members of the Yonah Mountain Church.

We wish that the Lord would lead some pastor or layman to come and work with us, someone who desires to spend the winter in Florida, or make it a permanent home. — Church clerk.

Accessions

Putnam County, Fla.

By Baptism: died at

Ida (Mrs. J. A.) Price
Frances Wells
Lennie Wells

By Testimony:

Mrs. Hettie Livingston

Berlin, N. Y.

By Baptism:

William Flanagan

Roanoke, W. Va.

By Testimony:

Artha L. (Mrs. Fred L.) Martin

Salem, W. Va.

By Baptism:

Mrs. Fred Spencer

By Testimony:

Montie B. Slusher

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Obituaries

Howe. — Lorna S., daughter of Burton and Anna Severance, was born at Dodge Center, Minn., April 13, 1899, and died Nov. 1, 1957, in Monroe, Wis., hospital following a long illness.

She was a member of the Dodge Center Seventh Day Baptist Church, having been baptized there in her youth. In 1919, she was united in marriage with Ross Howe in Dodge Center, after which they lived in Milton, Wis. Her husband died several years ago.

Surviving are: one son, Donovan, of Edgerton, Wis.; four grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Stanley Fox of Milton, and three brothers, Lyle of Janesville, Irving of Milton, and Howard of Fond du Lac, all of Wisconsin.

The funeral was conducted in Milton Junction by the Rev. Elmo Fitz Randolph. Interment was in Milton Lawn Memorial Park, Janesville. — E. F. R.

Whitford. — Holly F., son of Harold and Ella Heath Whitford, was born Oct. 8, 1918, near Adams Center, N. Y., and died Nov. 12, 1957, at his home at Zoor.

On August 13, 1938, he was united in marriage with Helen Downs. He leaves to survive him: his wife; two sons, Newell and David, and three daughters, Joyce, Carolyn, and Diane; his parents; a brother, Clyde, and a sister, Jane.

He was a member of the Adams Center Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Masonic services were held at the Piddock Funeral Home in Adams November 13, and funeral service was conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Earl Cruzan, November 14. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery, Rodman, N. Y. — E. C.

Langworthy. — John D., the son of Ulysses S. and Charlotte Langford Langworthy, was born April 26, 1898, in Dodge Center, Minn., and died Nov. 6, 1957, at Battle Creek, Mich.

On December 29, 1920, he was married to Hazel A. Tenney. At an early age, he joined the Dodge Center Seventh Day Baptist Church and later transferred his membership when he moved to Battle Creek. He was a faithful and ever active member.

Besides his wife he is survived by three daughters: Mrs. Donald (Mary Lou) Casler and Mrs. Randall (Lois) Palmiter, both of Battle Creek; and Mrs. Theodore (Joanne) Kramer of Hayfield, Minn.; and Mrs. Walter (Charlotte) Lindahl of Dodge Center, Minn.; Mrs. Walter (Edith) Kramer of Hayfield, Minn.; and Mrs. Chester (Ethel) Bartel of Kasson, Minn.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted from the Harley Funeral Home with his pastor, the Rev. Elred E. Davis, officiating. Interment was in the Floral Lawn Memorial Gardens near Battle Creek. — L. E. D.

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If anyone should make the statement that in our nation money flows like water it would be immediately challenged as only figurative, if not, a matter of fact it is almost literally true. On the New York Stock Exchange there are times when the dollars lost far exceed the gallons of water flowing in the mains and sewers of the city. During the last 20 minutes of trading on November 26, upon receipt of the news that the President had the day before suffered a very light stroke, investors lost in stock sales $5 billion.

Figures were released recently showing that industrial and domestic use of water in the United States is about the same as in 1955 and 1956. Some accuse us of being water hogs, water wasters. We are made to wonder how God can keep up with us in sending rain and snow enough to cover our daily needs. The millions of gallons of water used every 24 hours in one large industrial plant stagger our imagination and tends to irritate us if the water taps ever happen to be low. But how much water do we use annually in all the homes and all the industries of our flowing land? The figure given is 2,400 billion gallons.

Turning to national income and indebtedness, we find that in 1956 the industrial income totaled $540,048,000,000. The national debt now stands at $273.6 billion, considerably below our annual income. The economy is considered good including agriculture. We, as citizens, do not need to be unduly concerned about the size of the debt even though it is within $1.4 billion of the limit now imposed by Congressional vote.

The striking comparison between the amount of water consumed and the amount of money earned is amazing — $324 billion and 240 billion. "What it seems to imply is that our land flows with dollars much more freely than with gallons of water. It means that we have lost the concept of enormity in bookkeeping for we are forced to remember the tremendous difference between millions and billions when dealing with a noncompressible necessity like water. A water thesis is that it still takes up the same space as always.

We are reminded also that there is a vast difference between the few dollars we actually handle and the figures with which our national business is done. Water is free; it is the gift of God. Dollars in the pocket are not free. They, too, are entrusted to us by God who gives us the earning capacity. We are called upon to be stewards of our resources and to render to God a just portion to be used in furthering His Kingdom and proving that we have our share of the national income. It may seem a small share but, invested for the Lord, our gifts are relatively permanent and are not like the billions lost in frantic stock selling. Calmness characterizes the Christian soul in a land where water and money seem to flow so freely.

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the part of Christ before an appreciative and reverent audience. This was gripping. The presentation was Scriptural and almost flawless. It ushered us into us see the whole mission of Christ rather than just a fragment of His earthly life. The presentation was Scriptural and not clouded with medieval accretions of some Christian fringes.

Dr. Benjamin P. Browne, head of American Baptist publication work and featured speaker at our 1957 Ministers Conference, has preserved a story illustrating the dignity with which some who play the part of Christ rebuke the average Christian. This story from his recent book, Let There Be Light (Fleming H. Revell Co.), also fits the thought we are here presenting that whether at Advent or at Passion time we should consider the whole ministry of Christ. We quote:

An American businessman went to Oberammergau to witness the Passion Play, last given just out the outbreak of the war. Enthralled by this great drama which depicts the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, the American businessman, on the last night of the performance, asked to see the part of the Christus.

Our American friend had equipped himself with an expensive camera which he was eager to use. Abruptly he snapped the picture of Anton Lang, who played the part of the Christus. He saw that Mr. Lang was frowning severely and gripped. Tears began to flow out of his eyes. My wife and all the teachers thought he would break down. Mr. Lang was born up the hill to Calvary in the play. Quickly turning to his wife he said, "Here, dear, take my camera. I'm going over and shoulder, you snap cross. Won't that be a novel and exciting thing?"

"You can do that only if you carry a cross that is so terribly heavy," he added.

Why do you carry a cross that is so terribly heavy? He thought it would be light. I thought the cross was hollow. Why do you carry the cross? It is so terribly heavy?"

Mr. Lang drew himself up to his full height and replied with compelling dignity and rebuke, "Sir, if I did not feel the weight of His cross I could not play His part. Can the churches, can any man, can you?

I could show you how vitally personal to us that success really is. I wish the people on the giving end of OUR WORLD MISSION could feel as truly as we do, as we watch with joy or anxiety its fluctuations from month to month.

"Again I pray God that you will be led to make your gifts through the OUR WORLD MISSION in our minimum program. When we have made it a total success then let us turn our minds to these special items."

Let us all strive for a clearer, Spirit-inspired vision of our total program. Our unity in vision and work is important. That is where the strength lies. That was Jesus' teaching — that when we pray together, when we work together, then God answers and then God blesses.

Let us be One in Christ, "For we are laborers together with God."

1958 Conference Grounds

Local preparations are under way for entertaining the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference in Southern California next month. According to the Riverside Church Bulletin the local General Conference Planning Committee and twelve recently appointed committee chairmen were given a conducted tour of the California Baptist Seminary campus at Covina, Sunday afternoon, December 1.

This campus, midway between Riverside and Los Angeles, Calif., is the site of the 1958 Conference which is to be entertained by the Pacific Coast Association. The purpose of the detailed tour of the grounds and the many buildings was to give the committees a perspective of the facilities with which they will work in making ready for the coming conference.

Conference dates are August 12 to 17. Prior to the assembling of the regular delegates the Commission Planning Committee, and Co-ordinating Council will hold meetings at places to be announced. The Franklin D. Roosevelt's Retreat will be at the church-owned Pacific Pines Camp in the mountains above San Bernadino, about the same distance from Riverside (south direction) as is Covina (30 miles).
enences. As I read through the tracts, they referred to the references as were quoted therein. But throughout the entire Bible, I could find no single portion authorizing somebody to keep Sunday. In John 5: 39, Christ says, "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." I again was led to read so many Scripture portions showing the mind and direction of God's will: Romans 8: 27; Acts 17: 11; 1 Cor. 2: 10; John 8: 32; John 16: 13-14; John 14: 6, 15, etc. "Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord." (Lam. 3: 40). "If ye love me, keep my commandments." (John 14: 15). My heart burned and I yielded my entire being to God.

After reading all the assorted tracts, the joy of God overshadowed my heart to have been born again into the truth which was hidden and forgotten. Praise God! I was very grateful to God, more especially because I was placed in such a responsible position in the school as the headmaster of the mission. So that I urged all my teachers and my wife to pray sincerely to God, asking Him for pardons, for I was invented and transgressed His holy ordained commandment for not keeping holy the seventh day of the Lord.

Since that time I solemnly promised to serve the Lord (Joshua 24: 15) and to the pleasure of this world I said, "Take the whole nation of Israel and Jesus for I won't turn back — Amen."

On the following day, we organized a prayer group and on the following Saturday which was the seventh day, we truly feared the Lord and worshipped Him that day. The number on that day grew to 40 men and women who really vowed to serve the Lord. The message then spread that more of the Sundaykeeping enterprise but for the Lord who blessed the Sabbath of the Lord. I was then reported to the authority of the Mission which I was serving that I had kicked against the Mission by turning the whole church, village, and teachers to serve God on Sabbath.

On July 19, 1955, both the African and European ministers arrived at my station in a car at about 7:30 p.m. A meeting was soon convened and trial of my case started. I was immediately found guilty and a paper of termination was served on me and that my salary for the month was forfeited. From my homeland to this part of the country, I was working very far away. On August 23, 1955, while I was away to buy empty cases to pack in my loads, these ministers came in and packed out all my property, throwing some over the fence. Some of the breakable things got broken and most of them were stolen. My wife with my newly born daughter was locked out. Soon the message reached me. Some of my acquaintances and colleagues advised me to take up the matter legally, but I refused, knowing that if I was able to suffer with Christ that I would reign with Him; but chose to suffer shame for Him so that His name, honour, and praise might be extolled. From the tenderful experience and conversion to the Sabbath truth God has led me to get new groups throughout the country. The church has now developed into well-founded churches with their implicit faith in the Living Christ.

Nigeria is really a very large country which needs the Sowth Sabbath. We have need and pray for great men and women who love God to come out and lead us and this country to the eternal Sabbath. The church can never develop without the Sunday-keeping enterprise but for the Lord who blessed the Sabbath of the Lord. It was then reported to the Mission which I was serving that I had kicked against the Mission by turning the whole church, village, and teachers to serve God on Sabbath.

When "silence is golden," let us endeavor to stay "on the gold standard."
real value if each studies and puts forth the results of his study.

Some older people say they can't learn anything. This was justified not too long ago when an adult teacher was told, "Go teach the younger folk, we're too set in our ways to be changed." Dr. Campbell W. Wyckoff, teaching in Syracuse University last summer said, "It may be bad grammar, but it is true you can't 'learn anybody anything.' Each one has to learn for himself. We have no need for more education, he will put himself in a learning situation. If no situation is provided, he will create for a school or a class. The opinion that adults become mentally slow is an illusion.

On the other hand, a great many of us are not enjoying it now, for too many of us are not having new adventures in "real life." I do not mean that you cannot be a good Christian without new learning experiences, but I believe you can be a better one if you are better equipped to know and to know how to interpret new adventures that are sure to be your lot.

Christianity in the Elementary Schools

By Elizabeth Aurand

(Mrs. Charles Aurand, a member of the Battle Creek Seventh Day Baptist Church, is a schoolteacher who is interested in the best training for our youth.)

The opinion that adults become mentally slow is an illusion. The opinion that adults become mentally slow is an illusion. What has the need for more education, he will put himself in a learning situation. If no situation is provided, he will create for a school or a class. The opinion that adults become mentally slow is an illusion. Eternal life isn't just an added feature to preparing for Youth Week, Jan. 26-Feb. 2.

Considerable interest has been shown in recent months about the pro and con of Bible reading in the public schools. Much can be said for each viewpoint, but more than that, it shows that people are realizing a great need for help with the bringing up of our youth.

So many things are expected from our schools today: the education of our children, health problems to be solved, control of juvenile delinquency, social activities, hot lunch programs, and moral and character training. A Christian teacher has a constant influence all day long, as do Christian parents in the home.

Forty years ago, the State of Michigan issued a school songbook for the rural elementary schools. In the back of this book was a section, entitled "Select Readings for Morning Exercises," containing short Scripture passages, about ten verses in length. The eye-catching titles of some of these readings were:

God's Rule, Ps. 90: 1-12
A Good Citizen, Rom. 12: 9-21
Look-Listen, Isa. 55: 1-13
Square Deal, Mat. 7: 1-14
Wisdom, Prov. 4: 5-9

The use of these was not compulsory, which added to their effectiveness. Had it been compulsory, there would have been rebellion. We cannot force a person to love, and neither can we force faith or a noble character. They come with growth.

A third grade recently repeated the "Lord's Prayer" before drinking their milk. It was prayed with meaning and with the chorus re-echoing her power and brilliince. In "Hear Ye, Israel," the chorus sang its limited part well. His rather thick voice had the power and ability of a great achievement. In "Hear Ye, Israel," the chorus sang its limited part well. His rather thick voice had the power and ability of a noble character. They come with growth.

The work of the chorus was the outstanding factor in the evening's triumph. They had the power and ability of a large colored boy to sing a solo. At the risk of a poor performance, the young men sang a variety they wanted a large colored boy to sing. The performance of the young men was not as brilliant. We are thankful for the many dedicated teachers throughout our land who set a good example for our children.

WORLDWIDE BIBLE READING

Thanksgiving to Christmas Scripture passages suggested by the American Bible Society for daily reading.

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Dec. 15 — Matthew 6: 5-18
Jan. 16 — Matthew 6: 19-34
Jan. 17 — Matthew 7: 1-29
Jan. 18 — John 3: 1-17
Jan. 20 — Isaiah 11: 1-9
Jan. 21 — Isaiah 53: 1-12
Jan. 22 — John 1: 1-18
Jan. 23 — John 1: 14-18
Jan. 24 — Matthew 1: 18-25
Jan. 25 — Matthew 2: 1-12

THE SABBATH RECORDER

Milton Choral Union

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Over a period of forty-seven years the Milton, Wis., Choral Union has been presenting annual concerts involving college students from a wide community, and guest soloists from a distance. Such a long history of participation and attendance makes the story of this year's concert interesting to a high percentage of Recorder readers.

Mendelssohn's masterpiece, Elijah, given in the high school auditorium Monday, November 25, is reported to have thrilled the audience under the able direction of Professor Bernhard H. Westlund. The appreciative review of that performance, written by Professor Emeritus Leman H. Stringer, written for the Milton and Milton Junction Courier, is quoted below:

Monday night's concert marks the eighth time the Choral Union has sung this mighty oratorio. The first time was in 1924. The writer has witnessed all these productions and can safely say that this one surpasses them all. The chorus was stronger, the performance was more brilliant, and the quartet was able to hold its own against this powerful background.

In the title role of Elijah, Bernard Izro seemed to be perfectly at home and he sang the role with great intelligence. Evidently he has sung this part many times. Margaret Fitzgerald's contralto, though somewhat light for the size and shape of the auditorium, was pure and sympathetic, and always under control. Richard Knoll sang his limited part well. His rather thick voice held up nobly, though at times there was slight evidence of strain. Vera Adams displayed a fine soprano voice of considerable power and brilliancy. In "Hear Ye, Israel," with the chorus re-echoing her voice, it was a noble character. They come with growth.

But the work of the chorus was the outstanding factor in the evening's triumph. They had the power and ability of a large colored boy to sing a solo. At the risk of a poor performance, the young men sang a variety they wanted a large colored boy to sing. The performance of the young men was not as brilliant. We are thankful for the many dedicated teachers throughout our land who set a good example for our children.

Our Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellow­ships are urged to return the questionnaires as soon as possible to the Board of Christian Education office, so our program can advance more rapidly.

Each Youth Fellowship should be preparing for Youth Week, Jan. 26-Feb. 2. Information of available materials has been sent out.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for December 21, 1957

The Wonder of the Incarnation


women's work — arubeth M. Deland

December 9, 1957

more masculine in tone. The youngsters loved it, and requested me (a substitute teacher) to read from it.

In a heavily integrated classroom several years ago I asked the children to sing some of their favorite songs for me during their music period. After singing a variety they wanted a large colored boy to sing a solo. At the risk of a poor performance, I permitted him to go ahead. He chose, "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" It was rendered in the most beautiful and delicate manner and the entire classroom was as reverent as a church. It was an experience that I will never forget.

In many ways we can see the influence of Christian teachers in our public schools, whether it is in settling an argument or just being a friend to a neglected child. We are thankful for the many dedicated teachers throughout our land who set a good example for our children.
**Sabbath Recorder Plans**

*First Special Issue Soon*

By Leon M. Maltby

It can now be announced that plans are well under way for four enlarged special issues of the *Sabbath Recorder* in 1958. The first of these will be ready for distribution early in February. The primary emphasis of this trial issue will be evangelism. The editor is Dr. Loyal F. Hurley, field evangelist of the denomination, employed by the Missionary Board.

There have been consistent calls from a number of people for special issues of the Recorder which did not contain the local news items or the discussion of denominational problems which have little interest to those outside our churches. These staunch supporters of the Seventh Day Baptist cause have appealed for a larger, more attractive paper that could be sold or handed out free for propaganda purposes. Others have called for two distinct magazines, one for ourselves and one for people who might become interested if we had a different type of magazine to offer. This experiment will be conducted by Conference-appointed committees and by the American Sabbath Tract Society through special committees. The answer for the present seems to be quarterly issues during 1958. This is a trial. Its success depends on several factors.

The choice of editorial writers is no doubt one of the factors which will contribute much to the success of the venture. Each issue will have a different editor with the regular editor acting in the capacity of supervising these men, Dr. Tidmarsh agreed to edit. If interest justifies it and funds are available a fourth enlarged issue will be edited by the Rev. Edgar F. Wheeler, who now edits Mission Norees and has had considerable experience with printing. It is scheduled for the first of November, pending the conference and board conference of what has been accomplished by previous issues.

**Sabbath Recorder**

Unfortunately, the text is not entirely clear due to some missing or unclear sections. However, it appears to discuss plans for special issues of the *Sabbath Recorder* beginning in 1958, with a focus on evangelism. It mentions the involvement of various committees and editors to ensure the success of these issues.
had been ripped out. The Aucas had evidently made a vicious attack at dawn, and with their usual fury. As they left, they put a lance through the wall over each window, and left a pair crossed in front of the doorway. From the size of the trail, our Indians estimated that a band of around twenty had taken part in the raid.

"I have just returned from a hasty trip to collect what was left, and we thank God for the few items that had either been left behind or thrown away by the Aucas in the jungle, as found by our Indians."

Three of the widows whose work is described in "Through Gates of Splendor" are presently in Ecuador continuing the tasks their husbands had started. A fourth, Mrs. Marjorie Sattler, is on furlough in the United States, where she has been speaking at numerous Christian camps and gatherings. She is scheduled to return to Ecuador next June.

Harper & Brothers have just printed a fifth edition of Mrs. Elliot’s book, making a total of 125,000 copies in print, including book-club distribution. Correspondent.

MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris

The Missionary Board and Seventh Day Baptist Polity
(Excerpt from lectures delivered by Rev. William L. Burdick at Alfred School of Theology, Alfred, N. Y., 1959)

Mission societies of today as a rule are not over one hundred fifty years old. They are the result of many decades of experimenting on the part of the churches to find the best way to promote missions.

The form a mission board takes and its rules of operation depend on the polity of the churches that founded it, and depend on whether the denomination has a central authoritative body or is congregational in polity. For instance, the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church was founded by the General Assembly. The General Assembly appoints the Mission Board, and the board is responsible to the General Assembly. Mission societies in other denominations having authoritative polity are after the same order.

Denominations with congregational polity, having a polity that has proceeded in a different way. Our own denomination is a good illustration. Our Missionary Society grew out of forty years of effort on the part of the General Conference to find the best way to promote missions, and its organization was authorized by the General Conference. Though its organization was authorized and approved by the General Conference, it is not subject to the General Conference, nor to any ecclesiastical body.

There are two classes of members. First, there are life members. By paying $25 one may become a life member. Second, all delegates to the Conference legally appointed by their churches are members for that Conference year.

The society elects officers and a Board of Managers. The officers of the society are officers of the Board of Managers. The Board of Managers conducts the mission work of the denomination. It is responsible to the society and reports annually to it. Though its reports are presented at Conference they are not made to Conference. The missionary societies of all democratic denominations are constituted and operated much after the same order.

N. Y. Protestant Council Sets Evangelistic Campaign

An expanded program of evangelism calling for a budget of nearly $1,000,000 and a three-month Crusade for Church Attendance, were announced recently. A great number of agencies (some of which hold membership in the denomination, including Seventh Day Baptist organizations) have united in signing and issuing a statement on race relations, especially in the Southland. In the statement, they say, they “represent no one but ourselves,” but “believe the sentiments we express are shared by a multitude of our fellow Negroes.” They say, “We do not believe that the South is more to blame for the difficulties which we face than are other areas of our nation. The presence of the Negro in America is the result of the infamous slave traffic — an evil for which the North was as much responsible as the South."

We are also conscious that racial injustice and violence are not confined to our section and that racial problems have by no means been solved anywhere in our nation. Two wrongs, however, do not make a right. The failures of others are not a justification for our own shortcomings, nor can our unjust criticisms excuse us for a failure to do our duty in the sight of God. Our own condemnation to our own concern must be to know and to do that which is right. We believe that the difficulties before us have been greatly increased by extreme attitudes and statements on both sides.

"The use of the word 'integration' in connection with our schools and other areas of life, is a new phenomenon, since for many years, they were controlled by extreme attitudes and statements on both sides."

As this issue was going to press the triennial session of the General Assembly of the National Council of Churches was under way at St. Louis, Mo. — a 6-day meeting which began Sunday evening, December 1. Already reports of opening statements were appearing in the daily papers. Those who are keenly interested in the pronouncements of this greatest-of-all American interchurch bodies will be able to gain much information from the secular press coverage.

The Sabbath Recorder will also carry some factual reports of what transpires at St. Louis although the editor did not find it advisable to accept the invitation to attend as a consultant. The exact number of Seventh Day Baptist representatives who were able to attend is not known at this time. The Rev. L. Davis, the duly elected delegate of our General Conference, has promised to give our readers some of his impressions. Our denomination, including its boards and agencies (some of which hold membership in certain Divisions), was entitled to send about nine representatives, as we recall.

The General Conference was a charter member of the older Federal Council of Churches which merged a few years ago into this larger organization. According to Baptist polity membership of the Conference in any such organization does not bind individual churches to actions of the organization. It will be noted that in listing member denominations the NCC never lists Seventh Day Baptists as such but is always careful to specify that it is the General Conference which holds membership. — Ed.

Voted that the trustees investigate the purchase of collection plates of adequate size for the offerings.
Give a Lasting Gift
Give the Sabbath Recorder

A Christian periodical is one of the finest gifts for loved ones, friends, and those you would like to help. We believe that the Sabbath Recorder ought to stand high on the list of acceptable, joy-bringing gifts. While it is true that most of our friends are well able to pay the very moderate give-away price of $3 for a whole year's reading if they are interested enough, still there are many who have not really been made aware of its value to them. A gift subscription with a personal note is the best way to encourage interest in the things that are considered vital to most of us.

There are many, many instances of people who testify to having had their interest in spiritual things awakened by consistent reading of the Sabbath Recorder. Giving to our missionary work is perhaps most of us.

Another verse that has great meaning for us is Hebrews 4:12 which reminds us that the Word of God is living and powerful and that it is “a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” Could this mean that God has a little microphone in your heart by which He can hear and record not only the thoughts of your mind but also the intents of your heart? Well, not exactly.

Man has made some wonderful inventions, some small, some huge. Have you ever noticed that our inventions at first are big and clumsy. Later it becomes possible to make them tiny. That is the real test of inventiveness and usefulness. No man has yet been able to make small machinery that will do the work of any apparatus we have. Can you believe that a tiny mike has been invented which is as small as the lead of a pencil and only 1/2 inch long? It is said that this can be carried in your pocket and carried inside the heart, enabling doctors to listen in on any heart trouble.

We are told that such a microphone was used in an artery of the dog that rode in an outer space satellite. With such an outer space microphone sent back word as to the condition of a dog’s heart. It really is pretty wonderful if the knowledge gained is put to good use. For instance, “It was for that purpose that He sent His only Son to the world. We never accept that gift until we become aware that He is listening to the throbbing of our desires — that He has “a mike in the heart.”

President’s Weekend Schedule

On the weekend following Thanksgiving Day, Conference President Earl C. Walyard had a heavy speaking schedule in the churches of the Western Association. He spoke on the 1958 Conference theme “One in Christ — Forward in Growth,” at the Sabbath morning service at Richburg, N.C. In the afternoon he was at Alfred Station and in the evening at the First Alfred Church. The other churches of the Association were contacted on Sunday. He expected to return to his home at Adams Center, N.Y. on December 2. Services at his home church were conducted in his absence by an organized group of youth. The pastor was on the road most of the time and frequently outnumbered adults at the morning service in this church.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — If you are planning a Christmas vacation in Florida, what do you do with the evening after your visit to the Orlando theme parks? Here’s an idea — all the “fixings” with the Daytona Beach people in the Social Hall of our church? The prices will be very reasonable. Reservations must be made. For information write Mrs. Herbert L. Polan, 328 Wisconsin Place, Daytona Beach, Fla.

DENVER, COLO. — The Seventh Day Baptists of the Mile-High City have been busy these last months. With the resignation of the Rev. Harmen C. Dickinson to take over the pastorate of the Plainfield, N.J., Church, we have passed through that period both of regret and a new right spirit within us. On October 11 we sent him from his parsonage on the 17th. He sent his Son to the world. We never accept that gift until we become aware that He is listening to the throbbing of our desires — that He has "a mike in the heart.”

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On us his interpretation of an expanded "Program for Extension and Growth." We realize that we are at a crossroads but under his leadership of courage and conviction we must redouble our efforts to let our city know of Seventh Day Baptists and the truths for which they stand. We have a great work to do in Denver. Through our ministration we pray that many may come to know and accept Christ and His Sabbath. — Correspondent.

MILTON JUNCTION, WIS. — About sixty were present October 15 for the party honoring the Rev. Kenneth Smith and family. Farewell messages were given by President Percy Dunn of Milton College, the Rev. A. H. Lambright, representing the local Ministers' Council, and the Rev. Elmo F. Randolph of the Milton Church. A piece of silver and a gift of money were presented to the Smiths by the church. Our best wishes go with them.

We had no services at our church October 12. About 20 of our members were privileged to attend meetings of the North Central Association at New Auburn, Wis. Pastor Smith preached his final sermon on October 19. The morning service on October 26 was conducted by the Rev. Cecil Dawson of the local Methodist churches. The Rev. John F. Randolph brought us the morning message on November 2. We accepted the invitation of the Milton Church to join with them for morning worship and "Meal of Sharing" on November 9. Our pulpit supply on November 16 was Justin Camenga, a Milton College student who has assisted us in various ways in the past. The Rev. Elmo F. Randolph brought us the message on November 23 when our Lord's Acre projects for the year were dedicated. Deacon Charles Burdick was in charge of the worship service on November 30.

Prayer meetings have been conducted by the laymen during the period in which we are awaiting the arrival of our new pastor, the Rev. Victor Skaggs. Plans have been made for a joint service of the Albion and Milton Junction Churches at Milton Junction on December 1. Mr. Skaggs will be installed as pastor of the two churches at the morning worship service. There will be an afternoon of fellowship following dinner which will be served by the host church. — Correspondent.