

# BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

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## Skyway to Malamulo

It was a bitterly cold morning in November as we drove through the streets of Copenhagen on our way to the airport. It was four o'clock and the city was still sleeping under a blanket of snow. Our plane was a Dakota carrying fourteen passengers, and as we walked toward the shining silver monster it seemed hardly possible that soon we would be way up above the clouds. It was not long before the notice flashed on, "Fasten Safety Belts. No Smoking." Then began the roaring of the engines and before we realized it we were leaving Mother Earth and speeding upward at 200 miles an hour toward the stars. We had the great joy of seeing the sun rise above the clouds, tinting them a rosy pink; then, as the cotton-wool clouds disappeared, we could see Denmark very clearly, with its pocket-handkerchief fields in neat little squares, decorated by small white and pink churches and farmhouses.

From time to time flying reports were sent out to the passengers by the pilot, informing us as to altitude, speed, and position. The first one of these we received as we flew over Hamburg at 8,000 feet. We noticed the difference immediately in the landscape; for Germany, being a larger country, does not have to utilize every square inch of land. There were miles of grass fields, but not so many crops. As we flew south over Frankfurt and Stuttgart we could see the Hartz and Schwartzwald Mountains with their forests of pine trees. After about four hours we stopped at Zurich in Switzerland and had

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just time to look round this charming town with its Swiss chalets. During our stay here we had a pleasant surprise. There was only one other lady on the plane beside myself, and I naturally talked to her as we walked around. Imagine our mutual surprise when we discovered that we were both Adventists! She was Miss Hauge, a Norwegian nurse and the niece of Mrs. Herbert Hanson, housekeeper to the emperor of Abyssinia, and she was now on her way to fill a missionary appointment in Addis Ababa.

In order to avoid flying directly over the Alps we turned our course toward Marseilles and during this part of our journey we saw a most inspiring and wonderful sight. As far as the eye could see there were snow-covered mountains, interspersed with green, fertile valleys. Everywhere were massive heights, towering up to heaven with their jagged, glistening peaks. Mont Blanc, the Jungfrau, Matterhorn, and many other famous mountains, reached far above our plane and the sunshine on the snow dazzled our eyes.

### A GLIMPSE AT ROME

Marseilles, Nice, Monaco, Corsica, and Elba where Napoleon was exiled, and so down the coast of Italy. Beyond the coastline where there were a few villages, the country looked rocky and uninteresting. We landed at Rome in the afternoon and were driven to the hotel at a breakneck speed by

a wild-looking, greasy Italian who tooted his horn incessantly at the donkeys, dogs, pedestrians, and numerous children—it was the first and only time during the journey that we felt nervous. Rooms were always booked for us in advance at palatial hotels in the towns where we descended for the night, and having dispensed with some of our clothing, as the climate in Rome was very much milder, we sallied forth, eager to see this famous old city. It was with strange feelings that we investigated the ruins of the Colosseum and we could not help but think of the thousands of martyrs in the early church who became a prey for wild beasts as they witnessed for their faith. The Vatican was impressive in its grandeur, yet we wondered where the greatest crimes had been committed; was it in the Vatican by papal Rome or in the Colosseum by pagan Rome? St. Peter's church stood nearby with its mighty open square before it, and the many time-worn steps leading to the main doors; indeed the seat of Antichrist is beautiful. In many places in Rome we saw the old city wall with occasional crumbling arches; also many other traces of this ancient civilization could be seen everywhere. Apart from the fascination of the ruins, the town is unbelievably dirty and untidy.

Next morning, at four o'clock, we were off on the second stage of our journey. We flew over the southern part of Italy and the "heel," across the Ionian Sea, past the island of Corfu, and then we were over the mountainous

country of Greece. Looking down upon those rocky unyielding surfaces we had no difficulty in imagining that the people were starving.

On our journey so far the plane had been travelling very smoothly and a pleasanter mode of transport could hardly be imagined, but as we approached Athens a violent storm blew up and our machine was tossed hither and thither by the strong winds. The worst sensation of all was when we dropped down in the "air-pockets." The pilot told us afterward that it was sometimes a drop of one hundred feet, but according to the sensation in our stomachs it might have been one thousand! It was therefore with great relief that we came in sight of Athens, a truly beautiful picture from the air, with its white flat houses and mosques, the town lying in a sheltered bay of the Ægean Sea. We landed here and for a few hours roamed about the ancient streets of Athens—once a centre of civilization and culture. As we looked at the Acropolis and other ruins of the old city, we remembered how Paul had walked on this ground 1,900 years before. It was pitiful to see the signs of starvation, and our hearts went out to those Adventists who have died there because of hunger and disease

#### SABBATH IN THE HOLY LAND

The Ægean Sea is dotted with uninhabited islands and we passed many before we came to the larger ones of Rhodes and Cyprus. As the sun was setting on Friday evening we crossed the coast of Palestine over Joppa and flew low across the plain to Lydda and our destination, Jerusalem. It was an indescribable thrill to be in the Holy Land on Sabbath evening and we enjoyed our stay to the full. We were not allowed to see much in Jerusalem as there was much shooting and we had to have a police escort wherever we went. However it was a great experience to be in the place where Jesus Himself had walked so often. Our hotel was just outside Jerusalem, a modern white building with every comfort. The halls were decorated with palms, and electric fans whirred constantly to cool the air. The waiters and

servants were mostly Arabs, dressed in long white garments with coloured sashes and fez to match.

We set off very early again next morning. The fertile plain and the mountains of Judah soon gave place to desert land, great stretches of brown sand undulating like the waves of the sea. Many caravan routes were visible crossing one another, twisting and turning to take the easiest way among the dunes.

It seemed appropriate that on the Sabbath we should see the place where God gave the Commandments and we were speechless with awe as we passed right over Mount Sinai. It was one of many mountains and surrounded by a desolate plain, where we could imagine that the Israelites had pitched their tents. The mount itself was high and devoid of any vegetation, its jagged peaks pointing heavenward. Soon after, we were over the Suez Canal and then part of the Red Sea. As we crossed over to Egypt, with Cairo on our right, we could see the heat just shimmering over the sea, and the deserts of Arabia. From here we followed the Nile in its seemingly endless journey across the deserts of Egypt and Sudan. It was easy to see how Egypt depends entirely on the Nile for her sustenance, for there were green fields on either side, with irrigation canals, but beyond that was unyielding desert. We landed several times in the desert and walked on the scorching sand. The air was so hot that it almost burned to breathe in and we felt sorry for the lone Englishmen who are in charge of these outpost filling stations—one white man, alone in the desert, with black Nubians as his only companions! Our hotel that night was situated on the Nile bank at Khartoum. We sat on our verandah and watched the quaint sailing boats glide past and heard the weird cry of the boatmen. The streets were shaded by palm trees which helped to break the intense rays of the sun, and as we walked through the town we were interested to discover the monument to General Gordon.

On the third day we followed the Nile again for some hours across the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan,

and a more desolate country would be hard to find—never had we imagined such vast expanses of waste land existed. As we came to Uganda we flew extremely low, so that we could see the wild animals which abound there. The landscape was wild and beautiful, the mountains covered with forests and the fertile lowlands with fields and native villages. We saw herds of elephants, giraffes, lions and many other creatures we did not recognize. It was ideal to view them from the safety of the plane! We crossed over into Kenya and landed in Nairobi for the night and were amazed to see such a modern town, with wide streets, tree-lined avenues, large stores and villas, right in the heart of Africa.

Our Dakota did not go any farther than Nairobi and we changed over into a "Viking" for the trip to Salisbury. We enjoyed the majestic scenery across Tanganyika, again flying low to take full advantage of the "lion country." Although a larger machine, the Viking was like a taxi and we landed and took off innumerable times during the 1,500 miles, which was unfortunate for the people who were airsick every time we went down and up! Crossing over Portuguese East Africa, we came to Southern Rhodesia and our temporary destination of Salisbury. Here we stayed for a few days to buy equipment and thoroughly enjoyed seeing shops full of luxuries we had almost forgotten

#### THE LAST LAP

The last stage of our journey was made in a midget plane with only five passengers. In two hours we had covered the three hundred miles to Blantyre. This is certainly the strangest town we have seen. Its roads are deeply rutted and there are huge stones and boulders lying in the way of the traffic. At first sight there are no shops, but on investigation we find that there are some European stores and many Indian. They sell the most varied assortment of goods. For example at the European bakery we can buy anything from petrol and rugs to dresses and furniture; they even have bread sometimes! The majority of the Indian shops are for tailoring and the men sit outside in

their flowing robes working their Singer sewing machines—an incongruous picture.

The mud "fair-weather" road from Blantyre to Malamulo travels through the most picturesque country that we have seen. Nyasa-

land is indeed the garden of Africa with its forest-covered hills, majestic mountains, and beautiful flowers. Finally we had arrived at our destination—tomorrow to explore the "fresh fields and pastures new."

## Important Convocations this Year

By E. B. RUDGE

WE are happy to set out before the readers of the MESSENGER the programme of special and general meetings for the year 1948, as approved at a recent meeting of the British Union Conference Committee:

The locations of these various meetings will be announced in due course by the local bodies controlling the arrangements.

The Colporteurs' Conference will be held at Nottingham; The Seminary Field School at Newbold Missionary College, and the Youth Congress at Watford Town Hall. The location of the Youth Camp is yet to be finalized.

In view of this unusually full programme, and for reasons outlined hereunder, it is proposed that this year we hold no business sessions in the local conferences or missions. This decision was reached at a meeting of the British Union Conference Committee held January 22nd, and was based upon the following factors:

1. There is urgent need for the revision of the Union, local conference, and mission constitutions now that we are functioning as a detached union under the direction of the General Conference, and are no longer a part of the former Northern European Division.

2. A committee for the revision of the constitutions enumerated above has been appointed. This committee needs time to prepare new constitutions for acceptance by the various bodies concerned and to receive General Conference approval. It is proposed that these also be submitted to the local bodies during 1949.

3. Prior to the recent World War, the British Union Conference Committee counselled that we adopt in this field the plan

operating in North America of holding biennial conference sessions in the local fields. It is proposed to make this a feature of the new constitutions.

This general outline of procedure for the coming year is recommended by the British Union Conference Committee, and has been approved by the committees

### Special Meetings during 1948

#### BRITISH UNION

Colporteurs' Conference March 24th to 31st.  
Seminary Field School June 9th to July 22nd.  
Youth Congress July 29th to Aug. 2nd.  
Senior Youth Camp Aug. 3rd to 10th.

#### DISTRICT MEETINGS

Wales June 18th to 20th.  
North England (1) June 25th to 27th.  
Scotland July 2nd to 4th.  
Ireland July 9th to 11th.  
South England July 17th and 18th.  
North England (2) July 24th and 25th.

of the local conferences and missions.

It is earnestly desired that our members everywhere take upon their hearts the needs of our work during 1948, and diligently seek the rich blessing of the Lord upon all the activities outlined above.

We pray that God will signally manifest Himself in our midst throughout the year, giving that measure of His leading that shall make clear to every one of us the way in which we should go and the work that we should do.

## Union Notes

### VOICE OF PROPHECY CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL

DURING recent weeks there has been a remarkable increase in enrolments for the Voice of Prophecy School. The average enrolment has been almost 500 new names each month, but in response to a special promotion drive in some areas the number has risen to over 500 in one week! This is an indication of what could be accomplished were we able to put on a nation-wide publicity promotion. It is evident that we have as yet just touched the fringe of the possibilities of this means of reaching a large part of our population in this Union. Undoubtedly there will be a great development of this form of "auxiliary evangelism" and the fruitage from it, though perhaps longer in developing, should be encouraging in its permanence, inasmuch as every convert will have been a real student of the Word.

Increasing enrolments mean considerable increase in staff work. Miss W. Buckle, a former Bible instructor of considerable experience, is now attached to the Voice of Prophecy staff at the Union office, as is also Mr. H. W. Walklett, who has recently been released by Granose Foods Limited, and thus resumes "ministerial service" after a period of business experience with Granose Foods. The whole Voice of Prophecy staff is kept increasingly and interestedly busy. Further details of development in this important department will be given from time to time through the MESSENGER columns.

### MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

THERE has been a considerable development in the use of films, both sound and silent, throughout the field by progressive evangelists. The Ministerial Association is building up a library of films for hire, consisting of a number of commented sound films—"The Birth of a New World" (Daniel 2), "Witchbound

Africa" (a thrilling picture of medical missions), and "Liquor as the Doctor Sees it" (a temperance propaganda film). Elder J. L. Shuler's Bible Study Series in colour is receiving a strong booking as are the coloured Hymn Films. The Sound Song Service has also been very popular in the field and the public have been most appreciative wherever it has been used.

Never has it been suggested that the use of films will take the place of efficient Spirit-filled preaching of the Word, but it is very evident that in this modern age "visual education" must be harnessed to the proclamation of the Advent message. Most encouraging permanent results are being achieved wherever evangelists are taking advantage of these modern accessories. Non-member attendances at Sunday, week-night, and Sabbath afternoon meetings have been more than doubled, and often trebled where these visual aids have been used. Members are invited to take an intelligent, prayerful interest in the progressive programme of evangelism being planned and in operation throughout the field.

#### SPIRITUAL MEETINGS DURING 1948

In this issue of the MESSENGER the Union president gives a clear statement on the plans for spiritual meetings during this year. Now is the time for you to plan to be present at those special convocations. Young people especially must now plan for "Congress"! This is something new for British youth, and every effort should be made for it to be the success and blessing it can be if full advantage is taken of the opportunity. Parents and church boards should now begin to encourage their youth to "work and save"—in other words "scheme"—to be present when the Congress opens in Watford's modern Town Hall. Note also the plan for spiritual fellowship meetings instead of "business sessions" this year at our local conference and mission annual meetings. With special visitors from the General Conference, these meetings should be a real source of inspiration and blessing. Plan now to be present at your fellowship gathering. G. D. KING.

## Coming to Congress?

YES, of course, every Advent youth in Britain is planning for the great gathering in Watford Town Hall from July 29th to August 2nd. From the highlands of Scotland, from the Emerald Isle, from among the mountains of Wales, and from glorious Devon to the great industrial north—Britain's Advent youth are stirring into active preparation for this the first British Union Youth Congress, and for the camp that is to follow.

All senior youth of fourteen years and over are urged to attend. The programme is being prepared for them. There will be no children's programmes although if some parents or adults accompany their children they will not be excluded.

Twelve special committees have been formed and already a Congress fever is spreading throughout the British Isles. All inquiries concerning accommodation, finance, and special arrangements should be made through the local or Union Conference Missionary Volunteer Departments. Further announcements will be made from time to time in the MESSENGER, *Progressive Volunteer*, and local conference bulletins.

Several visitors from the General Conference will be present, including Elder E. W. Dunbar, our world youth leader. Then, too, a number of our youth from the Continent are expecting to be present. One feature of the Congress will be a colourful international programme representing the Advent youth in all the world.

A grand Master Comrade investiture will also be held. A number of young people who are already part-way through are diligently preparing to complete either the Master Comrade course as outlined in the *Youth Handbook* or the new intensive course for senior youth, the requirements of which can be procured from the Conference M.V. Department. Honour tokens will be displayed at the Investiture.

News is coming in of young people who are already working and saving for Congress.

We invite the prayers of our people that this occasion will be mightily blessed of God and that it will sound a clarion call to our youth to arise and take the Advent message to the millions of unsaved youth in the great cities and towns of our beloved land.

E. L. MINCHIN.

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### Notes from the President

ON February 12th the full committee of the South England Conference met for the first time this year. As it was the occasion for the annual audit the regular committee was augmented by two lay brethren; Brother R. Hearne from Torquay and Brother D. Dowell from Lowestoft. We regret Brother Boxall was not able to be with us. At this gathering we endeavoured to lay plans that would make the current year a good one in soul-saving. We ought to make it the best. We believe God guided our minds in the matter of selection and grouping of workers for the different tasks and responsibilities. But the best of plans are worthless unless they are made to live by the power of the Holy Ghost. One or two remarks to this effect were properly made at our session and the need for a baptism of God's Spirit was emphasized.

We are hoping that it will be possible to arrange for fifteen of our male workers to attend the Seminary School at Newbold from June 9th to July 22nd. This school will be run by three leading brethren from the General Conference. We believe our good members will readily sacrifice by foregoing the services of their ministers for a few weeks, know-

ing that the course will strengthen them in many ways. Following this School we shall be fully occupied in the Union Congress and Camp.

IN view of these heavy commitments this year it was decided by the committee to agree to the recommendation of the Union committee not to hold a conference this year. In its place we plan to have two Days of Fellowship at Watford on July 17th and 18th (Sabbath and Sunday). The Town Hall has already been booked for these days. More details will be given concerning this gathering at a later date. Pastor L. K. Dickson from the General Conference will be present. Besides this we plan to have other local Days of Fellowship during May. We have in mind Bristol, Plymouth, Cornwall, and East Anglia as suitable centres. Let as many as possible plan to come to Watford on July 17th and 18th, as this is the only occasion that Pastor L. K. Dickson can be with us in this conference.

PLEASE pray for the blessing of God on all the plans made and then let us be ready to take an active part ourselves as the plan for our own district is brought to us.  
W. W. ARMSTRONG.



### Literature Builds Branch Sabbath-Schools

AS an isolated member it was a great joy to be in attendance at the Sabbath-School Rally at Stanborough Park recently. Oh that all the isolated might have shared our privilege! Pastors E. L. Minchin and A. C. Vine led out in the day's activities and at its close Pastor Minchin called on those to stand who would reconsecrate themselves to the Sabbath-school work, and especially to bring into being more Branch Sabbath-schools.

We enjoy our Sabbath-school lessons, don't we? How much more precious they are if we study them daily and then share them with others. We cannot all work in the same way, but *do* let us use every opportunity that comes our way.

In my *Present Truth* round I

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discovered a good soul who had to attend her father on Sabbath and could not come, so we arranged for her to have the Sabbath-school lesson during the week. Who knows how long she will study before she will be able to join us on the Sabbath and keep it with us? Then we can gather children in, teach them the songs of truth and joy. In turn they may interest their parents as they relate at home what we teach them.

Every isolated member should have a *Present Truth* list, if only a small one. As your readers study this good paper, they will ask questions. Then comes your opportunity to invite them to come and study with you, on Sabbath or any day. The Sabbath-school lesson is generally appropriate to their needs. Sooner or later your work will tell. God is working through every consecrated soul; whether you see the result or not is not your concern. Be of good courage, stand by your faith and your conscience. You have a work that no other can do; do it so bravely, so wisely, so well, that angels will hasten the story to tell. Do all in the light of the judgment, and press on to victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

I would be glad to get into touch with other isolated believers who are working in their "small corners" for the Lord. I am sure Pastor A. C. Vine at the South England Conference office would pass your letters on to me.

M. GREEN.

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### Notes from the President

ON February 7th, at the close of a week's services for our youth in the East Midlands area, ten young people were baptized at Nottingham. This result was partly due to the influence of our 1947 youth camp at Cayton Bay. By the close of the month further baptisms will be held at Man-

chester, Southport, and Newcastle.

ALTHOUGH we had accessions of seventy-seven new members by baptism and vote during last year, we are showing a net loss in membership of 56. We lost 18 by transfer to other fields, 38 by death and 77 others left our ranks. We are expecting that 1948 will give a more encouraging showing.

By the spring we shall have eighteen efforts in progress throughout the North Conference. In some of these fruit has already appeared. Although the attendances have not been of a spectacular nature yet many hundreds are listening to the truth every Sunday evening. We ask a definite interest in the prayers of the MESSENGER family on behalf of the evangelistic seed-sowing that the harvest may be abundant.

DURING 1947 the North England Conference received in tithe £19,655, a gain for the year of £1,300. Sabbath-school offerings reached £3,473, a gain of £89; the special offering for Famine Relief realized £575. January, 1948, shows a further increase of £570 in tithe income.

MISSIONS EXTENSION WEEK begins on March 7th and the offering is to be taken up in our churches on Sabbath, March 13th. This year there will be available twenty copies each of *Good News* with a most attractive picture on the cover of the "Good Shepherd." Last year our offering amounted to £207, a gain of £77. We thank our members for their past faithfulness and anticipate a further advance in 1948.

WE are to have two special gatherings in North England this year, at which we expect Pastor L. K. Dickson of the General Conference. The first will be held in Derby (D.V.), in the old Temperance Hall which has been redecorated and is now known as the Churchill Hall. The time is June 26th and 27th. The second meeting is planned for Manchester or Leeds on July 24th and 25th. Please make a note of these dates so that you will be free to attend. O. M. DORLAND.

## Youth Convention at Wellingborough

NORTHANTS youth are very junior and few in number. But they were given a place in the East Midlands district Youth for Christ week, January 30th to February 7th. Pastor E. R. Warland was the guest speaker on January 31st in the Friends' Meeting Hall at Wellingborough. The practical, well illustrated messages of our visitor in the morning and afternoon meetings brought new meaning to the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount.

The Sabbath-school was cared for by the local officers, the senior lesson being taught by the writer, with the Conference Sabbath-school leader caring for the juniors, and Sister Fielding the primary department.

In the early afternoon, following a happy lunch hour around hot drinks, Pastor Warland led an enjoyable half hour of chorus singing and gave a demonstration of the flannel board. This latter offers many possibilities for making the message live to our young ones.

A good number of visitors attended the afternoon meetings and stayed with us to enjoy the excellent tea provided by the Wellingborough sisters. The rationed foods obtained by special licence had been well supplemented by gifts from various homes in the district. The occasion was a real success and not only the little ones enjoyed it. Two hours of games followed in which most took part. To many of the children this was their first social, and how they enjoyed it. Adventists are a happy people when they meet together.

We closed promptly at 8 p.m. and went home rejoicing in a day well spent together, with the Lord—and with our children

T. H. FIELDING.

## New Church Address

The Grimsby and Cleethorpes members now meet at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, corner of Daubney Street and Grimsby Road, Cleethorpes.  
P. WILKINSON, *Church Clerk.*

# Visiting our Health Institutions in the United States-2

By G. E. Adair

SALT Lake City was under snow as we passed, but from the train one could get a distant view of the famous temple of the Mormons. From there on were large stretches of flat desert country not unlike the deserts of South and West Australia, except that there were mountains in the distance. Next morning we had left the snow and deserts behind and were in "Sunny" California where the hills and valleys were green and the sun shone from a clear blue cloudless sky. It was thrilling to see the "gum" trees, eucalyptus from Australia, and the oranges and lemons.

From a phone box in Oakland I contacted the St. Helena Sanitarium and then made my way out there by bus, arriving about noon. The location is very beautiful on a hillside, overlooking a fertile valley and beyond to another range of mountains. The pine-wooded slopes give off a healthy aroma, and the air is very refreshing. One of the features of this sanitarium is its dining room, which was well filled with patients. The food was excellent and nicely served. Being in the country, they operate workshops, and a garage, a shop, post office, and fire brigade. I was shown around all parts of it and was given "the freedom of the city" to look around as I pleased. The kitchen is, I think, the best laid out and equipped that I have seen thus far.

One of our people, whose wife was a very sick patient in the sanitarium was going down to Mountain View by car and offered to take me along. He took me the longest way round and showed me some beautiful country with extensive orange orchards, walnut groves, prune orchards, pear orchards, olive plantations, and vineyards. At Mountain View, the Pacific Press Publishing Association have a fine printing plant, about 200 people being employed.

Next morning, I left San Francisco by the "Daylight," a fast

modern streamlined train, and passed through the Santa Clara Valley famous the world over for its prunes. Again walnuts, olives, oranges, apples, pears, were a prominent feature of the landscape. For miles, we skirted the shores of the Pacific, arriving at Glendale in the evening where I was met by my old friend, Mr. Chapman, manager of Loma Linda Food Co., with Mrs. Chapman and their eldest daughter.

I stayed at their home in La Sierra, Arlington and from there visited the Loma Linda Sanitarium and Hospital, the College of Medical Evangelists, La Sierra College, the White Memorial Hospital, and the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital. We went to hear and see a broadcast put over from a studio in Hollywood by the Voice of Prophecy. Here I met Dr. Essery and together we went down to San Diego for a day to see the Paradise Valley Sanitarium.

Most of my time was spent at the Loma Linda Food Factory, where I have obtained a lot of useful information.

From Los Angeles I journeyed to Nashville, Tennessee, via Chicago.

Chicago was reached on "Thanksgiving Day." Snow covered the streets to a depth of several inches, and the atmosphere was decidedly "nippy." The city was gaily decorated, with Christmas festivities "just around the corner." Christmas trees, gaily lighted, were in evidence. The people were making merry and feasting on turkeys, the national dish for Thanksgiving Day. Poor turkeys—millions of them were slain, or taken out of "deep freeze" to be consumed. What a market for "Gluten steaks" or "Saviand." A great field for health education.

It was a cold seven hours waiting for the train to Nashville but Tennessee the next morning was bright and sunny. It was a pleasure to meet Mr. G. Norris and

Hazel at Nashville station. They took me out by car to Madison and soon I was comfortably settled in. A convention was in progress representing all of the Madison self-supporting interests. They had a real "get together." One of the General Conference vice-presidents took the Sabbath service and was accompanied on the platform by the General Conference Assistant Treasurer. It was a splendid meeting and there were at least 500 people in attendance. Madison comprises about 900 acres. The College has an enrolment of 275, and the sanitarium has a bed capacity of approximately 195.

A day was spent at the factory of which Mr. Norris has charge. Quite a range of health foods are made including Soya Milk and "Stake-lets." Madison also has a press, farm, garage, dairy, and several other industries.

On Sunday night, the whole Norris family saw me off at Nashville and asked me to be sure to remember them to you all. Hazel would like to be back packing biscuits at Granose Foods Ltd., but she also enjoys her work in the office at Madison Factory.

The journey from Nashville to Cincinnati was an all-night trip. By the following day at noon, the town of Columbus was reached. From near the station, a bus took me within walking distance of the Worthington Food Company, a very fine little unit with a big output of "choplets" and other products. After being shown through the plant, I went across to the Harding Estate where the Harding Sanitarium is located. It is comprised of a series of buildings and was undergoing extensive alterations, renovations, and additions. It is very well equipped and patronized and deals mainly with certain types of mental cases.

Toward evening, I made contact with Drs. Warren G. and Frances Harding and family, who were out in Australia for several years. They insisted that I stay the night, and next morning motored me down to the bus station from whence I travelled to Mount Vernon, and Academia, where we have a fine large academy and near which is located Dr. Miller's Food Factory. Here "cutlets" are made,

also soya milk both liquid and dried, plain and malted. Dr. Miller has made a special study of the soy bean. He grows the beans on his estate, and processes them very successfully in various ways in his factory.

He was most friendly and helpful and I greatly enjoyed my day with him. A meal of his products was provided at the Sanitarium for lunch, and later at his home, he treated me to a dish of ice-cream made from soya milk and topped off with pecan kernels. He is planning to establish manufacturing units in the Philippines and in China in the immediate future.

While at the Sanitarium, the manager, Mr. Paul Knudsen,



### Pleased With New "Good News"

"It is magnificent," reports Brother G. Elliott of the new edition of *Good News*, after making a successful start with it in his London territory. "By the grace of God we will do a big work with it."

He tells us that among his many readers are the head ministers of the Mormon Church in Britain, the medium in charge of one of London's Spiritualist churches, and a notable BBC broadcaster, whose secretary sent a letter of thanks for the literature to our colporteur.

The first printing order of 80,000 of this new edition is the largest ever in the history of our sixpenny magazines. Colporteurs and churches are sending in their orders by practically every post.

The attractive appearance of this new "sixpenny" and its well written articles, covering various phases of the Advent message, make it easy to sell and pleasant to read.

It will certainly appeal to adherents of all religious beliefs,

showed me through the institution. He used to be in Edgware some years ago, and wished me to remember him to his friends in England. The week-end found me back in Washington D.C., and while there some time was spent at the Washington Sanitarium. On Sabbath I attended the Sligo Church which seats about 2,400.

From Washington, I travelled to Boston. At the New England Sanitarium I was cordially welcomed and made to feel very much at home.

This was my last visit and now, back in England, we are planning to utilize to the full the information gathered during our most profitable visit.

and now—in the Missions Extension Campaign, March 6th to 13th—is our golden opportunity to place its saving message in their hands.  
B BELTON.

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A ROMAN Catholic engineering student in Zurich would like an English lady pen friend to correspond in English, French, or German Interested in religious questions, including Adventism. Recommended by Swiss Adventist Write for address to: The Editor, Stanborough Press Ltd., Watford, Herts

### SUNSET CALENDAR

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Pastor C. A. Reeves' large congregation in Brisbane, Australia.

## A British Evangelist "Down Under"

A RECENT letter to Pastor E. B. Rudge from Pastor C. A. Reeves who spent many years in evangelistic work in the British field will be read with interest by our members, especially those for whom he laboured.

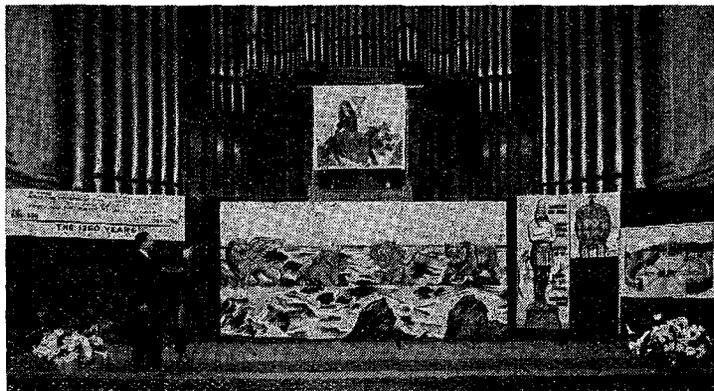
"Greetings from sunny Australia! You will be interested to know that we have made a good beginning at Brisbane, which is the first point in our three-year evangelistic programme in this country. We had a very pleasant voyage from San Francisco, calling at Samoa and Fiji *en route*. It was most inspiring to visit our workers in these islands and see the good work that is being done among the natives. The Australian brethren have given us a great welcome and are co-operating most helpfully in the programme of evangelism which they have outlined for me.

"Our Brisbane effort is being conducted in the beautiful city hall. From the start the Lord has blessed us with good crowds. I am sending you a photograph of the meeting last Sunday night, which was the sixth Sunday night of the mission, when an audience of 2,400 filled every seat and some were standing or seated on the steps. Already the members of our working team are visiting 1,400 interested people. Offerings have amounted to £670. Our week-night meeting held in the Guild Theatre each Tuesday is attracting a regular

attendance of 500. The brethren feel that we have a splendid interest. The prospects seem good for a large harvest of souls such as we have had in England, Canada, and the States.

"The Australian brethren in the British Union may be interested in this news item from their beautiful homeland and, as a native son of old England, I send greetings to our friends and especially to the many dear converts the Lord gave us while labouring in London and other parts of the British field. We would solicit your prayers. Be assured that the members here think and pray much for our believers in Britain. May the Lord richly bless you in your important work in the old country."

C. A. REEVES.



Pastor Reeves preaching on the "four beasts" of Daniel seven.

### Until the Day Break

PROCTOR.—It is with regret that we announce the passing of Mrs. A. Proctor, on January 15, 1948. Our sister accepted the truth twenty-three years ago as a result of the labours of Pastor E. E. Craven. Of late her health had been failing, but the end was unexpected. Pastor J. P. West conducted the last rites, and our sister was laid to rest on Monday, January 19th, in the Holbeck Cemetery. We look forward to the fast approaching day when we shall be reunited, and see the Master face to face.  
G. J. CLEE, *Church Clerk*.

EVANS.—The Sheffield church has sustained another loss in the passing away of Sister R. Evans at the age of seventy-six years. She was brought into the Advent truth by Pastor R. D. Vine, and Pastor J. A. McMillan baptized her in 1946. She was a bright and cheery person and looked forward to meeting her Saviour on the resurrection morning. She was laid to rest in the Burngreave Cemetery on January 12, 1948, Brother R. A. Vince officiating.  
FRANCES I. MUSTOW.

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