Obituary

Cowles—Elmer B., son of William and Lydia Cowles, was born April 16, 1882, in Friendship, N. Y., and died at the Olean General Hospital on April 8, 1961.

Since 1906 Mr. Cowles has been active in political and community life. He was a town councilman at the time of his death. He was an active member of the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Surviving are: his widow, Thelma Clarke Cowles; one son, Randall W., Olean, N. Y.; three brothers, Clayton, Tampa, Fla.; Kibaric, Wellsville, N. Y.; William, North Tonawanda, N. Y.; two sisters: Mrs. Grant Trask, Eldred, Pa.; Mrs. Clarita Joy, Cresson, Pa.; and two grandchildren.

The funeral services were held in the Richburg church, Pastor Ernest Bee officiating. Burial was in the Richburg Cemetery. — E. K. B.

Cowles—Isabelle R. Syne was born Sept. 10, 1876, in Edinburgh, Scotland, and died at Westerly, R. I., on Feb. 22, 1961.

She was the wife of the late Howard C. Langworthy. She is survived by a son, Clifford A. Langworthy of Westerly, R. I. Funeral services were conducted from the Shilkie Funeral Home Feb. 23, 1961, by the Rev. Earl Crusan assisted by the Rev. Harold R. Crandall. Interment was in River Bend Cemetery. — E. C.

Macorkel—Clare F. Blissett, wife of William H. Macorkel, was born in 1880, and died at her home in Chicago, Ill., May 19, 1961.

She was ordained a deaconess in the Chicago church in 1950. (See extended obituary on another page.)

Sholtz—Claude J., son of Joseph and Effie Sholtz, was born Sept. 22, 1876, in Nortonville, Kansas, in 1918, with his wife, Mrs. Clarissa Joy, Cresson, Pa.; one son, Crandall W., Olean, N. Y.; two sisters: Mrs. Grant Trask, Eldred, Pa.; Mrs. Clarita Joy, Cresson, Pa., and two grandchildren.

He has been an active member of the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church since moving here from Nortonville, Kansas, in 1918, with his parents. In addition to other church offices which he has held, he was chairman of the building committee at the time a recent major addition to the church was constructed and was chairman of the trustees at the time of his death.

He was married to Bula L. Warner June 10, 1925, by the Rev. James Hurley, then pastor of the Verona church. Besides his wife he is survived by two daughters, Jean (Mrs. Alden Vierow) and Twila (Mrs. John Viscosi), both of Oneida; three brothers, Craig of Verona; Raymond of Davenport, Iowa, and Floyd of Oneida; two sisters, Mrs. LaVerne Davis of Verona and Mrs. Leon Matby of Plainfield, N. J. There are four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were conducted from the Sholtz home and from the Verona Seventh Day Baptist Church by Pastor C. Rex Burdick. Burial was in the New Union Cemetery, Verona.

— C. R. B.

The Sabbath Recorder

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High and Noble Aspirations

If you aspire for something great
And give to this your time,
And trust the Lord for leadership
Your life will be sublime;
Although you may not reach the heights
For which you set your aim,
Yet God will bless your earnest work
And honor your good name.

It's better far to aim quite high
And fail a little low,
Than ease along in aimlessness
Like those we see and know.
Who seem content to eat and sleep
And merely to exist,
And never have their names removed
From failures on the list.

But no one fails in life, we know,
With aspirations high.
Whose life is yielded unto God
Without complaint or sigh;
Who blesses others on life's road
By prayer and helpful deeds,
And praises God when he beholds
A fellow who succeeds.

Rev. Walter E. Isenhower,
Taylorsville, N. C.
The Little Foxes

The Song of Solomon occurs an expression that has been applied to modern situations many times by pastors in messages to adults or children. The reference is to "the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines." That book of the Bible can be read, and that familiarity leads us to acknowledge our denigration of the vineyard of the church or the small deviations from pure doctrine that do the same.

One who has a series of articles running in the Recorder was asked to modify a statement to make it more acceptable. His friendly and thought-provoking response included the sentence: "Are we having our denominational taproots eaten by those 'little foxes' we fear speaking against." He is probably right.

It might be helpful to realize that foxes are not generally well spoken of in the Bible (9 references). Those who know their habits do not speak well of them today, and they are even more damaging than the visible ones. In Nehemiah's time, the walls around the city of God were so frail and unsecure that the patriot by his enemies was that the government places a bounty on his head. In the days of Nehemiah, there was more damage done on the heads of the false prophets, cried out, "The foxes of the desert spoil the vineyard." As they are today by sportsmen and others.

With such a biblical picture of foxes in mind, it is almost a shock to read of "the little foxes." It comes as almost a shock to read of the trip around the world made by the B-17 of El Al Airlines in June 1961. It is raised to the level of an adventure, partly because it is an adventure. The introduction to the report urged that "the church look at the church and ask how the economic practices of the church measure up to the Christian ethic which we have been recommending for the economics of the world outside the church." The introduction was written by the Rev. Norman J. Baugh, general secretary, General Brotherhood of the Church of the Brethren, Elgin, Ill.

Mr. Baugh said he was "thoroughly convinced that the time has come for the church to remove itself from a privileged position before, through public denunciations and legislative procedures, it is something that should be done." He asked: "How can we witness with integrity against bid and price fixing, against hand-outs, against favoritism, when the Holy Land we are amazed: it is as if past ages were compressed by this air-eating monster. Battling time zones almost every day and clocking time to run backwards all too fast for comprehension. The nearness of Bethlehem and Calvary and the ancient treasures of Bible manuscripts should challenge us to keep our perspectives accurate. Taking such a trip in imagination or in reality would be an easy way to be convinced that Christ did for us. It brings also the pangs coming with every evidence that many of our friends who travel or stay at home do not yet acknowledge the Christ of Calvary as their Lord.

Prescribing Bitter Medicine

Doctors of medicine and manufacturers of drugs have succeeded in rendering tasteless most of the medicines now prescribed. The question remains whether Doctors of Divinity can do the same when they prescribe for themselves and for their churches. It is raised by the consensus of opinion expressed at the close of a recent meeting of the Department of the Church and Economic Life of the National Council of Churches, a three-day consultation of sixty administrators held at the end of May at Warwick, N.Y.

The church leaders explored pastors' salaries, pensions and insurance, personnel policies, money-raising methods, and investments.

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The consensus of opinion was that ministerial salaries ought to be computed at a level that would make it impossible for them to maintain a proper standard of living without accepting clerical discounts. The report went on to say that the minister should not find it necessary to keep fees for weddings, baptisms, and funerals. These fees, the conference report said, should go into the church treasury.

Can this particular pill be rendered tasteless instead of bitter? It is one thing to say that adequate salaries should be paid to ministerial and lay employees of churches and quite another thing to apply the statement to our own smaller churches.

This is perhaps an idealistic document deserving study. Serious consideration may hasten the transition period — which can be accomplished only as people and pastors develop a willingness to sacrifice for the work of Christ.

From the Deep

A recent newspaper clipping shows a picture of a ship that has now been raised from the deep, after lying on the bottom of the ocean for 333 years. I would like to go to Sweden to see the floating museum, the restored flagship that has been in its watery grave for 333 years. I would rather see Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, than to see the floating museum.

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It begins to appear that more can be gained by the active application of methods dictated by good will or love, than could be attained by violence or the fear of retaliation.

This is no way of softness or of sloth, however. Many more will have to give their bodies to be bruised, or their lives to be given, before the full import of the method of active good will expressed through non-violent petition can be felt.

He who walks the trail to the place of prayer is not found as a criminal pacing a prison cell. — Walter E. Isenhour.

S. D. E. State Fair Booth

Report of Seventh Day Baptist Work at the 1960 New York State Fair

(Presented at Leonardville, N. Y., June 4 by La Verne W. Davis, chairman, Central New York Association Mission Committee.)

I expect that you have seen the picture of our New York State Fair booth on the Sabbath Recorder for September 26, 1960.

Approximately 22,000 salvation and Sabbath tracts were given out and 850 special Readers, many Beacons, and other pieces of Seventh Day Baptist literature were placed in the hands of the people who stopped at our booth.

Hundreds of interested people inquired about our beliefs and the churches of our denomination.

The idea of giving away Bibles was started from a special fund sent me by some of the churches and Mr. Joseph Bullock. From this fund fifteen Bibles were purchased and sent to the first fifteen names drawn from the box we had at the booth.

Over forty people, ministers, laymen, and young people, helped man the booth during the non-days and others stopped in for a short time to relieve the workers. Most everyone thought that it was a great experience and inspiration to them to be there at the booth and witness for our Savior and Lord and for our Seventh Day Baptist denomination.

Surely thousands more people know that there are Seventh Day Baptists and what we stand for because of the work that was maintained at the State Fair last fall.

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Can we count on your group to help with the project again this year?
A Great Theme

To Ponder and Proclaim

From November 18 to December 6, 1961, the Indian capital will be the scene of the Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches, the major policy-making body of the international organization. The Council's 178 member churches represent approximately 70 per cent of the estimated 315,000,000 Protestant, Orthodox, and Anglican Christians in the world.

The Assembly theme will be "Jesus Christ — the Light of the World." The Assembly is the first meeting of this dimension ever held by the Christian churches in Asia. Previous assemblies were held in Evanston, Ill., in 1954 and in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, where the world body was officially constituted in 1948.

Advice to Churchmen

The role of Western Christian leaders attending church meetings abroad should be that of "listening guests" rather than "shouting salesmen."

Dr. Paul S. Minear of Yale University Divinity School admonished those who may be delegates that proper preparation for their participation at the New Delhi assembly will be the keynote of its success.

"Otherwise," he declared, "our witness to Christ may sound like the arrogant, archaic bombast of religious imperialists rather than the shout of captives who have discovered the open door to emancipation."

Speaking of the Assembly theme, "Jesus Christ — the Light of the World," Dr. Minear declared that without preparation it "may well become a tattered trite slogan of the well-fed Westerner rather than the spontaneous Hallelujah of those who sit in darkness."

He noted that to prepare both those who will attend and the local congregations of the churches they will represent, the World Council has launched into a "gargantuan effort" involving publication of a study book being distributed in hundreds of thousands of copies. The book has been translated into more than 30 languages so that during the months preceding the Assembly, Christians around the world will share "the same problems of thought and action."

The purpose of the study book, he said, is to provide a stimulus to discussion and dialogue. "The results of this study," he added, "will determine the answer to the question, 'Can the chasm between the local and the global church be bridged?"

Dr. Minear said that a major task of the Assembly is to answer this question with the meaning of the unity of the church sought in the ecumenical movement.

Bible Is Still Relevant

The Bible is a relevant book for our day in more ways than simply appropriating its ethical standards to our social problems, a leading evangelical scholar asserted at a recent meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society at Winona Lake, Indiana.

"The Bible confronts man with the Word of God, calls him to participate in the biblical drama, and prepares him for an encounter with God," Dr. Samuel J. Schultz, professor of Old Testament at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., told a meeting of the organization which embraces most of the theologically conservative scholars in this country. "In God's man finds the answer to his lost condition," he said. "Consequently the Bible is relevant."

"Pointing up the difference between liberal and conservative scholars," Dr. Schultz said that the basic view which is held toward the Bible strongly affects the interpretation given its teachings. "The liberal approaches the Bible as any other book, while the conservative takes it as the inert and inspired Word of God."

"Today's vocabulary in Biblical scholarship seems to be more nearly akin to the current orthodox language," he commented. "Recent trends in many areas have narrowed the cleavage between the two viewpoints of the Bible. Both groups speak of the living Word, revelation, faith, a religious encounter, the unity of the Old and New Testaments, and the relevance of the Biblical message for today."

"The layman it may at times appear that the differences regarding the Bible have disappeared."

"Careful analysis of the language of current Biblical scholarship, however, reveals that the basic cleavage is still apparent. Regardless of the similarity of the language," he continued, "the underlying difference is the attitude toward the Bible itself."

"Inerrancy of the Scriptures rightly understood subjects the mind of the scholar of the Assembly will be a word. The question is not whether the inerrancy of the Bible subject the Word of God to man's judgment as to what part of it is reliable."

"Calling for scholarship from conservative theologians, Dr. Schultz said, 'Taking the Bible in earnest, we have every reason to engage in biblical scholarship. Our responsibility is to activate all our intellectual resources as we intelligently interpret what the Bible says. Creative thinking that is subjected to God's Word has a place in today's dialogue.'"

— Church News Service.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for July 1, 1961

Mary: Consecrated Mother

Scripture: Matthew 1: 18-25; 12: 46-50;
Luke 1: 26 through 2: 52; John 2: 1-10;

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As was recalled, Rev. and Mrs. David Pearson and daughter, Deborah, returned to Makapwa Mission, Nyassaland, last September after a tour of Farleigh in this country, during which they visited many of our Seventh Day Baptist churches.

Mrs. Pearson recently wrote: "It was a wonderful experience to visit nearly all of our churches and to meet many new Christian friends and have fine fellowship with old ones.

"There is so much that is so familiar — and so much that is different here, after being away for a little more than a year. It is good to be back in the land of our home, the familiar atmosphere. It is nice to be with all our co-workers again. The old mission buildings are still carrying out their duties, but there are the new ones which add to the landscape, especially the lovely new church, which we can see from the front porch. The same faithful people are carrying out their duties, the pastors whom we knew and have described to you personally.

"We are pleased with the way Pastor Otrain Manan is working as mission assistant to David's work as supervisor.

Pastor Manan is getting acquainted with administrative duties by actual experience. He has written a major portion of the lessons for the Sabbath School which we found quarterly. Mr. Manan still pastors the "Chikanda church, about five miles away from the mission, and goes by bicycle or on foot there each week for the Sabbath services. Another young minister who completed the course, Foster Thorn, has been pastoring the mission church several months, and seems to be doing satisfactorily. Mulora church was one of Pastor Lookson Natale's seven churches, and is the farthest away from this home, so you can see it is a help to the busy pastor to have Foster there.

The two Army surplus generators which will provide a more powerful and effective lighting plant for Makapwa Mission recently arrived at the mission. Mrs. Pearson says: "It was quite a surprise to hear that the two new generators at the mission, much time will need to be spent in getting them set up to run. She writes: "We are truly thankful too, and wish God's blessings upon those who continue to help us."

Encouraging Items from Jamaica

Acting Supervisor Duane Davis has written: "The Tydixon church is calling Japeth Anderson to ordination on the 11th of June. Albion Mountain also has voted to call Joseph Samuels to ordination."

"A new Sabbath School has been organized in the western end of the island on a very large scale. We are very proud of Vincent Smith who is the leader of the Bethamath church. I am planning to go out there on June 4th if my health permits.

"Rev. Socrates Thompson and the Higgton Town church say that the parish of St. Ann is a wide open field for Seventh Day Baptists and are recommending one of our Missionaries to pastor the church. Brother Vincent Smith of Higgton Town is organizing a group at 'Dry Harbour Mountain' near there, and says there are three or four more places we could begin if we could answer the call."

Sabbath Tract Distributor Makes 16th Trip Around World

By Corresponding Secretary

Roy Garrison, a Sabbathkeeping merchant seaman and an avid student of church history, has embarked upon his sixteenth voyage around the world. Like the missionary cobbler who answered a query about his business, "My business is serving the Lord. — I only cobble shoes to pay expenses," Mr. Garrison makes these trips to increase his witnessing range. He even chooses the shipping line that gives him the greatest opportunity for tract distribution on ports visited and on the high seas.

Formerly he has been on voyages taking him to 90 countries, but now he finds it more fruitful to work to which he believes the Lord has called him to stick to one passenger line that calls regularly at 26 ports in 14 countries as it circles the globe.

For many years Mr. Garrison has frequented churches, YMCA's, seamen's clubs, etc., with the view of promoting good experiences. He has written a Blow up the Ship Promotional Plan for Church and Sabbath literature. Now he intends to devote more attention to Sabbath tracts and is in correspondence with the American Sabbath Tract Society. He has visited our publishing house and Seventh Day Baptist Building in his travels. He is also an ardent member of the Bible Sabbath Association, from which he has ordered blanks for his unique bottle method of distribution.

How does this bottle method work? Our sailor friend buys bottles by the thousands, both in the United States and in other countries. He says that the crew, the mess boys, and even the captain of his passenger ship save bottles and glass jars for his use. Gospel tracts in 18 languages, and Sabbath tracts in English, are sealed in these jars and thrown overboard at strategic points. Mr. Garrison has charts of the world's currents which he studies in order to determine the destination and make the distribution as effective as possible. He remarks that even lethargic waters eventually prove fruitful. On his last world trip of three and one-half months, he threw overboard 1,000 bottles, 2,500 of which contained Sabbath tracts.

From the land of the Nile came the observation in the Bible, "Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." (Ecc. 11:1) When in the water may come to a rich harvest in months to come. So, too, the bread of life — portions of the Word of God and the offerings of the faithful — find fertile soil in the heart of curious watchers of the sea in far-off ports. The harvest, in many instances, has proved to be plentiful. Few there are who have the means to give them to the harvest fields. Mr. Garrison is witnessing that Mr. Garrison has made for himself. On the other hand, few are there of us who so completely devote our publishing house and Sabbath literature to the harvest fields that are open, or that might be open if we had eyes to see. The mails, for instance, go anywhere for very little expense. Mr. Garrison almost always uses large envelopes so that for world-wide thought-provoking message on both sides with a small-print rubber stamp.
The Unfinished Task in Asia
By Alan Brash

"Asia," the region stretching from West Pakistan to New Zealand, occupies something like a quarter of the earth, and is populated by more than 65% of the human race. Its present population is about 1,500,000,000, and that is expected to double in the next 40 years.

Looked at from the point of view that every one of these millions is an individual for whom Christ died, everyone of whom will miss the fullness of life unless he knows God as His Father through Jesus Christ, the use of the term "unfinished" to describe the task of the Church is farcical.

The task of the Church in Asia, as elsewhere, is to preach the Gospel - and it is surely a task to say that the Church in Asia faces a task greater than any church ever faced before. There are five - or ten - or twenty - times the number of people without a Christian faith in Asia today than were in the world on the day of Pentecost.

Of the people of Asia, on the most generous estimate, about two per cent are at least nominally "in faith" from a Christian point of view. But even for these, of course, the task of the Church is by no means completed. Of the one million Christians in West Pakistan, the majority are still illiterate, living in poverty and squalor.

The miracle of God's love is rather that the task of the Church has begun in Asia.

In every Asian land today there are Christian disciples even through the numbers in some of them is too small to be recorded in tens of one per cent. Yet in Indonesia the number is four million, in Korea 1,500,000, in West Pakistan one million, in Japan half a million, and in India six million.

And the Gospel has not brought only conversions. With its coming there have appeared institutions of education and healing; teams of people dedicated to the service of the most men, and the spirit of life and reconciliation.

One encouragement is the increasing degree in which the churches of Asia are coming to know one another, and to stand together in the face of the almost overwhelming task. In this the East Asia Christian Conference is playing a significant part.

Another encouragement is the extent to which these churches, surrounded by so great a task that is in them is too small to be recorded in thousands, is by no means completed.

The Church in Asia faces greater challenges and difficulties, more people in need of the Gospel, more signs of misery, a more rapidly expanding task, and more resolute foes than any church anywhere has ever faced before. As she does so there are certain things that she clearly expects from the Church in the rest of the world. She expects that the Church of the West, in particular, will be truly Christian in its own life and relationships - for there is a sense in which the Church everywhere throughout the history of the Church in the West. She expects to receive help - in people, in money, in thought, in prayer and in those mutually inter-dependent relationships that are a necessary part of the Gospel. And she expects the Church elsewhere to allow her to give, as well as to receive, to give of her own spirit and insubstantial gifts of Day of Prayer by giving can any church acknowledge her dependence on God and her full unity with the people of God.

Last year the Kiwanis Club of Sandy Springs, Georgia, furnished an Atlanta bakery with "Go To Church" stickers for bread wrappers which were used on bread sold in the area.

WOMEN'S WORK - Mrs. A. Russell Maxson

Women and Asia:
New Frontiers for Church Women
By Elsa Kruuse

"One can measure the impact of so stupendous an undertaking." This per­ sons is Donald M. Marshall, when he learned of a plan to produce one million books written by Africans, for Africans, in Africa, is shared by several million women around the world who are helping make it possible.

Elected secretary of the All-Africa Church Conference at its first assembly in Nigeria, he presided recently over a similar conference, this time at the Kitwe Literacy Center in Northern Rhodesia, where plans for this massive literature program were worked out.

On the other side of the globe, as well as at the opposite end of it, the myriad problems and challenges of transition to statehood will be easier in Asia because church women saw the need for some hard pioneering work.

There must be few church people left today who do not know about the World Day of Prayer — one of the high points in the church calendar for United Church Women in this country. Each year for three-quarters of a century, their gifts have transformed their Christian love and concern into concrete terms of improved living conditions for millions of the world's "have-nots."

To crown the fiftieth anniversary of the Day this year, United Church Women decided to top themselves, and they are well on the way to doing it. Setting goals of $100,000 each for special Africa and Alaska projects, more than one quarter of these funds is already at work — funds over and above regular UCW world com­ mitments. And the World Day of Prayer was observed on February 17 — not so very long ago.

By this time almost everyone recognizes the urgent need of educating people in the newly developing nations to read and write. In developing millions of new literates, however, they created another problem for the world at very little literature available for the people to read. In some areas, the communists jumped at the chance to flood local communities with their special brand of educational materials. Asked about this situation in Africa, Dr. Floyd Stickels, director of Lit-Lit, reported that this has not yet happened widely in African countries and added: "Our job is to offer them something better."

Training courses for African writers have been under way at Kitwe for two years now and some literature has already been produced by Africans for their people. Courses in journalism, printing layout, and so on, are also conducted at the Center.

One million books by Africans and for Africans is therefore no longer a dream. With funds still coming in from church first women all over the world, it is hoped that the goal of $100,000 this year will be met.

The work of the churches on America's last and newest frontier in Alaska also presents special problems which church women plan to do something about. From a territory in which a few U.S. denominations have been working independently for many years, this vast new state is now going through the throes of complete reorganization.

The Alaska of today and tomorrow calls for many new approaches to its special needs, chief among them a total Protestant strategy to serve all the people in the 49th state. This is the vision of the Division of Mission of the United Church of Christ of the National Council of Churches and of United Church Women, as they work together toward making it a reality.}

Past Living
Our grandparents could wait for a twice-a-week stagecoach without running a temperature, modern man gets mad if he misses one section of a revolving door. Life is gulfed down, not speed. Pascal's profound word is considered mere gibberish: "The unhappiness of mankind is due to one thing, we have not the wisdom to remain in tranquility at home."

First, we have the traditional forms of religious experience, such as in Dynamic Preaching (Fleming H. Revell Company).
Youth Speaks
Youth's Responsibility in the Community
By Roland Davis

Youth do have responsibilities in their community. We do not have many as we did when we were dinkloos, but we develop new ones. The most important of these are our Christian responsibilities. We develop them as we use our talents. We also develop talents as we accept our responsibilities in the community.

We are being watched at all times by older youth. It is our responsibility to be a Christian example in all that we do, as it says in 1 Timothy 4: 12: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of believers, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." Youths are judged by all people by their actions. In many communities you are always hearing of young people getting into trouble, robbery, thievery, and juvenile delinquency of many other forms.

But young people of this kind are not looked upon by older people as persons who will grow up to take the places of responsible citizens. If our actions are always Christian we will not be getting into trouble. In 2 Timothy 2:22 we read, "Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart." If we act as if we would be looked upon as people who will grow to be responsible and reliable citizens.

We are not judged by actions alone, but by our everyday conversation also. It is youth's responsibility to see that his conversation is always Christian, as the Scripture says in Philippians 3: 20, "For our conversation is in heaven from whence we do, as it says in 1 Timothy 4:12: "Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart." If we act as if we would be looked upon as people who will grow up to take the places of responsible citizens.

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In Philippians 1:27 we are told, "Only let your conversation be as it become the gospel of Christ."

Then there is the responsibility of being a responsible citizen. We cannot do this by getting behind and helping sponsor youth organizations and making a real success of them. These groups cannot only inspire Christian youth but others also.

If we want to see our community grow as a good sound Christian community we must start now and try even harder to fulfill our responsibilities as Christian young people.

Eastern Association Impressions
By the Editor

The worship services, sermons, testimonies, music, discussions, and business of a whole weekend are hard to compress into a few paragraphs.

In a sense the Eastern Association is the mother of all the other eight, since it is the geographical area where Seventh Day Baptists made their start in the new world back in colonial times. It cannot claim pre-eminence in every respect, for some other Associations display more vigor and vision for church extension within their borders. It does have a rich fellowship because of its larger number of churches and its good supply of ministers. Two of the major boards of the denomination get their members from its churches, and therefore the over-all work of our people is better known and more easily discussed than in several of the other Associations. It is probably true that to a greater degree than in other areas attendance at Eastern Association seems like going to General Conference, although the time is short and the busyness is greater.

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workers in new locations where the Lord might be calling us to start fellowships or churches. It is to be remembered that last fall, Cruzan is chairman of the Home Field Committee of the Missionary Board, the committee that has a vision for the type of mission work that Conference and Commission are trying to foster so that we can do a greater world work. It is hoped that much of this message may find its way into future church bulletins.

Mention has been made of the message of the Rev. C. W. Hansen, which was given to a nearly full church on Sabbath afternoon. He spoke on "Serving God with a Twentieth Century Witness to the Sabbath." He expounded the view that the Sabbath made the Hebrew religion much more lofty than those of their pagan contemporaries. Those religions had gods of space, that is, they occupied space in the world and were therefore localized and had no far view. The Hebrew-Christian concept, on the contrary, is one in which a philosophy of time and space developed. God is the Lord of time — of all time — and the Sabbath is the concept that brings this out, giving purpose to all things. Mr. Hansen finds many reasons to think that the Sabbath has much relevance for the Twentieth Century — a thing which has been questioned by some whose parents occupied space in the world.

School Loan Dilemma
The Rev. Charles Bond of Shiloh spoke primarily to youth on the evening after the Sabbath and held the attention of all as he developed the story of David and Goliath. It was a youth-oriented service from which all ages derived benefit. The local youth group very ably conducted the opening worship service and organized the other youth activities of the conference. Three questions were posed as these problems were discussed:

1. To what extent should the churches or their agencies accept government aid for the accomplishment of church objectives?
2. To what extent should the government use the churches and their agencies for national objectives?
3. What is meant by "co-operation" or "partnership" between the churches and government, and what are the limits of such co-operation?

Although the conferences were unofficial and made no pronouncements on any subject, the groups faced realistically the question of what the church could do to implement their Christian witness in the area of religious liberty.

Omitting Liberty
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"Vocation, a Christian Service" was the theme of Delmer Van Horn following the business meeting Sunday morning. After listening to such messages the many delegates seemed to be inspired to undertake service to which the Lord had called them with greater vigor and determination.

LUT'S THINK IT OVER
Eight Baptist Groups Talk Religious Liberty

Pastors from eight Illinois Baptist groups met in six regional conferences during the first week of May to discuss Baptist principles and current religious liberty problems.

Pressing church-state problems both on the national scene and in the State of Illinois were considered by the Baptist groups. Three questions were posed as these problems were discussed:

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THE SABATH RECORDER

Dr. Josef Nordenhaus, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, said that he had received an invitation to attend, but that he would not be going and that the alliance would not send any delegates. "In making this appeal," Dr. Zhidkov spoke "for our church, for our organization," the Baptist world leader commented. He termed the conference a "religious meeting which will be used for propaedeutic purposes through some valuable discussions will take place.

New Protestant Churches in Germany
Membership in sects in Germany is on the increase, according to Dr. Kurt Hatten, a senior official of the Evangelical Church of Wurtemberg and an authority on the subject. Dr. Hatten said that the rising number of sects is the concept that brings this out, giving purpose to all things. Mr. Hansen finds many reasons to think that the Sabbath has much relevance for the Twentieth Century — a thing which has been questioned by some whose parents occupied space in the world.

Noms of Summer Assistants
(Gleaned from church bulletins and other sources.)

The weekend of June 10 marked the beginning of intensified work by college and seminary students and others in the summer program. A number of churches according to the advance notices in the bulletins for that day, including SBAs and Salem, took charge of the services at Shiloh as he began eight weeks of work there. Edward Sutton of Washington, D. C., and Salem was placed with Creek. W. Va., prior to going to Marlboro, N. J., for the summer. Glen Warner of Verona, N. Y., and Salem was welcomed at Los Angeles.

The Battle Creek church announced a fellowship hour on the evening after the Sabbath to "welcome Miss Mary Nielson who will assist in the summer program of our church."

Other students and teachers are known to be beginning able to begin special summer service under the supervision of churches, Associations, or S. D. B. boards.
Our Correspondent.

Maltby, assistant treasurer; William Arm­
strong; Mrs. Henry Poulin, and William

H.’

We were happy to welcome to our
fellowship as a church member Mrs.
Edward Sutton.

It might be well to mention that the
order of our Sabbath day services has
been changed — preaching services now
coming first.

At present three have definite plans to
attend Southeastern Association at Selby­ville, W. Va. Plans are being made, too,
for some of our young people to attend
church camp. — Correspondent.

PLAINFIELD, N. J. — Our annual
church meeting was held on April 2. The
following officers were elected: Charles
H. North, trustee; Miss Eovalis St. John,
clerk; L. H. North, treasurer; Mrs. Ronald
Malby, assistant treasurer; William Arm­
strong; Mrs. Henry Poulin, and William
McAllister, auditors; Frederik J. Bakker,
moderator. The church has had a success­
ful year and is looking forward to the
new year of service.

Several extra events have grown out
of our Lay Development program. The
first was a meeting of our young adult
group. Mrs. John Nagel reported that
on April 13 seven "lonely young adults
wishing Christian fellowship and to know
each other better" met at the home of
Phil Baker in the District of Columbia, driving
30 to 35 miles to get there. The
hope of the group is to make this a
frequent event in which to build up their
faith and find means of being of more
Christian service. Their next meeting is
planned to be at Hagerstown, Md., with
the Oliver Dickinson. Also our pastor
and the Rev. Grover Brinsley have had
some meetings at Glen Burnie, Md., and
definite plans are made for a larger pro­
gram in this area.

We were happy to welcome to our
fellowship a church member Mrs.

We are proud of the new church kitchen
sink and cabinets which the Women's
Society sponsored and which were first
put into use during the week of the
Ministers Conference. The Pro-Con mem­
ers painted the kitchen. The society
thanks them for their time and labor. We
had an inspiring service Sabbath eve
during Ministers Conference, when Miss
Maureen O'Conner was baptized.

THIS IS LIFE

John Huss, an early Reformer, died at
a stake in Constance because he held to
the truth of God's Word. William
Tyndale was burned to death with his
own translation of the Bible hanging
around his neck. He died for the cause
of putting the Bible into the language of
the people.

A man need not die as a martyr to die
for something. He can do it over a period
of years, giving himself totally to his
cause. Peter Marshall burned himself out
by preaching the Gospel. A consecrated
doctor may die for his patients by work­
ing night and day.

Which shall it be for you? Will you
die of something or for something? To
die for something tomorrow means to live
for something today.

John R. Brokhoff in
This Is Life
(Fleming H. Revell Company).

Obituary

Smith.—E. Pearl, daughter of Mott and Ella
Johnson, was born in the Town of H.,
N. Y., June 27, 1881, and died at the
Harris Nursing Home, Hornell, N. Y.,

On March 20, 1901, she was married to
Alonzo Smith at her home in the Town of
Howard. To this union were born one daughter
and one son: Mildred (Mrs. Gilbert B. Butler),
Alfred, N. Y., and Clifford, R. D., Hornell,
N. Y., who preceded her in death earlier this
year.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the First
Seventh Day Baptist Church of Alfred.

Besides her daughter, survivors include two
stepbrothers: Fred Johnson, Arkport, N. Y.,
and Curtis Johnson, Dundee, N. Y.; seven
grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial and committal services were held
at the Robertson Funeral Home, Hornell, N. Y.,
May 6, with the Rev. Carlyle Smith, pastor,
Park Methodist Church, Hornell, officiating.
Interment was in Hope Cemetery, Hornell.

As we prepare to fly our new 50-star flags on Independence Day
our bosoms swell with a deeper inhalation of the air of a land that has
cherished freedom for many generations. Soberly we ponder the thought
that we must champion for other countries like independence from
foreign domination. As Christians we are forced by our faith to regard
all men as brothers for whom Christ died. We must take our places in
the council chambers of the world before which flags of many nations
unfurl. Such council chambers at New Delhi, India, pictured above, will
be the scene of the Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches
next November. Recognizing that true freedom comes only when
men are freed from sin and committed to righteousness we pray for
all Spirit-led searches for unity of faith and action.