because her time is short and her love for
the denomination is great.

If we have not tithed our incomes we
should feel uncomfortable in the presence
of such Christians as Elizabeth Fisch
Davis. More than that, we are likely to
somehow have our joy in heaven dimmed
when we stand in the presence of the
Son of Man who gave His all for us.

SALEM COLLEGE LIBRARY
Salem College President K. Duane
Hurley recently announced that the college
has received a $5,000 gift from a board
member to underwrite the beginning phase
of a library extension program, previously
announced.

The board member, Miss L. V. Miles,
well-known garment manufacturer of New
York City, made the gift to the college
to initiate the library building program,
which was voted at the May 31 meeting
of the board of directors.

Following recommendation of its build-
ings and grounds committee, the executive
committee of the Salem College board of
directors has ordered construction to begin
on an extensive library expansion. They
voted to proceed with a plan to build an
addition onto the rear of the Administra-
tion Building which houses the present
library.

The 35 x 75 contemplated addition will
provide space for storing 30,000 volumes,
adequate reading rooms, an additional
class room and other storage rooms for
documents and library possessions.

The new addition will be constructed
of building blocks with brick veneer.

President Hurley stated that the college
expects the major part of the construction
to be completed and ready for use some-
time during the first semester of the
coming school year.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES
MILTON, WIS. — A publicity release from
Milton College announcing its com-
pleted faculty for the year about to
begin calls attention to the fact that 15
of the faculty members regularly attend
Seventh Day Baptist services, most of
them supposedly being members of
the Milton Church. The names checked are:
L. M. Van Horn, L. W. Hulett, Ivan Fitz
Randolph, Zev Zinn, Leland Shaw, Mabel Maxson, John N.
Daland, A. P. Loomer, J. Leland Skaggs,
Gladys Randolph, Kenneth Babcock, E. J.
Rood, Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, Herbert
Crouch.

MARRIAGES
Norwood - Degen. — At the home of Rev.
A. J. C. Bond, Alfred, N. Y., on Sabbath
Day, Aug. 28, 1954, Mrs. J. Norwood
and Dora Kenyon Degen were united in
marriage, Rev. A. J. C. Bond officiating.
Both the bride and groom, well known in
educational circles, are residents of Alfred.

BIRTHS
Wheeler. — A son, Leon Ashby, to Rev. and
Mrs. Edgar Wheeler of DeRuyter, N. Y.,
on Aug. 15, 1954.

OBITUARIES
Ling. — Martin, son of Andrew and Caroline
Ling, was born March 2, 1872, in Jamestown,
N. Y., and died May 28, 1954, in
Battle Creek, Mich.

On November 29, 1898, he married Coral
Tapan in Dodge Center, Minn. Mr. and Mrs.
Ling came to Battle Creek in 1925 from New
Auburn, Wis. He retired in 1949 after nearly
25 years with the Battle Creek Food Company.
He was a faithful and active member in the
Seventh Day Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mrs.
Gladys M. Hanke, Battle Creek; four sons: Fred
E. of South Bend, Ind., Everett E., Daylin, and
Lloyd, all of Battle Creek; two brothers, Joe E.
of Salem, W. Va., and Philip B. of New
Auburn, Wis.; 13 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren;
and several nieces and nephews.

Farewell services were held at Farley's Funeral
Home on June 1, 1954, with Rev. Leland E.
Davis officiating. Burial was in the Hicks
Cemetery.

E. D. Burdick. — Carroll R., son of George W. and
Eleanor Clarke Burdick, was born at
Verona, N. Y., July 21, 1889, and passed
away at DeRuyter, N. Y., on Aug. 11, 1954.
He married Isabel Smith on March 29, 1911.
Except for five years during which they lived
at Boulder, Colo., he spent most of his life in or
near DeRuyter. He was a farmer until the
last few years when he moved into the village
and worked for the Textile Manufacturing Co.
He was a member of the local Seventh Day
Baptist Church having joined in 1904.
Survivors are his wife; six sons: Wendell and
Willard of DeRuyter; Rev. Rex Burdick of
Mariboro, N. Y.; Wayne of Syracuse, N. Y.;
Eugene of New Woodstock, N. Y.; and Gordon
of the U. S. Navy, stationed at Norfolk, Va.;
and eleven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the
DeRuyter Seventh Day Baptist Church
November 29, 1954.

Rev. David C. Pearson and his wife, Bettie Butler
Pearson, newly appointed Seventh Day Baptist mis-
sionaries to Nyasaland who fly from New York to
their new field of labor September 21. Pray for
these new representatives.
The Sabbath Recorder

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Published weekly

THE SABBATH RECORDER

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Free Book

Blood, Sweat, and Prayers, a compilation of fifteen stories by medical missionaries, has been published by the Christian Medical Society. The stories are about actual people and experiences on twelve mission fields.

Although CMS has been publishing tracts and pamphlets for several years, Blood, Sweat, and Prayers is its first book. More books of a Christian-medical nature are in the future plans of the society.

Editor's Note: We have found these stories very helpful and suggest that our readers order free copies from 108 North Dearborn St., Chicago 2, Ill.

Speaking of Minorities

Whenever a democratic body reaches decisions in a representative assembly on the basis of unlimited discussion and secret ballot, it should be assumed that the final vote represents the will of the whole body. Unless the issue is one that quite clearly involves the individual conscience and the action of the people to violate their conception of eternal truth, then the minority should submit to the question of the denominational building grace — if it is a Christian organization.

The General Conference of Seventh Day Baptists has recently met at Milton, Wis. There were negative votes on a number of issues. To the best of our recollection, no one ever seriously challenged the decision of the president on a voice-vote. Several times, however, he called for a standing vote when the "ayes" and the "nos" were of somewhere near equal volume. On one issue the vote was by ballot. It was an issue which involved progressive increases in the Denominational Budget. It contained also to some extent a theological issue, at least in the minds of some. This majority of some 700 thought the expansion of our theological school were not, in our opinion, strongly influenced either by financial considerations or by other motivations. We believe that many of them argued, applauded, and voted on the basis of a non-theological loyalty to the past. Your editor pleaded in these columns for a non-theological loyalty to the future. We are concerned about the future of that rural church in South Jersey which is giving to denominational work. It is all true. The figures on the back page we wonder whether the largest budget in our denominational history.

Many Churches Doing Well

Last week's Sabbath Recorder carried an article, "Marlboro Church Makes a Name. It was an emphasis on tithing work to support the rural churches in South Jersey was giving to denominational work. It is all true. The figures on the back page this Recorder prove it.

We must hasten to say that the figures for all the churches with the 1953 Year Book that many other churches have made names for themselves in larger giving. Perhaps some of them will wish to share the story of how it was done. It is rather amazing to see that many churches have given much more in 11 months of this budget year than in the previous 12 months. Just a glance will show that 3 churches are above $4,000. We also find some interesting information in budgeted special gifts last year. Below its goal and is waiting for your names for themselves in raising the largest budget in our denominational history.

Christian Education and Atheism

Christian Education Week (Sept. 25 - Oct. 2) is a time to remind ourselves of our failure to take full advantage of the freedom that is still open to educate our children in matters of Christian faith. In Russia the ban on religious education has been lifted during the past ten years to the extent that parents have been allowed to give religious instruction to their children in their homes — not in Bible schools. Churches aretolerated and children believe in God. Note that communism feels more secure in its homeland antireligious education is being stepped up under such slogans as "Religion is poison — keep your children away."
We need to thank God that such is not the attitude of the administration in our land. We are given full liberty not only to teach religion in the home but also in the church. There is no stepping home training because the church does a little of it? Church training of an hour or two a week cannot possibly overcome the pressure of parental indifference which is exerted seven days a week.

The ever-increasing percentage of top scientists in our country who are agnostics or atheists seems to point to the fact that we have inadvertently been left off balance, in the attitude of public education toward religious faith. Is it not true that institutions of learning have much greater consistent home training and the wise expect or allow tax-supported denominational beliefs. By the same token we can insist that they refrain from teaching antireligious doctrines than religious faith. We cannot expect or allow tax-supported schools to teach antireligious beliefs. By the same token we can insist that they refrain from teaching agnosticism, or atheism. The problem is how to enforce that insistence. Perhaps our solution is to make more consistent home training and the wise choice of schools of higher education.

Since God is true and His Word is truth it follows that science, after temporary excursions into the realms of unbelief, will have to come back to truth as revealed by the Creator of all those things with which science has to do. It follows also that if Christ is the supreme revelation of God, then Christianity must ultimately be recognized as being just as true as science. By the same token the Sabbath of Creation and of Christ, being revealed in both, is truth which ought to be proclaimed with vigor and the best of scholarship.

No Church News?

If no church news is found in an issue of the Recorder it is usually because none was received. If your church is seldom interested, correspondents of the news which would be of interest to readers in other places. Church news is always happening but is not always reported. If your news items are short and frequent they stand a better chance of being fresh when they appear. Long reports sometimes have to be held over for a later issue.

Memory Text

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. Psalm 19: 7.

Correction Please

In our report of the recommendations of Commission (last week's issue, page 112) we failed to note that the Committee on Reference and Counsel offered a substitute recommendation for the original No. 3 which had proposed biennial sessions of the Conference. The substitute was adopted, reading as follows:

"We recommend to the Conference that the Commission with the various denominational agencies prepare for study by churches, associations, and the 1955 Conference a "package" program interrelating biennial Conference sessions, enlarged association sessions and/or regional workshops, Pre-Con Retreat, and denominational society meetings."

This brings the total number of recommendations back to 10. Readers should note this change of numbering.

September 20, 1954

Conference, Church News, and Resolutions

Rev. Emmett H. Bottoms, Chairman of Committee

Personal Greetings Received

Christian greetings have been received from Socrates Thompson of Jamaica, B. W. I.; Miss Rosemary Hare of New Zealand; Mrs. A. S. Burdick of Chicago; Rev. Harley Sutton of Alfred Station, N. Y.; Pastor Oyibo N. Imegi of Nigeria; Rev. E. P. Hansen of Denmark; Rev. John Schmid and Frank Schober for the Irvington, N. J., Church; Rev. James McGauchy of the Mill Yard Church, London, England; Marvin Juhl of Des Moines, Iowa; Rev. E. A. Coltrin, Boulder, Colo.; Rev. Harold R. Crandall, Rockville, R. I.; Rev. Paul Maxson of Berlin, N. Y.; and, Rev. Edward F. Barrar of New Zealand. We recommend that appropriate replies be made by the executive secretary. We suggest that the executive secretary send the greetings of Conference with programs and newsheets, if available, to retired ministers and others who he thinks would be interested.

Objectionable Reading Matter

Whereas our young people are constantly being subjected to the lure of so-called comic and pulp magazines, therefore be it

Resolved (a) that our people be urged to scrutinize the reading of their children and eliminate from our homes the un­desirable and sensational literature which appeals to our young to their merchants of such literature and advise them in the choice of what they offer for sale to our children.

Protestant Persecution in Colombia

Whereas the annual Conference of Seventh Day Baptists wishes to record protest at the persecution of Protestants and other non-Catholics of Colombia; whereas the Government of Colombia is persecuting Protestants and other non-Catholics of Colombia through the printed word.

Beverage Alcohol

In view of the great increase in the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages, the increase of crime and mounting expense involved in law enforcement; therefore be it

Resolved (a) that we go on record as opposing the manufacture and sale of beverage alcohol; and (b) that we as individuals do all in our power — on local as well as state and federal levels — by written or oral protests to the agencies involved, to eliminate the advertising of beverage alcohol on radio, television, and through the printed word.

Atomic Weapons

In view of the awful possibilities latent in the atomic bomb and other methods of waging warfare, and believing that the teaching of Christ is opposed to such violence, therefore be it

Resolved that we commend our President and his advisers for such acts as the...
offer to pool all knowledge of atomic power for the constructive use of all nations; be it further

Resolved that the goodwill with the wishes of our President as expressed at Evanston that we earnestly call upon all nations, particularly our own, to seek, under some form of international guarantee, the reduction and final elimination of the weapons of mass destruction.

FORWARD STEPS IN MAKING HIM KNOWN

Secretary Neal D. Mills

(Continued from last issue, page 119)

Step 3. Evaluate attainments periodical­ly—probably monthly. Indica­

The Agricultural Trade Development, and the Food and Agriculture stands to do so. At the end of the year evaluate again the entire program of the church, preferably using an evaluation scale. This should be done by a large committee of officers and leaders or perhaps the entire membership should have a part in it. If a self-rating scale was used by the members at the beginning of the year they might well use it again to check on their own personal progress throughout the year's program of service based on the experience of the past year.

The program chart will be sent from the office as long as the supply lasts for $.10 each plus postage. The Enlistment sheet or card, the Self-Rating Scale for individuals, and the Self-Evaluation Scale for groups are available at nominal prices. The program may be carried on using the program chart only, but the other materials are a very definite help. In closing let me hasten to say that this Project Program of Progress will not work unless in our churches are operated in Church World Service, the Tract-a-Month Club. A mutual agreement is to share responsibilities, avoiding the temptation to make excuses, anxiously for more training, and conscientiously working at their assigned tasks, that church will succeed. Are you a stick of driftwood or a stick of dynamite? Let's gather up enough dynamite in our churches to blow our complacencies and timidity "to kingdom come." Let's give the Project Program a try!

Tract-a-Month Club

By contributing one dollar a year to the American Sabbath Tract Society you can become a member of the Tract-a-Month Club. A mutual agreement is required. The Tract Society agrees to send you in a separate envelope each month a tract selected by the secretary. The club member agrees to personally hand out that tract during the month.

To some who distribute large quantities of tracts this may seem a small thing — even insignificant. However, it is most probable that many church members do not prayerfully hand out even one tract per month. While some churches are strongly emphasizing tract distribution, others, we believe, are neglecting this ministry. The membership of the Tract-a-Month Club has fallen off considerably and new members have not been recruited. Have you personally considered the matter? It might lead to great things in your life and the lives of those who receive the tracts. It will also provide extra money for the printing of new tracts. You may have noticed that the new Denominational Budget allows only $800 for the printing of new tracts each year. The Tract Society planned to spend $1,500 for this work.

News Flash

Rev. and Mrs. David Pearson will fly to Nyasaland, Africa, leaving Idlewild Airline on September 30, 1954. Mr. Pearson is the head of the mission work in Nyasaland. Mr. Pearson will be away from home until the last week in November. Mr. Pearson is the head of the mission work in Nyasaland. Mr. Pearson will be away from home until the last week in November. The Pearson family will be away from home until the last week in November. The Pearson family will be away from home until the last week in November.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1954

GREATEST FOOD RELIEF PROGRAM IN HISTORY

The greatest world-wide food relief program in the history of the American churches has at least quadruple the numbers of overseas hungry and undernourished currently being aided — has been launched by the communions cooperating in the World Service, the interdenominational relief arm of Protestant and Eastern Orthodox churches.

The undertaking is the immediate an­

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for October 9, 1954

God's Answer to Job's Perplexity

Lesson Scripture: Job 38—42.

Greatest Good Friday

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DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET
Statement of Treasurer, August 31, 1954

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Disbursements

| Missionary Society | $ 1,856.66 | $ 233.19 |
| Tract Society | 424.12 |
| Board of Christian Education | 747.50 |
| Women’s Society | 528.52 |
| Historical Society | 110.86 |
| Ministerial Retirement | 452.18 |
| S. D. B. Building and Service | 75.12 |
| General Conference | 636.64 |
| Balance, August 31 | 24.61 |

Totals | $4,624.61 | $ 448.16 |

Comparative Figures

| 1954 | 1953 |
| $4,598.36 | $3,535.36 |

Receipts in August:

| $448.16 |

Eschatology — The Study of Last Things

Two world wars, and particularly the atomic bombs, were needed to blast this dusty term from the theological dictionary out into the World Council Assembly and from there into our current speech. If the World Council had been formed even as short a time back as the 1920’s, it would certainly not have concerned itself with this strange-sounding word. — Review and Herald.

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Outdoor Communion Service at a Christian work camp somewhere in Greece.

See story inside.