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Folkestone Church Organization Service

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THERE are parts of old England which have long awaited the entry of the pioneers of the third angel's message. Some of these places have at various times been labelled "tough" and "hard territory." It is difficult to understand why. One such place is Folkestone. Here God's Spirit has demonstrated in the past eighteen months that God's last-day message is accepted even in "tough" places. In this old town, one of the gateways of England, near which the message of salvation through the Lord Jesus first came to Britain in the second century, God has now set His hand to recover the remnant of His people.

In his 1937-38 campaign, Brother B. E. Sparrow laid the foundation of the work in Folkestone, and was then called to his present work in North England. Last November the writer, with the help of Miss W. Buckle, began a second campaign. Twenty-six have already responded to God's last appeal and are keeping the commandments, and twenty of these have been baptized and

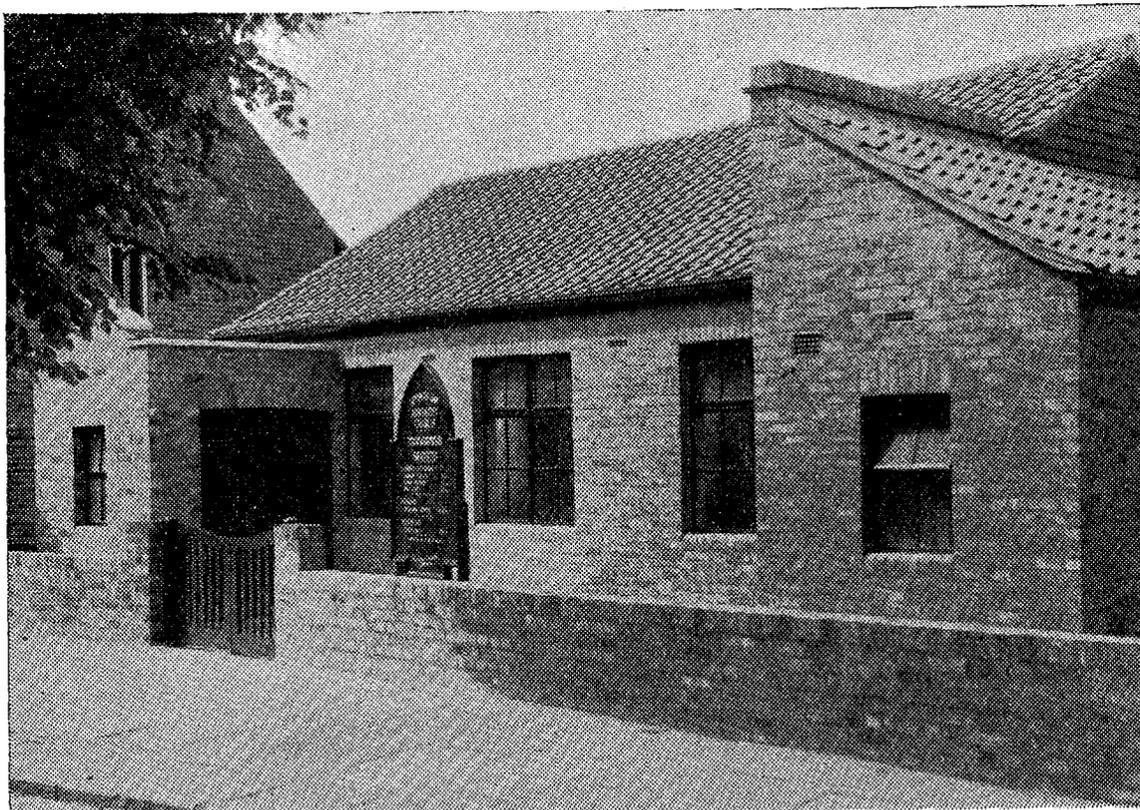
received into fellowship. These, together with the seven added from Brother Sparrow's work, were organized as a fully established church on Sabbath afternoon, June 17th.

With appetites whetted by the good things provided by the baptism on the previous evening and the church dedication on the same morning, we came together to enjoy the fruits of the work of the past eighteen months. Pastors H. W. Lowe and R. S. Joyce led out in the service. Reviewing the fundamentals of our faith, Pastor

Joyce left no doubt in our minds that Seventh-Day Adventists stand "foursquare" on the whole Bible. None could have misunderstood what we believe, nor what should be the manner of life of a Seventh-Day Adventist.

Pastor Lowe pointed out that we had become members of the church of Christ at baptism, but now it was necessary that some organization should be created to bind together those who had become members of the body of Christ. Pastor Lowe chose five members, and after close questioning about each one's relation to Christ, they were declared to be the nucleus of the new church. In the same way another five were added by the

vote of the first group, and this procedure was repeated until all were united together in one body. A nominating committee was elected and sent to do its work of recommending church officers while the others signed the charter of the church. The nominating committee's report was read and adopted without debate and the church officers duly appointed,



Exterior of new church at Folkestone.



Interior of new Folkestone church.

Earlier in the programme Brother Sparrow and the writer had told the story of the coming of the Advent message to Folkestone. It was a joy to recount the way the Lord had led us, and glory was given to Him for the results that have attended our labours. Our Sabbath-school now has a membership of thirty-five. The Young People's Society is a very live concern. Eight of the young people have already been baptized. They are full of missionary zeal. The Bible Service Training Course has an enrolment of seventeen.

Over £300 has been raised in tithes and offerings to conference, local offerings, and for church furnishings.

Looking back on the way we have come, our testimony is, "This is from the Lord; it is marvellous in our eyes." Psa. 118:23, margin. Brethren, pray for the infant church in Folkestone as it seeks, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to gather out of its corner of the Master's vineyard more fruit for the coming kingdom.

problems relating to the work in our island. The counsel and inspiration which Dr. W. H. Teesdale from the General Conference Educational Department, Pastor H. W. Lowe, our Union president, and Pastor R. S. Joyce, South England conference president, gave us were much appreciated. During the conference proper we were pleased to welcome also our good friend from Newbold College, Pastor G. Baird, whose enthusiastic endeavours in the cause of education will result in a number of new students from Ireland entering the College this autumn. All the believers in Ireland will watch their progress with keen interest!

Unfortunately, not every believer can be present at the annual meetings. But we would like others to share briefly these messages with us. On the Thursday evening Brother Joyce pointed out that in an age when the conscience of the *individual* is hardly respected in many lands, we must ever remember the vital truth, so clearly set out in the Bible, of our "Personal Accountability to God." "Thou art weighed, and thou art found ———." May our experience show that in the day of God each will find a place in His eternal kingdom!

After the roll-call of the delegates and the election of the various committees on the Friday evening, Pastor Lowe studied with us the profoundly important subject, "The Abiding Christ in Our Hearts." In days of spiritual lukewarmness (as foretold in the Laodicean message of Revelation 3) and a manifest increase of the powers of evil on every hand, the true Christian's faith can be kept strong, in spite of all the difficulties and mysterious happenings around us. We should meditate on 1 John 5:18, "No one who is a child of God sins; . . . but He [i.e. Christ] . . . keeps him [i.e. the believer], and evil cannot touch him." (Weymouth translation.)

Brother W. G. Nicholson, of Dublin, led out in the early Sabbath morning prayer hour, when God drew nigh and made us feel that He had many precious blessings in store for us on His holy day. The attendance during the

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The Annual Meeting, 1939

IRELAND was this year privileged to start the round of annual meetings in the British Union. From June 29th to July 2nd representatives from every church and company in Ireland came together in Belfast. We were especially glad to see this year a large delegation from Dublin. We wished we could have had *all* our friends from Dublin with us! It was also good to shake hands with many of the isolated believers who, but for occasional visits from the conference workers, can meet

with others of like precious faith only at the annual gatherings.

Opportunities which God had graciously given us in this "little time of peace" were a matter of deep gratitude to our heavenly Father. The highly spiritual messages of the visiting brethren instilled new faith and determination into our hearts to "press on with the battle" in the Emerald Isle.

The seven conference workers came together for three sessions of communion with the Word and its Author, and discussion of the

Sabbath hours was definitely the best for many years. And it had been a wise choice this year to use for all the conference meetings the spacious, airy West Belfast Hall, instead of our own church in Florenceville Avenue, where last year we were crowded almost to suffocation.

After Sabbath-school, which was in charge of Pastor J. G. Bevan, Pastor Teesdale addressed us. After passing on greetings and news items from our believers in other countries—which made us deeply conscious of the world-wide aspect of the Advent movement—Brother Teesdale took as his text 1 Peter 2:9: "Ye are a chosen generation," etc. The everlasting Gospel must be preached to all nations and peoples. Although in certain cases it sometimes looks as if "the might of the enemy" is too great to make us hope for success, we have encouragement from God "to be strong." Even when we feel our human weakness and feel like saying, "We don't know what to do," every seeming defeat will soon be exchanged for glorious victory if "our eyes are constantly upon Christ." As we listened to the assurances from God's Word that He will blot out every confessed sin (see Isa. 38:17; 44:22; 43:25), we felt that here in Ireland, if we are faithful, we can lead many others to experience Christ as their personal Saviour.

The necessity of a life definitely surrendered to Christ by all was further stressed in the afternoon Bible study by Brother Joyce. Showing how the Old Testament characters Abner, Saul, and Hiel deliberately sinned against God and therefore became lost for ever, our brother appealed to us to make the right choice. "We need to be stronger than our neighbours; we need to pray more and study God's Word more; we need to work more for others." All this can be possible only as we are constant Christians. Our prayer should be for a "constant spirit" (Psa. 51:10, margin).

In the Sabbath closing address Pastor Lowe dwelt on the theme of the "Present Ministry of Jesus Christ," through which there is "strong consolation" for every be-

liever. (Heb. 6:18.) In an interesting way he showed that the proud words of the "enemies of God," as recorded in Psalm 2:1-3, where they boast to bring to naught the power of the Almighty, will not hinder the final triumph of the mission of the King of kings, Christ Jesus. In this struggle between God and puny man, who assumes the right to govern himself, the Christian is ever assured of the protecting care of God whom he faithfully worships; for God "cares for the life of the just." Psa. 1:6 (Moffatt's translation).

The Sunday of the conference week-end saw a programme well mixed with spiritual gems, business reports, thanks for achievements of the past, problems of the work in Ireland, resolutions on advance, and above all, gratitude to God for granting us peace in a world where the omens of a coming clash are indeed clearly discernible on every hand.

Pastor L. A. Watson, of Lisburn, began the day for us—with God—in the prayer meeting. In the business session Pastor E. E. Craven, the superintendent, gave a lucid account of the progress of the work in Ireland during 1938.

We learned that over thirty souls had been added during the year, so that the membership of the Irish Mission now stands at a little over 200; of new interests for the truth in Belfast, Dublin, Lisburn, Larne, and Londonderry.

The tithe and all other offerings

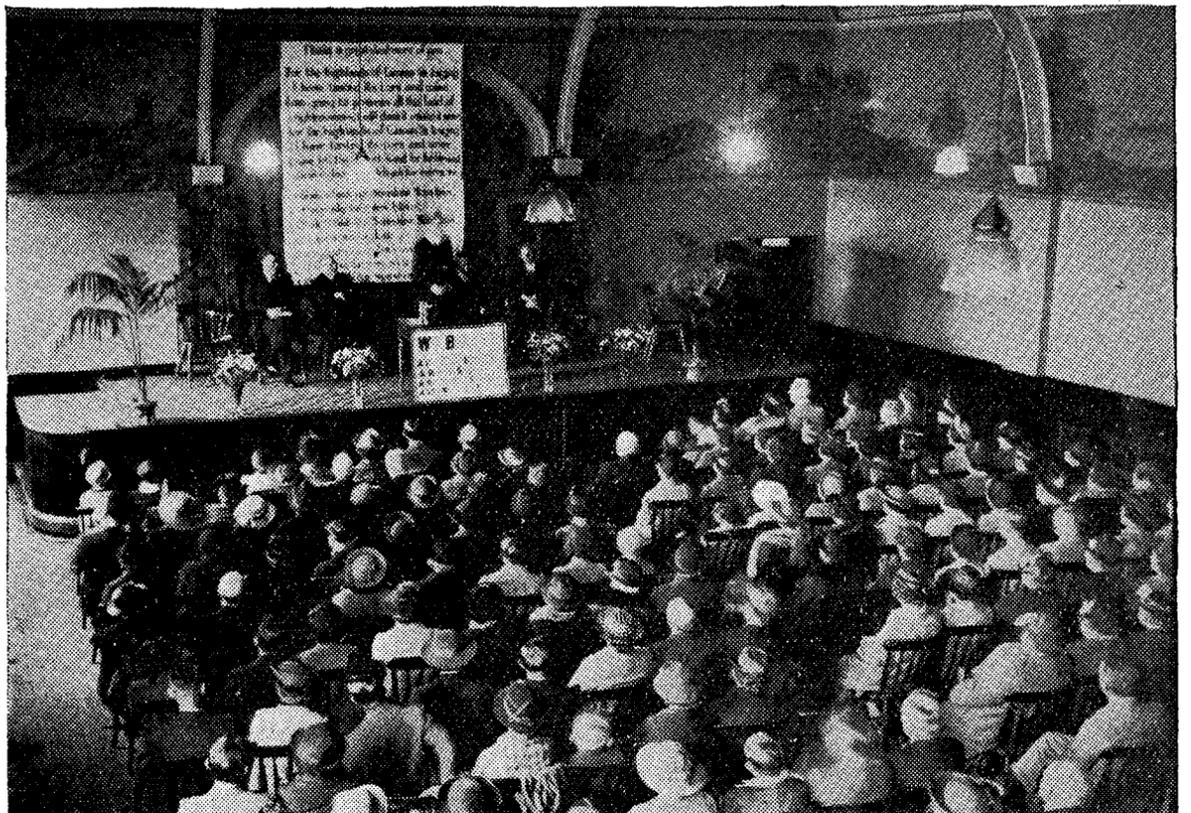
showed a marked increase over the preceding year. This speaks for the faithfulness of God's people in this part of His vineyard!

Brother A. Reeve, our only regular colporteur in Ireland, is making good headway in Belfast, his new centre of activity.

The Harvest Ingathering reports for 1938 indicated a sum of over £550 from Ireland. Since the beginning of the campaign twenty-two years ago, a total of over £6,500 had been sent from the Emerald Isle to further the advance of the work in overseas mission lands.

We are to make special efforts this year to raise again the splendid total achieved last year, which, God willing, will give us £200 over the official goal of £350 set for us by the Union committee. So everybody should be willing to do his or her part! We feel sure that Pastor J. Harker, our new departmental secretary, who is well known to all of us in Ireland, will give us his enthusiastic co-operation so that our aim can be achieved by October.

Lay-members pledged themselves to make use of the training which is so efficiently afforded them in the Bible Service Training Course. We felt that it was imperatively necessary to do something to bring the light of the third angel's message to our Roman Catholic friends in Ireland. Hence definite steps were taken to issue soon a series of tracts to



Ireland's 1939 annual assembly in the West Belfast Hall.



Workers in the Irish Mission
Standing.—J. G. Bevan, L. A. Watson, E. Zins, W. G. Nicholson.
Seated.—Miss J. Cluett, E. E. Craven, Miss M. Kirby.

meet the needs of this section of the population in Erin. We would bespeak the earnest prayers of all the churches in the British Union for this new venture of missionary enterprise!

Finally, and may it always be foremost in our minds, we could find no better way of expressing our deep appreciation for the manifold blessings of God than by reconsecrating ourselves—both ministry and laity alike—to wholehearted service in the advance of the remnant church in Ireland.

Pastor Joyce conducted the final meeting in the Orange Hall. The subject of his address was, "Ready for War! but not Ready for the Second Coming!" There was an audience of over 250 keen listeners. With cheerfulness and

thankfulness for the "blessed hope in us," and with fervent prayers and songs of praise to God, we closed the Irish conference of 1939. The congregation will remember Brother Joyce's fitting chorus before we dispersed:

"I'm going through, yes, I'm going through,
 I'll pay the price—whatever others do;
 I'll take the road with the Lord's despised few;
 I'm going through, Jesus, I'm going through!"

May all those who attended the inspiring Belfast meetings, and also those who read these lines, take the note of courage and Christian joy into their future days, and at last meet Him who will come soon! ERIC ZINS,
Acting Secretary.

and devotional meetings were keenly enjoyed on the Sunday. And the church was once more crowded on Sunday evening when Pastor G. D. King spoke on the need for hope in God and surrender to His control and guidance. Truly the fountain of truth and divine power was opened during the feast, and we all drew with joy "water out of the wells of salvation."

The presence of a representative from The Stanborough Press and also from Granose Foods Ltd. gave quite a conference atmosphere to our gathering. The happy face of Brother H. Benwell with two lone tins of soya beans showed that business had been very successful. Miss G. Vince sold just under £17 worth of books during the two days the bookstall was open. We feel that these two displays from our institutions were well justified. We thank them both for the trouble they took to make our meeting successful.

The business of the session was conducted with dispatch and the spirit of brotherliness. Plans and resolutions were discussed and voted with enthusiasm. We feel sure that these plans will be fulfilled in the work of the churches and companies of the Mission during the ensuing year. We omit these resolutions from this brief report, as they will probably appear elsewhere.

The Committee on Nominations presented the following report, which was accepted unanimously:

Superintendent.—J. A. McMillan.
Secretary-Treasurer.—W. G. Baldry.
Field Missionary Secretary.—G. D. King.
Departmental Secretary.—J. Harker.

The following were elected to sit as members of the Advisory Committee:

J. A. McMillan, L. D. Vince, A. L. Barr, R. Kennedy, D. Thompson.

We believe that with this vigorous group of men, and the good spiritual stimulus received at the annual meeting, the progress of the Scottish Mission will be accelerated during the current year, and that the rich blessing of the Lord will be manifested in an

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The Annual Meeting, 1939

THE annual meeting of the Scottish Mission for this year is now in the past. But its fragrant memories will remain with us for many days. The meetings began on Thursday evening, July 6th. Pastor H. W. Lowe took the opening service and initiated a high spiritual tone which prevailed throughout the week-end. The Sabbath meetings were well attended, the church being filled to capacity with earnest seekers

after the blessings of the Lord. Dr. W. H. Teesdale addressed the large congregation at the morning service and the call to consecration and rededication of life was answered by the entire assembly rising to its feet. The services of the Sabbath culminated in the evening meeting, when the Lord bent low over our gathering and wondrously blessed us all. That meeting will long be remembered by all who were privileged to be present. The Bible studies

abundant manner throughout the entire field. We believe that the membership, which has not grown as it ought, will now be greatly increased. Sayest thou that this is a dream? We reply in the familiar words of Daniel, "The dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure."

J. A. McMILLAN.



Superintendent's Report

THE angels of peace are still holding the winds of universal strife from bringing devastation on the earth. We are thankful to the Lord for the temporary period of peace we enjoy, and we urge our believers to "redeem the time, knowing that the days are evil." We are also happy to meet in the Glasgow church, and we wish to thank the congregation for its spirit of hospitality. A word of praise is also due to both pastor and people for the renovations which have transformed the building into a place more worthy of the worship of God.

MEMBERSHIP

We are happy to record the celebration of three baptisms during the past conference year. The first was held last September in the Glasgow church. This was the fruitage of the effort held by Brother F. J. Wilmshurst in Greenock. Five sisters were taken into church fellowship at that time. In February of this year we had another baptism in Glasgow. Two young men and three sisters were baptized and six were given the right hand of fellowship. We are also glad to record that Pastor D. Morrison had a baptism in Aberdeen on June 14th. Seven souls were accepted into the Aberdeen church membership following the baptism. These baptisms show that the Spirit of God is working with our evangelists. We are expecting another three baptisms within the next few weeks from the spring efforts.

Death has robbed us of a number of loyal members. Pastor F. W. Goodall, our departmental leader, has gone to his rest and his leadership and genial personality will be sorely missed. He has

fallen at the post of duty, but his spirit of devotion to the work of God will ever remain an inspiration and an incentive. We take this opportunity of once more expressing our sincere sympathy with the bereaved relatives. We point them to the glad hope of reunion when Jesus comes. Let us rededicate our lives to the finishing of the task entrusted to us, that the resurrection day may be hastened. The names of some who no longer walk with us have been erased from the church roll. Should we not accept every apostasy as a challenge to cling more closely to the Lord Jesus Christ, and to encourage each other to consecration and endurance?

FINANCES

The financial report for the year 1938 is about the best ever rendered at a Scottish conference. The tithe for last year was the highest ever, amounting to £1,456. This was an increase of £323 over the previous year. We are thankful for the spirit of loyalty and devotion to the cause of God which these figures represent. In this connection we were glad to note that more of the membership were faithful in returning to the Lord His own. We trust that this faithfulness will encourage others to lay hold of the divine plan for the support of the work of God. This good tithe increase enabled us to show an operating gain of £317. 3s. 9d.

The Sabbath-school offerings for the year amounted to £324. 5s. 1d. This was a gain of £6. 6s. 0d. for the year. We could wish that this increase had been greater. Surely our interest in missions overseas must expand with the expanding cause of present truth. The Harvest Ingathering total was just over the £600 mark. You will notice that this was almost double the Sabbath-school offerings. It represented the second highest *per capita* in the Union, and was well beyond the £2 per member goal. The Annual Offering showed a gain of £13. 17s. 8d. over 1937, whilst the Week of Sacrifice was just a few shillings above the previous year. Our small army of Storm Troopers sold £1,160 worth of Gospel literature during the

year. We pray that the Lord will water the seed sown in the highways and the by-ways, and give a bountiful harvest. At least one soul has begun keeping the Sabbath as a result of the work of the colporteur, and many others are keenly interested in the message.

Our workers are of good courage. Our churches are enjoying a good spirit and manifesting faith. The prospects are encouraging. The work is arduous and success comes slowly, but we are all conscious that the Lord is leading and blessing, and we hopefully envisage the day when Scotland's sons will flock to the standard held aloft by the remnant church.

J. A. McMILLAN.



Report on Credentials and Licences

THE Committee on Credentials and Licences brought in the following report which was passed without a dissentient vote.

Ministerial Credentials.—J. A. McMillan, D. Morrison, L. D. Vince.

Ministerial Licence.—F. J. Wilmshurst.

Missionary Credentials.—E. A. Butters, E. D. Brown, M. Mason, J. Archibald (Hon.), J. Fleming (Hon.).

Colporteur Credentials.—H. D. Howard, A. Innes, D. Macrae.



Baptism at Aberdeen

WE have found the work go exceptionally hard in the granite city. For a time it seemed impossible to stir the interested ones to sense their necessity of making a definite decision, but through perseverance and trust in God He has at last, as in every place, blessed His Word, and we are glad to report that seven dear souls finally decided to take their stand for the truth. Our next difficulty was to find a place in which to have the baptismal service. We were thankful to God for answering our prayers, for the officers of the Church of Christ kindly granted us the use of their comfortable building for the occasion.

As Pastor W. G. C. Murdoch, the principal of our College, was in Aberdeen that same evening, June 21st, we were pleased to have him address the candidates. His

most able and timely message was exceptionally well appreciated by all present. The following Sabbath, the six who were baptized and one who was received by vote were added to our church membership.

We pray that these dear ones may be kept faithful, and we solicit the prayers of our members everywhere that others who are interested will be led to make a definite stand for the glorious Advent message. D. MORRISON.

Please do not park your vehicle in front or at the side of the church. It will save any misunderstanding if all will recognize that we cannot make exceptions. The stewards will be in attendance to assist you to park your vehicle.

Remember the special children's services.

There are many things for which we should pray at this time. We would, however, ask special prayers for God's blessing on the workers' meetings which convene from the Monday to the Thursday before the conference begins, when they will meet to give special study to the book of Ezekiel and the writings of the Spirit of prophecy; and for the 7 a.m. prayer meetings during the conference, when workers and lay members are urged to come and pray for God's guidance and multiplied blessings. Will you be there? R. S. JOYCE.

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Plans for Annual Meeting

FEAR . . . our papers are laden with it, men talk it, truly "men's hearts fail them for fear." For Adventists this is a time not unexpected, yet some of us are being drawn into the tide. Christ's words, "Occupy till I come," are to be ours to-day. Do not let God's cause suffer because we are fearful of things which "must shortly come to pass." Annual gatherings were appointed by God Himself, and He wants *you* to be there, so that in quietness and confidence we may receive His messages and go back to "occupy" till He come, with renewed faith in His truth and providences. "It shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there" (1 Kings 17:4), was the message for Elijah at a certain time. As long as he was "there" God pledged Himself to provide for him. Let us all meet together for the annual meetings, July 27th to 30th, in the Holloway Advent Church, Nag's Head, London, N.7, to worship the God whose arm is not shortened that it cannot save, and in whom our confidence is eternally fixed.

The speakers know their appointments and are preparing to give the messages we all need. The church will be seated with hundreds of extra chairs and everything that can be done for your convenience is being done.

The isolated should especially take this opportunity to meet with God's people. A larger number than before have written in to say that they are planning to attend, and we are looking for still others.

If there are any who desire baptism during these meetings it is hoped that they will let us know without delay.

This is a special request to all drivers of cars, vans, motor-cycles, and motor-cycle combinations.

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Notes from the President

ON July 7th a baptism was held in Leeds, where Brother J. C. French is labouring. Six were added to the membership, one being from Wakefield, where Brother B. H. C. Davies does good service.

ON July 8th it was the privilege of the Hull church to add thirty-seven by baptism and vote. God has greatly blessed Brother L. Murdoch and Sister Adair in their work.

By the time these notes are in print (D.V.), over twenty will have been added in the Liverpool area. Brother Maudsley has led out in this work, assisted by Brother D. J. Handysides and Miss E. Pratt.

WE plan to baptize fifteen at our conference session, July 22nd, in the George Street Baptist Chapel, Nottingham.

WITH the baptisms to follow at Coventry, Northampton, Wor-

cester, and other places, 1939 should prove to be our best year for soul-winning.

WE are pleased to report over £100 gain in tithe at the close of the June quarter. The conference financial statement at the half year shows us £150 on the right side.

TWENTY-FIVE to thirty young people are planning to attend the Missionary Volunteer Congress in Denmark from the North England Conference.

WE have had 400 enrolled in the Bible Service Training Course, and 103 of these have already successfully passed the examination.

WE invite the prayers of the MESSENGER family for the many new Sabbath-keepers and for the success of the local conference sessions, and for our young men who will soon have to appear before the tribunals for conscience' sake. O. M. DORLAND.

Dedication at Stretford

FRIDAY evening, June 30th, was the commencement of a very happy and joyful period in the Manchester district. Pastor W. J. Cannon led us to the throne of grace, after which a solo was rendered by Sister Cannon. The address was given by Brother A. Carey.

On Sabbath morning the Manchester, Stretford, and Stockport churches combined to crowd the Parkfield Street Church to the doors, and Brother Carey gave an inspiring lesson from the desk.

After Sabbath-school a baptismal service was held, when eleven precious souls were immersed by Brother Cannon, among them a mother and son, and a husband and wife, two others being added by vote. The theme of Pastor O. M. Dorland's address was "Confession and Repentance." At the same service two deacons were ordained, Brother Bullock and Brother Redford. The anthem, excellently rendered by the Parkfield Street Choir, and conducted by Brother E. Halstead, was "Hark, Hark, My Soul," by Shelley. Brother R. Freeth and Sister J. Handysides were loyal helpers during the campaign.

In the afternoon the new Stretford church building was dedicated entirely free from debt. The service began at 3.15 p.m., with a full church, chairs having to be arranged down the aisle. All joined heartily in the opening hymn, No. 497, with which we praised God for the new house reared by His own command. Pastor Dorland read the lesson from Isaiah 40,

exhorting us to wait on the Lord and renew our strength.

Brother Carey then gave us a little insight as to how the money had been raised, and Pastor Cannon thanked those who had worked so hard and given so liberally. Pastor Dorland, in his address, spoke of the wonder and vastness of creation and of God, the Maker and Owner of the universe, to whom the building was dedicated. He called on us to consecrate ourselves to Him and to His service.

In the dedicatory prayer, offered by Brother Carey, the Holy Spirit came very near to every one present, and we closed a most delightful week-end with hymn No. 498, calling on the great King of glory to come into this temple as His home.

G. DONLEY, *Church Clerk, Stockport*; H. THOMPSON, *Church Clerk, Parkfield Street*; C. E. DONLEY, *Church Clerk, Stretford*.



News from Newbold

NEWBOLD MISSIONARY COLLEGE is enjoying a very splendid Summer School. At the time of writing there are thirty-eight students enrolled from countries overseas and three more are coming immediately, making a total enrolment of forty-one. This is the largest number we have ever had in our Summer School. These students have come to study the English language. Many of them are from universities and are not Seventh-Day Adventists. Several are deeply interested in the message and we are hopeful that they

will take their stand and go back to their own countries to tell their folks the truth that they have learned in England.

Brother and Sister Schuil have now joined us at the College. Brother Schuil has been appointed by the Division as Overseas Supervisor. He comes to us with very large experience, having studied and taught in Germany and Sweden. Brother Schuil was a student at Stanborough Park College and Mrs. Schuil is a graduate of Ekebyholm, Sweden.

The extension work is making good progress. Already the seven classrooms are taking shape and the large gymnasium is being decorated throughout.

The prospects for the new school year, beginning September 5th, are encouraging. A large number of inquiries have come in, and it would seem that there are many planning to come to Newbold for the first time, while we expect most of those who have been here before to return. Will any who are desirous of attending write to us and we shall be glad to furnish an application blank and any other information.

We appreciate the liberality of our brethren and sisters at the annual meetings and we hope again this year that many will come prepared to give of their means to the Students' Aid Fund, so that worthy young people may be assisted in obtaining a Christian education.

W.M.

Wedding Bells

BAKER-HINCKS.—On Sunday, July 2nd, in the Baptist Chapel, Skegness, a quiet wedding took place in the presence of relatives and friends, when Gladys Hincks and Ernest Baker were united in marriage. We wish them every blessing of Heaven as they establish their new home.

O. M. DORLAND.

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Exterior view of Stretford's new church building.

Notes from the Union President

WE have just concluded the Irish and Scottish annual meetings, and in each of these Missions there are definite signs of progress in our work. Our church building in Belfast is no longer large enough for the annual meetings, all of which were held in the West Belfast Orange Hall, Shankhill Road. It was the best attended meeting we have held in Ireland, and there was a good spirit of devotion among all the believers.

IN Scotland all the meetings were held in our recently renovated Glasgow church, where Pastor L. D. Vince has the loyal support of the members in his present encouraging evangelistic work. In both the Irish and Scottish Missions the membership for this year should be definitely on the upgrade. Financially both Missions have encouraging things to report this year. There have always been problems in Ireland and in Scotland, but the disposition among the workers and believers is to talk not so much about difficulties but to press on through openings that the Lord is obviously making. Dr. W. H. Teesdale of the General Conference Educational Department was with us at both meetings; Pastor R. S. Joyce was with us in Ireland, and Pastor G. D. King in Scotland. The ministry of these visiting brethren as well as of the local workers was blessed of God.

NEWBOLD SCHOOL YEAR

SEVERAL of our teachers are now going round our churches holding meetings of various kinds, and endeavouring to make contact with prospective students for the school year 1939-40. The object of these visits is not to enrol new students but to meet all prospective students with a view to studying their problems and needs, and also to give them advice as to how they might plan to attend school this year or some subsequent years.

The school fees are £54 for the school year, and it should be the aim of all students to pay these fees as nearly as possible in cash. In certain cases where this is not

possible a limited amount of work is available, but in no case will students be admitted with a less amount than £20 in cash. The Board will ultimately decide on what students are to be admitted for the next school year, but they will not be empowered to admit students who cannot comply with the minimum cash mentioned.

We wish to call attention to the fact that students should put down as much cash as they possibly can toward their school fees. Furthermore, we appeal to those who are already owing money to the school to stand by the institution and redeem their debts as soon as they possibly can. There are lots of needs in our College, and it should be a part of honour, certainly of wisdom, that our members and students support the cause of education faithfully with their means. We hope a large number of our young people will be enrolled this year, and that the present crisis atmosphere may not in the least affect the plans of those who should be preparing for the Lord's work. H. W. LOWE.

Congress M.V's in for a Good Time

OUR Missionary Volunteers all know by now about the forthcoming congress to be held at Vejle fjord, Denmark, August 9th-17th.

A study of the programme, with its days packed full of everything that is of interest to young people, makes one feel rather envious. From the "Rising Bell" at 6 a.m. up to the "Silence" at 9.45 p.m., there is not the least chance of a dull moment presenting itself.

The preparations for this rather unique gathering must have caused Pastor Bartlett and his helpers months of toil and careful planning.

With the earnest application of both heart and mind on the part of leaders and delegates alike, there is bound to be a rich fruitage in coming days from this important gathering.

As Missionary Volunteers we must prepare ourselves for the

quicken pace, both in experience and work, which this congress will surely call for. Perhaps those who are going could be induced to send at least one letter to their respective societies telling about the good things they are enjoying while together in Denmark. Then, beyond all this, there is the need of prayer. The congress must have Christ, the divine Master Comrade, to preside at every meeting and direct in all the plans, discussions, and decisions. J. HARKER.



Special Note to Conference Workers and Church Leaders

THE next issue of the LEADER will contain the 1939 Harvest Ingathering programme, which, according to schedule, is due to be presented August 26th. But in view of the fact that the Ingathering work has already begun in many churches, we recommend that as soon as the programme matter is available (which should be during the first week in August), that church committees get together and decide for themselves on the most suitable date in the month for its presentation. Even though the work may be well advanced, let every church have its Rally Day. The matter provided has been carefully prepared and, with judicious handling, can be used to bring great inspiration to all our believers. J. HARKER.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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July 28th	8.56	9.06	9.09	9.30	9.33
August 4th	8.45	8.54	8.58	9.16	9.20

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