Barbecue Supper can be improved next year.

The real blessing comes when a visitor is heard to remark, "I'm proud of the Nor
toonville Seventh Day Baptist Church. They are small in number, but how well
we work together and what marvelous results they achieve."

The annual barbecue has made Seventh Day Baptists better known in the State of
Kansas. We have people drive many miles
to attend the barbecue and each year new faces are seen in the crowd. In the stair-
way entrance to the basement we place
our tract rack and are
forward to one coming. In the meantime
our Lord.

School classes and young people have
neighboring churches. Sometimes Sabbath
charge. - Correspondent.

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Mrs. Kenneth Alberson of Kinmundy, were
united in marriage Aug. 4, 1957, in the
Methodist Church, the Rev. Earl
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Funeral service was conducted by
J. M. M. Greene. - Rtu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Lumis Wright, was born near Adams Cen-
ter, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1862, and died at her
home near there on July 27, 1957.
She
was united in marriage with Albert
Greene Oct. 15, 1885. Three children, Mrs.
Maude Greene, Harry, and Palmiter, survive
her. She was the oldest member of the Adams Center Church, having joined in her youth.

Private services were conducted from her
home by her pastor, the Rev. Earl Crazan. Burial
was in Union Cemetery, Adams Center, N. Y.

Crosley. - Lurana Burdick, daughter of Russell
D. and Luransa Champlin Burdick, was
born in Freeborn County, Minn., Aug. 20,
1871, and died Sept. 9, 1957.

In her childhood the family moved to Milton,
Wis., to seek the educational and religious ad-
vantages of that community. She was graduated from
Milton College in 1894.

On May 13, 1897, Lurana Burdick was mar-
rried to Dr. George E. Crosley. Their first home
was in Algonquin, Ill., where the doctor began
his practice of medicine. In 1899 they moved
to Albion, and in 1900 to Milton, Wis. Doctor
Crosley died in 1955.

Lurana was baptized in 1884 by Dr. E. M.
Dunn and became a loyal, active member of the
Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church, serving
with her husband, maintained a vital interest in local
denominational life. From 1910 to 1929
Mrs. Crosley served as editor of the "Women's Page" of the Sabbath Recorder.

Surviving her are three sisters-in-law, several
nephews and nieces, cousins, girls she mothered,
and a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted in the
Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church by her
pastor, the Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph, with
interment in the Milton Cemetery.

E. F. R.

The Sabbath Recorder

Wherever they go — wherever they are — this fall and winter, Americans will see this scene. This theme and illustrations for the ninth annual Religion In American Life Program will appear on outdoor posters, on car cards in buses, in newspapers, magazines, and on television. The theme will be repeated over and over in radio spot announcements. Virtually every American home will be reached in the advertising and publicity campaign, which will be concentrated in November, RIAL Month, and extend into the following months. More than $7,500,000 worth of advertising time and space will be contributed by Amer-

ian business and the advertising industry through The Advertising Council. At the same time, hundreds of communities in all 48 states will hold local RIAL programs. Urging all Americans to attend worship regularly, the program is sponsored by a laymen's committee composed of members of the major faiths, and is supported by 24 national religious bodies, including the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference. Robert T. Stevens, of Plainfield, N. J., former Secretary of the Army, is chairman of the program. - Release from RIAL.

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Roads to Hell — or Heaven
Earth Satellites and Intercontinental Missiles

The world’s biggest news from the point of view of man’s ability that will be made of this earth is that it is closer than ever before. In recent years, science has advanced at a pace with our mastery of inanimate nature. The successful launching of a space-traveling satellite has been a great example of such progress.

The New York Times for October 7, devoted pages of space to this satellite (more than 20 columns). The next day similar space was given. Included in the Times coverage was a full-column editorial, entitled, "Roads to Hell — or Heaven."

The reason for such a heading does not require much imagination although it is not very explicitly developed in the article. The achievement of launching a space-traveling object, the editor asks, "Will we be happier for seeing the other side of the moon or strolling among the Maritan meadows of asphalt?"

We quote the paragraph which followed because it voices the feelings of many who may or may not consider themselves to be really spokesmen for magazines of religious truth such as ours is:

"The truth is at once more ominous and more exciting, and the greatest adventure of all is not to go to the moon or to explore the rings of Saturn. It is, rather, to understand the heart and soul of man and to turn away from sin and destruction and toward creativeness and brotherly love. We cannot look at the world today without realizing that our mastery of ourselves has not kept pace with our mastery of inanimate nature. We now have the power to destroy each other and all the works of civilization, but we have not yet invented a sure way to control this power. In a sense, a part of us never came from the tree, never crawled out of the cave."

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Unanswered still is the question whether this earth satellite has sprung open to mankind the gates of a road to heaven or a road to hell. It will be many years before we can say for certain that they have a missile capable of striking almost any spot on earth. It can be presumed also that their insistence on the unlimited testing of nuclear weapons is because they are ahead of our country on that score as well as on long-range missiles.

The later papers and news reports indicate that the bargaining power and the propaganda value of the successful satellite are going to be appropriated to the full throughout the world. This is more than a scientific victory. It will have its effect. It is indeed ominous and will tax the diplomacy of freedom-loving national leaders.

A great general once said, "The paths of glory lead but to the grave." Where do the paths of outer space lead — to heaven or to hell? Who knows? This we do know that another great element of uncertainty has been added to life on this planet. The Scripture speaks of earth-shake events which will come "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye."

Scoffers at such language are falling silent. But the Bible also speaks of security, of certainty, of unalloyed hope, and of joy. Unnoticed still is the question whether Christians have long been acquainted with outer space and the Lord of a vast universe. We know Him who came from realms beyond and whose path is over space to bring eternal habitations for His loved ones.

Our roads do not end in despair, darkness, or hell; they end in heaven through personal, vital faith in Christ. With such faith we travel calmly even on earth. In the realm of God's invisible world we shall have gone back under to the paths of outer space, a sure path to the Garden to analyze me. They came four nights straight, and, on the fourth night, the leader, who had organized them to come, came forward and gave his life to Christ. He said, "There's something here I don't understand. It's beyond me."

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Exclusive Interview
With Evangelist Billy Graham

"Does a Religious Crusade Do Any Good?" Those were the large red-letter words next to a color photo of Dr. Billy Graham on the cover of the September 27 issue of U. S. News & World Report. Underneath in bold letters we read, "Billy Graham Answers in Exclusive Interview." The man, of course, is greatly revered. When such a subject and such a man are featured on the cover of a great news magazine of the nature of this one. The public meetings in New York were over.

Madison Square Garden was reverting to its former type of rentals, Ice Follies, prize fights, and rodeos. Nevertheless, the early intimations of the greatest evangelistic campaign of modern times was still being felt and that an interview with Billy Graham was still world news.

The preaching of the Cross divides the world but, thank God, it now interests the world. The boastful claim of a national magazine to interview with a minister of the Gospel is something new in the United States. The space given to it is equally noteworthy — nearly 10 pages.

How about the content of the interview? On the whole it was well conducted although it was decidedly anticlimactic as if the questioners had run out of thoughts and were after dealing with subjects unfamiliar to them. Next to the last question was, "Do you smoke or drink?"

Part of Dr. Graham’s answer to a question about the greatest events people came to the meetings in New York is rather interesting. Quoting:

"I think that in New York even the skeptics had to admit that there was an element that they didn’t understand. For example, four psychiatrists came in August to the Garden to analyze me. They came four nights straight, and, on the fourth night, the leader, who had organized them to come, came forward and gave his life to Christ. He said, "There's something here I don't understand. It's beyond me."

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An answer to a question about whether people came irrespective of sect. Dr. Graham affirmed this, going on to say that besides Catholics the Jews were there in large numbers. The Cardinal probably was not in the position could be correct we might find on the day of worship. If this last supplication was answered, we might find an echo of the Catholic claim of authority to change times and customs, whether he has used it loosely, or whether it indicates prophetically the value of such a crusade as came to New York through the summer of 1957.

Millions of Sabbathkeepers in New York City?

Cardinal Spellman read an Invocation at an award dinner honoring Keith McHugh, on September 24, which began with these words: "God bless New York, city of faith, where millions, divinely worshipful, keep the Sabbath Day with reverent devotion in glorious houses of God whose spires daily point the path men’s lives must ever tread."
The Cardinal probably was not including Protestants or their churches in this terminology. It would be somewhat out of character for him to do so. Certainly he was not referring to the seventh day of the week when he spoke of millions keeping the Sabbath day with reverent devotion.

Although it is well known that the Catholic Church claims to have changed the Sabbath from the seventh to the first day of the week by its own authority as opposed to that of the Bible, still one does not often in Catholic circles hear Sunday called the Sabbath. Several Presbyterian and Reformed Churches still preserve all that terminology and even speak of Sabbath School rather than Sunday School. Many other denominations, seeking to avoid reference to the Old Testament background of Christianity, are careful not to use the word "Sabbath" when referring to Sunday. A considerable segment of the present-day church freely acknowledges that "Sabbath," when used in the weekly sense, always in Scripture refers to the seventh day of the week. Such people quite generally make a practice of calling Sunday the Lord’s Day, basing it on Revelation 1: 10 and references in Christian writings of later centuries.

When a Cardinal of such standing as Dr. Spellman opens an Invocation with such a clear reference to Sunday as the Sabbath, the one word used by us for this day is a clear indication of the power that he is willing to come to the aid of the church. His position is not to be in jeopardy because of his relationship to Christ. Does Christ abound and bless New York, city of faith, that God, through our Church and the church of Christ and the church of God help each one of us to think seriously and to assume a mature responsibility in this matter in order that His dictatorship will never come. The theme, "One in Christ — Forward in Growth," over the past few years the most reported of all members of our churches has decreased each year. In most of our churches less than 50% of the listed members are really active in some phase of Christian service. Here it seems is the real challenge for this year. We need to bring additional people to Christ and the church and to stir to new interest those of our membership who are now inactive.

Each of us needs to carefully examine his relationship to Christ. Does Christ really make your daily life and mine more abundant and blessed? Do we believe He can? Perhaps, first, we must each be sure we are willing that God, through Christ and His church, be a real blessing to us. Then in some manner we must tell others of these blessings and urge each to share in them. Perhaps the way you tell it will be different from the way I tell it but God does expect each of us to find a way to tell the good news we have.

If each consecrated, active Seventh Day Baptist would pray and work to bring at least one person to Christ and to re-enlist the interest of one inactive Seventh Day Baptist, then we have reason to go forward in growth and we would feel that we were truly laborers together with God.

Reports recently received from several churches tell of baptisms and the reception of new members. Ministers report that classes are being held for those interested and looking toward baptism. These reports are most encouraging. Each local church has the responsibility to nurture those new in the Christian faith and to provide services where all its members may find spiritual food and fellowship each Sabbath. But the primary duty of each church is the bringing of the Gospel to those who do not yet know Him. How are you helping your church to do this? May God help each one of us to think seriously and to assume a mature responsibility in this matter in order that His may be fulfilled through Seventh Day Baptists in this Conference year.

Appeal to End Weapons Testing

Starting with the University Methodist Church, 817 W. 34th Street, Los Angeles 7, Calif., a movement among ministers has spread through the Northern and Southern California Councils of Churches — "An Appeal to the Leaders of Nations" — urging them to come to speedy agreement to halt the testing of nuclear weapons. Over 700 individual ministers have signed and the promoters are trying to extend it to all denominations, according to a letter received here. A portion of the appeal is quoted below. Interested ministers who read the Sabbath Recorder may wish to sign it and have it signed by their signatures. Note the address above.

We believe that nuclear weapons, whether used to destroy or to threaten, represent a most serious menace to the future of man. As individual American and Christian clergymen we wish to urge the leaders of the nations to go forward to the test of nuclear weapons now, before man passes the point of no return in the armaments race, could serve as a first step toward a more general disarmament and the ultimate elimination of nuclear weapons, averting the possibility of a nuclear war that could be a catastrophe to humanity and an abomination unto God.
In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets; but in these last days He has spoken to us by a Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom He created the world... (Heb. 1:1-4 RSV).

God has spoken! This is the hope of mankind, the foundation for all true religion. When that guilty pair in the Garden of Eden knew that they had broken the commandment of God and that harmony was broken, they wanted to hide from the sight of God and from the sound of His voice, afraid that His voice would break the harmony. They wanted to hide from God, at best, would have become mere animals with soul dead, forever deprived of spiritual relationship with God. The fact that He spoke to those who had broken God's purpose to deal redemptively with man, revealed a determined purpose to yet deal redemptively, to form a larger single picture of greater meaning to yet deal redemptively with man. The matter of the Person of Jesus is the All-Important Person. The Unitarians, professing loyalty to the one God, appealed to a Christian mineralogist to say that God was a spirit and that man had lost the key to knowing Him — that key is the incarnate Son of God. Jesus declared: "No man cometh to the Father but by me." With the full authority of God He invited: "Come to me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

SON OF GOD AND SAVIOR OF MEN
By Rev. Edgar F. Wheeler
(Often the evening messages at Conference, shortened)

It is with this marvelous truth of God's speaking to sinners that the Hebrew epistle opens. Thus the author begins with those words spoken by God and His Son. From the beginning of the Old Covenant, tracing God's manner of speaking to His highest revelation in the Old Testament, He showed Christ to be the completed and final revelation of God under the New Covenant.

"In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets..." He declares. Those old messages were from God, but they were fragmentary and preparatory to a revelation which would be complete and satisfying. Those messages were given with consideration to the limited spiritual capacity of the hearers. God's human messengers were weak and limited so that they could receive only "line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little." Thus He imparted His messages to them in differing portions and various manners. Moses prowled about among the other prophets and received His messages "face to face." Others received them by the various means of dreams, visitation of angels, a voice, a burning bush, or any device alike. Those, like Moses, were delivered to the hearers in differing fashion: by parables, a prediction, a dramatic presentation, songs, prophets. However, there was a law, the institution of certain rituals.

Each of these messages added something new about God, but they were like the many pieces of a great mosaic, none of them complete in itself. Properly interpreted and put together, they would form a larger single picture of greater clarity. But men could not interpret the many voices correctly, and the picture of God and His will became blurred and distorted. When Jesus walked on earth, even the so-called "pure" Jewish religion had become a corruption of philosophies of men mixed with divinely inspired revelations of truth.

God's Final Word
It was at this time of moral and spiritual darkness that God spoke His final Word in His own Son. There is no more that can be said, nor that needs to be said concerning God Himself and His will for men. All that had been spoken or foreshadowed in the Old Testament became clearer before the Word of God was given by One who was the Being of God.

"In fulness of time God sent His Son..." He took on the body of flesh, revealed God, created man, that could be known and trusted. And in giving a true picture of the character of God, Jesus brought order out of the chaos of religious thinking in His day.

E. Stanley Jones, speaking of the miracle of a clear and uncluttered religion coming out of the mixture of Jewish monotheism, pagan cults, Greek philosophy, Eastern mystery cults, and Roman gods; declared that the purifying center of reference was "not this, that or the other — it was one thing — the Person of Jesus." Because Jesus was and is, His words of authority brought to clear focus all truth concerning God and His will.

Wherever men looked in faith to the incarnate Son of God, they saw God and Truth. "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; and we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only begotten of the Father" (John 1:14). The Son was taken away, the shadows dispelled, and here in a Person was God in all His holy, loving, righteous character revealed to men. Here was God not something but something — Jesus Christ. He is revealing to the needs of man's salvation through the flesh, from man's redemption to the age of grace. "He takes of the Father's and reveals it." He lays claim to the Father's and reveals it. He is directing the ages of history toward the ultimate purpose of restoring all things to God in full harmony. All history finds meaning through Him — past, present, future.

These are great claims, but they are well borne out in the life of Jesus and in His
ability to do all He claimed He could. He displayed a majestic power over every situation He faced — storm, trials, temptations, ridicule, the cross, death itself. He never lost His cool. Even as He died, a centurion standing by was moved to exclaim: "Surely this was the Son of God."

And when He rose triumphant over the grave, believers could never again doubt His divine Sonship. His life was divine in its quality and power because His Person was and is divine.

Christ and Criticism

During the early years of the church when evangelistic zeal to preach Christ flourished, though numerous serious problems to face. But when that zeal began to flag and the great theological controversies arose in the third and fourth centuries, Jesus began to be looked upon with a critical eye, instead of through eyes of faith. The Church itself began to question His true identity, and the centuries which followed were extremely arid spiritually.

That controversy over the Person of Jesus has never gone on, sometimes just smouldering, at other times reaching fervent heat. The Church of today has all too often been infected by this spirit of unbelieving and unbelief, and the "Christian" faith has in large measure lost its distinctiveness and power. A strong tendency toward humanism, making Jesus just a teacher and example, has caused many to allow the key to knowing God slip through their fingers.

If Christ be not by His very nature superior to prophets of all time, and even to the angels, we are of all men most deluded. Then we must still stumble about in darkness groping for God. We must still question His designs for us. We must still live in the fear that we are eternally lost. If He be not the Son of God in a unique sense, then we must question all that He taught about God.

(To be continued)

Over 12,000,000 Negroes in the U. S. today have "washed" blood in them. — Jack Hamm Cartoon

MISSIONS — See Everett T. Harris

New Car Needed in Jamaica

Recent letters from Rev. Leon Lawton, our missionary in Jamaica, B. W. I., have brought to our attention again the pressing need for a new mission car. He wrote on September 17, "I had to spend over $17 last week to get the right front wheel suspension repaired. At present the gear box is still giving us trouble and I have no reverse at all. I have been involved in more repairs but I guess the only thing to do is to get it fixed. I do not know what it is going to cost. This will be the third time the rear end has been taken down since I have been here."

Anyone who has kept an old car in repair knows that the cost grows heavier and added. To the cost is the danger of breakdown at some out-of-the-way place.

It is understood that the young people of the denomination had made a beginning toward raising funds for a new mission car for Jamaica but discontinued their efforts at the request of headquarters because it constituted a special appeal for funds outside the budget. However, an amount for a new car was approved in the Missionary Board's budget and the young people are being encouraged to go ahead with this project. Let us give them our hearty support.

Miss Wells Writes

(Miss Jacqueline Wells, part-time teacher at Crandall High School and secretary of the Jamaica Mission, writes under date of September 25, 1957.)

School opened for the third and final term of the year (Christmas term) with registration on September 9. We are now settled down into the regular routine.

Mrs. Lydia Forbes, the Commercial Department teacher, is on leave of absence this term and so one of the more advanced students, Miss Joyce Lyons (Pastor Lyons' daughter), is supervising bookkeeping and shorthand. Mr. Brissey (the headmaster) has asked me to spend my mornings in the department teaching typewriting and we hope to put some stress on penmanship and a bit about office techniques such as use of telephone, use of mimeograph and microscopec, and filing.

There are three new students who are being given typing classes and we are concentrating on learning the keys and building up an even, firm touch which will make for speed as time goes on. Last week the forty-five-minute period before lunch, we took a "field trip" across the street and down a block to the Golding Printing Shop where we were to see "white" operations and forms printed. This morning we studied about different styles of letterheads, sizes of envelopes and file folders.

Our next field trip is to be to the local Bank of Nova Scotia where we will trace the journey of a check from the time it is written until it is returned by the bank to the writer. The department studies business English, mathematics, and spelling, too.

My afternoons are to be spent working for the Conference in doing typing, mimeographing, and assisting the supervisor of the field with correspondence both to island leaders and to our denomination here. I have just been appointed to the National Student Christian Fellowship. I believe this will be a good working schedule for the coming months.

Former Missionary Writes

Many friends and loved ones greeted Rev. and Mrs. Wardner T. FitzRandolph at the recent Conference at Milton. Following Conference sessions they returned to Texarkana where they are now residing with their family, at 805 Prince Street.

A terminal salary check was sent to Pastor FitzRandolph recently and the information sent to him concerning his retirement status. By action of the Missionary Board and approved by Conference, missionary personnel are to receive any retirement financial assistance through the Memorial Fund, the same as pastors of the denomination.

Mr. FitzRandolph wrote, "Received your letter with the final furlough check just a week ago. Thank you. Also thank you for what you have done toward getting ministerial retirement for us.

"I wish to say that the work we have done in the American Tropics has been a very reaping one. We will never forget the people there and their needs and aspirations. If the work there has made any progress it must have been due to the Lord's touch upon the hearts of men. I am sure that our work there resulted in spiritual growth and love in our own hearts. God may bless the work there; that will be the constant prayer of Bertha and myself."

Fall Meetings of Associations and Churches

Most of the churches of the denomination are involved this month in special joint meetings of one kind or another, sectional yearly meetings, dedications, joint Communions, or Associations.

The New England Seventh Day Baptist Church has designated this month for joint get-togethers at Waterford, Conn., Shiloh and Marlboro, N. J., combined joint Communion and ordination of deacons on October 5. As reported in the Northern Association column in the October 12 Verona and the Western N. Y.) Association convening on October 19 at Richburg were noted in the last issue. The theme of the Verona gathering is "One in Christ." Also publicized last week were the Middle Continent Association held at Boulder, Colo., October 2; and the Northern Association convening in the New Auburn, Wis., Church the same weekend. The latter features the dedication of the new church.

Information is now available concerning the Pacific Coast Association scheduled for October 18-20 in the Los Angeles Church. At 4076 N. Figueroa. The theme for the meetings is "Christ in You." Featured on the program will be the nurses recently returned from Nyasaland, Beth Sevee and Joan Clement.

Added information about the Western Association semiannual meeting is that the Sabbath afternoon program will feature a workshop on "The Word" by Clarence Rogers of Salem, W. Va., chairman of the committee on the Word.
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the Vocational Committee of General Conference.

The denominational Planning Committee, composed of the employed secretary and a representative of the Women's Board is scheduled to meet in Alfred, N. Y., for several sessions immediately following Western Association.

Battle Creek, Mich., is host to the Northern Association on the weekend of October 23-25. The theme is "Growth in Stewardship." Those from a distance who hope to attend are asked to contact Miss Helen Steadman, 177 E. Columbus Ave., for free housing.

The seminannual meeting of the West Virginia churches was scheduled for October 12 with Lost Creek as host and Rev. Rex Burdick preaching the morning sermon.

What Some Readers Say

A seminary student at Chicago writes, "I am very sorry that I did not subscribe to the Sabbath Recorder earlier because now I have missed quite a few fascinating issues... I am enjoying school life here at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary and I do not believe that there is one person here on the campus that does not know about the Seventh Day Baptist denomination. Even the president 'can see my point.'"

From New York City comes word of a Recorder having been sent to Brussels, Belgium, and others given "to my good friend Teri Csizi." The letter continues, "Although she is a staunch Hungarian Presbyterian she's curious and interested in us and has read every Recorder she ever found lying around my apartment."

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for October 19, 1957

The Christian Minister
Lesson Scripture: 1 Cor. 9: 1-23, 26-27.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for October 26, 1957

Using or Abusing Our Freedom
Lesson Scripture: 1 Cor. 8.

EXTENSION AND GROWTH

(An unrehearsed Conference program interview with the Co-ordinating Council under the direction of Alblyn Mackintosh, chairman.)

(Continued from last week)

How About Stewardship of Time?

Wayne Crandall: I really feel that we are losing our young people by not making this thing challenging enough to them. Nelson Norwood: It's fairly clear to us how the Bible Sabbath should be kept in Christ's time. It isn't so clear how to keep it in the 20th century. I feel we should more actively study this problem. Our young people are told the Sabbath is the Lord's and certain things about it. We are not helping them to solve the day-to-day problems which confront them on this very important issue. And this, in my thinking, is our big contribution to our world, our Sabbath.

Women's Board and Lone Sabbathkeepers

Marjorie Maxson: We might ask first, who are lone Sabbathkeepers? They might be people who live far removed from any church. The church is not enough away from church so they are not able to attend every week. They are equally alone as far as Sabbath devotional material or the fellowship which they may have from attending church. The first thing we would do would be to write a letter and find out what materials they would like to have. We would be glad to send our Helping Hands for their Bible study. If there are children in the family we would be glad to send the Sabbath Visitor, the Junior quarters. Of course we are always glad to send the Women's Board Newsletter. We would do those things, but of course, Mr. Chairman, we think the personal contact is very much better than a letter and we would like to see someone arrange to make a personal visit.

Are Associations a Link in this Program?

Secretary Everett Harris: It seems to me that when a visit is made, as Mrs. Maxson was mentioning, that the Associational Missions Committee would be much nearer, perhaps, than any secretary of a board or the corresponding department. They can make that personal contact which we feel is really the heart of going to some area. Could I give an instance of how that has been done in Maine. We were very happy that Eastern Association this year reorganized their setup in such a way so as to have a year-round mission department as an outreach matter as well as other phases of work. That particular committee would presumably take under consideration now, getting in contact with this interest which is found in Maine.

What About Stewardship and Extension?

Karl Stillman: It has been my experience to be associated with financial problems practically throughout my business life. Perhaps I have as much interest in that phase of the Christian program as any. It seems to me we ought to adopt a bold approach, and a bold approach in my mind would be a complete yielding to Christ in the matter of our own personal income and finances. Personally, I believe strongly in tithing. The teaching of the Bible is that a tithe is considered to be the Church's portion of the material wealth that you may have which should be devoted to the Lord's work. Therefore, I cannot urge our people too strongly to think seriously about that. Also in the matter of pledging, I may be at variance with some people but I have no hesitancy in pledging such means as I have to the Lord's work. I pledge for other things, unwittingly, perhaps. We all pay the telephone bill and light bill and other obligations of that sort. We pledge to do it. We say we will do so much but when it comes to our church, for some reason we say we are not going to pledge. We are going to keep the church. I think we should revise our thinking and remember again that all that we have is due to the abundance and the help of our Lord.

Help for Sabbath Schools

Secretary Rex Zwiebel: On page 16 of the manual suggestions are given for the organizing of a Sabbath School as the road to a complete organization of a church. It is set up in question form.

At the same time we have here definite steps, in order that a Sabbath School be set up. Do you have a person or persons who are able to hold one Sabbath School of one or more classes? Is there a place where you can meet? Is there a family willing to sacrifice their home one day per week for the meeting of the School, at least to start with? Is there a prospect in your neighborhood of people to be brought in, children, at least? Can we have free housing. That makes this whole setup and it would be a natural way to start an organization.

Women's Board Spot Maps

Albyn Mackintosh: Looking for these places to start, what about spot maps and finding out where we might have a group? Does the Women's Board have anything of this nature?

Mrs. Lukens: Yes, a spot map shows the persons with whom our lone Sabbathkeeper work has been connected. This has been spotted with some dots showing where our Seventh Day Baptist active churches are, and also spotted with another sort of a dot showing the people that have been contacted from that material. It is very interesting to look at it and see where these people are. Some of them are very centrally located and some of them are very far away from our churches.

Can We Assimilate New People?

Rev. Charles Bond: That's a good question, I believe. I am going to answer it. Our people are playing. They came in and said there was a man outside asking about the church. He had come down from Vermont. He had learned about Seventh Day Baptists. I think he has been in contact with the Tract Society. He had come to Western Baptist to attend church there. That man certainly has a name that is not of old Seventh Day Baptist stock. He has come to the position where he is interested in the Sabbath School, he is a brother of mine in Christ.
I would trust that if it comes to the place where he is ready to become one of us in church work and in the denomination, that we as a church and denomination will be anxious to receive him with arms outstretched, ready to give him a place in our church work and in our denominational work, a brother in Christ. Our love as Seventh Day Baptists should be the love of Christ. Anyone who loves Him and wants to serve Him certainly is one of us in that great work.

The Chairman Gives a Challenge

Mr. Mackintosh: You have heard the Co-ordinating Council. You have heard their dedication to a program with which you have charged them. Each one of us on this Co-ordinating Council is concerned with the program for extension and growth. We are deeply concerned and as years go by we are going to be continually challenging each of you. Today, I would like to bring a personal challenge from this Co-ordinating Council to every individual that is at this General Conference. You are going to leave here in a few days and work homeward. We challenge you to stop off and see somebody besides your relatives. Here is a Seventh Day Baptist family, or there is a family that is just interested. Make it a point to stop on your way and visit with somebody you have never known who is interested in the Kingdom of God and, particularly, interested in the Sabbath. This program for extension and growth, it depends on you and me. It doesn’t depend on what this denomination does as such but what we do as individuals. So I would like to challenge you to this program.

Sabbath Thought

That the Sabbath idea is unlikely to survive apart from the divinely appointed Sabbath Day is clearly indicated by the rapidly growing tendency for even church people to treat Sunday as a holiday rather than as a holy day, even though the Sabbath idea has its basis in the deepest human needs. — D. Alva Crandall.

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

A Message

from Missionary David C. Pearson

Having recently read a condensation of "Through Gates of Splendor" by Elizabeth Elliot, widow of one of five martyrs who died in 1956, I am constrained to think aloud.

As I wrote the rough draft of this article I was enjoying a pleasant three days in an African village some 10,000 miles from home and approximately 160 miles from our more recently adopted home at Makapwa Mission, Nyasaland’s Seventh Day Baptist headquarters.

Our black friends had prepared wonderfully for our coming. Our hosts were most kind in contrast to the hostile hosts who received us with goody deeds those five fellow missionaries.

Bettie remarked that the difference lies in the fact that our people here have heard the Gospel whereas the Aucas of Ecuador have not.

Visible through the front door a string of African hunters passed our ken armed with sticks and spears, accompanied by a pack of dogs. How quickly we, too, might have passed through gates of splendor had conditions been less favorable to abundant life.

Africa, however, is like a troubled sea which cannot rest, whose waters cast showers upon us from innumerable storms. - D. Alva Crandall.

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Teen Talk

How Far Can You Walk?

Are you a walker? Probably not. There aren’t many of them these days. Young folks, in particular, want to get places in a hurry, and walking is not the way. Little boys and girls wish for bicycles so they can skip over the ground to the place where they want to be and can be off to some new place as quickly as they change their minds about what they want to do next.

As boys get into the teen age many of them take to walking temporarily in that period when they are not yet allowed to drive a car and when companionship is more important than speed. In the first years of high school the bike is often neglected. It may be that for the shorter distances, walking with the boys — or with a girl — seems preferable to the less companionable bike riding.

Then the desire for faster transportation — with room for others — becomes almost an obsession with normal boys. Some sort of car is considered essential. Frequently it is possible for teen-agers to own a car or at least persuade the parents that they should have an operator’s license and use the family car.

Where there is walking? Some stick to it and really make a hobby of it. Did you read in the paper the other day about a man who has walked 250,000 miles since he started counting the miles. He was pictured in Chicago resting, with his dog, after he had walked back in 1906 when he was 22. He took up walking after being stricken with polio. I guess he forced himself to walk until he found that it was a very interesting achievement.

This presents one more challenge and call for frank discussion between teacher and parents with more forebearance than among those not related. There is no place for the adage, "familiarity breeds contempt," or jealousy, but it seems doubly hard to overlook the shortcomings of a sister or brother, when in charity and love we put every effort forth to cooperate with a teacher who is not related. This same effort, undergirded with sincere prayer, will solve all the problems, for we all need a Christianlike love, they will melt away.

Be just as courteous and seek for the same understanding within the family as you are and do outside the circle. Greater strength and a greater witness are bound to follow. Each person in the family with a vision of the Kingdom of God will grow in wisdom and love when this is done.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiziel

The Family in Christian Education

On our extended field trip through the Midwest, we have been discussing with many of the church groups the place of the family in Christian education. More and more we are impressed with the fact that because our churches are so often made up of interrelated families, unusual problems arise. When "Auntie" is tending the nieces, nephews, and cousins, it is doubly hard to maintain discipline while teaching.

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Enjoy Bible Sabbath, Seventh Day Baptist Churches
THE MOUNTAIN REVISITED
By Rev. J. Carter Swain

"On Loving Those Who Love Us"
(Sermon on the Mount as translated in RSV)

When Jesus’ sayings about enemies prove difficult, we insist that they must apply only to personal relationships, and "Jesus isn’t speaking about the responsibilities of free citizens in a democratic state."

The truth is that He lived all His life in an occupied country, whose inhabitants were addressed really did have enemies whom they could see every day. It was Roman soldiers who had the right to press into service any one of Jesus’ friends, and compel him to carry the pack for a mile.

The way to deal with such enemies, Jesus said, is this: "If any one forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles" (Matt. 5: 44 RSV). To people who had foreign soldiers quartered in their own homes and fattening off their own land, Jesus said: "If you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you salute only your brethren, what more are you than others?" (Matt. 5: 45-46). Those who bear the name of Christ must have a better religion than that of the Pharisees.

Even though our enemies are much further away than those whom we may once have known as friends, we still find it hard to love those who do not love us. When Marshal Tito paid a state visit to Britain, the Archbishop of York urged Britians to extend him a cordial welcome. This, said the Archbishop, would not imply approval of Tito's "religious, social, or economic views and policies" but would show "sympathy for his defiance of the aggressive totalitarianism of Russia." Roman Catholics attacked the Anglican prelate, asserting that it was "grotesque" for Christians to countenance a visit of Tito.

There are many who are not willing even that prayer should be offered for enemies, and in their politics. Many a layman in his pastoral prayer offered a petition for "the moral improvement of Kaiser Wilhelm." By some this was interpreted as a prayer for German victory in World War I, which then was raging. After church the minister, who a few years before had served as president of the Ohio Constitutional Convention, was kidnaped and horswhipped. How does our religion exceed that of the Pharisees? Do we love only those who love us? If not, what is our attitude toward those who do?

Youth News from the Southwest

Sunday, September 13, a Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowship was held in Alexandria, La. The Hammond and Metairie young people met the Fouke and Texarkana young people for a fellowship dinner at a park in Alexandria. From there, we all went to the Salvation Army Hall where we held a service and a song fest. Each church group gave a brief discussion on its youth meetings. After this inspiring service we passed out tracts on our way home.

The Southwestern young people are strengthening a new bond of unity between our churches separated by such long distances. Planning to first return an anti-missionary affair, we expect to increase our bond of union and give more courage to our Seventh Day Baptist young people.

We need the prayers of everyone. We want to make others realize the need for our closer fellowship throughout all our churches.

I sincerely hope this piece of news will tell others that our young people here want a stronger church. We want other denominations to know we, too, can stand on our feet. — B. Pearl Hibbard.

Chinese Girl Hears Gospel

The Formosa stations of the Far East Broadcasting Co. receive much mail from Hong Kong and some from Red China. The following comes from Shanghai itself:

"I want to read more of the Gospel books, if you have some, would you mind sending me? I am quite a little girl and dare not go to church, but I really have a hungry heart and need help. Sometimes I go to a quiet place to meditate. 'What is God? I know I am a child of God. I want to believe Jesus in spite of many friends are against me.'"

DEACON LUTHER DAVIS
By Elizabeth Fisher Davis

Luther S. Davis, son of Artis C. and Evelyn Fitz Randolph Davis, was born June 20, 1869, in Salem Co., N. J., and passed away at his home in Shiloh on Sabbath day, September 7, 1957.

Mr. Davis was graduated from New Jersey Normal School and from Rutgers University. He filled several positions in New Jersey and Delaware as principal and supervisor of schools and was also principal of Fouke Academy, Fouke, Ark., on two different occasions at the request of the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society.

On July 16, 1902, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Fisher and in 1952 they celebrated very happily their 50th anniversary. The last 45 years of his life were spent on the farm, except that in September, 1956, he and Mrs. Davis moved to Shiloh.

Mr. Davis joined the Shiloh Church in Fort Valley, Georgia, but planning to first return from Arkansas he became a member of the Marlboro Church. He served as church clerk from 1913-1934, and as deacon from 1913 until his death. He served the brend at the Marlboro Communion on July 6, 1957, and on August 10, 1957, he and his wife sang a duet at church, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

He is survived by his wife; three sons, G. Arthur C. R., and E. Fisher; by 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; by his only sister, Mrs. Hannah Hummel; and relatives — Lavina Ayars, Mrs. Anne Bender Harris, and Joseph Godish were each members of their home for several years, while a number of other young people were for shorter periods.

NOTE: The farewell service was conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Paul Osborn, on September 30, and interment was in the church cemetery. By request the hymn, "I Need Thee Every Hour," was sung by the congregation at the services. In 1948, it was written that Mrs. Davis was able to join the singing and not miss a note. Today we have all deacons, who in the past, 3 from Marlboro, 2 from Shiloh, and one (a neighbor) from the Greenwich Presbyterian Church.

OTHER FOLDS AND FIELDS

Hindu Mob Burns Mission Center
Madhya Pradesh state officials have promised a probe of anti-missionary demonstrations during which an American Protestant mission community center valued at $200,000.

The three-story modern building was operated by the Evangelical and Reformed Church, working through the United Church of Northern India. Before the fire started all equipment was destroyed, the chapel was desecrated, the cross demolished, and the 5,000-volume library ransacked.

The trouble apparently grew out of the objections of Rev. Gur-bachan Singh, to the setting up of an idol on the stage when a committee of Hindus rented the auditorium for a celebration. Police later made arrests and restored order.

Mayor Robert F. Wagner proclaimed the first week in October as "Released Time Week" in New York. He and others urge this as a "calculated risk" in an effort to distract "as a major means of curbing the current waves of juvenile delinquency." This is part of a publicity effort of Protestants, Catholics, and Jews to increase from 120,000 to a possible 400,000 the number of pupils enrolled in released time (1 hour per week) religious instruction.

The Lutheran World Federation at its assembly in Minneapolis, Minn., called for an end to the production and testing of nuclear weapons. Lutheran Dr. E. O. Nord, director of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, advocated the use of "moral force" and "calculated risks" in preventing war and seeking peace and justice.

The Denver Ministerial Alliance has drawn up the following set of standards for funeral procedure: 1. Use of flowers at funerals be discouraged. In place of flowers sympathizers may send "some gift to the church or the poor or the needy, or an active interest." 2. Public viewing of the remains be discouraged.
A private viewing for relatives might be arranged if it would offer comfort. 3. Church, military, and lodge funerals should not be intermingled. 4. Modest appointments be made for the disposal of the corpse. 5. No funeral arrangements should be made until the officiating minister has been consulted. W. W. Reid

The Southern Baptist Convention, recognizing that "The American Bible Society renders an essential, world-wide missionary service," urged Southern Baptist people "to make worthy contributions to the work of the American Bible Society, in order to provide the Scriptures needed for the missionary advance to which we are committed."

"If the United States keeps nudging an inch closer to God, then God will keep nudging an inch closer to the United States." - Editorial in the Butcher Workman re "In God We Trust," now printed on our paper money.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

SHILOH, N. J. - In Sabbath School, the last Sabbath of September was promotion day. New officers were also elected at that time. Attendance pins were awarded to twenty-two boys and girls for the year. Certificates were given also to those passing into new departments. Carlton Wilson gave the message to the newly elected officers and teachers for the coming year.

Joint Communion was again observed the first week in October with the Rev. Paul B. Osborn of the Marlboro Church bringing the morning message: "Service Sermon, and Stone." At noon a roast beef dinner was served in the church dining room to about two hundred. And in the afternoon Carlton Wilson and Owen H. Probasco were ordained as deacons. Each gave statements of Christian experience. Charles F. Harris gave the charge to the deacons. The charge to the church was given by Mr. Osborn.

A telegram of congratulations was sent by both churches to the Schenectady Church which was being dedicated the same day.

The pastor and his family are again enjoying a week's vacation. They took two weeks after Conference. - Corres.

Annual Meeting of Historical Society

The postponed annual meeting of the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society will be held in the Seventh Day Baptist Building, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J., on Friday, October 25, 1957, at 2, p.m., prevailing time.

Albert N. Rogers, President, Frederik J. Bakker, Secretary.

Our Servicemen

Families and churches, we trust, keep in very close touch with their young men who are in military service. Some men, however, come from lone-Sabbathkeeping homes where there is no church group to remember them with letters while they are away from home and anxious for mail. One such case, we are told, is Pvt. Leland Lewis, Jr., Fr 17500562, Co. A. 1st Btn., Trng. Eng., Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. "Write today to those away."

Marriages

Rickey - Wells. - Robert B. Rickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irl Rickey, Independence, Mo., and Donna Mae Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wells of Farina, Ill., were married at the Post Chapel, Schofield Barracks, T. H., by Chaplain Mahon Sadler. The new home is at 1910 - T Kaioo Dr., Honolulu, Hawaii.

Baker - Knox. - At the Little Genesee Seventh Day Baptist Church July 7, 1957, Re Rogers Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Baker, of Friendship, N. Y., and Shirley Knox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knox, of Little Genesee, were united in marriage by Rev. Delmer E. Van Horn.

Loofboro - Fuss. - Rodger E. Loofboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo L. Loofboro of New Auburn, Wis., and Maye J. Fuss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fuss, also of New Auburn, were united in marriage on Aug. 5, 1957, at the Seventh Day Baptis Church in New Auburn by the pastor, Rev. Don A. Sanford.

Obituaries

Davis. - Luther S., son of Artis C. and Evelyn Fitz Randolph Davis, was born June 20, 1869, in Salem Co., N. J., and died at his home in Shiloh, N. J., Sept. 28, 1957. (See more extended obituary elsewhere in this issue.)