Obituaries

Burdick. — Isaphena Genette West, the daughter of William B. and Isaphena Burdick West, was born at Utica, Wis., Dec. 5, 1865, and died at Janesville, Wis., Mar. 5, 1956.

Nettie, as she was commonly known, was the widow of Rev. Willard D. Burdick. A more extended obituary appears elsewhere.

Ewing. — Julia B., daughter of Winsfield and Eva Bonham, was born Feb. 23, 1877, and passed away at her home in Shiloh, N. J., Feb. 22, 1956.

Mrs. Ewing had been a faithful member of the Shiloh Church for more than 60 years and had taken an active part in the work of the church.

She is survived by her husband, Deacon Henry H. Ewing; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas W. Ewing, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and three sisters: Mrs. Ada P. Lyon, Bradford, Pa.; Mrs. Harold B. Milward, Burt, N. Y.; and Mrs. Charles Abanks, Rochester, N. Y.

Funeral services were held at the Robert Garrison Funeral Home in Bridgeton, N. J., by her pastor, Rev. Robert Lippincott, and interment was in the Shiloh Cemetery.

R. P. L.

Jacox. — George Maxson, the son of William Henry and Lettie Burdick Jacox, was born Oct. 6, 1881, and died in Long Beach, Calif., Jan. 20, 1956.

His early life was spent in the East. He came to California over thirty years ago and has made his home in the Los Angeles area. Though not active in recent years, he took his stand for Christ in his early life and joined the Los Angeles Seventh Day Baptist Church by letter from his home church in New York State. Surviving are his daughter, Irene Evans, a grandson, and three great-granddaughters, all of the Los Angeles area. He also leaves 2 brothers, John and Clarence, and a sister, Esther Sadler, of Alfred, N. Y.

Funeral services were conducted on January 30, by Rev. Leon R. Lawton. Burial was in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

L. R. L.

Knight. — Raymond A., son of Edmund C. and Minnie Ward Knight, was born Feb. 17, 1888, at Jackson Center, Ohio, and died Jan. 23, 1956, at Topeka, Kan.

His early youth was spent at Nortonville, Kan., where he was baptized and united with the Seventh Day Baptist Church, on May 13, 1910. He served in World War I, and was a retired mail carrier at Topeka.

Survivors besides his wife, Faye, and his daughter, Rita Rae Knight, at home, are: two sisters, Mrs. Velma Wood, and Mrs. Emery Washburn, of Topeka; one brother, Roy, of Philadelphia, Pa.; a niece, and five stepchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at Topeka, on January 26, with burial in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Topeka.

D. L. D.

Marriages

Batchelder - Stone. — Richard Drew Batchelder, son of Mrs. Virginia Batchelder, of Westerly, R. I., and Shirley Ellen Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Stone, Roaring Branch,Pa., were united in marriage in the Lost Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sabbath, Feb. 25, 1956. Rev. Rex E. Zwiebel officiating. Both are students at Salem College.

Births

Bond. — A son, Richard Leslie, to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bond, of Kansas City, Kan., at Leavenworth, Kan., on Feb. 16, 1956.
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Sunday Observance and The Resurrection
As each Easter season rolls around we sense a feeling on the part of those who keep that the first-day observance of the week has once more been justified by this annual celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. If it seemed that a new day had not been set aside for religious people are frank to puzzle as to how those who keep the seventh-day Sabbath can properly emphasize the importance of the resurrection of Christ. We are frequently asked in all sincerity what do we observe Easter.

It is not amiss to discuss this matter briefly for the information of readers who are not of our church and for clarification of the minds of church members who have not thought the question through.

Let it be said earnestly and fervently that Seventh Day Baptists stand on resurrection ground just as firmly as any other group of Christians. They resist and resent any attempt to drive them off from that high ground by the argument that if they do not observe Easter they are putting the same emphasis on Easter as the majority do they must take a lower view of this great foundation doctrine of the church.

It is probable that our ministers have made a more thorough study of all New Testament passages dealing with the events and doctrine of the resurrection than the average minister in other denominations. Certainly it is true that our Bibles are well worn at such passages as 1 Corinthians 15 which contains words like "And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures"; or the 14th verse, "And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." None are more thrilled than we with the boldness of Peter in preaching the resurrection or with the arguments of the Apostle Paul standing before Jews or Gentiles proclaiming both the fact and meaning of Christ's rising from the dead. This is precious doctrine; these are preaching texts which are well used in all our churches.

What we deny is that there is any necessary or Scriptural connection between the glory of this doctrine and the observing of a new day of worship or an annual celebration that is fixed on Sunday. A re-

examination of all the New Testament passages and the arguments of the Epistles will show no evidence that any of the apostles connected the day of the week on which Christ arose from the dead with a new day. It seems that all the apostles who set forth by teaching or example the idea that the first day of the week should replace the Sabbath as a worship day. Whoever first made that suggestion did not have the authority of an apostle, according to any known record. On the other hand, there was every opportunity for the preaching to Gentiles to instruct them along that line if he had any such idea. Instead, he consistently preached to Gentiles on the Sabbath, according to the record of the Gentile Luke in the Book of Acts.

The day of rest and worship is something so important in the counsel of God that He shaped creation around it and imbedded it in the heart of the Ten Commandments. Therefore we conclude that none was present the resurrection annually as well as on the day of the week.

There is nothing wrong with remembering the resurrection annually as well as monthly, weekly, and daily. We do have a feeling, however, that in modern church life people have drifted into a practice of annual celebrations of events in the life of Christ which, in a measure, rob those of some of the constant significance which they should have throughout the year. It could be pointed out that if Peter and John, Stephen, Philip, and Paul had waited for anniversaries to preach the incarnation, the sacrificial death, and the resurrection of Christ, the Church would never have gotten started. They proclaimed those things daily as the fundamentals of the faith, as the things which proved that Christ had power to save. We would do well to follow their example.

As Seventh Day Baptists we believe we are in a better position to do so since we are less bound by long-established church customs or prescribed church days and sermon themes. Ours is a faith which embraces the application of the death and resurrection of Christ to our own experience as in the Scripture: "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Rom. 6:4).

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EDITORIAL NOTES
Gathering Call Needs Help
Those who have in times past received help and encouragement from The Gathering Call may be interested to know that Elder E. S. Ballenger, its founder and editor, left provision in his will for the publication to be carried on. This is being done as he directed. However, the personal income of Elder Ballenger, which was used to a considerable extent to finance the magazine, is not now available—at least during the time that the estate is being settled. The publication must therefore seek to become self-sustaining by an increased subscription price and a larger number of subscribers. Recorder readers who have a loyalty to this cause may wish to write to Donald E. Mote, 3210 Prospect Ave., Riverside, Calif. This suggestion is made by a Sabbath Recorder subscriber.

Church Legislation in New York
The editor of The Churchman has called to our attention a piece of legislation before the New York State Legislature introduced at the request of a bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church by Assemblyman Joseph. The new bill would change the Religious Corporations Law by reducing the number
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AN EASTER MESSAGE
Rev. Charles H. Fountain

There are those who do not believe in the resurrection of Christ from the dead. But they are aware of His tremendous influence on human history. They know that that influence comes from the four little books called the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. They seek to account for them. How came those books to be written? Not believing in the supernatural they cannot attribute the origin of the Gospels to divine inspiration — but they must be accounted for. How came they to be written?

These same New Testament writers recorded the fact that He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil. He came to seek and to save the lost. He restored sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, and to the dead, He gave life to the spiritually dead. By the very fact of the resurrection of Christ, all of this became possible. He is the resurrection and the life.

He is the God-man, the Man-God that has been willed out of the heart of God. He is the fulfillment of all that was said of the Old Testament. He is the great light that enlightens the darkness of sin. Our faith is grounded in His mystery. He is the resurrection and the life. And we who have hoped in Him, the resurrection, have this hope with us now. That is why we seek to make known to the world with how much joy we have come to know and love the Lord Jesus Christ and to share with others the hope we have.
*Rais'ns Budget Promotion Committee*

Recorded below and on the back page of this issue are data on the response of Seventh Day Baptists through their churches to the challenge accepted by our representatives at the 1955 General Conference. The phase of that challenge that concerns this committee, by definition, is the raising in full by general support, of a budget totaling $74,115 before September 30. These are as many ways to do this as there are boards or agencies or associations or churches or fellowships or pastors or individual givers. But to do the work we have set ourselves as Seventh Day Baptists to do, the real burden must ever rest squarely on the shoulders of each of us individuals. We are answerable only to our Saviour, who died for us sinners and rose again!

A month ago we suggested that an increase of only about 22 cents (21.7 exactly) a month over and above our 1954-55 average giving would underwrite our 1955-56 program in full. A minimum of $12.20 (from 6,000) for the year or a rounded $1.00 monthly from 6,000 faithful Seventh Day Baptists would likewise reach our goal. Are such goals too high for you and me? We believe there are thousands who could (and perhaps do) give 2 or 5 or 10 or 30 times the monthly goal without much sacrifice — and generously support their local church at the same time!

Now for some figures. Tabulated below, like last month, are the totals broken down to per-member basis and compared with amounts of a year ago. Please study them and give some consecrated thought to your own relation to the totals before you pass this copy of the Recorder to your neighbor. Then let’s all see if the March totals look any better!

This month only 32 churches were represented in Treasurer Olin C. Davis’ report. Perhaps a gentle reminder to your church treasurer could improve on that figure, too. Thirty of 40 churches receiving 4,185 special bulletins for February (number shown in table below) failed to report in time. March bulletins (4,257) went to 45 churches and one more church will receive bulletins in April.

### Per-Member Average Gifts, 5 Months

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| Target per average member: **Bold figures are above target**

**White Cloud** 90

- 2.71
- 3.76
- 1.05
- 3

**Walworth**

- 2.50
- 3.33
- .83
- 5

**Brookfield, 1st** 40

- 2.59
- 3.71
- .22
- 83

**Richburg** 25

- 2.19
- 3.71
- .22
- 83

**Hopkinton, 1st** 125

- 2.08
- 2.89
- .81
- 3

**Ritchie** 35

- 1.43
- 1.25
- .18
- 2

**Waterford** 45

- 5.70
- 6.47
- .77
- 3

**Average, all gifts**

- 3.41
- 4.18
- .77
- 3

**Adam Center** 30

- 2.39
- 3.32
- .93
- 5

**Berlin** 50

- 4.25
- 4.90
- .65
- 2

**Alfred, 2nd** 100

- 1.94
- 2.30
- .36
- 4

**Middle Island** 15

- 1.83
- 1.36
- .47
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### CHURCH ATTENDANCE EXCUSES

For the past ten years I have tried to keep a mental list of the excuses that have been offered to me for not going to church. During the last nine years I don’t think I have heard a new one... only repetitions of those I heard the first year, with some novel variations. You wouldn’t believe some of the excuses that have been given by people with perfectly straight faces! They think that preachers, when they enter the ministry, take a vow to believe everything they hear. A pastor in Daytona Beach, Fla., had a good idea. In a recent bulletin he ran a check list, across the top are the words: “I cannot attend church services because:” And then... ”Please check.” Following are some reasons a person can check: Too busy. Must go to the movies. Pleasure trip. Company. Have to go fishing. Disinterestedness. Radio and TV program. Need to rest.” And then under the box of check marks there is this instruction across the bottom: “Please tear off and mail to God.”

— Robert E. Goodrich, Jr., in What’s It All About? (Fleming H. Revell Co.)
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Missions

A Secretary's Job

The primary objective of a Missionary Society secretary must be to direct and carry through the work of his board in such a way that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is presented winsomely and persuasively. By word and life he and all other board employees are striving to win souls to the Kingdom of our Lord and to establish the faith of those who have accepted Him as their Lord. This is primary and of paramount importance. If ever a secretary came to feel that this was not being done and that he was a contributing cause, he ought to resign and give place to one who would so direct this work as to accomplish the purpose of our Heavenly Father when He sent His Son into the world to die for us.

Another objective of the secretary is to keep our missionaries at home and abroad informed and equipped to do their job. A part of this task lies in the area of keeping them informed as to board policies and decisions but a large part of it lies in building and maintaining morale, of giving them inspiration, encouragement, and a sense of backing and security from the home base.

A third objective is to keep the standing committees of the board informed, seeking their advice and suggestions for carrying out our primary objectives. This applies also to all members of the board.

Another objective is to keep Commission, General Conference, and all the people of the denomination so informed as to the work of the boards, and needs as to secure continued support and a sympathetic understanding of the board's objectives and accomplishments.

It must be a secretary's objective to keep in touch with the work of other boards and agencies within the denomination so as to relate the Missionary Board's work to our total program.

Another objective is to keep in touch with the tremendous overall missionary activities of our day as carried on by other denominations. We hold only a small sector of the battle front against the forces of evil. We should recognize this fully. We do well to keep in touch with the real battle front in our day that we may not be eventually found fighting as a rear guard action and our efforts of very little consequence in the sight of God or man.

A secretary must find time to read and think and pray lest his springs of inspiration shall dry up. How can he hope to lead others to God or direct those who do not feel that contact with the Saviour of mankind?

Jamaica and British Guiana News

From Rev. Wardner T. FitzRandolph

I will leave for British Guiana on the 14th of March. This is later than I had planned but I really found it impossible to get a reservation for a week earlier. I called every day for confirmation of my reservation for the 7th but they put me off and finally told me that I was not on the waiting list. The earliest reservation they could get was for the 14th. The extra days will give me time to make out (further) report for on.

The repair of the building at Maiden Hall is nearing completion. It is a very good-looking job, and of sound construction. The carpenter work will be finished in a few days. There will then be some painting. We have about 500 building blocks for the school building and will try to get it worked on as soon as possible. However it will be impossible to open with the Easter term. I will have more explicit figures and plans when Grover and I can work them out. He is busy and I have been busy too.

Last Sabbath was a big day at Kingston. We had baptism. Eight were baptized and ten joined the church. Two of the members joining the church were joined together in matrimony also. This is the second group of ten that has united with the church in the past four months. There are several others desirous of baptism who did not find it possible at this time to take that step.

At Higgin Town, Pastor Lyons has been holding evangelistic services since February 10. It has been a wonderful time of revival. There have been more than fifty conversions at these meetings. More are stepping out every day. There are two meetings a day — one at four a.m., "early morning service" and the evening service. There is no service on the night after Sabbath. These meetings will continue indefinitely for there is much work yet to be done in this area. It is our purpose to give instruction to be given the new converts.

We have opened a Sabbath school in the eastern part of Kingston in the Mount Zion area. The committee said that if he return from British Guiana we should try to open a school there two Saturdays ago. There were 17 adults and 18 children in attendance. Three of the new members come from that group. Three came from White Hall and four from the Kingston group.

Last Sabbath there were 150 people at the morning service, the largest number I have ever seen at a Sabbath morning worship service. It is surely encouraging to see the increasing interest in the work taken by every church member. Pray that the revival interest may spread to every church in the island and to every corner of the country.

Nyasaland News

Beth and Joan have written under date of February 29 that the medical work at Makapwa Mission "continues to keep us busy, for which we are happy. The maternity work is beginning to build up. We trust that as time goes on it will keep us busy and that the services of a second native midwife will be justified. It is one of the slower phases of the medical work to build up according to what we have heard from others."

Concerning the name of the new building, we had thought it (might be called) the W. B. Lewis Medical Building since it is both a dispensary and a maternity (hospital)." The second copy of Mission Notes will carry pictures of the new building, along with a picture of the hospital assistant, Mr. Lackwell Mankhwal, his wife, Evelyn, and his son, Ephraim.

The nurses have written concerning Mr. Mankhwal, "We are certainly grateful for such a willing worker as he has proven to be. He is a good example to others living at the mission. Evelyn Mankhwal is in charge of our girls in the boarding department and has charge of the girls' handwork for the entire school. Her good influence is reflected in the lives of our girls and they will take away with them a picture of the role of a Christian mother in the world today.

Ephraim was born here on the mission nearly six months ago. He is our pride and joy and a wonderful example of a well-loved and cared-for child."

Messages from Pastor and Mrs. Tyrrell

On February 9 word was received from Mrs. Joseph Tyrrell that she was improving from her recent illness. She wrote, "I am feeling much improved only very weak. My eyes are troubling me much. The doctor seems to say it is from the nerves. My glasses presently are hardly of any use to me. Nevertheless I trust God will help and mercy will bring me gradually (to complete recovery)."

Mrs. Tyrrell's letter included an announcement of the coming wedding of her granddaughter, Constance Marguerita (pet name, Juliet), to Neville Thorne on Thursday, June 21, 1956. The wedding is to take place in the Parika Seventh Day Baptist Church. Mr. Thorne is a Seventh Day Baptist and has attended the mission nearly six months ago. He is one of the slower phases of the medical work to build up according to what we have heard from others."

Concerning the name of the new building, we had thought it (might be called) the W. B. Lewis Medical Building since it is both a dispensary and a maternity (hospital)."

The next copy of Mission Notes will carry pictures of the new building, along with a picture of the hospital assistant, Mr. Lackwell Mankhwal, his wife, Evelyn, and his son, Ephraim.

The nurses have written concerning Mr. Mankhwal, "We are certainly grateful for such a willing worker as he has proven to be. He is a good example to others living at the mission. Evelyn Mankhwal is in charge of our girls in the boarding department and has charge of the girls' handwork for the entire school. Her good influence is reflected in the lives of our girls and they will take away with them a picture of the role of a Christian mother in the world today.

Ephraim was born here on the mission nearly six months ago. He is our pride and joy and a wonderful example of a well-loved and cared-for child."

Greetings in the Master's Holy Name: Just these few lines to thank you for the kind gift that has been contributed by you kind folks of America and sent to me so as to assist me with the expenses due to Sister Martha's illness. I am much thankful to our Heavenly Father that after taking a course of in-
**WORSHIP SERVICE FOR APRIL**

Miss Connie Coon
Clark Lake, Mich.

Theme: Tolerance — an attribute to service.

_Hymn:_ Dear Lord and Father of Mankind.

**Mediation:**

God revealed His will in the words of Jesus: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (John 13: 34, 35).

By this means, Jesus’ ability to put Himself in another person’s place is seen, for instance, at the time the people wanted to stone the woman taken in adultery. Jesus said: "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her," and after they had left: "Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more." Jesus showed a greater love than toler- ance when He said, while on the cross, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." It is when we, as Christians, feel we are doing God’s will that we will be humble servants of men, able to help them and further Christ’s cause by putting ourselves in their situation.

This does not mean that we should not stand strong in our convictions as Christians. There is a difference between having real love and concern for people and recognizing our responsibility to make our beliefs known. Jesus never withheld His convictions because He thought they would antagonize another. One concrete example of this is the encounter described in the gospel by which Jesus and His love that we might bear fruit in His name. When faced with a difficult situation we should ask, "What would Jesus do?" We must realize that we are of ourselves nothing, but He “ filleth all in all.”

_Closing Hymn:_

Make me a blessing (found in Youth Sings).
Out in the highways and byways of life,
Many are weary and sad;
Carry the sunshine where darkness is rife,
Making the sorrowing glad.

_Chorus:_

Make me a blessing, make me a blessing,
Out of my life may Jesus shine;
Make me a blessing, O Saviour, I pray,
Make me a blessing to someone today.

Tell the sweet story of Christ and His love,
Tell of His power to forgive;
Others will trust Him if only you prove True every moment you live.

Give as ‘twas given to you in need;
Love as the Master loved you;
Be to the helpless a helper indeed;
Unto your mission be true.

**March 26, 1956**

**INFORMATION PLEASE**

The Board of Christian Education is always glad to hear about its materials, information, testimonies, and suggestions that are used in the local churches and to get a new of activities. We do read in the _Sabbath Recorder_ some such news gleaned from church bulletins by the editor. A few reports of Youth Week activities have come to us. At Berlin, the young people took full charge of the morning service on Youth Sunday. Education and organ and a boy preached the sermon, and there was special music. On Race Relations Sabbath there was a special message on that subject.

White Cloud observed Youth Week similarly. A filmstrip, "The Accused," supplied by the Board of Christian Education, was used with the script previously recorded by two young men.

At Alfred the Chi Rho group composed of Seventh Day Baptist college students, conducted the service, and in place of a sermon two young men discussed informally their beliefs about the Second Coming.

Recently, the Alfred Station youth gave a play for two nights in the Community House to raise money to contribute to Crandall High School in Jamaica.

At Denver, Christian Endeavor Day was observed on February 11, with the young people taking full charge of the morning service. The church bulletin for that day gives a report of parts taken by the different young people. Donnie Hansen led the responsive reading, Jean White read Romans 12, Mary Knox gave the children’s message, and prayers were offered by Connie White, Jerry Knox, and Myrna Davis. The sermon time was taken up with, "Messages Today to the Leaders of Tomorrow," Dick Shepard spoke on "Seventy-five Years of Christian Endeavor"; Beverly Davis on "What Charley Don't Know"; Barbara Ann Toy had the subject of "Friends," and Phyllis Shepard talked on "A Road Map to Christian Citizenship."

No doubt many other churches observed Youth Week and Race Relations Sabbath. The board would like to hear about these and also about any other activities of youth, Sabbath schools, or other groups.

We like to hear from pastors, superin- tendents, and others. Tell us the news and also your needs and problems and give us your suggestions.

— N. D. M.

**YOUTH INTERESTS**

The reports of many of the agencies of the Division of Christian Education of the NCC contain items of interest to many who were not privileged to attend the annual meeting at Cincinnati in February. The report of the Committee on Youth Work mentions a Study Conference on Rural Youth Evangelism to be held in Merom, Ind., May 2-7. It would be profitable if Seventh Day Baptists could be represented there.

This committee has carried on an experiment in communicating the Gospel through television, with a program called "Look Up and Live." Plans are being made for a long-range ministry using this medium to bring the Gospel to all people.

The 1956 Youth Week theme, "Our Citizenship Under Christ," has been the key to a nation-wide citizenship emphasis. Following a National Christian Citizenship Seminar held at Washington, D. C., in March, 1955, twelve state seminars have been held and six more are to be held this spring. These provided opportunities for many youth workers in many communities to study such subjects as juvenile delinquency, militarism, labor-management relations, agriculture problems, international relations, integration, and international relations.

The World Youth Project program has greatly increased in the last three years. Nearly twenty projects in as many countries have been sponsored. The Union of Evangelical Latin-American Youth is planning its fourth Congress to be held in Barranquilla, Colombia, in December, 1956, by the joint action of the Unions. The oppression of evangelical work in that country is the precise reason for choosing that site for the Congress. Eight or ten young people are to be selected to represent the United States at an Inter-
American Consultation to follow the Congress.

A new booklet, "Youth Looks at the Church," reports how 1,667 senior high-school youth and adult leaders of youth evaluated their church programs for youth, and gives many suggestions for improving those programs. Another booklet, "The Bible Speaks to Youth," describes an adventure of young people seeking the Bible bases of Christian faith, witness, outreach, citizenship, and fellowship.

N. D. M.

For Jr. High Readers

They tell us that you 'kids' don't understand all the big words that are used in the Bible or in the pastor's sermon. I'm betting that you roll off a lot of words though that some of us older folks can hardly catch up with.

Now there's that word "transistor." You probably don't know its Latin derivation, and you might not be interested in a discussion of the transition of a teenager into an adult, but 'transistors' — that's something interesting. You know that the best pocket-sized radios depend on a transistor as the most important working part. You probably have heard that automobile radios will soon give far keener fidelity because they will have these little gadgets that have found their place in big industry.

What is a transistor? Well, I don't know exactly. It is a piece of germanium crystal like a sand, three threads of an inch square and sliced into a wafer less than one hundredth of an inch thick. It takes the place of the radio tubes and will not get out of order.

Never before in the history of the world have young people in school been called upon to wrap their minds around such big things and such little things. We could think about little transistor crystals if God hadn't thought about them first. Now everybody knows that when God set the sun in the heavens He started a power that makes the biggest H bomb that men have dreamed of smaller than the tiny transistor. The world was almost scared to death when a whole island disappeared in an H bomb blast. But what does the Bible say about God? It says, "He taketh up the isles as a very little thing" (Isa. 40: 15).

There is another verse of Scripture that tells us something far more difficult to do which has been done. John the Baptist saw Jesus and cried out, "He that taketh away the sin of the world!" (John 1: 29). He can take away all the sins and all the little sins in your life and mine — if we will accept Him as our Saviour.

The Secret of Happiness

Rev. Edgar F. Wheeler

(Resume of one of a current series of sermons on the Beatitudes taken from the De Ruiter Church Mid-week Study Group.)

WHAT IS THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS? Multitudes would say: Self-assertion—stand up for your rights regardless of the other fellow; being a financial success; the biggest and best—doing things nice; escaping the misfortunes that befell so many people about us; being able to close your eyes to the disturbing realities of life.

Jesus Christ assured His followers that in Him they should find happiness. He was not speaking of trivial pleasures depending upon outward and changeable factors, but of an inward state of mind. The knowledge that something will remain, even when the world is passing, gives a value beyond that of the passing pleasure. This is a constant element in the Christian's life. It is the faith that makes for joy and happiness. It is the faith that makes us experience the beauty of the world around us.

The Lord Jesus Christ lived, died, and rose again so that we might have life abundant and eternal.
prays that we might know 'what is the exceeding greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead ...' (Eph. 1: 19, 20).

Do you realize that the same power which raised Christ from the dead is available to those who will accept Him as Lord and Saviour? It is no wonder that the Bible points out all things but dung in order that he might "know him, and the power of his resurrection ...." (Phil. 3: 8-11).

The Risen Christ and Future Salvation

So the past and present are gloriously provided for by our deathless Lord. What of the future? In his sermon on Mars' Hill in Athens the Apostle Paul concludes that God has assured all men of a final, righteous judgment because of the resurrection of Christ (Acts 17: 31). Speaking to Christians he says, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable" (1 Cor. 15: 19). But we are not miserable as Christians, because we know that which sees beyond the grave to the resurrection of all men — and for us it is a glorious resurrection (1 Cor. 6: 14). The future for us involves many things: a glorious body, "like unto his" (Phil. 3: 21); triumph over death and the grave (1 Cor. 15: 26-57); and the promise that we shall ever be with the Lord (1 Thess. 4: 16-18).

It is only logical that Paul should instruct Timothy to "remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to the gospel." The triumphant Saviour offers us forgiveness for our sinfulness, strength for our weakness, and assurance for the future. What a wonderful Saviour!

But is He your Saviour? In Romans 10: 9, 10 we read, "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made.

It seems to be such a simple thing to do, and yet perhaps you have not believed in your heart. All the power generated by a dynamo

How a Canadian Would Use Tax Money

At this season when many of us are painfully tax-conscious, the following letter published in Fellowship magazine, September, 1954, will be of interest. Maybe the Canadian has "got something." The Editors: I herewith submit to your attention a proposal of spending the tax money of the nation for a better purpose than military preparations. Instead of drafting the young people to the armed forces, the purpose of which becomes more and more doubtful every year in view of the latest mass destruction means, enforce a law that every boy leaving school between 18 and 30 years of age has to stay as a free citizen in a foreign country in a general exchange program for at least one year. Passage free — to be paid by the home government.

The youth is supposed to live and work among the foreign people, learn their language, customs, and way of living. Every girl intending to enter into a public profession has to take the training abroad, too.

In exchange, young men and women from other countries are to be received in this country and given opportunity to see and learn as much as possible about the country.

This proposal serves the following ideas: mutual understanding of different nations, of their customs, problems, and way of living; widening of the mental horizon of the individual, gaining tolerance of other races and religions, creeds, and systems by learning to live and work with them; the abolishment of military service, armament, and research of mass destruction means would promote the idea of non-violence, save the taxpayer tremendous amounts of money which can be allotted to peaceful purposes, making a nation more Christian-like.

U. Kueneth
Vancouver, B. C.

is of no use until some light or motor is connected with it. And the power of the resurrection can do nothing for you unless you are willing to be connected with it. The importance of the right attitude is obvious for you, unless you accept it. Why not confess your sin and weakness and receive cleansing and power right now?

How Communist Works

C. Stacey Woods
General Secretary,
Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship

History reveals that the rise of Communism around the world has not been so much the popular uprisings of masses of peasants and workers, but rather, in most instances, the conquest of the educated classes by intellectuals. Nor is the strategy of Communism today directed to the masses. This growth today is more and more a result of the education of a nation in Communist hands, the doom of that nation is sealed.

The strategy of evangelicals for world missions today is still, for the most part, evangelization among primitive tribes, people, the depressed, the uneducated. The student classes of the world are to a great extent being neglected. In this way Scripture is again fulfilled: "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Inter-Varsity, through the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students, is endeavoring to evangelize university students in the so-called non-Christian lands. Groups of Christian students are being established and are carrying on a witness for the Lord in these universities just as the students of this world are doing in America.

One of the most thrilling developments of this indigenous student work is the outreach of the university graduate who became a Christian when in the university and is now active in soul-winning work, reaching his own people with the Gospel — whether in Mexico, the Philippines, Jamaica, Taiwan, Japan, or India.
DENOMINATIONAL BUDGET
Statement of the Treasurer, February 29, 1956

Receipts

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\text{Balance, Feb. 1} & 26.12 & \\
\text{Adams Center} & 35.72 & 143.70 \\
\text{Alton} & 35.72 & 193.70 \\
\text{Alfred, First} & 224.50 & 1,534.12* \\
\text{Alfred, Second} & 404.60* & 35.90 \\
\text{Associations and groups} & 35.90 & \\
\text{Battle Creek} & 714.10 & 1,980.58* \\
\text{Berlin} & 41.57 & 234.89* \\
\text{Boulder} & 170.32* & \\
\text{Brookfield, First} & 10.00 & 100.00* \\
\text{Brookfield, Second} & 48.50 & 204.98* \\
\text{Buffalo Fellowship} & 15.00 & 45.00 \\
\text{Chicago} & 140.00 & 787.00* \\
\text{Daytona Beach} & 42.75 & 188.05 \\
\text{Denver} & 65.59 & 304.52* \\
\text{De Ruyter} & 49.50 & 561.00 \\
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\text{Edinburg} & 48.00* & \\
\text{Farrin} & 15.00 & 110.00* \\
\text{Fouke} & 28.05* & \\
\text{Friendship} & 20.00 & 75.00* \\
\text{Hebron, First} & 75.00* & \\
\text{Hopkinton, First} & 48.05 & 531.50* \\
\text{Hopkinton, Second} & 5.00 & 25.00 \\
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\text{Indianapolis} & 15.00 & 90.00* \\
\text{Individuals} & 2,262.79* & \\
\text{Irvington} & 250.00* & \\
\text{Kansas City Fellowship} & 20.00 & 110.00 \\
\text{Little Gervey} & 140.18 & \\
\text{Los Angeles} & 313.30 & 570.93* \\
\text{Los Angeles, Christ's} & 35.00 & \\
\text{Lost Creek} & 336.04 & \\
\text{Marlboro} & 142.06 & 932.03 \\
\text{Middle Island} & 12.00 & 80.00* \\
\text{Milton} & 1,866.17 & \\
\text{Milton Junction} & 100.71 & 530.54 \\
\text{New Auburn} & 26.75 & \\
\text{North Loup} & 126.77* & \\
\text{Nortonville} & 34.00 & 246.87* \\
\text{Pawtucket} & 325.00 & 1,824.72* \\
\text{Pocatoway} & 1.00 & 71.00 \\
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\text{Putnam County} & 40.00 & \\
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\text{Richchie} & 10.00 & 95.00* \\
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To each the covenant blood apply, Which takes our sins away,
And keep us to that day.
-Charles Wesley.

The Sabbath Recorder

Renewing the Covenant

Come, let us use the grace divine,
And all, with one accord,
In a perpetual covenant join
Ourselves to Christ the Lord;
Give up ourselves, through Jesus' power,
His name to glorify;
And promise, in this sacred hour,
For God to live and die.

The covenant we this moment make
Be ever kept in mind;
We will no more our God forsake,
Or cast His words behind.

Thee, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Let all our hearts receive;
Present with the celestial host,
The peaceful answer give.

To each the covenant blood apply,
Which takes our sins away;
And register our names on high,
And keep us to that day.

Olin C. Davis, Treasurer.

May 2, 1956

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\text{Non-budget gifts} & 630.21 \quad 361.65 \\
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\text{Non-budget gifts} & 3,096.52 \quad 3,040.61 \\
\text{Current annual budget:} & 74,113.50 \quad 70,750.00 \\
\text{Portion of budget raised to date:} & 29.71\% \quad 30.65\% \\
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