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# MESSENGER

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## A New Term at Newbold

By D. J. DUNNETT

THE summer vacation has ended, and once again Moor Close and The Hall are filled with a happy group of Adventist youth. They are filled indeed, for the present enrolment, 119, made up of fifty-six young ladies and sixty-three young men, is the largest for some time. The home staff have done creditably to accommodate them all in the limited space available. However, the recent purchase of another adjacent property may soon ease the situation.

We have been very glad to welcome seventeen students from Continental countries (more wish to come), and to see with us again several young people whose College careers were interrupted by the war. We believe that the intervening years will prove to have been a blessing to them in experience gained. There have also been some additions to the staff.

The term opened on October 1st. At the opening service the next evening, Pastor E. E. White, the new principal, introduced the three speakers. Pastor W. G. C. Murdoch, his predecessor, outlined many high ideals for student life,

while Pastors W. W. Armstrong and G. D. King, presidents respectively of the South and North England Conferences, spoke strongly from their own experience on the theme of Christian service.

On Thursday, October 3rd, the Faculty-Student Reception was held, at which Pastor E. B. Phillips presented Pastor Murdoch with a wrist watch as a token of love and esteem from the College family. Pastor Murdoch then left immediately for America en route to Australia. Several speeches of welcome and response were made and concert items were rendered. The next morning classes started and another term was fully launched on its way.

Since that time events have crowded in one upon another. The Friday evening services have been a highlight as usual. The first week there was an impressive testimony service; next, the various bands—Prayer, Foreign Missions, Gospel Workers, and Correspondence—were introduced; the third week Pastor H. T. Johnson officiated at a large investiture service.

The student colporteurs' tea has been held, to which the whole College was generously invited by The Stanborough Press. During the summer fourteen full, seven three-quarter, and seventeen half scholarships were gained. The total retail value of literature sold was over £4,660, and the Press has paid bonuses of more than £312. For these wonderful achievements in the literature ministry we praise the Lord.

Another important occasion, the first-year students' concert, was a great success. But we hasten to reassure the readers of the MESSENGER that College life is not a mere round of "events." They are only one phase of the busy Newbold programme. Our main ac-



Pastor G. D. King addressing the students at the opening of the new school term.

tivity, together with the worship of God, is intensive and extensive study in preparation for wider service in the Lord's harvest fields. We are now already well into our term's work. We humbly yet earnestly invite your prayers on behalf of the teachers, the students, and all who are here at Newbold, that this College year may be the best yet experienced, and that in this centre of true learning, we may all play our part nobly and faithfully in winning souls and hastening the glorious kingdom of God.

## South England Conference

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### Notes from the President

It is now two months since the new officers of the South England Conference took up their duties, so perhaps it is time that some word should be published of what has happened.

Without doubt, the matter that has forced itself upon us most has been the question of housing the workers when a transfer has seemed advisable. Perhaps it could be said that for one month much foot-slogging, as well as prayer, has been spent, to try to find accommodation. In almost every case it has proved futile. Also in most cases we stood to lose the present houses if the workers moved out. We had no alternative therefore but to request the workers to stay in their present districts. We believe that even though public evangelism may be, in consequence, made somewhat more difficult, yet a wide and abundant field can be found by personal ministry. This was Christ's most successful method of labour, and it is one we need to emulate more.

The movement of workers will continue to be difficult. Let us not wait for more favourable opportunities. They may never come. Prayer and faith can turn the most forbidding circum-

stances into avenues leading to greater and truer success.

Prayers are asked for the following campaigns which are already started, or it is hoped will soon start:

NAME	PLACE	DATE OF COMMENCEMENT
L. Shaw	Cheltenham	October 20th
F. J. Wilmshurst	Plymouth	October 27th
J. H. Bayliss	Southchurch	November 3rd
I. McGougan	Bournemouth	November 10th
F. L. Stokes	Torquay	November 10th
R. H. Smith	Wells	November 10th
O. M. Dorland	Bedminster	November 17th

We wish to welcome a number of brethren into our midst. Pastor G. Keough, who is well known to many, takes up the leadership of the Watford area. His wide experience will be of special value to the churches at headquarters.

Pastor S. G. Hyde is locating in the Walthamstow-Edmonton area, and it is planned that he conduct a large campaign in that area, with the assistance of three other workers.

Brethren R. W. Dougherty and E. Bell come from Ireland, and are located at Bedford and Cambridge respectively. Pastor D. A. Conroy comes from the north and is located at Hastings. Three additional workers come from the College and are located as follows:

Mr V. Benefield	Bristol area
Miss C Emm	Plymouth
Miss B Jacques	Walthamstow

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1947

THE time has come when each church board should be called by its chairman to consider nominating committees to elect officers for a new year. In most cases this ought to be done, and the recommendations for this committee submitted to the church for acceptance before the Week of Prayer commences. The committee could then take up its appointed work as soon as the prayer season has finished. The matter of electing officers ought to be fully completed by the second week of December.

#### THE WEEK OF PRAYER

LAST, but not least, let all plan to find new strength for perplex-

ing days by definitely allocating time for special private and family prayer during the week appointed, November 16th-23rd. We need this refreshing and re-viving. It will only come by

sacrificial determination. At the close of the week let us generously express our gratefulness to God by a liberal offering. Remember it is a combined offering embracing the Week of Sacrifice and Annual Offering.

W. W. ARMSTRONG.



### Colchester Harvest Festival

FOLLOWING on the heels of our late summer outing, when our members had an enjoyable time at Clacton, the little church at Colchester held a very successful Harvest Festival.

Members and friends provided a very fine show of flowers, fruit, and vegetables and large numbers attended the meetings, to give thanks to God for all His great goodness to us. Services began on Sabbath, October 5th, and were concluded on Sunday evening. After listening to the very inspiring address by Brother Tapping which brought our services to a very happy conclusion, we distributed the produce among the sick and needy in the church.

G. STEVENS.



### Working for Youth in North London

It was just a week or two ago that a young man walked into Holloway church and asked if someone could be sent along on Tuesday, October 8th, to speak on "Why I am a Seventh-Day Adventist" at the Archway Central Hall (Methodist), Highgate.

The writer was contacted by the

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Holloway church officers and asked to accept the task.

Arriving at the meeting place it was discovered that the Baptists, Quakers, and the Spiritualists, were represented. Four-fifths of the congregation were young people.

On advice from Pastor H. T. Johnson the writer tackled the question from the angle of love, telling the people that he was a Seventh-Day Adventist because he loved the Lord Jesus, and then going on to make the point that Christ said: "If ye love Me, keep My commandments." I then explained why we placed special emphasis on the forgotten fourth commandment and kept the seventh day—Saturday—as the Sabbath.

In the rest of my talk I showed that because Seventh-Day Adventists loved the Lord Jesus they follow in His steps and are baptized by immersion. Moreover, because they love the Lord and desire to fulfil His command to "teach all nations" they are a missionary-minded people spreading clear round the world. Finally because they loved the Lord Jesus they longed to see Him again and are "looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ," who will gather into His kingdom a people keeping the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

Afterward the meeting was opened for questions. The young lady Spiritualist was asked about the state of the dead. She spoke of the sphere of spirits and the place of beauty beyond, but she was interrupted and told that her ideas offered no peace beyond the grave.

At this point the writer rose and after reminding the lady that as she had already said she loved the Bible and believed it to be true, asked her what she thought of Ecclesiastes 9:5 and 1 Thessalonians 4:12-18, where we are told that the dead sleep in the grave until the glorious resurrection when both the living and the sleeping righteous will meet the Lord together in the air. We awaited the answer but the spiritualist remained in her seat. Spiritualism had been confounded!

Talks with the folk afterward

proved that much prejudice had been broken down. Many stated that they no longer considered Seventh-Day Adventists a strange and peculiar people.

J. G. FROST.

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## North England Conference

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### Baptism at Sheffield

Our locally financed campaign began in the City Hall on March 3rd. This day was unique in that it witnessed the heaviest and most prolonged fall of snow of the entire winter. Just over fifty intrepid non-members laboriously staggered through the generous blanket of clinging slush to hear the first lecture on our prophetic faith. As week followed week, the number attending increased, and then after nearly three months we transferred to our small suburban hall.

It was a joy to see how a remnant responded to the truth. Loss of work and loss of previous friendships were no deterrent to some who saw the light. Others, whom we were inclined at one time to regard as most promising, withdrew from our fellowship.

One new brother has had wonderful evidence of God's blessing. He regarded God as One who means what He says, not only in His commands but also in His promises. He began paying his tithe, and immediately proved the truth of the promise, "I will . . . pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." His average monthly turnover figures soared from a steady £600 to £1,000, £1,500, £2,000, and higher; and this at a time when the supply position had not improved. How greatly the cause would be blessed if every member were faithful in his stewardship.

On October 26th, we had the first baptism, when ten new members were welcomed into fellowship—seven sisters and three brethren. Pastor J. A. McMillan conducted the services of the day, and his refreshing ministry

brought great blessing to all. Our hearts thrilled anew, at the privilege of being members of the remnant church, and all renewed their baptismal vows of unswerving loyalty to the Lord. Sister A. Tesh, our "star" Ingatherer, must have been overjoyed as one sister with whom she has studied went through the waters of baptism.

Others are awaiting baptism, the privilege of whose fellowship we have enjoyed for many months now.

Thus the work is one step nearer completion in this smoky, industrial corner of God's vineyard. The day of final harvest is not far distant—a day of terror to the neglecters of the truth, but a day of transcendent jubilation for those who faithfully "follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth." May God in His mercy keep all these precious souls, so that we all may triumphantly arrive at the journey's end.

R. D. VINE.

MISS L. GARDINER.

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### Huddersfield

ONCE more the writer has been privileged to join forces with Pastor S. G. Joyce, now working in Huddersfield.

What are my findings? The very first Sabbath in Huddersfield I was much interested in the Sabbath-school report, particularly, as the previous week had been the Thirteenth Sabbath. I found that nearly everyone had taken part in the fine programme arranged for that day.

Now, four weeks later, I realize more than ever that there is a fine spirit among the members here, nearly all of whom have been recently welcomed into the Advent faith. Nine have left Huddersfield to join other churches, and one has died, but there are still over thirty Sabbath-keepers in Huddersfield, including some who are preparing for baptism.

At Sabbath-school, which meets at 10 a.m., there is an average attendance of twenty out of a membership of twenty-three, with missions offerings reaching £2 each week. And what is best of

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## Twenty-One Years of Canvassing

IN a word I have enjoyed every moment of it.

I held an administrative position in a large and well-known publishing house. One day I went home to my mid-day meal and just as I was returning to my business I said to my wife, "Are you prepared to starve with me?"

She answered, "I don't know what you mean!"

I said, "I am giving up my job to-day to go canvassing."

She cried, not in distress but in joy, and said, "There will be no starving for us if that's what you are doing. God will see to that."

He has done.

I secured a prospectus of the book *Bible Readings*, and after one week's (four and a half days, to be exact) training, I sallied forth on the great adventure.

Starting in around my own district I rapped at a big door and almost prayed that I should receive no answer. I went away from that door quite pleased because my wish had been fulfilled.

Wandering on a little farther I tried once more, but had forgotten half of what I wanted to talk about. I secured an order, however, and at the end of the day I went home with two entries in my prospectus.

The day came when this was doubled and trebled each day and I began to think that I was making a good canvasser. I was not, for I find even to-day there is much to learn in this line of work. But things went fairly well for a year or two until the enemy of souls felt I was getting on too well; I was laid low for some months and underwent four operations. During this time, however, my good wife had beaten the devil. She had stepped into the breach and did what I was unable to do. "There will be no starving," she had previously said, and there was none.

Later my son Bernard, now Pastor B. Kinman, became my companion in action, and though he was the youngest colporteur in the field, being only fifteen years of age, I was actually able

to learn much from him. And so we worked together until Brother A. Cook, now our South England Publishing Secretary, joined our company. The three of us worked from Romford right down to Colchester, spreading *Bible Readings* like the leaves in the autumn.

Time and events at last separated us, for my two young companions became College students while I continued in the literature ministry.

The spirit of adventure one day got me into a nunnery where I started to canvass *Bible Readings*. Having found myself locked in a cell I tested the lock in order to see if I could find a way out, but it wouldn't yield. Finally a grille opened and a veiled face appeared at the grating. I started in with my canvass, but the sweet-voiced lady told me that she could not afford to buy a book. When I was finally released from my temporary prison I wished that I had made her a present of a copy. It might have been worth it.

A good deal of time was spent in Newmarket. Among the racing fraternity—trainers, jockeys, stable lads, and so forth—I made many friends, for I found the majority were real gentlemen. On only one occasion was I roughly dealt with by a jockey who was well known for his untactful and even brutal manner. Mr. Gordon Richards was more kindly disposed toward me and my work, as were many other well-known jockeys. I believe we could do some really good evangelistic work there as the existing religious organizations in that town are very small, but the men and boys like to attend the meagre services and enjoy them.

A number of my years have been spent among the troops in Aldershot. As a matter of fact I am still there and have no particular desire to leave them.

I am permitted to walk about there unmolested except for an occasional checking of my pass. During the war, of course, I could do very little except with the Canadian forces and among them I placed a large number of copies of *The Bible Speaks*,

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What our Colporteurs  
of the Kingdom

many of which were sent to their relatives.

My work in Aldershot has brought me in touch with many titled persons to whom I have delivered copies of our books. As I have gone through the list of World War II casualties I have discovered that many of these officers will never return. Going over the names of some famous men on whom I have been privileged to call I get a thrill when I remember my short sojourn in the homes of Lord Wavell, Lieut. General Sir Arthur Smith, and others.

A copy of *Bible Readings* was lodged in the Newmarket home of Princess Mary; three others in Windsor Castle; one in the home of Lord Roseberry, and other homes of the nobility.

Such has been the experience of twenty-one years' work.

Now I am beginning to slow up. I cannot go the pace as I used to, but there is plenty of room in the colporteur ranks for others who want adventure and, more important than that, to be soul-winners. Would you like to try it?

F. J. KINMAN.

## Our Books Make Lasting Friends

IN 1939 I sold a copy of *Our Wonderful Bible* to a business man. Working the same territory six years later I called upon him with *God's Way Out* and he purchased a copy. Six months later I called again for Ingathering. He gave me £1. Two weeks later he sent, through the post, a further £4. Last week I paid him a friendly visit and in course of conversation told him about *The Bible*

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*Speaks*, although I did not have a prospectus. He asked the prices, said he would like a twenty-five shilling one, and went to get the money. Returning he handed me £4, asking that I would give three copies away to any persons whom I felt would be helped by the book, but were not in the position to pay for it.

The same year, 1939, I sold a copy of *Our Wonderful Bible* to another business man. Last year he paid a yearly subscription for five copies of *Good Health* to be sent to five of his factories. He also purchased one copy of *God's Way Out* for himself and eight extra copies to be given away. Last May he donated £5 for Ingathering. Two weeks ago he renewed his subscription for *Good Health* and paid for three copies of *The Bible Speaks*.

Once again in 1939 a timber merchant bought a copy of *Our Wonderful Bible*. Last year he purchased four leather copies of *God's Way Out*. This was followed by £1 for Ingathering and an order for several copies of *The Bible Speaks* for Christmas gifts.

STANLEY COMBRIDGE.

### Still Canvassing Publicans

At the recent Union Conference Session at Watford, the same question was asked me by two presidents, several ministers, and a number of colporteurs and other friends, "Are you still canvassing the publicans, Brother McLeod?" And the answer was always substantially the same. "Yes, I am, although the territory question is becoming a bit of a problem after four years of it."

Just prior to, and immediately following the conference, I had been working in a Lancashire town well known as a strong-

hold of Roman Catholicism. Fortunately the Roman Catholic licensees seemed of a broad-minded variety, for they gave me quite twenty-five per cent of the orders received for *The Bible Speaks*. One experience, I remember, had rather a humorous turn.

When I called to deliver a book to the landlady of "The L— and P— Hotel," she declined to accept it at first, because her husband did not approve. However, after a little silent prayer on my part and a few minutes friendly conversation she decided to keep her promise and gave me the money due. An hour or two later, I called to deliver another copy to this lady's son, the licensee of "The S— Arms." He had gone out, but his wife was expecting me, and settled the bill. On examining the book for herself, she expressed real appreciation of the workmanship and the beauty of the illustrations ("holy pictures,") she called them. Then she startled me somewhat by suddenly asking if I had called upon her mother-in-law at "The L— and P—." I wondered what was coming next, but managed to reply calmly that I had taken a copy of the book to her that very morning. Imagine my surprise when the daughter-in-law added, "Oh! that's all right then. But if you had not already done so I was going to suggest that if you had a spare copy with you, I would buy it for her now, because I knew she would be sure to want one."

I am still wondering what would have happened if the mother-in-law had refused to accept from me the book she had ordered, only to receive it later at the hand of her son's wife!

Friends often ask me if I receive any indication of whether publicans are pleased with their books after receiving them, and so another recent incident will serve to illustrate how one satisfied customer felt about his purchase.

I was interviewing the licensee of "The A— Hotel," had made the usual preliminary remarks and produced the prospectus, when he took it from me and asked if I had sold any of these books to publicans in Bolton, a neighbour-

ing town. On being assured that I had done so some eighteen months before, he asked if I remembered a particular hotel, mentioning also the name of the licensee, a great friend of his. It so happened that I did recollect the man and the place very well, and said so, whereupon my questioner simply said, "That's right, then I'll have one of these books; they are thirty-five shillings aren't they?" He immediately produced the cash and I booked his order. "No doubt you have seen your friend's copy," I ventured. "Oh! no," he replied, "I have not, but we go out together nearly every week and he has mentioned it so often recently that I recognized the title at once."

Please notice that this man was so impressed by his friend's description of a book he had received eighteen months before, that he eagerly ordered one without ever having seen the book himself or even troubling to open the prospectus!

So I am still continuing to sow the Gospel seed among the publicans, confident that although we know not which will prosper, some will fall on good ground and sheaves will be garnered in. W. C. McLEOD.

### Feeding the Multitudes

"I AM the Bread of life," says our Saviour, and it is with a feeling of real satisfaction and joy that we place our bundle of *Present Truth* in our canvassing bags on Sunday morning and go out to minister to the spiritual hunger in London, the city of multitudes.

As we pass from door to door we are almost overwhelmed by the indescribable poverty and misery. An ex-missionary, passing through, commented to us that, "some of those conditions were worse than the natives of Africa have to live in." This is partly brought about by the hostility of Rome to the Gospel and its iniquitous fostering of large families on small incomes. The stench in some places is enough to give one an excuse for seeking other pastures, but we are not hirelings, we are co-workers with God and it is a sobering and

sanctifying thought that pure and sinless holy beings, who have continued access to the divine Presence, minister to these mortals in their misery and accompany us on our mission. Out of all this human helplessness and hopelessness, through the agency of *Present Truth* shall come many jewels that shall shine in His kingdom for ever and ever.

We pass along one of these streets and a girl of thirteen, curious at first, then interested, starts coming along with us from door to door and in her way helps to persuade the people she knows (for down there in the East End streets everybody knows each other, and everybody's business for that matter) to purchase a copy. She is ill clad and ill shod, but has a pleasant countenance and a pleasing personality.

Eventually we reach her home. Home, did I say? I should have said a hovel. She started to tell me some of her life. "I can neither read nor write," she said. I was almost astounded. Here in

modern England in 1946 she was an orphan, cursed by some, reviled by others, and a general Cinderella to everybody. Her childhood, which should have been spent in play, happiness, and education had been spent in drudgery, toil, and misery. The picture of Jesus on the cover of *Present Truth* had touched her heart, poor child, and she persuaded her grandmother to buy a copy for her. She continued with me to the end of the street and then said good-bye.

We can pride ourselves with a pretty stout heart not easily given to emotion, but the plight of that pretty child in those unlovely surroundings made our heart almost ready to burst. But we meditated on God's great love for that child, for He is always seeking the lost and that surely is the message in the pages of *Present Truth*. We felt that if that had been the last thing we had done on the earth, to bring to that unfortunate child the picture of the Saviour who loves her, we should have accounted it our greatest. JOHN OLLIVER.

holiday in years. Someone suggested she wouldn't want to spend all her time at the Conference. She should go out and enjoy herself.

"I wouldn't miss a meeting," she said.

Neither did she, and neither would we if we could have helped it.

But it was disappointing nevertheless. We knew how it would be.

There were the —s. Their babies and our babies shared baby clothes. With each new arrival those little garments were packed up in a loving bundle, and it was amazing how many journeys some of them made. Backward and forward—we have almost felt as though we had stakes in each other's families, which of course is exactly as it should be.

But did we get that precious hour or two together for which we had so hoped?

We didn't. We scarcely saw each other.

And that dear couple who sometimes used to adopt our family, our *whole* family. We had looked forward intensely to seeing them, but how little we did see of them after all. Almost we could weep about it.

Some of our friends we feel fairly sure we shall hardly see again until we do mount up with the Lord, for some are going far, and some have very, very little farther to go. We wanted to say so much—we said so little. We would catch glimpses of our dearest friends engrossed with others while we panted for a word with them. Even to some of our relatives we never said good-bye. Time went too quickly. We were seeing too many all at once. We longed for eternity. Did you, too?

Well, we can thank the dear Father it's coming, and then we'll have time. The Conference with its disappointments was just to whet our appetites. We'll meet again, and then there'll be no chance of disappointment, losing one while talking to another, having to dash off precipitately. Friend, don't miss us in that glad day; we'll be so eagerly looking for you. God bless and keep you against that happy meeting.

MARY J. VINE.

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## We'll Meet Again!

It was wonderful to be at a Conference again. At times we had wondered, would it be worth the effort? We seemed to have been saving up and sewing for so long. Seven of us to get pressed and patched and ready! We wondered more as our arms ached and bright excited little faces became ashen on that doubtfully pleasurable trip across the Irish Sea.

But it *was* worth it.

Just to sit in that first meeting and hear the delegates make their responses, it was worth it. As one familiar voice after another made reply, being just ourselves we could scarcely contain our overwhelmingly accumulating pleasure. We wanted to shout that we were here, too, just so they'd hear *our* voices. We couldn't control our faces. They *wanted* to smile, they *would* smile.

And then someone suggested that it was dry!

"Say, you didn't say so, did you?"

To us it was a foretaste of heaven and the great Roll Call; we wouldn't have missed a minute of it.

And yet, in a way, the Conference was almost devastatingly disappointing.

Oh, no, not the meetings.

We are reading Pastor Andreasen's "Sanctuary Service" again. If you're fortunate enough to possess a copy, you do the same. It's written exactly as he spoke, and as you read you can hear his slow, careful speech. You find yourself reading it to yourself that way—slowly, precisely, and it's good for you. Listening to him brought his books alive and we are now waiting impatiently for that one on Hebrews of which he spoke.

There came to the conference one who was having her first

## Wedding Bells

**HAYLETT-WOODROW.**—On September 11, 1946, in the Advent church at Great Yarmouth the marriage between Brother Robert Haylett and Sister Frances Woodrow was solemnized. This was the first wedding to be celebrated in our church which was recently licensed. Many members and friends gathered to witness the ceremony, which was conducted by the writer.

After the ceremony the guests were entertained at a nearby restaurant.

We wish Brother and Sister Haylett every happiness as another Adventist home is established.

W. G. NICHOLSON.

**WATSON-EMM**—On August 15, 1946, Charles Douglas Watson and Kathleen Emm were united in marriage in the Reading church. Relatives and friends made a large gathering on this happy occasion.

Brother Watson's ministry since his graduation has been in South Wales, where he has been greatly appreciated. Sister Watson, also a graduate of Newbold College, has been a Bible-worker in Bristol, Richmond, and Brighton.

An exceptionally good reception was enjoyed by all. The young couple have now settled down in Rhyl, North Wales, and we wish them all happiness in their life and work together.

J. M. HOWARD.

**WELLS-GOLDSMITH.**—On Tuesday, September 10, 1946, in the presence of a good number of relatives and friends, Brother Robert Wells and Sister Margaret Elizabeth Goldsmith were united in marriage at the Coleshill parish church, Brethren Tapping and Humphries associating in the ceremony. The reception was held at the Coleshill Town Hall.

"Bob" and "Margaret" have rendered valuable service in the South Birmingham church as young people's leader and assistant respectively. We pray that God's rich blessing may be with this couple as they journey through life together.

CHURCH CLERK

## Until the Day Break

**HATTON.**—The Liverpool church has been made very sad by the death of one of its oldest and most faithful members, Mrs. Amelia Hatton, who passed away on Sabbath morning, July 27, 1946, after a stroke which occurred on the previous evening. She was laid to rest on the following Tuesday morning in the West Derby Cemetery, in the presence of many relatives, friends, and brethren and sisters in Christ. Pastor K. A. Elias con-

ducted the service. The church extends to her dear husband, daughters, son, and grandchildren its sincere sympathy in their sad loss.

CHURCH CLERK.

**ABBOTT.**—On August 10, 1946, Brother Frederick Abbott fell asleep at his home after a long illness. He first became acquainted with this message under Pastor G. Hyde's ministry in Manchester many years ago and was received into fellowship two years ago in Blackpool by the writer. It has been a pleasure to visit frequently this aged brother and his faithful wife. They celebrated their diamond wedding in November, 1944 on which occasion they received a telegram of congratulations from the King and Queen and also from the Mayor of Blackpool. Brother Abbott leaves behind his wife and several sons and daughters, but they sorrow not as those which have no hope. He was buried in the Carleton Cemetery, Blackpool.

W. MAUDSLEY.

**THOMSON.**—Scotland has lost yet another of her faithful veterans in the death of Annie Mitchell, beloved wife of Thomas Thomson of Kirkcaldy, who fell asleep in Jesus on Monday, August 26, 1946. Sister Thomson, who accepted the message in 1903 under the ministry of Pastor Ritchie, was a charter member of the Kirkcaldy church. She was ever a staunch supporter of the truths she embraced. Her winsome earnestness and generous spirit endeared her to all with whom she came in contact. We laid her to rest in the Kirkcaldy Cemetery on Wednesday, August 28th, cherishing with her husband, relatives, and friends the blessed hope that soon when Jesus comes we shall meet again.

W. R. A. MADGWICK.

**CLEMENTS.**—In a shady spot in a quiet country cemetery in Co. Antrim, we laid to rest our friend and brother, Chief Petty Officer John Clements, late of His Majesty's Royal Navy. Brother Clements had served his king and country faithfully for many years, being a veteran of the 1914-18 war, but we are glad to think that in his last days he gave himself to the cause of God in this generation. Our deceased brother with his wife and one daughter (Miss Mayme Clements) now in the Bible-work, were the visible fruit of the untiring labours of faithful Sister Duffin of Larne. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor E. E. Craven and we all associate ourselves with the sincere expressions of sympathy which he voiced to the bereaved widow and family. As he sleeps in sure and certain hope of the blessed resurrection, we trust that all his family, with us, will determine to serve the Lord fully and unconditionally, so that there may be a glad reunion on that happy morning.

DAVID S. MURRAY.

**POW.**—Sister Pow, one of our faithful Glasgow members passed away on September 4, 1946. She accepted the message thirty years ago under the labours of Pastor J. J. Gillatt, but for the past few years Sister Pow was unable to attend church services owing to ill health. In the presence of relatives and friends our sister was laid to rest in the Cardonald Cemetery to await the call of her Saviour. The service was conducted by Pastor W. R. A. Madgwick. Sister Pow is survived by her daughter Edith to whom we extend our deep sympathy.

CHURCH CLERK

**BREARLEY.**—It was with deep regret that on the morning of September 13, 1946, we laid to rest one of the charter members of the Handsworth church, the second oldest church in the North England Conference. Sister Brearley was loved and respected by all who knew her not only for her quiet example, but also for her many acts of kindness. Her husband, although not yet a member of our faith, is always more than kindly disposed toward our people. We extend to Mr. Brearley, his daughter and son-

in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reece, and the grandchildren, Ivor and Patricia, our deepest sympathy in their great loss. No family could have been more united and devoted to each other, and it was always a pleasure, to visit this home where a Christian influence continually pervaded. With the family we all look forward to the glad reunion on the glorious resurrection morning. The writer was assisted Pastor F. Edwards, the minister of the Handsworth church.

L. MURDOCH.

## Australian Food Parcels

ALL requests for food parcels which reached the British Union Conference office up to and including Wednesday, October 23rd, have been listed and are now on the way to Australia. We would like to mention, however, that it will take from three to four months before the parcels begin to arrive in this country. In all probability each of them will contain a name to which the recipient can send his grateful acknowledgment, and we would urge that this be done *speedily*. Our generous brethren and sisters "down under" are exceedingly anxious to make contacts with the believers in the "homeland."

MARY CAMPBELL.

## Union Session Photographs

THERE are a number of our members who have not yet sent in to the Union Treasurer payment for the photographs of the Union Session which were sent to them at their own request, and he would be glad to receive payment by return so as to clear the account.

A. CAREY.

## Prospective Teachers

SOME difficulty concerning Sabbath observance has arisen in the Emergency Teacher Training Colleges, so all future applicants should state that they are Seventh-Day Adventists when they apply to the Ministry for the one-year course of Emergency Training.

An assurance has been given to me from the Ministry of Education that such candidates will be allocated to colleges where their religious convictions can be respected. This does not necessarily apply to teachers taking the ordinary two-year course.

Anyone requiring counsel should write to the Educational Secretary of the British Union Conference.

E. E. WHITE.

## Huddersfield

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all, and which must account for the splendid Christian spirit and the good offerings, is the fact that twenty-one are studying their lesson daily every week. Last Sabbath there were twenty-three reported as studying daily. Last quarter ten gained perfect records for the quarter

A part from Sabbath-school offerings, these members meet £2 a week expenses for their hall, etc., and the tithe is anywhere between £30 and £50 each quarter.

The Sabbath afternoon and Sunday meetings are as well attended as on Sabbath mornings,

which surely shows a real desire on the part of the membership for spiritual food and a growth in Christian living.

We are planning for a second effort in Huddersfield in the very near future. We are sure of the prayers and co-operation of our members here, and we ask for your prayers, too, that the splendid work already done in this town will continue and grow, and that others may be prepared to meet Jesus. There must be many more in this town who are honest in heart and who are ready to receive the message of preparation for the coming of Jesus which we have for them.

HILDA M. FORD.

## SABBATH-KEEPING

MANY people need guidance in fulfilling the injunction to "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

The following sentences, taken mainly from volumes two, three, and six of *Testimonies for the Church* will give clear and concise counsel on this important matter.

1. Thou shalt "call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words." Isa. 58:13.

2. All through the week we are to have the Sabbath in mind.

3. "Before the setting of the sun, let all secular work be laid aside."

4. On Friday "let the boots be blacked, and the baths be taken. See that all the clothing is in readiness."

5. "On Friday let the preparation for the Sabbath be completed."

6. Welcome the Lord's day with quietness of mind.

7. "Before the setting of the sun, let the members of the family assemble to read God's Word, to sing and pray."

8. "We should jealously guard the edges of the Sabbath."

9. "Remember that every moment [of the Sabbath] is consecrated, holy time."

10. "Let all bitterness and wrath and malice be expelled from the soul [on the Sabbath]."

11. The mind must be disciplined to dwell upon sacred themes on the Sabbath.

12. "Let not the precious hours of the Sabbath be wasted in bed."

13. "On Sabbath morning the family should be astir early."

14. "As the sun goes down, let the voice of prayer and the hymn of praise mark the close of the sacred hours."

15. All heaven is watching to see who is keeping the Sabbath.

16. "It means eternal salvation to keep the Sabbath holy unto the Lord."—Adapted from "Illinois Wings."



## Students' Aid Fund Pledges

MANY of our brethren and sisters very kindly signed pledge forms stating that they would give a donation to the Union Students' Aid Fund to help some worthy student to obtain an education at our College this year. A number of them were marked to be redeemed by September or October and several of these have not yet been settled. The Union treasurer would be glad to receive redemption of these pledges at their convenience.

A. CAREY.

## Change of Address

WILL friends please note that the address of the Coventry church is now: A.R.P. Hut, corner of Beaumont Crescent and Holyhead Road, opposite the Alvis Works, Coventry. E. A. PLUMMER.

## Advertisements

PRINTING.—C. Russell, Newton Street, Macclesfield.

FOR SALE: Two copies of *Bible Readings*; two copies of *The Great Controversy*. Proceeds for Ealing Church Building Fund. Highest offer secures. Apply: Mrs. A. H. Hopson, 175 Uxbridge Road, Hanwell, London, W 7.

WANTED URGENTLY Are there any boys and girls who would be willing to give toys, games, and books, no longer required, to children in poverty-stricken homes who are on probation? If so, any gifts would be very greatly appreciated. All parcels acknowledged personally when received by: Miss M R. Spinks, 94 Sheepcot Lane, Garston, Watford, Herts.

WANTED, experienced laundry ironer for work at Stanboroughs Hydro after Christmas. Apply: The Manager, Stanboroughs Hydro, Watford, Herts

The Stanboroughs Management would like to secure a small organ for staff worship. State terms, etc.; or gift would be acceptable. Write: A H. Thompson, Stanboroughs Hydro, Watford, Herts

WANTED, outsize suit (second-hand) by brother prevented from attending church because unable to buy new. Size: waist 44 ins, inside leg, 31½ ins. Willing to pay full price. Reply: J.H.P. 780 St. Albans Road, Watford, Herts.

STAFF VACANCIES: (a) S.R.N., £140, (b) Assistant Nurse, £110. Apply: Principal, Milward House Nursing Home, 133 Milward Road, Hastings

WANTED, home-help for two elderly people. No rough work. Salary, Age 35-45. Every consideration. Write: Homestead, 29 Brampton Road, Bexley Heath, Kent.

YOUNG married ex-Serviceman seeks situation as farm worker. Some experience. Able to milk. Willing to learn and work hard. Six years' excellent army references. S.D.A. Cottage, essential. G. F. Clay, Rose Cottage, Cold Norton, Essex

MRS BROWN sincerely thanks all who so kindly and generously responded to her appeal for literature. She is most grateful.

## Acknowledgment

The treasurer of the South England Conference acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the Lord's tithe, £2 from "T.T.G."

## SUNSET CALENDAR

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