## OWM Budget Receipts for June 1966

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**Total Disbursements:** $9,271.60

### SUMMARY

1965-1966 OWM Budget: $120,554.00

Receipts for 9 months:

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Amount due in 3 months: $48,492.52

Needed per month: $16,164.17

Percentage of year elapsed: 75%

Percentage of Budget raised: 59.8%

Gordon L. Sanford, OWM Treasurer.

June 30, 1966

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### New Building at Lewis Camp

With the opening of camp only hours away the newest building of the oldest Seventh Day Baptist camp was nearing completion. Built by volunteer labor this large arts and crafts building adjoining the familiar little administration building called the "Wheel's House" rounds out the present need for camp facilities.
How to Have a Living Church

Perhaps the most significant words in the Bible about the church are those spoken by Jesus, "On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail, against it." These words did not actually establish the church, for the time after the death and resurrection of Christ.

Every local church and every denomination likes to think that it has a part in this promise, that the forces of evil cannot prevail against that particular organized body. It is a mistake, however, to trust in such a promise without attempting to fulfill the conditions. The whole New Testament, as well as the Old, is filled with admonitions and warnings for the people to realize that the promises about the seed of David reigning perpetually in Jerusalem were conditional and that the earthly kingdom came to an end due to the nation forsaking God and His commandments.

We cannot apply the promises of Christ to our particular church unless we are faithful in our adherence to His commandments and followers of His prescribed way of life. A most common misapplication of promises is to claim the blessing of God long after we have lost our close contact with God through sin. It is through sin that Israel in the days of the prophets and their descendants in the days of the apostles, thought to think that God must continue to bless us until we are made false to His character and promises, while at the same time we have shown that we are no longer living according to His standards.

Let us take a common example. Looking back to the beginning of our denominational history we are convinced that God honored our forefathers for discovering anew the truth of the seventh-day Sabbath. We have, therefore, been taught that other local churches have sprang up in our day in just the same way. Perhaps some of our own local church is in such a state. People made a profession of faith, were true to it and God kept the church alive and thriving. But suppose a majority within in a Sabbathkeeping local church left the Sabbath or repudiated it by their failure to keep or promote it. How long would a wise and benevolent God be obligated to keep that church alive? How long would we as individuals claim the blessing of God after losing most of our testimony of having lived in obedience to His revealed will? Not long, certainly.

We need to constantly examine ourselves in the light of God's Word to make sure that we are not people with a has-been faith holding membership in a has-been church. Jesus said His Church would be marked by His faith. If the members get off that rock they have no right to call it Christ's Church. They might as well call it a social club. Our Lord has no obligation to preserve such clubs against the gates of hell. Our efforts to keep alive social clubs that have only a little of the essence of saving faith within them are likely to be less fruitful.

How then do we have a living church? By constantly fanning the living fire, by reaching out and doing our part in kindling new fire in the hearts of those for whom Christ died—those who do not yet know by experience His redeeming love. Some dying embers must be replaced. We cannot do it unless our own faith is kept strong and our actions are in harmony with our profession.

Last Writing

An Air Force sergeant who believed in being active in church work wherever he was stationed. He left the church when he was stationed in Japan. In fact, he was ordained a deacon of that church. Sgt. Thomas Maltby spent most of his life in military service. Enlisting at 18 in World War I, he served in the Air Corps during World War II and was called back from the Reserves in the Korean conflict. On Aug. 8, 1965, a few hours before his scheduled retirement, he died suddenly.

How now comes to light the record of his faith? If we can draw a moral from this story, it might be to keep your writing up to date for you know not how many more clubs might be interested in your work. Some people warned of impending death drew up wills, write messages, and try to make up for what they have failed to do. Our work might be supported because people put off writing checks until it was too late. Seldom are the inheritors of estates as faithful in writing checks to the church as were their relatives who left them the money.

How to Reach the General Secretary

The office of the General Secretary is being established in Southern California for the months of July and August.

After vacationing July 10-24, Secretary Wheeler will have set up an office at Riverside, California, until General Conference convenes August 15-20 at Redlands. Commission will convene at Riverside August 7-12. His mailing address until August 15 will be General Delivery, Riverside, California.

New Phone Number

The editor-secretary has a new phone number at the office: area code (213) 756-8403. He can normally be reached on this private phone between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The business office is the same.

Apologies to Tennyson

It has been called to our attention by a subscriber who remembers her English literature class at the beautiful poem on the cover of the issue of May 30 credited to a 16-year-old boy and entitled "Going Home" should have been credited almost entirely to Alfred Lord Tennyson. It is largely from the conclusion of "The May Queen." The editor regrets that such a beautiful poem was not being the original work of a high school student when so little of it was original.
Cool Conference Buildings Promised at Redlands

The chapel at Redlands where the sessions of General Conference will be held is cool. Dining facilities for the guests are air-conditioned. Other buildings, such as dormitories, are not air-conditioned. Some people may wish to bring fans for afternoon or early evening comfort. The Host Committee says that up to the present the nights in this part of Southern California have been night-time comfortable, although the low humidity temperature may climb to 100 during the day.

One can gather from this that the Host Committee is not about to guarantee what the weather will be during Conference week. Unless it is more "unusual" than it usually is it can be assumed that you will not need rain protection, that you can be comfortable with a jacket in the evening, and that you will want to stay in the shade during the day. This adds up to a strong invitation to come to Conference and to attend the sessions, where you can be sure of comfort.

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General Conference Redlands, California

Aug. 15-20, 1966

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THE SABBATH RECORDER

New York Legislature Passes Anti-Discrimination Act

For the past three months the New York legislature has been considering bills of unusual interest to all Sabbath-keepers. This proposed legislation relating to college and high school students and teachers would exempt the educators from examinations on the Sabbath and would make it obligatory for the schools or colleges that conducted classes or examinations on that day to provide equal opportunity, without discrimination, for instruction thus lost to be given to the Sabbathkeepers at another time. It also made provision for Jewish children whose convictions about holy days kept them out of school to have equal opportunity to receive anything that was lost. The passage of these bills was urged by Jews and by a number of Sabbath-keeping Protestant groups.

The legislation went through the House without opposition and was expected to pass easily in the Senate. It was bottled up, however, in committee by a strong invitation to come to Conference and to attend the sessions, where you can be sure of comfort. Redlands and River­lands, California Aug. 15-20, 1966

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---Rev. Oscar Burdick.

Thou Shalt Not Kill

By Rev. Paul S. Burdick

Seventh Day Baptists have done very well by the Fourth Commandment. We have insisted that in creating the Sabbath at creation to provide for man's need, both for rest and worship. In responding to this gift of God, man cemented his covenant relationship with God. Christ recognized both man's need and God's gift when He said, "The Sabbath was made for man." This Seventh Day Bap­tists have done well in showing the posi­tive side of this command, not just the negative. God is His lovingkindness, recognizing man's physical and spiritual need, has provided for him this special blessing, the Sabbath.

Has the time now come for Seventh Day Baptists to give equal consideration to the Sixth Commandment? Notice how it, too, fits into the same innate feeling or desire on the part of man. There is a sort of repugnance at the thought of killing another human being. It has been so ever since the death of Abel at the hand of his brother.

And Paul goes on to make a practical a point, "Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath, for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord.' Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." A commandment-keeping people will thus recognize that the laws of God are not written now on tables of stone, nor even in the pages of a book, but in the hearts of men who follow Christ.

Would a fresh emphasis upon the Sixth Commandment as a test of our relationship to our God, a departure from our emphasis upon the Fourth? Or would it on the other hand make pertinent and meaningful the will of God to a generation which seems bent on flouting all of God's laws?

In order to give our people an oppor­tunity to express themselves on these problems, a petition has gone to the president of our General Conference, and to the Commission, asking that a study be made of the questions of war in general, and of the war in Vietnam in particular, hoping that in the light of biblical teachings, strong convictions may be formed.

Such a study might lead us into some such paths as these:

Is war an anomaly and a monstrosity in this nuclear age?

The place of the UN in preventing and stopping war.

The difference in purpose between a police force and a war-making power.

How does it come about that a nation, known for its benevolence, its sympathy for the underdog, and its encouragement to non-violence, destroys by war the very things that it has through the years tried to build up?

Is there any way a church or a denomina­tion can regain its place of leadership in moral and spiritual concerns other than by facing boldly the greatest evils of our day?

Is there hope for an alternative to war in the practice of non-violent resistance and civil disobedience, such as that used by Gandhi in gaining independence for India, and by Martin Luther King in the civil rights protest in the South?

Did the fall of Israel and of Judah come about when those nations refused to trust in the might of God, and tried instead by military alliances and by warlike excursions to make for themselves landmarks of their own making—a practice condemned by both Isaiah and Jeremiah?

Baal is sometimes indentified as a god of war, and Ashzroth, or Ashart, was his companion goddess of lust.

"Thou shalt not kill."
When the Rev. and Mrs. Leland Davis and daughter Mary Sue disembarked after their nine-hour flight from Guyana, South America, in the late evening of Sunday, July 17, this is the way they looked to the editor's camera. The four and a half years did not seem to have gone to the mission field as they prepared to attend General Conference in early August.

The list to which reference is made has come to the churches recently in a package of material sent from the Plainfield office of Conference Secretary Alton Wheeler.

If there are still those who are willing to help, a supplementary list of volunteers may be published later in the Sabbath Recorder.

Missionary Volunteers

There are now a total of 37 missionaries who have offered their services to the churches during the 1966-67 program "Facing Frontiers with Faith."

Tract Board Recommends Work, Makes Important Decisions

The Special Committee of the Board of Trustees of the American Sabbath Tract Society was held in the Board Room at Plainfield on July 10, a meeting that continued from 2 to 6 p.m.

In addition to the quarterly reports of officers, standing and special committees, there were also reports of the whole tract mission and volunteer workers. The approval of statement of this work to be presented to Conference in printed form was one of the items of business. That statement will show some unusual activities in the realm of denominational outreach, full support of cooperative programs and an energetic promotion of the Religious Literature Distribution of the Society. It was noted that the free filmstrip service to the churches reached an all-time high in the quarter ending May 31.

At the close of the afternoon meeting the chairman of the Budget Committee presented a number of proposals designed to meet the demanding financial. The 1967 budget, particularly in relation to the Sabbath Recorder and tracts. In view of the fact that our magazine printing costs for the next four months of the budget year are several thousand dollars more than anticipated it was proposed (and voted) that the 1966 budget item for the Sabbath Recorder expense be increased (by $2,000) to $22,800, and that the Advisory and/or Supervisory Committees be authorized and directed to partially curtail publication frequency or number of pages, to reduce editorial expense, to draw on profits earned by the publishing house, or to take any other reasonable steps necessary to meet that figure.

In regard to the 1967 budget for our weekly journal, the chairman proposed an increase on the income side of $1,400 with the following means of realizing the income: "that the 1967 budget item for Sabbath Recorder income be increased (by $1,400) to $6,300 and that the Advisory Committee either institute a higher subscription rate or organize a regular solicitation of institutional or other appropriately advertising (as from colleges, churches, reputable industries or individuals, and the like) to yield at least this amount." This recommendation passed.

The following proposal for the current budget, objected to by some, was also adopted. "That a new 1966 budget item for Designated Gifts be inserted in the amount of $1,000, and that the corresponding secretary be hereby authorized and directed to solicit aggressively in its behalf and in cooperation with other ways within his approved expense budget."

Several other proposals for increasing income to bring the larger 1967 budget into balance were made. One to recover $2,000 of the cost of printing tracts by "voluntary" or suggested selling prices for all tracts was tabled.

Coming Next Week

The action of the board regarding the commercial work of the publishing house, the committee study leading to that action, and the hoped-for enlargement of our ministry of printing for the denomination will be published in the next issue. Watch for this item.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

FIRST & SECOND BROOKFIELD, N. Y. — Following an invitation from the First and Second Brookfield churches, the Rev. and Mrs. Paul S. Burdick came to attend the Central Association at Leardsville, where he was pastor for twelve years.

On the evening after the Sabbath, June 4, Mr. Burdick showed slides of his recent visit of nine months to our mission in Malawi. On Sunday night, June 5, there was a business meeting of the two churches with representatives of the Syracuse church to talk with Secretary Alton Wheeler about possible plans for pastoral assistance.

On Sabbath day, June 11, after the morning service at the Leardsville church, an informal luncheon was followed by a special recognition service for the 44th wedding anniversary of the Burdicks and the 30th for the Herman Palmers. Each couple was presented with an autograph album and a purse of money by moderator Lyle Davis.
The missioner program included calling upon more than thirty families. Friday evening prayer meetings were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Palmer, and on Sabbath morning, June 18, there was a baptismal service for Mike Burdick, husband of Leona Welch Burdick.

The Leonardsville high school alumni banquet was held June 18. Among those who graduated 25 years ago were Miss Esther Burdick and Mrs. Emma Johnson, who were present, and the principal speaker was their father, who told of his impressions of certain African countries which he had visited on his recent trip.

On Sabbath day, July 2, the services of these churches were conducted at Brookfield by a team from the Verona church consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sholtz. This, a project promoted by the Missions Committee of the Central New York Association, and aided by a course given by the Rev. Don Richards, gave helpful suggestions for personal evangelism. It may well provide a good background for those who are serving at the Seventh Day Baptist booth at the State Exposition.

A fellowship dinner at the Brookfield Parish House followed that service.

On Sabbaths, July 16 and 23, members of the Summer Christian Service Corps conducted our services.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—Sec. Rev. J. Zwiebel

Youth Pre-Con

According to the director, the Rev. Herbert E. Saunders, the staff is now complete for Youth Pre-Con Retreat with the procuring of the Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Burdick to care for the music.

The music leaders announce that they need a good guitarist to accompany some of the music that they plan to use, someone who reads and plays good music.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON

For August 6, 1966

God's Way at Home

Lesson Scripture: Ex. 20:12; Prov. 4:3-5; Mark 7:9-13; Luke 2:51-52; Eph. 6:1-4.

Accessions

ALGIERS, LA.

By Baptism:

Mrs. Odie Williams
Lester Moore
Patrick Moore
Ronalee Moore
Larry Azano
Timothy Moore
Curtis Williams
Author Johnson, Jr.

1ST BROOKFIELD, N. Y.

By Baptism:

Mike Burdick
NORTH LOUP, NEB.

By Testimony:

Mrs. Vernon (Esther) Williams
Mrs. Nancy Hovey

Marriages

Severance - Keep—Cletus Severance, son of Deacon Cecil F. Severance, North Loup, Neb., and Sharon Keep, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Veron Keep of Scotia, Neb., were united in marriage at the Seventh Day Baptist Church of North Loup by the Rev. Duane L. Davis on June 12, 1966.

Obituary

Hamer—Ethel Mae Clement, daughter of Sherman L. and Winnie (Babcock) Clement, was born in North Loup, Neb., Sept. 23, 1892, and died in Ord, Neb., July 1, 1966. Ethel lived her entire life in North Loup. She accepted Christ and became a member of the Seventh Day Baptist Church in 1904. She was married to Thomas J. Hames at Boulder, Colo., July 1, 1911. For over thirty years she served as weekly newspaper correspondent in North Loup.

Surviving are her nine children: Lewis of Beatrice, Neb.; Winnie Williams, North Loup; Louise Kammerlorh, Salt Lake City; Florence Hedges, Indianola, Neb.; John of North Loup; Matel Portis, Walton, Neb.; Marjorie Church, Glen Ellen, Ill.; Evelyn Evans, Ceresco, Neb.; and Carolynn Cook, Columbus, Neb.; one sister, Mrs. Oscar Richards, Riverside, Calif.; a foster-sister, Mrs. Clinton Miller, of Norristown, Pa., 29 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Duane L. Davis, in the church and burial was in the Hillside Cemetery, North Loup.

Lewis—Leon Lamont, son of the late Cushion W. and Anna Mosher Lewis, was born at Alfred Station, N. Y., Feb. 26, 1893, and died at Bethesda Hospital, Hornell, N. Y., June 23, 1966. Funeral services were held in the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sunday, June 26, with the Rev. Hurley S. Warren and his pastor officiating. Burial was at the Alfred Rural Cemetery.

—E. K. B.

Riverside Church Prepares for Conference

Riverside is but fifteen or twenty minutes from Redlands and is thus the nearest of the California host churches. Its interior is different from eastern churches and is truly inviting. For weeks the loyal members have been encouraged to lend a hand in beautifying the building and grounds in preparation for the many visitors expected. The Commission of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference holds its important week-long pre-Conference session in the Parish House next door to this sanctuary. Many of the delegates who arrive before the Sabbath will probably worship in this church August 13.