to attend the fall Association at Adams Center. Pastor Swing brought the morning message on the theme "Our Growing Place in Our World Mission."

Correspondent.

NILE, N. Y. — In July our church joined with the E. U. B. Church in town in a Vacation Bible School lasting two weeks. Our present pastor, Doyle Zwiebel, began his work here the second week in September. We held our worship services on Sabbath afternoon followed by Sabbath School. Our attendance is small but we are still carrying on as a church. — Correspondent.

[The student pastor of the Nile and Richburg Churches puts out an attractive weekly bulletin containing timely thoughts for both churches.]

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON for November 24, 1956
The Forgiving Father

Marriages
Thompson - Hyde. — At the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Verona, N. Y., July 28, 1956, Harold E. Thompson, Verona, N. Y., son of Harold L. and Amelia Scott Thompson, and Louise Margaret Hyde, daughter of Osvile W. and Alice Dillman Hyde, were united in marriage. Rev. Victor W. Skaggs, the bride's pastor, officiating. The new home is in Oneida Castle, N. Y.

Obituaries
Fitch. — Howard A., son of Dr. A. D. and Hope L. Fitch, was born in Brookfield, N. Y., Oct. 18, 1876, and died Aug. 20, 1956, in Waterford, N. Y.

A member of the Brookfield Seventh Day Baptist Church since early childhood, he was married to Mary J. Fitch in December, 1896.

Surviving beside his wife are two sons, Raymond L. of Mohawk, N. Y., and Paul J. of Schenectady, N. Y., and a daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Merrill of Brookfield, N. Y.

The funeral services were held in the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Brookfield, August 22, with Rev. Marion C. Van Horn, his former pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Brookfield Cemetery. — M. C. V. H.

Greene. — Kate E. Genung, daughter of John Deforest and Nettie Grover Genung, was born May 21, 1877, at Ulysses, Pa., and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harold Kane, Belmont, N. Y., May 12, 1956.

She was a lifelong member of the Petrolia Seventh Day Baptist Church.

She was married to Albert J. Greene Oct. 25, 1894. Three of her five children survive: Joshua J. of California, Florence (Mrs. Harold Kane) of Belmont, N. Y.; Clayton A. of Petrolia, N. Y.

Mrs. Greene is also survived by one brother, Merton Genung of Florida; and one sister, Mrs. Agnes Cole of Bolivar, N. Y.; several grandchildren, nephews, and nieces.

Memorial services were conducted by Rev. Hurley S. Warren. Interment was in Maplelawn Cemetery, Bolivar, N. Y. — H. S. W. Perry. — Orlo H., son of Welford C. and Ada Hibbard Perry, was born at Stacey Basin, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1881, and died at his home in Oneida, N. Y., April 21, 1956.

He joined the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church at an early age and remained active in its work throughout his life. He married Mabel Langworthy who survives him. Also surviving are their two children: Mrs. Donald (FVndora) Green of Unadilla Forks, N. Y., and Alfred of Holley, N. Y.; and seven grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at the Whitford Funeral Home in Oneida and interment was in the Rathbunville Union Cemetery. — V. W. S.

Rogers. — Rosalie Shaffer, daughter of Emory and Helen E. Shaffer, was born Sept. 26, 1866, and died in Rensselaer, N. Y., June 12, 1956.

She united with the Waterford Church Dec. 20, 1884. She was married to Cady S. Rogers, and they lived in the house that is now the Waterford parsonage. She was church organist for many years. Some time after the death of her husband, she went to be near her niece at Rensselaer.

Burial took place at the cemetery at Waterford. — P. S. B.

Sayre. — Bert, son of Moses and Mary Clement Sayre, was born Dec. 12, 1869, at Farina, Ill., and died Oct. 4, 1956, at North Loup, Neb.

He is survived by three daughters: Mrs. Leona Babcock, of North Loup, Mrs. Jessie Babcock, of Lakewood, Calif., Mrs. Margaret Barber, of Battle Creek, Mich.; and six sons: Charles and Ralph, of Falfurrias, Eugene, of San Diego, Oklahoma, of Enid, of Okmulgee, of California, and Lewis, of Miami, and Walter, of Lake Placid, Florida; and one stepson, Dr. Harry Talbot, of Eugene, Ore.

Burial was at North Loup, Rev. Francis Saunders officiating. — F. D. S.

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Correspondent.
HUNGARY AND EGYPT

We have all been reading about the crushed hopes of the Hungarian people and of the serious threats that have all but dashed most of the growing out of the military moves against Egypt by the little nation of Israel and the forces of France and Britain with the subsequent action of the United Nations. It is evident that there is some interrelation between these two acute disturbances. Whatever judgment we make on the basis of our information as to responsibility, we cannot help but be sick at heart.

We have, for instance, that Associated Press correspondent Hanns Neuenbourg was told by non-Communists during a 500-mile trip across Red-rulled Czechoslovakia that the Russians probably would not have dared to crush a popular uprising before the eyes of the world had England and France not acted to temper the policies of those two nations pondering the possible truth of that statement? If true, is it not far more serious from the moral or Christian point of view than the military moves against Egypt taken by themselves?

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Our Happiness Through Mourning

Rex E. Zwiebel, B.A.

Liquor Seeks Respectability

“Righteous indignation” is a mild term for the way many of us feel when we see the attempts of the liquor interests to attain an aura of respectability in our society and even comparability with the social life of Christians. We are quite familiar with the magazine and billboard ads and the appeal. Purchasing liquor is an ideal gift for anyone who wants to celebrate Christmas — the birthday of the One who came to save us from sin, of which intoxication is one of the chief examples and causes.

Not long ago the writer was shocked to read in the paper an invitation to the public to witness the dedication of a new tavern in a nearby community. We are just on the threshold of acceptance of the first definition of the verb “dedicate” in the dictionary. It reads: “to devote exclusively to the worship or services of a divine being, or to sacred uses.” Just how can a building devoted to the sale and the drinking of intoxicants be devoted exclusively to sacred uses? In our opinion, only by sweeping from the shelves and the bar all the stock and redesigning the place.

Another evidence of a local attempt at respectability seems to us quite brazen. A liquor store a few blocks from our home has been in operation in connection with a food market by two partners who, by their names, would be assumed to be part of the Jewish community and perhaps the members of one of the synagogues. The food market went into new hands and the liquor store was moving to new quarters. On the day the store opened in its new location at Geneva we received a mimeographed letter telling about the better display of their “fine stocks of distilled and malt beverages.” Another letter was carefully addressed to Rev. Leon M. Maltby.

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MEMORY TEXT

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. Hebrews 10: 12, 13.

Death of Modesty

The author of an article of the above title appearing first in the Watchman Examiner, Rev. H. F. Gilbert, has written us twice asking that we call attention to this subject as he has presented it. The article has now appeared in the periodicals of fifteen denominations and is available in pamphlet form at the cost price of 2 cents in quantity, or free in limited numbers.

The problem of the overemphasis upon sex appeal in the almost nude appearance of women is the burden of the 8-page pamphlet. The author has covered the subject well and pleads for a bringing back to life of Christian modesty through (shall we say) a covering of the human body with something a little more adequate than half clothed. At the present time we do not feel that we should reprint the full article as this returned missionary suggests, but we would be happy if many of our readers would send for the pamphlet and express themselves as to a wider distribution of it.

Address: Rev. H. F. Gilbert, 1651 Elwood Ave., Pomona, Calif.

"Ultimately the godless will be neither good nor glad." — G. Ray Jordan.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

Conference President Tells Experiences in Visiting Associations

Our trip to Battle Creek and White Cloud had been very pleasant, with perfect weather and a safe journey. As we continued into Wisconsin we found bright skies and signs of a good harvest.

We were entertained by Pastor and Mrs. Kenneth Smith while at the North Central Association meetings. The program was well planned, and most of our time was spent at the church. In the well-attended meetings the spirit was very good.

Association President Roy Harris made mention that the actions taken never had a negative vote. This was due to a well-planned outline of actions to be considered, and a good discussion of all questions before the vote was taken. The program adopted by this Association puts into action most of the requests of Commission. It shows vision on the part of the Association leaders and could well be a guide for other Associations.

Pastor Kenneth Smith will write this up for the Sabbath Recorder.

The Sabbath morning sermon by Rev. Don Sanford of New Auburn was outstanding, and I have asked him to submit it for publication.

It was our privilege to go to Camp Wakonda on Sunday morning and speak to the young people in our World Mission was given special emphasis.

There are many encouraging things in our Associations. One is that I have traveled it has been good to see new faces taking responsibilities in our churches. The need of good youth leadership is a constant concern.

Three meetings were scheduled for us in Milton to discuss plans for the entertainment of General Conference in 1957. Arrangements are developing nicely. Edward Reed is general chairman of the local committee. L. H. Stringer, Professor of Music at Milton College for many years, will be the Conference director of music.

World Council of Churches Speaks on Suez Crisis

On November 2 the officers of the World Council of Churches (chairman and vice-chairman of the Central Committee and the General Secretary) issued a statement calling upon all Christian churches which the Council had agreed in 1954 that "no nation in an international dispute has the right to be judge in its own cause." The message concludes with a call to prayer and reads in full:

"The chairman and the vice-chairman of the Central Committee and the General Secretary of the World Council of Churches request all member churches of the Council in the grave situation in the Middle East to remember what the churches said together about international order and most recently at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Evanston. They direct particular attention to the passages in the Evanston Report where the churches state that no nation in an international dispute has the right to be judge in its own cause."

"We ask Thy help that we may faithful to the peoples in the ways of justice and peace."
Happiness Through Mourning

A Conference sermon by Rev. Leon R. Lawton, who has since begun to put this sermon into practice on a foreign mission field.

(Continued from November 12)

Mourning for Others

But there is another area in which we need to mourn; that is the mourning for others. This should not be done as dutiful followers, but rather from the love of Jesus Christ which we have in our hearts for others. If you do it because you're duty bound you'll never find success in helping others. We need to mourn for others in their need of a Savior. God so loved the world that He gave. I wonder, do we so love the world as expressed in individuals that we come in contact with, that we are willing to give an hour or a day or even thirty minutes in concern for their spiritual well-being? We need to have a concern for the lostness of men.

Ken Davis, who has recently decided to study for the ministry, said to me, "You know, it seems like most of the people in this country have been inoculated with religion just enough so that they cannot reach them with the real thing." How tragic it is! Our compassion for others is an accurate gauge of our devotion to God. God's people are to be missionaries and we need to show our concern and care for them in their needs.

Abraham Lincoln is quoted as saying, "I am sorry for the man who can't feel the whip when it is laid on another man's back." We need to mourn for others in their need of a soul-felt prayer. We need to pray more for one another, for great things are wrought by prayer. We need to show our concern and care for others in their need of spiritual growth. They come into our midst as new-born babes. How tragic it is when someone is walking with Christ, and they are denied his Lord. He knew the experience of bereavement. Death should be expected. He mourned; he was morn to himself, so outspoken, so boastful, came in and found no help, no encouragement, no place where he could, as he would naturally do, grow in faith and in knowledge. They go out there, as one admitted with his own tongue, to get away from all the compressing circumstances that would force them to come into the religious activity of their town back home.

So many of us are like the farmer who padlocked the door after the horse was stolen. We learn after they are gone. We need to mourn for those of our own number until through prayer and through supplication as a body we see them come into the experience of knowing Jesus Christ. And when they know Him and they are walking with Him, then He will take care of their lives and lead them in the way of His paths to His glory.

We need to mourn for others in their need of spiritual growth. It seems to me that we as Christians, as followers of Jesus Christ, are the soil, if you will, in which these new-born babies in Christ are planted. We are the fellowship of believers; we are the Church of Jesus Christ. They come into our midst as new-born babies. We must weigh on someone who comes in and finds no help, no encouragement, no place where he can, as he would naturally do, grow in faith and in knowledge. They go out there, as one admitted with his own tongue, to get away from all the compressing circumstances that would force them to come into the religious activity of their town back home.

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Missions

Work and Plans of Shepherding Pastor

A review of the work and plans of Rev. Marion C. Van Horn, shepherding pastor in the Southwest, will be of interest. Pastor Van Horn and family arrived at Fouke, Ark., and began service as of July 1, 1956. Their four children, Janet, Chris, Josehpine, and Laura Jean, are now attending the public school in Fouke.

Pastor Van Horn has written of the warm welcome extended by the members and friends of the Fouke-Texarkana Church groups and also by friends at Little Rock. He reports a difficult time in getting started at the Fouke parsonage because the movers did not bring all their goods even though they were packed and ready. It was necessary for the Van Horns to take back a load as they returned from General Conference at Alfred.

Reporting on the work already under way, Pastor Van Horn tells of two visits to Hammond, La. In July, in company with Rev. Wardner FitzRandolph, he went to assist in the ordination of Deacon, Richard Rafford. In the latter part of September he went again to assist Pastor Ted Hibbard at Hammond and Metairie where he has been among the church members and assisting in preaching services.

Dr. Lloyd Seager of Little Rock writes, "On September 22 when Pastor Van Horn and family came here from Fouke (for the meeting of the Little Rock Fellowship), The Fishers brought two girls down anyway, Gene and her two boys were here. The others present were the Spencers, Monroes, Herbert Soper, and the Seagars. Pastor Van Horn gave a splendid sermon. Mr. Spencer did a good job in leading the Sabbath School discussion. Mrs. Monroe talked with Pastor Van Horn afterward and arranged to join the Fouke Church."

Pastor Van Horn writes, "On October 6, we, the Van Horns, and Mrs. Berwin Monroe, attended the Fouke Church Service. We were accepted by letter from the Brookfield Church. Mrs. Monroe was taken into the church by testimony or profession of faith."

As this is being written Pastor Van Horn is assisting Pastor James Mitchell at Edinburg, Texas. Let us remember in our prayers this promising field and ask God to bless richly the ministry of the shepherding pastor and club work. This consecrated pastor’s wife and family in their new home and field of labor.

Crandon High School News

Mrs. Grover Brissett under date of October 18 writes as follows regarding the beginning of the fall term at Crandon High School:

"We are very happy to have enrolled this term twenty-one new students, the total being eighty. The new students, for the most part, are serious and will make good students. This increase created some problems. There were already twenty-one students in Form 1 and our seating capacity couldn’t take care of that many in any one room. The new students use as their classroom ‘the Shed.’ This, as you remember, is the place at one side of the church where tables and benches are located and where the church members who bring their lunches on Sabbaths eat. We are very fortunate to have this place and we are grateful to the church people for letting us spread out there. In the country where there are shade trees, classes are held beneath them, but we aren’t so fortunate. Having this extra class gives all of us more to do. I teach six classes now and handle library periods, and Miss Jane Wells has two. Miss Jane Wells and I have no way of keeping these extra students this term throws things off center some but I am sure the Lord will find everything back on an even keel.

"The boys are planning to enter the contests in football this term. They made a very nice showing in cricket last term and we hope they will do as well if not better in football.

"On November 20, the All-Island Exhibition sponsored by the Women’s Board, will be held here in Kingston. This is an annual affair and, from a social standpoint, serves the same purpose as the religious reunions at home — a time to meet with relatives and friends and have pleasant chats. The Kingston compound at 27 and 29 Charles Street becomes a very busy place as busses deliver the people here from over the island with their contribution. It is quite a day.

"This year Miss Wells and I have organized, in a small way, the Seventh Day Adventist Art Club. A picture is being helped get ready for the exhibition. We are making towels, pillowcases, pot-holders, aprons, and stuffed toys for the exhibition. We are very happy that several of the other schoolgirls enjoy being with us and helping us sew. I would be glad if this meeting with the girls could be permanent.

"The ladies are very anxious to receive help from America. They enjoy the hot sales.

"We are happy to meet the Lawton family and pleased to have them here. I am sure they will be a great blessing to the work on the island.

"We have had a lot of rain this month. I don’t think there has been a day we have had rain and cloudy days. One day it poured torrents, but it is a change from the hot, dry, and dusty days of the earlier months."

Educational Missions In Nyasaland

Taken from report of Miss Joan Clement, school at Nang’ombe Village, 1956

The school year 1955-56 was for all concerned quite successful. The Mission School and five out-schools were in operation. Yearly registration of students at Makapwa Mission except one have been registered in accordance with the ruling of the Government Education Department. The one exception is due to the very fine staff of African teachers which we have been privileged to have with us: R. L. Chipungu, B. R. Nyashitira, and R. Namondwe. We are sorry to say that Mr. Chipungu will not be with us this coming year but we look to the time when he may again join our staff. We trust the Lord will provide one to take his place in the interim.

Mlasa Village School is located in Malanje District about seven miles from the Mission if one goes on foot the shortest way. This is our most promising out-school and is located in a very fine place as far as the number of children is concerned. At this school there were three sections of Sub A and one section of Sub B. Visits of inspection, however, to the school showed that it is being managed very well with R. W. Adamson as head teacher. Mr. Adamson was in charge for the last two years and was transferred to Mlasa where he could be near his home. The village out-schools convened two weeks later than the Mission School. A total of 193 students registered and began classes.

Nang’ombe Village School is located in Cholo District about 30 miles from the Mission. This school, Sub A and Sub B, with B. Lopanda as the teacher and he has done a wise to attempt Standard Six again so quickly after last year’s unfortunate experience (difficulty in getting permission to give the examination). It is hoped, according to the Lord’s will that we may again in the near future add Standard Six to the school curriculum. The school as a Secondary School morale is very high without it. These are rather unsettled times, however, and none of us can say just what the future of any mission school will be. We see the government is taking over certain of the mission schools. We only trust we may follow the leading of the Lord in this matter. It is from the schools that the denominational leadership of tomorrow is coming. It is a long time before the young men who will be the pastors, teachers, and medical workers for the denomination in the future.

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Kwindimbulble Village School was opened at the same time as our other village schools. The technical work due to a technicality was not registered officially. We trust the registration will go through without difficulty this time.

There were 327 pupils, with 44 students comprising the two classes, Sub A and B.

In the Northern Province we have two schools. Ungra Junior Primary School added to its curriculum this year Standards II and III. Mialli Village School continued as the previous year with Standards Sub A and B. There have been problems and difficulties in these northern parts and even to date reports for the school year have not been sent to the Mission. We can only estimate that perhaps the two schools combined have a student registration of approximately 75. Because of the great distance of these schools from the Mission, they are exceedingly hard if not impossible to supervise.

With our human eyes and understanding we cannot say with surety what the immediate future of mission schools is in this country, but we pray always that we may be allowed to have our schools and that they may grow steadily until the day that the Lord returns, or if not until then, at least until the time that all missions are forced out of the field unhindered by our failure in any way.

We solicit your prayers and earnest support for our World Mission in order that all phases of the Lord’s work among Seventh Day Baptists may go forward unhindered by our failure in any respect. Pray for Seventh Day Baptist schools in Nyasaland.

Veterans in school under the Korean GI Bill may earn any amount of money outside of class without jeopardizing their monthly GI allowances. These outside earnings need not even be reported to the VA.

Rates for veterans in school full time under the Korean GI Bill are $110 a month with no dependents; $135 with one dependent, and $160 with more than one. These are the rates that are not affected by outside earnings. — Jos. P. O’Hearn, manager of the VA Regional Office at Newark, N. J.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

WORSHIP SERVICE FOR DECEMBER

Prepared by Abbie B. Van Horn

Mrs. Van Horn is a member of the Plainfield, N. J., Church, and of the Board of Trustees of the Tract Society. She is at present living in Milton, Wis., where she is superintendent of the Sabbath School. Her husband was the late Rev. Herbert C. Van Horn. She is the mother of a daughter and two sons. See the November Recorder for a more detailed biography.

Text: One Body in Adoration

Hymn: Adeste Fideles

Scripture: John 1: 35-42a; John 3: 16, 17

Meditation:

In modern times Protestants have come to unite in a World Day of Prayer, and more recently we have come to recognize our fellowship in the observance of the Lord’s Supper by setting apart a World Communion season. We have become one body in prayer and communion.

About the end of the fourth century the Christian world set aside the twenty-fifth of December to remember the birth of Christ. Since that time the coming of the Redeemer to earth as a child born in a stable has been sung and celebrated in song and story. During the Middle Ages, Christmas was the most popular of the Christian festivals.

With the rise of the Puritan movement in England in the seventeenth century, its popularity waned. The Pilgrims brought with them a new attitude toward this country, where it persisted for well over a century. Now it has regained all of its former popularity, and in recent years there has come a deeper sense of its real meaning. Christians are one body in worship and adoration.

It is not enough that we thus unite, for the very name of Christianity is to spread the good news. Even as Andrew "first found his brother, Simon," so those who truly find the Master, by word and example of true Christian living, seek to win others to His way of life.

Prayer:

O Jesus, the angels rejoiced and sang at Thy birth. Their song re-echoes in our hearts today and we long for the fulfillment of its promise.

O God, our Father, we thank Thee that Thou didst send Thy Son to earth as Redeemer for all mankind. As all Thy children everywhere unite in thanksgiving and adoration, we pray that Thy blessing may be upon us to lead us in ways of love and peace.

Day by day as we go about our ordinary tasks, may we be able to witness to Thy love and the power of the Christian faith.

We bow before Thee at this glad season in humility, adoration, and thanksgiving.

YOUTH WEEK, 1957

Letters and some materials related to Youth Week for 1957 have been mailed to youth leaders and other groups throughout our denomination. It is the hope of the Board of Christian Education that each and every church will give its young people prominent recognition from January 27 to February 3, 1957. This will be a time for the youth to lead the meetings, and now is a good time to place the bulletin board and radio play (designed for radio presentation but could be given in the church), a Worship Service, a Community Worship Service, a Guide for Worship Services, and a Youth Week Manual. A beautiful poster on the theme, "Consider Your Call," is available.

The executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education is anxious that every youth group do something about Youth Week, and stands ready to order any or all of the above material. If you would like samples of each of the above, order "The Complete Youth Week Packet" (75c plus 15c postage) from Office of P & D, National Council of Churches, 120 East 23rd St., New York 10, N. Y.

Youth Week is this year held in coordination with Missionary Youth Week for 1957. The Youth Week Manual furnished by the Board of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y., is excellent and a valuable aid in studying the Helping Hand. The serious student might also like to have a copy of his own. Board Properties Painted

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Both the Missionary and the Tract Boards own property in order to provide additional income for the support of their missionary enterprises or corresponding secretaries. Both boards take good care of their houses, largely through income from invested funds. When the Missionary Board met in Westerly, R. I., October 28, the double house, half of which is occupied by Secretary Harris, was glistening with a new coat of paint — red as before. The editor-secretary of the Tract Society and his family now enjoy the good appearance and protection of complete exterior painting of the residence and some redecoration inside the house. The color — white with green trimming as previously.

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Now is the time for each Sabbath School or each teacher of the Uniform Lessons to order a copy of the "Inter- national Bible Lessons" for 1957 and 1958. The book furnishes a full discussion of the Sabbath School lessons for 1957 and is a very valuable aid in studying the Helping Hand. The serious student might also like to have a copy of his own. Board Properties Painted

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SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for December 1, 1956


Your secretary calls attention also to the rather special November issue of the International Journal of Religious Education featuring "The Church Out-of-Doors." Copies are available at 40 cents each from 247 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

A new 72-page booklet titled "The Living Word" by Dr. Luther A. Weigle contains 78 brief articles that deal with modern word usage of Bible words. Some of the articles have been printed in the Sabbath Recorder. This book will be valuable for the serious Bible student. You may obtain your favorite copies for the Board of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y.

R. E. Z.
Our World Mission

World Fellowship and Service
By Rev. Earl Cruzan
Member of Commission

For many years Seventh Day Baptists have worked with other Christians both in the communities in which we have churches and in the field of interdenominational co-operation where it has been felt that there could be a contribution to or a benefit derived from such participation. Naturally there has not been complete agreement as to where we should co-operate and where we should not.

The Seventh Day Baptist Conference joined the Federal Council of Churches at its beginning and has continued membership into the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America into which it merged in 1950. As a Conference we contribute $50 this year to their work. Rev. Eugene L. Davis is our new representative replacing Rev. C. Rex Burdick. Two of our boards also belong and participate in various departments: The Board of Christian Education and the Religious Education Division for the use of copyright materials for use in the Helping Hand; and the Missionary Board in the Division of Foreign Missions from which it receives valuable service, and in the Joint Department of Evangelism. Dr. Lloyd Seager represented us at the first meeting of the World Council of Churches in Amsterdam, Holland, in 1948. Rev. Clifford W. P. Hansen was our representative at Evanston in 1955 and is our member of the American Committee.

Others attended many of the sessions at Evanston, and our contribution also of $50 to their work is $100. We are also looking forward to having representation at the North American Study Council (The Nature of the Vanity We Seek) in 1957 having placed $50 in the current World Mission giving toward this purpose.

Since early in World War II we have contributed $50 annually to the Commission on Chaplains. Rev. Lee Holloway is our representative on RIAL toward which movement we contribute $50. This is a national emphasis upon church attendance which employs many resources of advertising to keep before the people the importance of religion in life. Their slogan this year is "Build a Stronger, Richer Life — Worship Together Every Week."

The Baptist World Alliance is a world fellowship of Baptists founded in London in 1905 "to promote the spirit of fellowship, observation, and cooperation among them, while recognizing the independence of each particular church and not assuming the functions of any existing organization." Dr. Wayne R. Rood represented us in London in 1955 at a rather nominal expense to the denomination. We have often contributed to this work and have included an item of $25 again this year.

Our participation in co-operative work reaches out in many other areas. We have a representative, Frank R. Kellogg, on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society and many people contribute to it individually as they do to many other important phases of such work.

Regular, thoughtful, systematic giving is needed to increase the witness of Seventh Day Baptists around the world.

God Writes His Laws
By Jule F. Berry

[Mr. Berry, long connected with Seventh Day Baptist churches in Colorado and California, has recently died. The following substance, an article sent to us for consideration some time ago...]

When did the law of God first appear? It was in the Garden of Eden at the time when God commanded man not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2: 17).

Next, as we follow the Biblical account, the law appeared on tables of stone delivered to Moses at the foot of the mountain. This, however, was not the end of God's law.

Turning to Deuteronomy 10: 1, 2 we read the account of Moses of how the law was written a second time: "At that time the Lord said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me in the mount, and make thee an ark of wood. And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables that thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark." This time Moses hewed two tables of stone, made the ark, and put the tables therein, but God did the writing as before.

God did not finish His writing of the Ten Commandments at that time. Years and a generation passed while He was writing and sending the law as promised which He has since fulfilled. The promise given to the prophet is referred to in one of its times of fulfillment in Hebrews 8: 10: "I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God and they shall be to me a people."

We believe that the law referred to in this verse is the same law that appears in Exodus 20 — the Ten Commandments. There it is stated that God spoke all the words that follow. These commandments cannot be abolished or put an end to by any man or group of men. God at creation gave man authority over the material things created and over the first six days of the week. Man does not have authority over the seventh day of the week because it belongs to God, as a moral and spiritual property. All He asks of His people is to remember it and keep it holy, and to enter with Him into His holy Sabbath rest.

In the third chapter of Genesis we learn how man lost his life by disobedience. In the third chapter of John we learn how man can get it back again. When we are "born again" God writes the Law in our hearts.

written with the finger of God." Thus at its first inscription God furnished the material and also did the writing. In the next chapter we read that when Moses came down from the mountain to the camp and saw the golden calf he smashed the two tables of stone on a rock at the foot of the mountain. This, however, was not the end of God's law.

For quite a long time we have been enjoying the privilege of worship in the Plainfield Church. In the summertime we have been pleased with the beautiful foliage of the vines which spread themselves all over the front of the stone building.

From the picture above, we may learn a lesson about adjusting ourselves to life situations as they exist. We can't see the future or its problems, but perhaps we can face our present trials at home, at school, and at church with more calmness and youthful purpose.
THE SABBATH RECORDER

There are two reasons why we had not, until recently, realized the problems faced by the green vine in its struggle to climb and to hold on to a perpendicular wall where it could not enjoy the sun's light. First, we almost always enter the church through the Sabbath School rooms (and that is the best way for boys and girls to come in. The second place, as long as the leaves cover the walls in a solid mass, one doesn't think much about the struggle going on within and its problems. Now the leaves are gone.

Look closely at the section of the vine which shows how it almost disappears into the crack between the columns of the entrance and the big stones of the wall. Do you see the little white 6-inch ruler? It shows that the wood is more than two inches thick just before it goes in. It is also the same size or thicker after it comes out of the crack about two feet higher up. When that vine was in its youth it climbed up there and anchored itself by going into that crevice and out again. It was just the normal growth of the vine until now.

It was perfectly happy — not irritated or restricted. A little later in the life of this young vine it placed there came a serious problem. It felt that the church was holding it too tightly; there wasn't room enough for its expanding body, or shall we say the freedom of youth. It could not now pull itself out of this crevice and it could not remain in there and still be as well rounded as it wanted to be. What could it do? Perhaps it could have given up in despair and become a dead vine hanging on a church wall, continuing in itself and say within its strong heart, "I will cling to the church where I can grow higher than in any other kind of building. I will accept the fact that I must at this point allow the firm concrete, stone, and ceramic to control the shape of my life, but I will not stop growing. That, we may say, was the decision of this particular vine when it faced the problem of law and restraint. It found that there were really plenty of room to grow even in a place that seemed narrow.

Now, fully grown, the giant vine can look back at that experience and say to itself, "I am thankful that I did not try to pull myself out of the church when I was in my teens for now I am anchored so firmly that nothing could pull me away. That is one of the best parts of my life. When I needed it most I had to bear is now my strongest tie to the church."

Well, we'll leave out the moral of this modern parable of the vine. Let us merely be reminded that we can adjust ourselves if we realize that the present religious and moral restrictions within the church will help us to live a strong Christian life in years to come.

It is right to be contented with what we have, never with what we are." Mackintosh.

Free Filmstrips Available from Tract Society

A series of family and church life filmstrips with disc recordings and detailed instructions for conducting adult or young people's discussion is now available from the American Sabbath. The titles are "No Easy Answer." It takes up family problems such as undesirable companions, picturing true-to-life situations and suggesting possible ways of solving similar problems which we may face.

Twelve new filmstrips covering completely the life and missionary work of Paul are now available upon request. Produced by Cathedral Films from their motion pictures on this subject, these filmstrips are striking in their photography. They come with or without disc recordings of the script and are adaptable both to adult and child audiences. They should be carefully used to gain the full teaching value.

In any church or public showing of filmstrips with recordings, it is possible that portions of recorded spot announcements entitled "Go to Church" would be found pleasing and effective. These are prepared by the American Sabbath for use in the mounting of the filmstrips. Churches conducting radio programs may borrow these records on a long-term basis from the Tract Society. A number of such records are available.

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Attendance Figures

Church, Sabbath School, and Prayer Meeting attendance figures for the early weeks of November are now being re­ceived by your editor at the suggestion of Conference President Charles Harris. Is your church stressing attendance and reporting it? The response to this special encouragement is going to be evaluated without the help of all pastors and church leaders. We would like to know what, in the opinion of such leaders, is responsible for any significant rise in attendance.

HAPPINESS THROUGH MOURNING

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bringing his sheaves with him." God is faithful, and if somehow, after we have experienced His grace and His power in our lives, we enter into the experience of concern, of mourning for others, of sowing in tears, we will reap in joy. There is no greater joy than to experience the birth of a new life. How many of you have known it? How many of you have seen one who has found in Jesus Christ a new life? Or in the infancy of sin, and a new life? You will not find a greater joy any other way. That has been my experience.

Happiness are they that mourn in bereave­ment, said Christ. I said, "Because I live, ye shall live also."

There is a joy that comes after sorrow. Of hope surrendered, not of hope fulfilled, A joy that looketh not upon tomorrow,
But calmly on a tempest that is stilled;
A joy that is not to be crossed by wild excesses.
Nor in the happy life of love secure.
But in the unerring strength the heart possesses Of conflicts won while learning to endure. A joy there is in sacrifice secluded,
A light subdued, from will and passion free.
Tis not the joy which over Eden brooded,
But the joy which the immortal dwelt in Gethsemane.

The Prophet Isaiah spoke these words as he was led by the Spirit of God in giving a prophecy of Jesus Christ:

"The Lord is the everlasting God, the Holy of Lords. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from the heavens, and returneth not thither; so is the word of the Lord unto me, and it standeth for ever, to do good and to build up. Hath not the Lord made heaven and earth? and he will shew whose name shall live for ever. My thought is that the Lord will shew unto his own people in a new way the concerns of the heart, and the knowledge of suffering, and the fullness of the life."

"Thee will I make a highway in the wilderness and rivers in the desert: and wild beasts shall walk, and owls and young lions shall dwell together; and the ass and the lion shall feed; yea, the cow and the bear shall feed: their young one shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And they shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. And, Behold, I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto my people, saith the Lord. Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of the government and peace; there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this."

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"Theologically we understand that evil is destructive. Usually, however, we are not sufficiently interested in whether or not evil is not evil. Certainly we can prove to ourselves it is not. False reasoning — rationalizing — means compromise, and this leads to disintegration. Whenever we know we ought to do one thing, but proceed to do another, we cannot have peace of mind."

— G. Ray Jordan in Beyond Despair.

News from the Churches

Thanksgiving in the Church

Our churches do remember Thanksgiving Day very effectively, judging by announcements of special services in their bulletins. The place of Thanksgiving Day, the First Hopkinton Church at Ashaway, R. I., invites the community to a Community Thanksgiving Service on Friday the twenty-third which also ushered in their big Home-Coming Day.

The 219-year-old church of Shiloh, New Jersey, was invited to join with its daughter church, Marlboro, for a union service Wednesday evening, November 21.

Across the country at Riverside, Calif., the church continues its well-established custom of a big service on Thanksgiving morning followed by a family-style turkey dinner for members and friends. This year the guest speaker announced was Rev. Francis Saunders., new pastor at Los Angeles.

Information is lacking on what is being done in other churches in the way of special midweek services. Some join in union services and others no doubt sponsor services. We have much for which we can give thanks.

Hammonton, N. J. — Rev. Marlon C. Van Horn visited our church in September. We all enjoyed his visit and the fellowship very much.

Sunday night Bible pictures are being
Our church has quite a few "busy bees" in it. The members are forming social youth groups. The Christian Endeavor has taken a new stand and the young people are really beginning to respond. We wish to thank our Board of Christian Education for help given. Social gatherings are bringing new ones in and bringing the old ones closer to the church. In our last, and most successful youth gathering bringing new ones in and bringing the old ones closer to the church. In our last, and most successful youth gathering.

Mrs. Fred Cox, who are leaving us to battle Creek, Mich. - A consecration service was held October 20 during the morning worship service for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, who are leaving us to take up a work among Seventh Day Baptists in Metairie, La. Their address will be: 524 Carrollton Ave., Metairie, La. May we be faithful in prayer for these folks. - Church Bulletin.

Marriages

Van Horn - Swensen. - Sheldon Van Horn and Mrs. Lois Swensen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Barber, were united in marriage by their pastor, Rev. Francis D. Saunders, at North Loup, Neb., Friday, Oct. 19, 1956.

Births


Obituaries

Berr, Julie F., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Jagodzinske, was born Feb. 25, 1878 in Welcome, Minn., and died at Riverside, Calif., Oct. 16, 1956. In 1914 he was married to Laura Ebel, and in 1923 they changed their family name from Jagodzinske to Berry. He took his stand for Christ as a boy, was baptized into the Christian faith, and in the remainder of his 78 years spent much time in Bible study. He is survived by his three daughters: Mrs. Eugene (Edith Claire) Pearson of Richmond, Ind.; Mrs. Sam (Ethyl Lenore) Williams of High Falls, N. C.; and Mrs. Starlin (Joy) Ross of Riverside, Calif. The funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Alvin L. Wheeler, and interment was at the Olivewood Cemetery. - A. L. W.

Briggs. - Phebe Brooks, daughter of the late J. B. and Emma Cavigg Brooks, was born at Waterford, Conn., Oct. 25, 1888, and died at her home on Shore Road, Waterford, Sept. 2, 1956.

She was married to Henry Briggs, who survives her, as well as five of their six children: Raymond, Henry, Emily (Mrs. Ralph Simon), and Florence (Mrs. Francis Fettes), all of Waterford, Conn., and Maurice, of Providence, R. I. A son Paul passed away a year ago. There also survive her six sisters and four brothers.

The funeral, conducted by her pastor, was in the Waterford Church, and burial was in the West Neck Cemetery, Sept. 5, 1956. She had been a member of the Waterford Church since July 8, 1905.

P. S. B. Coatwell. - William L., was born June 11, 1887, in Pine Island, Minn., and died May 27, 1956.

Mr. Coatwell married Miss Lela Sandford June 11, 1912, at Dodge Center, Minn. He had been a loyal, strong supporting member of the Hammond Church since 1917. He resided in Metairie, La., coming up to Hammond for most of the services.

Surviving are: his widow, Lela Coatwell; two sons, Pursel and Gerald; a daughter, Mrs. Earl DeLand; and ten grandchildren.

Pastor Ted Hibbard officiated at the funeral services. Interment was in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Hammond. - B. P. H.

Kenyon. - Ethel Collins, daughter of Nathan A. and Emma Collins, was born in Hopkinton, R. I., Apr. 13, 1882, and died suddenly on Oct. 28, 1956, in Charlton, Mass., where she was visiting her sister, Mrs. Ralph E. Taylor.

On Oct. 18, 1904, she was united in marriage to Amos L. Kenyon, who survives her. She was a faithful member of the First Seventh Day Baptist Church of Hopkinton. Surviving besides her husband and sister are two daughters: Mrs. James G. (Helen) Waite of Bradford, R. I., and Mrs. C. Newton (Barbara) Heath of Stoneham, Mass.; a brother, Nathan A. Collins, Jr., of Ashaway, R. I.; four grandchildren: Miss Constance Coon, Mrs. Hiram Barber III, Loret Waite, and Vianna Heath; two great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Lester G. Osborn, assisted by Rev. Everett T. Harris, a former pastor. Burial was in the First Hopkinton Cemetery. - L. G.