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Graduation The Stanboroughs at

It was with great pleasure that The Stanboroughs Hydro looked forward to the Graduation Exercises, May 28th to 30th. There were seven nurses, six women and one man, to graduate-more than had finished the course together for the past ten years-and one can well imagine the thrills of the graduates themselves as they basked in the limelight, and the pride of their parents and tutors as they beheld the class receiving the approbation of all and sundry which was their due.

The nurses had not been without their difficulties. Nurse Ella Brown had been on the sick list for a few weeks before the examinations took place; Nurse V. Wurr was unfortunate enough to become a minor casualty just the week be-

fore the exercises were due and was not fit enough to be present at all the ceremonies. Nevertheless she managed to present a smiling face whenever she appeared in public. We are glad to report that she is rapidly mending and doubtless will be able to resume her duties shortly.

The Baccalaureate Address was given by Pastor M. Dorland О. who took as his subject, "ConBy MATRON I. A. WILLIAMS

querors for Christ," the graduates' aim. This was a very stirring address to us all, and especially to the Graduating Class as they sat in the front row in the middle of the church with the rest of the staff immediately behind them. The church choir rendered the anthem, "Our Blest Redeemer ere He breathed His tender last farewell," and gave us of their best.

The Young People's Society meeting that same evening was in charge of the Graduating Class and took the form of a testimony meeting. Nurse Leishman was able to attend this service, having been very kindly brought by car from

hospital by Brother Throssell. She has already undertaken the Midwifery Course at the Jewish Maternity Hospital and in due time we hope to see her grace The Stanboroughs' staff once more.

The choir again supported the service by singing to us the lovely anthem, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee." Then Pastor W. L. Emmerson, who was the speaker for the evening, took as his subject, "In Quietness and Confidence," the motto of the Graduating Class. His discourse followed on from Pastor Dorland's morning address and gave us all encouragement and much food for thought.

We must not forget to mention the Motto and the Aim which were



The Nurses' Graduating Class. Left to Right.—Ethel May Brown, Ella Margaret Brown, Vera Smith, Cyril Thompson, Martha Ayres Aitchison Leishman, Vera Sadie Wurr, Irene Beatrice Wurr.

most beautifully written in an open book displayed on the rostrum. This was executed in his usual excellent style by Brother Llewellyn Meredith, and drew forth admiration from all.

After the address the nurses, led by Nurse Cyril Thompson, each bore testimony to the help received from the Lord during the three years' course and the benefits bestowed by Him. Nurse V. Wurr's testimony was read by Matron since she unfortunately could not attend the service.

The next day should have dawned bright and fair, as the story-books say, but instead it just poured with rain. No one really minded, however, since we had suffered so much lately from the lack of rain.

The Graduating Class spent a very busy afternoon helping Nurse Standen in the arrangements for the Graduation Tea to be held in the Annexe Dining-hall, and putting the last touches to an already immaculate uniform. The diningroom was most effectively decorated with green beech leaves and pink flowers in accordance with the colours of the Graduating Class, carnation pink and eau-denil green. The jellies, cakes, and drinks were also tinted to match, whilst Brother J. Rylah's masterpiece-a cake in the shape of an open book on whose leaves were written the Aim and Motto of the Graduating Class in the appropriate colours-graced the middle of the centre table which was decorated with pale pink and green carnations with asparagus fern.

In due time all the Graduating Class with faculty, several board members, and friends, were seated round the festive board. All did full justice to the good things provided, whilst a constant stream of laughter and talk was maintained.

Eventually came the cutting of the cake, a ceremony performed by Nurse Cyril Thompson who skilfully wielded the cake-knife. Willing helpers appeared on all sides and gradually the beautiful edifice was reduced to a few crumbs. Then a few words from Brother A. H. Thompson, our genial manager, explaining the enforced absence of Dr. and Mrs. Cairncross who had had to be present in London at the operation on their infant son. Bouquets were then presented to Matron, Sister Thompson, and Nurse Standen, all of whom found it difficult to express their delight and appreciation of the gift of the Graduating Class, since not an inkling had been given to any of them that a public expression of gratitude on the part of the Class would be given.

After this, a warm welcome was

given to Dr. and Mrs. Cairncross who just then returned from town and reported all well with their baby son. We are glad to note at this point that Baby Larry is safely home again and much better for his sojourn in the metropolis. The party then broke up and much necessary work was accomplished by a band of willing workers, so that the dining-room soon resumed its normal aspect.

Then followed the great ceremony in the church—that of presenting the Graduating Class with their diplomas.

A representative group of the staff was arranged in the choir seats with the graduates and faculty in the front. Dr. Huse gave a very helpful address to the nurses, both to graduates and those still in training. Miss D. V. Hadley sang a solo in her rich contralto voice and gave much pleasure to those assembled. The diplomas were then presented by Dr. Cairncross, and graduates' belts were also given by Matron to the women nurses to complete their uniform.

After church there were games for the still energetic staff who felt this a good way of ending a really happy day. But there were those who preferred to go to bed a little earlier since the next day was that of the Graduates' Outing. This took the form of a coach drive to Broadstairs with plenty of time to enjoy the sea breezes before returning home.

At 7 a.m. on Monday, May 30th, the "early birds" were selecting their seats in the coaches and by 7.40 a.m. all were safely installed and the remaining staff waved them off from the steps of the Annexe. It was a long drive but thoroughly enjoyable, especially to those who had not travelled that way before.

Broadstairs was reached at last but it was decided to go on to Margate, which, on such a day, before the season begins, is lovely. There was a fine breeze blowing and the sea was dashing against the shore in fury. Spray fell high over the promenade, while a sudden shower did its best to dampen the spirits of the gay party. The rain soon cleared away, however, and the several members separated to seek their individual enjoyments. At 6 p.m. most of the party were back at the coach and by twenty minutes past all were on their way home, somewhat sleepy but all experiencing the satisfaction felt after a really enjoyable time. It had been a lovely day and a fitting end to the Graduation Exercises of 1938.

All good wishes to the Graduates.

Air Raid Precautions

By H. W. LOWE

FROM many sources, during recent months, have come inquiries relative to the government Air Raid Precautions Scheme. In the main our young people have been asking just what the attitude of Seventh-Day Adventists should be to this scheme for the assistance of the public in cases of crisis.

The matter was first considered by a group of brethren at our headquarters in Watford, who were mainly concerned about our rather large community of young people at Stanborough Park. A meeting was arranged between the appropriate local government authorities and a few members of the Union Committee. Then the matter came before the British Union Committee and it was finally decided, in view of the approaching Ministerial Institute, to discuss the matter with all our workers. In the meantime certain Union Committee members had been studying the literature issued by H.M. Stationery Office on the subject. Before us, as we write, are forty leaflets, pamphlets, and books dealing with the organization and the scope of this scheme.

When the matter was discussed by all our workers there was practical unanimity on certain phases of the scheme in question, and a clear statement discussed and adopted, which statement was later approved by the British Union Committee. The statement JUNE 24, 1938

in question appears in this issue of the MESSENGER, and we commend it to our people throughout the Union for careful consideration. A few comments may help to make the matters a little clearer to our members.

OUR ATTITUDE TO WAR, SABBATH OB-SERVANCE, AND THE STATE

The attitude of this denomination to war is well known and has been clearly stated in denominational journals and has been brought at different times to the attention of the British Government. We are non-combatant when it comes to military service, and we have endeavoured to make quite clear to authorities our position regarding the observance of the Sabbath.

It does not follow from our noncombatancy, and our Sabbath observance principles, that we are therefore opposed to every scheme whereby the Government seeks to assist the community. This is made clear in a pamphlet approved by the General Conference in May, 1934:

"Governments are ordained of God according to the teachings of the Scriptures to preserve order and to minister to the good of their citizens, to be a terror to evildoers and a praise to them that do well. Every citizen is subject to the Government. Seventh-Day Adventists are law-abiding citizens. They aid and support the Government in all of its legitimate functions."

CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES

It would be unfortunate if the idea gained ground that we as Christians accept all the privileges which stable government confers without feeling that there are certain responsibilities resting upon us to support civil authorities and to shoulder certain burdens in the support of the State.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS A MUNICIPAL RESPONSIBILITY

As far as we have been able to ascertain the Air Raid Precautions Scheme is a purely civil measure, and is in no sense under the control of the military authorities. We feel that in case of an air raid we

should be willing to assist the public and to do all in our power to succour the afflicted. Quite a number of Adventist youth are competent and serving members of organizations such as the St. John

British Union Committee Action on Air Raid Precautions Scheme

THE chairman presented a recommendation from the recent Ministerial Institute on the subject of our attitude to the Air Raid Precautions Scheme. This is generally regarded as a purely civilian scheme under which our members could render some service to the community without having to do any training on the Sabbath, and without compromising our declared attitude of non-combatancy in war. After careful study it was

Voted, That we express our approval of the recommendation in question which reads as follows:

In response to the national appeal, the ministry of the British Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, in council at Watford, May 9-17, 1938, have given careful consideration to the plans being made by municipal authorities under the Air Raid Precautions Scheme.

While our declared attitude, as a denomination, to war remains unchanged, we recognize it to be our privilege and duty to assist in the relief of human suffering, however caused.

We therefore commend the A.R.P. Scheme to the members of our churches as an avenue of service in which they may usefully engage.

In emergencies, Seventh-Day Adventists should be ready at any time to undertake relief work, but would respectfully notify local authorities that we cannot undertake training work on the Sabbath.

Further voted, That we ask the chairman to embody the above statement in an article to be presented in the BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER in due course.

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Ambulance Brigade, and, so far as we know, this principle of service to humanity is practised by this denomination the world over.

Our humanitarian principles and our loyalty to the commands of Christ preclude the taking of life, and our observance of the fourth commandment seems to us to call for great care in Sabbath observance, even in peace-time service. On the other hand, we are not anti-social, and we should not shrink from such services as we can render when times of crisis thrust emergency measures upon a peaceful community.

We realize that this is purely a matter of voluntary service. Our desire is to pass on the counsel that we, as ministers and as the Executive Committee of the Union, can see no reason why our members could not serve the community in the said capacity, thus manifesting the Master's spirit of love and service to all men.

Members sufficiently interested should obtain printed information from local authorities for study. They should then determine their individual course of action prayerfully before enrolment in the scheme under discussion.

Seaside Accommodation

MANY churchmembers in inland towns would be glad to stay with those living at seaside resorts if they knew where accommodation could be obtained. We would suggest that those having facilities to offer should advertise in the columns of the MESSENGER during the summer months. The standard rate for such advertisements is 1d, per word.

Ed.



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E. R. WARLAND.

The Newbold Industries

will have a representative display of their products at the forthcoming South England Conference. NINE graduates of the Seventh-Day Adventist Missionary College at Newbold Revel, Stretton-under-Fosse, who received their diplomas at the graduation service on Sunday, May 22nd, included two Swedes, a Northern Italian, two Scots, and four Englishmen.

Graduation exercises at the College now form one of the most commemorations popular of Seventh-Day Adventism, and the diplomas were presented in the presence of about a thousand guests in the Gymnasium, which had been beautifully decorated for the ceremony, the colours of the graduating class-green and gold-being predominant. Surmounting all the decorations was the class aim and motto, "As faithful watchmen to herald the dawn."

Pastor G. W. Baird, who has been acting Principal during the absence for a year of Pastor W. G. C. Murdoch, presided over the ceremony, supported by members of the College Board of Governors and the College faculty.

Guests were welcomed by the chairman, who said the College was glad of the great and deep interest so many people were taking in the work. Graduation was becoming one of the outstanding commemoration days at the College.

Pastor O. M. Dorland (president of the North England Conference) who gave the address, at the request of the graduating class, recalled that it was twenty-four years since he left the College, which was then at Stanborough Park (Herts.). He was reading from the same desk that had been used there when he had graduated. He congratulated the class on their selection of the aim and motto, and said the Lord was calling both men and women to be watchmen upon the walls of Zion. One of the first duties of watchmen was to give the warning of the second coming of the Lord.

TIMES OF CRISIS

"There was never such a time in the world's history as we are facing to-day. We are told we are just passing through the greatest crisis since the close of the Great War. We have passed through Reprinted by permission [

many crises since that day. More than once the nations of the world have been on the verge of war. To-day we see preparations for war such as the world has never known. Men are fearful of what is coming upon the world. It is our duty to warn the world of the second coming of the Lord.

Graduation Day at Nev

"Although to-day we are labouring in seven hundred languages all over the world, there is still much work to be done in warning the world of the return of our Saviour. I am thankful it is not a message of trouble or a time of trouble that we have to give. We have to herald the dawn of a brighter day, the sweetest message ever given to mortal to carry.

"Jesus is the greatest example of a faithful watchman. He was only a young man when He accomplished the work which led Him to the cross."

To the graduating class, he said



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FRONT ROW.—C. Richards, G. Freeth, Mrs. Freeth, J. Hawken, Mrs. Hawken, R. Y. Aikenhead, V. Nord, A. de Marco, L E. E. White, Mrs. Buckle, F. D. Buckle, Mrs. Baird, G. W. Baird, E. B. Phillips, A. J. Raitt, E. Donaldson, A. Russell, T. L. Mason, G. Salamenhaara, O. Selby, W. H. Bunker, B. Ainsworth, S. Burrow.

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they must continue to study so as to present Jesus in such a way that people would want Him as a personal saviour. Graduation was like the launching of a ship. The keels were laid in the home, and the great quality of ship-building which gave stability was given in college. God had called them to evangelism, which was the most delicate task man ever had, for they must not forget they had charge of souls.

LIGHT AND DARKNESS

Before presenting the diplomas and other certificates, Pastor Baird drew attention to the unique composition of the graduating class, and the aid which had been given to students by the Student Aid Fund, for which they would continue to ask support so long as young men and women needed help, and so long as their work remained unfinished. Seven of the by Pastor H. W. Lowe (chairman

graduates were going direct to the ministry, one into Bible work, and one into business.

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Mr. E. Cox, who made the response on behalf of the graduating class, after thanking the members of the College Board, the faculty, and fellow-students, said, "We live in times of the greatest intellectual light but of moral darkness: the Gospel of Christ was never more widely and eloquently proclaimed, and never more wickedly abrogated."

In accordance with the custom of the graduating class making a tangible presentation to the College before leaving, Mr. L. Shaw handed a gift of Communion plates to the chairman.

Another of the graduates, Miss Vernette Nord, presented a bouquet of pink carnations to the Matron and Preceptress (Miss Donaldson) who is leaving for evangelical work in London.

CHANGES

Other changes were spoken of

of the Board of Governors) who referred to the difficulties which had had to be overcome during the absence of the Principal (Pastor Murdoch), who would be returning. in about three weeks. He expressed the gratitude of the Board to Pastor Baird and others of the teaching staff for the manner in which they had contended with those difficulties. After mentioning the work of Miss Donaldson, he announced that the College Manager (Mr. F. D. Buckle) was leaving for work with the North England Conference.

Diplomas were presented to the following: Ministerial: Richard Syme, Ernest Cox, Alberto de Marco, Ian McGougan, Louis Normington, Leslie Shaw, Arnold Wallenkampf; Business: Alice T. Gulland; Bible Worker: Vernette Nord. Book-keeping certificates were presented to Rose Gowlett, Lily Edge, Wilfred Bunker, Alice Gulland, Louis Normington, Leslie Shaw, David Maffey, Joyce Wyatt, Frank Ashton, Bessie Keough; Shorthand certificates to Marga Holm, Alice Gulland, Wilfred Bunker, Olive Selby; and Typewriting certificates to Alice Gul-



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land, Joyce Wyatt, Rose Gowlett. Rudolf Motzer received Grade VI Violin certificate (with distinction).

The new music room of the College was inspected by the guests, whose offerings, at the appeal of Pastor Baird, were devoted to the fund for a new organ.

Others taking part in the service were Pastors J. I. Robison, E. B. Phillips, and R. S. Joyce. An anthem was sung by the mixed choir, conducted by Herr Otto Racker, who also led the orchestra and the hymn singing.

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Annual Conference

ON July 7th at 7.30 p.m. we will commence our Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the South England Conference, and will close on Sunday evening, July 10th, at 9 p.m. A very interesting programme has been arranged for Thursday evening. There will be community singing at seven o'clock. Do not forget to bring your Bible and "Advent Hymnal."

Pastor W. A. Spicer will be present to help and counsel us from his many years of experience in our world work. About fifty years ago he laboured in London. He takes a great interest in the work of this field, and is longing to meet *all* our South England members. He will naturally be given most of the meetings.

Apart from the time given to prayer, testimony and Bible study, preaching and business, we will have a number of special meetings. There will be a health demonstration, an ordination service, a Missionary Volunteer rally, a large baptism, a communion service, and an evangelistic programme. The whole programme from July 7th to 10th is packed with unusually interesting items. You will be sorry if you miss even one meeting. Those interested in music will have the joy of listening to the community singing, the male voice choir, solos, and other interesting items.

Bring the children. Special services have already been planned for both the older and younger children. The babies will be under the care of nurses kindly sent from The Hydro in Watford. This will enable even mothers with babies in arms to enjoy the services without too much anxiety.

Two special tents will be pitched at the rear of the Holloway Hall especially for the children and mothers. We hope they will be used well.

Several ministers and Bibleworkers have been appointed to take charge of the apartments, and to form the Reception Committee. Already they have commenced their duties to make certain that everybody will be located comfortably. If you have not made arrangements for accommodation, please write without delay. If possible, use the special form which has been supplied to all the churches, companies, groups, and isolated.

Those who constitute the Reception Committee are well acquainted with London, so you are assured of a hearty welcome and the assistance of capable guides in locating your apartments. Even if you have never visited London before, do not hesitate, as those who will be waiting for you in the Holloway Hall entrance will give you every assistance. You will find that the conference workers will also be ready to welcome you.

The Holloway Church Lecture Hall will be a great attraction. There the institutions are planning to give interesting and helpful displays.

Are you reading our truth-filled books? Are you studying for yourself? The Stanborough Press bookstall should be visited by all, so that the gaps in libraries, both in churches and homes, where Adventist books should be found, will be filled. Take advantage of the special discounts and save postage.

Arrangements have been made so that a number of acousticons will be available in the Baptist Church all day Sabbath. Write to the conference secretary if you would like to have one reserved for you. This will enable those who have difficulty in hearing to enjoy the full blessings of the Sabbath services. Requests will be met in the order of their receipt.

We cannot do anything without the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Please begin to pray now. In your family worship, in your private devotions, in your church services all the time—pray that the Lord will take charge, that this year's annual gathering will long be cherished in your minds as a time of spiritual refreshing.

R. S. Joyce.

WELSH MISSION

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Notes from the Superintendent

MAY we remind our friends in the Welsh Mission that the Annual Meeting date is not far off. We are praying that the largest gathering ever seen at the opening meeting of a Welsh conference will be present on Friday, July 22nd, at 7 p.m. Pastor W. A. Spicer, veteran and beloved leader in the Advent cause, Pastor W. T. Bartlett, another experienced leader, together with an old friend of Wales, now our Union president, Pastor H. W. Lowe, will be the principal visitors, but there will be others as well. A full list will appear in the official programme soon to be sent to each member. Meanwhile pray earnestly for this gathering of God's people in Cardiff. None can afford to miss the feast. The seriousness of the times demands it.

Have you a desire to be present but "cannot see your way"? Let the Lord help you. He may be well able to help you find a way!

CAN we begin our Ingathering work right away so that when we come together at the end of July we can report progress, together with many helpful experiences? While we have the long days, let us get at the task and finish it as quickly as we did last year. May the Lord give every member the spirit of willingness and courage!

Already one of our ablest Ingatherers, Brother Dennis Conroy, has begun his work for 1938 with Shrewsbury as a centre. While there he will care for the meetings in that district, relieving Brother S. Smith who has been giving such appreciative service.

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Another of our workers, Miss K. Mahon, has sounded a note of great encouragement for the Welsh 1938 Ingathering Campaign in setting her personal goal at £100! Congratulations and success!

Just a word of caution. If you should want to collect anywhere else than in your own home district assigned to you by the local missionary secretary, please write to us first. Quite a number of friends collected last year in Porthcawl, for example, to the consternation of those officially appointed to collect there. A postcard to the office at Cardiff will bring you territorial guidance. Thank you for your anticipated co-operation !

ARE you persistent in prayer for your evangelists? They need it and appreciate it. The work they are doing is not easy—it requires faith, courage, and hard work. Your prayers greatly help and encourage them. Then if we can use the "little brown box" more regularly and be faithful in rendering our tithe to the Lord, means for larger evangelism will be available. On behalf of the membership in Wales, we extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Paul Cummings, née Wilkins, whose marriage took place in Bristol on June 5th.

EVERVONE has a "soft spot" for the colporteur. We have but three regular ones in Wales—Brother Smart, Brother C. Cooke, and Sister Ida Green. These workers will appreciate it if a place can be found for them on your prayer list. And we might pray, too, that this wholly inadequate force of colporteurs may be materially enlarged.

ONCE more: Please plan and pray for the Annual Meetings in Cardiff—July 22nd to 24th.

SINCE writing the above notes, we have had a pleasurable experience in Swansea with Pastor F. S. Jackson, Sister Pinch, and the church membership. The first of this year's Welsh baptisms took place on June 11th. I know that we all rejoice with the Swansea friends in this fruition.

S. G. Hyde.



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"The mighty God, even the Lord, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined. Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence : a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that He may judge His people. Gather My saints together unto Me; those that have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice." Psa, 50:1-5.

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THE covenant of sacrifice lies at the foundation of the Gospel plan. No greater example have we than that of God and the Saviour Himself. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16. "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us." 1 John 3:16.

It is by sacrifice that the Gospel has been brought to us down through the ages, and it was in earnest labour and sacrifice that the pioneers of this movement commenced and carried forward the work.

Now once again it is our joy to be faithful and help forward the work entrusted to us.

IRISH MISSION

Notes from the Superintendent

The Week of Sacrifice is just

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before us, July 2nd to 9th, and the offering will be taken up in all our churches on Sabbath, July 9th, and we would remind our workers throughout the British Union of the plan for each one to have a part in helping to sustain the work of God by giving freely a sum equivalent to one week's wage. We again invite all our believers to join in making this sacrificial offering at this season. As time goes by we must be more loyal in returning to God thank offerings to His cause because of His enduring grace and mercy to us.

Steadily and surely in all the world the way is being prepared for the final crisis. The events now taking place in the Far East and Europe may be of the greatest consequence in the fulfilment of prophecy. The world is watching the events of to-day and awaiting those of to-morrow, realizing that there is at hand some great crisis. "They look for, they know not what.'

It is in such an hour as this that this people, to whom God has committed the only saving message for to-day, should, yea must, rise up as one man in the interests of God's kingdom, and devote time, thoughts, energy, and means to preparing others to meet the

Saviour when He comes in glory. This task calls for the united cooperation of all our people.

Surely there can be no greater pleasure or joy to the child of God than that which comes from the peace which enters our hearts resultant from our faithfulness to God in the trust He has committed to 115.

We believe that in these "last days" the Holy Spirit is drawing near to God's chosen people, and that He is speaking to hearts today, who, when hearing His voice, will completely surrender all to His service.

At Rest

CAT BLEST GIBBONS.—It is with regret that we announce the death of Sister Gibbons, a member of the York church. She accepted the truth through the labours of Pastor Morrison at Chesterfield, and was baptized in 1932. Since the family moved to York a few years ago our sister had suffered much; but the end came unexpectedly on September 2, 1937. Pastor Dorland officiated at the service and spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing relatives. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Brother Gibbons and his family in their sad loss. When the day dawns and the shadows flee away may they be an unbroken family. E. Shooter.

MRS. BACON and her daughter Alfreda earnestly desire to convey their heartfelt gratitude to the many churches and indi-vidual members throughout the British Union who have so kindly sent messages of sympathy and consolation to them in their great sorrow and bereavement. Will all please accept this as a personal mes-sage of sincere appreciation for all the sympathy and prayers on their behalf.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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THE Annual Meetings will convene over the week-end July 14th to 17th and will be held in our own church in Florenceville Avenue, Belfast. We wish it had been possible for us to have had the same in our church in Dublin, but for the present this seems impossible. The Advent family in Eire know of no border line. We are all one

in Christ. We do hope all will try to be present at least part of the time.

We are indeed privileged to have with us this year Pastor W. A. Spicer. A feast is in store for God's people. Will anyone desirous of securing apartments kindly inform the writer. Remember the date-July 14th to 17th. Come. E. E. CRAVEN.

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