions. Mrs. Hurley gave the campers a background of the use of hymns and their origin.

Each afternoon four interest groups were offered. Every camper was allowed to choose one of his own selection. These groups were: Denominational Planning, led by Rev. Alton Wheeler; Drama, led by Dr. Wayne Rood; Crafts, led by Miss Gertrude Trower; Studies in Christian Education, led by Rev. Ronald Hargis. These groups were planned in order to develop the young people’s interest in our denominational structure, and to instruct them in methods of enriching the church program.

A two week recreation period followed the interest groups. During this period a part of the campers went horseback riding, a part went hiking to the Red Rocks theater, and the remainder stayed in camp and played volleyball or other games.

The discussion groups pursued in the morning continued in the afternoon. Immediately after the discussion groups the campers were adjourned for the alone time. During this period individual study in the Bible was continued.

Due to the early sunset in the Red Rocks area the vespers services were observed before the evening meal. These services were under the direction of Rev. Rex Zwiebel. However, the campers were urged to participate in the services. The vespers services were very inspiring and drew one close to God as he looked at the magnificent wonders of God’s handiwork.

The campfires consisted of miscellaneous programs. On Thursday night we enjoyed the fellowship found in group singing. Friday night the picture "Amos" was shown. Sabbath night the campers presented "The Sailor’s Prayer" and "Meditations." Monday night we enjoyed hearing the 1937 Salem College quartet. Also on the program were short reports from Commission by Pres. Fred K. Danielson. The program was enlivened by the music of Mr. Alfred Davis. Rev. Melvin Nida enlightened the retreaters on the coming Revised Standard Version of the Bible. All campers participated by one in the fellowship circle and a group song.

A Sabbath day worship service was planned for campers and visitors by Dr. Wayne Rood. The worship service centered around the theme "The Quest for God." A large number of campers participated with small parts in the worship program. These able campers participated by delivering sermons. Betty Davis of Denver, Colo., spoke on "The Quest for God in the Home," Marilyn Osborn of AIA., R., I., spoke on "The Quest for God at Work." Duane Davis of Nortonville, Kan., spoke on "The Quest for God in the Church." A great spiritual value was gained from the sermons delivered by this group of young people in our growing denominational church.
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BIRTHS

Crane. — A son, Kevin Arden, to Mr. and Mrs.
Arden Crane of Dodge Center, Minn.,
April 9, 1952.
Greene. — A son, Kenneth Wallace, to Mr.
and Mrs. Wallace Greene of Dodge Center,
Minn. June 23, 1952.

Accessions

Dodge Center, Minn.

Baptism:
Alfred Hanson, Channelview, Tex.,
Maryln Mosher, Pine Island, Minn.,
Yvonne Bond, Mantonville, Minn.,
Dale Langworthy, Dodge Center, Minn., and
Merwin Lindahl, Dodge Center, Minn.
July 19, 1952; except the first two can­
didates, all joined the church July 26, 1952.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

ROCKVILLE — Lt. Kenneth Stickney, former pastor of the Rockville Seventh Day Baptist Church, and now a chaplain in the U. S. Army, is spending a leave with his wife and family at Holland, Mich. Lt. Stickney will be sent overseas to Yokohama, Japan, September 2.
WESTERLY — E. Howard Clark of 4 Crescent Street, chairman of the Salvation Army Friendly Annual Appeals and its Service Fund in Westerly for 36 consecutive years, recently became a charter member of a "Twenty-year Club," inaugurated at the annual Open House of the Army's fresh-air camp, Wonderland, on Lake Massapoag, Sharon, Mass. — Westerly, R. I., Sun.

For sale at Milton, Wis. — Excellent dairy farm of 96 acres. Prairie soil loam alfalfa (limed) soil. Coldest well water is endless supply powered by automatic electric pump. 10-room house, dairy building and cooling room, 32 ft. by 85 ft. basement barn; 24 cow watering cups, new milk house attached to barn with electric refrigeration; silo, etc. Excellent church, schools, black top roads, and other advantages. Desire to sell to a reliable Seventh Day Baptist. Terms $4 cash down, balance in ten years at 4% interest. Dwight and Beatrice Clarke, Box 71, Milton, Wis.

ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society will be held in the Pawcatuck Church, Westerly, R. I., September 21, 1952, at 2:00 p.m.
E. T. H.

ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Women's Society will be held at the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church, Battle Creek, Mich., September 14, 1952, at 8:00 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING
AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT
SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY

The annual meeting of the members of the American Sabbath Tract Society of New Jersey, for the election of officers and trustees and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them, will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., on Sunday afternoon, September 14, 1952, at two o'clock.
Franklin A. Langworthy, President,
Frederik J. Bakker, Recording Secretary.

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SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

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If we are not hopeless, the situation is not either. — Clipsheet.

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