

BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

ORGAN OF THE BRITISH UNION CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

"THE DAY AND THE HOUR"

The Opening of the Forty-sixth Session of the
General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

"THE day and the hour of the opening of the Forty-Sixth Session of the General Conference has arrived."

President J. L. McElhany spoke the momentous words as he took his place at the microphone on the rostrum of the great Civic Auditorium in San Francisco and looked over the congregation of more than 8,000 Seventh-Day Adventists who filled the vast hall.

The scene was indeed a thrilling one. The centre of the auditorium was occupied by over 900 delegates from all parts of the world field, their allotted rows each marked with the country of their origin. Then in the rising tiers on either side, at the back of the hall, and in the balcony above, sat thousands of members from near and far who had come in to share the blessings of this great occasion.

On the white drop curtain behind the platform a great circular map of the world illuminated by floodlights dominated the whole picture. Across it were inscribed the portentous words of the Master Himself, "I come quickly," and the hands of a clock across the face of the world pointed to "five minutes to twelve." A spectacular setting for what was surely to be the most important Adventist gathering ever held.

It was with feelings of profound gratitude that we beheld

By W. L. Emmerson

the tall figure of the president, for we had learned of the illness which had overtaken him even as he journeyed west to the General Conference and we feared that it would be impossible for him to take any part in the proceedings of the council. The joy in our hearts for God's healing grace gave added power to the words of the grand hymn: "All hail the power of Jesus' name" with which the opening session of the conference began.

After Elder Frederick Griggs had led the great congregation to the throne of grace it was fitting that the King's Heralds, so well known for their Gospel songs over the radio, should render one of the most lovely items, "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me." For above all things, we desired guidance in our individual lives and in the deliberations of the coming days.

If the congregation in the auditorium provided one picture of the world-wide character of the Advent movement, the greetings which Secretary E. D. Dick now brought to the assembled com-

pany provided another. From Washington that grand old man and past president, Elder W. A. Spicer had sent a message of cheer. From far-away Australia came a word from Elder C. H. Watson, another past president of the General Conference. There were greetings from Asia, Africa, and Europe—even from Stanborough Park, Watford—the reading of which was deferred to a subsequent meeting, and there was a message from Elder F. P. Ward on the tiny remote island of Pitcairn out in the vast watery wastes of the Pacific.

Yes, the whole wide circle of the world church was represented both by those who were there and those who were present in spirit in the messages of greeting.

Dr. G. T. Harding who had brought Elder McElhany from the Glendale Sanitarium at Los Angeles, came to the microphone to tell us that the president should not take upon himself the strain of delivering his presidential address and so regretfully he had to request his secretary, Elder A. W. Cormack, to present it.

It was a fact of interesting and historical significance, began Elder McElhany, that just "eighty-seven years ago this last May twenty delegates assembled and organized the General Conference," electing an executive committee of three to care for the interests of the church of 3,500 members which had not then

We are grateful for this first-hand report of the General Conference, sent by air mail by Pastor Emmerson who is in San Francisco.

spread beyond the bounds of North America.

To-day, by contrast, he said "this message is being proclaimed in 228 countries of the earth. Well may we exclaim, 'What hath God wrought!'"

As Elder McElhany looked back over the fourteen years during which he had led the church, he reminded us that during almost the whole of this period there had been war in some part of the world, and that these troubled times had brought crisis after crisis to the work of God. Yet, he went on to say, "through these days of world calamity God has done marvellous things for His people. . . . If the twenty delegates who made up the first General Conference session could meet with us on this occasion, their voices would certainly resound with praises to God as they would see here a truly world-wide body of delegates representing His cause of truth."

Great, however, as were the achievements of the past, the president reminded his audience that a still greater task lay before them which called for the "total mobilization" of the church of God and an even fuller utilization of the divine resources that are available to us. "Only in His way," he said, "can we break through the walls of difficulty and opposition, and, through the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, carry out God's plans for His remnant church.

"The greatest contribution this session can make to the cause of God, therefore," Elder McElhany declared, "is to make this occasion the greatest occasion for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we have ever experienced."

"Will you all individually," he asked, "solemnly pledge yourselves to enter into such a prayer experience?"

"We have reason to thank God for the adequacy and timeliness of the message we are proclaiming to the world. It exactly fits into the world picture. In the unfolding events in this world today we have unmistakable evidences of the truths we preach to the world: This session will again bring to us all fresh evidences of the divine leadership of the movement." The Captain of the

Lord's host still leads on before His people. Let us, "therefore, with renewed zeal, determination, and consecration hold aloft the banner of truth and proclaim with new power that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

"The army of the Lord is joining for the final march. Just across over there is the Promised Land. There must be no turning back to the ways and practices of the world. By precept and example, by faithfulness to every principle of the truth, we must lead on before the church militant until we have passed over Jordan

and the church becomes the church triumphant. We have assembled here to lay plans for leading the church into just such a victorious experience."

To this fervent appeal all hearts responded, and as the meeting was brought to a close it was unanimously decided to devote the first day of conference to fasting and prayer for an in-filling of spiritual power adequate for the closing task of the church of God.

On a high and solemn note the great conference had begun.

Facts from the General Conference Reports

OUR world membership in 1949 was 716,538, an increase in the past quadrennium of 140,160. We had 9,991 churches, an increase of 495. The average number of baptisms each year for each 1,000 members, was 101.

At the close of 1949 the number of evangelistic and colporteur workers was 17,523. A further

20,408 were employed in our institutions. This represents an increase in our worker force over the past quadrennium of 7,012.

THE largest yearly over-all contribution by Adventists ever recorded was in 1949. It consisted of just over £9,000,000 tithe, £3,500,000 mission offerings, £2,500,000 local offerings. (These are round figures.) Total tithes and offerings paid by the world church in the past quadrennium amounted to £58,020,384.

At the beginning of 1949 the total investment in church buildings, schools, publishing houses, health institutions, food centres, and other assets, was £58 million. About two-thirds of this was in the North American field.

FAMINE relief offerings from the world field totalled almost £1,000,000. This is exclusive of the many thousands of food parcels and hundreds of tons of clothing which were sent to those in need.

THE Sabbath-school work made the greatest advance in all history in the past quadrennium. There was a gain of 1,608 schools, and a gain in membership of 201,392. This represents an addition of one new Sabbath-school of 138 members for every day of the quadrennium.

EVERY week in the past quadrennium
BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

Greetings from the President

Pastor E. B. Rudge, now at San Francisco for the General Conference meetings, sends Christian greetings to all members of the British Union.

LISTEN—to the VOICE OF PROPHECY Radio Luxembourg (1,293 metres)

Tuesday, August 1st, at 5.15 p.m.

Friday, August 4th, at 11.15 p.m.

"The Elder Prodigal"

Tuesday, August 8th, at 5.15 p.m.

Friday, August 11th, at 11.15 p.m.

"Standing on the Other Side"

rennium the church distributed a million copies of its literature.

IN the first 90 years of our history (1846-1935), our literature sales amounted to approximately £36 million. In the past 14 years our sales have been approximately £70 million. In the past quadrennium our annual sales have been £3,900,000.

SINCE our Ingathering Campaign was begun £17,500,000 have been given for missionary work. In the past quadrennium the figure was approximately £5,150,000.

OUR Radio Department has been signally blessed of the Lord in the past quadrennium. The message is now broadcast weekly from 800 stations throughout the world.

THE Bible Correspondence Schools which are run in conjunction with our radio endeavour now enjoy an enrolment of approximately 800,000 students.

WE are now carrying on work in 228 of the 282 populated land areas of the world. We are printing our literature in 195 languages and working in 511 other languages besides.

ENROLMENT at our colleges has increased 130 per cent in the past quadrennium. Our school enrolment throughout the world has risen to 180,121, an increase of 70 per cent.

NINE per cent of those finishing our Bible Correspondence Course have been baptized.

THROUGH the medium of our Dorcas Societies, 14,229,645 persons were given needed help in the past quadrennium. Among the many services rendered by our faithful sisters was the distribution of 7,542,201 articles of clothing.

REGRETFULLY we pass on the news of the sudden death of Pastor W. H. Anderson immediately prior to the time he and his wife were planning to depart for the General Conference. Brother Anderson is the last pioneer who, fifty-five years ago established our first mission station in a non-Christian land—Solusi Mission, Rhodesia.

WORLD membership of our M.V. society was 239,604 in 1949, an increase over the quadrennium of 48,005.

SIBERIA. Many of our leading workers were banished to Siberia, so we can be sure the light of truth will spread in those frozen wastes. Many Baltic workers and members have been forcibly removed from their homes and taken to unknown areas. It is still true, however, that "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church."
R.D.V.

New Leaders of the World Field

General Conference President.—W. H. Branson.

General Vice-Presidents.—L. K. Dickson, A. V. Olson, H. L. Rudy, R. R. Figuhr, W. B. Ochs. *Secretary.*—E. D. Dick.

Associate Secretaries.—N. W. Dunn, W. P. Bradley, J. I. Robinson, H. T. Elliott, E. E. Roenfelt, A. W. Cormack.

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Temperance.—W. A. Scharfberg.

Education.—E. E. Cossentine. *Home Missionary.*—T. L. Oswald.

Medical.—T. R. Flaiz, M.D. *Ministerial.*—R. A. Anderson *Publishing.*—G. A. Huse

Radio.—P. Wickman. *Sabbath-School.*—L. L. Moffit.

M.V.—E. W. Dunbar. *Home-Foreign Bureau.*—W. B. Ochs.

Religious Liberty.—A. Johnson.

Australian Division: President.—N. C. Wilson; *Secretary.*—F. A. Mote; *Treasurer.*—W. L. Pascoe.

Central European Division: President.—A. Minck; *Secretary-Treasurer.*—O. Schild Haver.

China Division: President.—H. Su Hwa; *Secretary.*—D. Lin; *Treasurer.*—S. J. Lee.

Far Eastern Division: President.—V. T. Armstrong; *Secretary.*—C. P. Sorrenson; *Treasurer.*—P. L. Williams.

Northern European Division: President.—G. A. Lindsay; *Secretary-Treasurer.*—A. Karlman.

South African Division: President.—C. W. Bozarth; *Secretary.*—F. G. Clifford; *Treasurer.*—E. A. Moon.

Asia Division: President.—R. H. Pierson; *Secretary.*—A. F. Tarr; *Treasurer.*—C. O. Franz.

Southern European Division: President.—W. R. Beach; *Secretary.*—M. Fridlin; *Treasurer.*—R. Gerber.

THE MEDICAL AID FUND

FOR many years past, whether under this name, or as the "Endowed Bed Fund," it has been sought to make it possible for churchmembers to take advantage of the facilities available at The Stanboroughs Hydro at Watford. Here we have a medical institution, beautifully situated in a private park, and well equipped for the care of medical and surgical cases, including convalescence; physiotherapy being available. Apart from the fund,

reduced terms are offered to all churchmembers (and suitable dependents), according to the accommodation desired.

From time to time special offerings are promoted in the churches to provide funds from which members who need to enter The Stanboroughs, but who cannot afford to pay the relevant fees, may be given financial assistance. To reduce the total expense the Hydro has provided very comfortable ward beds,

which cost much less to maintain than the private rooms.

Of course, the purpose of these offerings would be defeated, and the limited resources virtually misapplied, were grants made to those able to pay their own bills. Church membership alone does not entitle the individual to help from the fund; and contributions do not provide benefits after the manner of, say, the Hospital Savings Association. There must be genuine need of financial assistance without which the applicant would not be able to go to the Hydro.

Requests for this assistance, which is gladly given in all worthy cases, to the extent that donations make possible, should be addressed, through your minister or church elder, to your local conference or mission.

When in due time the offerings are solicited, we trust there will be a liberal response. Special gifts for the fund will at all times be welcome, and should be sent, preferably, through the usual conference channels.

A. H. WILLIAMS.



Staff Wanted

THE STANBOROUGH'S HYDRO is in urgent need of additional staff, and we cordially invite inquiries from churchmembers who are eligible for the following lines of work.

Registered Nurses, whether S.R.N. (with or without S.C.M.) or S.E.A.N., will find a growing variety and volume of work.

Nursing Cadets. Inquiries are also invited from young ladies who have passed the Matriculation examination (or approximate equivalent) and who are waiting to commence as student nurses, but are too young to enter a school of nursing. Such are needed for diet and nursing orderly duties, and will find a year or so at The Stanboroughs a very helpful prelude to their later regular nursing course.

Inquiries should be addressed to The Matron, Stanboroughs Hydro, Watford, Herts.

A. H. WILLIAMS,
Medical Director,
The Stanboroughs.



Coventry's Junior Dorcas Society.

South England Conference

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"I Must be a Member of Sabbath-School"

I SIMPLY cannot afford to be among the one-third of our membership who do not attend Sabbath-school. No one—child, youth, or adult—can consistently turn away from the Sabbath-school without suffering irreparable loss.

I *must* be a member of the Sabbath-school because I need a deeper knowledge of the Bible, because I want my example to influence young and old aright, because I need the blessing of

Christian service which the Sabbath-school affords, because I need the inspiration and fellowship of class discussion, because I want to keep informed of the needs in missionary fields in order to give intelligently, because I am sure that the Sabbath-school is one of God's greatest agencies to maintain my faith and keep me in the love of the truth, because every member of my family can enjoy the Sabbath-school and I want us all to be together in the kingdom.

A.C.V.

North England Conference

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Dorcas is Alive!

IT was rumoured some time ago that our North England "Dorcas" was dead—or at least, definitely dying. We are glad to report that "Dorcas" is very much alive as far as some churches are concerned, though reluctant to talk about "good works and alms deeds."

In some churches the Dorcas sisters have been quietly and steadily making garments for the needy at home and abroad. Since the close of the war Newcastle, for example, has sent many scores of parcels of clothing and food to Germany and other ravaged countries.

DON'T MISS THIS

ANNIVERSARY MUSICAL FESTIVAL

conducted by the
Stanborough Park Youth Club
in the
COMMUNITY HALL
Stanborough Park
on the evening of October 28th
All London churches invited
Watch Future Announcements

Hull has a very happy and active group including, we are glad to say, several consecrated young people. This Dorcas society has not only helped needy members of the church, but several other necessitous families. In addition to clothing, useful rugs have been made and beautiful scrap-books to brighten the lives of children in local hospitals. You may see some of the twenty or so members of this society in the accompanying photograph, together with samples of their handiwork. This group is determined that the effort of 1950 shall exceed even the best of previous years.



Members of the Hull Dorcas Society

At Bolton in Lancashire, where we have one of our younger churches, a small but devoted band of members meets fortnightly to work for the needy. While busy fingers are making garments, one of the group reads extracts from *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, which is then discussed by those present. A very happy plan is in operation there which enables the brethren to be active in promoting the Dorcas objectives, for they provide the postage on the food parcels dispatched to the Continent. We are sure that the sisters of other churches would appreciate such practical support in their activities.

We understand that at York the Dorcas meetings are improved by instruction in home nursing and vegetarian cookery. Where there is a capable instructor we feel that this plan could well be adopted by other churches.

At Nottingham, too, "Dorcas"

is very much alive. A visitor to the upper hall of the church last December 10th would have seen a very interesting display of dresses, pinafores, socks, gloves, tablecloths, shopping bags and so on. Yes, and we should mention a beautiful scarf made by a male member of the church over seventy years of age. Some garments were given away, others sold to provide money for the purchase of wool and other materials which the sisters have since been busily converting into warm garments for our needy members in Germany.

On June 7th, when the first wedding was conducted in our headquarters church, the Dorcas sisters took responsibility for the reception and wedding breakfast which was held in the upper hall. The forty guests were unanimous in their praise of the excellent

way in which this joyful service was rendered on the occasion of the marriage of Brother Cyril Roe and Sister Joy Cooper.

Lest any should think that Dorcas work is only for the older members of the church we would specially mention the junior branch of Coventry's Dorcas Society. There a group of teenage girls are not only active with their needles, but in other lines of missionary endeavour, as you will see from the accompanying photograph taken as they set off to sell *Present Truth* for Missions Extension.

At Carlisle in the far north of our conference, another little group of workers gives proof that the Dorcas spirit is still much alive and active. The same can be said of Grimsby where, in the home of one of the members, three or four consecrated pairs of hands work each week to provide for the needy. During the war the work of this society was so much appreciated by the W.V.S. that they exhibited their work in a special display in one of the shop windows.

Space forbids more than a brief mention of the forty boxes of clothing dispatched by the Kettering sisters during a period of fifteen months, and of about the same number of bales of clothing sent to Germany from the Dorcas sisters in Leeds in addition to many food parcels.

We believe that in many other places too this good work is



Industrious "Dorcas" workers at Nottingham.

going forward, but, owing to the characteristic British reticence to report these "good deeds," definite word has not reached us. We suggest that Dorcas leaders in North England churches should write to the MESSENGER, giving some brief report of their activities for the encouragement of others. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5:16. E. R. WARLAND.

Sunshine on Tyneside

JUNE 3, 1950 will long be remembered, not only as one of the warmest and sunniest days of the year, but as a Sabbath when the sunshine of God's saving love shone brightly on Tyneside. For seventeen precious souls were baptized and three added to the Seventh-Day Adventist Church by vote.

This was the climax to nine month's intensive witness in which minister, Bible-workers, colporteurs, members, and Voice of Prophecy had all taken part.

Our faithful colporteurs, Brethren Phillips and Davidson, had canvassed the village of Sacriston leaving behind Voice of Prophecy cards. We found a Voice of Prophecy student there, willing to open his home for cottage meetings three times a week. Six people were added to the church as a result of these meetings.

A member of the Newcastle church, Miss W. Wright let her light shine in her neighbourhood. She interested four young people in the truth, later bringing them to our meetings. We were able to have studies with them and joyfully welcomed them into church fellowship on June 3rd. One of them, a young man, has already joined the regular colporteur force.

Another small group came into the church as the fruitage of a mid-week effort held during the first six months of the year in Gateshead.

And last but not least, five were young people from Adventist homes, who have grown up to take their places as responsible

members of the church. Honour is due to their faithful parents.

A gratifying feature of the baptism was that there were eleven male candidates; and of the total, thirteen were under thirty-five years of age. There were three children of new members enrolled in the Newcastle Children's Sabbath-school.

Miss J. Mitchell worked valiantly in personal visitation until having to leave for America. It was not easy for Miss Laura Mason to take over her work in the midst of our effort, but with skill and tact born of heaven she has been wonderfully successful.

The baptismal service was held in the afternoon in the well-appointed Heaton Baptist church before a good congregation of Adventists and friends. Pastor V. H. Cooper officiated after delivering a stirring address on the meaning of baptism.

In the morning he had spoken to the candidates and members in our own hall, of the distinctive doctrines of the remnant church. Brother Fred Pearse and his wife were present for the dedication of their baby daughter, Marilyn, a simple and yet impressive ceremony.

One young lady, who was to have been baptized, is unfortunately in hospital with a spinal complaint. We earnestly request your prayers that God will quickly heal her and also continue to bless His work on Tyneside.

S. HOWARD PARKIN.

North Wales M.V. Camp

THERE are still several vacancies for both the senior and junior camps, being held at Dinas Dinlle, Caernarvon.

You can make arrangements to come? Good! Then write immediately to Pastor V. H. Cooper, Advent Youth Camp, Bodryn Farm, Dinas Dinlle, Caernarvon, N. Wales.

Visitors to the camp will be welcome to the Sabbath services. Sabbath-school convenes at 9.30 a.m.; devotional service at 10.45 a.m. v.h.c.

Welsh Mission

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President's Notes

ONCE more Wales has reached Snowdonian heights in the 1950 Ingathering Campaign. The goal of £2,100 set for us by the Union has been exceeded by over £500. We in Wales have aimed at £2,600, so in actual fact this year we have reached a double overflow! The per capita will be well over £5 per member, and when one considers the large number of aged or incapacitated members in our Mission, it is an achievement for which we must thank God. Indeed, age does not always mean incapacity! I have quite a group of members in mind who will not see three score years and ten again who have collected anything from £50 to £100 each!

All the churches have done amazingly, and we compliment our Home Missionary leaders and mission workers on a well-organized campaign. We thank you one and all for the consecrated and energetic service which made success possible. Let us for the rest of the year remember in our prayers the fields to which this prayer is sent.

MOVEMENT OF WORKERS

WHEN this MESSENGER is read, the first of a series of changes among our workers will have taken place. Remember Brother and Sister H. Humphries as they take up their new work in the Hereford-Abergavenny district, and Brother and Sister Knowlson in their care of the Shrewsbury - Rhos area. Our prayers also follow Brother and Sister J. Lewis as they journey to the Irish Mission.

The way is being prepared for the second group of moves in the Welsh Mission which involves the strengthening of our Cardiff work, and the preparations there for the coming campaign. We ask for your prayers as the housing situation is still in a chronic

state, making the moving of our workers a very great problem.

CAMP

SOON we shall meet many of our young people in Camp in North Wales and Cardiganshire. We know that this annual youth evangelistic effort has a very warm place in the hearts of our members. In our family devotions let us remember our youth who are in Camp throughout August. J. M. HOWARD.

**Newbold
Correspondence
School**

Address: Bracknell, Berks.

The People of the Book

SEVENTH - DAY ADVENTISTS have been called "the people of the Book." What a grand title for any body of people!

More than any other religious denomination, we stress the need of Bible study. We have taken as ours the watchword of the stalwart Reformers of old: "The Bible, and the Bible only." Truly, our message is founded on the Scriptures. We often challenge our opponents to show us from the Bible where our beliefs are not right; and, of course, that challenge still remains invincible. The early fathers of our movement knew their Bibles from cover to cover; they were indeed men of God, fearless in their opposition to the false doctrines accepted by almost all Christendom.

Surely, as never before, our members should be urged to study God's Book. The world is racing toward the final conflict; we see prophecy fulfilling before our very eyes. "What do these things mean?" is asked by people on all sides. Rightly directed, many earnest, inquiring souls may be led to the truths we love so much; but, in fairness to them, as well as for our own benefit, we should seek to improve our knowledge of the Guidebook. We would like to see numbers of our faithful brothers and sisters

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**Union Conference
APARTMENTS**

**A SPECIAL
ANNOUNCEMENT**



You will be interested to know that the Apartments Committee, recently appointed by the British Union Conference Committee, began its work on Monday, July 17th.

This special committee will continue to operate until everyone who has applied for apartments for the Union Session has been found suitable accommodation in the Watford area.

Will all conference workers, delegates and churchmembers who plan to attend these special meetings, kindly fill up the official Apartments Application Form—if you have not already done so, immediately—so that the Apartments Committee may know of your request.

The work of this Committee will not be easy, so your careful and prompt attention to this important matter will be much appreciated. If you have already made your own private arrange-

ments will you kindly let us know where you are staying, as this information will be most helpful to the Apartments Committee.

In order to avoid any confusion or disappointment may I suggest that if you have not already received an acknowledgment regarding your application for apartments by the time this notice appears in the MESSENGER, then kindly write to us again.

No reserve accommodation will be available, and the Apartments Committee cannot be responsible, for any last minute arrangements. Watford is overcrowded, but with reasonable time to seek for apartments we are hoping to have everyone comfortably housed for the Conference Session.

The Apartments Committee are anxious to help and be at your service. We seek your hearty co-operation. Fill up the Application Form right away and drop it in the post. A. W. COOK.

**British Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists
1950 Session, September 11th to 17th**

APARTMENTS APPLICATION FORM

(Sleeping Only)

Mr.

Name in full (BLOCK LETTERS) Mrs.

Miss

Address (BLOCK LETTERS)

for period inclusive.

Please secure for me the following accommodation:

..... single bedrooms

..... double bedrooms

NOTE.—Names and addresses of all persons for whom you are requesting accommodation should be included with this application.

Fill up this form, cut it out, and send it at once to A. W. Cook, B.U.C. Offices, Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts.

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enrolling for systematic Bible study with us. We believe the results of such action would repay many-fold the time spent.

The advantages of correspondence courses as a means of further education have often been pointed out. When the subject of study is the Bible, the profit gained by taking such courses is doubly great, for whereas most correspondence work aims at benefit in this life, lessons on the Bible equip one not merely for the time that now is, but also for the eternal future.

We are happy to say that we have been able to add to the courses we offer, and now nearly all the Scripture classes taught in College can be taken without your leaving home. For young people who intend to join us at Newbold in the near future, we offer subjects—the very same as are given here—so that prospective students may commence College training immediately. We would invite all who are interested in obtaining education for more effective service—and surely there are few of our members in this field who would not like to become better equipped to join in the “loud cry of the third angel’s message”—to write to us for further information about our Correspondence School. We shall be happy to send you particulars as to schemes of study, fees, etc.

May the Lord give to us all a greater longing for a knowledge of His will, and of the marvellous things revealed in His Word, for the earnest seeker after truth.

E. B. PHILLIPS.

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Congratulations

to two of our Ealing young people, Brethren A. J. Mansfield and J. A. Bevan, for obtaining their B.Sc. (Hons.) degrees in the University of London.

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Wedding Bells

SMART-HOWARD.—“Bright and Sweet with Flowers” would describe the wedding which took place on July 6, 1950, in the Southampton church, when Robert A. Smart and Joyce E. Howard were united

in marriage by Pastor L. E. A. Lane.

The bride was given away by her father, and was attended by her two sisters, Iris and Vera. Brian Pilmoor ably performed the duties of best man. Many friends were present to witness the happy ceremony, and afterward about fifty guests gathered at the Hall, Nursling, near the bride’s home, and enjoyed, along with the wedding breakfast, a very pleasant social hour, fraught with good wishes for the newly married pair.

These young people have both attended Newbold College. Brother Smart graduated in 1949 and has since laboured for the Master in Bolton. It is there that Brother and Sister Smart, after their honeymoon in Scotland, will set up their home, and we pray that God’s rich blessing may ever rest upon them and make them abundantly fruitful in His service.

LOIS L. LANE.

LONDON-NOAKES.—A quiet but none the less impressive wedding took place at Ilford on July 6, 1950, when Mr. Ernest London and Miss Annie Noakes, of the Walthamstow and Ilford churches respectively, were united in marriage, Pastor S. G. Hyde officiating.

Miss Noakes, a graduate of the Stanboroughs Hydro was for a long time in the Public Health Service. Mr. London became identified with the Advent fellowship through the campaign we recently conducted in Leyton.

Mr. and Mrs. London will reside in Ilford and their many friends wish them every blessing and happiness in a union that has created yet another home which will have Christ as its Head.

S. G. HYDE

Until the Day Break

POSTLETHWAITE.—The Newcastle church suffered the loss of one of its oldest members in the death of Sister Janet Postlethwaite, aged eighty-four years, on March 13, 1950, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Miller. For some years our sister has met with us in Newcastle, having been transferred from the North Shields church. She was laid to rest in the Preston Cemetery, North Shields, in the glorious hope of the resurrection.

V. DIETZ, Church Clerk

HEARNE.—The Torquay church has sustained another loss with the passing of Sister Hearne on May 14, 1950, at the age of eighty-three years. Baptized at Swansea in 1927 by the late Pastor T. H. Cooper, Sister Hearne has for many years made her home with her

son, Brother R. Hearne, living at Reading, and then at Torquay. By her quiet dignity and unassuming manner, Sister Hearne endeared herself to all who knew her. We extend our sympathy to Brother Hearne and his family, and look forward to the day when we shall meet our sister, and partings shall be no more.

M. YOULDEN, Church Clerk.

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