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WE have reached a great crisis hour in this world's history. There have been many crises through the centuries, but none involving such vital and far-reaching issues as are present in the complex situation now existing in the world. Aggravated conditions such as were never seen before—unemployment, economic distress, and smouldering revolution—have threatened the very existence of the most stable governments during the last three or four years, and these conditions have been but slightly relieved. Their spectres still rise up to haunt the peace and security of the rulers of the nations. Organized crime, taking advantage of these conditions, is plying its nefarious operations in every field. The tentacles of this great octopus are reaching even into the halls of legislation and into the courts of justice. In the words of the prophet:

"Judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and the Lord saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no judgment" Isa. 59:14, 15

THE NATIONS ARE ANGRY

Human government to-day has to cope not alone with internal conditions at home, but with an international situation daily growing more menacing in its attitude. Preparations for war are exceeding in intensity the preparation which preceded the great outbreak in 1914.

Declares the
Washington *Star*:

"Two decades of suffering have taught mankind ap-

proximately nothing. Quarrels between nations and classes still prevail over fellowship and common sense. In a hundred cities the monster of hate still parades as of old, the ancient fears and passions still run wild. Noise dominates the planet as it did in 1914. And bugles and drums, undisciplined but compelling, are again at their business of heralding death."

A dispatch by the United Press from Geneva, under the date of March 26, 1935, says:

"The heaviest arms expenditures in the world's history are enabling Europe to maintain 1,000,000 more men under arms than on the eve of the World War twenty-one years ago, as well as providing an ever-increasing number of war planes, tanks, and heavy artillery"

The long-drawn-out hostilities between the nations of the Orient, gathering war clouds in Europe, ruptured relations between Italy and Ethiopia, constitute a living menace to the world's peace. That future war is inevitable is a foregone conclusion. It is no longer a question as to whether war will come; the only question is, When will it come? Repeated predictions have been made by leading statesmen of the world that hostilities could not be suppressed longer than the present year.

Truly we have reached the time when men's

hearts as never before are failing them for fear and for looking after the things that are coming upon the earth.

We are not left without knowledge as to the significance of these conditions. They presage the speedy end of all things. Of the meaning of this hour and its significance we are told:



The Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Rome. (See page 7)

"The nations were angry, and Thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that Thou shouldest give reward unto Thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear Thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in His temple the ark of His testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail." Rev 11:18, 19.

We are living in the hour of God's judgment. For many years that judgment work has been going forward on the cases of the dead. We know not how soon it may reach the living.

OUR SOURCE OF HELP

Already in some countries where war appears imminent, our missionaries are suffering severe embarrassment. They know not what a day may bring forth. And with the beginning of hostilities, these embarrassments will be greatly increased. War will restrict our missionaries in their operations. It will limit their audiences, because the minds of men will be so filled with the spirit of war that they will give little thought to the things of God. The circulation of our literature will be greatly hampered. Our mission property and the lives of our workers will be placed in jeopardy.

What is our recourse in a crisis such as we face to-day? Surely we cannot turn for help to the power of man. Petition to governments will bring us no relief. Our appeal must be to the great Ruler of the universe, to the King of kings, and Lord of lords. Our only help is in prayer, in mighty intercession to God, that He will hold in check the winds of war until His purpose is accomplished and His work is finished in the earth.

And to this we are incited by the Scriptures. In the seventh chapter of the Revelation there is found a striking prophecy relating to the sealing work and the threefold message which this movement is carrying to the world. John beholds four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the winds, that they should not blow on the earth nor on the sea nor on any tree. The sea in prophecy symbolizes nations, multitudes, and tongues. Wind is a symbol of political strife, commotion, and warfare. These angels are commissioned to hold in check these earthly elements. The scripture suggests that they are about to loosen their hold. The revelator sees "another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God," that seal which is to be placed upon the foreheads of God's people, as represented in the Sabbath of the fourth commandment. He cries mightily to the four angels to hold the four winds so that they shall not hurt the earth nor the sea nor the trees, until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads. The Spirit of prophecy speaks of this sealing work in these words:

"I saw four angels who had a work to do on the earth, and were on their way to accomplish it. Jesus was clothed with priestly garments. He gazed in pity on the remnant, then raised His hands, and with a voice of deep pity cried, 'My blood, Father, My blood, My blood, My blood!' Then I saw an exceeding bright light come from God, who sat upon the great white

throne, and was shed all about Jesus. Then I saw an angel with a commission from Jesus, swiftly flying to the four angels who had a work to do on the earth, and waving something up and down in his hand, and crying with a loud voice, 'Hold! Hold! Hold! Hold!' until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads'

"I asked my accompanying angel the meaning of what I heard, and what the four angels were about to do. He said to me that it was God that restrained the powers, and that He gave His angels charge over things on the earth; that the four angels had power from God to hold the four winds, and that they were about to let them go; but while their hands were loosening, and the four winds were about to blow, the merciful eye of Jesus gazed on the remnant that were not sealed, and He raised His hands to the Father, and pleaded with Him that He had spilled His blood for them. Then another angel was commissioned to fly swiftly to the four angels, and bid them hold, until the servants of God were sealed with the seal of the living God in their foreheads"—*"Early Writings," page 38.*

FOR WHAT SHALL WE PRAY?

While this prophecy brings to view the work of literal angels, it may also represent the united cries of God's people as they ascend to Heaven in the hour of danger, that He will hold in check human passion and national hatred, the winds of strife and warfare, until the threefold message has accomplished its work. And in this great concert of prayer the remnant church is uniting to-day. And we believe that God, in His high and holy habitation, will hear and send answers of peace.

The objective of these prayers we have already indicated. We should pray for the continuance of peace upon the earth. We should pray that God will turn aside the purposes of men to engage in deadly strife. We should pray that the protecting power of Heaven may be over our missionaries in every war-threatened country, that their lives may be preserved, that our mission property may be kept from pillage and destruction, that the lives of native believers may be preserved, and that God will give to His labourers in these fields great wisdom, that they may know how rightly to relate themselves to every question that shall arise. These surely are objects upon which the whole church may unite in earnest petition to the throne of grace.

PREPARATION OF HEART

But mere formal petitions will accomplish little. Prayer, in order to reach the heart of God, must represent the earnest longing of the soul. Such prayer can come from the heart only as that heart is wholly consecrated to God, only as the life is fully surrendered upon His altar. And so, in this hour of crisis, in order for the prayers of the church to be effective on behalf of our endangered work and the endangered lives of our missionaries, these petitions must be accompanied by a new consecration of heart and life. This consecration means the putting away of sin. It means a new revival in the experiences of many.

We thank God for the thousands of loyal believers connected with this movement. They have demonstrated by lives of devotion and sacrifice their loyalty to God and to His truth. By their offerings

they have sustained the work in every land. They have given of their sons and daughters to go to earth's remotest bounds to carry to those in darkness the Gospel of Christ. But, sad to say, in the lives of others the spirit of worldliness has made steady inroads. The gods of the world around us have become the gods of too many in the church of Christ. The times of peace have begotten a sense of carnal security. They have led some of our dear people to turn to avenues of selfish objectives, seeking for worldly pleasure and personal advantage, for position and honour and wealth. The advent hope is growing dim in their vision.

May this hour of crisis that we face in the world call such to a realizing sense of their great danger. May they see that the hope we have cherished for years is not misplaced. We have not followed cunningly devised fables. Soon He who shall come will come and will not tarry, and in order to be among the glad throng who will welcome Him at His appearing, there must be a revival of the work of grace in heart and life.

THE "LITTLE TIME OF PEACE"

We evidently are now in the "little time of peace" between the great World War of the past and the final conflict, to which reference is made in the Spirit of prophecy:

"I was shown the inhabitants of the earth in the utmost confusion. War, bloodshed, privation, want, famine, and pestilence were abroad in the land. As these things surrounded God's people, they began to press together, and to cast aside their little difficulties. Self-dignity no longer controlled them; deep humility took its place. Suffering, perplexity, and privation caused reason to resume its throne, and the passionate and unreasonable man became sane, and acted with discretion and wisdom.

"My attention was then called from the scene. There seemed to be a little time of peace. Once more the inhabitants of the earth were presented before me; and again everything was in the utmost confusion. Strife, war, and bloodshed, with famine and pestilence, raged everywhere. Other nations were engaged in this war and confusion. War caused famine. Want and bloodshed caused pestilence. And then men's hearts failed them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth."—*"Testimonies," Vol 1, page 268*

God's children now as never before need to press together. In unity there is love and light, life and power. Self-dignity must be abased, and humility must control every life. Reason must take the place of passionate impulse.

FASTING AND PRAYER

We are exhorted in the Word of God to fast as well as to pray. Through the prophet Joel the Lord speaks to His church in the last days in these words of solemn admonition: "Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of

great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil" Joel 2:12, 13.

The whole people, the congregation, the elders, the children, the bridegroom and the bride, are exhorted to take part in this solemn seeking after God. And to the leaders of the people there is given this solemn admonition: "Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare Thy people, O Lord, and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? Then will the Lord be jealous for His land, and pity His people." Verses 17, 18.

The purpose of fasting is to bring the mind into the clearest and best possible condition to comprehend God and take hold by faith of His promises. Some, of course, cannot go entirely without food. Daniel on one occasion in his experience said: "I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting and sackcloth, and ashes" Dan 9:3. And on another occasion when he was seeking God for a prolonged period, he says: "In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks. I ate no pleasant bread [margin, "bread of desires"], neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all till three whole weeks were fulfilled." He abstained from food that would unduly tempt the appetite and confined himself to a plain and simple dietary. This may be better for some who are feeble or not strong than entire abstinence from food. Each one must decide this question for himself.

GOD'S RESPONSE

Gracious will be the response of Heaven to this season of fasting and prayer. Individual believers will experience anew His redeeming grace in their lives and the joy of His salvation in their hearts. There will come to the work of God a new revival throughout the world field, and in the proclamation of this message to earth's remotest bounds we shall see of the mighty revealings of His power. He will show Himself gracious even as He has in times gone by. He will demonstrate in our experience, as He did in the experience of Elisha, who saw an army of angels surrounding him, that they that are with us are more than they that be against us. He saved Daniel from the den of lions, and preserved Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego in the midst of the fiery furnace. In answer to the prayers of the early disciples, God sent His angel to deliver Peter from the prison-house of Herod. By an earthquake which opened the prison doors of Philippi, Heaven answered the songs of praise and the prayers of Paul and Silas.

On numberless occasions through the centuries God has caused even the wrath of man to praise Him, and in the midst of the vicissitudes of war He has rescued and saved His children. And when in His overruling providence He shall again permit war to rage among earth's inhabitants, He will remember His trusting ones, and the Gospel message

of salvation will continue to search out the honest in heart.

And so let us, in this hour of crisis and danger, commit unto God the keeping of our souls, and the lives of those who have gone out as our represen-

tatives to carry to lost mankind the message of salvation. We may pray with full assurance of faith, believing that God will hear and answer, and that He will work out every problem for the good of His children and for the glory of His great name.

College Needs

By W. E. READ

We feel very happy that in the providence of God we have a training school for workers in the British Union. It has been a real blessing to the cause of God through the years; it has given stability to our work, and from its halls have gone forth a large body of workers who are labouring not only in the home fields, but in lands across the seas. We thank God for the excellent work our college has done during the many years it has been established.

When the work starts in any field, usually all its institutions grow up together. They start small, as is natural, and are usually located in one centre, which has certain advantages. As the institutions develop, it often proves to be the wisest policy to distribute the institutional activities in different parts of the Union. The counsel which came through the Spirit of prophecy years ago, concerning the work in Battle Creek, is applicable to the work in other parts of the field in similar circumstances. Then, the counsel was against centralization; the advice was to scatter, and certainly the years which have passed have justified the good counsel which was given.

In our own field, for many years all our institutions were centred at Stanborough Park, but a few years ago the Lord opened the way so that we could obtain another property for our training school, and that in the country, according to the counsel of the *Testimonies*. We were very fortunate, in many ways, in this important move, for just at that time the Kingswood property, which came into our hands in a wonderful way, could be sold, and with the profits on this sale, together with the magnificent gift which the General Conference

passed over to us at that time, we were enabled to secure and fit up the Newbold property as our training centre for workers in the Union. With the many other financial projects on at the time, and the calls which were being made for mission interests, it was a remarkable thing that we were not obliged to make a special appeal to our constituency on behalf of this new college project. Thus far we have made no special call for funds for building up our educational institution at Newbold other than the annual appeal which is made at the conferences for the Students' Aid Fund, which is to assist our young people with their education.

Since we have been in possession of the Newbold Estate, we have had to put in several improvements. It was necessary to heat the building adequately so that the students could be comfortable and warm during the long winter months. This was quite a problem, but the Lord has enabled us to overcome the difficulties, and we now have the main school building nicely heated. The sanitary side of the college needed attention also, seeing that what was there when we purchased the property was installed for a family rather than for 150 or more people. This meant the building of a new sewage system, but that has been finished and is now functioning splendidly. These projects have meant an outlay of funds, which have been met in part.

At the last Winter Council of the Northern European Division, held in Poland, we were very glad to notice the keen interest of the brethren in our schools throughout the Division, and at that meeting a plan was arranged to give financial assistance to four of the schools in the Northern European Division territory. The schools in Sweden, Den-



Newbold Missionary College.

mark, and Estonia will benefit under this plan, as well as our own. So far as we are concerned, the arrangement is, that during the years 1935 and 1936 we launch, on behalf of Newbold College, a financial programme to the extent of £4,000. This is to meet certain expenses in connection with the heating of the building, the sanitary system, building up the library, also the laboratory, and many other needed facilities. The library needs a large number of new books; in fact, it is difficult to see how we can carry on a strong educational work without greatly improving our library. The same is true of the laboratory; our facilities are very meagre. We need to re-model this, install new apparatus, and so make it easier for our teachers to teach the important branches of scientific study.

Then there is the question of industries for the college. The Lord has helped us during the past year or so in our study of this problem, and gradually we are finding the way to establish small industries in order that we may be able to give work to our young people who desire an education for the cause of God. A good part of the financial programme will be absorbed in the establishment of new industries. There is the leather bag industry. We contemplate, also, a small textile industry. The farm needs added facilities if we are to employ more students. The kitchen garden also needs a greenhouse in order that work may be provided. There are really so many features that enter into this programme that we cannot list them all, but we feel, if this plan can be carried out, that we shall have an educational institution in the British Union which will truly meet the needs of the young people in this field.

We feel glad for our noble body of teachers. They are giving of their best, and we need to support them in the difficult task which has been committed to them. If we can provide the facilities mentioned, it will greatly cheer their hearts and make their task much easier.

Of the £4,000, the Northern European Division has promised to give us £1,000. This means that during the present year and 1936, we should raise the sum of £3,000 on this plan.

Some gifts have already been received from private sources; in fact, the sum of £800 has been gathered in various ways, but it still leaves £2,200 to be found. We know that our people throughout the field have a deep interest in our school at Newbold, and that a large number of our believers, if they had the money, would gladly donate of their substance and make possible these added facilities. There are some, however, who send us liberal amounts from time to time, and we tender to them our very grateful thanks to-day.

As we have looked at this amount of money, we feel, after all, it is not too large, and certainly not an impossible task. We would like at this time to lay the situation before you all, and then to invite those who feel they are able, whom the Lord has blessed with means, to give of their substance and make possible the gathering of this fund, so that we

can qualify as early as possible for the special gift of £1,000 which the Division has so kindly offered to us

If we could receive the following gifts, we should very soon have the fund in hand:

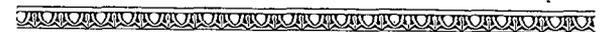
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There are several ways in which funds may be passed over to the cause of God with the assurance that they will be used for the purpose for which they are given, and in the most economical way. Among them might we suggest the following:

LEGACIES,
SUBSCRIPTIONS,
DONATIONS.

Now, brethren and sisters, we have placed the situation before you. Here are the needs of our training school which we know lies near to your hearts. We shall be very pleased to hear from any of you, and also to receive any gifts, large or small, for this purpose. We are very desirous of putting some of these projects in hand without delay, for the sooner we get the industries started, the sooner shall we be able to furnish the needed work for some of our young men and women.

May the Lord bless you all with the spirit of liberality, knowing that as you give to the cause of God, you are laying up treasures in the bank of heaven.



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Catholics Long for the Gospel

By L. H. CHRISTIAN

In our mission objective we must think not alone of Africa, but of the large, dark Catholic sections of this Division. In spite of schools and fairly civilized conditions, the people of some of these countries greatly need the Gospel. We rejoice in the many evidences seen in papal lands of the workings of the Spirit of God. In both the Polish and the Baltic Unions there are real signs of progress. The work is being placed on a firm foundation, and there is a spirit of expectancy for better things for God in every land. When we think of larger mission offerings, we must not only remember the heathen in far-away Africa, but those in darkness and need much nearer home. Our schools are preparing workers for these fields. We need funds with which to support them. From Brother H. L. Rudy, president of the Baltic Union, we have received the following sketch of one out of many good experiences:

"In the summer of 1934, Brother A. Birzgals was ordained to the Gospel ministry, and immediately transferred to a city in Eastern Lithuania, with a population of 30,000, but with not a single Seventh-Day Adventist. The inhabitants are largely Roman Catholics. Lithuania is a good and promising country. The government tries to be fair and just, ever recognizing the right of man in freedom of conscience and worship. It was soon evident that our minister needed a helper, so we sent a colporteur to his aid.

"After having secured a suitable hall the next step was to obtain permission for the lectures. The law required that a lecturer must have two citizens (in this case, of the city itself) as guarantors for the meetings, to give their signatures on the application. After a discouraging hunt, two such citizens were finally found—a noted banker and the son of a landlord. The first application was refused on the ground that Seventh-Day Adventists were not known to exist in the country. Word from the Ministry of Religion in Kaunas soon cleared matters and three lectures were permitted.

"From the beginning, the chief of police with several policemen attended the meetings. The hall was too small after the first lecture. Doors and windows to the street had to be opened and kept open during all the following meetings to enable the crowd to hear. With the thermometer registering eight degrees below zero, the people stood in the hall

and on the streets listening to the exposition of the Word of God. There was perfect order and silence in all the meetings. The permission for the lectures was granted from week to week.

"Soon the Roman Catholic priests discovered what was happening. Pressure was brought to bear on the chief of police for permitting the meetings. But, since the Lithuanian Government has had many unpleasant experiences with the priests, the authorities of the city gave little attention to the complaints. All they wanted was that the meetings should be conducted in an orderly manner, and of that there could be no doubt.

"About Christmas time drunken men and curious women began to appear about the hall at night, and, with tar, write terrible words on the walls facing the streets. A nightwatch had to be on duty. On Sunday, January 27th, the Catholic bishop billed the city with big placards, announcing a public lecture on Adventism in the largest hall of the city. The lecture began at three o'clock. Over a thousand people were present, including those who attended our meetings. After the usual attack on Adventism, the people filed out of the hall in great excitement. Over three hundred of the number headed for our hall, where Brother Birzgals was just opening his meeting. The rest of the crowd began to hinder the others from coming to our hall. After a few skirmishes, and intervention by the police, the tumult abated, and Brother Birzgals preached to a large, quiet audience.

"The Sunday following the same bishop continued



The meeting hall where Brother Birzgals held his meetings. The writing on the wall means, "Away with the Adventists."

his opposition with a second lecture on Adventism. This time he produced what he called final evidence that Adventists are heretics and must not be permitted to get a foothold in the city. Among other things he made it very clear to his hearers that it was easy to be a Catholic: one could smoke, drink, swear, eat pork, and did not need to give much to the church by way of offerings. On the other hand, he stated that it was difficult to be an Adventist: one had to stop swearing, drinking, smoking, eating pork, and—what was worst of all—Adventists had to pay a tithe of their income, which was not required of Catholics. He maintained that there were six million Adventists in the world, and that each churchmember paid an average of £12 sterling a year to support the denomination. At the close of this lecture he demanded that our meeting be closed by force. In the meantime Brother Birzgals had begun his lecture. The chief of police was in his meeting, together with a number of other policemen.

"About 200 people were eagerly and quietly listening to the message of salvation when, suddenly, a mob of 300 screaming fanatical women appeared. They called themselves the 'Women of Prayer' and shouted 'Hallelujah! Down with the heretics!' They kept up these screams until the tumult got beyond control on the street. The police force was too weak to handle the situation and the meeting had to be closed. Our minister had to take the train immediately after the meeting, and more than 200 of his hearers accompanied him in safe conduct to the railway station.

"To all appearances the bishop had triumphed. A report was circulated that the heretic apostle had fled from the city. The next morning the Catholic newspapers were full of falsehood about the demonstration. The other newspapers blamed the Catholic church for the tumult. The chief of police sent word to the central government at Kaunas that the Adventist minister was free from blame. Evidently the authorities were on our side.

"On Tuesday Brother Birzgals held his next lecture, and the same experience of rioting, threats, and screaming was repeated. After counsel with the city authority, it was thought best to discontinue the public meetings for a few weeks. But this it was difficult to do. The people wanted to hear the Gospel. Brother Birzgals was kept busy, early and late, visiting the people and explaining to them the simple Word of God. The Spirit of God worked mightily on many hearts. More than a hundred listeners, who had already begun to keep the Sabbath, wrote and signed a petition to the city authorities asking that the meetings be permitted, and sufficient police force be supplied to take care of any trouble that might ensue. This appeal was so well written, and the signatures were those

of such good citizens, that the city took notice and granted permission to hold our meetings at ten o'clock Sunday morning, with the further promise that, as soon as a church had been properly organized, the meetings might be held on Sabbath morning."

Our hearts have been greatly touched by the eagerness of Roman Catholics to hear the Advent message. We believe that we shall soon see a good church at this place, and thus help to advance our work among Roman Catholics. The dawn of a new forward move in the Advent message in Catholic Europe has come. We appeal to all our members to help us in their Sabbath-school donations this quarter, and on the Thirteenth Sabbath. Could we not bring to the Lord a special thanksgiving offering? Do not forget our nearby neighbours who live in the darkness of Rome



Our Church in Rome

ALL will be interested to learn of the growth of our work in Rome. The picture on page 1 shows a happy little group of churchmembers there. In a letter to a friend in England, Brother V. Speranza writes:

"Our meeting hall in Rome has been finally opened and officially recognized. On June 22nd we held our first Sabbath service in it. It is easier to imagine than to describe the joy of our dear brethren when they came together to worship God in their own new house.

"We are grateful to our heavenly Father that even in Rome He permits us to gather out a people for His second coming, a people who march under the blood-stained banner of King Emmanuel, whose motto is: 'The commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.'"



"Be sure that God ne'er dooms to waste the strength He deigns impart."



The first six souls baptized at Ponewesch by Elder Birzgals

Unexpected

STUDENTS from Newbold Missionary College spend the summer months in all parts of the British Isles, and a few even wander over to the Continent.

One of the members from the College is employing his time at Paris. Whit Sunday found him in the beautiful Jardin du Luxembourg, lazily watching a citizen who was feeding an assortment of chirping birds. The sudden appearance of the park cat formed the prelude to the following conversation:

Student: "You are fond of animals in France."

Lady: "Yes." The lady opened the newspaper, and having scanned the pictures, she handed it to the student, and pointed his attention to a picture of a statue of the Republic which had been broken and overthrown in a provincial town of France; she then resumed the conversation:

Lady: "Things are in a bad state here. There are many communists who stir up strife."

Student: "Yes. People do not seem to trouble about religion now."

Lady: "The priests are to blame. They are continually after money, and they seem only to trouble about themselves. They make a farce of religion, and consequently people have not patience with the church, and are turning away from the old standard of morality. The Jewish religion seems the finest that we have."

Student: "Yes, the Jews rest on the day of the week which God commanded to be kept, and this day was altered from Saturday to Sunday by a decree of the Pope."

A gentleman sitting on the other side of the student suddenly commenced to speak excitedly.

Student: "Pardon me, but I am English, and should be glad if you would speak slower so that I can understand."

Gentleman: "I am a sailor, and have travelled around the world. It is the same everywhere; the priests are proud and dominating. The only true Christians to be found in the Reformed Church are the Adventists, where the ministers are gentle and meek."

Student: "Do you mean the Seventh-Day Adventists!"

Gentleman: "Yes, they have a church in Boulevard de L'Hospital, where I have been once or twice."

Lady: "I know also a Dr. Nussbaum who is an Adventist. He is a very clever man, but gentle and reserved."

Strange how even in a Paris park one finds people who know Seventh-Day Adventists so well. Perhaps we are all better known than we think.

E. OVERTON



"In High Places"

LORD C——, on being approached by a Harvest Ingathering collector, said that he values very much a cutting taken from *Present Truth* some years ago, which he has preserved. His appreciation was shown by a gift of 10/6.

SAFETY FIRST!

A Report on "Granose" Nut Meats

THE recent sensation created by newspaper reports of the unfortunate deaths from the effects of botulism said to be due to eating a certain kind of nut meat brawn made by a London firm, has brought to the notice of the public very valuable and re-assuring information on the subject of preparing and canning foods.

ARE CANNED FOODS SAFE?

Perhaps you have never realized what great care has to be taken in the preparation of foods—particularly those supplied in tins. Many people are apt to question whether it is safe to use tinned foods. So far as British canning is concerned, there is little cause for doubt. It was stated: "All vegetable canners in this country use an absolutely safe process. It was also made clear on behalf of British canners that the methods of combating the danger from botulism were perfectly simple and that so far as tinned foods were concerned, there had never been a case of botulism in this country."

WHY "GRANOSE" NUT MEATS ARE SAFE

Scrupulous cleanliness is maintained in the preparation of all our Nut Meats and only the finest ingredients are used.

The equipment and machinery is perfectly suited to the making of all our canned foods, special care having always been given to:

- (a) Proper sterilization,
- (b) The maintenance of correct cooking temperatures,
- (c) Exact period of cooking, and
- (d) The use of lacquered tins to prevent contamination.

Thus it will be seen that our foods are perfectly prepared and that there is no possible risk of poisoning from botulism.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP AT THIS TIME

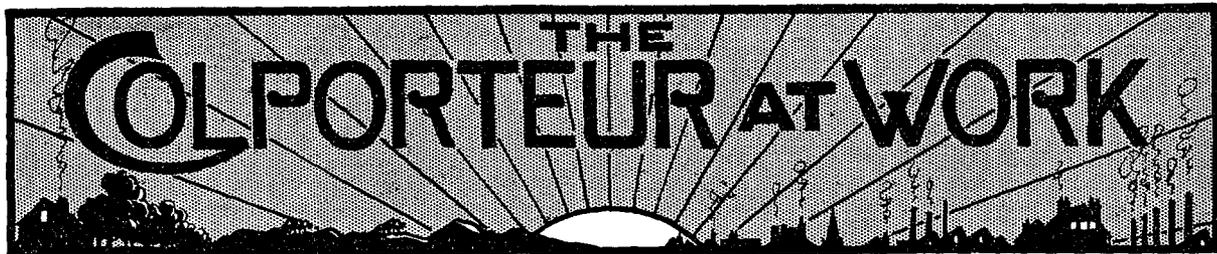
A satisfactory report has been given by the Ministry of Health on all of our tinned foods they have tested. There is, therefore, every reason why "Granose" Nut Foods can be eaten with confidence. Some people may hesitate to use our nut meats, but if our churchmembers will continue their use and express absolute confidence in them, and then recommend them on every possible occasion, it will greatly assist in building up the work of this Institution.

Should you have friends who are interested in any of our foods, we should be only too pleased to send them samples, literature, or recipes at your request. Please write to:

SERVICE DEPARTMENT,

Granose Foods Limited,

Watford, Herts.



Friedensau Publishing Convention

It was recently my privilege to attend a publishing convention in Germany. The meetings were held in one of the two large college buildings at Friedensau, some seventy miles south-west of beautiful Berlin. They began on June 17th and closed on Sunday evening, June 23rd.

This assembly was a combined concern of the Central, Southern, and Northern European Divisions—a unique gathering of forty-two publishing leaders from eighteen countries, representing sixteen languages. Brother W. C. Liney, Factory Superintendent of The Stanborough Press, Brother A. W. Cook, Field Missionary Secretary of Nigeria, West Africa, home on a well-earned furlough, and the writer were present from England. The language difficulty made no difference to the warmth of welcome given to us, nor to the most happy friendships that developed subsequently.

Friedensau was indeed true to its name, a "place of peace," and God was surely glorified by the love and unity which prevailed throughout. No European entanglements there! Mighty grace and a oneness of purpose accomplish in a stroke what years of political planning endeavour, but sadly fail, to bring about. I wish a few of Europe's burdened statesmen could have looked in!

It was a great joy to meet our old General Conference friends, Pastors Weaks and Strahle, also Brethren Böx and Charpiot, colporteur leaders in their respective Divisions. These good brethren led the meetings well.

For the most part the agenda covered important matters characteristic of the colporteur work in every country represented. Other problems, from which we in the British field are happily free as yet, were discussed and acted upon.

The earnestness of those men as they tackled their job! It was all very inspiring. When the Advent message gets hold of men's lives what practical common sense, keenness, and energy are inculcated, "Yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal"! I was very glad to participate.

I want to pass on to our colporteurs and leaders, and to the WORKER family in general, a few things of importance that emerged from the discussions.

The vital question of good leadership, for instance. "Leadership is a magic work," it was said. "There are secrets in it, and the price you pay for it is tremendous." When our colporteurs and leaders cease to prepare, they cease to grow. They become "weeds in the garden of prosperity." You don't

transplant weeds; they are plucked out. We should heed well the lesson, dear fellow-workers.

Do we need wisdom in getting recruits to the literature ministry? We were directed to the self-sacrificing example of the Master as given in Luke 6:12, 13. New colporteurs are a vital necessity and we must together pray and work for more of the right kind. We don't have to pay £10 per colporteur for a government permit as do our Continental brethren. Yet the German Unions can boast of 540 colporteurs to serve their population of sixty-five millions, while to reach Britain's forty-eight million inhabitants we have only seventy or so house-to-house evangelists. I pray that the Holy Spirit will urge many more into the ranks soon.

I am glad that the British Union has held tenaciously to the idea of our colporteurs selling attractively prepared bound books even in times of depression. This fact did not pass unnoticed by the convention brethren, and the latest Stanborough Press publication, *Our Wonderful Bible*, arrested their attention most favourably.

It is of interest, too, to know that our plan of having colporteur-evangelists who are specialists with the bound subscription books met with approval. True it is that "the more we specialize the more we succeed," as stated by one field missionary secretary. With the buying capacity of the people gradually increasing through steadily improving trade conditions, we purpose continuing this specialized method of spreading the message in our Union field. It is the well-tried way that brings the best results alike to colporteurs, publishing house, and the souls of men.

I felt warm admiration for those leaders who, in spite of persecution and beatings in prison that had frequently been their lot and the experience of their colporteurs, were happy in the message and its promulgation through the literature ministry. How we ought to take full advantage of the opportunities afforded us in our liberty-loving land!

More could be told did space permit. It was certainly a most helpful series of meetings, and we returned to the homeland with a still greater confidence in the publishing work as a necessary agency for bringing and keeping the message before the people until the end. B. BELTON.

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You?

"We are fast approaching the end. The printing and circulation of the books and papers that contain the truth for this time are to be our work."—

Testimonies, Vol. 8, page 89 Again, "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."—*Colporteur Evangelist*, page 80.

It is when reading such statements as this, written by the servant of the Lord, that one begins to understand something of the importance of the literature ministry, and that indeed, "There is no higher work than evangelistic canvassing," and "that the word of the Lord to His people is, that we lift the standard higher and higher"

Surely if ever there was a time when the standard should be lifted, it is now when the third angel's message is being proclaimed with a "loud cry," when thousands of souls who have been walking in darkness are now seeing light as a result of the activities of our ministry. Now indeed is the time when we should be "getting our publications before the public," and you who are reading this article—minister, elder, deacon, lay-member, what is your attitude toward this "missionary work of the highest order"?

Do you believe that "there is no higher work"? Do you believe that "we are fast approaching the end," and that "if there is one work more important than another," it is that of the literature ministry? Do you really believe that?

Just pause a moment before answering, and think—Do you, as a minister, encourage men and women, "not from the floating elements of society," not from those who are of little use to you in your evangelistic campaigns, but men and women "who have good address, tact, keen foresight, and ability," which is the hall mark of a successful colporteur?

Let us for a moment consider the work that has been done by just a few of our brethren who labour as colporteur-evangelists in this country. Brother G. Hardy, for example, has, over a period of three years, sold £1,500 worth of literature, the result of consecrated service. Again, there is C. L. Cooke, whose remarkable sales since our recent Colporteur's Institute have averaged £16 per week. Also F. J. Kinman, who believes that there is no "higher work," and in seven years has sold £2,700 worth of literature. All this proves that one gets out of the colporteur work just what one puts into it, and that the Lord is indeed a good master to work for, giving to the faithful, diligent, consecrated worker the means whereby he can live in keeping with the dignity of his profession.

I ask you, do you encourage men and women with these traits of character to take up this noble work?

And you, church elder, deacon, what is your mental attitude toward this branch of God's work? Do you in your relations with the lay-members speak well of this "soul-saving agency"? Do you uphold and dignify the literature ministry, exhorting consecrated, capable members to respond to the call for recruits?

Then, churchmember, you who are jealous of the good name and reputation of this denomination, do you speak with reverence of the colporteur minis-

try? Do you believe that there is not, and never will be a "higher work," and that if there is one thing that wins souls, it is the printed page? I put it to you. Do you believe this? Do you really think it? Do you speak it?

If you can say "Yes" to these questions, you are one who is "lifting the standard higher."

If you feel some annoyance when reading this, it may be that you have a conscience "not void of offence," and know in your heart that your answer is, No!

I leave it with you!

C. L. KELLY.



From A Teacher's Diary

. . . ARRIVED at Newbold in the evening. Beautiful sunset.

July 30th. Dawn of a fine summer's day. Attended the first meeting of the C.S.T.C. (Church School Teachers' Convention) Everyone happy and expectant . . . Inspired by Pastor Murdoch's talk on "The Master Teacher." Determined to join the others in (a) thanksgiving to God for His many blessings during the past year; (b) mutual help in the discussion of a teacher's many problems; (c) consecration to God for greater service and more efficient schools. . . . Glad to see Pastor Dick from the Division present. Appreciated his advice on a number of points in the agenda. . . A long and busy day profitably spent.

July 31st. After a good night's rest, looked forward to another day of prayer and study with the teachers. Pastor Dick's talk on "The Teacher and the Child" was a solemn reminder of personal and church responsibility. Sorry to hear that Adventist youth in Germany were being lost to the cause—as one leader put it—through lack of church schools. . . . Pastor Joyce's help on administrative difficulties was invaluable. . . . Great hopes for the future! . . . Agenda till 8.30 p.m.

August 1st The Bible study by Pastor G. Keough stressed the importance of all school work being taught in the light of Bible truth; showed the importance of the influence of the teacher ["Religion is caught, not taught."—*Dean Inge.*] . . . 3.30 p.m. saw the work completed! . . . Felt God's blessing throughout the meetings. Must tell the WORKER family so!

G.A.K.



Notes from the Union President

OUR conference and mission committees have been giving careful study to the question of evangelistic campaigns for the coming autumn and winter season

If the plans at present arranged go into effect, they will mean that we shall be starting new work in quite a number of centres where our message has never yet been preached. In fact it looks as though in the providence of God we shall be able to launch out on the strongest evangelistic programme we have ever been able to work to in the British Union. Let us pray that God may bless our

evangelists with power from on high. Let us remember the people who will come to the meetings and let us earnestly supplicate the throne of grace that there may be a large ingathering of souls as a result of the earnest appeals which will be made.

WE are all enjoying the special readings which we are having in the Sabbath-school week by week concerning the progress of the work in our missions in Africa and other lands. These reports have been very inspiring and have brought cheer and courage to our hearts. Let us remember the appeal for a special offering on the Thirteenth Sabbath of this quarter. All should read carefully the article by Pastor L. H. Christian in this issue, and let us plan to bring in the largest Thirteenth Sabbath Offering we have ever reported. Such gifts will mean much to the progress of the work in the regions beyond

BEGINNING with the last quarter of this year we hope to take into conference work quite a number of the young people who graduated last May from the college at Newbold. One will go to the Free State, one to Scotland, one to Wales, and some of the others to North and South England. Shall we not remember these young men and women in our prayers as they enter into the work in the field. Let us pray that they may grow up into strong workers in the cause of God, that as the young men enter the ministry and the young women enter the Bible work they may prove to be real soul-winners for God.

IN the issue of the *New York Herald Tribune* published in New York under date July 7th reference was made to the number of missionaries in Ethiopia. On looking through the list we were interested to notice that Seventh-Day Adventists were given first place. This is due to the fact that we have quite a number of missionaries in the land known as Abyssinia, in fact, as many, if not more than any other mission board. We need to remember our missionaries in this land in a very special way at this time, that God may overrule in the affairs of men and nations, that His protecting hand may be over His servants and over our Ethiopian workers and believers, and that the cause of God may ride forth to victory.

SABBATH, October 5th, has been set apart as Medical Day. This is the time when in our churches we should give special consideration to Jesus as the Great Physician, and to the work that we can do as workers and churchmembers in seeking to relieve the sick and suffering. On Sabbath, October 12th, the special Medical Aid Offering is to be taken. This is an offering which benefits our own people and is used to assist those who are unable to pay the ordinary charges at our Sanitarium at Watford. We have been very glad that during the past year or two so many more of our believers have benefited by the facilities afforded by our own medical institution. Remember that the larger the offering on this day the more of our own churchmembers can be benefited by a stay at The Stanboroughs Hydro or Hospital.

SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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Notes from the President

By the time these words are in print, many of you will be gathering home from your holidays greatly strengthened and refreshed. Shall we not devote the energy gained in the days of relaxation to the work of the Master and the extension of His kingdom?

In what ways can we all help? To start with, let us remind ourselves of our individual responsibility in Harvest Ingathering. It is utterly impossible for anyone to read Christ's teaching without seeing that all the great enterprises of His heart are committed to the church in co-operation with the Holy Spirit. He says, "Go ye." He does not command us to mad enterprises; He moves to certain victory and they who move with Him shall share His triumphs. Do you realize your responsibility?—not the responsibility of the church, but your own? We believe you do, and we thank God often for you. But there may be some who are doubtful. To these the Lord speaks in the following words from *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 279.

"Many to-day claim to obey the commandments of God, but they have not the love of God in their hearts to flow forth to others. Christ calls them to unite with Him in His work for the saving of the world, but they content themselves with saying, 'I go, sir.' They do not go. They do not co-operate with those who are doing God's service. They are idlers. Like the unfaithful son, they make false promises to God. In taking upon themselves the solemn covenant of the church they have pledged themselves to receive and obey the Word of God, to give themselves to God's service, but they do not do this. In profession they claim to be sons of God, but in life and character they deny the relationship. They do not surrender the will to God."

This is not the time to make excuses or for lethargy. If you are timorous, read 2 Chronicles 15:7, "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded."

We had the pleasure of spending a short time at the young people's camp at Hastings. The sight of so large a body of wide-awake youth, entering into the activities of well-planned days, from the pre-breakfast dips to the final assembly for chorus singing and worship at night, gave us real pleasure. The enrolment was 181, not counting about 100 visitors who stayed for varying lengths of time.

WHEN we were present at the opening of the college on August 21st, we were convinced that it is a real misfortune for the young people of our message who are not enrolled for this school year. We undoubtedly realize more fully than ever before that the Lord is singling out a group of young men and women who have determined to make His name

known in the earth. May this year be the brightest and best in the history of our college.

You will be happy and encouraged to know that a recent executive committee planned for every worker, while continuing to care for the churches in the district, to be in charge of, or attached to, an evangelistic campaign. The workers are now looking for halls and plan to commence on the first Sunday evening after summer-time has ceased. Pray that God will be with them and that they might be led to the most suitable halls.

This plan has strained our financial resources to the utmost. We are counting on your continued faithfulness in tithes and offerings. Should there be anyone who can make a special gift for evangelism, their help at the present time would be invaluable and a great source of encouragement. Never has the time been more opportune for saving souls.

DURING this month of September there are to be many baptisms. Men and women are being born again and finding new joy in the service of the King. Remember the evangelists, Bible-workers, and candidates in a very special way, praying that we may all rejoice in the results which we are certain God will manifest.

R. S. JOYCE.



The Early Bird

THE members of the Lowestoft Church are second to none in their enthusiasm for missions. When the call is heard the response is overwhelmingly gratifying.

Six short months ago we arrived in this town. A wonderful work had been done in this place through Pastor Joyce and his co-workers. Lowestoft was the latest of the organized churches—organized only a few weeks before we arrived here.

We had hardly settled when the call came to help in the "Big Week." With a perseverance worthy of God's remnant people all laboured loyally in order to sell sufficient literature to reach the goal. The sum of £10 was contributed by this church to the Missions Extension Fund.

With our eyes on the prospects of an autumn campaign it seemed advisable to train our members to participate in the joys and thrills of Harvest Ingathering, and reach our £140 goal before the end of August. Our members, with one or two exceptions, had never before in their lives collected from door to door. Lowestoft is only a small town and a large proportion of its population exist on the "dole." Yet in order to reach our goal in Lowestoft we must needs collect sixpence per house! The task seemed impossible! Yet we knew that the God of heaven was with us.

Calling the committee together and presenting to them the needs of the hour, suggesting the goal, and advising and revising the organization, and at last meeting the smaller home missionary committee, we prayed and formulated our plans.

Before the rally day we arranged to go out as band leaders and try the territory! Two or three of

that original party have told me since how they went out in fear and trembling! But we had a good time. The Lord blessed us and on the Sabbath we were able to tell the people that we had already collected £12 toward the goal. What a Sabbath that was! Five of the band leaders gave their experiences in the five minutes allotted to each of them.

We have a most enthusiastic combination in our home missionary leader and secretary. Largely through the untiring zeal of these brethren our great task was culminated successfully in six weeks. Almost every member participated. Many friends helped and the children were clamorous in their outcries for territory! That was the problem. Had we sufficient territory at our doors the goal would have been attained in half the time. As it was we had to go as far as fifty miles to present our appeals! Every Sunday two small bands of cyclists toured the villages. Working villages was a new experience to me! Five cottages between four of us was frequently our lot! Villages within a dozen miles of us have been faithfully worked, and we believe one day as a result of all this seed-sowing souls will be saved in the kingdom.

This report would not be complete without reference to the special tableau we presented to the town on the occasion of its Jubilee. Not only was 1935 the Jubilee year of their Majesties but also the Jubilee year of the Borough of Lowestoft. Because of this the Mayor with the council organized special celebrations. One of the events was to be a procession of decorated vehicles through the streets of Lowestoft traversing almost eight miles of roadway. Of course the whole town and the thousands of visitors during Jubilee week would see the procession.

Brethren Dowell and Fisher and myself discussed the pros and cons of sending in an exhibit not primarily for one of the three prizes offered but for the advertisement the cause of missions would obtain. Incidentally we were awarded third prize. Already the WORKER family has seen the reproduction of the African "hut" built over Brother Dowell's car. It was magnificent! Thousands of people clapped spontaneously when they saw the only spiritual appeal in the whole procession. The words over the "hut"—SUPPORT MEDICAL MISSIONS—FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE—PITY THE LEPER—went to the hearts of the people and we believe resulted in larger donations when we collected afterward at their homes.

One aged minister of the Church of England living near our home came up to one of the tableau and said: "God bless you." Another gentleman sent along a guinea because the appeal for our leper work went straight to his heart.

After the Jubilee celebrations the car was taken to some of the smaller villages and our collectors found when people came to the doors they had only to point to the car and the people would give generously. Several people walking along the streets came up to our collectors begging to donate something to the cause.

God has blessed us and to Him we give all the

praise, and ask your united prayers that the work may prosper in this country of the "Rising Sun." Situated as we are on the most easterly point of England, where we see the sunrise three minutes before any other part of the British Isles, we got up early and caught the worm!

JOHN M. HOWARD.



A Layman's Experience on the South England Conference Executive Committee

THREE years ago at our South England Conference at Holloway, I was asked to serve on the conference executive committee. Realizing the importance of the office, and knowing my many weaknesses, I felt reluctant to do so. However, knowing that our God works through weak humanity, I decided to trust Him to give me wisdom, and use me in that capacity. Never shall I forget the first meeting I attended. Pastor Dorland, our president, called upon two members to pray. How those prayers expressed a sense of human weakness, and a firm reliance upon divine strength. One felt as though he were indeed sitting with men whose hearts the Lord had touched, not perfect men, no, but men who were striving by the grace of God to be right in their dealings. This was very clearly manifested in their prayers, and in the consideration of every item of business. The prevailing thought was, "Which plan will most benefit the work of God as a whole." This thought prevailed whether the spending of money, the granting of credentials, the removal of ministers, or any other business was under consideration. For three years, at every committee meeting, this has been the uppermost thought, the building up of the work of God. This message and this people are more dear to me to-day as a result of the experience I have had of the "inner workings" of this movement than they have been since it was my pleasure to join it twenty-five years ago.

W. A. GIRLING.

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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New Church in Manchester

WE are glad to report that another church has come into being. A new name will appear, henceforth, in the church directories and tabulars. That name is Stretford, one of the newly-created boroughs of Lancashire, yet so much a part of Manchester that many think it is part of the cotton city itself.

At the recent North England Conference in Nottingham, one of the first items of business was

when Pastor Hyde presented a request to the Conference for the new Stretford Church to be received into the sisterhood of churches. This new church is composed of sixty members and came into being thus:

In the summer of 1934 a tent campaign was launched by Brother Hyde as an extra to his pastoral responsibilities in the Manchester district. Then at the end of 1934, when it was decided to give up the Ivy Chapel, it was necessary to find accommodation for forty-four members of the Manchester Church, so these came down to Stretford to associate with the growing work there. Sabbath morning services began in January, 1935, and then following the baptisms of May and June, the members, old and new, were constituted a church.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of the local and Union presidents, it was left to Pastor Hyde to organize the church. Very clearly he set forth the function and policy of the church, and called attention to her high standard.

Three persons, Sister Mrs. Chesters and Brethren H. Rhodes and C. Lord were chosen to represent the assembly and to them Brother Hyde addressed himself, examining them on all points of faith. Having expressed their acceptance they were declared to be the nucleus of the new church and duly signed the Roll of members. Then the rest of the members present were asked one by one to signify their acceptance of those same principles and also to sign the roll.

A prayer of dedication brought an inspiring service to a close.

The covenant signed read as follows:

"We, the undersigned, by God's grace, covenant together to keep the commandments of God and maintain the faith of Jesus; ever seeking to preserve the high standards of Christian conduct and church practice, as exemplified in the life and teachings of Christ and the apostles, and we do hereby organize ourselves into a church, to be known as the Stretford Church of Seventh-Day Adventists."

The officers elected were:

Elder.—H. Rhodes.

Deacons.—W. Chapman, G. Bullock, R. Lord.

Deaconesses.—Mrs. Himsworth, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Reeder.

Treasurers.—Mrs. E. Cowley, W. Chapman.

Church Clerk.—C. Donley.

Sabbath-School Superintendents.—P. Bates, C. Donley.

Sabbath-School Secretary.—R. Lord.

Home Missionary Leader.—H. Rhodes.

Home Missionary Secretary.—G. Chesters.

Organists.—Miss M. Chapman, Miss D. Hyde.

Thus the Stretford Church begins her career with a strong body of leaders and a good membership to support all her activities. May she be a real light and like a city set upon a hill that cannot be hid.

IRENE HIMSWORTH.

WELSH MISSION

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Notes from the Superintendent

By the time these notes appear the first report of the Ingathering Campaign will be to hand and we are wondering what it will be, for "the better the start the easier the finish." A good start has already been made, and, under the blessing of God, we shall raise "£1,000 for Missions" from Wales in this year's campaign. Let us make it the best campaign in our experience both in money raised and persons interested in the message. It presents us with a wonderful opportunity to witness and gives us all a part in the glorious triumph of the cause overseas. A blessing awaits you here as you labour and an everlasting reward will be the souls saved as a result of your part in this year's campaign. "Do not Delay—Start to-day" must be the call to those who have had no part as yet in the privilege of Ingathering.

EVANGELISM

Our baptisms thus far in 1935 have been small but we are glad to report prospects of baptisms from Newport, Cardiff, Bridgend, Shrewsbury, and North Wales before the close of the year. In these places there are earnest souls studying the message and keeping the Sabbath. You are asked to pray that during the next few weeks God's Spirit will deepen the conviction now resting with many, and that a good harvest will be gathered. It is many years since a tent campaign was held in Wales, but this summer Brother W. J. Cannon has conducted tent meetings in Bridgend, and already some are attending Sabbath afternoon meetings following the presentation of the Sabbath.

AUTUMN WORK

WE are planning for an aggressive autumn and winter for evangelism. Each of our workers will be connected with a public effort as well as giving attention to the needs of the work already established. Plans are being made for five efforts to commence this autumn. The exact locations have not been finally settled owing to doubt as to halls available, but we hope to complete all arrangements for the efforts to commence by the end of October. We also expect to see some of our lay brethren conducting public meetings in addition to the five efforts already mentioned. A large field awaits our message, and these stirring times present us with our golden opportunity. This should be our best year in soul-saving evangelism.

A NEW WORKER

WE shall welcome Miss K. Mahon into Wales as she connects with the Bible work in our mission territory. Miss Mahon comes to us direct from Newbold College and replaces Miss V. Ward, recently released to the South England Conference.

TITHES

WE are glad to report a substantial gain in our tithe income to date as compared with 1934. In the midst of much distress many of our members return to the Lord that which is His own. "God is not slack concerning His promise," and faithfulness to Him in tithes and offerings has its sure reward. Let us make sure of hearing the glad words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." G. D. KING.

Australia's Jubilee

FIFTY years ago the first Seventh-Day Adventist workers set foot on the shores of Australia. The party of eleven comprised three evangelists—Brethren F. N. Haskell, J. O. Corliss, and M. C. Israel—a colporteur, William Arnold, and a printer, Henry Scott, with Mrs. Corliss and two children and Mrs. Israel and two children. They arrived in Melbourne in the middle of June, 1885. As the first meeting of which there is any record was the Sabbath-school started on the first Sabbath in July, the Australian Sabbath-schools celebrated their Golden Jubilee on July 6th.

To-day there are over 15,000 members in the territory of the Australasian Union

Wedding Bells

BAKER-WOODHOUSE—On June 10th Brother Harold Vivian Sutherly Baker and Sister Esther Maude Woodhouse were united in marriage by Pastor R. S. Joyce.

The ceremony, which took place in the local Baptist chapel kindly loaned for the occasion, was witnessed by many churchmembers and friends. We wish them God's blessing in their new experience.

L. D. VINCE

TODD-DAVIES—At Holloway Church, on April 19th, Sister Dora Davis and Brother John Todd were happily united by marriage. Many friends had gathered to wish them the blessing of God. They are both members of the Wood Green Church, Brother Todd having been the artist for the London Advent Mission for nearly three years. Our prayers and good wishes will follow these young people who now are walking together the way that leads to the kingdom.

R. A. ANDERSON

ANDREWS-LEWIS—August 6th at 11 a.m. was the happy occasion of the marriage of Miss O. H. R. Lewis of Churchdown to Mr. M. S. Andrews of Cheltenham before a large company of people in the Portland Tabernacle, Cheltenham.

What a joy to unite two lives, to be for ever one, who had been both united by the writer to the Lord in baptism!

"God bless these hands united,
God bless these hearts made one
Unswerved and unblighted,
May they through life go on:
Here in earth's home preparing
For the bright home above;
And there for ever sharing
Its joy where 'God is Love.'"

JOHN G. BEVAN

Congratulations

WE congratulate Pastor and Mrs. J. M. Howard upon the birth of a little son, born on August 6th.

To the parents we offer our sincere good wishes, and pray that the Lord will bless them and the little life now in their charge.

CHURCH CLERK

At Rest

BRADLEY—The Southend-on-Sea Church has sustained a serious loss in the death, on Sunday, June 30th, of our dear sister, Elizabeth Bradley, at the age of seventy-six. Miss Bradley accepted the message under the labours of Pastor T. H. Cooper, and was baptized in the year 1919. From that time on she never swerved from the truth, but always lived a faithful consistent Christian life. Her sister (Sister A. Reid) and many friends mourn their loss, and look forward to the glad re-union when Jesus comes. The burial service was conducted by the writer and the church elder, Brother A. Vince, in the home of Sister Reid, and the interment took place in the Leigh-on-Sea Cemetery. **F. A. SPEARING**

PARKER—Miss Louisa Parker, an earnest and well-beloved member of the Nottingham Church, passed away in her sleep on Friday, July 19th, at the age of fifty-four years, and was laid to rest by the writer in the Wilford Hill Cemetery on Monday, July 22nd, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives, friends, and members. Sister Parker's health had not been certain for some time, but her end was most unexpected. She accepted the Advent message under the ministry of the late Pastor J. D. Gillatt over fifteen years ago. Always an active member of the church, for many years she was a faithful office-bearer. She will be greatly missed—but not for long! Jesus soon will come to establish His glorious reign of everlasting life and joy. To Mr. Parker, Miss Patty Parker, and all relatives, we extend on behalf of the Advent family heartfelt sympathy. **W. R. A. MADGWICK**

[Mr. Parker and Sister Patty wish to acknowledge with grateful thanks the many kind letters of sympathy which they have received.]

PERRY—Brother Evan Perry passed peacefully away on Sabbath, July 6th, after an illness lasting for the past five years, and at the age of seventy-two years. Brother Perry accepted the Advent message in 1889, and was baptized on May 20th of that year by Pastor S. N. Haskell, one of our pioneer workers. Our brother was the first Seventh-Day Adventist in the city of Bath, and was one of the charter members of the church in that city. For thirteen years he served faithfully as the church elder, and also jointly with Brother E. Clifford. Our brother was bedridden for about three years, and showed great patience in affliction, cheering those who visited him by his calm trust in God. He leaves a widow, one brother in America, two sisters, and a grandson at College View, Nebraska, U.S.A. We followed our beloved brother to his last resting place, on July 10th, after a short service at his home, where words of comfort were found from the Word of God, to bring help to the sorrowing ones. Interment took place at Locksbrook Cemetery, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends, and many floral tokens indicated the love and esteem of his friends. With great confidence we look forward to the time when the Life-giver shall call our brother forth to take his place among the ransomed throng in the kingdom of heaven. **HAROLD W. McCROW**

RODD—On July 23rd, the twenty-sixth anniversary of her wedding, Sister Rodd fell peacefully asleep in Jesus, in her sixty-eighth year. Seven years ago our sister contracted heart disease, and high blood pressure. Her condition became very grave twelve months ago and hoping that an entire change of air might be beneficial, she was taken by her husband to Weston-super-Mare, where, after some slight improvement, she was stricken with paralysis, and sixteen days later passed away. On Sabbath, July 27th, we laid her to rest in the beautiful Ashwood Cemetery, Worcester, in the presence of a large company of mourners, including the Worcester churchmembers and numerous friends and neighbours, to all of whom she had endeared herself by her gentle and unassuming demeanour and Christian grace. Sister Rodd accepted the Advent truths through the ministrations of Sister Clara Sanders, thirty-six years ago, uniting with the church in Birmingham. All through the intervening years she was very loyal to the message in all its phases, taking part in all the missionary activities of the church, quietly going from house to house with tracts, and engaging in the Harvest Ingathering work, even when the state of her health indicated the need of the utmost care. Her unswerving integrity, love to God, and to those for whom Jesus died, her hospitality, and kindly thoughtfulness for others, won the esteem of all with whom she came in contact, as was evidenced by the numerous floral tributes which completely covered the grave where our sister awaits the call of the Life-giver. To Pastor Rodd, Mrs. W. Bee (her daughter), and Miss Timings (her sister), we extend heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement. The comforting words of scripture to those who mourn the loss of loved ones were spoken by the writer at the chapel service and by the graveside. **WILLIAM A. HALL**

HAWLETT—On July 19th we laid to rest in Lowestoft Cemetery Brother Benjamin James Hawlett, Pastor J. M. Howard officiating. After a long and trying illness Brother Hawlett passed away on July 15th. He accepted the truth in 1934 under the ministry of Pastor R. S. Joyce. We extend to Sister Hawlett and family our tender sympathy in this time of sorrow, but rejoice that we may confidently await the resurrection morning. **E. F. SKINNER, Church Clerk**

MILLS—Sister Maria Mills, born in Ireland, passed away peacefully in the St. John's Institute on July 14th, age eighty-

eight years, and was buried in the Wandsworth, Magdalen Road Cemetery, on July 19, 1935. It is understood that Sister Mills first came in touch with the message in the district of Balham, London, about forty years ago when Pastors Meredith and Washburn were in the district. She was a zealous and faithful member of the Wimbledon Church for many years, especially grateful that this message had delivered her from the Roman Catholic Church. This seemed to be her constant theme of rejoicing, with her hope centred in the progress of this worldwide message and the soon coming of Christ. Relatives and members of the church attended the funeral conducted by Pastor J. B. West and the writer. **H. W. ARMSTRONG.**

LELEAN—Sister Eva Lelean fell asleep in Jesus at the home of her son, Douglas, in Harrow on July 8th, age sixty-three years. Her life had been an active one, for as a widow she had been left the care of a young family, her youngest son Norman being only a few weeks old when her husband died. But the Lord helped her and she reared them all in the message. Up to two years ago, she followed her profession as a school-teacher, in spite of her heavy burdens. For a time she taught in our own school at Watford. Her faith in God and confidence in the message were an inspiration to all who knew her. For more than a year she suffered greatly and the state of her heart in recent months rendered human aid unavailing. Realizing this she requested special prayer and anointing. It was a touching service when, on Sabbath evening, we gathered with the family to commit her case to the Lord. The burden of her prayer was that His will would be revealed in a definite way, either in recovery or her call to rest. God graciously answered when not long after she slipped away into her dreamless sleep. She loved the message and God's people and prayed earnestly for His blessing on those who would remain to finish the work. Her daughter is the wife of Dr. Madgwick of East Africa, and they being home on furlough, were able to join the family in these last sad but triumphant services conducted by Pastor R. S. Joyce and others associated with the writer. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the bereaved ones and our prayers will follow these missionaries as they return to their hospital in Kenya. May God hasten the day when it shall be said, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" **R. A. ANDERSON**

TREHARNE—Brother Evan Treharne, after considerable suffering during recent years, passed peacefully to rest on August 22nd. The funeral service was conducted by the writer, associated with Rev. James Evans, in Sardis Chapel, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, and our brother was laid to rest in the burial ground adjoining Brother Treharne, who was fifty years of age, accepted the message with his wife in 1921, at Aberdare, under the ministry of Pastor McCrow. Since then both have maintained a faithful witness for the truth, often amid great hardship. Brother Treharne now awaits a certain reward. To Sister Treharne and sorrowing relatives we extend our prayerful sympathy. **G. D. KING.**

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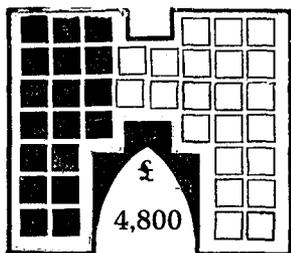
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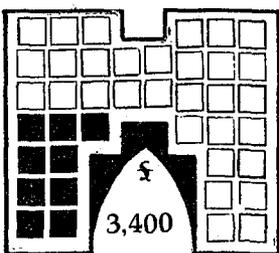
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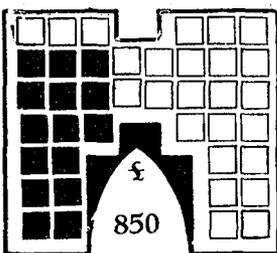
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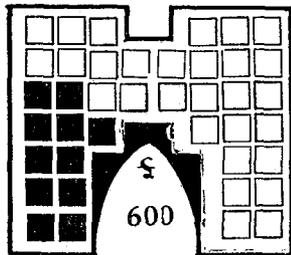
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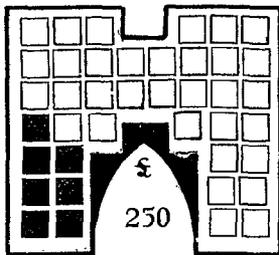
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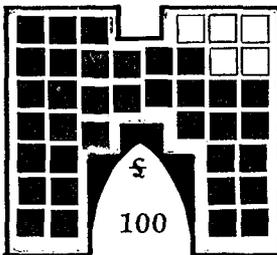
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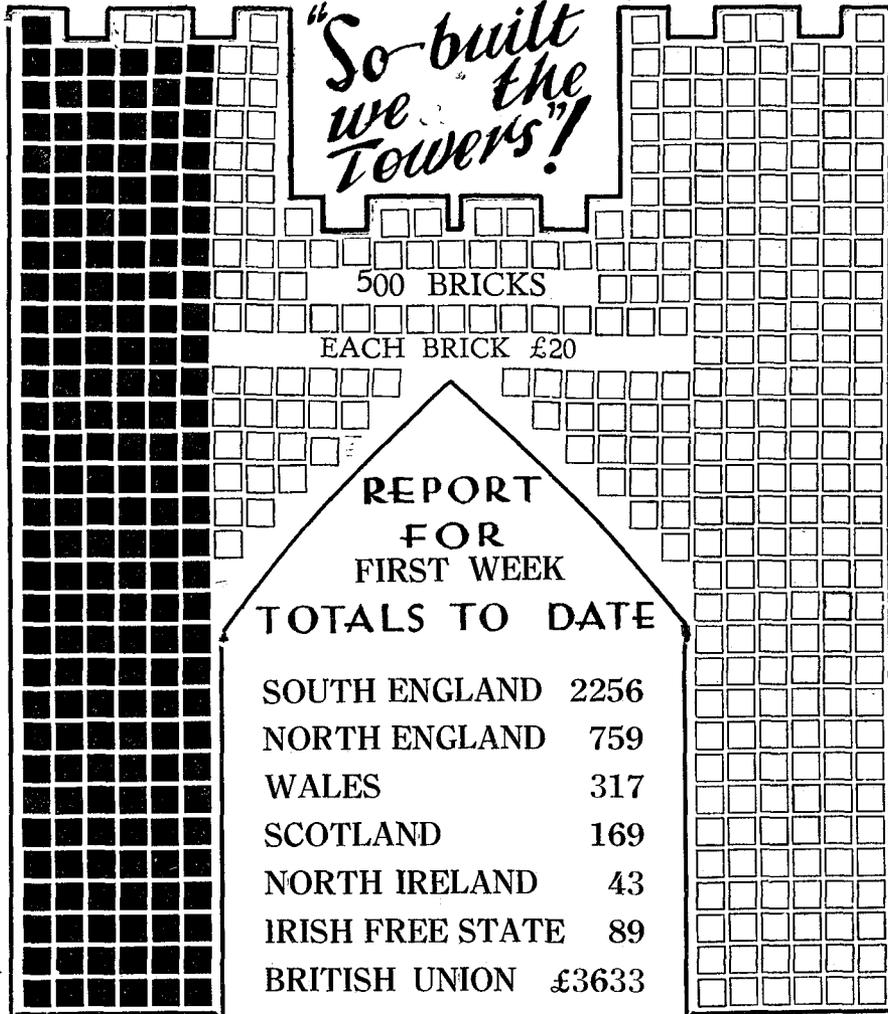
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