

# BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

## *Progress in the British Union*

AN annual Union Committee meeting was recently held, and we bring to our members some of the fruits of our study. We feel we do not all appreciate the blessings we have enjoyed, and that the evidence of divine presence is a call to still deeper devotion to this blessed Advent message.

Above everything else, we are encouraged as we look over our membership figures. These are the figures, much more than any others, which indicate the spiritual condition of our churches and the success of our evangelistic programme. If the Lord Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost, we must beyond all else follow His example.

Membership figures in our war zone organizations all over the world have not been too encouraging, and in certain fields they have been static or receding. For one year during the war in this Union we had to face the mortifying fact of a net loss in membership, but we are happy to record that 1942 indicates a distinctly upward trend. Three hundred and sixty-nine new members were added by baptism and vote. This is the best figure since the war began. The number of apostasies was 118, which is the lowest on record. On the other hand, the number of deaths (111) is very high, and in fact we have lost more members by death during the war years than in any other four years of our history. We lose, on an average, one member every three days by death. The net figures indicate that South England

Report of the recent Union  
Committee Session

By H. W. LOWE

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reported a net gain of seventy-one, North England of ninety-four, while in the three missions there were losses—Wales, four, Scotland, thirty, Ireland, one. The net gain for the whole Union was 130, and our present membership stands at 6,085. All this is far too

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### BROADCASTING THE MESSAGE

HERE is something really big for you to think and pray about.

Would you like to hear the message on the air? Yes, on *British air*? It has been hoped and prayed for, but in this country it has been quite impossible thus far.

Well, by the strange fortunes of war it may become possible to hear an Adventist sermon for half an hour each week. That might be the grandest thing in our evangelistic history.

When, what wavelength, where from —? Yes, yes, we know you're dying to know all about it and in due time you shall know—if our great hopes are realized.

This is but a preliminary warning that if plans are to materialize we shall need £1,000 for a year's work. That is a small investment for so great a venture.

Think earnestly, and if God impresses you to give a goodly gift, we shall welcome it in His name.

Watch for further announcements. Meantime pray to Him who works His wonders in mysterious ways.

H. W. LOWE.

small. Is it the measure of our faith, zeal, and love? Are we ready for the greater things God is prepared to do for His glory?

Our home missionary workers, together with our Bible-workers and evangelists have had a hard year or two in their evangelistic efforts, but it does seem as though God has brought them some small reward which we should regard as an omen of the greater things to come. We appreciate the efforts that were put forth during the year, and we earnestly urge our entire membership to pray and work zealously, putting aside everything that does not contribute to this end, so that during 1943 we may see our present net gain multiplied under the providence of God.

Our ultimate aim is to add ten per cent to our membership each year. That is a goal that keeps us constantly aspiring to larger things, and in that sense it is a good goal. If we purify our hearts and with simplicity of mind and intense earnestness of purpose seek God to multiply souls who are destined for His kingdom, we shall not find Heaven wanting.

### FINANCES

WE have already reported something which we can give here only in the way of resumé about our offerings to missions. There was a net increase of £5,763 in our gifts to foreign missions, and every field showed advances in mission giving. This field now sends about £30,000 a year to foreign mission enterprises. Our tithe report also showed an in-

crease of over £6,000 for the year. Literature sales showed an increase of £5,380.

For all of these splendid reports we certainly join in praising God for His great blessing on His people during a time of unprecedented difficulty over large parts of the earth. "There is no need for despondency and apprehension. The time will never come when the shadow of Satan will not be cast athwart our pathway."—*"Gospel Workers,"* page 265.

"God calls for cheerful co-workers, who refuse to become discouraged and disheartened by opposing agencies. The Lord is leading us, and we may go forward courageously."—*Id.*, page 266.

#### INGATHERING CHANGES AND GOALS

We have decided further to improve our Ingathering arrangements in the Union by setting a month for missions. The month selected is May, and we shall work on the basis of £2 per member, giving us a goal of £12,000. We aimed at a £2 per member goal last year and reached £16,000, so we obviously do not expect to fall short of that amount this year.

There are five week-ends in May, and it will be absolutely necessary for every church and company to be thoroughly organized, so that we can get away on time and with an excellent spirit and a concentrated effort for these five week-ends.

May we here once more remind everybody that stringent regulations, denominational and governmental, control our collecting for missions, and it is the undeviating policy of the denomination that every penny collected or given for missions goes to the specific object for which it is collected or given.

#### UNION SESSION MATTERS

OUR members know that all our executive officers and secretaries serve under a tenure of office policy which, in a number of instances, has expired owing to our not having called a large Union session under present conditions.

Changes may become necessary before such a large meeting can be called, and if so, they will be made by the Union Committee, though a large number of major changes

would obviously be left to a Union session. Wherever changes are made there is but one consideration on which we can act, and that is shown by the following part of a sub-committee report on the subject:

"VOTED: That the Union reaffirm the vital principle that the one and only consideration that can be permitted to influence decisions concerning the removal of workers, of every rank and class, at any time, from or to any field, is the best interests of the cause to which we have dedicated our lives. While we do not recommend major changes at the present time, it would be entirely constitutional for the Union Committee to make such changes as it may deem necessary even though the hoped for Union session may not be possible until 1944."

A Union gathering will be held as soon as conditions permit.

#### THE ONLY SOURCE OF COURAGE

AT a time of intense external pressure, David provided a grand example of what a man of God should do. With his home town burning before his eyes as he returned to it, with his loved ones taken prisoners, with his followers turning against him, and with his soul "greatly distressed," David had apparent reason for giving in

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### Committee Changes

ARISING out of the Union Committee's recent actions certain changes in the personnel of our field committees were made. The committees for the five fields now are:

*South England.*—G. D. King; J. H. Parkin; E. R. Warland; W. H. Meredith; A. J. Mustard; W. W. Armstrong; H. Benwell; G. V. Hall; Dr. A. H. Williams.

*North England.*—R. S. Joyce; F. D. Buckle; B. Belton; E. Merchant; G. W. Baird; W. R. A. Madgwick; W. M. Lennox; H. Rhodes; C. L. Kelly.

*Welsh Mission.*—S. G. Hyde; F. S. Jackson; F. E. Powell; R. Jacques; J. G. Bevan.

*Scottish Mission.*—J. A. McMillan; R. Kennedy; D. Thompson; L. G. Hardinge; H. T. Johnson.

*Irish Mission.*—E. E. Craven, Dr. J. Houston; A. Johnston; A. C. Vine; E. Zins.

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to the extreme pressure of outward events, and inward torment. But the greatness of the man is shown when we read: "But David encouraged himself in the Lord his God." 1 Sam. 30:8.

May we all seek that source of encouragement. May we, in God's love and by His grace, live above every obstacle and discouragement, making 1943 our best in service, and our largest in gathering men and women into the fold of God's truth.

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## Notes from the Union President

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#### A PUBLISHING LEADER PASSES AWAY

SOME of our workers and a few members may remember H. Boex, for many years a leader in our publishing work in Central Europe. He passed away recently, leaving a widow and several children.

#### CHANGES IN EAST AFRICA

ELDER S. G. MAXWELL, after some twenty years in Kenya Union, is leaving that part of the country to take over the South-east African Union which comprises Nyasaland, part of Portuguese East Africa, and part of north-east Rhodesia. Some reorganization is taking place in our work in East Africa which is now administered by the Southern African Division.

#### GRANOSE PRODUCTS

THE notice in our last issue concerning the zoning scheme introduced by the Government for the purpose of reducing transportation difficulties will, of course, not be very welcome to certain of our members in different parts of the country. We are perfectly helpless to avoid these Government restrictions which seem to be essential to avoid transport difficulties, and there is no way by which we can accommodate our members in the matter of obtaining supplies of Granose products that are within the zoning scheme (Sunnybisk, Granose Biscuits and Granose Flakes.) We would call attention to the fact that other foods than these are still available in the usual way.

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BRITISH MISSIONARY LOCATED IN  
MANILA

WE are happy to record the receipt of a cablegram indicating that A. G. Rodgers and family are well in Manila, and are doing missionary work. Just what the latter expression means we are not sure, but it is good to know that these dear people have been found, and are well, though they are in the territory under enemy control. H. W. LOWE.

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### Watford Secondary School

WE are very happy to report substantial progress at our Secondary School. We have begun our spring term with an enrolment higher than it has ever been, namely 188, consisting of 128 pupils in the Junior School and sixty in the Senior.

Three candidates were entered for the Oxford Local Examination in December, and all three passed with sufficient credits to gain them exemption from London Matriculation. This success demonstrates that even from an academic standpoint, our children do not lose by receiving their education under Adventist influence, and are no whit behind the standard of other secondary schools.

We are greatly helped by the willing service of a loyal and enthusiastic staff, whose only consideration is the establishment of our school on a sound basis. Another factor which has contributed to the early success of the school has been the wholehearted support given to it by the local churches at Stanborough Park and Watford. Local residents, too, are glad to send their children to our school, to such an extent that now the non-Adventists outnumber the Adventist children.

We thank God that His leading has been very evident in this venture, and that in a time of apparent difficulty for building up our school work, our wildest expectations and fondest hopes have been

dwarfed by actual achievement. We commit our future ways and plans into His guidance as we continue in our labour for the young people and children under our care. E. E. WHITE.

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### Southend Social

ON Sunday afternoon, January 24th, about forty members and friends of the Southend church met in the school-room for a most happy church social.

A splendid programme was given to which our elder, Brother Atkinson, and others contributed, Brother Crouch acting as M.C.

Refreshments were then handed round and were greatly appreciated.

The crowning item of the afternoon was a presentation to Brother and Sister Wilmshurst in view of their leaving Southend for Plymouth. Brother Atkinson spoke a few words saying how sorry we were to part with them, and wished them God-speed in their new sphere of work. Brother Wilmshurst suitably responded

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### Remember the

# "Messenger" Offering

### Sabbath, February 27th.

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saying that he looked on the gift as a token of our love and respect.

After a few more interesting items, thanks were accorded to those who had taken part in the programme and the meeting closed with a short prayer.

J. M. WHITEHEAD,  
*Church Clerk.*

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### Stanborough Park Church Report for 1942

ON January 12th, Stanborough Park church held its quarterly business meeting, when the reports for the last quarter of 1942 and for the year were presented. A season of prayer and the reading of a passage from the Spirit of prophecy preceded the business

meeting proper. Of the twelve reports presented the first was that of the church clerk, showing a present membership of 417, a net increase for the year of thirty-five, of which several were young people added by baptism. Bearing in mind this increase in membership, it was gratifying to note from the financial statements presented by the treasurer, the increase in tithes and offerings. The year's tithe amounted to £4,206 (£870 more than in 1941) and the offerings were £1,194. Included in the offerings was £863 from the Sabbath-school, an overflow for the year of £213.

So much for the financial side. What of the other activities of the Stanborough Park church? One's mind naturally turns first to the Home Missionary Department. Several interested people are still being visited with literature as a result of the Inquiry Card campaign and we pray earnestly that the seed being sown will bear fruit to the honour and glory of God.

The eighty odd Junior Missionary Volunteers, their leader reported, were all busily occupied with the Progressive Courses. The society had recently held an Investiture service, those qualifying ranging from Helpers to Master Comrades.

And then there was the Sunday-school. A most inspiring report was given by the secretary. Fifteen of the older children had signed the total abstinence pledge, bringing much joy to the hearts of superintendent and teachers. We pray that these children may be kept true to their pledge and that others, too, will decide to follow their lead.

Looking back over 1942 we "praise the Lord for His goodness," and as we go forward into 1943 we pray for the continual presence and guidance of His Holy Spirit that more souls may be added to the church. At Stanborough Park there are many children and young people, and while we live a comparatively sheltered life yet it has its peculiar trials and temptations. And so, when you pray, will you remember the church at headquarters?

C. THROSSELL,  
*Church Clerk.*

## "To Finish the Course"

"AND so it seems," said Pastor Warland, "that Gloucester has won the Banner!" Did our ears hear aright? Was it really true that the five members of the youngest society of the South England conference had achieved the most desired emblem of a year's faithful endeavour? Yes, it must be right, for chalked upon the blackboard were the figures that told of our "progression."

But how inadequately did those figures portray the instructive and up-lifting little gatherings, where just the five of us, Pat, Molly, Jean, and Justine met together each week to work at the Progressive courses, and to study, under the inspiring leadership of Miss John, the doctrines of the Bible and the prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation. We attribute much of our success to Miss John's help and encouragement.

Maybe you think it was easy for so small a society to gain this honour. But that is not so, for we have not known the keen competition that exists in larger societies. The absence of one member means perhaps, the loss of some helpful thought or constructive idea.

"To finish the course," was our motto for 1942. What course did we mean? Did we have in mind only the attainment of those steps so ably outlined for Missionary Volunteers? No, a far, far greater vision presented itself to us; we would use these steps, Friend, Companion, Comrade, and Master Comrade, to help us climb, that we might stand at last like Paul, and say; "I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

And so we face another year—a year of fuller and wider service for our Master. For us, the Progressive courses have brought a deeper knowledge of our Creator.

Now, adopting as our motto the words so beautifully woven on the Banner, "Surrendered but Conquering," we are assured that, if we remain faithful, God shall cause the rays of light from this small society to help lift the darkness enshrouding this cathedral city of Gloucester.

JEAN GUEST AND JUSTINE SIMS.

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### Organization at Stretton

AT last the great day had arrived! It was Sabbath morning, January 30th, the day on which we were to dedicate our new building and organize our church at Stretton-under-Fosse.

What feelings of joy and gladness, mingled with those of satisfaction and pride of achievement, must have filled the hearts of those faithful brethren who, through the weeks, had toiled with loving care, oftentimes far into the night, in order that this house of God might truly represent Him we love. Here it was, ready for dedication—and what a transformation they had wrought! We could scarcely believe our eyes as we tried to take in all that had been done since last we saw it. Once used as a stable—now transformed into a most delightful little church building.

Nearly everyone was present for Sabbath-school. This was quite an accomplishment, the membership being very scattered, as in all rural districts. Some had that very morning walked three and four miles in order to be present and on time!

After Sabbath-school, Pastor W. G. Murdoch gave the address in the dedication service, and all were deeply stirred as they listened to his appeal for the dedication not only of the building, but of every member present. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Pastor R. S. Joyce, who voiced the sentiment of every heart as he called upon God richly to bless our new church home.

At 2.30 in the afternoon we reassembled to witness the service of organization, which was conducted by Pastor R. S. Joyce. Twenty-eight charter members were elected to constitute the new church, all pledging themselves to uphold the banner of God's truth in this neighbourhood.

As a fitting conclusion to a day

of great spiritual blessing, we all gathered around the table of the Lord, while Pastor W. G. Murdoch directed our minds back to that "last supper" and forward to the "marriage supper of the Lamb" where Jesus Himself will serve us in His Father's kingdom.

Thus ended a very happy and blessed Sabbath day, a day long to be remembered by all who were privileged to be present. Will you not pray with us for the continued blessing of God upon His work in this district.

K. LACEY.

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### Superintendent's Notes

THE Scottish Mission Advisory Committee met in Glasgow on February 14th. The following items of general interest are hereby reported.

#### MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the mission was 298 at the end of 1942. Last year saw a large decrease by death and transfer. From the Glasgow church alone, we transferred eight members to the North England Conference in December. Five of these were young people who are in training at Packwood. While we feel the loss of these bright young people, we are glad that they are preparing for wider service in the cause of God.

The mission suffered the loss of eleven members by death last year. This is the largest death roll in the mission membership as far back as 1929. Probably it is the largest we have ever had in Scotland. But we realize that these souls are not lost, but sleeping, and we anticipate the glad reunion when Jesus comes.

There was a small baptism in Glasgow in December. Three sisters and two brethren were added to the church. Unfortunately this was the only baptism held during 1942, but we are confident that the interests in the other efforts will yield fruitage during 1943. The effort in Edinburgh did not

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begin till the autumn, and therefore we cannot expect a baptism there until later in this present year. The work grows slowly in this northern mission. For the past four years the net gain has been ten, although ninety-two were added by baptism and vote. During this four-year period we lost forty-four by death and transfer.

#### FINANCES

When we turn to the financial side of the mission's activities, the picture is bright indeed. The members have been faithful in returning to the Lord His own. Due to some tithe being late, the actual tithe figure for 1942 was down by £137 as compared with 1941. But January of this year shows an increase of £334 over the corresponding month of last year. The encouraging feature of the tithe figures is that the percentage of tithe-payers keeps increasing. There are still a few who are losing the blessing promised to the faithful, but we trust that these will awaken to their privileges and receive God's blessing.

The Sabbath-school offerings of last year were up by £73. 11s. 4d. on the previous year. Another good increase was seen in the Annual Offering, which yielded £63. 18s. 0d., £31. 16s. 4d. above the year before. The mission budget showed an operating gain on the year's working of £454. 18s.-8d.

#### CAMPAIGNS

Pastor L. G. Hardinge's campaign in Edinburgh is still working along steadily, and the workers there are of good courage. Brother Johnson is planning to begin another effort in Aberdeen early in March. Pastor Morrison continues to hold the fort of Dundee, and reports a little group of interested followers. Here in Glasgow we plan to begin another effort on March 28th. We have booked the Central Hall, Bath Street. We ask that the members sustain these campaigns with their prayers, and, where possible, with their presence.

In order to release Sister Archibald for Edinburgh, Brother D. P. Bleasby has courageously taken over the charge of the services in Greenock on Sundays. A number of souls are studying the message

with this veteran lay preacher, and we are sure that a baptism will materialize. The lay brethren in Stirling are also holding the interest there and growing in grace. Brother T. Thomson is still fathering the little flock in Kirkcaldy.

We have had a number of visiting brethren to the mission during the past year. We have appreciated the interest taken in the mission by the Union brethren. In addition to the usual visitations, we have been glad to welcome to Scotland for the first time, Pastors R. S. Joyce and L. Edmonds. We have also had the pleasure of a return visit by Pastor W. H. Meredith. The ministry of these brethren was highly appreciated. We had the loan of young Brother Victor Cooper for three months from the North England Conference. Brother Cooper writes to say that he enjoyed his association with the effort in Edinburgh.

Our workers are set to the tasks for 1943. We are resolved to labour for the Lord in such a way this year that we shall see large baptisms wherever there are efforts. We ask our members to join with us in a consecration of all our powers to this supreme task of the church. We have the message, God has the power, the people have the need. These three elements must fuse. The ancient motto of Glasgow must become the motto of the mission: "Let Scotland flourish by the preaching of the Word."

J. A. McMILLAN.

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## Welsh Mission

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### Superintendent's Notes

BACK in 1936, when we first came to Wales, the membership was 455. At the end of last year, 1942, it stood at 463. Not much progress, 'tis true, and not anything like what we envisaged. Half of the period has been affected severely by war conditions, and we have suffered severe losses, particularly through the common enemy—death. Over the

period under review no less than seventy of our cherished members passed to their rest, an unusually large number for a small field. Also we lost by transfer fifteen more than we received by transfer. So that though we gathered in by baptism and vote 149 new members, we lost about a third of that number through apostasy and almost half through the incidence of death.

Evangelistically, 1942 was a poor year for us. Much effort was put forth, but the resultant fruitage did not yield as hopefully or as quickly as the workers anticipated. In addition a baptism of some ten souls, planned for the last month of the year, had to be held over until the new year.

So that while we report poorer progress than we would have wished, we feel confident that 1943 will see an improvement.

To this end, our Advisory Committee has just met and we have decided to conduct vigorous campaigns in the Cardiff-Barry, Aberdare-Cwm-gwarach, Rhyl, Shrewsbury, and Newport areas this year.

#### PERSONNEL

CERTAIN changes have been made in the staff of the Welsh Mission. Bible-instructors will consist of Miss W. Buckle, Miss P. Standen, Miss M. Howlett, and Mr. C. Watson.

Miss Buckle, a worker of much experience comes to us from the South Conference in exchange for Miss M. Brookes who, in her first year of training, has rendered good service in Cardiff and Morriston. Miss P. Standen comes as a graduate, as does Mr. Watson.

Pastor H. K. Munson has been recommended to the North England Conference, and Pastor J. G. Bevan is to come to the Welsh Mission from Ireland. Pastor T. H. Cooper will be retiring on sustentation at the end of February and so cease to be an active worker on the staff of the Welsh Mission.

#### LOCATIONS

SUBJECT to houses and halls proving satisfactory in the cases of Rhyl and Shrewsbury, the following locations have been approved:

1. Pastor F. S. Jackson—Rhyl and N. Wales.

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# Statement of Tithes and Offerings for Quarter Ending December 31, 1942

## SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offering Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offerings	Miscel-laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer-ings per Capita
Bath .....	21	27 4 3	1 5 11	7 3 10	3 6	3 0 0			19 4	11 6 8	10 9
Bournemouth..	89	184 13 11	2 1 3	25 16 10	2 12 0	22 0 3		4 5 0	12 0 6	66 14 7	14 11
Brighton .....	56	104 19 5	1 10 5	20 12 8		10 1 7		10 0	4 13 10	35 18 1	12 10
Bristol .....	139	285 17 0	2 1 2	46 1 1	1 13 0	13 6 6		11 6	11 3 2	72 15 3	10 6
Cambridge .....	29	51 5 9	1 15 4	4 10 9		3 8 4			1 0 0	8 19 1	6 2
Chelmsford.....	23	79 9 6	3 9 1	9 13 9		6 15 9		5 15 0	2 6 6	24 11 0	1 1 4
Cheltenham ...	37	76 7 6	2 1 3	13 12 5	1 4 7	3 6 3		1 9 3	3 10 1	23 2 7	12 6
Chiswick .....	92	223 8 11	2 8 7	30 2 5	14 5	17 8 0		1 0 0	6 8 6	55 13 4	12 1
Clacton.....	23	13 19 2	12 2	1 13 7		17 6		10 0		3 1 1	2 8
Clapham .....	58	56 8 5	19 5	15 2 0		7 12 8		3 17 0	5 7 8	31 19 4	11 0
Colchester .....	26	25 12 7	19 9	4 16 7		1 2 0		1 7 10	4 5	7 10 10	5 10
Croscombe.....	31	62 11 10	2 0 5	9 12 2	13 0	6 10 0				16 15 2	10 10
Croydon .....	38	34 3 9	18 0	8 19 0		5 7 11		4 12 8	2 18 9	21 18 4	11 6
Ealing .....	63	131 5 7	2 1 8	12 3 4	15 3	5 15 0		2 5 6	3 18 8	24 17 7	7 11
Edmonton .....	56	52 19 6	18 11	10 17 3	2 6 3	4 4 3			1 13 0	19 0 9	6 10
Enfield .....	15	28 8 0	1 17 10	7 18 11		2 8 6		2 0 0	19 4	13 6 9	17 9
Exeter .....	32	62 0 2	1 18 9	23 7 4		4 7 1		4 0 0	1 15 0	33 9 5	1 0 11
Folkestone.....	33	39 4 6	1 3 9	2 18 10		1 4 0			1 19 0	6 1 10	3 8
Forest Gate....	33	27 16 2	16 10	8 7 1		3 5 0			2 0 0	13 12 1	8 3
Gillingham .....	10	16 15 11	1 13 7	7 18 9		2 19 6			1 4 6	12 2 9	1 4 3
Hastings .....	20	45 16 9	2 5 10	9 10 2		3 8 6			3 4 9	16 3 5	16 2
H. Wycombe .....	20	49 9 1	2 9 5	9 7 7				1 16 0	1 0 8	12 4 3	12 3
Holloway.....	164	389 16 6	2 7 6	36 16 10	1 5 8	16 12 5		12 0 0	4 8 4	68 3 3	8 4
Ilford .....	59	106 14 1	1 16 2	21 17 3	1 14 11	4 6 8		2 3 2	2 19 8	33 1 8	11 3
Ipswich .....	35	22 2 6	12 8	4 16 4		1 5 0		1 10 0	19 2	8 10 6	4 10
Lewisham .....	59	110 8 2	1 17 5	21 15 1	10 8	9 15 2		1 0 0	21 5 0	54 5 11	18 5
Lowestoft .....	47	33 3 3	14 1	5 11 10		2 14 6		1 6 11	16 6	10 9 9	4 6
Luton .....	26	73 7 3	2 16 5	10 9 8		5 13 0		1 0 0	7 1 0	24 3 8	18 7
Norwich .....	46	50 0 4	1 1 9	7 8 1	12 6	2 13 3			1 13 6	12 7 4	5 5
Plymouth .....	75	240 1 1	3 4 0	27 0 4	15 0	32 8 0			3 14 0	63 17 4	17 0
Portsmouth ...	46	107 16 3	2 3 11	16 7 7	7 3	5 1 0		3 12 9	3 12 8	29 1 3	12 8
Reading .....	61	121 8 5	1 19 10	25 11 11	2 12 2	6 7 11		13 6	4 2 2	39 12 8	11 4
Romford .....	35	48 7 4	1 7 8	5 2 3		1 10 0		2 3 3	1 13 6	10 9 0	6 0
Slough .....	21	48 11 3	2 6 3	16 9 10	6 0	4 12 0		7 7 9	2 13 4	31 8 11	1 9 11
Southampton	51	106 18 0	2 1 11	14 13 5	9 3	12 10 0			6 2 4	33 15 0	13 3
Southend .....	54	104 14 9	1 18 10	22 10 9		15 7 0			6 8 0	44 3 9	16 4
Southstoke....	9	14 4 4	1 11 7	5 13 10		9 9 0			1 17 0	16 19 10	1 17 9
Stanbor'h Park	417	1244 5 0	2 19 8	230 10 0	15 3 9	88 9 2		18 11 6	20 18 0	373 12 5	17 11
Taunton .....	29	56 16 11	1 19 2	9 16 9	1 4	4 7 0		2 15 6	3 4 6	20 5 1	14 0
Torquay .....	46	74 17 3	1 12 7	23 2 2	1 8 6	12 0 0		2 14 0	4 19 6	44 4 2	19 3
Walthamstow ..	56	213 16 11	3 18 2	54 0 0	19 10	117 4 6			4 5 0	176 9 4	3 3 0
Watford .....	61	175 18 1	2 17 8	25 12 8	3 14 9	16 0 0		1 17 0	11 10 0	58 14 5	19 3
Wembley .....	45	79 11 11	1 15 5	16 10 8		10 10 0		1 1 0	7 5 1	35 6 9	15 8
Wimbledon.....	102	219 4 7	2 3 0	28 19 5	1 8 1	23 3 10	1 19 6	8 15 0	7 13 11	71 19 9	14 1
Wood Green .....	81	154 12 7	1 18 2	17 2 7	18 2	7 16 6		1 0 0	3 8 1	30 5 4	7 6
Yarmouth .....	36	16 12 8	9 3	5 13 6		1 0 9		6 11	1 8 6	8 9 8	4 9
Bedford.....	10	30 16 3	3 1 8	4 9 6		2 14 6		1 0 0	17 6	9 1 6	18 2
Brentwood .....	8	27 19 0	3 9 10	3 2 10	1 4 7	5 3 0		9 5 0	1 11 11	20 7 4	2 10 11
Dereham .....	6	8 10 3	1 8 5	1 12 9		1 5 0			5 0	3 2 9	10 6
Eastbourne .....	6	11 13 0	1 18 10								
Ely .....	8	19 14 3	2 9 3	4 11 0		17 6		5 0		5 13 6	14 2
Ferndown .....	6	10 1 6	1 13 7	1 0 4		1 2 0			5 0	2 7 4	7 11
Gloucester .....	15	21 7 6	1 8 6	7 2 9	13 0	3 0 8		1 14 0	1 0 1	13 10 6	18 0
Leatherh'd .....	3	12 14 5	1 11 10	2 5 9		12 0			18 0	3 15 9	9 6
Medstead .....	13	32 10 0	2 10 0	8 13 10		2 11 6		1 0 0	1 7 6	13 12 10	1 1 0
Poole .....	8	12 8 1	1 11 0	2 6 9		1 12 6			1 2 6	5 1 9	12 9
Rye .....	7	17 6 11	2 9 7	5 9 10		1 18 0			1 0 6	8 8 4	1 4 1
Salisbury .....	15	25 6 9	1 13 9	7 17 1		5 0 9		1 12 0	1 15 6	16 5 4	1 1 8
St. Austell .....	7	29 17 6	4 5 4	8 15 0		1 10 0				10 5 0	1 9 3
St. Maby'n .....	10	31 9 6	3 2 11	17 19 0		12 0 0			5 2 0	35 1 0	3 10 1
Swindon .....	11	8 15 6	15 11	6 3 5		1 10 5			7 6	8 1 4	14 8
Wes'n/Br'n .....	6	13 1 8	2 3 5	7 14 0		2 4 6			1 0 0	10 18 6	1 16 5
Weymouth .....	13	10 16 10	16 8	1 0 2		9 6				1 9 8	2 3
Isolated .....	398	1459 13 2	3 13 4	109 9 9	2 4 5	202 8 2		29 19 0	78 10 9	422 12 1	1 1 3
<b>Totals 1942</b>	<b>3180</b>	<b>7277 9 2</b>	<b>2 6 1</b>	<b>1140 12 10</b>	<b>46 11 10</b>	<b>785 5 3</b>	<b>1 19 6</b>	<b>148 18 0</b>	<b>297 8 0</b>	<b>2420 15 5</b>	<b>15 4</b>
<b>Totals 1941</b>	<b>3089</b>	<b>6000 13 0</b>	<b>1 18 9</b>	<b>954 0 10</b>	<b>33 19 5</b>	<b>371 11 5</b>		<b>519 17 3</b>	<b>8 6</b>	<b>1879 17 5</b>	<b>12 1</b>
<b>Increase</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1276 16 2</b>	<b>7 4</b>	<b>186 12 0</b>	<b>12 12 5</b>	<b>413 13 10</b>	<b>1 19 6</b>	<b>-370 19 3</b>	<b>296 19 6</b>	<b>540 18 0</b>	<b>3 3</b>

## WELSH MISSION

Barry Dock .....	27	69 6 11	2 11 4	12 1 6		4 5 6		6 19 6	1 4 6	24 11 0	18 2
Blaenavon .....	6	24 0 0	4 0 0	3 18 11		10 0		10 0	10 0	5 8 11	18 2
Cardiff .....	68	135 7 10	1 19 10	33 3 0	2 0 0	18 15 0			5 8 0	59 6 0	17 5
Hereford .....	12	87 0 3	7 5 0	5 8 3		1 14 0			12 0	7 14 3	12 10
Newport Mon. ....	93	165 4 11	1 15 6	26 10 11	1 4 0	7 15 6			3 5 9	38 16 2	8 4
Porth .....	7	12 4 0	1 14 10	2 9 11		11 6		5 0		3 6 5	9 6
Swansea .....	32	64 4 5	2 0 2	14 12 10		2 0 0	2 6		10 0	17 5 4	10 10
Aberdare .....	12	29 14 10	1 14 7	5 1 0		2 4 0			1 11 0	8 16 0	14 8
Caerphilly .....	16	22 19 11	1 8 9	5 4 0		1 6 4			7 3	7 2 7	8 11
Gelligaer .....	12	21 6 1	1 15 6	19 0				1 0 0		1 19 0	3 3
Llanelly .....	10	6 16 6	13 8	6 10 7						6 10 7	13 1
Rhos .....	9	11 13 6	1 5 11	7 4 1		1 12 6			6 6	9 3 1	1 0 4
Rhyl .....	30	52 3 8	1 14 9	6 8 11						6 8 11	4 4
Shrewsb'ry .....	12	13 0 8	1 1 9	2 16 11		6 4 3		1 0 0	1 4 0	11 5 2	18 9
Isolated .....	117	242 7 2	2 1 5	21 19 10		16 4 6		4 1 6	19 10 7	61 16 5	10 7
<b>Totals 1942</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>948 10 8</b>	<b>2 1 0</b>	<b>154 9 8</b>	<b>3 4 0</b>	<b>63 3 1</b>	<b>2 6</b>	<b>14 3 3</b>	<b>34 7 4</b>	<b>269 9 10</b>	<b>11 8</b>
<b>Totals 1941</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>723 10 0</b>	<b>1 11 0</b>	<b>138 16 8</b>	<b>2 10 8</b>	<b>52 4 6</b>		<b>42 5 5</b>		<b>235 16 7</b>	<b>10 1</b>
<b>Increase</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>225 0 8</b>	<b>10 0</b>	<b>15 13 8</b>	<b>13 4</b>	<b>10 18 7</b>	<b>2 6</b>	<b>-28 2 2</b>	<b>34 7 4</b>	<b>33 13 3</b>	<b>1 7</b>

NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY	Mem-ber-ship	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offerings Inc. 13th S.	Young People's Offering	Annual Offering	Miscel-laneous	Week of Sacrifice	Big Week	Total Offerings	Offer-ings per Capita
Birmingham	54	133 5 7	2 9 4	24 2 0	3 3	3 1 2		15 0	2 5 0	30 6 5	11 2
Bradford	42	71 3 4	1 13 10	8 15 10		1 17 6			1 5 0	11 18 4	5 8
Coventry	59	159 9 4	2 14 0	30 4 7		4 9 9			2 2 0	36 16 4	12 5
Darlington	30	50 4 11	1 13 6	5 17 8	11 0	2 5 7			3 2 0	11 16 3	7 10
Derby	55	147 3 2	2 13 6	16 4 3	1 1 5	5 17 0			6 0 0	29 2 8	10 7
Grimsby	16	31 10 1	1 19 4	2 18 1		2 11 0		2 6	16 2	6 7 9	7 11
Handsworth	71	160 19 11	2 5 4	31 1 4	1 2 2	22 4 2		6 6	5 10 4	60 4 6	16 11
Hull	104	197 9 10	1 17 11	35 19 9		14 9 1		3 10 0	10 4 11	64 3 9	12 4
Kettering	42	64 8 3	1 10 8	25 9 0	19 6	7 5 0		1 1 0	1 15 0	36 9 6	17 6
Leeds	74	155 11 1	2 2 0	16 0 11	1 0 5	5 15 2			2 17 0	25 13 6	6 11
Leicester	51	126 2 5	2 9 5	52 1 9	17 8	10 11 6			3 0 6	66 11 5	1 6 5
Lincoln	13	48 14 3	3 14 2	8 18 10		7 8 6		4 0 0	2 13 0	23 0 4	1 15 5
Liverpool	72	146 6 11	2 0 7	20 4 11	16 5	7 2 6		1 18 6	3 11 6	33 13 10	9 4
Manchester	72	138 11 1	1 18 5	21 3 10	1 11 10	7 2 4			3 10 2	33 8 2	9 3
Mid'brough	36	44 15 6	1 4 10	10 0 0		3 5 0		3 0	2 4 0	15 12 0	8 8
Newbold	131	250 0 9	1 18 2	36 9 7	2 4 0	7 9 0			2 17 0	48 19 7	7 5
Newcastle	99	126 4 7	1 5 6	42 15 11		7 4 9		9 7 2		59 7 10	11 11
Nottingham	89	206 17 4	2 6 5	85 10 0	2 6 0	18 14 9		3 18 6	3 2 9	113 12 0	1 5 6
Rotherham	37	46 12 6	1 5 2	5 19 1		1 2 0			8 6	7 9 7	4 0
Rushden	12	36 5 6	3 0 5	2 17 3	4 0	3 11 0			1 1 0	7 13 3	12 9
Sheffield	49	60 2 5	1 5 4	5 4 9		4 0			5 6	5 14 3	2 3
Shields	18	22 13 6	1 5 2	6 11 1		10 6		1 3 3	14 0	8 18 10	9 11
Stockport	20	55 0 10	2 15 0	4 18 7	1 0 3	1 0 0			19 6	7 18 4	7 11
Stoke	34	108 5 2	3 3 8	14 0 7	13 1			3 0	18 0	15 14 8	9 3
Stretford	48	68 13 7	1 8 7	10 9 11		5 16 0		17 0	2 2 2	19 5 1	8 0
Wakefield	20	65 0 9	3 5 0	5 19 5		2 5 0			4 16 1	13 0 6	13 0
Wellingboro	15	20 12 5	1 7 5	3 0 10		16 8			1 17 0	5 14 6	7 7
Wolverha'pton	18	61 1 10	3 7 10	11 4 8		5 18 9			1 16 11	19 0 4	1 1 1
Worcester	20	30 15 8	1 10 9	8 8 5		14 6 6			2 9 0	25 3 11	1 5 3
York	34	70 12 4	2 1 6	19 1 11	1 0 2	9 10 0		2 0 0	4 3 6	35 15 7	1 1 0
Barnsley	37	55 17 0	1 10 2	6 6 1		13 6			17 0	7 16 7	4 2
Beeston	8	25 11 8	3 3 11	6 9 6		10 0			15 0	7 14 6	19 3
Blackburn	11	6 10 0	11 9	2 9 7		15 6				3 5 1	5 11
Bromsg've	5	4 8 3	17 7	2 16 2		2 3 0			7 0	5 6 2	1 1 2
Denton	21	64 13 5	3 1 8	11 14 0		3 11 3			1 11 6	16 16 9	16 0
Driffield	8	4 14 0	11 9	2 7 6						2 7 6	5 11
Fotherby	9	8 1 0	17 10	5 4 1						5 4 1	11 6
Kid'minstr.	7	9 16 10	1 8 1	2 1 3		8 0			6 6	2 15 9	7 11
Killamarsh	8	20 7 10	2 10 11	5 10 7		1 0 0			2 3 5	8 14 0	1 1 3
Mansfield	10	34 6 0	3 8 7	7 9 5		17 0			12 0	8 18 5	17 10
Northa'ton	21	36 17 11	1 15 1	9 12 5		3 12 6			2 2 0	15 6 11	14 6
Peterb'gh	7	6 10 1	18 7	1 7 1		10 0				1 17 1	5 3
Rochdale	20	67 1 3	3 7 0	6 17 1		6 17 6			2 0 6	15 15 1	15 9
Scarbro'	18	25 14 10	1 8 7	16 12 2		5 4 6		2 6	1 3 0	23 2 2	1 5 8
Skegness	9	12 9 11	1 7 9	3 6 7		1 1 6			11 0	4 19 1	11 0
Stockton	13	5 7 4	8 3	2 0 5		2 7 6			2 14 0	7 1 11	10 11
Stretton	31	56 10 2	1 16 5	13 18 2	1 8 1	1 17 6				17 3 9	11 0
Sutton	16	19 13 0	1 4 6	5 9 1		1 2 0			1 1 6	7 12 7	9 6
Ulverston	10	31 13 8	3 3 4	4 3 3		10 6			10 0	5 3 9	10 4
Wallasey	17	55 6 2	8 5 0	8 1 7	2 12 11	1 19 3			2 6 0	14 19 9	17 7
Isolated	239	605 12 2	2 10 8	23 17 7	2 1 10	11 1 0		9 16 9	48 18 10	95 16 0	8 0
Totals 1942	1960	4061 19 4	2 1 5	719 8 4	21 14 0	229 16 2		39 4 8	146 6 9	1156 9 11	11
Totals 1941	1866	3200 2 6	1 14 3	555 4 9	18 10 8	191 17 9		173 4 2	4 17 6	943 14 10	10 1
Increase	94	861 16 10	7 2	164 3 7	3 3 4	37 18 5		-133 19 6	141 9 3	212 15 1	1 8

IRISH MISSION

Belfast	69	101 1 1	1 9 3	24 3 3	2 7 0	31 1 5		2 5 0		59 16 8	17 4
Dublin	26	49 1 6	1 17 9	14 8 1	14 6	1 18 6			5 15 9	22 16 10	17 7
Kilmoyle	13	11 19 2	18 5	1 12 4	7 4	1 9 0				3 8 8	5 3
Larne	6	12 18 0	2 3 0	6 15 7				3 11 0		10 6 7	1 14 5
Londonderry	10	10 18 9	1 1 11	5 10 2	9 6	3 13 9			1 10 0	11 3 5	1 2 4
Shankill	25	22 10 0	18 0	8 18 8		2 12 3			3 4 6	14 15 5	11 10
Isolated	55	76 3 4	1 7 8	6 4 4		4 18 0	2 0 0	6 7 0	15 0	20 4 4	7 4
Totals 1942	204	284 11 10	1 7 11	67 12 5	3 18 4	45 12 11	2 0 0	12 3 0	11 5 3	142 11 11	14 0
Totals 1941	205	277 2 10	1 7 0	78 2 4	19 3	54 18 9	10 0	68 11 8	3 0 0	206 2 0	1 0 1
Increase	-1	7 9 0	11	-10 9 11	2 19 1	-9 5 10	1 10 0	-56 8 8	8 5 3	-63 10 1	-6 1

SCOTTISH MISSION

Aberdeen	34	42 1 6	1 4 9	11 4 0		3 0 6		4 0	3 15 0	18 3 6	10 8
Edinburgh	59	105 6 10	1 15 9	26 15 10		10 16 6			2 0 0	39 12 4	13 5
Glasgow	104	135 19 9	1 6 2	33 11 0	4 0 0	28 0 0			4 19 0	70 10 0	13 7
Kirkcaldy	9	15 15 1	1 15 0	4 7 0		11 3		3 0 0	1 0	7 19 3	17 8
Dundee	21	27 14 9	1 6 5	5 15 3		7 18 0			3 12 2	17 5 5	16 5
Stirling	9	25 13 2	2 17 0	5 3 9		1 9 6			17 0	7 10 3	16 8
Isolated	62	147 1 10	2 7 5	19 0 0		11 16 6		5 18 7	1 3 6	87 18 7	12 3
Totals 1942	298	499 12 11	1 13 6	105 16 10	4 0 0	63 12 3		9 2 7	16 7 8	198 19 4	13 6
Totals 1941	328	797 15 0	2 8 8	99 10 2	2 18 2	27 3 5		184 6 9		313 18 6	19 2
Increase	-30	-298 2 1	-15 2	6 6 8	1 1 10	36 8 10		-175 4 2	16 7 8	-114 19 2	-5 8

UNION TOTALS

B.U.C.		97 10 0					621 10 0			621 10 0	
Grand Tot. 1942	6085	13169 14 8	2 3 3	2188 0 1	79 8 2	1187 9 8	625 12 0	223 11 6	505 15 0	4809 16 5	15 10
Grand Tot. 1941	5955	11114 7 10	1 17 4	1825 14 1	58 18 2	697 15 10	10 0	988 5 3	105 14 0	3676 17 4	12 4
Increase	130	2055 6 10	5 11	362 6 0	20 10 0	489 13 10	625 2 0	-764 18 9	400 1 0	1132 19 1	3 6

## Superintendent's Notes

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2. Pastor J. G. Bevan—Shrewsbury.

3. Brother H. Humphries—Newport and Eastern Valleys.

4. Brother J. R. Lewis—Aberdare and District.

The new arrangements will mean that the Swansea area will be without a conference worker for a period. Brother Jackson will, however, bind off his work in Morryston before leaving. But this will not be until September.

### FINANCES

IN the realm of finance, we have an encouraging report. Notice the great advances we have made in all departments since 1936:

	1936	1942
Tithe	£1766	£3188
Sabbath-School	351	573
Young People's Society	8	10
Ingathering	941	1402
Big Week	22	34
Week of Sacrifice	28	56
Annual Offering	36	65

What a gratifying achievement! This represents both faithfulness and generous-heartedness on the part of a loyal membership—as loyal as anywhere in the world! Yes, and the result is not due to the war only—for the pre-war years, 1936-9 showed the same steady progress in the whole realm of finance. We thank God for being able to do so much for the furtherance of the Advent message.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

BROTHER A. E. FREETH has been appointed elder of the Hereford church. He succeeds the late Brother Rutherford. We welcome Brother Freeth to the ranks of church elders and pray that he may be richly blessed of God.

Our busy Union president found time to run over from the West Country to attend the meeting of our Advisory Committee. We appreciated his presence and counsel.

Dr. Edwin Essery, a son of the Newport church, baptized while a soldier in the Middle East in the last war by Pastor G. Keough, found time to pay us a visit recently and preached at his home church as well as at Barry. Dr. Essery came to England after some ten years in the Egyptian Mission to study medicine and fit himself for even larger service. His ministry was greatly appreciated. S. G. HYDE.

## Ministry of Literature

### And So the Work Goes On!

THE Army School of Cookery is not really a bad place to find oneself in.

You see it is like this. War conditions have handicapped to a large extent my activity in the military camps. However, I thought it would be worth while to call at the school.

"Oh, good morning, young man. I want to see the Senior Warrant Officer in charge."

"Come this way sir, please, and I will take you to him."

"Gentleman to see you, sir."

"Show him in!"

"Good morning, sir. I have had the pleasure of calling upon several of your friends in the interests of religious work.

"They all seem to agree with me that the Book of books still has the right answers to our questions and problems, and also at the same time they are pleased to see *The Bible Speaks*.

"You will notice that it not only shows 'How we got the Bible,' but perhaps of more importance, 'How to understand it.' Moreover, we hear a good deal of talk about man's 'New Order,' but here we deal with God's 'New Order,' which is something far greater."

"Well, how can I get this book? I should tell you that I am a Roman Catholic and so is my wife, but I think your volume is something unique in religious publications.

"Corporal, just call all the instructors and tell them I would like to see them.

"Well, I have asked you to come together to listen to what this good man has to say. He has something interesting."

"Good morning, gentlemen. It has been my pleasant duty to make many calls in this command, and I have been surprised to find how many there are interested in the religious side of life. So far, many have been helped by the contents of this book. The Warrant Officer has expressed himself satisfied and has ordered a copy, and recommends that you do so also."

We had not been used to so large a congregation of late, but toward the end of the demonstration, it got a little thinner. That was only to be expected.

But we were content to be left with as many as we could conveniently handle, and our orders for the better bindings of *The Bible Speaks* were sufficient to justify our somewhat timid entry into the school.

And so the work goes on!

F. J. KINMAN.

### Wedding Bells

VINE-GRAVES. — On Tuesday, February 16, 1943, it was our privilege to witness a very happy event, the wedding of Brother Ray Vine and Sister Peggy Graves. This sacred service was conducted by the bridegroom's brother, Pastor A. Vine, in the Bournemouth church building, in the presence of a large gathering of members and friends.

The young people are well known in Bournemouth, Brother Ray Vine being the second son of our esteemed elder, and his wife, the daughter of Sister Graves, a well-beloved member of many years' standing. Both bride and bridegroom have already had experience in the organized work, and we believe that as they unitedly continue to labour for the Master whom they love, God will abundantly bless them. That the rich blessing of Heaven may indeed rest upon them is the wish and prayer of us all.

F. A. SPEARING.

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March 5th	6.46	6.49	6.58	6.53	7.06
March 12th	6.57	7.01	7.10	7.08	7.19

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