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Sabbathkeeping churches and promoters of the Sabbath of the Bible can now procure an invaluable historic chart of the Week, showing the unchanged order of the days of the week and the true position of the Sabbath as proved by the combined testimony of 160 ancient and modern languages. It was prepared by the scholar, Rev. William Mead Jones, D.D., who was pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist Church in London, England. A photostatic copy in 4 parts each measuring 17 by 22 inches and suitable for framing may be procured by sending $10 to Mark Wiley, 3614 So. Morgan St., Chicago, Ill.
COSTLY ARROWS POINT OUT TRUTH

We stand beside the biggest, newest printing press which is finishing a big commercial print run, so we can begin printing the fall issue of our Bible Study quarterly, the Helping Hand. We observe that only a small arrow points between the middle of the rollers although the sheets of paper going through are large (24 x 36). It seems strange.

The operator explained that he is only printing black arrows. The job is a large, five-color circular advertising a well-known air compressor. There are few words on it. The story is positively told by means of minutely accurate photographs of cut-away models in full color.

The tenth time this was put through the press, about once each day for ten days, including considerable night and Sunday work. Looking at the sheet before it goes through, we would think that the printing was complete and that it was ready to be cut and folded. But not so. The salesmen for this company insists on having 12 black arrows on the center page of this folder.

The arrows on these pictures are costly. They are in a black arrow denomination of the printing. They are superimposed above all the blue and red and lesser shades of black. Facing inward, they point out exactly the features of the machine which are counted as points of excellence. The office informs us that the cost of printing those arrows is about $100. The pressman had nothing to show for his day's work but a bunch of arrows. The wording in the machine was still unprinted. Preparing previously. The company was more than glad to pay the extra cost because the arrows would sell better.

Surely there is something to be learned from "the wisdom of the world." Certainly we who are engaged in "selling" Christianity to those who have not purchased this "pearl of great price," can draw a lesson from the printing process even as Jeremiah did from the potter's wheel. We like to think that more mechanical presentation of the truth of God is enough. The printing of Bibles in a thousand languages, or to convert the world. Can we not assume that men are so interested in truth and right-

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HELPING THE YOUNGER BROTHER

When the Apostle Paul devoted so many words in 1 Corinthians 16 and in his Epistles to Timothy to encouraging that younger brother in his church relations he was dealing with a personal problem. Local church leaders today as well as then have a tendency to "despise" the youth, that is, to show lack of maturity of judgment in the workers who have had less time in the service of the Lord.

A striking admonition is found in 1 Corinthians 16:10-11 which shows the difference between the thoughtful attitude of the veteran apostle and the impatience of local church members. If Timothy come, see that he may be with you without fear; for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also do.

Here is concern, here is charity: here is recognition of a fraternal relation, when others of lesser stature have been reluctant to consider the young man as a brother.

An evidence of Christian growth and maturity is this desire to help and encourage young members in the stages of leadership. Is it not true that churches often expect too much of young deacons or young ministers? Occasionally perhaps an older minister is jealous of a young leader, envying his enthusiasm, popularity, or endurance. We believe, however, that such is rarely the case. Ministers have to learn patience, and usually learn it within a few years.

Then like the Apostle Paul they want to do all in their power to help the younger brother develop the abilities and the techniques which will make their ministry successful. This conviction generally found both in a theological faculty and in the personal contacts between older and younger trained leaders.

One of our local churches never has a doubt about the need for the words of Paul urging people not to despise the younger brother (1 Cor. 16:11). Perhaps, the young man in question is not a trained minister. He may be the layman recently converted, poorly trained, who is anxious to witness and to lead the church forward in evangelism or tract distribution. Some of the older
people needlessly hinder and discourage him, failing to realize that in so doing they are hurting not only the church much more than they could possibly do by the few blunders he might make.

Let us accept this test of Paul wherever it might fit. Of the young man Timothy he loves so much that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also do.

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Confrence President's Speaking Engagements

The president of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference this year, Charles F. Harris, is a high-school teacher. He brings to his current, unpaid denominational office a high degree of devotion. This is evidenced by the present schedule of speaking engagements which he has laid out for himself without regard for the loss of salary and extra strain which this program will cost him.

Charles Harris and his wife, Anita, pictured above, who have two children in Salem College and three at home, have recently conducted a weekend series of meetings with the Washington, D. C., Church. There they were assisted in the music and the speaking by Mrs. B. B. Sheppard and Owen Probasco of the Shiloh, N. J., Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris leave for a two-week tour of the churches and Associations on October 11. They will meet with the Northern Association at White Cloud, Mich., October 12-14, and will leave for Milton, Wis., the day following. At Milton, on the 18th, the president will counsel with the local group which is laying plans for the entertainment of Conference next August at a nearby camp ground.

The next weekend, October 19-21, will be spent with the North Central Association at Albion, Wis. There again Mr. Harris will speak about his Conference theme, "Pray without ceasing — abound to every good work," and will discuss the work of the denomination under the newly adopted financial emphasis, "Our World Mission."

It is expected that on this trip the Conference president will spend as much time as possible while he is in Michigan conferring with the new executive secretary of the General Conference, Mrs. R. T. Fetherston, of Battle Creek, who is just beginning her work this month.

SECULAR MAGAZINE PRAISES COURAGE OF ACTU [An open letter by Mrs. K. Duane Hurley to the Salem Herald, sent to Sabbath Recorder by Mrs. Thurman Briske.]

An excellent article has appeared in a good little magazine, "Woman's Day" (Aug. & Sept. issues), available at supermarkets. Thinking people who care about the wellbeing of our present society would do well to read it.

It is the kind of article of which the Woman's Christian Temperance Union would approve.

The time is fast passing when people think of the W.C.T.U. as a group of "dear old ladies" meeting once a month to chuck their collective tongues over the drinkards.

Many intelligent people are aware of the havoc alcohol is playing with our present-day civilization, yet so few do more than cluck their tongues, feeling it is not their problem.

Not so with the Christian women of the temperance union. They are valiantly and intelligently combating highly paid and colorful advertising in a positive educational way, with no funds except what they can raise out of their own pockets.

These women could sit at home and "chuck their tongues" in comfort and wait with the rest of the civilized world for our society to drink itself into ruin and destruction as many ancient civilizations throughout history have done.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for October 20, 1956
God’s Command to Teach Lesson Scripture: Deut. 6: 1-9, 20-25.

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Oldest Religious Group in Farina, Illinois, is Seventh Day Baptist

[The Vandalia (Ill.) Leader, a county newspaper, featured the village of Farina in one of its summer issues. The following story by a staff writer (slightly condensed here) was graciously released to us along with the photograph.]

Farina has the distinction of having one of the three churches in the state of the Seventh Day Baptist denomination.

The local church was organized in April, 1866, although a group of believers had been meeting together in a fellowship for several months previous to that time. The first service was held March 19, 1866, at the home of J. R. Longworth, the afternoon of Easter Sunday. Two members of the group were ordained the following Sunday.

The $4,000 church structure was completed two years after the group was organized. It is still standing although it has healed several times. The town's first church bell, imported from Troy, N. Y., was installed in the belfry in 1876.

Members of the local church, in general, have long tenures of service. Only about 15 different men have served during the church's 90-year history. The present one is Rev. A. A. Appel who has served the church for the past three years.

Married and the father of five children — four boys and a girl — he teaches a fifth-grade class in the Farina elementary school in addition to his preaching duties.

The other two churches of this denomination in Illinois are at Stonefort in southern Illinois and in Chicago. Many of the churches are concentrated in the East, particularly in New York State. The church maintains colleges in Milton, Wisconsin, and in Milton, Vt., and a university and seminary at Alfred, N. Y.

In spite of the sparsity of congregations, the group has contributed several noteworthy persons to society in the sciences, arts, and politics.

Many people, even locally, confuse the Seventh Day Baptist church with the Seventh Day Adventists, from whom they differ in history, many essential beliefs, and in form of church government. The similarity in name is found, of course, in both groups' observance of Saturday, the Sabbath Day, as the day of worship.

The Seventh Day Baptists essentially are like the other Baptist groups in doctrines and government. The group is a member of the Baptist World Alliance.

The church has a long history. It sprang directly from the Baptists in the time of the English Reformation, and was first organized in England in 1617. That particular first church is still in existence. Early in this nation's history, Seventh Day Baptists came to America, settling mostly in eastern towns.

The Farina community has a high church-to-population ratio. Five strong churches are found in the 850-inhabitant town.

In Dead Earnest

There is so much to do and so little time in which to do it! We need to be in dead earnest about our main business of winning the world for Christ's Kingdom.

A man engaged in conversation a Communist who had put a leaflet in his hand. He advised the Communist, "It is no use; you will never change minds by this method. At best there are but two hundred thousand Communists in America, while we Christians number seventy-five million."

"The Communist replied, "Remember Gideon!" The Bible has only three hundred. Members of my party are willing to live on the barest necessities and every day arise and beyond our simple needs we turn back to our cause; we believe in it with all our hearts."

Then he went on to say: "We are going to be victorious, and, if you want to know, I will tell you why. We have an unshakable faith in our cause. We are even willing to die for it. That is more than you are willing to do!" Is it? How far will you go to serve your cause? — Reuben K. Youngdahl in The Secret of Greatness (Fleming H. Revell Co.).

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Missions
Missionary Prayer Suggestions

The Conference president has urged us to remember missionaries daily in prayer. The following prayer suggestions have been prepared as a reminder of our promise and as a guide and stimulus to prayer for specific fields.

For the Jamaica Field
1. Remember in prayer Rev. and Mrs. Delmer Van Horn as they consider the call to serve as our missionaries in British Guiana. Because Dr. Van Horn only knows what is best, pray that His will may be revealed to them in such a way as to leave no uncertainty in their minds.

OUR AFRICAN MISSION

By Loren Osborn
Chairman of Missionary Board Committee
For the African Interest
(Continued from issue of September 24.)

And now for the future. I wrote to Superintendent David Pearson and outlined some of the areas I wished to cover in this review of African interests. This is thinking that since he was there on the spot, he was much better qualified to look into the future. I hope and pray that all thoughts and hopes are woven into this, that I want to read directly some of the things he has written.

Brother Pearson breaks his ideas into four major points, and this is what he says:

1. The future of evangelism. Evangelism will always stand until Christ comes again. The greater part of evangelization is being done out among our churches rather than in the Makapwa area. At Makapwa, evangelism is fertile among our school students. This area, possibly due to the hills, is not as densely populated as other areas. In much of Nyasaland there is keen competition among the various mission bodies at work. One of our pastors mentioned recently that in his area there was Seventh Day Adventist, Roman Catholic, Nyassa Mission, Church of Scotland, Sons of God and, of course, our own work. Conversions are being made, people are being gathered. The future looks good in this regard. There are those (and they are numerous) who for various reasons, drift about from one church to another thinking to better their own position for the moment. Nyasaland needs revival as does the rest of the world. We need to employ our best evangelist to do the work of the Holy Spirit to his fullest extent and submit ourselves and our work into His hands.

2. The future of the churches. With the possible exception of an occasional relapse, our churches in the future will be more numerous. They will also be larger and stronger. The churches do branch out, and then in the course of time, usually either strengthen into churches or fall by the wayside. (This is what he refers to as a relapse as mentioned above.) It is not unusual for a mother church having a resident pastor to nourish two, three, or even four such branches.

3. The future of African leadership. It seems that our real hope lies in the oncoming generation. Our training program is not adequate to make up for the lack of education among our pastors. We missionaries must be a bit critical of our pastors' preaching, but an African told me that they are preaching to their own people and are being received by them. They may be borne in mind generally speaking, as a denomination we can supply our own pastors, but it will be a long time before we can possess a fully educated clergy. It is harder to produce our own teachers. To have a school system stand in favor with the government, qualified and certified teachers are necessary. Not all of ours are. However, some are, but not all of them are. As to the welfare of our church, this is a situation that is not desirable, yet it will be some time before it can be righted. Schools are in great demand, but evangelism and the work of the Gospel must never be second to education.

4. Physical future of the Mission. In some ways it seems that expansion of the mission will be nil, but we need to improve what we have. We are building a new church of brick. Our school building will be altered, and a building for storing machinery is under construction. The coming of a doctor means expansion of our medical work. An operating theater and additional housing for bed patients will be necessary. Africans may eventually support the mission, but such seems far away. In a discussion with certain Africans recently I asked about the question of self-support. They thought that at the time it could be handled, but to me it seems rather distant. The Missionary Board is desirous that our program seek to lead our brethren to self-sufficiency. I would personally be happy to leave Nyasaland tomorrow if the work were finished, but the road ahead is long and hard. We need people generally speaking want to be led.

An encouraging factor is that there are a few churches in Nyasaland (but not of our denomination) that are already supporting themselves.

These are Missionary Pearson's thoughts on the future as governed by the present situation. I think you can see that he is a realist, but a realist with a vision.

We must never lose sight of the fact that we are entered on this great project to preach the Gospel of Christ and to spread through our Seventh Day Baptist tenets, to the people of Central Africa. If we lose sight of his great work, we may lose our way in it in any way to any other phase of the work, no matter how valuable that is, we might as well pack up and leave, because we are defeated. But as you can see from Mr. Pearson's letter, we need have no fear of that happening at Makapwa.

Future dreams include the establishment of an advanced school system so that we can turn out qualified preachers and teachers for the Central African Conference. This can be handled in many ways, and is one of the big things to look forward to in the continued expansion of the Seventh Day Baptist Church in Africa.

The coming of Dr. Victor Burdick on the scene early next year will bring very nearly into being the dreams of having an adequately staffed and efficient medical work.

Farther yet in the future we vision such things as economic independence for the Makapwa Mission. We look forward to the distant time when the African group can be financially secure and support their own pastors, churches, schools, and medical work. We look to the time when education system will be staffed by
Plans For World Community Day
November 2

Every year World Community Day reminds us of the needs of people all over the world and how church women can work to build a world community by meeting those needs. In the words of Dr. George Carpenter, of the Africa Committee of the Division of Foreign Missions, "Long-term security not only of America but of the whole world rests on the growth of world community in the deeper sense."

This year's theme, "For the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen," is doubly important. We not only need to assist in material ways with food, clothing, and medical help, but also the basic needs of "human rights." Our Seventh Day Baptist topic for October, "One Body Throughout the World," was chosen to lead up to the observance of World Community Day. A good source of information is the study guide published by the United Nations "South PoleGREENS as Human Beings, P. and D. Dept., National Council of Churches, 120 E. 23rd St., New York 10, N. Y."

In this booklet you will find the text of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the two draft covenants. This declaration is not a "law" but is a statement of goals adopted by 48 nations in 1948. It sets a new common standard for human rights around the world. All men and women everywhere must experience the meaning of equality of opportunity, freedom from want and fear, and be assured of equal justice before the law.

Because human rights includes so many phases, it combines well with programs of world missions and social relations. Since the United Church Women's foreign mission theme is "South PoleGREENS as Human Beings," the Parcels for Peace collected on W.C.D. will be sent to India, Pakistan, Korea, Near East, Hong Kong, and China, as well as to Greece, Italy, and Germany. Suits and overcoats for men and boys (16 years and up), especially needed as well as yardage of denim and sheeting for refugee women to make into work clothes. Either full size or children's blankets are also accepted.

Women's Board Meeting Notes

We were happy to have a guest, Mrs. Paul Crandall, of Riverside, Calif., who led the evening in using episodes from the life of Elijah to encourage us. The minutes of the annual meeting of the Women's Society, held at Conference in Alfred, were read and discussed.

The proposed committees for 1956-57 were voted to again send $1,396.81 had been sent to Mr. Pearson, to consider together the work of Women's Board committees and make suggestions as to how much they appreciate her work and the lariate were read and discussed. A leader for each item was voted to again send $25 to Mrs. Wilkinson for the expenses of this Long Distance Project.

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The discussion meeting on Thursday afternoon, at 5 o'clock, was held in Kenyon Hall. The method used was an experiment in which everyone present very helpfully participated. Meeting in one large room, the women were asked to group themselves in various places in the room, about 15 to a group, to consider together the work of the Women's Board and its projects. Sheets already prepared for each one contained a space for suggestion or criticism of each item. A leader for each group had been secured to head up the discussion and bring in the findings of the group. These findings are being tabulated for study and will guide the board in future work.

A. G. Tansley, of England, once declared, "Theism is a tendency of the mind to project that which is calculated to make for peace of mind." But, we are then compelled to ask, Is the atheism of Samuel Butler, of the modern cynics, and of the dogmatic minds of our day a projection of the same thing?" -- R. Ray Jordan in Beyond Despair.
Christian Education
Corporation Meeting Held
The annual meeting of the corporation of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education was held in the assembly room of the School of Theology at Andrews Sunday afternoon, Sept. 16, at 2:00 o'clock with the president, Wayne N. Crandall, presiding. Twenty-three voting members of the corporation were present, and eight were represented by proxy. The annual report of the Board of Christian Education was voted to be adopted as a whole. L. Eugene Reynolds read the report of the Nominating Committee. A 30-member board of directors from the Western Association churches was elected. After requesting the chairman to appoint the Nominating Committee for next year it was voted that a letter of appreciation from the corporation be sent to the retiring executive secretary, Rev. Neal D. Mills, for his faithful tour of duty with the Board of Christian Education.

World Christian Endeavor
An aggressive program of youth evangelism and leadership training has been launched by the Christian Endeavor movement, according to announcement made recently by Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World’s Christian Endeavor Union. The program adopted at the Pacific Area Conference of the World’s Union in Karuizawa, Japan, July 30-August 2, calls for the participation of hosts of young people in local churches, in conferences, conventions, and work camps, and through an international exchange of Christian youth.

The conference revealed that in Asia, Latin America, Japan and korea, youngsters are exeriting growing leadership in church and public affairs. Australia and Argentina, too, are doing for Christian Endeavor is in the center of a steadily growing youth revival.

The International Society of Christian Endeavor, which has more than 1,000,000 members in North America, is actively participating in this world-wide program as it emphasizes this coming year the theme, “Christ Shall Reign.”

Are You Doing Something?
Is your home church able to speak with pride of the interest the high school students take in it? Are the high school students one that can always be depended on to lead meetings, to give talks, or to go out and try to get other young people to lead the Christian life? There are many such. If you are not one of them, should you be doing something to center your attention on spiritual rather than worldly things so that you can be really counted on? Christians are those who have accepted Christ and the Sabbath. They have become discouraged in trying to be Christians and were no longer going to church. They did not have leadership and seemed to be unable to stick to their Sabbath convictions.

When this boy got an encouraging letter from America he went around and talked to the other boys his age and to some who were older. According to his recent letter he and one or two others have succeeded in winning back about 15 boys and persuading them to continue in the faith. He gives the names of the boys who have made such promises.

This is a sample of what boys in other less-privileged, countries are doing for Christ and the Sabbath. You have read on these pages in recent months how wonderfully some of our boys at Makapwa Mission in Jamaica, Africa, are working among the less-privileged boys and girls. Our churches in the city of Kingston are growing, and young people are being converted in the mountain villages. This is not just the work of pastors and deacons, but the work of young people too. Let us not allow those young folks to put us to shame by seeming to be more zealous in the things than we are.

Who are the happy people? Not the rich who try to buy pleasure with money: not the boys and girls whose chief aim is to be the center of attention of their teachers and popular singers, but those who are finding joy in creative work. There is nothing more creative than building up Sabbath School classes, young people’s groups, and churches. Bringing new light and joy to other young folks by leading them to Christ. Try this. It is the best thing to do. It is the most important thing to do. It is the best thing you can do. Try it!

COME FORTH, CHRISTIAN YOUTH
Tune: Diademata
Come forth, O Christian youth,
A task before us lies;
The work at hand, the strength and zeal
Which useful heart supplies.
We ask of Christ our help today,
To choose Christ’s nobler way,
And usher in true brotherhood
For every man today.
Stand firm, O Christian youth,
With trust in God alone,
That we may live our Christian faith
And make Christ truly known.
Be constant in your duty,
The path His feet have trod,
To make all life a sacrament
And honor unto God.
Grow strong, O Christian youth,
Be loyal, brave and true,
And hold your course for right
In what we say and do.
Thou shalt be faithful and do
Be worthy in God’s sight,
And manifest to all mankind
His Kingdom claims us for its own;
With trust in God alone,
His Spirit keep us bold!
As pilgrims in the world
Yet followers of the Way,
God make us faithful citizens
Till His eternal day.
Amen.

Miss Mary Ellen Jackson,
Anderson, S. C.

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The Home and Heathenism
Rev. Edgar F. Wheeler

We are always just one generation from heathenism. This fact is startlingly re- vealed in the history of Israel, and has been in every generation. Each genera tion portrays the thought in it, makes anew a decision for or against the Lord. It is, then, vital that Christians use every means to influence the decisions of their children and thus to secure the future.

From the beginning God ordained the home as the primary place or agency of teaching the faith and as the first line of defense against unbeliev. Important as it is, the teaching of the Church concerning faith and holiness is largely ineffective unless it is reinforced in the home.

Here are some of the musts in proper home training:

1. Parents who have a clear-cut and vital faith in Jesus Christ who can share such a faith with their children:

2. Congratulated parents who are living examples of the Christian spirit and way:

3. A respect for the personalities of children:

4. A systematic and meaningful devotional life in the home.

Are you doing your part in your home to secure the future for the Lord?

Bids Christian Colleges
Battle Humanism, Rationalism

It is the task of Christian colleges to battle humanism and rationalism in higher education, the Tennessee Methodist Conference was told at its annual meeting at Nashville.

Dr. Earl Hunt, president of Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va., said that the entire curriculum in a church-related college should be given “a Christian slant.”

The church-related institution “dares not offer inferior instruction, however little you add. ‘Ignorance preaches poorly, and accuracy of fact must back up our moral and academic excellence, and this is particularly important in a Christian school.”

R. N. S.
Dependence in Denominational Work

Conference days should be a time of soul searching. We as a people must be aware of our dependence upon God from day to day in our Christian living and in every phase of our denominational work. We must realize that without this we are without power. And we cannot do the work of God without depending upon Him. Is our faith dependent upon the power of God released through our lives and through our witness to those around us? Or are we more cognizant of our denominational organization and a well-planned program for advancement? Now to be sure, both parts of this question are important; but we must in humble recognition depend upon God if our faith is to be released in power to convict other men of their poor condition. The promised reward begins now.

We notice in the last part of this beatitude that happiness is promised to those who are poor in spirit. Is there a promised reward awaiting those who practice the first part of this beatitude? Are we becoming rich in spirit? Are we actually becoming a member of the kingdom of God? Are we becoming present possessors of the promised reward? Why is it harder for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of heaven than for a camel to go through the eye of a needle? He, Jesus said, needed to get into the kingdom of heaven in the same way any person needs to get there. The rich and the poor must enter in the same way. The rich must enter through that narrow gate that Jesus mentioned in the tenth chapter of Matthew. The condition for entering through that narrow gate is that we realize our spiritual poverty; that we recognize our poor condition.

Most of Jesus' disciples whom He called were poor men, yet they became rich as they experienced poverty of spirit before God. Jesus also called two other men to follow Him. He called the tax collector and Zaccheus who was a rich man. Both of them were rich in this world's goods; yet they became poor in spirit in order that they might enter into the kingdom of God and be happy and full in the kingdom.

The Secret of Happiness

The greatest happiness of life comes to us as we share in the blessings of Christ's kingdom. A French philosopher recently said, "The whole world is on a mad quest for security and happiness." Oh, that we Christians might tell the world that the answer lies in dependence upon God if our faith is to be released in power to convict other men of their poor condition.

Ten Commandments in Trains

Miss Adelaide O'Mara saved her pennies till she had $400 and had them printed like other commercial ads to place the Ten Commandments on all BMT trains in New York. She says she gets some of her money back in pleasure every time she sees those cards on the subway trains. She had been riding the subway all her life. Cards appeared until the middle of August. This was featured by a radio newscaster commentator on WOR, Sunday, August 5, and on the following Tuesday, Dave Garf Grossman presented the lady to his vast TV audience holding one of the Ten Commandment cards.

The American Sabbath Tract Society has offered Ter Commandment cards, and through the courtesy of Paul Mahoney of Colton, Calif., also distributes four-foot wall charts to those who wish to display them in churches or other public places.
Fall Associations, Additional Information

The Central Association of New York Seventh Day Baptist Churches will hold its fall meeting with the Adams Center Church on October 13. The theme will be "Our Growing Place in Our World Mission." This morning service will begin at 11 a.m. followed by a Fellowship dinner. Several young people will give reports at 2 p.m. on different phases of camping and there will be a youth meeting and social hour in the evening for those of junior high through early college age.

Maurice McCrae, moderator of the Western (N. Y.) Association, announces that the semiannual meeting will be held at Hebron, Pa., Sabbath day, October 13. The youth meeting under the leadership of J. Paul Green, will be held Sabbath eve, at Richburg.

The theme for the Northern Association, meeting at White Cloud, Mich., October 12-14, is "Pressing Toward the Mark." This theme is subdivided for Sabbath eve, morning, and afternoon as follows: "For the Individual and Family"; "For the Local Church"; and "In Our World Mission." Conference President Charles F. Harris speaks the evening after the Sabbath.

The North Central Association will meet with the Albion, Wis., Church from Friday to Sunday, October 19 - 21.

The annual meeting of the New England Seventh Day Baptist Churches, which has not previously been mentioned among the fall meetings, is scheduled to be held with the First Hopkinton Church at Ashaway, R. I., on October 20, with morning and afternoon services and a dinner in the parish house. Rev. Neal D. Mills, the new pastor in the area, preach in the morning. In the afternoon a panel of laymen will speak on the second part of our Conference theme, "Abounding in Every Good Work." They will discuss the Christian's responsibility at the polls, how to combat the liquor traffic, how to promote evangelistic witnessing, a program of home evangelism for New England, and supporting our world mission as a whole.

The speakers at the New Jersey Yearly Meeting to be held in Plainfield, October 12 and 13, are expected to be Rev. Paul Maxson, Rev. Paul Osborn, Rev. Robert Lippincott, and Harry E. Moore, in that order. The young people are asked to take charge of the program the second evening which will close with a religious motion picture.

The theme for the Pacific Coast Association (October 19 - 21) is "Feed My Sheep." The meeting will be held in the Los Angeles Church at 4976 North Figueroa Street.

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Marriages

Blair-Bond — Malcolm F. Blair, U. S. Navy, and Lila Rose Bond, both of Williamsburg, Kan., were united in marriage Aug. 28, 1956, in the Williamsburg Methodist Church. They will be at home in Beeville, Texas.

Obituaries

Parsons. — Grace Lewis, daughter of Rev. A. H. Lewis, was born in Alfred, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1870 and died August 4, 1956, in Monrovia, Calif. Mrs. Parsons was baptized by her father and joined the church in Plainfield, N. J. She was married to James Henry Parsons who passed away in 1929. She was a member of the Chicago Seventh Day Baptist Church, later moving to Los Angeles where she was a member at the time of her death.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Louise Whiting, four grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted by Pastor Myron Soper and interment was in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Whittier, Calif.

V. M. Crandall. — V. Ethelyn Con, was born in Hopkinton, R. I., Oct. 20, 1866, and died in Providence, R. I., Sept. 3, 1956. Her husband, William H. Crandall, died in 1910. For the past forty years her home had been in Ashaway, R. I. A daughter, Mrs. Elmer O. and a daughter, Miss Verice A. Crandall, have remained at home with their mother and cared for her the past several years. Other survivors are: a daughter, Mrs. Leora E. Hoxie of Ashaway; three sons: Ellsworth H. of Bradford and Ahvern I. of Ashaway, R. I., and LaVoy W. of Lowden, Wash.; ten grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren. Mrs. Crandall had been a member of the Rockville Seventh Day Baptist Church since her baptism in 1883.

The funeral service was private. Burial was in Providence, R. I., Sept. 3, 1956.

Doris Fetherston, new executive secretary of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference. Mrs. R. T. Fetherston, who holds a degree from Milton College and has been continuously active in church and denominational work for many years, brings to this position her buoyant enthusiasm and her special talent. Her first article, a call to prayer, appeared in last week's issue. Other brief articles about "Our World Mission" will appear regularly.