Our "White Christmas" offerings were presented. Many people were designated, and there is money in the Missionary Fund so that all will be remembered at Christmas. Each gift will be sent with a personal letter from some member of the Sabbath School.

The Ladies Benevolent Society has as this year's theme Galatians 5:22-23 and, for the month of November, "Sharing Our Blessings." In keeping with that theme two needy families were given food for their Thanksgiving dinner. All of the society meetings are being held in the evening this year, with an increase in attendance as a result.

The Christmas program scheduled for the 18th was planned by the C. M. C. Class. The Tri C Class was asked to decorate the church.

Again this year we are having the lighting of the candles with the final candle being lighted on Christmas Sabbath at 4 in the afternoon.

The attendance for Sabbath School in November was high (170). Each week finds all groups and classes busy in the Lord's work and striving to do His will in all things.

The interest in our camp continues to be very strong. It has been used by many classes. — Correspondent

Seventh Day Baptist Church, Lost Creek, W. Va. — "Where all who come to worship God are welcome without regard for race, class, or background." — Church bulletin.

Accessions

By letter:
Mr. Lyle Maxson
Nortonville, Kan.

By Baptism:
Mr. Tom Beaucamp
Metairie, La.

By Testimony:
Mrs. Tom Beaucamp
Jenny Byrnes

—From Great Thoughts, London, Eng.
They Bore the Cross at Christmas

In New Orleans a Xmas spirit was marred by something worse than commercialism. Our "Christian" nation is shamed before the world. Missionaries sent abroad to bring Christ and the blessings of Christianity to dark-skinned people are hampered in their work by having to apologize for the way supposedly Christian citizens conduct themselves (and meet with a few helpless Negro children in one of our southern cities. Missionaries are being called upon to jeopardize their lives in the Congo because irresponsible people jeer, abuse, threaten, and bomb ministers and others whom they call "Nigger-lovers."

Such events fuel the fires of Communist propaganda throughout Africa at a time when our representatives abroad are trying to convince the world that American-sent missionaries are different from Moscow's emissaries. Needless this cross is borne.

Joy and good cheer pervade most of the country. Bitterness and want, so long associated together are scarcely known throughout our fair land. Why must there be these few who, according to this editor, that compares in general appeal or in positive benefits with one of the oldest of them, the week of prayer observed by churches of many denominations the first full week of January.

Guidance material is available for daily emphasis throughout the week for local church use or for inter-church meetings, but one does not have to follow it. The important thing is for Christian people to start the new year in earnest prayer with whatever emphasis seems most fitting. The closer we are to God, the more we realize our need for more dependence on Him. The week of prayer is worth whatever effort is put into it — and usually much more is being done.
salvation to those who are not serving Christ.

In thousand of Baptist churches there will be Watch Night services this year to usher in a new year of the Baptist Jubilee Advance. Our practice is to be commended even if our own program does not exactly fit with the schedule of the Southern Baptists. There should be no reluctance to give up speaking and enter into a season that has become traditional with the night when the old year dies and the new begins. "Pleasant is the Christian's daily breath," we say. Let us prove that we mean it by prayer at midnight or by extended periods of prayer throughout the first week of 1961.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Protestant Mergers Plan

The news services quickly picked up Dr. Eugene Carson Blake's proposal in a San Francisco sermon for the merger of four denominations, the Protestant Episcopal, the Methodist, the Presbyterian, and the United Church of Christ. What was new in the proposal was a scheme to get over the obstacle imposed by the Episcopal Church in requiring reordination to preserve apostolic succession.

Such a union as the Presbyterian minister proposed, would be based on a high degree of theological unity. It is significant to note that it would, in his words, "clearly confess the historic trinitarian faith received from the apostles and set forth in the Apostles' and Nicean Creeds."

Holiday Greetings

As the year draws to a close the editor wishes to express appreciation for the many felicitations received at the office from subscribing members. The well-wishing Christmas and New Year's greetings on his own behalf and on behalf of the whole Recorder staff and print shop personnel (about 25) whose cheerful and painstaking help the Sabbath Recorder could not be without it is to its readers throughout the English-speaking world.

In acknowledging our debt of gratitude we especially thank our department editors who furnish articles on a weekly basis, the faithful pastors who keep us supplied with vital news and timely articles, and the other writers and church correspondents who freely contribute material from time to time. Neither would we forget those outside our denominational family who help us in so many ways to broaden our horizons. The number who send us news releases or keep us on their exchange list is very large. To all we wish a "Happy New Year" in the Lord.

REMEMBER TEXT

Sabbath Recorder Subscription Offer

Have you seen the first of four Sabbath Recorder subscription fliers? These bulletin inserts in striking red and blue ink are being mailed weekly to all pastors for distribution. They are designed to get our members to stimulate a wider interest in our denominational weekly. Many of us forget that the new members coming into our churches and some of the older members are not well acquainted with the denomination as a whole — a knowledge that can best be obtained from a journal like the Sabbath Recorder.

An unusual offer is being extended to churches — a six weeks' trial subscription for every non-subscribing member for only 25 cents, not much more than the cost of postage. The Distribution Committee of the American Sabbath Tract Society which is pushing this every-family subscription drive hopes that church members will vote enthusiastically for this trial offer and for its follow-up subscription drive.

It is the often voiced feeling of leaders of our denomination that a greatly increased readership of the Sabbath Recorder would mean longer, more effective messages because it would make several other denomination-wide promotional publications unnecessary. It would avoid duplication of effort and would result in one informed constituency, which is needed if our Program for Advance is to succeed.
He sketched general principles for the union of his own denomination, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Methodist Church, and the United Church. The latter is already the result of a merger three years ago of the Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

In union, the four denominations would have more that 18 million members, 41,802 churches, and 6,581 clergymen with pastoral charge.

At the final Assembly business session, Dr. Blake apologized for any diversion of attention that his proposal may have created "in the carefully planned and balanced program of the Assembly." Chairman and retiring president, the Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg, responded that any action relating to the proposal is outside the framework of the National Council.

"The Council can simply stand on the sidelines and view with sympathy and prayerful interest any action of this kind that may be taken," he said.

The cycle planning ran through the Assembly sessions. Many of the denominations are committed to it.

In the opening Assembly service, marked by a stately procession of robed clergy, Dr. Dahlberg declared that an effective gospel for the whole world requires a united church.

Presenting his general secretary's report at the first plenary business session, the Rev. Dr. Boyd G. Ross told the Assembly that Christian people are aware that something is wrong with our society and restlessly seek the answers.

The resolution urged the state of Louisiana and city of New Orleans to "bring their policies and practices into accord with the dictates of Christ-like conscience and the laws of the land." It also commended those officials, teachers and other citizens who have sought to keep the public schools functioning.

Dr. Howard W. Yoder, divisional executive secretary, said the Council's new Faith and Order program reflects "the extent of the theological renewal that has gone on in our churches since World War II."

The director of the Faith and Order studies, the Rev. William A. Norgren, proposed that Christians in local congregations be drawn out of their isolation and become familiar with the differing beliefs of other denominations. Bishop Leslie Newbigin, general secretary, International Missionary Council, stressed the necessity for Christians to listen to one another.

Bishop Newbigin also warned a plenary session that Christians should not try to hold back the revolution of our time, but bear witness to it in its true meaning. Communism is not the author of the revolution, he said, but one of the movements which exploit it.

Cuba and the Congo are current examples of this Communist exploitation, a special report of the Foreign Missions Division stated. Dr. Howard W. Yoder, divisional executive secretary, said the take-over in Cuba was no mere coup d'etat, but a very real revolution, shaking the very foundations of all social and economic standards and winning the loyalty of many Cubans.

In the Congo at least nine types of maneuvers were used by the Communists in their efforts to gain control, Dr. Carpenter reported.

Other resolutions dealt with increased sharing of food to alleviate hunger, improved conditions for migratory agricultural workers, equal use of all labor resources. Another urged local and regional councils to extend their memberships.

Executives and members of 28 boards of home missions set up a committee on home mission policy and strategy, a commission on co-operative planning to develop a common Protestant strategy, and a commission on co-operative field projects to make possible a common Protestant-Orthodox approach to needs of persons. They voted a record budget to underwrite these expanded services.

The division of Christian Education made the Assembly a workshop in understanding points of view of the other divisions.

Note: The above story covers much of what was said at San Francisco. Some paragraphs were omitted for lack of space.

Taylor Testimony Wilco Communist

The history of China is not complete without the life story of J. Hudson Taylor, founder of the China Inland Mission. The leaders know this and therefore wanted the life of Hudson Taylor rewritten to make it better fit the anti-Christian outlook on life that they want their people to have. The plan for rewriting the life of that great missionary received a setback when the man commissioned to do the research for the biography recently became a Christian.

A LITTLE TALK WITH JESUS

By Elizabeth Fisher Davis

I love to talk with Jesus About my problems and my plans; It is such a comfort; For I know He understands.

The end from the beginning His eye can plainly see. No such power is given to us Finite beings, we.

Omnipotent, Omniscient, The Omnipresent One; Surely we can trust Him And say, "Thy will be done."

The price is only 60c per hundred.

The address of the American Bible Society is 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.
A visit with Isaiah brings

A Voice of Hope

By Rev. Neal D. Mills

It was late at night. Everyone in the house was in bed except me. I put down the book I had been reading and snapped off the light, preparing to retire. The moonlight streamed in through the window and I remained in my chair musing. My mind and heart were aglow with the spirit and great ideas of a thrilling ancient book. I looked up, as a shadow moved across the room and someone seemed to sit down in a chair.

"Who are you?" I said, a bit startled. I could see in the moonlight a very ancient costume like those I had seen in pictures of the prophets.

"I am Isaiah, son of Amoz. I lived in the 8th century B.C. You know who I am?"

"Oh, indeed I do," I replied. "You are one of the greatest of the prophets and a wise statesman of your day. The world has never given half the attention to your words that they deserve."

"Thank you," he said quite simply.

"Tell me," I went on, "are you the author of all the writings we now call Isaiah?"

"In a sense, yes," he answered. "But I did not write it all. I preached in the market place and wherever people would gather and listen. Sometimes scribes wrote down what I said and repeated it on other occasions. A hundred years after my time some of my words were adapted to the situations of that day."

"I can understand that," I said. "Situations change but the basic problems of men and nations remain very much the same. And the principles that you taught are eternal."

The stranger nodded his head and I went on, "You have astonished those who have studied your writings with your keen insight into your own time and apparently far into the future."

I said, pointing to the book, "I wish they were a little more clear and definite. It would save much argument in my time, and some heat."

He smiled. "Could you write clearly and definitely about your country 700 years hence?"

"I'm afraid I couldn't;" I admitted. "But just what did you mean in those passages, and when did you think they would be fulfilled?"

"I was simply voicing a great hope that was beginning to take form among my people. More has been read into my words than I intended and yet, perhaps I did write better than I knew. I could only read my own time, but I could dream and hope."

"You were one who could hope against tremendous odds," I said. "Your very name, Isaiah, meaning 'Jehovah saves,' is an expression of faith and hope."

"I couldn't help but have faith and hope after my experience in the Temple," he replied fervently.

"That must have been a most inspiring vision," I said. "Your description of it is very beautiful and much of your message is in great poetry. Your picture of the righteous Servant of God, the Prince of Peace, was remarkably fulfilled in Jesus the Christ. And your counsel on peace—well, the nations in my day are as slow to learn as in yours, but they are learning—" the hand way."

There was a sound of traffic in the street. I raised my head. The shaft of moonlight had shifted and now played on the empty chair across the room. I turned on the light and sat in wasteful silence. "What a beautiful dream!" I said aloud to myself. "What a message of comfort and hope and wisdom! What a glorious vision of the future even yet to be achieved!"

My eyes fell again to the page before me.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways, and that he may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more (Isa. 2:2-4).

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light: those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has the light shined. (Isa. 9:2).

For every boot of the trampling warrior in battle tumult, and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire.

What a great fire all the boots and uniforms of the warriors of today would make!

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, . . . Prince of Peace" (Isa. 9:6).

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth . . .

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain;

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He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. (Isa. 40: 28-31)

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good tidings, who publishes peace, who brings good tidings of good, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (Isa. 55:1, 2, 6, 7.)

Will such a vision of a world of peace and righteousness ever come true? Isaiah’s vision of the Prince of Peace came true after seven hundred years. As we see the power of the Christ in the world today can we not believe that the world will yet choose His way? If we have faith like Isaiah’s and proclaim the message of hope to the weary waiting world, that glad day will surely come when all the kingdoms of this world will have become the kingdom of our Lord. May God hasten the day!

Editor’s Note: Our study of the evidence for God’s message of Isaiah brings us to different conclusions from those voiced in this article but we commend the writer’s effort to apply the prophetic of Isaiah to our own time as well as to the time of Christ.

MISSIONS — Rev. Everett T. Harris

Our Trip to Northern Nyasaland to Visit the Churches

By Miss Sarah Becket

(Dr. and Mrs. Victor Burdick are presently visiting the churches of the northern province. We hope that you will read this article by Miss Becket carefully and then remember the Burdicks in your prayers as you understand more fully why they felt led to go again to visit our brethren of central and northern Nyasaland. — E. T. H.)

(Continued from last week)

Monday morning, July 25, we left for Kacece to visit a small group who do not have a church building, but have a nice shelter of reeds and bamboo where we held a meeting. These people were very friendly and the children very curious — examined Barbara’s skirt minutely. We were given many papayas. We were there over noon time. One of the children asked his mother to hurry and fix some food for this group, but his mother was too tired to do so. We had our tinned meat and fruit. This I prepared, not having received word that we would be there. This is the only tea and fruit we had. We were told there would be no fruit, but we had brought some canned peaches here and were there a very hard-working man and we pray the Lord will continue to bless his efforts.

We reached Lusimbo just after midday. They were not prepared, not having received word that we were coming until two days before our arrival. But they rallied around and did what they could on short notice. The sun and wind soon dried out our sleeping bags from the night shower. The lack of progress here was a bit discouraging. They had agreed to build a house for the pastor so he could move to this village and work more closely with them, but this had failed to materialize. We heard later that the people had agreed to start the very next week and build a brick house to redeem their reputation.

We left just after lunch for Mzali, a very mountainous area. We finally left the Landrover with friends in a village and hiked the last few miles to Mzali (no road). Here we were welcomed by retired Pastor Simeon Mzumara. They had kept up the little rest house built for the Mackpwa visitors a few years ago. The church membership is very small, surely help and encouragement is needed here. Pastor Simeon talked at length about the work of Mr. Cockerill, the visit of Mr. N. O. Moore, and the success of the early work. His wife is a charming and enthusiastic woman. She wanted to keep us there right then. We left Mzali by mid-morning and hiked back and reached the Landrover for the last lap of our trip to Usambara.

This was a beautiful drive in the mountains, where we saw some coffee gardens, a growing agriculture and industry of this area. We were delighted with the lovely burned brick school-church building and big two-room rest house. (The doors and window frames were traveling with us. The doors were hung that evening, for the nights are cold in the high altitude.) The women of the church welcomed us with lots of food for the pastors and lots of bananas for us that we ate at a lovely outdoor cookhouse. Everyone had worked hard to prepare for us. These people are very enthusiastic and interested in religious things and have much initiative.

We were glad to see how well the work of the church at Usambara had been carried on with the leadership of the deacon of the church while the pastor was away. Pastor Shadrack was at Malaka for a month before Conference to make the large hear

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Makapwa Church. (This wood is extremely hard — contains some mineral and sparkled while being chiselled.) All of the meetings at Umzara were well attended. The singing was most lusty and from the heart. We visited the coffee gardens of the church and enjoyed the scenery. These people are better off economically.

We left Friday morning on our home-ward trip. Our first stop on the homeward stretch was Dunduzu, the village of Pastor N. Kandawire. We unpacked and then drove on to Jandalala, the Nhici village, home of one of our Makapwa teachers. These people were very unhappy that we could not stay a whole week with them. They need a school badly for the small children who are having to attend the Catholic school. They are afraid of losing their children to Catholicism. "You send us children's Sabbath School quarterlies, but what for? The children are at school for required playtime and other things. We do not even have them any more on Sabbath." How very much they need help!

It was well after dark when we started back. There being no road of any kind for the trip to Lilongwe for the first time, we were well guided by Pastor Kandawire's sense of direction — over corn fields and plots of cassava, etc. Sabbath morning we had well attended Sabbath School and worship services at Dunduzu. These people were very friendly.

That afternoon we drove to another branch church of Dunduzu which meets at the home of one of the workers at the Muzu airport. After a service one of the pastors baptized a young man. (The second meeting succeeded.)

Early Sunday morning we started on our longest day of driving through the rest of the northern province and most of the central province. We saw an African medicine man exorcising a young woman being conducted along the road to the home of his patient. We stopped at Lilongwe for lunch and arrived at Nibinda after dark. The mud and pole rest house at Mr. Gunda Pire's place is lovely. His Sial plants are very impressive, having stalks of 20 to 25 feet with blossoms in top. The plant looks much like the California century plant. The evening service featured much singing. The morning services were well attended. Much leadership here! Very lively singing — many to capacity.

Started out for home at 12:30 p.m. and did some hard driving to get to Makapwa by dusk. Home never looked so good!

Hope that you have gathered that we were much encouraged by the interest and work of most of the church. Work on the bridge was much concerned about their needs. Barbara and I have learned many things, among them many stories used in sermons to illustrate a point of Scripture. These stories are called "parables" by the pastors and usually contain a very simple story in which animals talk. Some were very helpful. We felt very grateful to Pastor Shadrack for all the translating he did for all of us.

Letter from Pastor Joseph Tyrrell
Zikwa, W. C.
28. 11. 60

Dear Pastor and Secretary Harris:

I am sorry to detain from writing before now, and it is because I had been so busy and had to turn my thoughts to the dedication of the building (the house of worship at Dartmouth) on the first of January, 1961. We hope by the grace of God to have a happy time at the dedication; for everything is quite finished with an exception of painting and the completion of the bridge.

I beg to state that we have got a place (for Sabbath worship) in Georgetown, so myself and Pastor Trotman have started the work there with a membership of 6. This work will be carried on by both of us by turns co-operatively. We solicit your prayers and help with Bibles and hymn books, etc.

I left home on Monday, 21st, for Dartmouth to get the two windows in, also to work on the hauling for the bridge. After the carpenter had finished on Wednesday and went away I remained at Dartmouth to decide some matters and I had a serious attack of illness. I sent to get a car to take me to the public hospital but did not obtain any. I prayed the Lord for help.

He heard my despairing cry, and touched me, and healed me.

I am not in the best of health at present, but I can say like the Psalmist David: What shall I render to God for all the benefits I have received at His hand? I will take the cup of salvation and call on Him daily. Deacon Beckles also is not well. He will have to undergo an operation soon.

Enclosed you will find record for the cost of the building, I cannot get to take the picture for the church before the dedication so kindly wait a bit for same.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Box 8, Zwizibed Youth Week January 29 - February 5

Youth workers and pastors, along with their youth, should be finalizing their plans for the observance of Youth Week.

The theme chosen by the United Christian Youth Movement is: "Into All the World with the Gospel." The United Christian Youth Movement has prepared a packet of materials to help churches and congregations in a church of Christ hold a dedication of the building (the house of worship) in Georgetown, so that it may be dedicated with the full confidence of God to have a happy observance. The packet includes a guidebook for study and action, "Youth and the World-Wide Mission," in which pages 9-12 give detailed suggestions for the observance of Youth Week. This same guidebook serves as a leader's guide in the study of the mission book "Turning World.

Other items in the packet related to Youth Week are: an attractive poster for advertising; an interpretive leaflet; copies of two worship services, one that can be used by the youth in the local church, and the second an Ecumenical Service for use in a community observance; a radio play, "The Wave," for use if radio time is secured. Almost any local radio station will welcome the presentation of this play if your youth fellowship will take the time to prepare it. The best way is to tape it. It's fun as well as enlightening to sit at home and listen to your friends and yourself broadcasting during Youth Week.

If your church does not have the packet, we have a few left at $1.00 each. Write, the Seventh Day Baptists of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y.

Curriculum Guide

Recently our office has received a gift of 10 copies of the book: A Guide for Curriculum in Christian Education from the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches. The book ordinarily sells for $2.50. It is a basic, interdenominational curriculum guide. It deals with the MEANING of curriculum and the PRINCIPLES underlying good curriculum; the EFFECTIVE USE of curriculum in the church school; and the PROCESSES by which curriculum materials are produced. In addition, there are extensive appendices providing information about specific denominational curriculum patterns.

While there have been changes in curriculum thinking in the past few years, this book, published in 1955, will be of real help to pastors, Sabbath School superintendents, seminary students, Christian Education Boards and Committees, and anyone who is interested in the best in Christian education.

We will give these books absolutely free to the first ten persons who let us know that they want them. Write the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education, Box 15, Alfred Station, N. Y.

Church Membership Manual

All of the chapters have been written and received by the Publications Committee of the Board of Christian Education except two. We have hopes that we can put the whole manuscript into the hands of the editor, Mr. Beaudry, by January 1, 1961. The time for criticism of the manuscripts which have gone out to our pastors and church leaders is narrowed down to a few days.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for January 7, 1961

The First of His Signs

Lesson Scripture: John 2: 1-11
The life of Heinrich Bruhn began to be of interest to Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America in 1931, when he and the late Rev. L. R. Conradi left another Sabbathkeeping denomination and started organizing churches under our name.

Brother Bruhn was never ordained to the ministry, but he was an active leader of the German Seventh Day Baptist church, especially after the death of Elder Conradi. In 1949, with the help of the Missionary Board he came to the United States to attend the General Conference at Riverside, Calif. His first stop, quite naturally, was at the home of Pastor John Schmid in Verona, N. J. He was welcomed at Church of Irvington. On that occasion Dr. Corliss F. Randolph, who had met him 16 years earlier in Hamburg, pointed out that professionally he was one of the first citizens of Hamburg, having been, previous to the war, the chief engineer of all public utilities. He remarked also, "Upon the death of Dr. Conradi the mantle of that valiant leader fell upon the shoulders of Pastor Bruhn."

In the difficult post-war days when so much of Germany was devastated and our churches in America were sending relief through the Irvington, N. J. church, it was Heinrich Bruhn who received the supplies and co-ordinated their distribution. This was quite a problem since transportation time was very inadequate. He did his best to get packages to the brethren in the more needy Eastern Zone.

Stricken with lung cancer about one year ago, Pastor Bruhn was given the leadership of the church work in Hamburg. He spent six months in the hospital, but during those weeks of his life he was at home with his son, Lorenz and family. His immediate survivors are his son and two grandchildren. The funeral was conducted by the present leader of the Hamburg Seventh Day Baptist Church, Otto Koehler, who spoke from Rev. Leon Lukens' text that had been used at Elder Bruhn's wedding. Burial was on December 12 at Flensburg, his birthplace.

WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. A. Barnoll Massen

New Filmstrip Available

The Woman's Board has recently purchased a new filmstrip, Radiant Treasure, and will make it available to anyone on request.

Radiant Treasure is about the role of today’s woman. It is an approach to a woman facing a changing world, a changing emphasis in the church, and most especially a changing personal life. The filmstrip brings into focus questions as to what a Christian woman’s place is in her home, church, community, nation, and world. It invites creative discussion. It lends itself to a deep worship experience. Worship program suggestions to be used with it are included in the leader’s guide which is sent with the filmstrip. This little book contains printed script, and there is a script with music on record. Suitable for showing before a whole congregation, women’s groups, Sabbath School classes, young adult groups, mother-daughter banquets, etc., it can be both an inspirational and an educational tool. Running time of the filmstrip is less than 12 minutes.

Please send your request to Mrs. Walter Wilkinson, 174 West St., Battle Creek, Mich., as soon as possible, giving the date you would like to receive it and the date you plan to show it. Allow yourself time to preview it and to rehearse with the meeting leader before the meeting date, to insure a smooth and efficient presentation. It is easily available. Use it.

Special Issue Distribution

A 75-year-old member of one of our midwestern churches, distributed 1000 copies of the special issue Sabbath Recorder on the distribution. Not all of the copies were given out. Most of those who were distributed were distributed by an 80-year-old lady who carried them to homes as she walked about town. Quite naturally this good lady thinks, "People who have cars and go to offices, hospitals, dentists, and other public places could, without extra driving, get these materials before a lot of people."

Buffalo Fellowship — Faith de Griff, chairman of the Buffalo SDBYF, writes that their group is looking forward to Presidency in Mion. They are going to need money for expenses and have a program for securing some funds at their next meeting. They hope that they desire a little Sabbath Recorder publicity. They are selling something: Attractive pen and pencil sets with the slogan, "Seventh Day Baptists!" may be purchased from Miss Judy Wellman, 304 Roncroft Dr., North Tonawanda, N. Y., at only $2.95. It is reported that they normally sell for $5.00. Pens with or without the imprint in a choice of four colors, can be bought separately for 80 cents.

Co-operation with Catholics

Urged by Scotch Presbyterian

Sir Thomas Taylor, principal of Aberdeen University, Scotland, told the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian) and it should "without compulsion of truth, draw closer to Roman Catholics in Christian charity, seeking whenever we may to find ways of co-operation with them in Christian service to our fellowwomen."

Affirming that this "Kirk of Scotland is a church of the Reformation" and that there are "certain things (of the Roman Catholic Church) we deny ... in particular the mass and Mariolatry ... because these things have no warrant in Scripture, because they are false in fact and because they are idolatrous both in principle and in practice," Sir Thomas declared. "Let us recognize that Catholics, like ourselves, worship the same Lord, and follow the same Christian way. Because of this we have far more in common with them than with all those who reject the lordship of Christ, whether they call themselves atheists, materialists, agnostics, scientific humanists, or whatever it may be ... We should note with interest and sympathy the growing emphasis which the Roman Catholic Church is placing on the study of the Bible. — W. W. Reid

The fellowship group has been taking up "The Systematic Study of Seventh Day Baptist Beliefs" as edited by the Rev. Don Sanford. The Salem Seventh Day Baptist Youth Fellowship traveled to the Parkersburg Y. W. C. A. on Friday, December 9 and presented a beautiful Christmas program. There were twenty-eight people, including students from many states. The chaperones were Duane Hurley, president of Salem College; Clarence Rogers, an attorney; the Rev. Clifford Hansen, pastor at Salem; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brissity. The president of the Salem SDBYF is Glen Warner of Vermont. Mrs. Joy V. Pearcy has been warmed and inspired with this varied program which was so well done at the end of a busy week of activities in a college town. The Pesky home in Mary's was warmed when they stopped on their journey home for refreshments. The Ohio Valley SDBYF is doing splendid work. The fellowship is looking forward to the leadership of the Rev. Leon Lawton in the several months to come. Our president is Mrs. Lloyd Pearcy, 93 Oak St., Marietta, Ohio. — Correspondent.

MARLBORO, N. J. — Our Christmas program is much different this year. The program throughout is accompanied by colored slides which are dressed in costume — in outdoor and indoor scenes appropriate to the Christmas message.
One feature is a family scene — "Receiving the Best Gift" enacted by Deacon and Mrs. Fred Ayars, Karen Peterson, Jeff Davis, and Tommie Sheppard. Our teachers put real effort and time into making the exercises Christ-centered. The white Christmas offering will be sent to Nyasaland as a "fund to be used as needed."

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawrence and family have moved to Paint Rock, Alabama, where their useful lives will be appreciated by the church. We here will miss them in many lines of work. Their farm has been purchased by Mr. Harold Davis of Bridgeton, a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Davis of Elmer. The farm was originally owned by the late Deacon Henry L. Davis and it now passes from the hands of one grandson into the hands of another.

The Senior C. E. recently did a very good job of cleaning the church, also sponsored an all-church social, featuring a "slave auction" where they sold their services to interested buyers.

The annual Harvest Home and the joint Thanksgiving Eve service with Shiloh (held at Marlboro) were both very helpful occasions.

A retreat was held at Shiloh’s Jersey Oaks Camp this fall. The following are the committee chairmen in the Lay Development Program: Rollo Davis, "Big Brother"; Lloyd Coon, "Visitation"; Mrs. Margaret L. Sheppard, "Bible Study and Family Worship."

Our deacons met with the deacons of Shiloh church for a series of workshop meetings.

Deacon Fred Ayars was asked to visit the Washington, D. C., church to assist them in their Lay Development Program. On the same Sabbath Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lewis who were visiting Major and Mrs. Alfred Lewis and family at Little Falls, Va., attended the services with them.

Prayers have been answered for the recovery of our senior deaconess Mrs. Albert Ayars who was seriously ill during the fall. We are remembering in our prayers, Joseph Godish who was seriously injured on Thanksgiving afternoon in an auto accident. He is at home now from the hospital.

Loren Osborn, our Conference president, visited our church and impressively brought out the need of "I must be about my Father’s business.”

Footsteps of Paul

Southern Baptists have honored four participants in the denomination’s tent-maker movement, a plan which places self-supporting workers on United States mission fields.

Under the plan, a Southern Baptist supports himself and assists in the work of local churches and missions. The tent-makers are most active in pioneer areas of Southern Baptist work.

More than 1400 men and women have served under the tentmakers plan since the movement started in 1951, and 208 served this year.

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Accessions

Adams Center, N. Y.

By Baptism:
Margaret Cagwin
Trudy Cagwin
Barbara Mae Gilmore
Maureen Gilmore
Darwin Shippee
Merrick Reed

Denver, Colo.

By Baptism:
Donald Widman
(Omitted by mistake in the November 7 list)

Marriages

Randolph-Pratt — Charles W. Randolph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Randolph of Salem, W. Va., was united in marriage to Barbara June Pratt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Pratt, of Bib Flint, Doddridge Co., W. Va., on August 27, 1960, in the Evergreen E. U. B. Church.

The service was conducted by the Rev. John L. Tenny, former pastor, assisted by the Rev. Delmer Van Horn, uncle of the groom, of Adams Center, N. Y., and the Rev. Robert Moore, pastor of the E. U. B. Church.

Obituaries

Bruhn, — Heinrich, was born in Flensburg, Germany, Dec. 5, 1879, and died at Hamburg, Germany, Dec. 6, 1960, after an illness of nearly a year.

(See more extended obituary of this lay pastor on another page.)