## Statement of the Treasurer, July 31, 1961

### Budget Receipts

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### Treasurer’s Summary

- **Current annual budget**: $111,295.00
- **Receipts for 10 months**: $72,009.42
- **Balance needed 2 months**: $39,285.58
- **Average needed per month**: $19,642.79
- **Percentage year elapsed**: 83.35%
- **Percentage budget raised**: 64.7%

**G. E. Parrish**, Treasurer.

### MARLBORO PARSONAGE

**MORTGAGE BURNING**

**SEPTEMBER 9**

Representatives of the Parsonage Building Committee burn the mortgage as the afternoon Harvest Home congregation stands by to sing praise to God.

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**OUR WORLD MISSION**

The Sabbath Recorder

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Marlboro, N. J., parsonage viewed from the back to show the church across the highway. This $20,000 parsonage, completed late in 1959, is now entirely paid for. Denominational giving has increased during this period. The now-vacant home will be occupied in December by Pastor J. Paul Green and family.
Conference Prayer Meetings

The success of a session of General Conference bears a close relation to the earnestness of the delegates in praying for the throne of God for its success. If that were not so, the president and the pastors waste their breath when they urge people to pray daily. How was it this year? It is known that, many people in the home churches had been praying and continued to pray, in part as their consciences in attendance. Whether the volume of such prayer was greater than in previous years is hard to determine but its influence was felt.

The other aspect of prayer was the scheduled times of public prayer at the appointed times and places at Amherst. The evening seating was limited to what was called "Conference at Prayer." All those attending the evening service were involved in this although, manifestly, time could not be taken for any large number of the congregation to offer audible prayer. Generally speaking these moments of prayer were more successful than in the previous two years when a similar plan was followed. For one thing, the same person who led the Conference worship following the evening service remained on the platform and conducted the prayer service, thus giving continuity. It is also to be noted that the auditorium, large as it was, had good acoustics and the prayers from the congregation could be heard by most people either directly or through the effective amplification system.

Leaders of these services were the Revs. Paul Burdick, Neal Mills, Donald Richards, Marion Van Horn, and Elmo Randolph ("replacing Alton Wheeler whose recovery from injuries was not sufficient to allow him to take part"). On one evening in particular, as the service was nearing an end, the prayer was taken spontaneously from quite a number of people. Some young people in their prayers told the Lord of their desire to accept Christ fully as Savior and commit their lives to Him.

Morning prayer services were held each day beginning with Tuesday and including Sabbath "morning. Were these better than usual? Some theochrists were of the opinion that they were. The large church was sometimes filled to capacity. The leader often did not have to give much direction to the meeting, for the faithful were ready to pray. It is possible that some churches were better represented than others at that eight o'clock hour during the week; but the attendance was fairly representative. It could be noted that the missionaries present from others than those involved in the need of daily prayer services more than some who have not seen the vision of world evangelism so clearly. Those who have been here for a few meetings were opportunity spoke of the blessings received. The influence of these morning prayers was undoubtedly felt in the committees and in the business sessions. There were, to be sure, many in the auditorium to listen, speak, or vote who were not in the prayer room, but it is doubtful if anyone who came at eight o'clock failed to be happy when decisions had to be made.

Underground or Undiscovered?

A feature writer for Baptist Press was recounting the problems and opportunities facing his denomination in the State of Missouri. He pointed out that many Baptists coming from distant places are "underground" as far as church affiliation is concerned; they do not seek a new church home as enthusiastically as they try to improve the family residence. How many "underground" Seventh Day Baptists are there in the cities and villages of our land, people who had a church connection back home but would rather be "buried" among strangers than to put forth the effort required to journey some distance to the nearest church of like faith or to take the initiative in organizing a new group where they are? The number is far greater than it ought to be. Parents and churches have somehow failed to strike or to feed the spark that should have made them a burning flame for Christ and the church. It may not be too late in many cases. Who can circumscribe the power of God or determine the bounds of the working of the Holy Spirit? Here in the "catacombs" there are underground church members who hold a potential that must not be forgotten.

On the other hand, there are many undiscovered Seventh Day Baptists who are probably our next greatest potential. They are almost Christians who, from a study of the Bible, are convinced of the major principles that distinguish the seventh-day Baptist, baptism of believers by immersion, and a congregational type of government. They are not quite happy in a church that fails to observe one or more of these principles. Some are earnestly searching for a church such as ours, others are just waiting to be discovered through literature and personal contact.

Experience has proved that many Baptists of Sabbath persuasion find a happy home and profitable work among us. But for the hundreds who hear about us or chance to meet our tract distributors there must be thousands undiscovered. We are not responsible for their failure to search for a happy home but we are responsible for our failure to let them know the loving way that such a home is available.

Editor's Military Experiences

Immediately following General Conference your editor (a regimental chaplain of the 78th Division) spent two weeks in the annual active duty training required of Army Reserve Units. At Fort Dix, N.J., a large army post, there were many interesting experiences which made possible some reflections on the current build-up of military preparedness ordered by President Kennedy.

The commanding general of the post gave an education lecture on September 1 to the largest body of new troops assembled there in recent years. These young men, who had begun their eight weeks of basic training, were told the importance of learning all that they possibly could in this initial training period. The general emphasized that in no other area of education does one seek to become proficient in skills that everyone hopes will never be used. It has been said before, but perhaps never more convincingly. Even watching some of this
President's Message

An Open Letter to a "Crackpot"

Dear Fellow Seventh Day Baptist,

I received your letter in yesterday's mail. You said that yours was only one of the 500 letters I would receive during this Conference year. Be assured that I do not consider it so — one of the many letters from Seventh Day Baptists are crazy, excepting me and thee, and I thought perhaps I had better write to thee!

You paint a pretty bleak picture — and I'm inclined to agree with you. You wrote: "Let's look at your Program for Advance as set forth on the Conference program this year. How many of our 5,900 are working at it? Six churches, and possibly a few more pastors. What lies ahead? Mission to the Unchurched, Social Frontiers, Mission to the World. Gorgeous generalities. In 1958 we began with 5,942 members; in 1960 we reached 5,849. Why? Too few working at it; more more more."

Our subconscious minds work in strange ways and often we openly criticize people or programs at the very point where we should be criticizing ourselves. I would direct your attention to what may be a Freudian slippage: "Let's look at your Program for Advance. This is our Program for Advance of the year after year...never worked as long as it is 'yours.'" In other words, the time has come for us to stop being bystanders and start being participants!" And this means you! (Now don't get angry! This is what you asked for: "What is required?"
An awful shaking up. An awful straight-from-the-shoulder preaching.

It is possible this year to get from the Tract Board copies of complete worship programs as well as discussions on the floor of Conference. Users are no doubt aware of many expensive and that making copies is a very time consuming task. However, if any considerable number of people will be at the Conference, the program pastors and church leaders should feel free to make requests.

Sincerely,

Your fellow "Crackpot" and Conference President,
Melvin G. Nida.
Conference Committee on Publishing Interests

The Conference Committee on Publica-
tions has studied in detail the reports
from the American Sabbath Tract So-
tety, the Office of Public Relations, and a
special item coming from the 1961 Young
Adult Retreat as referred to it by General
Conference.

The above is the first paragraph of the
report of this president-appointed com-
mitee. After several sentences of com-
mendation for work undertaken by officers,
members, and committees of the Board of
Trustees of the Tract Society, the com-
mitee introduced the following recom-
mendations in regard to the Sabbath
Recordor subscription drive and the use of
tracts.

1. That the American Sabbath Tract
Society, working through the local church,
continue to place emphasis on obtaining
new subscriptions so that the effort al-
ready made may bring forth the maximum
benefit.

2. Furthermore, we would recommend
that the Committee on the Distribution
of Literature advise the local churches as
to how this literature may best be used
with greater effectiveness and suggest that
perhaps the youth or some organized body
of the local church be responsible for
carrying out this ministry.

3. That the Executive Secretary be
authorized to gather material as described
in points one through five, urging the
co-operation of the local churches.

4. That the Office of Public Relations,
in co-operation with the North Central
Association and the American Sabbath
Tract Society, consider and carry out a
campaign of advertising in the geographi-
cal area of the Twin Cities prior to the
1962 General Conference at Medicine
Lake.

The committee received a special request
from the Young Adult Retreat concerning
the publication of five lessons on the
Sabbath, especially designed for the pri-
mary and junior-age groups. The com-
mitee expresses agreement to this request
but feels it is in the area of Christian
education and therefore has referred this
request to the Committee on Christian
Education Interests. Editor.

Yearly Meetings

Eastern Association Area

The fall meeting of New England
churches has been tentatively set for
Sabbath, September 30, at the Second
Hopkinton church. The theme, designed
to add to the emphasis of the coming
year is "Christianity — In My Community.
" After a dish-to-pass luncheon there
will be an afternoon meeting featuring a panel
discussion on the 1961-62 goal of our
Program for Advance, "Mission to the
Unchurched."

The Yearly Meeting of the New Jersey
and Eastern New York Seventh Day Bap-
tist churches will be held at Plainfield,
N. J., October 13 and 14. The suggested
theme is "Sharing the Faith We Have
Found," which lends itself to messages
and discussions. The featured speaker on
Sabbath morning will be the new Con-
ference president, Dr. Melvin Nida, who is expected to develop some
phase of the theme he has chosen for
emphasis during the year to come. Ser-
ses beginning with a guest speaker and
Sanctuary eve will conclude on the evening after
the Sabbath with an interesting program
emphasizing evangelism.

Forty-Third Annual Report of the
Commission to the General Conference

Recommendations

I. In accordance with the request of Rev. Robert Lippincott and the
General Commission on Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel, we
recommend that the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference draw
eclesiastical endorsement from Robert P. Lippincott, without prejudice.

II. Inasmuch as S. Kenneth Davis was ordained to the Gospel ministry
and has otherwise met the requirements as established by General Con-
ference we recommend that he be duly accredited as a Seventh Day
Baptist minister.

III. Inasmuch as J. Paul Green, Jr., was ordained to the Gospel ministry
and has otherwise met the requirements as established by General Con-
ference we recommend that he be duly accredited as a Seventh Day
Baptist minister.

IV. Inasmuch as Grover S. Britsby was ordained to the Gospel ministry
and has otherwise met the requirements as established by General Con-
ference we recommend that he be duly accredited as a Seventh Day
Baptist minister.

V. We recommend that Conference refer to the Committee on Obitsuies
a suggestion concerning the preparation of grave markers for our
deceased Seventh Day Baptist ministers. A communication regarding
such a project has been received and is available for the committee.

VI. Several suggested roadside signs were submitted to the Commission
by the Women's Society as a result of the solicitation made during the
past two years. We commend the Women's Society for its efforts on
this project. The design selected is on display in the General Conference
exhibit, and we recommend that it be approved and that the Commission
be authorized to secure prices and orders for these signs so that they
can be distributed within the next few months.

VII. We recommend that the Historical Society be requested to prepare
an appropriate bulletin cover and suggested materials for a commemora-
tive service on the 300th anniversary of John James' martyrdom for
use on Sabbath day, November 25, 1961. We commend the Historical
Society for its efforts in which this event has been called to our remem-
brance during the year.

VIII. In accordance with action taken at the 1960 session of General
Conference and recorded on page 64 of the Yearbook the following
arrangements have been made regarding sites for future sessions of
General Conference:

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IX. We recommend that plans for the fourth year of the Seventh
Day Baptist Program for Advance be drafted at the fall meeting of
the Planning Committee for consideration by the Commission at its mid-year
meeting; that plans for the fifth year be prepared at the spring meeting
of the Planning Committee and referred to the Commission at the pre-
vious conference in 1962; also that the Planning Committee work immediately on a long-range program for development and growth
of Seventh Day Baptist to continue at the conclusion of the current
five-year program in 1964.
At the 1959 Session of General Conference a proposed change in Article VII of the Seventh Day Baptist Statement of Belief was presented in writing for action by Conference in 1960. Last year Conference postponed consideration of the revision until the general study of beliefs, then in progress, should be completed.

The Statement of Belief is a reflection of the beliefs of Seventh Day Baptists in general and since there has been no significant expression of concern regarding the proposed revision, the Commission recommends that the resolution not be adopted at this time.

The Commission notes that the most fruitful revision in the past has resulted from the efforts of special committees charged with general review of the entire statement.

Ecumenical Relations

The Commission acted upon a number of items that relate to ecumenical interests. Our present organization appears inadequate to meet the variety and complexity of these vital concerns. We have become aware of new areas of ecumenical contact which we regard as important resources for our present and future planning. The Commission will bring to the Conference next year a plan for reorganization of the present Ecumenical Relations Committee in order that our growing needs in this field may be met effectively. We shall undertake a review of policies in regard to ecumenical representation and we invite suggestions from any interested persons.

There are, however, some matters which warrant action at this time:

We recommend that the General Conference elect two delegates to the General Board of the National Council of Churches, each delegate casting ½ vote when both are present, or one delegate casting one vote when only one is present. We further recommend that two alternate delegates to the General Board be elected in addition to the regular delegates. The purpose of this recommendation is to assure the best possible representation.

We recommend that the executive secretary of the General Conference represent Seventh Day Baptists on the long-range planning commission of the National Council of Churches, and this expense be charged to the General Conference.

We recommend that the executive secretary be authorized to appoint alternate or interim delegates whenever vacancies occur, for whatever reason, in our representation to those organizations and gatherings to which our General Conference normally sends delegates.

We recommend that the Commission be authorized to appoint a representative to the National Council of Churches Social Welfare Conference at Cleveland, Ohio, October 23-27. This conference appears to be closely related to the fourth year of our Advance Program and we feel the need for direct liaison.

New Delhi

We again express our earnest concern that Seventh Day Baptists be represented at the Assembly of the World Council of Churches be held at New Delhi, India, in November of this year. At the midwinter meeting the Commission included a special budgetary item for this purpose. But insufficient giving during the present year has forced a deletion. This we deeply regret.

We recommend that the president of Conference be a regular member of the Planning Committee, with the chairman of Commission to act as his alternate.

The Commission reviewed the subject of Federal Aid to Education. Since we feel that citizens ought not to be asked or required to support or assist schools established by those of another faith, we recommend that the General Conference go on record as approving the removal of Church School Loans from the National Defense Education Act. We would respectfully commend the stand taken by Senator Jennings Randolph on this controversial issue.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

SEPTEMBER 18, 1961

New General Conference Officers

In addition to the Rev. Dr. Melvin G. Nida, the new president of Conference, who was pictured with his wife in the Sabbath Recorder of September 4, there were many other important offices filled by the adoption of the Nominating Committee's report.

Treasurer of OWM becomes 1st vice-president, in election of officers at General Conference. George E. Parrish is expected to be elected to the presidency next year.

The Rev. Wayne Rood, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Calif., and George Parrish, businessman from Battle Creek, Mich., were elected to three-year terms on Commission, an advisory board of three laymen and three ministers. Mr. Parrish was also elected first vice-president of the Conference.

Other new officers of the Conference are: Leland W. Bond, Clarksburg, W. Va., second vice-president; George Stillman, Houston, Tex., third vice-president; Rev. Lester G. Osborn, Schenectady, N. Y., recording secretary; Mrs. S. Kenneth Davis, Alfred, N. Y., assistant recording secretary; Harley D. Bond, Plainfield, N. J., corresponding secretary; K. Spencer Howard, Milton, Wis., treasurer of the General Conference; and Rolland A. Mazza, Milton, Wis., treasurer of our World Mission.

Other members of the Commission are: Loren Osborn, the Rev. Kenneth E. Smith, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Eldred Batson, Parkersburg, W. Va.; and the Rev. Mr. Nida.

Follow the Divine Example in Teaching Little Children

By Don Hansen, Denver, Colo.

Picture, if you will, Christ walking amidst His disciples on a Holy Land road. The road is hot and dusty, but Jesus maintains His peace and power. All of a sudden, He sees a group of young children playing by the roadside. A broad grin comes across His face. He knows these children are happy. They are not old enough to have developed the terrible traits of character such as hate, lust, pride, and prejudice. With a wave of His hand, He gathers the children around Him, and tells them captivating stories of God's grace and mercy.

Need I say that Christ loved children. Of course, He loved everyone, but I like to think that He had a special compassion for the little ones.

The lesson is this: Let's teach our youngsters about God now. Let's teach them tenderly and lovingly that God and Jesus are their best friends. Let's get them while they are young and be satisfied with nothing less than their love and acceptance.

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MISSIONS — Sec. Everett T. Harris
Missionary Exchange
Now Completed

Returning from their nine months' stay in America, Rev. and Mrs. Leon R. Lawton arrived safely in Kingston, Jamaica, on Sunday evening, September 3. Pastor Lawton wrote that they arrived safely as planned, although there was rain on the fringes of Hurricane Carla. He adds: "It seems good to be home again."

Pastor and Mrs. Duane L. Davis and son, David, arrived back in Lost Creek on Thursday, September 7. En route they visited Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Bond at Holly Hill, Florida. The missionary-pastor exchange plan has now been completed with mutual satisfaction to all.

Jamaican Churches Lay Cornerstones
By Rev. Duane L. Davis

1961 is a year of growth for many of our churches in Jamaica. A newcomer to the field is pleasantly surprised to see so many fine church buildings in use, in preparation, and to see that even where only few buildings exist, there are signs of growth and planning for more permanent structures.

Three churches in 1961 have laid "cornerstones" for church buildings. A cornerstone laying ceremony is to mean the laying of one cornerstone, but that was before I came to Jamaica. Churches here invite many friends and members of the church to lay a cornerstone, usually at the cost of a guinea (around $3.00 American). Then the stones are prepared, with the names of the donor and the date. At the stone-laying ceremony, as many of the stone-layers as possible are present, and the laymen are partly erected, with roof on, so that the stone-laying ceremony and the concert which followed could be conducted within.

The third stone-laying ceremony this year was at Albion Mountain. Here again we saw a third situation — where an older church organization is completing its building. Albion Mountain may claim to be the oldest church organization in Jamaica because it was organized as a church long before it joined the Seventh Day Baptist Conference. The building seemed almost finished, except for the cornerstones and other finishing touches. Stones were laid by over seventy people.

The first church had outgrown its old building and had a new one just started; the second was a branch church, with its first permanent building; and the third was a strong smaller church building and had a new one just started; the second was a branch church, with its first permanent building; and the third was a strong smaller church finishing up its building program with a cornerstone ceremony.

All three services brought to focus the Scripture's warning that we must make the most of the time available. "Today's the day." And we are building not only buildings, but the Kingdom, which is a "city on a height." Stones were laid to the glory of God, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost. In this helpful way friends are able to contribute to the cost of the building, and also the church is enabled to record their names in the cornerstone of the church through the rest of its history.

On January 1, our Higgin Town church had a cornerstone laying ceremony. The second largest Seventh Day Baptist church in Jamaica, Higgin Town, outgrew its previous building as it has constructed a fine large edifice down the mountainside near the main highway, A-1. On the day of dedication, the foundations were laid there, and the walls just being put up, but the congregation was strong and the work of the church showed enthusiasm.

Later that same month, we were privileged to attend a cornerstone laying at Barrett Town. Barrett Town is at a different stage of development than Higgin Town. Here a branch church of Wakefield is being raised up, the first Seventh Day Baptist work in the westerly parish of St. James. The church of Wakefield is raising up a daughter church there and in the past two years has gathered about twenty-five members in that spot. The building was partly erected, with roof on, so that the stone-laying ceremony and the concert which followed could be conducted within.

A New Church Building at Font Hill, Jamaica, W. I.
By Courtland V. Davis

The shell of the new concrete block church building at Font Hill is up and covered with a heavy galvanized iron roof. Services were held in it for the first time on Sabbath, August 19, 1961. It was a planned bamboo or coconut thatch building to which it is now connected by a doorway. The older building is already serving as a parish hall and was used for serving supper to the visitors from the Albion Mountain and Kingston churches who joined the Font Hill congregation in a Sunday evening rally for the benefit of the construction fund for the new building, on the following day.

Under the leadership of Pastor Joseph Samuel, the Font Hill people have been working earnestly to get their new building under roof. At the time of the rally the decoration of the walls with flowers from their gardens was matched by the beauty of the tropical vegetation on the hillside behind the church and showing through the unfinished gable above the pulpit. Pastor Samuel spoke of the fact that the furniture of the church was not as they would like to have it, and ventured to believe that the second returning for another rally a year from this time would find the rough and backless wooden benches which had been brought in from the old church building replaced by more suitable furniture.

The program, under the chairmanship of Mr. James Johnston, himself a noted builder of church buildings among Jamaican Seventh Day Baptists, was a resounding success. More than seventy pounds were laid on the altar by those who had been hard at work raising money for the cause.

Youth Work Camp at Alfred-Alfred Station
By Joyce Sholtz, girls' counselor

(A report given at Conference)

In setting up a Bible School program which would be both interesting and challenging for junior and senior high school students, the planning committee came up with the idea of a work camp project. This project was presented to a group of young people from the Alfred-Alfred Station, N. Y., area. They caught the spirit of this idea and went ahead with the organization of it, with adult advice and supervision. The project they selected was the improvement of a migrant camp to be held in Font Hill.

The camp was well-conceived, meeting state health inspection standards. However, there were many things that this interdenominational group found they could do to express their love and concern for others and to make the living conditions there a little more enjoyable.

Much planning and preparation was necessary before the actual week of cleaning and painting. The young people went to the camp and decided what needed to be done and how much they could actually do. They decided to get rid of the rubbish left from the year before, scrub the rooms, and paint the previously unpainted walls, ceilings, and floors. They secured some discarded wardrobe chests from the university and sanded and painted the gable above. They also covered the old wooden benches with a heavy galvanized metal and painted them. The girls made curtains for the windows. They advertised for used mattresses and collected them to replace the ones at the migrant camp. They also collected used toys to be given to the children who would come with their parents for the summer work.

On Sunday evening, June 25, twenty-six young people put on their old clothes, cleaning and painting supplies and equipment, and lots of enthusiasm for the job they intended to do, moved into Camp Harley for a week. Pastor Kenneth Davis also moved in to direct the program. The spirit of the group was high as they worked in the hot sun.

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At about 4 o'clock each day we cleaned up, went into Wells-village and went back to Camp Harley for recreation, supper (which was brought in), and our vesper and campfire programs.

At the end of the week we had not

determined what was going on. Handing one a roller and another a paint brush we slowly convinced them that they too could help. Before they left and agreed to put the finishing touches wherever they were needed. It was a very satisfying experience for both of us to see the looks of appreciation on the faces of the migrant workers, to see the joy on the faces of the children as they explored the beauty of flowers that they had planted. A group of people a little bit happier because of their love and concern.

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WOMEN'S WORK — Mrs. Lawrence W. Marsden

WOMEN'S WORK at Conference

One of the points of interest at General Conference was the exhibit of the Women's Board of Battle Creek.

On the wall above the exhibit table was a tribute to Dr. Swinney who went to China in 1883. It was written on cloth and signed by many of her Chinese friends who were sad because illness forced her return to America.

The Women’s Board had been asked to make the design for roadside signs for Seventh Day Baptist churches, and several of these were displayed.

The exhibit table held many books. One of them was a history of the "Women's Board in Action Over the Years." The book had many pictures which made it very interesting. Another book gave the histories of women's societies of the different churches in the denomination. There was also a book, China Letters.

Pictures and history of 50 years with the Ladies Aid of Battle Creek were shown with booklets of society programs. Many were interested in the lists of honor readers and the lists of Seventh Day Baptist churches as well as the pictures of the churches.

The emphasis on the Latin-American countries was shown by napkins and place-mats with order blanks and information on obtaining them. The pictures were on the table with extra leaflets and meditation cards to be taken by any who wished.

Several of the books to be read for personal and group study, and also "Hymns For Childhood," by Mrs. W. D. Millar, were offered for sale at $2.50 each or $2.50 per dozen.

The money makers included an apron which held clothes pin dolls in the pockets, hat-shaped pin cushions, stationery with church photo, and chair pads crocheted of rags.

The Women's Board of Battle Creek has done a fine job with this exhibit as well as in their other projects. As the board moves to the Milton area, we feel very inadequate but will try to do our best.

Women at Conference

Approximately 180 mothers and daughters enjoyed a ham steak dinner in the lovely ballroom of the Student Union building on the University of Massachusetts campus Friday evening of Conference week. Mrs. George Parrish of Battle Creek presided and introduced a mother-daughter trio — Mrs. LeRoy DeLand and two daughters — who sang two selections, "Thanks to God for Mothers" and "Thank God For a Garden."

Mrs. S. Kenneth Davis led in community singing with Mrs. Myron Soper at the piano.

Mrs. Victor Burdick, on being introduced, said she would try to tell us what Nyasaland is like. First impressions of hotness and dryness gave way to a deep appreciation of the peace and beauty of the people and scenery of Nyasaland. Then political unrest came to the country and to the mission in 1959. Police warned the staff of the danger and suggested that they move to where other whites had gathered for protection. A state of emergency had been declared. The friendly attitude of some of the natives changed.

The spirit of nationalism had spread and the slogan became "Freedom — the Sun Has Risen." Our missionaries decided to trust God all the way and stay at the mission, and signed a paper releasing the police of responsibility for their safety.

African Christians suffered under the white man's rule. The 1959-60 school year the school tasted trouble with a student-led strike at the mission. God's Spirit,
as exemplified by our staff in its treatment of the student leader, won him over and that Spirit continued to work. Now, two years later, the fact that our missionaries stood firm in their faith in God and lived by His Spirit helped alter the native attitude toward our mission workers. The blacks do not hate the whites but they do hate domination. The staff at our Nyasaland mission is trying to show God's love and asks your prayers.

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**Baptist World Alliance News**

The Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance held its annual meeting on the campus of the Southeastern Baptist Seminary at Wake Forest, N. C., in late June. Residents of seven foreign countries were included in the group of 29 members and 26 proxies who answered the committee roll call. They came from Liberia, Argentina, Sweden, Great Britain, Nigeria, Canada, and Mexico. (There is no Seventh Day Baptist on the Executive Committee.) The Baptist World Alliance counts a constituency of 24 million members of Baptist churches in more than 100 countries of the world.

Greetings from members who could not attend were received from Canada, Denmark, Poland, Cameroun, Norway, Australia, Ceylon, Brazil, and the U. S. S. R.

**SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON**

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"We cannot survive surrounded by a mass of human misery. The United States is a paradise, but a false paradise if we do not make efforts to lift others out of their misery. Therefore, the task at hand is called waging peace and we must make sacrifices which will spare us the sacrifices of war itself." - John Foster Dulles.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION — Sec. Rex E. Zwiebel**

**Christian Endeavor Convention**

By Fern Barber Maxson

Some time ago in the Sabbath Recorder it was stated that the 46th International Christian Endeavor Convention was held in July in Chicago. This brought up some very pleasant memories to me for it was July 7-12, 1915, that the 5th World's and 27th National Christian Endeavor Convention was held in the Coliseum in Chicago.

I was in England that summer and it was my privilege to go with a group of Seventh Day Baptists to that convention — the first and only big affair I ever attended. I don't remember who went from Milton except Mrs. W. D. Burdick as chaperon, and the Milton College quartet, composed of Allison Burdick, first tenor; William Burdick, second tenor; George Thorngate III, first bass; and Clarke Siedhoff, low bass.

The theme was "Glory and Honor Be Thine Eternally." The official song was "Blessed Redeemer" which we thought was very beautiful.

I had hoped to see "Father Endeavor" Clark (President Francis E. Clark), but he was ill and unable to attend. However, he sent his annual message, requesting that he take charge of the session in Dr. Soren's absence.

The committee decided on the date of the next Baptist World Congress. It will be June 25-29, 1965, at Miami Beach, Fla. Commissions were appointed and other necessary business taken care of. The members named Madrid, Spain, as their constituency for the 1962 meeting of the Executive Committee.

Some interesting note — Of the 76 ordained ministers listed in the 1938 Yearbook of Seventh Day Baptists, only 8 are serving now as active pastors.

**This Is Conference Too**

Greeting new friends and renewing old associations helps to make Conference have added meaning to those who attend. This is especially true of the time between services on Sabbath day. Here Dr. Lewis May of Temple City, Calif., shakes hands with Mrs. A. J. Bond of Alfred, N. Y. His mother, Mrs. Hallie May of Salem, W. Va., visits with the Rev. C. W. P. Hansen of that city. Some others in the background are from the Midwest.
More Conference Echoes to Come

Much of the forward-looking material from General Conference has already been printed in previous issues of this journal. Some of the more thoughtful and inspiring messages will be presented to our wide readership. Watch these pages in the weeks to come. A limited number of August and September issues are available at 10 cents each.

Obituaries

Bailey—Etta May, daughter of Judson and Mary Morris Fite Randolph, was born in the "Randolph Brick," on Greenbrier Run, near Salem, W. Va., May 8, 1887, and died in a hospital in Detroit, Mich., June 30, 1961, having lived in that city with her children for some years.

She spent her childhood and youth in a consecrated Christian home, her father being a deacon and licensed "preacher" during much of his long life. In early life she united with the Greenbrier Seventh Day Baptist Church, changing her membership to the Salem church the rest of her life.

On Nov. 2, 1900, she was united in marriage to Daniel P. Strother, many years a deacon of the Greenbrier church. To them were born five children, three of whom survive: Ray, Blonda, and Mina (Mrs. Towsle Douglass), all of Detroit. She is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Erlo S. Sutton of Boulder, Colo.; six grandchildren, and twenty-two great-grandchildren.

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Burdick—John Edwin, son of Pardon C. and Mary Palmer Burdick, was born Sept. 24, 1887, in Hope, Conn., and died Aug. 26, 1961, in Norwich, Conn.

He was a member of the Rockville S. B. Church. He lived in Westerly, R. I., for many years and worked at the Bradford Dyeing Association.

He is survived by his wife, Margarette Ferguson Burdick; two daughters: Mrs. Edna M. Coon of Norwich, and Mrs. Ruby Brno of Pawtucket, Conn.; ten grandchildren, and 24 great-grandchildren.

The funeral services were conducted at the Buckler Funeral Home in Westerly, R. I., was conducted by the Rev. Harold R. Cranwell. Internment was in First Hopkinton Cemetery. — N. D. M.

Sage—Margaret McDougall, was born Oct. 25, 1905 in Lake Co., Mich., and died June 6, 1961, at Galesville, Mich...

She was an active member of the White Cloud, Mich., Seventh Day Baptist Church, the Ladies Aid, and a member of the choir. In spite of a weak heart, she was always giving of herself in service to others in the community. Although active in the church for many years, she did not receive the right hand of fellowship until Easter Sabbath of this year, feeling that she did not want to become a member till she could more consistently keep the Sabbath as she felt it should be kept.

She is survived by her husband Jack and three daughters, Gwendolyn, Winifred, and Anne, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the church with her pastor, the Rev. Don A. Sanford officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery of Carr Settlement. — D. A. S.

Towne—Anna Zobel, was born April 9, 1885, at Joliet, Ill., and died at her home in White Cloud, Mich., August 7, 1961.

She was married to Henry Frantz on June 10, 1908, and to this union were born eight children: Margaret, John, Joseph, Adolph, Raymond, Charles, Edward, and Dorothy, of whom all but Raymond and Dorothy survive.

Following the death of Henry Frantz in 1925, she married Henry Towne and soon joined the Seventh Day Baptist Church where she held her membership till death. To this union, one daughter, Shirley, was born who survives her along with Henry Towne.

Thirty-three have known her as grandmother while eighteen claim her as great-grandmother.

Funeral services were held August 10 in the Seventh Day Baptist church with her pastor, the Rev. Don A. Sanford officiating. Burial was in the family plot at Woodville. — D. A. S.

Voorhees—Verne R., the son of Frank A. and Jennie Farley Voorhees, was born May 26, 1896, in Shinglehouse, Pa., and died at the Olean General Hospital on August 25, 1961.

Mr. Voorhees was employed for many years as an electrical engineer for Quaker State Oil Co. He was a member of the Richburg Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Surviving him are: his widow, Mrs. Ethel Ford Voorhees; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Bottoms, Farham, N. Y.; Mrs. L. H. Wainman, Little Genesee, N. Y.: seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The funeral services were conducted at the Voorhees Funeral Home, Cuba, N. Y., with Pastor Ernest Bee officiating, assisted by the Rev. Malcolm Wetherbee. Burial was in Maple Grove Cemetery, Friendship, N. Y. — E. K. B.

WANTED: An Assistant Probation Officer with the following requirements: Under 40 years of age; a BA or a BS Degree in the social sciences, psychology, education, or a related field; and one year experience in probation work, social work, teaching, psychology, recreation, vocational guidance, counseling, or a related field. Such degree shall be earned at a college or university requiring the completion of at least one hundred and twenty semester hours or the equivalent thereof.

All qualified applicants please state minimum salary required.

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NEW CONFERENCE-ACCREDITED MINISTERS

One of his last public acts as president of Conference was the welcoming of three newly accredited ministers on the evening after the Sabbath, August 19. Here Mr. Loren Osborn, left, welcomes J. Paul Green, Jr. Others are Grover S. Brissey, former headmaster of Cran dall High School in Jamaica, W. I., and S. Kenneth Davis, recent graduate of Alfred University School of Theology.