held for the Children’s Department of the Sabbath School.

On October 1 Mr. Combs again conducted the church service giving us, besides a good sermon, some valuable advice in preparation for the coming of our pastor. Our quarterly Communion service was postponed to October 8, making it a part of the welcoming service for our pastor and family.

Mr. Combs, president of the Ministerial Association, conducted the worship service. Deacon Winfield Randolph gave greetings from the church, and introduced the other speakers. Mrs. W. H. Rager, president of the organization of United Church Women, with which our women have long been associated, gave greetings and a welcome to the organization. After Pastor Van Horn had responded graciously to these words of welcome, Rev. Herman Duke, pastor of the Advent Christian Church which meets in our church on Sunday mornings, led us in the prayer of consecration. Pastor Van Horn gave a Communion meditation, and then with the assistance of Mr. Combs, conducted a thoughtful and prayerful Communion service.

Later, dinner was served in the Social Hall, giving an opportunity for all to become acquainted. We are looking forward hopefully to increased work for Christ here in Daytona Beach.

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Gospel Voice Is Heard Afar

One of the countries to which the Far East Broadcasting Co. beams its short-wave gospel broadcasts from Manila is India, 4,000 miles away. The response in that land is truly amazing. The India office reports having received 19,229 letters from listeners in the last twelve months. By the most conservative estimate only about one out of 200 listeners will write an appreciative letter. This indicates a vast audience in India. Most other oriental countries also hear the gospel in their own languages from the Manila stations. This ministry is supported by evangelistically minded Christians. It is announced that the broadcasting company has recently purchased on faith five more 50,000-watt transmitters. The United States address is P. O. Box 1, Whittier, Calif.

Obituaries

SHELDON.—Pearl Rebecca Crosley, daughter of Moses and Arcilla Potter Crosley, was born in West Hallock, Ill., March 31, 1879, and died June 19, 1966, in Edgerton, Wis., after a brief illness. She was a faithful and devoted member of the Albion Seventh Day Baptist Church where she had served many years as Sabbath School teacher and in her younger life was church organist.

She was a graduate of Milton College, taught in the Milton Union Schools, and was employed in the Edgerton Shoe Factory for a few years before her retirement in 1944. On March 31, 1903, she was married to Carl Sheldon of Albion. He died in 1937.

Surviving are: a daughter, Mrs. Anna Owens, Whisewater; nine grandchildren; one niece and one nephew.

Funeral services with her pastor, the Rev. A. A. Appel, officiating were held in the Albion church June 22. Internment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Albion.

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WILSON.—Chester E., son of Robert Scott and Anna Wilson, was born Nov. 21, 1882, and died Aug. 26, 1966, at Godden, Ala.

He and his wife (deceased) were members of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Paint Rock, Ala. They were both baptized on their wedding anniversary some years ago. His father was pastor of the Attalla, Ala., Seventh Day Baptist church for about thirty years. Mr. Wilson was a brick mason by trade.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Hulah Huff of Chatanooga, Tenn.; two brothers, Main and A. B. Wilson of Gadsden.

Funeral services were conducted by Paul Beebe, assisted by Mrs. Robert Butler, Sr.

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Spiritual Retreat for Ministers

The last of three area spiritual retreats for Seventh Day Baptist ministers rounded out the almost nationwide coverage of these gatherings this year. It was something new in denominational procedure designed to help the pastors gain a deeper and larger outlook on their ministry. Drawing apart from regular duties, living and studying together under one roof in secluded Jersey Oaks Camp near Shiloh was a valuable experience for almost all of the ministers of the Eastern and Southeastern Associations. In this picture S. Kenneth Davis is presenting one of his daily studies in the Gospel of John. See story inside.
Do You Agree?

One government spokesman for the cooperation of church and state says: "Separation of church and state meant one thing when government and religion were at cross-purposes. It means something different when they have common purpose."

The statement brings up some other questions. When was our government at cross-purposes with the church? Was there ever a time when the Federal Government was against the religious practices of its citizens or sought to destroy the church as an institution? On the other hand, has the church of America at any time campaigned against the government or sought to overthrow it? Manifestly these questions are not what the government spokesman had in mind. He may have been thinking of other countries and saying that in our land it is different, that we should be thankful that here government and religion can walk hand in hand. He evidently has no fear of a situation of compromise like the proverbial settlement between the big bear and the little fox. The bear wants the fur coat and the bear wants a good meal. The bear walked away satisfied and the man was surrounded by a fur coat.

Perhaps there are other questions. If the framers of our Constitution were right in setting up a wall of separation between church and state, how has the situation changed through the years to such an extent that the wall is no longer needed and ought to be torn down? It appears that most of the campaign for breaking down the wall comes from a large religious group that would benefit most by this leveling process.

The propaganda that has persistently pushed this idea has made some headway—as evidenced by the statement of the spokesman quoted above. What is the real purpose of the campaign? Is the party only and the state now have more of a common purpose than formerly? This might seem to be implied by the advocates of closer cooperation at this particular point in history.

There are two ways that commonness of purpose can increase; either the purpose of the church moves toward the purpose of the government or the purpose of the government moves closer to the purpose of the church. Is there a move toward the middle? Perhaps so in several areas of social betterment. Both the church and the state are against poverty and other social ills. Should they then cooperate, the church taking the free tax money and the state taking the free service organization of the religious bodies to carry out a government program? Some people see serious problems arising from embarking on such an uncharted course. There is a question whether some of our highly centralized religious bodies can readily divide their theological teachings and their organizational growth from their sociological and educational betterment programs.

There are certainly limits both ways to this common-purpose idea. Shouldn't we keep the wall until the answers to these questions are clear?

Communist China

Educated people in the Republic of China (Taiwan) are deeply concerned about the attempt of so-called experts on China to work against the little nation by persuading the United States to soften its attitude toward Red China and admit it to the United Nations. A lengthy letter (full page) in the New York Times of September 6, 1966 set forth the reasons for opposing this proposed change of U. S. policy. The letter was signed (all names proven correct) by attorneys, professors and scholars in Taiwan. It is an imposing list of educators advancing some cogent reasons for the position they take. Copies of it may be secured from the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, 62 Mott St., New York 10013.

One of the paragraphs discusses the futility of yielding to Red China's demands. We quote:

Some say a country is a "hungry tiger" which loses its temper when frustrated or irritated by the United States. If this "pet" is lovingly patted and well fed, so the theory goes, it will regain its Confucian virtues. Such views are popular among some of the "China-experts" dumfounded us. They are defending the tiger's right to devour others in the hope that it will be patted and well fed. The writers of the above mentioned letter, claiming to represent 16,000,000 overseas Chinese, solemnly declare that

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and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day. Isa. 58: 10.

in appealing for a continuation of the U. S. position they are not advocating war. They add:

Heads, should the proposals of the "experts" be adopted, thus fostering the growth of Communism are agreed on procedure. Not all Chinese Communists may be encouraged to risk a war with the United States as soon as they feel strong enough to do so. It is precisely because we desire to prevent such a war that we feel duty-bound to state our views.

What is the Christian solution to this international problem of containing communism or accommodating to it? Not all Christians agree on procedure. Before making up our minds to go along with the present trend toward trying to work with Peiping rather than against it we perhaps ought to read more of what the educated Chinese who have fled the ruthless regime or have lived next door to it have to say.

Pentecostal Growth

Whatever one thinks about some of the manifestations of the new spiritual movement, it is impossible to deny that it is growing rapidly in the United States. The movement cannot be conveniently lumped under one heading as the Pentecostal movement. It is composed of people who are emotionally unstable, No Christian leader, no intelligent layman, should allow himself to remain completely ignorant of the experiences of countless thousands of equally intelligent fellow Christians who profess and preach manifestations of the Spirit.

One organization that is highly respectable and growing by leaps and bounds is the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International. It was born only thirteen years ago through a vision given to a California dairymen, Demos Shakan. There are now 300 chapters around the world. The well edited Voice is printed in five languages with a quarter of a million copies going to the far corners of the world.

2. "Do You Agree?" by Andrew Jackson.
3. "Communist China" by Mrs. Lawrence W. Marsden.

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Here is something we must recognize. Those who have had contacts with business-
nessmen who are in the group have proba-
bly brought their genuineness and eniviable zeal to spread the gospel. This is not to unqualifiedly endorse the movement. It is to recognize it and to affirm that those of us who are not of this persuasion should think seriously of our general failure to show a superior zeal for the things of the Lord.

Ministers Retreat
Held in New Jersey
Seven time-packed, spirit-filled days were the privilege of twenty ministers who had the opportunity to attend all or part of the Retreaat at Shilo-

Charles Bond, and to the ladies of the
Shiloh and Marlboro churches for the
twonderful way in which they provided
our thanks to Director Lawton and all
others who made possible such a won-
derful time of fellowship, a time filled with
imagination and challenge.

Those who attended the retreat, at least part of the time were Leon Lawton, Everett Harris, Alton Wheeler, Leon Malbey, Grover Bracey, Clifford Beebe, Paul Burdick, Carlton Wilson, John Con-

His turn in leading a prayer-and-praise
session is to recognize it and to
affirm that those of us who are not of
this persuasion should think seriously of
our general failure to show a superior
zeal for the things of the Lord.

The search must be done with patience
and for lack of any
tongue-clucking.

Why They Change Denominations
By Jared Van Horn
An editorial in the October 10 issue quoted surveys on the number of people who change
denominations. Waxiness is fre-
quently the motivation. The following sentences from a Seventh Day Baptist denomina-
tional workers, Leon

If it can be proven that Seventh Day Baptists leave the denominational fold
because of personal convenience, it also
must hold true that many leave because
they are given no room for expression of
their personal convictions.

If a valid survey of the "drop-outs"
could be made, it is my belief it would
in fact show that many leave religious because
they subscribe to the
Marxist line, can claim absolute posses-

Leo and Delmer Van Horn
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ter how close we may
never have it all.

Coming Next Week
All subscribers will receive next week
the November special issue. It is in two
colors. The cover is reproduced from

Inherent in the heritage of our faith is
democracy. Implicit in the principles of
democracy is the concession that the
search for truth is constant, that no mat-
ter how close we may ever come, we will
never have it all.

Let us, with Christian understanding,
be receptive to all ideas. Let us create
an atmosphere in which every one of us
may express his convictions within the
denomination. It is the narrowminded-
ness from within that forces many to
the outside.

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"Facing Frontiers With Faith"

Church Growth Through Personal Evangelism

By Leon R. Lawton, Director of Evangelism

Many people have indicated that they are interested in personal evangelizing but are uncertain as to how they can become involved.

Your Director of Evangelism shares the following article that is intended to help answer the question, "HOW?"

Church growth speaks to the fact that Christ wishes us to so witness and work as to make the church truly the fellowship of the church. In doing so it is our true calling and aim: Do they really know Christ and, more specifically, why not visit them and find out? How can these reasons be effectively met?

1. By examining our local church (or decline) over the past years (Take these steps, one by one:)

- Use the Yearbook, and chart on a graph the membership of our church since 1950.
- If not done already, check the attendance for at least a month, by name, to note those who are active in the worship of the church.
- Of the present membership:
  - How many live within 5 miles of the church?
  - How many would be classified as "active" - attendance at least four times a year and giving a minimum of $10 in offering?

2. By confessing that all the excuses so glibly given are not reasons for lack of growth. Are there not as many people living in our area today as there were twenty-five years ago? How many have we personally contacted in continuing ways so that they have come to understand the gospel and individually been given opportunity to either accept or reject Christ? Do not our excuses point out our lack of concern, involvement with others, unwillingness to witness, and refusal to really speak personally to men about us for the Lord?

3. By making certain our personal commitment to the Lord and the fellowship of the church is shared clearly with another.

4. By sharing in the fellowship of the small group - such as offered in the “Growth By Groups” plan - seeking to bring neighbors and friends into the group.

5. By joining with others in personal friendly visitation, ever making ourselves available to more and more people and, as they seek answers to the problems of their lives, testifying to the help and satisfaction found in committing our life, daily, to Christ.

6. By offering ourselves for dedicated service, may lead us, and, asking His help, take a step in obedience.

How many are inactive? List some reasons why they may be so. If you do not know the reason, why not visit them and find out? How can these reasons be effectively met?

How many are non-resident, living more than 35 miles from the church (or in the case of some churches, 50 miles or more)?

- Study this book in a small group and start out in visiting those in the church fellowship, those who have attended services or have taken classes at the Sabbath School or Bible School but are not regular members. Be ever open to the people and testify of our satisfaction with Christ as our Savior.

It is the result of our setting down definite monthly goals for the next year that are realistic, yet taken in faith and trust in the Lord to bless.

The result of checking up on ourselves each month. Did we reach the goal? Why? Why not? What can be done to improve the results?

The result of calling in those willing to help with what we have available - your director of evangelism, a missioner, or any denominational secretary.

Never before in history has the Church had the opportunity it has today.

As Seventh Day Baptists we can, and will, grow!
GOD'S SALESMEN
By Charles J. Bachman

To those who have been engaged in the commercial world, either in manage­ ment, promotion, or sales, the idea of competition is not new. We are accustomed to being besieged on all sides by the competing firm, in the magazines, newspapers, radio, and television. As a matter of fact, we have become so accustomed to the idea that we are immune to most of them. We, the buyers, are the prize in this war of competition—not we as individuals, but the consent of our minds to one product over another.

Competition also exists in the religious world. Various church groups and denominations spend fantastic amounts to win converts, that is the consent of the mind, to the idea that one realm of theology is true and the other realm of theology is false.

This war for the minds of men is being carried on in this country of ours by over 200 different church organizations. And not only are church organiza­ tions fighting for the possession of men's minds, but also forces of evil. These forces of evil are not branded for what they are, and some even masquerade in the guise of righteousness. It can be seen that the forces are well aligned on all sides, financed, numerically strengthened, and on the ready at all times.

To the numerically small, let us say, like the Seventh Day Baptists, the odds in battle are overwhelming. Perhaps the reasoning might be to the effect that it would be best not to engage in this struggle and concentrate on preserving what we have. The failure to engage in this battle is admission of several things. It could be the admission that what is held dear, and has been held dear for so long, is no longer worth fighting for. Suddenly it's value is meaningless and why fight for it any longer. It could also be an admission that we are not fully prepared spiritually, nor prepared intel­ lectually, in the knowledge of the Bible to engage in the battle for men's minds.

It could also be the grosser meaning that the spiritual dry-rot has set in, the re­ sult of which is decay and spiritual death, individually and collectively.

In the commercial world, regardless of how well-organized, capable and incapa­ ble, and have them visit the trade, canvass the customers whether they are interested or not, or, as is the most common expression, "beat the bushes." In this way it is hoped that business will be stimulated and interest in the product revived. This can only result in letting the tradesmen be promiant you are still in business and competing for the purchasing power of your cus­ tomers.

It must be recognized, of course, that small businesses have some difficulties in competing with the larger companies. But it is also true that some of the finest products that have persisted for gen­ erations are manufactured by small com­ panies. The product determines the right of the company to remain in business. The product can only be evaluated by its being put to use. And it can only be put to use if some one, let us call him a salesman, goes out and sells it.

It must also be recognized that the salesman has a very definite bearing on the product's distribution and sale. In order to sell any product, the sales­ man must first sell himself to the cus­ tomer. Products of equal value will be sold most by the salesman who is able to sell himself, in salesmen, then, has as much to do with marketing the pro­ duct as the quality of the product itself.

Does the Seventh Day Baptist church have a good product? Have they been in business with this product a long time? Have their sales, or con­ stitutions of men's minds, been falling off? Is their product being put on the shelves? What type of salesmen have been selling the product? What is the enthusiasm of the salesmen and sales staff for their product?

The greatest Christian salesman, the apostle Paul, was able not only to sell him­ self, but his product to a world that did not even want his product. Neverthe­ less he sold it! "Indeed, have become everything in turn to men of every sort, so that in one way or another I may save some. All this I do for the sake of the Gospel, to bear my part in pro­ claiming the Good News." (1 Cor. 9: 22, 23 New Eng­ lish Bible).

Our Savior not only originated this organization, but His twelve salesmen were of the poorest quality. In fact, one of them was a traitor to the organiza­ tion. Yet the Christian religion today owes itself to this small beginning.

As to the product or brand of theol­ ogy Seventh Day Baptists are promoting, there is absolutely nothing wrong with it. It is a product made according to the Book, the Bible. There is a need for this particular product today. As a mat­ ter of fact, there are hundreds of cus­ tomers waiting somewhere just to get this product. Perhaps it is that they do not know that it exists, or if they know this, they just do not know where to buy it.

We might use the same instructions the founder of our product advised when He said, "Go out to the main thorough­ fares, and invite every one you can find to come and see the Temple." (Matt. 22:9, N. E. B.)

He also said, "You are light for all the world, and you must shed light among your fellows." (Matt. 5: 14-16).

Who is that salesman who is to light up the way for customers to find the product? Every member of the church! All who have just read these words, "You are light for all the world," are the salesmen who must engage the task of opening all things to all your associates like you can. No one knows the same people better than those whom you know.

Let us never admit defeat before en­ gaging the battle for men's souls, never retreat!

The deduction we arrive at then is that the Seventh Day Baptist church does have a good product; there is a need for the product; the sale of this product has been falling off somewhat due to the probable fact that the sales­ men have not been doing their share in promoting its sale; and, there is there­ fore a need to enlist every one of you, as an active salesman, on the road, beating the bushes, ringing bells and knocking on doors, to let the world know that the product is available. Your package as before, and it is capable of doing a better job in this generation than it has ever done before. The world needs the product!

Now is the time to cast out defeatism and despair. The only ones to suffer will be those who leave themselves vulnerable to the enemy and fail to give an account of themselves before God.

In his book World Aflame, Billy Gra­ ham makes this statement: "An evangel­ istic was once asked if he did not think the world was growing worse. He re­ plied: 'If it is, then I am determined it shall be in spite of me'" (p. 110).

Let every Seventh Day Baptist make a similar statement. That if business (conversions) in the church does not get better, let it be "in spite of me."

Woyke Succeeds Binns As
Public Affairs Chairman

The Baptist Joint Committee on Pub­ lic Affairs, in its semiannual meeting, elected Frank H. Woyke of Forest Park, Ill., as its new chairman.

Dr. Woyke is the executive secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference. He succeeds Walter Pope Binns, who was elected chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee for the past three years. Prior to that Binns was vice-chairman 15 years.

The new chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs was born in Russia of German parents. He came with his family to the United States when he was three years old. He was prominent in the work of the Baptist Jubilee Advance during its five­ year period and is well acquainted with a number of Seventh Day Baptist leaders.
A Week of Prayer

This article was prepared by Mr. G. Zijlstra of Holland, co-author with Secretary Everett Harris of The Week of Prayer meditations for 1967, to be used in Seventh Day Baptist churches around the world during the first week of January, 1967.

What shall we pray for? In the Psalms we read that God has made known His ways unto us and has heard our prayers. Again we read: "Let my prayer come before Thee and incline Thine ear unto my cry." (Ps. 88: 2).

Prayer is a way of communication with our Father in heaven. Jesus often sent up prayers to His Father, to be strengthened for His work on this earth. In our宗动 whether we always get a satisfactory answer; so, for instance, when He prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane: "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me." He left, however, all things in the hands of His Heavenly Father and concluded, "Not what I will, but what thou wilt."

Likewise our prayer should not be in the first place to grant us the fulfillment of our desires, good as they may be. In the Lord's prayer we find that Jesus taught His disciples to pray for another person's wish to be granted. What is it? "Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done." As Jesus taught His disciples, so we, too, may let our desires be pleasing to Him. We can even our foes to become our friends (Prov. 16: 7).

We should make our ways known to the Lord daily and not just say prayers before meals only. We need to have a quiet time, to search our hearts and desires and ask forgiveness for all that was not according to His will and wherein we did not glorify Him. We need to ask Him to direct our ways and to have faith in His promises, that He will grant us that which will be good for us.

Being too busy with earthly things, even with the organizational things of the church, we run the risk of losing sight of our eternal destination. Let us be on guard that our prayers be not worn out, so indefinite as to mean nothing. What a helpful thing to concentrate our minds during the first week of 1967, the proposed Week of Prayer for all the Seventh Day Baptists around the world, on the interests that have our common concern and to lay our ways and longings open to God and to pray that He make us willing to follow Jesus' footsteps.

Lord, teach us to pray.

Week of Prayer Pamphlets Available

Churches are urged to place their orders for copies of the 1967 twelve-page pamphlets—Week of Prayer for Seventh Day Baptists. The order should be sent promptly to Seventh Day Baptist Conference Headquarters at 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N. J. 07061. It would seem well to secure copies at once for use January 1-18, 1967.

The secretary of the United States Conference is also the secretary-treasurer of the World Federation of Seventh Day Baptist Conferences, which group is sponsoring the 1967 Week of Prayer. A gift of 5 cents per copy may be sent to Secretary Alton Wheeler to cover cost of printing and distributing, if the churches wish to do so. This is not mandatory. It is our hope that some churches will feel led to order enough copies so as to remit to every member of their church. Three thousand copies have been printed for distribution.

Progress on Sale of Bricks For Blantyre House

The response from the churches to sell "bricks" for Blantyre House has been immediate and encouraging. As soon as the little cardboard bricks were made available a mailing of 3,000 bricks went out to the churches the first day. Since then orders have continued to be received.

The first church to request bricks was the one that has most recently hired a pastor—D. C. Seventh Day Baptist Church. Pastor Delmer Van Horn began services at Washington in September. A request has gone out to the Minute-Man group to help raise $5,000 as a down payment on the Blantyre property. It is hoped that the response will be generous and prompt.

An encouraging word has come from the Pacific Coast Association that a fund which had been held in the Association treasury for several years, known as the "Joan and Beth Fund" has been voted to be turned over to the Missionary Society for use of the Blantyre House purchase. The amount of this fund is $538.80.

Just one week after the Sabbath Recorder article of October 10 had gone out to the people carrying "The Blantyre Story" inquiries and gifts began to pour in. Within two weeks contributions to the extension of $400 in cash had been received. It would seem that this project is meeting with instant, favorable response from our people. For this we thank God and press forward.

"Where are Kings and Empires Now?"

There are not many emperors today. One of the few remaining ones heads the list of 200 Christian leaders in church and state at the World Congress on Evangelism. Emperor Haile Selassi of Ethiopia has never visited Berlin before. His marked interest in the extension of Christianity caused him to accept the invitation to attend and speak at the World Congress on Evangelism being held there October 26 - November 4. His visit to Berlin is strictly religious, not state.

His Imperial Majesty is known to be very sympathetic to the Sabbath. When in the United States a few years ago he made it a point to visit White House. Rev. Kenneth Oglesby, a Recorder subscriber who came to the Sabbath partly through contact with the American Sabbath Tract Society and Plainfield people is a personal friend of the Emperor and has been doing educational and Christian work in Ethiopia for His Majesty for a number of years.

Saigon Women Make Effort To Protect Country Girls

In Saigon, Mrs. Tran Thuc Linh, (center) an official of the Association for the Protection of the Vietnamese Woman's Human Dignity and Rights, recently discussed the moral decay of the nation with an American woman also interested in the country's social problems—Mrs. IRA W. MOOMAW, (left) a member of the Church of the Brethren who, with her husband, is serving Vietnam Christian Service as a program consultant. They met in the home of Mrs. Henry Cabot Lodge, wife of the American ambassador.

"Many young girls who come to Saigon from the country get into trouble because they don't know how to get along in the city," Mrs. Linh explained. "If they had places to live, like YWCA's in your country, we could help them find honest jobs."

Her women's association, she said, is composed of some 250 mothers and housewives. It runs one home for girls and is hoping to build another.

The present need for Vietnamese women to be an active force in the life of their times is greater than ever before. Mrs. Linh believes, because of the many wartime pressures, she expressed the desire that women in the United States be made aware of these pressures.

Mississippi must be pretty much a Baptist state; The Baptist Record, a weekly newspaper published by the Baptist Convention, has the largest circulation of any newspaper in the state. It is campaigning against liquor.
When the Church Hinders
By Paul B. Osborn

Jesus Christ had trouble with the established religion while He lived on earth. The Pharisees, Scribes, even His own people, "received Him not" (John 1:11).

Today the established religion is more complex. It projects the church as an army of individuals, each with a different opinion. There are the champions of Calvin, the champions of Arminius, the champions of the Puritans, the champions of the Catholic Church, and the champions of the Eastern Orthodox Church.

But there is one thing that they have in common. They are all too interested in their own faith, and not enough interested in the faith of others.

"Most adults do care. They do want to know. They are willing to be better Christian disciples. What they have lacked are the tools, the instruments, the opportunity in which, and through which, to gain the necessary knowledge.

Mr. Stuber makes the above factual statements to advertise the facts that there are good books on the market today to help the adult grow in his faith and then to explain it. For a list of paperback books on pertinent subjects, write to: The Association Press, 281 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10007.

We Seventh Day Baptists also are making an effort in adult education. The current "Christian Perspective" paper sent to each church in the denomination from the Planning Committee is designed to install each of us more securely in our faith and then to share it. Do not lay the packet aside because you cannot use all of it. Like what you can. Order the study books. Read and discuss, and you will grow. There is no excuse for ignorance of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and many are the ways to develop knowledge of it. Don't put it off any longer. Prepare yourself to witness.

We highly recommend "The Education of an Adult" for sale from the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education, Box 115, Alfred Station, N.Y. 14803. It will help you find in what areas they can serve in the church. It costs a dollar.

When the Church Hinders

Southern Church Struggles with Desegregation Issue

One of the Baptist churches of Macon, Ga., on September 25 fired the pastor and evicted him because he insisted on serving as a Negro student from Ghana. Baptists support of churches that behave in such a manner.

A strong editorial in the Capital Baptist (Macon, Ga.), September 30 wrote editor Rex E. Duncan.

"The Southern Baptist foreign mission board a check to the local church is now split. Southern Baptist editors have scored the church for its action.

A strong editorial in the Capital Baptist, editor of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention, urged either the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention or the SBC Foreign Mission Board to draw a check to be presented on the steps of the church to the chairman of deacons.

We think that Southern Baptists ought to say that we disapprove of such action by giving back to the church all that they have given to foreign missions," wrote editor James E. Duncan.

"The Southern Baptist foreign mission cause cannot afford the luxury of the support of churches that behave in such a way," Duncan said. "Cut down on the mission program, if we must, but let those who go forth not be destroyed by those who stay here."

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Central (N.Y.) Association

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stated that we are becoming more and
more an "assembly line" society, that we fear in life is to be "different"—but there is excitement in being different; it makes the heart to sing and the life to grow. We must be God's hilltops. We can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us. There is nothing second-place in a life dedicated to God.

The afternoon service began with a hymn-sing led by the president of the Associational Y. F. Mark Warner of Verona. A quartet of Verona Youth sang "The Love of God." Glenn Smith sang "Only Believe and Live." A report on the Women's Work Conference was given by our representative, Edna Ruth Richards, who also had some supplementary projects to present to the ladies of the congregation.

Our Director of Evangelism, the Rev. Leon Lawton, presented over a discussion on "The Church and the Home Field." He stated over and over again that what is happening on the home field is what is happening to us individually. There must be death to self. Our faith is something that is caught, not taught. Is ours contagious enough to give to others? "We cannot share what we do not have." Following this, he presented the denominational program of "Facing Frontiers with Faith.

The service was concluded with the Women's Work Conference, which provided a delicious dinner and also the supper following the annual Y. F. meeting. The youth were thrilled with the talk given by Glen Smith about the adventure for Christ on which he and his family are about to embark.

May we keep God's Hilltops ever before us and strive upward and upward.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

for November 19, 1966

Serving in an Unfriendly World
Lesson Scripture: Jer. 29: 1-7, 10-14.

for November 26, 1966

A Daring Faith
Lesson Scripture: Jer. 32: 2, 6-7, 9-17.
Greek Orthodox Congress

How well do we know our neighbors? Are we truly interested in the things that are as important to them as our own special events?

Some of our neighbors are in the Greek Orthodox Church, in the Archdiocese of North and South America. Anyone who reads the news should know that cooperation goes beyond the name Iakovos. Residing in New York and addressed as His Eminence, he is the Archbishop of North and South America. He is ex-officio chairman of the Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress meeting for the first time outside the United States—Montreal June 25 - July 2.

Did you know that there are 2 million Orthodox Greeks in 12 different countries of the Western Hemisphere? Delegates from all of these countries were expected at Montreal. Canada has 180,000. The bulk of the American members are in the United States, the first parish dating back to 1864, in New Orleans.

The Greek Orthodox people have a number of national backgrounds. In an alphabet soup-up of delegates by churches—Seventh Day Baptists, if present at a National Council procession, find themselves marching between the Serbian and the Syrian Orthodox representatives—priests with full beards and flowing robes.

The alphabet mentioned Congress of about 1,000 participants faced a number of questions. One of the problems, said Archbishop Iakovos, is better and wider education within the church in order for the laity to retain its religious and cultural identity. Most of the Greeks in this country are third or fourth generation of their national background because they are two or three generations away from the country of their origin.

Talking or Walking

It was said recently of people in another denomination, “Church people talk the talk, but don’t walk the walk.” Does this statement fit you, or me? If so, let’s think it over and determine to outgrow this wearing apparel.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

NORTH LOUP, NEB.—The Senior Youth Camp of Mid-Continent Association was held at Rocky Mountain Seventh Day Baptist Camp, Boulder in July. Seven North Loup young folks attended. Pastor Duane Davis assisted at the camp and Bernard Keown was Junior counselor.

We were privileged to have the corresponding secretary of the Missionary Board, the Rev. Everett T. Harris, en-route, to Conference, as guest speaker early in August. The following week our former pastor, the Rev. Francis D. Saunders of Lost Creek, W. Va., brought the message.

After returning from Conference, Phyllis Fuller told the congregation about her summer’s work as a member of Summer Christian Service Corps.

A Youth Fellowship Retreat consisting of sixteen young folks and Pastor Davis was held at Camp Riverview September 2-4.

September also found North Loup people busy with Popcorn Days activities. This is usual for summer residents. The people of the church, as usual, had a float in the parade and served food in their stand.

Pastor Davis is one of the local pastors taking turns in leading worship services at Good Samaritan Home and Valley County Community Hospital, both in Ord.

Continuing their education are: Harold King and Robert Babcock at Norfolk Junior College, Norfolk, Neb.; Ronald Williams, Patricia Williams, Allan Cox, Philip Van Horn and Joy Van Horn at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln; LaVere Soper, Central Pilgrim College; Phyllis Fuller at West Nebraska General Hospital at Scottsbluff; and Cletus Sorenson at Scottsbluff.

Peg Williams is doing secretarial work in Lincoln after graduation from business college in Grand Island. Kathleen Bronson is teaching near Burwell, and Dennis Cox is again music instructor at Superior.

Sabbath School Promotion Day was held September 24. Three teachers, Elery King, Mrs. George Clement, and Mrs. Ron Goodrich were honored for long service. Each received Unger’s Bible Handbook.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Farley moved to California and expect to locate in the Riverside area. A fellowship dinner was held in their honor on their last Sabbath here.

A church planning meeting was held Sunday evening, September 25.

Correspondent.

FARINA, ILL.—The clerk, Ernest Furrrow, writes that the church, which has been pastorless for over a year, is still hoping to secure one. In the meantime they are preparing a bulletin each week to help keep up the worship services. Ordinarily the sermon is written a week in advance for a discussion of the Sabbath School lesson. On special occasions a different order of service is used.

Mr. Furrrow makes a suggestion about church letterheads. Their church has a new one which links them with the North Central Church. It also carries a representation of the Seventh Day Baptist seal to link the local church with the denomination. The suggestion is that other churches consider this type of letterhead.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—On Labor Day, the President of the United States made a visit to our city, and spoke on the front lawn of Battle Creek Sanatorium in connection with their Centennial observance. Our church is directly across the street from the church, and we wished to make use of the opportunity to be caught by the camera. Where the speaker’s platform was set up, so our congregation who wished to make use of the chairs we placed on the church step landing and Parish House porch, had a fine vantage point, and were not required to stand in the large crowd in the street and on the curb. People were up early that morning and with the pastor’s assistance put up a large sign over our church door saying that Seventh Day Baptists welcomed our President. We felt this was an unequalled opportunity to put the name, “Seventh Day Baptists” before thousands of local people, as well as the possibility that it might be caught in the view of the many TV cameras covering the occasion. The secret service men checked out our property ahead of time and gave us permission to set up a refreshment stand on the Parish House lawn.

President and Mrs. Johnson stopped so many times to greet the crowds, on their way in from the airport that the program was considerably delayed and people were anxious to patronize our refreshment stand before the competition whatever. The young people cleared approximately $75, and only regretted that they ran out of food too soon! It was an exciting time for all, no matter what their political persuasion.

At our annual church business meeting October 2, Pastor Furrrow was given a special token of thanks for another year and at an increase in salary. Other church officers elected were Herbert Bennett, moderator, Mrs. Arnold Davis, clerk; Mrs. R. T. Fetherston, treasurer; Wendell Thornage, chorister. Trustees elected were Mrs. George Parish, Mr. Jules Paitner, Mr. Edward Blake, and Wm. Millar. Other trustees whose terms did not expire are Arnold Davis, Stephen Lawton, and Richard Walton.

HEBRON, PA.—Mrs. Nina Wilson and Mr. William A. Thompson were among those who filled the pulpit while our pastor was attending the denomination conference.

At our quarterly business meeting, October 2, Pastor Herbert Saunders presented his Conference report, which was very interesting. 

Our Pastor gave the meditation at the Crandall Hill Old Home Day at Hebron September 11. We observed World Wide Communion on Sabbath day, October 1. The next Sabbath we were pleased to welcome Pastor Edward Sutton of New Auburn, Mass., and the Rev. Charles Swing of Darien, N. Y. The group were attending the area Ministers Retreat in Alfred, N. Y.

On Sabbath day, October 15, our church hosted the Western Association. There was a very good attendance and the meetings were inspiring.

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Hebron churches held a week-end retreat at Camp Harley Sutton for the purpose of planning the program of these churches for the year. Pastor Saunders had the activities well organized. Those attending felt the time spent was well worthwhile.

Under the leadership of Pastor Saunders we have begun a Wednesday night study in 1 Thessalonians. Various translations and commentaries are used.

The Hebron church has installed a directional sign at Coneville.

The Women's Study and Serve Society regularly mail out the special issues of the Sabbath Recorder. They sponsored a migrant clothing collection, and also served the Hebron Township school-board and auditors' dinner. The women also served the Hebron Township school.

They have sponsored a church cleaning bee, and made new drapes for the church sanctuary. The August meeting of the WSSS was held at the home of Mrs. Thelma Stearns. In November they met at the Community Hall and tied a quilt. The October meeting was hosted by Mrs. Thelma Stearns. In November we meet with Mrs. Kathryn Thompson. Boxes for our two servicemen will be packed and articles are to be brought for the Warren State Hospital.

Proverbs 17: 22a says, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine." Let's keep smiling.

Obituaries

BROWN—Maggie May Hakes, eldest daughter of E. Eugene and Marian Rankin Hakes, was born at West Hallock, Ill., May 10, 1874, and died in her home in Chicago, June 14, 1966. She attended Milton Academy in 1892, and there met Linn H. Brown, whom she married Oct. 10, 1894, settling in Chicago as a bride and there spent the rest of her life.

Maggie May was a young girl and joined the West Hallock Seventh Day Baptist Church, of which her family were foundling members. Though she affiliated with the Chicago church she retained her membership in her home church being its oldest and most last member.

Though cognizant and interested in world affairs, with a fifty year membership in the Rogers Park Women's Club, she remains in memory most as a quiet, loving mother and grandmother, devoted to the comfort and wellfare of her family and friends.

Surviving her are her children, James H., Highland Park, Ill.; Marian Cochran, Chicago, and Margaret Sayre, Milton, Wis., five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband in 1949.

Funeral services were conducted in Chicago by Dr. J. P. Stafford of the Rogers Park Methodist Church, and the interment service was given by the Rev. Kenneth E. Smith in the Milton Cemetery.

McSPARIN.—Emma Kathryn Lewis, daughter of Ralph and Ida Martin Lewis, was born Dec. 15, 1917, and died in Ferrell Hospital, Eldorado, Ill., after surgery, Aug. 9, 1966.

On April 15, 1946, she was united in marriage with Carlos McSparin. Early in life she was baptized and joined the Old Stonefort Seventh Day Baptist Church where her husband has been pastor for 15 years. She was a faithful worker for the church all of her lifetime.

Survivors include: her father and step-mother, Ralph and Edith Lewis; her husband; four children: Mrs. Ronald (Alice) Brooks, Mrs. Richard (Carolyn) Gee, Mrs. Donald (Sandra) Duvall, and David Paul McSparin; five grandchildren, three sisters, four brothers and two step-brothers, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Aug. 12, at the church, conducted by the assistant pastor, Joseph Lewis. Internment was in the Joyner Cemetery near Stonefort.

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SUTTON.—Orma, daughter of William and Saphronia Lowther Jett, was born March 9, 1885 near Berea, W. Va., and died in St. Joseph's Hospital June 26, 1966. She united with the Ritchie Seventh Day Baptist Church at Berea while a youth and remained active as long as health permitted. She was married to Corliss Sutton (deacon) in 1965.

Survivors include: her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Ivan (Virgie) Weyers of Keyser and Mrs. Charles (Lenora) Brissey of Berea; three sisters, four brothers and two step-brothers, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Aug. 12, at the church, conducted by the assistant pastor, Joseph Lewis. Internment was in the Joyner Cemetery near Stonefort.

The funeral was in charge of her pastor, Leslie Welch, with burial in the Pine Cemetery.

WILSON.—Mrs. Bonnie Wilson, widow of the late Moritmer Wilson, was born Dec. 22, 1894, and died at her home in Berea, Sept. 9, 1966.

Baptized in July 1965 by Pastor Leslie Welch she was a faithful attendant at the Ritchie Seventh Day Baptist Church.

Surviving are: two half-brothers, Ben Bee of Burgess-town, Pa., and Luther Bee of Toledo, Ohio. One sister preceded her in death.

The funeral was in charge of her pastor with burial at Pullman, W. Va.

The extent of the church's inward rot can best be measured by the degree of her stateward lean.

GOOD TIDINGS! FOR TODAY?