

# The MISSIONARY WORKER

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PASTOR W. MAUDSLEY,  
conducting an effort at  
Wimbledon with at-  
tendances ranging from  
900-1,500

## The Great Evangelical Campaign

*How all may help*

By J. Harker



PASTOR L. W. BARRAS,  
conducting an effort in  
North London with at-  
tendances of from  
1,800-2,600

At the present time there are at least a dozen public efforts in progress throughout the Union, and thousands of souls are week by week coming under the influence of God's closing message. At some of these meetings the numbers attending and the interest manifested are such as we have not witnessed before in this country. This is particularly true of the London meetings. We believe, in every effort, both large and small, the Spirit of God and holy angels are not only looking on with interest, but working with intensity that the cause of truth may win its way and triumph ere the close of probation.

But how only can the best results be secured? In what way can the entire churchmembership co-operate with heavenly agencies in this organized effort to reach the millions in Great Britain? What kind of help would the evangelists themselves, and their co-workers, appreciate most? There can be only one answer to these questions. The apostle Paul provides it in his closing request to the believers at Rome. "Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers." Rom. 15:30.



PASTOR E. E. CRAVEN,  
conducting an effort at  
Leeds with attendanc-  
es of from 500-700

Here is a way in which all may co-operate. Here is missionary work of the highest order. Paul well knew its value. He recognized that the united intercession of God's people was an important factor in all his deliverances and in the advancement of the Gospel committed to him. 2 Cor. 1:8-11.

Such intercession is needed to-day, both in our family devotions and in church worship. We need money and we need workers, but we need prayer more.

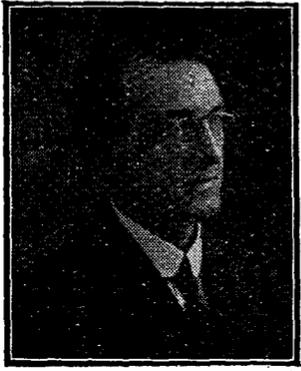
Dr. John R. Mott says: "The evangelization of the world is not primarily a matter of members, wealth, knowledge and strategy, but of the unhindered working of the Spirit of God. Such divine manifestation has been associated invariably with prayer."

The following from Sister White, written at the time of her visit to Europe, is also to the point:

"There are those in the church who have with open hand and heart come forward to the work hitherto, and they will not be behind now. We have confidence in their integrity. But the offerings of the church have been in many instances more numerous than her prayers. The missionary movement is far in advance of the missionary spirit. Earnest prayers have not, like sharp sickles, followed the workers into the harvest field. . . . This is the ground of our difficulties; this is the reason for the pressure for means. The people must be called to reflection. There must be a spiritual awakening. They must have a personal interest, a burden of soul, to watch and pray for the success of the work. Let everyone who gives his means also send up his prayers daily that it may bring souls to the foot of the cross. In every church there should be stated seasons for united prayer for the advancement of the work. Let all be united,



PASTOR T. H. COOPER,  
conducting an effort at  
Bath



Pastors A. K. Armstrong and F. C. Bailey (right), conducting an effort at Birmingham with attendances of 250.



Left: Pastor R. Mussen conducting an effort at Glasgow with attendances of 200.



Right: Pastor E. R. Elias conducting an effort at Glasgow with attendances of 150-200.

having a specific object for their faith and entreaties. Brethren, move high heaven with your prayers for God to work with the efforts of His servants."

Let us see to it that as our means are being expended in an attempt to reach lost souls, our prayers accompany what has been given, that the efforts put forth may be abundantly fruitful. Watch the reports and keep in mind the towns where efforts are being held. Pray for every evangelist and his workers. Pray also for the presidents and the committees that they may be guided in wisdom, as they seek to plan for the work, for "only the work accomplished with much prayer, and sanctified by the merit of Christ, will in the end prove to have been efficient for good."—*"Desire of Ages,"* p. 362.



### North London on Fire!

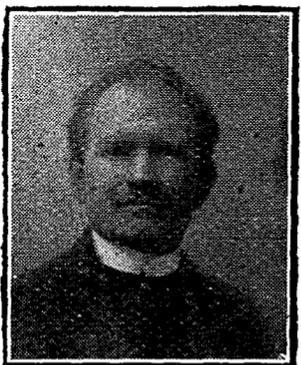
EIGHT weeks have gone! Eight weeks of startling revelations that have made history for evangelism in these Isles. Our first night attendance on February 3rd of 2,500 has been eclipsed and many poor, hungry souls have repeatedly been turned away because the cinema could not hold the thousands that came.

On Sunday, March 16th, Pastor Barras told his vast audience the story of the Sabbath and how the Papacy had accomplished the change in the "times and laws." Every loyal Seventh-Day Adventist raised his hat to the man who stood before that vast assembly and boldly proclaimed the God-given message. The audience was spell-bound. A deadly silence filled the huge hall as head after head nodded an acknowledgment of the truth spoken. This is how one newspaper viewed the proceedings. It is but the first paragraph from a long column that repeated the story of the "Change of the Sabbath."

### "Pastor Barras at Finsbury Park"

"Pastor Barras is evidently much appreciated by the people of Islington, for his meeting last Sunday night, at the Finsbury Park Cinema, saw the hall packed to its utmost capacity, many people having to stand throughout the service.

"His address was entitled, '£200 Reward for a Missing Bible Text,' and he remarked that it had drawn very big crowds when he was in Scotland. (Laughter.)" — *"Holloway Press,"* March 22nd.



Pastor D. Morrison conducting an effort at Plymouth.

On Sabbath, March 22nd, we held our first Sabbath meeting, and in spite of the 'bus and tram strike that was paralyzing London's traffic at that time over 400 were in attendance. But for the strike the hall secured for the service would never



Pastor J. E. Bell conducting an effort at Hull

have accommodated the eager crowd. The strike has not even affected our Sunday meeting to any appreciable extent, over 2,200 being present on March 23rd. Many walked long distances rather than miss one meeting and this after they had heard the Sabbath truth. Surely God's hand is in this thing.

Our collections for the eight weeks amount to £140!—over £17 per Sunday night!

The reception given to the workers as they go from door to door visiting the 1,600 addresses—not merely names—speaks well for a rich harvest of souls.

Pastor Barras is being swamped with letters from interested ones that speak of the blessings received and tendering their heartfelt thanks. He has told me personally that during his whole experience he has never received so many letters as are coming to him to-day. God has given His servant the gift of an evangelist, He has given him a personality that sways crowds and taught him how to advertise, but above all, He has given him a message that is full of a "wonder-working power" and spells life to all who take heed. One family of four told us this week that if there is not a church in North London they will walk all the way to Walthamstow to hear Mr. Barras.

The abundant success of this effort has effectively put to flight the critic, shut the mouth of the sceptic, and put new life and hope into God's people. God grant that the inspiration will spread, that the fire that has been kindled will give vision and courage to all of God's workers in Great Britain so that this triumphant, glorious success will be but the beginning of bigger things for God in this land we love so well.

S. G. JOYCE, *Organising Secretary.*



### Mission Offerings

EUROPE has just passed through a year filled with great perplexities and financial difficulties. It has witnessed a fall in some of the currencies such as has never been seen before. The money in several countries became nearly worthless. But the Lord has

blessed His people in a wonderful manner so that even in spite of such hardships, they were able to give more to missions than in previous years. The following figures represent the mission offerings figured in dollars for each union for the year 1923 as compared with 1922:—



Pastor F. S. Jackson conducting an effort at Belfast

	1922	1923
British Union .....	\$63,308.94	\$59,131.03
Central European Union .....	12,885.28	20,985.99
East German Union .....	4,952.94	15,160.18
West German Union .....	8,131.26	14,538.54
Latin Union .....	37,065.07	30,481.69
Scandinavian Union .....	50,677.01	60,539.29
Polish Union .....	139.93	1,093.36
Czechoslovakian Union .....	3,856.84	6,905.76
Rumanian Union .....	3,268.05	5,047.73
Baltic Union (organized Oct. 1923) ...		2,709.13
Hungarian Conference .....	754.20	1,505.23
Jugoslavian Mission .....	589.27	1,138.73
Bulgarian Mission .....		535.78
Turkish Mission .....		170.73
Levant Union (dissolyed Jan. 1923) ...	508.87	
	<u>\$186,137.66</u>	<u>\$219,943.17</u>

It will be noticed that the increase during 1923 was \$33,805.57. Especially remarkable is the increase in the German Unions. While our brethren and sisters in those unions passed through the most severe hardships, thousands not having enough even for the barest necessities of life, these fields doubled their gifts for missions during 1923. Others also

show a large increase. The decrease in some of the fields may be ascribed to the heavy depreciation in the industries in those countries, where hundreds of thousands have been out of employment. In the figures printed above are included all offerings for missions, also the Harvest Ingathering collection which in 1922 amounted to \$67,884.77 and in 1923 to \$77,781.35.

The need for funds in 1924 is larger than at any time before. From many lands calls continue to come for missionaries and teachers. This is also true with regard to the large territory belonging to the European Division, both in Africa and Asia, not speaking of the many needy fields in Europe itself. All these calls from those benighted people should be answered quickly. But this will require that the offerings for missions should be increased still more during this year than in 1923. May the Lord bless His people in the European Division with regard to this also.

CHR. PEDERSEN.

Berne, Switzerland.

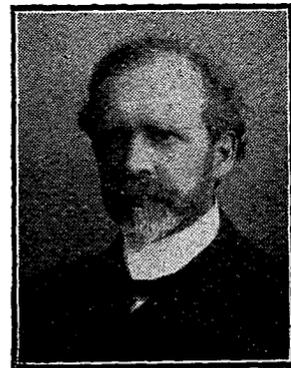


Alfred E. Bacon.

## NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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A. S. Rodd.

### Annual Meeting

As already announced, our annual meeting will be held in Sheffield, in the Institute in Norton Lees Road, Meersbrook, from Thursday evening, April 17th, to Monday night, the 21st, with the exception of Sunday, when the services will be held in the Vestry Hall, Meersbrook. As we have pointed out in our previous communication, we are hoping to see a large number of our members present at this very important gathering of the people of God. Coming at a holiday time it will enable a large proportion of our members to avail themselves of this blessed privilege. May I impress upon you the importance of being present for the opening service on Thursday night, the 17th. Remember, Friday is "Good Friday," and the trains will only run as on Sundays. Come for the opening service and remain until we close on Monday night, April 21st.

Pastor W. A. Hall will be in charge of the apartments, and will be assisted by Brother and Sister Coppock. It would be well for all who are planning to attend to write Brother Hall in good time, stating exactly what they require in the way of accommodation, and I am sure that he and his assistants will do their best to find, as near as it is possible, just what you may require. Send to him, c/o Mrs. Abson, 5 Upper Albert Road, Meersbrook, Sheffield.

In all probability, some arrangements may be made for the sale of a few health foods and other uncooked cereals, with possibly hot drinks. Apart from this, all will be left to make their own arrangements for meals.

Those attending the conference, upon arrival, should take the Woodseats car, which runs close to

the Victoria Station, Great Central Railway, and passes the Midland Station. Get off at Derbyshire Lane, and walk up the hill to Cliffe Hall, our usual meeting-place, which is at the top on the right-hand side. Brother Hall and his assistants will be there with the list of apartments.

Kindly remember the matter of the appointing of the delegates from the various churches, and please do not fail to let us have your lists not later than the 10th of April. They should be sent to the secretary, Brother W. G. Baldry, 22 Zulla Road, Nottingham.

We shall endeavour to make arrangements for the ordinances for the isolated members, and should be glad to know of any who desire baptism, as we must know about this in order to make the necessary provision.

We are glad to say just a word concerning our aggressive efforts. In Birmingham the attendance, so far, has not been all that we would desire, but we have in the neighbourhood of 200 names and addresses for literature and visitation, and are quite hopeful of seeing a further increase in the attendance at the meetings. In Leeds the attendances have been better, in the neighbourhood of 700; and here a good number of names and addresses have been secured. In Hull the attendance has not been as large as at Leeds; perhaps about as large as that of Birmingham; but in all these places souls are deeply interested in the truth, and we invite you to pray that God will give wisdom to our workers, that they may, under His blessing, gather in a goodly harvest of souls from the efforts that are being made to strengthen and build up the work in this northern field.

Looking forward to meeting a large number of our members at the forthcoming conference, and assuring you that we shall unite our prayers with yours that it may prove to be a time of real spiritual uplift and blessing to our work throughout the whole field,

Sincerely your brother in the "blessed hope,"

ALFRED E. BACON.

### M.V. Day at Langley

A PHOTOGRAPH was mentally taken of the above service, the negative has been developed and the following is a true picture. The chair was occupied by Brother Normansell of the Handsworth Church, his very choice words of comment upon the various items adding much to the success of the meeting. After the usual opening exercises a real treat was given in the Picture Roll exercise sweetly rendered by four children. Following the recitation, "The School of Life," a solo was rendered. Then came the five-minute Bible addresses, ably conducted by three young ladies, upon "The Purpose of the Youth," namely, their salvation, God's ideal for young people, and their service. This was followed by the rendering of a quartette, "Will the circle be unbroken?" after which five-minute talks were given by two young men. All subjects were intensely interesting and contained many lessons to inspire us to greater Christian service. Four young people then gave a dialogue, "Why I Attend the Young People's Society," composed by one of the young people for the occasion. Thanks to the faithful work of our young people, together with the manifest presence of God, our Missionary Volunteer Day was a great success. The Langley Missionary Volunteers are not waiting for greater opportunities but seizing those of to-day and making them great. May God continue to use us in His service until His work is finished and we are gathered home.

G. WATERHOUSE, *Society Leader.*



## Church School Department

ON Sabbath, March 15th, a very interesting and instructive programme was given by members of the Southend Church and the children of their church school. The topics in the programme varied considerably but all set forth the importance of Christian education and its part in the work of the church.

The first number on the programme was a paper by Sister Squires, setting forth the reasons why we as a people should educate our children in our own schools. This was an excellent paper and all enjoyed it very much. Five children then sang a song entitled R-I-G-H-T, each child having a letter and presenting it at the proper time so as to spell the word. Two of the older girls recited appropriate selections, one being "The Church and the World." Another excellent paper was "Christian Education," by Miss Ruth Raitt. It clearly set forth the difference between the true education and the false of to-day.

Brother Bird told what the church school had meant to him. It was the Christ-like life manifested in his teacher and that same spirit in the school that helped him to decide for the right and live a life in the service of Christ for the saving of humanity. The first work of the church is to educate its children and youth.

Our educational secretary for South England was present and told of the need and importance of this work and how it is advancing in our field. There is need of many more schools and we believe that other churches will soon be calling for Christian teachers to train their children. At the close all showed their deep interest in this work and their willingness to support it by a liberal offering. Brother Vince closed with an earnest prayer that God would advance this work, so that when the faithful are gathered home we shall have all the children in.

### Pedagogical Pebbles - By Uncle Radio

(Continued.)

No. 5.—"Children should be taught to name the sum of any two numbers at sight. There is no more excuse for counting numbers together than there is for spelling the letters of a syllable together. To find the sum of two small numbers requires but one mental act."

No. 6.—"There are at least two things no teacher can do: no teacher can teach an inattentive pupil; no teacher can teach what he does not know. Getting along in school work requires attention on the part of the pupil and competency on the part of the teacher. If either is wanting, the school is a failure."

No. 7.—"The greater the cripple, the greater the need of crutches; the more incompetent the teacher, the greater his need for text-books—for particular text-books. A teacher should know the subject rather than what a particular author has said about it. If a teacher knows only what one author has written on a subject, his knowledge of that subject is scanty indeed. Inspiring and courageous teaching comes from conscious knowledge of the subject taught. Unconscious incompetency is the mother of a majority of the school-room failures."

No. 8.—"Teachers must govern as well as teach. A school without order is a school without purpose. Order invites the mind to work; disorder prevents it from working. Quiet induces study; noise prevents study. The tact which governs is as essential as the ability which instructs. In many schools the discipline is so spasmodic, the instruction so indefinite, the attention of the pupils so irregular, that but little progress is possible. That the pupils make any advancement is a compliment to human nature."

No. 9.—"The most impressible period of a child's school life is spent in the primary grades. Easy and careless teaching during that period is intellectually destructive. If a pupil does not acquire correct reading habits in the first four grades, the chances are that he will never acquire them. If he does not learn to do the work of the fundamental rules in arithmetic in accordance with the established laws of mind and facts of number, the chances are that he will hesitate and blunder in the merely mechanical work of arithmetic throughout life. The place for the most exact teaching is in the first four grades."

MRS. H. H. HOWARD.

# ICELAND—By Pastor W. E. Read



FOLLOWING the Summer Council of the European Division Committee at Zürich last August, I left for a visit to the Faroe Islands and Iceland. Up to the commencement of last year these mission fields were cared for by the Scandinavian Union, but in harmony with the recommendations made during 1922 the mission fields under the supervision of the different union conferences came directly under the care of the Division. This plan came into operation January 1, 1922.

Being off the main line of travel, and postal and traffic communication with these far-off fields being somewhat infrequent, it is possible to visit them only once about every two years.

At Leith I embarked on a small vessel named the "Sleipler." Here I met Brother Wasli who had crossed over on the same steamer from Copenhagen. He is chaplain of the Skodsborg Sanitarium and we travelled together as far as the Faroes. His services were really invaluable, for without his kindly mediation it would have been impossible for me, with my English tongue, to have made myself understood to our loyal believers in these islands who speak the Danish language. In about thirty-six hours we caught the first glimpse of these volcanic islands. Viewed from the sea they wear a very forbidding aspect. Their rugged, precipitous cliffs tower up into the sky from one to three thousand feet in height and swift currents race through the various sounds which separate island from island. After spending eight days with our believers in their island home I went on to Iceland alone. This took about three days on a Danish steamer named "Island." Just before reaching Iceland, about twelve hours' journey from Reykjavik, the capital, is a group of volcanic rocks called the Westmans. Altogether there are seventeen islands in this group, but only one is inhabited. Here about three thousand people make their homes. Elder O. J. Olsen, who has been living here for some months carrying forward aggressive evangelical work, joined the steamer here and we travelled together to Iceland's capital.

Iceland is about 800 miles to the north-west of Leith. It is about 160 miles from "Greenland's icy mountains," and has an area of about forty-two thousand square miles. It is really about ten thousand square miles larger than Ireland. There is a population of about ninety-five thousand, but the people live mainly on the coast, the majority dwelling on the western side of the island. Large sections of the island are uninhabited. Over five thousand miles are covered with ice. These are glacial fields of considerable age. Another area of five thousand square miles is covered with lava and presents a very weird, desolate appearance. Large sections of the interior until very recently were absolutely unknown. During the last few years careful surveys have been made all over the island. Here in these uninhabited parts is to be found hardly anything but desert land with occasional patches of rough grass growing here and there. Writing of these extensive lava fields one author says:—

"It is a tolerably level plateau ranging between 1,300 and

3,500 feet in average altitude, and constituting a gigantic waste—vast lava fields and ice plains, tumbling seas of boulders, ice-clad volcanoes of exceptional dimensions, which burst into eruption with incalculable caprice and appalling violence—the whole swept by frequent storms of sand or snow, and often shrouded for days together in the chilliest of cold mists. To one standing on the top of . . . one of the most extensive lava fields in Iceland, the view is 'the weirdness of desolation itself.' As far as the eye can see, the surface of the earth resembles a gigantic, stiffened corpse petrified, black as the night. The only breaks in the grim monotony are a few scattered, reddish mounds of slag, brown hills of turf, and snowdrifts. . . . Nowhere a vestige of life. An oppressive silence weighs upon the entire landscape." *"Europe," Vol. II, pp. 713-720.*

Some areas, however, are tracts of lowland and here the population is principally concentrated. These are to be found in the extreme south-west and west. Here will be seen a good deal of grass land which enables the people to feed their sheep, their ponies and their cows. One cannot help but notice the absence of trees, although bushes are to be seen here and there.

The northern promontories of the island cut into the Arctic Circle and so one can readily imagine that the Icelanders are not blessed with the most salubrious climate. They have a good deal of damp, raw, cold weather. The temperature is very variable. They are visited quite frequently with fog, rain, snow and bitter Arctic winds. Were it not for the fact that a branch of the Gulf Stream washes the western and southern shores, the island would no doubt be ice-bound for a large portion of the year.

The Icelanders are a very interesting and pleasant people. They come from no mean stock. Their ancestors were chiefly Norwegian Vikings, hence they are from the Norse aristocracy. These men were no savage or servile race. They were lovers of liberty. Just after Iceland was discovered, in the year 870, they fled from Norway, anxious to be free from the oppressive rule of Harold Fair Hair. He planned on levying a heavy taxation but these Northmen rebelled and, seeking a freer life, emigrated to Iceland. They were men of wealth and men of letters and so it is not surprising to find that the Icelanders have a very old literature. Lord Dufferin in his "Letters from High Latitudes," says that "the Icelandic settlers, devoting the long measure of their winter nights to intellectual occupations, became the first of any European nation to create for themselves a native literature. . . . Almost all the ancient Scandinavian manuscripts are Icelandic, the negotiations between the courts of the north being conducted by Icelandic diplomatists."

Their language, with certain modification, is as that spoken by the Vikings of bygone days. Being largely isolated for so many centuries, they have preserved their language almost in its original form. It is no doubt the parent of the Scandinavian languages of to-day.

The only town of any size is Reykjavik, the capital. This has a population of about 17,000 people. Then comes a town in the Westman Islands which has a population of about 3,000. Smaller towns and villages are to be found around the coast, the inhabitants in the main being sheltered by the snow-clad mountains and the various fiords with which the island is indented.

The main industry is fishing and quite a large

export trade in dried fish is carried on with various countries in Europe. Many engage in raising sheep and besides the export of wool they are now experimenting with the export of mutton to Scotland. Hardly any cereals are grown on the island. Apart from fish, mutton, dairy products and a few vegetables, practically everything has to be imported. This makes the cost of living somewhat expensive.

Religiously the people are, in the main, adherents of the Lutheran Church. There are, however, some Roman Catholics on the island, but they are comparatively few in number. There are very few other denominations represented. In Reykjavik there are a few members of the Salvation Army and here and there scattered members of the Brethren. There are, however, about 200 believers in the advent message. Most of these are to be found in Reykjavik, although there are one or two little companies in other parts. Several are isolated and live in remote places either on the north or south-east, which are somewhat difficult of access.

Our conference session was held at Reykjavik and lasted for five days. A few brethren and sisters came from distant parts of the island, but the majority in attendance were from the capital city. The membership of the mission at the present time is 176, but this will be increased in the near future, as quite a number of people are awaiting baptism. The conference session was a time of real blessing to all our people. At the Sabbath services the Lord came especially near to us all and many of our members stepped out into a fuller and deeper experience in the things of God. Many sought and found victory and at the afternoon service when opportunity was given for personal testimonies our believers took advantage of this to give expression to their new-found experiences. While the conference lasted only five days we had meetings almost every night we were there. Many not of our faith came to these special meetings and manifested a keen interest in the message presented. There are splendid prospects in Reykjavik for a good ingathering of souls. An effort conducted there at this time would doubtless result in quite a number embracing the third angel's message. Our church building, however, is already crowded to its utmost capacity, and there is great need of a larger place of worship. If many more should identify themselves with us at this time there would be real difficulty in finding room to accommodate them. Our brethren there realize this and so are asking for help to put up a larger building. They have a splendid piece of ground which was purchased at a very low figure. For the past year they have been very busy gathering in funds in various ways to aid in the erection of a new structure. They already have over ten thousand Icelandic kroner. Our brethren in Scandinavia have very kindly offered to help them and so in the near future we expect to see a new church building erected in the capital city of this northern island.

*(Concluded in next issue.)*

Where to stay in London.—“Restholme,” 31 Lorne Road, Finsbury Park, London, N.

WANTED.—By young couple, general housemaid. No children; good home. Write: M. Coller, 19 Chardmon Road, Stamford Hill, London, N.

BOOK-KEEPER wanted at once—must be quick and accurate at figures, and able to use typewriter. Age 17–21. Write for application form to the Manager, International Health Association, Ltd., Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts.

## A Word to Our Bookmen

Dear Fellow-Labourers:—

WORD has already reached each of you regarding the decision to maintain the present price on “Daniel and the Revelation” while present difficult and trying conditions obtain in our field.

Now I believe I can count on each one of you to manifest your gratitude in the following manner:—

First, by working to the limit of your ability now that the better weather and longer days are ours in which to work.

Second, while soliciting orders for “Daniel and the Revelation” (the book used of God to bring to a saving knowledge of the truth more people than any other book printed by Seventh-Day Adventists) that you put your whole soul into the exhibition of it. And having created the desire that has secured the order let it be in the very best binding the prospect can afford.

Of course, you won't introduce the plain style until you are positive that you cannot possibly get any better in! Even then I would make it very plain to the prospect that the publishers are making a great sacrifice in putting the plain style on the market at 7/6. This book is truly worth more than its weight in gold. We cannot speak too highly of its merits.

Now for a long and vigorous pull until we get every copy of “Daniel and the Revelation” off the shelves at the Stanborough Press and into our good British homes.

S. JOYCE.



## Pontypridd Young People's Society

ON Sabbath afternoon, March 15th, we held the Missionary Volunteer Day. The young people carried out the entire programme; the Scripture reading was read by our organist, E. Hale, from Eccles. 12:1–14. Prayer was offered by one of our elder brethren and the Bible study, “God's Purpose for Our Youth,” was conducted by Brother Jackie Cannon. Alec Wright gave the reading, “Fixing the Destiny in Youth,” and four of our youngest members recited “Unpedigreed Children.” Then followed a solo and chorus—“We should be like Gardens”—by Stanley Cannon. “A Christian Purpose” was read by Arthur Hale, then the meeting closed with the benediction. We felt that the Spirit of the Master was with us and hope that good results will follow.

W. A. WRIGHT.



## A Request to Parents and Young People

THE Young People's and Educational Departments have felt for some time now the need of up-to-date information relative to the young people and children associated with our churches. In order to provide this and so facilitate the work of these departments, the Union Committee has authorized the securing of a census of all between the ages of 7 and 25. The census forms will be distributed in the course of a few days, and we sincerely hope that parents, guardians and young people will give hearty co-operation in this matter so as to make the returns as complete as possible.

J. HARKER.



IMPORTANT REQUEST TO CONFERENCE WORKERS.—The editor is most anxious to obtain the photograph of every conference worker in the British Union. If you are a worker and have not yet sent in your picture, please despatch it without delay.

## Circulation Department Notes

It will come as a shock to many of the friends of "Present Truth" to learn that not one issue of the paper for this year has equalled in circulation the number published for the corresponding period of last year. When it is remembered that at all our local conference meetings last year there was enthusiastic support of the proposal that each member should use six copies of the paper for missionary purposes, we wonder if many have not forgotten the resolution.

Whether or not this is the case, "Present Truth" No. 8 affords an excellent opportunity to renew our interest in the spiritual welfare of our neighbours. It is seldom that two such beautiful Bible pictures appear in one number as those on pages one, eight and nine. These are masterpieces that cannot fail to arrest attention. Pastor H. F. De'Ath's sermon on the resurrection and the article by Brother S. J. Wolfe, entitled, "The Secret of Life," will bring hope and enlightenment to all who have the chance to read these articles.

"The Cares of This Life" should be read by all who are too much concerned with the things of this world; and you can find them all around you. Then in the Home Department there is a remarkable story on "The Power of Prayer" by Elder W. A. Spicer, president of the General Conference. What a blessing would come to many a prayerless soul if the reading of this story should establish the prayer habit. It certainly will increase one's faith in the power of prayer.

There are other good articles in this number. Why not ask your Tract Society secretary to supply you with a few copies of this issue and begin a regular missionary effort with the determination that with God's help you will win your 1924 member through the medium of "Present Truth."

WHILE we very much regret our inability to fill all orders for second quarter junior Sabbath-school lesson pamphlets, the increasing demand is a healthy indication. We shall be glad to receive a few copies from those who can spare them. It may be that there are some who will be willing to share their copies with those who have none.

In consequence of the shortage on the fourth quarter of last year we increased our order for the first quarter of this year, but now again a number of churches have been disappointed. If we do not receive any pamphlets in response to this request we will understand that all copies ordered are required and in making up our order for the third quarter we will simply add to our present order the number that we have been unable to supply. It should be understood that we cannot order more than are actually required without incurring loss. Neither can we re-order as it takes eight weeks to get supplies from the Canal Zone whence the junior lesson pamphlets come.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

## At Rest

CASH—On Wednesday, March 12th, we laid to rest in the Western Cemetery, Hull, our dear friend Brother Cash, who passed away in his fifty-third year. Our brother had known the truth for many years and had given three daughters to the work but did not make the full surrender himself until a few weeks before his death. This was his one regret. His patience and

courage during his trying illness were a source of wonder and encouragement to all who had the privilege of visiting him. A wife, four daughters, and one son (all in the truth) are left to mourn, but not as those who have no hope. J. E. BELL.

WOODHEAD.—It is with deep regret that we announce the sudden death of our dear Sister L. Woodhead, who passed away in her sleep on March 9th at the age of 71. Our sister accepted the third angel's message under Pastor Maudsley's effort during a visit to Southport some eight years ago. Some little time after she joined the Bradford company. She was a faithful member with a good Christian experience. Since the organization of the Bradford Church she has been one of the deaconesses. Before accepting the message she was a member and worker of the Church of England and up to the last worked among them with our literature and collected for the Harvest Ingathering. Of her we can repeat the words of the Saviour: "She hath done what she could." We laid her to rest on March 12th in the Shelf churchyard by the side of her husband who passed away twenty-four years ago. We are assured she is sleeping in Jesus and will answer the call of the Life-giver at the first resurrection. E. HORSPOOL.

LEWIS.—Our dear Sister Lewis, of the Northampton company, passed peacefully away on March 18th at the age of 81. She had suffered much from nervous trouble for many years, but her end came suddenly at last. While we shall miss our sister greatly we sorrow not as those without hope, for we believe that when Jesus comes He will not forget one who has been called to lay down the armour for a little while. Sister Lewis accepted the truth under the labours of Brother Durland in Wellingborough thirty-six years ago. She loved the truth and was faithful to the end. "For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry." F. BUCHMAN.

## Advertisements

YOUNG woman desires situation as general help in home where Sabbath can be kept. Write: D.E.M., 22 Florenceville Avenue, Ormeau Road, Belfast.

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WANTED TO PURCHASE.—A health food store or business where health foods could be introduced. Advertiser would like to locate in district near S.D.A. company or church. Apply: H.F., 166 Butterbiggins Road, Glasgow.

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fully 7,000 persons listen to Seventh-Day Adventist preachers in various parts of the British Isles. Before long the fruit will begin to appear and the harvesting commence. All of us should be praying earnestly that the labours of our faithful ministers and Bible-workers may be abundantly rewarded.

It is doubtless owing to the tense concentration of our workers upon evangelism that the WORKER has been temporarily forgotten. Miss Stockford, who has been editing so admirably during our absence, informs us that the stream of copy has practically dried up. Of course, with the MISSIONARY WORKER, it is a case of "no copy, no paper." We can't manufacture WORKER copy ourselves. So if the next issue doesn't appear you will know the reason why! Incidentally this is one of the times when you may be certain of immediate publication. Enterprising workers will take advantage of it.

# THE EDITOR'S PAGE.

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## Seven Wonderful Weeks

DURING the past seven weeks it has been our privilege to visit Egypt, Palestine and Italy in the interests of "Present Truth" and the other publications of the Stanborough Press, Ltd. Our travelling companion was Pastor A. L. Baker, associate editor of the American "Signs of the Times," and together we enjoyed the most valuable and fascinating experience of our lives. They were truly seven wonderful weeks, incomparable, never to be forgotten.

THE purpose of the visit was twofold. Primarily it was to gather first-hand information concerning present-day conditions in these three great centres of world interest so that our publications could speak on such themes with the authority of intimate personal contact. Secondly, it was to obtain photographs for our publications, the copyright of which would be the exclusive possession of the Stanborough Press, Ltd.

As to the success of the trip we have no doubts whatever. It seemed as though a gracious Providence went before us, planning everything for our good and bringing us in touch with those people and conditions which would be of greatest value to us on our return. In Palestine, for instance, our guide proved to be an ardent Zionist who considered it a privilege to introduce the editors of two such important papers (!) to the leaders of the Zionist organization in Jerusalem. Incidentally it was just what we wanted and were wondering how to obtain! In Rome, which we revisited on the return trip, we built upon the experience gained there last summer, on this occasion visiting the leaders of the various Protestant societies, the editor of the largest Protestant newspaper, the secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and others. The information gathered was priceless. Incidentally we succeeded in ferreting out the truth concerning the burning of Bibles in Rome in June of last year—an event which the Catholic Hierarchy is not the least anxious to have brought to the attention of Protestant England.

REGARDING the photographic aspect of the tour, we have brought back well over two hundred pictures which we shall be able to use in our periodicals and books in days to come. When one considers that in the past we have paid anything from 10/6 to £2. 12s. 6d. for the right to use one picture in one issue only of "The Present Truth," it will be seen that THE ACTUAL CASH VALUE OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS SECURED—with full rights to reproduce anywhere and at any time—FAR EXCEEDS THE ENTIRE EXPENSES OF THE TRIP. We might mention that there are other ways in which the Press will eventually benefit by the trip, running their actual net profit on the undertaking into three big figures. That, of course, is as it should be. An enterprising investor deserves his dividends.

NATURALLY it is our purpose to pass on to our people and the public the information gathered during this unique experience. As soon as possible we shall commence a series of articles on the subject in "The Present Truth."

IN addition to this we are preparing three lantern lectures covering the main features of the trip. They will deal with

1. The Land of King Tut.
2. Modern Palestine.
3. Revelations of Rome.

Arrangements will probably be made in the near future by the Stanborough Press, Ltd., for these to be shown, where desired, in those churches having the necessary lantern facilities. Further particulars will be published later.

FORGETTING the trip for a moment—a somewhat difficult mental operation, by the way—we return to a well-worn theme. In this issue will be found an article from the head of the Circulation Dept. concerning the sales of our periodicals. It seems that for some weeks past the circulation of both our missionary papers has been getting rather "weak about the knees." Evidently we need to heed the counsel not to be weary in well doing. Somehow, as Brother Marsh suggests, just about conference time everybody feels virtuous and promises to take six copies of "Present Truth" apiece. This lasts for a few months—or, more often, weeks—and then the promise is forgotten. Like the morning dew, "it vanisheth away." But the paper is still published, friends. It contains the same "precious truth" and the millions of England need it as badly as ever. You need it, your friends, relatives and neighbours need it. If you think it over you will find six copies is not enough for you. But take six anyway. That's the minimum, and don't "Peter out."

By the way, there are two striking issues just ahead. No. 9 will contain Pastor Barras's sermon on "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," illustrated with a dramatic frontispiece. No. 10 will be our FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY NUMBER, with articles from ex-editors of the paper specially contributed for this issue. Among the writers will be Pastors W. A. Spicer, W. T. Bartlett, M. C. Wilcox and H. F. De'Ath.

NOT for many years has there been such a strenuous evangelistic campaign as is now proceeding throughout the British Union. Every Sunday night

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## SUNSET CALENDAR.

	LONDON	CARDIFF	EDINBURGH
April 4th	6.39	6.52	6.59
April 11th	6.51	7.4	7.11