

Amazing Results of Missionary Enterprise

By J. HARKER

"THE Lord Jesus is making experiments on human hearts. Through the exhibition of His mercy and abundant grace, He is effecting transformations so amazing that Satan, with all his triumphant boasting, with all his confederacy of evil united against God and the laws of His government, stands viewing them as a fortress impregnable to his sophistries and delusions. They are to him an incomprehensible mystery. The angels of God, seraphim and cherubim, the powers commissioned to co-operate with human agencies, look on with astonishment and joy, that fallen men, once children of wrath, are, through the training of Christ, developing characters after the divine similitude, to be sons and daughters, to act an important part in the occupations and pleasures of heaven."—Mrs. E. G. White, "General Conference Bulletin," 1893, p. 409.

What a striking pen picture this is of the work now being accomplished in all parts of the world through the advent message! In heathen lands these transformations are decidedly wonderful and numerous. Men of the world marvel at the power which is able to work such wonders. Speaking on this point, the superintendent of the Inca Union Mission reports the testimony of a mining official as follows:—

"I do not understand what gets hold of the Indians who connect with the Advent Mission, but I do know that they are better Indians than before. They do not quarrel or fight and they are more industrious and look cleaner and happier."

He also gives the testimony of a Peruvian national senator in these words: "After a short time I have soon realized the marvellous surprising miracle of the rehabilitation of the Indians. At the present time there exists round the Lake Titicaca a great number of schools accommodating several thousands of Indians—Indians who do not drink a drop of alcohol and do not chew a leaf of coca. They know how to read and write, and some read English. They do not destroy property nor make victims of innocent people. I wish to ask with what laws, with what commissions, with what gendarmes, have been realized such great conquests?"

Answering the question himself, he states: "With the force of love of the missionary gendarmes."

A letter just received from the Solomon Islands gives us another glimpse of this great work of transformation. "There are over two thousand adherents in the Solomon Islands and these, with the exception of a few dozens, are from direct heathenism. If the people in the older countries could only

realize the hunger there is for the truth out here they would rejoice, I am sure. Here are natives coming over from the darkest heathenism and in a short time showing such Christianity that it makes one feel almost ashamed that he is a white person. The Lord is truly pouring out His Spirit on the dark places of the earth, and the heathen are accepting the message where nominal Christianity is rejecting it. There is call after call for help. The old people are just as earnest as the younger ones. My leading baptized native on this mission has been an old head hunter and has two scalps to his credit of which he used to be proud, but now he is my leading Christian. He used to be the leading Spiritualist here and a notorious wife-beater as well. He is the first to testify in testimony meetings and it does one good to hear him."

These are some of the amazing transformations which are stated to be "an incomprehensible mystery to Satan, and upon which the angels of God, seraphim and cherubim, the powers commissioned to co-operate with human agencies, look on with astonishment and joy." Shall we not during the present Harvest Ingathering season take time to reflect on the wonderful work which God is accomplishing in these last days through the great third angel's message, and remember that being ourselves recipients of its transforming power, the happy privilege is ours to become partners with Christ in hastening the completion of the great plan of salvation, the fruits of which will bring glory to God throughout the endless ages of eternity.

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Special Ingathering Notes.

WILL missionary secretaries and treasurers please keep a separate record of "Big Day" collections? The total amount reported for that day should be sent to the conference office on the first week's report sheet, due to leave the churches on September 9th. Co-operation in this matter will be appreciated.

AGAIN we would call attention to the "final report" sheet found at the back of the gummed label book. The name of every member should be written in at the beginning of the campaign, then as the amounts collected are reported each week they can be quickly placed to the credit of the respective collectors. From this sheet the number of persons collecting can easily be ascertained. See instructions.

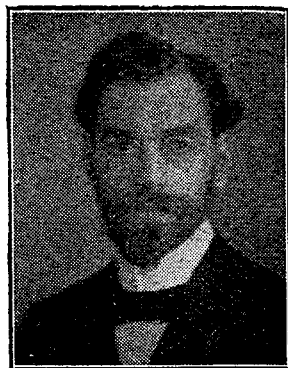
The following cablegram has just been received from Brother W. E. Read, the Foreign Mission Secretary of the European Division: "SUCCESS TO INGATHERING. MISSIONS DEPEND ON BRITAIN'S HELP. AFRICA AWAITING RESULT."—Read.



Alfred E. Bacon.

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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F. L. Chapman.

Annual Meeting

THE twenty-first annual session of the North England Conference convened in the Temperance Hall, Derby, from Thursday evening, August 16th, to Monday night, the 20th. It was preceded by a very profitable Workers' Meeting, which commenced Tuesday evening, the 14th. About 500 of our members were in attendance, and we had a most excellent conference. Elders James, Raft, Jayne and Kotz composed the visiting brethren, together with the Union departmental secretaries and all our local conference labourers.

The hall was well filled at the opening service on Thursday night, seventy-seven delegates being seated. The president's, treasurer's and departmental secretaries' reports were presented, and the standing committees appointed.

The sermons and Bible studies given by the visiting brethren were very timely, and the Lord certainly came very near to His waiting people and abundantly blessed them. Sabbath was the great day of the feast, and many responded to the call for victory over all the weaknesses of the flesh. Practically the whole congregation consecrated themselves anew to God for power to live the victorious life, in order to do their part in the speedy finishing of the work. In the afternoon, after a very impressive sermon by Brother Raft, Brother E. E. Craven was ordained to the sacred work of the Gospel ministry. On Saturday and Sunday evenings Elder James gave two lantern lectures, one on the Sabbath-school work and the other on his twelve years of service among the Tamils of Southern India. Both of these meetings were greatly appreciated; and we are confident fruit will be seen in the days to come in more efficient Sabbath-schools and larger gifts to missions.

The business sessions were among some of the most interesting meetings of the conference. Every department was given due consideration, and the various resolutions discussed with real earnestness and profit. Much valuable instruction and counsel was given by all the visiting brethren. The Stanborough Press book stall was well patronized, also the I.H.A. food room. A large number remained till the closing service on Monday night, and as they returned to their homes, it was with a deep realizing sense of the rich blessings God had so copiously showered upon them, and with a firm determination to push the work as never before. The outlook for the work in the North England Conference was never brighter than at the present time, and if the spirit of the conference pervades our whole field, the coming year will be one of progress and soul-winning. During the conference eleven were baptized, and the ordinances conducted with the isolated members. The Sabbath-school offering was £20.

The report of the Nominating Committee is as follows:—

President: Alfred E. Bacon.

Secretary, Treasurer, and S.S. Secretary: W. G. Baldry.

Home Missionary and Y.P. Secretary: F. W. Goodall.

Field Missionary Secretary: F. L. Chapman.

Executive Committee: The above-named officers and the following persons: S. F. Tonks, W. A. Hall, G. T. Bryan, L. Brooking and P. Rae.

Ministerial Credentials: Alfred E. Bacon, A. S. Rodd, H. F. De'Ath, J. E. Bell, A. K. Armstrong, F. C. Bailey, W. A. Hall, S. F. Tonks and E. E. Craven.

Ministerial Licence: F. W. Coppock.

Missionary Licence: F. W. Goodall, W. G. Baldry, Miss E. Cummins, Miss M. Living, Miss A. Larminie, Miss M. Simms, Miss A. F. Clarke, Miss I. Anderson and Nurse Handysides.

Colporteur's Credentials: B. Belton, B. H. Davies, W. James, G. W. Griffiths, W. E. Gregory, J. C. Gallaher, J. H. Greenhow, W. Hilton, R. H. Holland, E. Jacques, W. E. Laming, W. Rowland and Miss K. Timings.

Colporteur's Licence: J. Bolam, P. Bolam, E. J. Essery, A. G. Glenister, G. Hamblin, A. E. Hulbert, E. Halstead, T. K. Ludgate, W. Long, P. Mayoh, S. Morley, H. K. Munson, R. Matthews, E. Hosking, J. H. Pollard, C. Reeves, W. Slow, S. Thomas, E. J. Young, Miss M. Basher, Miss I. Himsworth, Mrs. S. Hamblin and Miss S. Leck. All other names to be referred to the Conference Committee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1922.

RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS		
Tithe	£7047	4 10	Salaries	£5333	9 2
Donations	117	13 11	Expenses	1180	7 0½
Bank Interest	15	14 7	General Expense	357	17 5½
City Missions	102	0 4	1st and 2nd Tithe	1321	6 11
5 p. c. Book Sales	219	14 10	Sustentation	176	3 4
Appropriations	615	0 4	Deprec'n (Furnit'e)	20	0 0
Loss to Capital	271	15 1			
	£8389	3 11		£8389	3 11

BALANCE SHEET.

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
Capital	£1470	17 5½	Furniture	204	7 11
B.U.C.	2173	6 1½		20	0 0
Poor Fund	10	8 11		184	7 11
Loans Account	30	0 0	Bank (Current)	2334	5 3
Students' Aid Fund	67	0 3	Bank (Deposit)	307	12 6
Endowed Bed Fund	40	5 6	Con. Head'qrs.	1200	0 0
City Evan'c Fund	300	0 0	Accounts Receivable	104	14 0
Accounts Payable	79	10 7	Cash Balance	40	9 2
	£4171	8 10		£4171	8 10

Audited and found correct, April 24, 1923.
 (Signed) H. D. CLARKE.

W. G. BALDRY,
 Treasurer.

ALFRED E. BACON.

Resolutions Passed at the North England Conf.

Resolution 1.—Consecration.

For the abundant blessings of our heavenly Father during the past conference year, as seen in the preserved lives of the workers, together with the success which has attended their efforts, and the increased missionary activity on the part of our churchmembers coupled with loyalty and faithfulness in tithes and offerings.

We, in conference assembled, do hereby express our sincere gratitude to God and anew dedicate ourselves to the great task committed to us in warning the many millions of souls within our conference territory.

Resolution 2.—Colporteur Work.

Whereas this people have been definitely instructed that the circulation of our books and periodicals is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time, and that the canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls,

Therefore, We recommend that both conference workers and local church leaders in their work among the churches endeavour, by wise and careful selection, to enlist the services of suitable men and women that the word be preached with determined energy through the instrumentality of the printed page.

Resolution 3.—“Present Truth.”

Inasmuch as we know that our pioneer paper, “Present Truth,” has proved itself to be a soul-winning agency, and,

Inasmuch as its effectiveness is greatly increased by systematic endeavour on the part of our churchmembers,

Resolved that we recommend each member to take not less than six copies per issue for systematic circulation.

Resolution 4.—Young People.

Whereas the whole church is under the most solemn obligation to enlist and train all our children for the service of God, therefore

Resolved, that we recommend all conference workers, church elders, and young people's leaders to secure and study the book "Missionary Volunteers and Their Work," which book can be obtained from The Stanborough Press, Ltd., and endeavour to help our young people to enjoy all the benefits of the Young People's Department, both devotional and educational, embracing the "Morning Watch," Reading Course, Bible Year, Standard of Attainment and systematic missionary work.

Resolution 5.—Topical Truth Tracts.

Whereas the great objective of all our missionary activity is the winning of souls, and

Whereas experience has proved that consecrated personal effort with our truth-filled literature is the most effective agency to this end, therefore

Resolved that we plan to make the best possible use of the new Topical Truth Series of tracts by organizing our lay forces for strong systematic work with this literature during the autumn and winter months.

Resolution 6.—Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Whereas the Harvest Ingathering Campaign has proved so great a blessing to the cause both at home and in the mission fields, and

Whereas the need for funds is greater to-day than ever before, therefore

Resolved that we set £2,000 as a financial objective for the North England Conference and seek the co-operation of every churchmember in an endeavour to raise at least 30/- during the six weeks allotted to the Campaign.

Resolution 7.—"Review and Herald."

Realizing the important place filled by the "Review and Herald" in our church life, our family life, as well as in connection with our needs as individual believers, and

Inasmuch as only a very small proportion of our churchmembers are receiving the benefits of this paper, therefore

Resolved that we put forth special efforts to greatly increase the number of subscribers together, and take full advantage of the special offer made by the "Review and Herald" Publishing Association during the month of August.

Resolution 8.—Educational Work.

Inasmuch as the educational work holds a prominent place in the propagation of the third angel's message, and

Inasmuch as the education of our children and young people is of vital spiritual importance in helping to save them to the cause of truth, and

Inasmuch as we must look to our college for future workers in the British Isles,

Recommended that the workers, churches and parents in this time of peril do all they can to encourage our young people to look to our church schools and College for the continuance of their Christian education.

Resolution 9.—Help for Prospective Students.

Inasmuch as many of our students are finding great difficulty in procuring the necessary means to pay for their school expenses, and

Inasmuch as it is our duty as believers and churchmembers to help our young people in every way to help themselves at this time of trying circumstances, therefore

Recommended that our conference leaders, churches, school-board and teaching staff do everything possible to help worthy young people by encouraging them to take advantage of the scholarship plan, and by providing in the school efficient instruction and preparation for their work.

Resolution 10.—Health Work.

Whereas monthly health meetings have proved a valuable means of reaching a very large class of people who are not interested in religious subjects, therefore

Resolved that we recommend to our church missionary leaders the plan of holding a series of monthly health meetings from September to April, and further, that we ask the British Union Conference to arrange for a suggestive programme to be published each month from September to April in the MISSIONARY WORKER, including notes and hints on the most successful ways of conducting such meetings, for the use of those who may be glad of this assistance, and further, that

Whereas the "Good Health" magazine is common ground on which we can meet many who will not respond to Gospel appeals, and who take no interest in religious literature, therefore

Resolved that we encourage our brethren and sisters to canvass faithfully their friends and neighbours with "Good Health," and as confidence is established, that interested readers be invited to take the new series of tracts, "Present Truth," and finally Bible studies, thus giving to the health magazine its rightful place in the church as a soul-winning agency.

Resolution 11.—"Sabbath-School Worker."

Whereas there is need of more efficient teaching in our Sabbath-schools, and

Whereas "The Sabbath-School Worker" and "Teacher's Training Course" have been specially provided to meet this need, we

Recommend that all our teachers and officers avail themselves of these splendid helps to more efficient teaching.

Resolution 12.—Sabbath-School Membership.

Whereas the Sabbath-school is the only service whereat the whole church is privileged to meet together for the systematic study of God's Word, and

Whereas many Sabbath-keepers are not members of the Sabbath-school, therefore

Resolved that we recommend all such to become members.

(a) For personal benefit.

(b) For personal influence.

(c) For benefit to the regions beyond.

Resolution 13.—Sabbath-School Home Department.

Whereas there are members of our church who, for good reasons, do not have the privilege of attending our regularly organized Sabbath-schools, and

Whereas the Home Department has been provided to meet this need, therefore

We recommend that all who are not able to attend become members of the Home Department and so participate in all the blessings of the Sabbath-school.

Resolution 14.—Request to European Division and General Conference.

Inasmuch as it is the earnest desire of the believers of the North England Conference and our people generally in other parts of the British Isles to see the church membership greatly increase, and

Inasmuch as our present situation with its widely scattered constituency, small working force, and lack of adequate means, prohibit concentration of effort for the carrying forward of strong evangelistic work, therefore

We Request the European Division and the General Conference to give us their help in counsel as to the readjustments of conference boundaries, believing that a larger constituency will bring about greater conservation of means, a more constructive policy of work, a less expensive and more effective administration, thus contributing to the much-desired increase in membership.



Constitution

ARTICLE 1.—NAME.

This organization shall be known as the North England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists.

ARTICLE 2.—TERRITORY.

The territory of this conference shall comprise the counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmorland, Durham, York, Lancashire, Cheshire, Stafford, Derby, Nottingham, Lincoln, Rutland, Leicester, Worcester, Warwick, Northampton and the Isle of Man.

ARTICLE 3.—OBJECT.

The object of this conference is to teach the everlasting Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE 4.—MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1.—The membership of the North England Conference shall consist of such Seventh-Day Adventist churches within its territory as are, or may be, properly organized and accepted by vote of the delegates in session.

Section 2.—The delegates of this conference shall be designated as follows:—

(a) Delegates at large.

(b) Regular delegates.

Section 3.—Delegates at large shall be:—

(a) The North England Conference Executive Committee.

(b) Attending members of the General Conference Executive Committee.

(c) Attending members of the European Division Executive Committee.

(d) Attending members of the British Union Conference Executive Committee.

(e) Ordained ministers of the North England Conference.

(f) Secretaries of departments of the North England Conference.

(g) Superintendents of language divisions of the North England Conference.

Section 4.—Regular delegates shall consist of such persons as are duly accredited by the churches comprising the North England Conference.

Section 5.—Each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization, without regard to number, and one additional delegate for each ten members.

Section 6.—The companies of believers within the conference territory shall be represented by the delegates at large.

ARTICLE 5.—OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

Section 1.—The regular officers of this conference shall be . . .

(a) President.

(b) Recording secretary.

(c) Such departmental secretaries as may be necessary to carry forward the work.

(d) Treasurer.

Section 2.—*President.*—The president shall act as chairman of the Executive Committee, and labour in the general interests of the conference as the Executive Committee may advise.

Section 3.—*Recording Secretary.*—It shall be the duty of the recording secretary to keep the minutes of the proceedings of the North England Conference sessions, and the North England Conference Executive Committee; to collect such statistical, and other facts, as may be desired by the conference, or by the Executive Committee, and to perform such other duties as usually pertain to said office.

Section 4.—*Departmental Secretaries.*—It shall be the duty of the secretary in charge of a department to promote the general interests of the work entrusted to his department, to provide such statistical reports as may be required, and to perform all other duties usually pertaining to the office of such departmental secretary.

Section 5.—*Treasurer.*—It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all funds of the North England Conference and disperse them in harmony with the instructions of the Executive Committee of the North England Conference, and to render such financial statements as may be required by the conference, or by the Executive Committee.

Section 6.—*Election of Officers.*—All officers of the conference and members of the Executive Committee shall be chosen by the delegates at the regular annual sessions of the North England Conference, and shall hold their office for the period of one year, or until their successors are elected and appear to enter upon their duties.

ARTICLE 6.—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Section 1.—Each regular session the conference shall elect an Executive Committee to carry on its work between sessions.

Section 2.—The Executive Committee shall consist of seven or more persons, of whom the president, the secretary, and the treasurer shall be members.

Section 3.—The conference shall employ such committees, secretaries, treasurers, agencies, ministers, missionaries and other persons, and make such distribution of labourers as may be necessary to effectively carry on its work.

Section 4.—The conference shall grant credentials, or licence to ministers, missionaries and colporteurs.

ARTICLE 7.—SESSIONS.

Section 1.—This conference shall hold annual sessions at such time and place as the Executive Committee shall designate by notice published in the official organ of the British Union Conference.

Section 2.—The Executive Committee may call special sessions of the North England Conference at such time and place as it deems proper, by a like notice as of regular sessions, and the transactions of such special sessions shall have the same force as those of regular sessions.

ARTICLE 8.—BY-LAWS.

The voters of this conference may enact by-laws, and amend or repeal them at any session thereof, and such by-laws may embrace any provision not inconsistent with the constitution.

ARTICLE 9.—AMENDMENTS.

This constitution, or its by-laws, may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voters present and voting in any session, providing that if it is proposed to amend the constitution at a special session, notice of such purpose shall be given in the call for such special session.

By-Laws

ARTICLE 1.

Section 1.—*Divisions.*—The North England Conference, at the discretion of its Executive Committee, may conduct work in language divisions, each division to operate within specific territory.

Section 2.—*Superintendents.*—Language divisions shall be in charge of superintendents who shall be responsible to the North England Conference Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 2.—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Section 1.—During the intervals between sessions of the North England Conference, the Executive Committee shall have full administrative power, with authority to grant credentials and licences, and to fill for the current term any vacancies that may occur in its offices, committees, or agents, by death, resignation, or otherwise. The Executive Committee shall also have power to withdraw credentials or licences by two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting.

Section 2.—*Regular Meetings.*—Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called at any time by the ranking officer of the conference, and such officer, or any member of the Committee appointed by them shall act as chairman of the meeting.

ARTICLE 3.—DEPARTMENTS.

Section 1.—Departmental secretaries elected by the North England Conference shall work under the direction of the Executive Committee, and shall occupy an advisory relation to the field.

ARTICLE 4.—AUDITORS AND AUDITS.

Section 1.—The Executive Committee shall provide for the auditing of the accounting of the North England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, and of its several departments, in harmony with the denominational practice, not less frequently than once each year, and the auditor shall report upon his audit to the conference Executive Committee, and to the conference at its next session.

Section 2.—The accounting of each of the churches and companies comprising the North England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists shall be audited by the treasurer of the North England Conference (or by his representative) not less frequently than once each year, and the treasurer shall make a report to the superintendent of the language division, of which the church may be a part, and to the North England Conference Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 5.—WAGES AND EXPENSES.

Section 1.—The Executive Committee shall appoint annually four or more persons not in its employ, who with itself, and at least one of the officers of the British Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, shall constitute a committee to audit the expenses accounts of employees, and to fix their wages for the coming year.

Section 2.—The Executive Committee shall have power to make such adjustment of the wage of employees as may from time to time, in its judgment, be necessary.

Section 3.—The compensation of persons who may be temporarily employed in the conference office shall be fixed by the conference treasurer in connection with the Executive Committee.

Section 4.—The wages of persons who may be temporarily employed in any regularly organized department, or language division, shall be fixed by the secretary of the department, or the superintendent of that division, in connection with the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 6.—FUNDS.

Section 1.—The funds of the North England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists shall be as follows:—

(a) The conference shall receive the tithe from the churches, companies, and scattered believers within its territory.

(b) Collections received at evangelistic meetings.

(c) Such appropriations from any source as may be made available for the advancement of any work under its management or supervision.

(d) The income from any enterprise conducted through its departments.

(e) The Conference Committee is authorized to call for donations as may be necessary to carry on its work.

Section 2.—*Trust Funds.*—The conference shall receive donations from churches, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals in trust for denominational work outside of its territory, and shall forward the same, through the British Union Conference treasury, to the European Division, or to the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists.

ARTICLE 7.—APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 1.—Tithe of the Tithe.—This conference shall pay to the British Union Conference a tithe of the tithe.

Section 2.—Sustentation Fund.—This conference shall pay to the European Division Conference, through the British Union Conference treasury, such percentage of its tithe, also such a percentage of its book sales, as shall be agreed upon at a meeting of the European Division Conference Committee, the same to be known as the Sustentation Fund for the support of aged and infirm workers, and for the dependent widows and orphans of workers.

Section 3.—Tithe to Missions.—This conference shall pay such percentage on its tithe to the European Division treasury, through the British Union Conference treasury, to be used for missions as may be agreed upon at a meeting of the European Division Conference Committee.

Section 4.—Appropriations to Labourers.—The Conference Auditing Committee, or the Conference Executive Committee, shall be authorized to make to labourers such appropriations as in their judgment are proper, for the purpose of assisting them in emergencies such as may be occasioned by illness or other un-

usual circumstances, due consideration being given to the need of the individual, length of time and character of service rendered to this cause by the beneficiary.

ARTICLE 8.—BUDGETS AND RESERVES.

Section 1.—The Conference Executive Committee, in council with at least one officer of the British Union Conference, shall prepare annually, not later than December 31st, an operating budget based upon the income and expenditure of the conference for the current year; said budget to include for emergencies a reserve fund not to exceed fifteen per cent of the tithe for the current year, to be held in cash or otherwise readily convertible securities; and for this purpose each secretary administering the affairs of a department, and each superintendent in charge of a division, shall lay before the Executive Committee, not later than December of each year, an estimate of the total income to be received and the expense to be incurred in his department, or division, for the coming year.

Section 2.—The basis for computing per capita apportionments shall be the membership as published in the statistical reports of the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists at the beginning of the previous year.



W. H. Meredith.

WELSH CONFERENCE

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J. H. Parkin.

Annual Meeting

UNDER ideal weather conditions our annual conference session was held in Newport, Mon., from Thursday evening, August 2nd, to the evening of Bank Holiday Monday, August 6th. For most of the meetings on the Sabbath, and during the whole of the Sunday, it was necessary to hire the Park Hall, Hill Street. The rest of the time was spent in our Newport Church Building, kindly placed at the service of the conference. The delegates and friends were also very much indebted to a number of the churchmembers for their excellent catering in the refreshment line at both places. Great credit is due them for the way in which they transformed the stoke hole of the church into a veritable cafe. They are hoping to turn over a nice little sum for the Church Building Fund as a result of their work, despite the low prices of their provisions.

A good representation of the churches by delegates and others, together with the visiting brethren, constituted a happy assembly. Sabbath was the day when the majority were present. By actual count there were 202 (including children) in the Sabbath-school, led by Pastor D. Morrison. A number of others arrived later.

Besides Elder J. E. Jayne and his staff of capable departmental men (including the new principal of the Stanborough College, Brother G. Baird, as Educational Secretary), we were favoured with the services of Elders J. S. James (General Conference), J. Raft and E. Kotz (the two latter attending for the European Division). Although Brother James stands mainly for the Sabbath-school interests as associate secretary of the General Conference Sabbath-School Department, his wide experience enables him to render good service in other lines; and our conference benefited by his services. The conference was opened by him with an appropriate address on the certainty of our belief. Hearts were touched by his sermon on the Sabbath morning, many responding to his appeal for reconsecration, or to stand for prayers on their own behalf or for others in whom they were interested. He spoke particularly of the keeping power of Christ amid these perilous times, and on until Jesus comes. His discourse on the Sunday evening in which he championed Bible Christianity as against the teachings of evolution must have been convincing to the many not of our faith who attended. Besides these services, Brother James gave a couple of interesting lantern lectures on Sabbath-school work and his work as a missionary in India.

The wise counsel of Brother Raft in the course of Bible study and business discussion was much appreciated; as were his kind allusions to the part Wales had played in past efforts on behalf of the world movement. He, by his convincing treatment of the simple text, "Have Faith in God," spoke great encouragement to the hearts of all who heard him.

In a different capacity, Elder Kotz, the genial European Division Home Missionary Secretary, rendered acceptable service. Some of us will not easily forget his study from the book of Ruth, whereby we heard afresh the wooing note of the Lover of souls. We feel sure that Wales will be glad to encourage Brother Kotz by responding to his appeal for a real good Harvest Ingathering again this year.

Though attending the conference in no official capacity, we cannot omit to mention the name of Sister Jayne, the wife of our Union president, who, by her friendly attitude to all, contributed not a little to the good spirit of the gathering. Her kindly association with the people is an effective complement to the helpful presence of Brother Jayne in such gatherings. We were also blessed by the presence and help of Brother E. H. Marsh, representing the Stanborough Press, Limited.

At the first business session the financial statement for the year ended December 31, 1922, was presented and passed.

Some slight changes in the constitution of the conference were made as follows:—

Recommendation 1.

That article IV be entitled *Membership*.

The membership of this conference shall consist of

- (a) Such churches as have been or shall be hereafter organized and accepted by the conference in session.
- (b) Such companies of Sabbath-keepers as may be included in the conference church.

Recommendation 2.

That the numerical order of each article in this Constitution be changed beginning with Article IV. Thus Article IV becomes Article V and so on.

Recommendation 3.

Article V.—Officers.

That we insert the words "or more" in Article V, making it read thus:—

The officers of this conference shall be as follows: President, Secretary and Treasurer, the necessary departmental secretaries, and executive committee of five or more members including the President who acts as chairman.

Recommendation 4.

Article IX.—Sessions.

That the word "biennially" be changed to "annually."

The following resolution, which may vitally concern the future of the Welsh field, was passed after a good deal of earnest discussion :—

Inasmuch as it is the earnest desire of the believers in Wales and our people generally in other parts of the British Isles to see their church membership greatly increased, and

Inasmuch as our present situation with its widely scattered constituency, small working force, and lack of adequate means, prohibits concentration of effort and the carrying forward of strong aggressive evangelistic work, therefore

We Recommend the European Division and General Conference to give us their help in counsel as to the reformation of conference boundaries, with a view to becoming part of a larger and stronger organization, believing that this will bring about greater conservation of means, a more constructive policy of work, and a less expensive and more effective administration, thus leading to the much desired increase in membership.

The other resolutions passed, covering the various branches of the work, were almost identical with those passed at the North England Conference to be found on page 4 of this issue.

No changes were made in the officers of the conference, with the exception that three additions were made to the executive committee. This committee will also carry out the auditing. The names are : W. H. Meredith (chairman), D. Morrison, H. W. Armstrong, J. W. Ford, H. D. Jones, R. Jacques, D. Davies and J. H. Parkin.

The Committee on Nominations and Credentials reported the following, and all were accepted :—

Ministerial Credentials : W. H. Meredith, D. Morrison and H. W. Armstrong.

Missionary Credentials : J. H. Parkin, D. Davies, Miss M. E. Lenanton (Hon.), Miss L. Cooper, Miss I. M. Baldwin and Miss O. C. Davies. Missionary Credentials were also granted to Brethren J. G. Bevan, E. Essery and R. Freeth, without pay.

Missionary Licence : J. Rees, J. Owen, G. Evans, H. Howell, J. G. Bevan, J. G. Freeman, W. H. Woodfield, M. Hussey, R. Brooks, A. W. Fisher, A. L. Morris, Miss A. M. Franklin, Mrs. M. A. Parry, Mrs. A. Llewellyn.

The report of a Welsh conference without a reference to the singing would be strange. An added feature to the usual hearty and expressive singing of this meeting was the rendering of the anthems, "Our God Shall Come" and "When I Survey" by members of the Newport Church, others assisting from other churches, led by our president. Special mention should also be made of the more devotional features of this annual meeting. These—the early morning prayer meetings, the Bible studies and the Sabbath afternoon praise service—were an inspiration amid the busy days, and their impressions will stay long in the minds of those who were privileged to enjoy them.

On the Sabbath afternoon the children of the Newport Church provided a very interesting programme of singing, reciting, etc., on behalf of the Church Building Fund. As the result of a telling appeal by Elder Jayne, they were rewarded by over £10 for the collection taken at the meeting.

Brother W. Hurlow, a south Welshman on furlough from the South African mission field, was welcomed among the delegates at large. His talk in the Sabbath-school in which he drew word pictures, contrasting the conditions of two African native homes, with and without the transforming power of the Gospel, was much appreciated.

W. H. MEREDITH, *President*.

J. H. PARKIN, *Secretary*.

IRISH MISSION

The Way to Victory

When you read this the 1923 Ingathering Campaign on behalf of our home and foreign missions will be in full swing. I want, through the medium of our good church paper, to earnestly invite you to step into the ranks of the great army of

Ingatherers who are busy everywhere collecting funds that our worthy missionaries may be able to hold on, and, still better, take advance moves along their already far flung line and so hasten the finishing of the work of God. Ireland is expected to raise £300 in six weeks. Now I want to give you a few pointers on how this can be done. It certainly can be done and we have great confidence that it will be done. First let every member in our churches at Belfast, Dublin, Banbridge and the Mission Church seek for the willing mind. And we all should have a willing mind in such an exalted work as collecting funds for the advancement and hastening of Christ's kingdom. Furthermore, we are sure all our members at these places are willing, and stand ready to be used in this earnest work. Next study how best you can visit, write, interview or solicit on behalf of funds. Follow the counsel and directions of your band leader loyally. Keep carefully to the territory allotted to you. Report regularly at the weekly missionary meeting. Pray much and use the literature judiciously. Have your canister and collecting card always at hand. Then go in the strength of the Lord and you are on the main highway to victory. "Be not afraid of their faces" was the counsel of an ancient and inspired warrior leader. Then there are our faithful believers in the scattered places of Ireland—Magherafelt and Kilmoyle, and isolated families in Counties Tyrone, Derry, Donegal, Wicklow, Cork, Limerick, Antrim and many other parts. We are so anxious that these may all have a successful part in this good campaign. Don't feel because you are isolated that you cannot have a share in this blessed Christian endeavour which is on now for six weeks. Let this be every believer's slogan, "How much can I gather for the Master in six weeks?" Think about it, ask everybody you meet for a subscription. Don't let anyone off. Be in earnest. Let it be known that the advent message is the greatest thing in this world. If you want more supplies of literature write me at once to the address below or get some from your church campaign leaders. Finally, dear brethren and sisters, *work* for the night is coming when no man can work. Strike right in and get the blessing in service and help one and all to win the victory.

Yours in the service,

F. S. JACKSON.

Killead, Muckamore, Antrim.

College Notes

BEFORE another issue of the WORKER appears in print the College session will have begun. Let all intending students remember that the opening day is Wednesday, September 12th. A good beginning augurs well for the experience on which many will enter for the first time. It is therefore very imperative that all who are planning to attend College this year will be present at the opening exercises.

We are glad to report that through the efforts of Mr. Rigby, the business manager of the College, all preparations are about complete for the opening day. Both old and new students will find a warm welcome awaiting them, and we hope that they will come bringing good cheer and happiness with them to make the College year the best we have known. This coming week will be a busy one for us all. Rather than that any student should be late, let all plan to be at the College by Monday the 10th.

We are looking forward to a good year's work. The prospect of a good attendance is very encouraging. Remember, then, WEDNESDAY, 9 a.m., SEPTEMBER 12th.

G. BAIRD.

Our Church Schools

By the time this reaches you all of our church schools will have resumed their work for the year.

It has been necessary to make some changes in the teachers of our schools, three of them having been called to the African mission fields. The teachers at our various schools are as follows : Miss L. Lewis at Plymouth ; Miss Tapping and Miss W. Willis at Walthamstow ; Miss B. Milne and Miss G. Youlden at Stanborough Park ; Miss R. Raitt at Southend ; and Miss J. Tealby at West London. Let us pray for these

teachers that their work may be a success and that they may be kept in health as they labour for our dear children that come under their care.

A teachers' council was held from Friday, August 31st, to Monday, September 3rd, with all our teachers present and also three prospective teachers. A live interest was shown in the subjects presented and the discussions have proved very helpful to all.

MRS. H. H. HOWARD.

Special!

THE attention of all our South England home missionary secretaries is directed to the new system of reporting the In-gathering. Postcards are *not* supplied as in former years, but blanks are provided in the gummed label book. These should

be filled in *each* Sunday evening and sent to the conference office. Kindly keep this very important matter in mind. Next week we shall issue the first summary of the campaign and will continue them each week until the campaign closes.

Already Portsmouth reports £15, Watford Town £25, and Walthamstow £10. On Sabbath North London was invited to set its goal at £150, but no one would vote for it. £200 was tried and every hand went up with gusto. Their membership is 108, and their enthusiasm is red-hot.

Catch the spirit? South England is going ahead for that goal of £2,750 before October 14th. Why! we did the usual average of 10/- an hour in house-to-house collecting on Sunday and yet some folk say it's getting harder to collect!

S. G. JOYCE.

Canvassers' Book Report for August, 1923

*Scottish Conference

Field Missionary Secretary: F. L. Chapman

Name	Territory	Book	Hrs.	Total Value
Barr, A.	Glasgow	S. to C.	105	6 4 0
Bell, G.	Aberdeen	O.D.	122	14 7 6
Broadfoot, A.	Sutherland	D. & R.	90	21 10 0
Chapman, F.	Dundee	S. to C.	25	3 10 0
Clement, A.	Glasgow	L.B.	21	2 9 0
Howard, H. D.	Strathdon	D. & R.	122	43 7 0
Marsh, A.	Peterhead	O.D.	69	5 17 0
Milne, A.	Pebbles	S. to C.	88	12 10 0
Morrison, W.	Straman	O.D.	32	3 9 0
Samways, W.	Falkirk	S. to C.	25	3 11 0
No. of Agents, 10.		Total.	699	116 14 6

Welsh Conference

Field Missionary Secretary: D. Davies

Name	Territory	Book	Hrs.	Total Value
Brooks, R.	Treforest	O.D.	36	3 7 6
Cox, H.	Newport	S. to C.	22	12 6
Freeman, J. G.	New Quay	O.D.	90	6 16 6
Evans, G.	Llanhedy	"	123	15 6 6
Davies, O.	Cardiff	D. & R.	86	12 7 0
Howell, H. J.	Brecon	S. to C.	113	8 4 2
Jones, H. D.	Rhondda	D. & R.	29	6 19 0
Morris, A. L.	Ynysbwl	O.D.	30	3 18 0
Parry, M. A.	Port Talbot	S. to C.	23	2 14 6
Owen, J.	Ynysboeth	D. & R.	155	27 11 11
Rees, J.	Newport	"	30	15 0
Woodfield, W. H.	Herefordshire	O.D.	170	16 18 1
No. Agents, 12		Total.	907	105 10 8

North England Conference

Field Missionary Secretary: F. L. Chapman

Name	Territory	Book	Hrs.	Total value
Anderson, Miss	Market Harboro'	S. to C.	34	7 0 0
Belton, B.	Huddersfield	"	62	11 11 6
Bolam, J. R. W.	Leeds	"	128	19 12 8
Bolton, P. W.	Bridlington	"	130	12 13 0
Davies, B. H. C.	Bradford	"	60	15 6 0
Essery, E. G.	Thirsk	D. & R.	34	7 2 6
Gallaher, J. C.	Liverpool	"	85	9 11 9
Gregory, W.	Crowle	R.A.	53	11 2 1
Greenhow, J. H.	Blackburn	D. & R.	85	9 8 9
Glenister, A. G.	Leicester	S. to C.	31	1 5 9
Hamblin, Mrs.	Rugeley	S. of H.	51	13 9 2
Hamblin, G.	Barrow-on-Soar	D. & R.	9	13 6
Halstead, E.	Oldham	"	69	32 6 6
Hilton, W.	Hexham	"	132	19 5 6
Himsworth, Miss	Maplethorpe	L.B.	97	10 10 0
Holland, R. H.	Bolton	D. & R.	253	14 8 4
Hulbert, A. E.	Morpeth	"	71	14 7 6
Jacques, E.	Chesefield	"	116	24 14 0
James, W.	Bradford	S. to C.	60	9 0 0
Leck, Miss S.	Blaydon	"	104	5 16 9
Long, W.	Malton	D. & R.	109	11 1 6
Lister, G.	Maplethorpe	L.B.	97	10 10 0
Ludgate, T. K.	Isle of Man	D. & R.	20	2 1 0
Lacey, P.	Laes	O.D.	60	30 11 6
Lacey, A.	Rugeley	"	30	8 0 0
Morley, S.	Isle of Man	D. & R.	27	4 2 0
Munsin, H. K.	Malton	"	40	13 15 6
Pollard, J. H.	Nottingham	"	22	4 0 0
Rowland, W.	Rotherham	"	170	29 8 0
Reeves, C.	Derby	"	25	2 10 0
Slow, W.	Kettering	S. to C.	28	1 11 0
Thorpe, Mrs.	Todmorden	"	10	1 18 6
Young, E. J.	Stourbridge	"	30	2 12 0
Miscellaneous		L.B.	18	3 11 6
No. Agents, 33.		Total.	2305	374 17 9

South England Conference

Field Missionary Secretary: J. S. Newman

Name	Territory	Book	Hrs.	Total Value
Barrett, F.	Truro	D. & R.	139	36 2 0
Benefield, J.	Cirencester	"	133	20 3 4
Bowler, Miss	Lingfield	"	47	3 2 6
Bull, F. E.	Newport	S. to C.	52	8 16 3
Bull, F. W.	Wrascell	L.B.	54	3 18 3
Boxall, H. W.	London	"	112	14 18 4
Cameron, H. A.	Gillingham	L.B.	29	1 19 4
Chappell, Mrs.	Bristol	D. & R.	71	7 10 8
Chappell, W. G.	"	S. to C.	61	5 17 7
Combridge, S.	Diss	D. & R.	70	14 19 6
Combridge, Mrs.	"	L.B.	5	8 11
Dean, J.	Brighton	"	131	11 15 11
Dunn, A.	Southampton	"	22	3 13 0
Hardinge, Miss P.	Potton	"	51	20 10 0
Hall, Miss R.	"	"	64	3 12 2
Howard, J.	Bath	S. to C.	130	9 15 6
Hillary, V.	Portsmouth	D. & R.	87	4 7 6
Hardy, J.	Jersey	"	76	23 3 0
Harris, F.	Portsmouth	"	10	2 3 6
Hastings, Mrs.	Hendon	S. to C.	15	12 8
Kelly, C. L.	Paglesham	D. & R.	66	7 16 0
Kerr, A.	Gravesend	"	20	1 2 0
Johnson, A. C.	Dartmouth	"	"	16 0
MacDonald, Miss	Croydon	"	44	19 0
Nickels, G. D.	Chatteris	"	87	17 17 0
Pearce, G.	Walthamstow	S. to C.	145	7 16 10
Poyser, M.	Richmond	L.B.	14	15 6
Raitt, W. C.	Minehead	O.D.	106	11 18 0
Sully, Mrs.	Salisbury	D. & R.	20	2 1 8
Talley, Miss	Penzance	"	106	19 16 2
Toogood, H.	Wareham	S. to C.	31	5 9 0
Vince, A. D.	Westcliff	"	15	2 3 6
Watson, L.	"	"	50	5 10 4
Whaley, S.	Southampton	"	105	4 11 0
Watts, Miss	Bristol	"	45	3 10 0
Winkworth, A. E.	Bridge	D. & R.	32	1 0 0
Wright, Miss	Fareham	"	162	21 17 6
No. of Agents, 37.		Total.	2407	312 9 5
Grand Totals, 92.			6318	909 12 4

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THE EDITOR'S PAGE.

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It is a long time since the political sky was as dark as it is to-day. An event similar to that which set the whole world ablaze in 1914 has taken place on the Albanian frontier, Italian officers having been massacred by Greeks. Already retaliatory acts of war have been committed by Italian naval units and public feeling in Greece is intense. The matter is in the hands of the League of Nations, but whether that body can avert the threatened conflict is exceedingly doubtful. God's people should earnestly pray that the winds of strife may be held.

THE serious conditions on the continent and the very strained relations between some of the most important nations should teach us all to value more highly the "little time of peace" we are now enjoying, and to put it to the best possible use.

ALL of which bears directly upon the great task of the moment—the raising of £6,000 in six weeks to keep our missionaries in the field for 1924. How is the battle going? We at head-quarters anxiously await news of the first day's results. Let all work as though this were to be the last campaign in a time of peace.

IN the next issue we hope to be able to give the first figures of the funds gathered. We should also like to give a selection of "best experiences" while collecting the money. What has been *your* best experience this year? Write it up *briefly* and send it in to us by September 13th.

OUR next issue will also contain certain information of particular interest to our colporteurs. Now that the country territory is almost completed we must perforce face the problem of the cities. City canvassing will therefore be the main theme of the next MISSIONARY WORKER. Those who are at the present time doing successful work in cities are being asked to tell their methods for the benefit of others. If *you* have succeeded in selling books in cities write and tell us about it. If you are doing it now, then your testimony is particularly desired.

THE Stanborough Park Church School reopened Monday, September 3rd, at 9 a.m. There were forty-two children present together with a number of parents and friends. Elder Jayne, Brother Baird and others gave short addresses to the children and it is to be hoped all this good counsel will not soon be forgotten. The school building has been re-decorated inside and is now in good condition for another year's work. So popular has this school become that twenty-three of the pupils this term will be from non-Adventist homes. Three are the children of teachers in other schools who want their little ones to get a Christian education.

MAY we remind our young people once more that College opens on September 12th? If you haven't yet decided to come there is still time to make up your mind. You will never regret the investment of money and time in an education at Stanborough College. If you ever expect to become a strong trained worker in the cause of God you will have to go there sometime. So why not now? Where there's a will there's a way.

By the way, we would like to call attention to the advertisement on this page offering employment to a willing young man who would like to become a student. It is a fine opportunity for somebody.

ALTHOUGH Brother Langford has cabled that he is unable to take up the position of Bible teacher at the College this year, someone else has been found to fill the position. His name, which will doubtless be a pleasant surprise to everyone, is — in the next issue.

BROTHER GEO. KING, the F.M.S. of the North England Conference, has accepted a call to West Africa, and will spend the next three months in Livingstone College. Brother F. L. Chapman is filling the vacancy in the field missionary work in North England in addition to his similar duties in Scotland.

FULL reports of the recent sessions of the North England and Welsh Conferences will be found in this issue. To save space we have only inserted the resolutions of one conference, these being practically the same as those passed at all other meetings.

WE would call attention to the special Missions number of "Present Truth" (No. 20) which is now almost ready for despatch. Here is another campaign asset. Churches located in towns where the solicitation of funds is forbidden should take advantage of this "special," selling the papers and turning the profits to the Ingathering fund. Over £4 can be realized on the sale of one thousand copies.

ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED —Post as clerk where Sabbath can be kept. Six years' experience. Apply: Miss G. Butcher, 36 Stanhope Street, Long Eaton, Derbyshire.

FOR SALE.—Foster's flat knitting machine; new. For particulars please write: Miss B. Roll, 2 Sylvester Road, Walthamstow, London, E.17.

A YOUNG man desires employment (close to Birmingham if possible) where Sabbath can be kept. Willing to work in any capacity. Apply: J. Waterhouse, 107 Station Road, Langley Green, nr. Birmingham.

MARRIED man seeks situation where Sabbath can be kept, in any district. Experience—12 years' clerical, 3½ years' insurance, Good salesman, canvasser and collector; fluent French linguist, in possession of L.C.C. certificates. Berth as traveller, interpreter or attendant not objected to. Experienced also in nursing and first aid work. Apply: A. de Carteret, 1 Beauchamp Road, Bishopston, Bristol.

SHORTHAND-TYPIST and book-keeper requires situation where Sabbath can be kept. Apply: Miss A. M. Beazley, 3 The Elms, Stafford Road, Bushbury, Wolverhampton.

WANTED.—A strong willing young man to work for his board and room while attending the College; one with a knowledge of gardening preferred. Write to Dr. Hayton, The Lawn, Clarendon Road, Watford, Herts.

To S.D.A.'s requiring printing.—Bill-heads, 1,000 4/9; 5,000 15/6; handbills, etc., equally as cheap; samples free. Apply: Electric Press, Bentham, Lancaster.

WANTED.—Two unfurnished rooms in London, near the city. Write: Mrs. Cawthorne, 90 Riversdale Road, Highbury, London, N.5.

SUNSET CALENDAR.

	LONDON	CARDIFF	EDINBURGH
September 7th	7.36	7.48	7.55
September 14th	7.20	7.32	7.37