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The Christian's Budget

Budget at a Glance—Suggested for Everyone:

Annual income Rs. 1,000/-; expenditure Rs. 999/-Result: *Happiness*.

Annual income Rs. 1,000/-; expenditure Rs. 1,001/- Result: *Misery*.

THE temptation to overspend is great in these days when prices are high. One person cannot really budget for another for some people like one thing and some another, but it is better to spend systematically. In my experience I have observed a few workers who did not know how to budget their means and thus got into debt. The person who has a debt does not have liberty. Anyone who has lived long enough to have a family of his own knows that the practice of borrowing is fraught with dangers. If you are tempted to such habits, it is well to remember the above budget formula.

When working out one's budget, items such as tithe, offering, rent, dhobi and electricity etc., must be allowed first. Then the essential food: bread, milk, eggs, nuts, vegetables etc., should be provided for. When these have been paid for, consider well what is most necessary. According to the ages of the family members, it will be essential to have chemist's sundries and cleaning and mending materials.

It is quite possible to save many annas by thoughtfully wandering

around shops and comparing prices, weights and qualities. Not so many of us have the time or the inclination to do this. We get into a rut and stay there continuing to use goods just because our tradesmen stock those particular brands.

Most homes need repairs and renovations from time to time, and it is well to bank something against the day when major repairs are necessary.

Sister White says: "The amount daily spent in needless things, with the thought, 'It is only a nickel,' 'It is only a dime,' seems very little; but multiply these little by the days of the year, and as the years go by, the array of figures will seem almost incredible."—*Adventist Home*, page 384.

It is well to allow the children some pocket money from infancy. As they grow older, larger amounts should be given, with liberal advice, but freedom to choose their own pursuits will result in greater comradeship between parents and children. If they buy unwisely, generally speaking, they do not do it twice!

Those who plan to spend wisely will have something left over to use in helping others. Then, to what shall you give? Why! to sick and needy, to individuals and society, to friends and relatives; for birthdays and Christmas presents. Don't wait until you are elderly to dispense your bounty. You may not have the opportunity to give then, but now whenever there is need, dig into your purse, but don't send just a donation; go out of your way to give your time and love also. Remember your money has worth only as it is used to minister to human needs.

From the pen of Inspiration we have this counsel: "Those whose hands are open to respond to the calls for means to sustain the cause of God and to relieve the suffering and the needy are not the ones who are found loose and lax and dilatory in their business management. They are always careful to keep their outgoes with-

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in their income. They are economical from principle; they feel it their duty to save, that they may have something to give."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 4, p. 573.

Do you want to practise economy? Then read chapters sixty-one and sixty-two of the book *Adventist Home*. You will find some guiding principles of family finance which will help you to live within your means.

Midyear Committee, 1958, Reports from the Field

BURMA UNION

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BURMA had 87 baptisms during the first half of 1958. Two city efforts were completed, one in Rangoon and one in Maymyo. There were some village efforts but these were somewhat disrupted by conditions in the country. In the latter part of 1957, and the first months of 1958 three Bible Institutes were held—one at Myaungmya, one at Moulmein, and one at Sing-u-nau near Kalemio. In each of these institutes about 80 meetings were held, discussing the main points of doctrine, the prophecies, and some of the departments.

The Rangoon hospital has been increasingly busy. There is also some hope that the nursing school may be registered in the near future as we have good relations with the Director of Health. Two very fine hospital workers' quarters have been completed. The last of these has good apartments for eight families. Dispensaries have been opened in four different places—one in connection with each of our three boarding schools. In each of these one of our best nurses is located. The hospital bears half of their salary and the nurses are expected to do some medical missionary work in the immediate vicinity. Dr. Shrewsbury and his helpers have opened a dispensary twice a week near Mingaladon.

Our three boarding schools have a good enrolment. There are 95 boarding students at the Kyauktaining school and 175 out of a total enrolment. Thra Chit Maung is promoting a good industrial programme. The Myaungmya school under the leadership of Brother Barnabas Peter had good success during the last school year. Twelve of the twenty-five who sat for the

seventh standard examination passed, which places this school second in the district. The Paan school has more than 200 students enrolled.

The beautiful building next to the Union Headquarters has been completed, and it has four very fine rooms for the Rangoon School. Some of our village schools are carrying on under difficult and uncertain conditions. One of our teachers at Theinhla was sleeping in the same bed with her sister on one side and her little girl on the other. During the night there was a battle in the village and a stray bullet hit the child and killed her.

There has been an upward trend in Publishing sales. We have now completed the publication of *The Marked Bible* in Burmese, and *The Children's Hour* in Sgaw Karen is about half printed. We are almost ready to start the printing of *Story of Redemption* in Burmese.

Wherever there are young people the workers and believers are co-operating fully in conducting the Week of Prayer. We also have a fine group of young people who are endeavouring to complete the requirements for Master Guide.

In the Sabbath School Department the offerings are increasing. The Rangoon Sabbath School alone has a goal of Rs. 3000.00 for Investment for the last six months of the year.

Pastor F. C. Wyman is very active in both the Voice of Prophecy and the Temperance Departments. The enrolment in the Burmese Voice of Prophecy Course has shown a very marked increase during the past few months. 30,000 Burmese test papers were corrected during the first six months of the

year, and 530 students were graduated from the course.

The Temperance Department has rated a total of 85 column inches of newspaper releases during the first seven months of this year, and at the present time the largest monthly magazine in Burmese is publishing an article on the subject of smoking which originated with the Burma Temperance Society.

Five newspapers are accepting short items for a filler service, on alcohol and tobacco. The Burma Temperance Society has conducted programmes in 11 State schools with a total attendance of 2,500. Booths have also been opened at two exhibitions, one in Myaungmya and the other in Moulmein. The Prime Minister visited this latter booth. In Rangoon 15 cinemas have agreed to accept slides on the subject of alcohol and tobacco; these will appear 29 times a week between films. They prefer slides on tobacco.

We are glad to note an increase in lay tithe. The increase was from Ks. 43,000.00 in 1956 to Ks. 53,000.00 in 1957. There is also an increase in the per capita tithe.

Some matters cannot be reported statistically, but indicate a very healthy and important trend. There is a new sense of responsibility among both workers and members. We also have a number of isolated members who are faithful in paying their tithe and keeping the Sabbath and in bearing witness to those round about them.

A very fine programme of evangelism is being planned by the various regions. The Delta expects to hold three city efforts and a number of village efforts and revivals to cover all of the churches.

In the north Pastor Woolsey and his wife expect to hold a 3-months' effort in a Lushai village. We believe that our workers and believers are anxious to co-operate in opening new areas and in finishing the work in Burma.

—C. B. GUILD

CEYLON UNION*President: N. O. Dahlsten, acting**Secretary-Treasurer: M. M. McHenry**Office Address: 15/2 Alfred House Gardens, Colpetty, Colombo*

WE THANK GOD for the progress that has been made in the work in the Ceylon Union during the first part of this year. Good reports continue to come in from the places where meetings and efforts have been held.

A few days before I left Ceylon to attend the Division Committee I received a letter from Pastor Peiris in Moratuwa. He has been conducting meetings in a village a few miles from Moratuwa. Of which he writes: "On all sides the Spirit of God is moving on the hearts of the people, creating a desire to study the Word of the Lord and hear the message for this time. They invite us to come and give them spiritual food." The same encouraging word comes from Brother Edersinghe in Matara. In a letter of recent date he gives a very encouraging report of his work in that place. In spite of the recent disturbances and some damage to our meeting place, he has a good Sabbath school and many new people are coming to the services.

Our plan for an effort in Colombo has been somewhat upset owing to circumstances beyond our control, but we are sure that after the Youth's Camp is over we shall be able to go ahead with that effort. Pastor Scott has secured a fine place for his tabernacle. The building permit is in hand and he is ready to go to work.

We find that the Spirit of the Lord is working on the hearts of the people in our field. We have many there who are like Nicodemus. They are disciples in secret. Not so long ago a fine man came to our office asking for literature on the Sabbath question. He said, "I know that this means that I may lose my government position, but I am not worried about that. If the Sabbath is right I am going to keep it." We have passed his name on to Pastor Pinghe and we are sure that he will

help him to better understand the Bible.

Some time ago a Buddhist priest came to see our worker in Kandy. He had found a Bible in the library in the monastery. As he read it, the Spirit of the Lord impressed him that this was the truth. He wanted to contact some Christian organization and first went to the Catholic church. They told him they would send him to Rome to study for the priesthood and then employ him as a priest. He was not exactly impressed with that kind of approach so went to another Christian organization. They also promised him employment as a worker. Later he came to our place and in the conversation with Pastor Josephs he was told that we would not offer him any financial inducement or employment, but that if he were a seeker after truth Pastor Josephs would be glad to study with him. We hope that this young man will

eventually come to know the truth as it is in Jesus.

The Enderamulla group is building their own church. They have cut and sold kabook and saved some money. They have also prepared building material for their meeting place and the church is now up to the eaves. It is a very well constructed building that will amply serve their need. They have outgrown their meeting place and many have been compelled to stand during the services for lack of space. We understand that many who are not now attending the services plan to do so when the new church is ready.

Our school in Mailapitiya is making excellent progress under the able management of the Robinsons. We have a very fine class of students there and the enrolment is the highest in the history of the school. Many students have transferred from government schools to our school, which would indicate that we have something that other schools do not have. We thank God for what has been done in Ceylon and believe that God has many seekers after truth there.

—N. O. DAHLSTEN

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THE total number of baptisms for the Northeast Union for the first two quarters of 1958 is 133. Our workers have been doing their best and the Lord has been blessing. In the Assam area 83 people were baptized.

Throughout this area our work is moving along rapidly. Calls from various places continue to come in, but because of lack of workers, we are unable to move into the new areas as fast as we would like to. Until a stronger working force is recruited we are following a plan to strengthen the already existing stations.

New work has been established by Pastor Nowrangi, Pastor

Bazroy and other workers in East India in the town of Hazaribagh.

Our workers all joined in the Union-wide Youth's Week, doing what they could to help our young people. The results already reported from the various Weeks of Prayer have been very encouraging. The report which comes from Falakata tells us that about 70 young people joined the baptismal class. Of this number it is felt that 57 are old enough and will be ready for baptism before the end of the year.

Brother Burr has just returned to lead out in the East India Section, and we feel that his leadership

is going to be a real strength to the programme.

In the Himalayan Section Brother Maberly is carrying on a strong programme with his mobile unit as well as in evangelism. Brother King will be joining him at the end of August and we are looking forward to a strong evangelistic programme in Kalimpong.

The Nash family will also be arriving at the same time to join the staff at the Assam Training School, located in the Assam Section where Pastor B. J. Williams is carrying on a strong church building programme as well as encouraging our evangelists in active soul winning.

The enrolment in all of our schools is high. The Assam Training school reports over 150 students in attendance; Falakata school has more than 225 enrolled; and at Khunti about 100 students are attending school. About 70 students are regularly attending the day school in Calcutta and a good programme is being carried on there.

A new church has been built at the Ranchi Hospital, and work is going along well on the new surgical section. From day to day the Lord is leading in His work throughout the Northeast Union.

—R. H. BRODERSEN

NORTHWESTERN INDIA UNION

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WE HAVE continued our work in Jullundur with the major effort in Jullundur Cantonment in which Pastor W. H. Mattison has led out. Results from this effort have been encouraging—already twelve people have been baptized and we look forward to establishing a strong work in that place. In Delhi also Pastors George and Gordon Jenson have led out in an effort and to date there have been eight baptisms as a result of the continuous evangelistic programme in that city.

We look forward to holding another effort this fall, and to carrying on the interests which have been developed during the past several years through the evangelistic work in that place.

In Amritsar we have been able to establish our work in a definite way through the purchase of property there. So far this year there have been 80 baptisms in the Northwestern India Union. In Jodhpur, where we held an effort at the close of 1957, there have been 17 baptisms and we look forward to establishing a church—in fact we plan to organize the church there within the next few days.

This fall we plan to hold major efforts in the cities of Lucknow,

and Delhi, and a follow-up effort in Jullundur Cantonment, and then in Batala, a new place. In addition to these there will also be smaller efforts in several villages.

An interest is developing in far away Ladak. Pastor Faquir Chand has gone there to visit the interested students of the Voice of Prophecy and he reports that a very encouraging interest is developing. Our publishing work has been very encouraging. Sales have been Rs. 60,000.00 up to the present time in 1958, in May the Northwestern India Union led the Division in sales.

—T. R. TORKELSON

SOUTH INDIA UNION

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UNDER the leadership of C. P. Jonahs and S. J. David who were appointed last year, the work is going forward in a strong way in our Kannada Section where the Union headquarters office is located. This section was the last to have indigenous leaders appointed; now all seven of our local

SOUTH INDIA SECRETARIES' COUNCIL

South India Union Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretaries' Council, held August 15-17, was attended by a full representation of Departmental leaders plus local section presidents.

The meetings, led by Pastor G. W. Maywald, were probably the most successful ever held in South India. These clarified duties of Home Missionary and Sabbath School secretaries and outlined a strong plan of soul winning evangelism in close co-operation with those of local section leaders. Through united action of workers and laymen a large increase of church membership was foreseen. Several local presidents envisioned the doubling of their church membership in 1959.

Among the recommendations adopted by the Home Missionary leaders of South India were the following objectives:

1. Every member engaged in active missionary work.
2. Every member a victorious Christian.
3. Every member a soul winner.
4. Every church organized for service.
5. Every church at training school.
6. Every talent in the church in use to save souls.

The excellent organization of Uplift plans laid by Pastor R. H. Brodersen, before he was called to the Northeast, together with the

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sections are under indigenous leadership. Last year to the end of June there were 7 baptisms in this section and this year up to the 7th of June there were 26. New work is being opened in Hubli where Brother D'Costa and Brother A. D. Jonathan have had a very encouraging interest.

The North Kerala Section under the leadership of A. Joseph had 25 baptisms during the first half of 1957, and this year 40 were baptized before June 7. An outstanding evangelistic campaign was conducted in that field by G. W. Maywald, Union Home Missionary and S. S. Secretary and Brother Joseph, president of the local section. The attendance was gratifying, ranging from 500 to 1000 every night. A number have been baptized and the whole field is on fire with evangelism, largely due to the pace that was set in these Trichur meetings.

In South Kerala, S. Nathaniel is acting President while L. C. Charles is in charge of the Kottarakara High School. In 1957 this field had the largest number of baptisms—306. This year during the first few months the trend is even more encouraging. Up to June 30 of last year 85 were baptized, and this year 115 had been baptized by June 7. The Trivandrum effort was outstanding, S. Thomas conducted the programme and more than 30 have been baptized as a result of the strong work there.

Pastor C. Moses is president of the North Tamil Section. I had the pleasure of joining with him in the programme in the Nilgiris, in the city of Coonoor. In our effort there we had encouraging attendance and 18 were baptized by the end of May. In the Nilgiris the work looks very encouraging. The tribal people are calling for us to bring the message to them, where other church organizations seem to have lost their enthusiasm and their support.

The Conleys from Australia are now there studying the Tamil language and we look for great development in this area. In Coonoor a church of 25 members was recently organized. Forty-three were baptized during the first half of the year in the North Tamil Section in 1957, whereas this year 56 were baptized before the General Conference.

In the South Tamil Section there was a bit of a drop. Last year at mid-year they had baptized 75 whereas this year before General Conference there were just 35. However a strong season of evangelism

is in process now, and we look forward to good results before the year-end. The work in Karaikudi where Pastor D. David has been conducting an effort is encouraging. Six have already been baptized directly from the effort conducted there, and we hope to have a good church established in this non-Christian area in the near future.

The South Telugu field is pressing forward in evangelism. They had about the same number of baptisms for the half year as they had last year, approximately 30. Pastor G. Isaiah, the field leader, conducted an effort in Kurnool. Guntur, where K. Israel and the Samuels continue their good work, accounted for a good number of the baptisms. The gypsy clinic is carrying on in a strong way. It was thrilling to see the mother of the young gypsy girl who went to Narsapur some time back baptized by Pastor Isaiah at the close of last year. The contrast between her life and her costume, with jewels, bangles etc. and her appearance in a clean bright sari with all of these trimmings gone is indeed thrilling, and testifies to the new life within.

In our institutions we see a new auditorium-classroom building nearing completion at Kottarakara. At Tanjore a new paddy boiling industry is just getting under way. At Narsapur 230 boarders are crowding the hostel. This presents a real problem, for the school is built to accommodate about half this number. When you recognize that more than 60 were turned away it is clear that the need there must be faced, and provision made for the large number of students who are attending the school. Additional construction is under way at

Narsapur also where a fine new building has been erected, put up in just six weeks time. This building has materially aided in solving the problem of classroom and worship space.

At our hospital in Nuzvid the reports are good. The out-patient clinic is nearing completion. A fine block of single workers' quarters has also been completed. The absence of Dr. Oliver is keenly felt, but we are happy that Dr. Philip Nelson will soon be taking over in that institution.

At Lowry Memorial High School the enrolment is holding up well. The farm and orchard are developing nicely. It is a pleasure to pick fresh blue grapes from our own vines there. The new armature winding industry is also proving to be of great benefit to the school. The food industry is now producing a number of very fine products. Our greatest need is for an outlet where the products can be marketed. We are thinking in terms of Madras as our best year-round market and are looking toward that place to sell the LM products.

The South India membership now stands at 9,365, with 147 churches and 381 workers. In many places one worker must take care of 3 or 4 stations. We need more workers to man the present stations and to enter into new work. 1957 was the best year in our history when 954 souls were baptized. By June 7 of this year there were already 118 more baptisms than there were to the same point last year, and we know with God's blessing we will go over the 1000 mark in our Union during 1958.

—E. L. SORENSEN

PAKISTAN UNION

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WE ARE happy to report the largest number of baptisms that we have ever had in any six-month period. A goal of 100 baptisms was set for the period from

January to June. At the close of the period 101 baptisms were reported. It really pays to set a goal. Chuharkana School reported the largest number of baptisms in

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION OF SEV

NAME OF UNION AND LOCAL SECTIONS	1	2	3			4				5	6		7		8		9		
	Number of Churches	Church Membership at Beginning of Quarter	Members Added During Quarter			Members Dropped During Quarter				Total Church Membership at Close of Quarter	Ordained Ministers		Credentialed Missionaries		Credentialed Bible Instructors		Lice		
			3a	3b	3c	4a	4b	4c	4d		Active	Honorary	Active	Honorary	Active	Honorary	Active	Honorary	
			By Baptism	By Profes- sion of Faith	By Letter	By Letter	By Death	By Apostasy	Missing	F.	N.F.	F.	N.F.	F.	N.F.	F.	N.F.	F.	N.F.
BURMA UNION:																			
Central & Upper Burma Section	7	411	42	—	—	—	1	1	—	451	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Irrawaddy Delta Section	14	965	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	985	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tenasserim Section	8	527	10	—	3	—	—	—	—	540	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Union & Institutions	1	287	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	306	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	30	2,190	91	—	3	—	1	1	—	2,282	5	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
CEYLON UNION:																			
Totals	12	574	11	—	6	6	—	—	—	585	3	4	—	1	2	3	—	—	—
NORTHEAST UNION:																			
Assam Section	22	1,368	35	1	—	—	—	—	—	1,404	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
East India Section	27	1,388	11	3	1	2	6	1	—	1,394	2	7	—	4	3	—	—	—	—
Himalayan & Andamans	1	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Union & Institutions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
Totals	50	2,787	46	4	1	2	6	1	—	2,829	10	9	—	4	1	6	—	—	1
NORTHWESTERN INDIA UNION:																			
Central India Section	1	21	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	26	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North India Section	6	419	8	—	1	—	1	—	—	427	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Upper Ganges Section	14	610	29	—	9	15	1	—	2	630	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Union & Institutions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	—
Totals	21	1,050	37	2	13	15	2	—	2	1,083	5	6	—	1	1	1	—	—	3
PAKISTAN UNION:																			
East Pakistan Section	18	759	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	759	2	3	—	2	—	1	—	—	—
Punjab Section	14	1,017	54	—	5	1	2	1	—	1,072	5	5	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
Union & Institutions	4	190	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	199	—	3	—	—	5	2	—	—	—
Totals	36	1,966	62	—	6	1	2	1	—	2,030	7	11	—	2	5	4	—	1	—
SOUTH INDIA UNION:																			
Kannada Section	7	579	9	—	1	2	—	—	—	587	2	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
North Kerala Section	3	228	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	230	—	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
North Tamil Section	15	787	—	—	16	—	2	1	20	780	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North Telugu Section	40	2,577	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,589	1	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
South Kerala Section	36	2,150	7	—	—	4	—	—	—	2,153	—	9	—	2	—	1	—	—	—
South Tamil Section	33	1,845	—	—	9	—	—	—	—	1,845	—	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
South Telugu Section	13	857	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	863	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Union & Institutions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	6	1	—	4	6	—	—	—
Totals	147	9,023	37	—	26	2	7	1	29	9,047	10	44	1	6	4	10	—	—	—
WESTERN INDIA UNION:																			
North Maharashtra	5	254	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	271	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Union & Institutions	15	1,161	16	1	19	10	1	—	—	1,186	3	4	—	—	1	3	—	1	1
Totals	20	1,415	33	1	19	10	1	—	—	1,457	3	7	—	—	1	3	—	1	1
RECAP																			
Burma Union	30	2,190	91	—	3	—	1	1	—	2,282	5	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Ceylon Union	12	574	11	—	6	6	—	—	—	585	3	4	—	1	2	3	—	—	—
Northeast Union	50	2,787	46	4	1	2	6	1	—	2,829	10	9	—	4	1	6	—	—	1
Northwestern India Union	21	1,050	37	2	13	15	2	—	2	1,083	5	6	—	1	1	1	—	—	3
Pakistan Union	36	1,966	62	—	6	1	2	1	—	2,030	7	11	—	2	5	4	—	—	6
South India Union	147	9,023	37	—	26	2	7	1	29	9,047	10	44	1	6	4	10	—	—	3
Western India Union	20	1,415	33	1	19	10	1	—	—	1,457	3	7	—	—	1	3	—	1	1
Division & Div. Institutions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	3	1	—	12	10	—	—	3
TOTALS	316	19,005	317	7	74	36	19	4	31	19,313	59	95	2	14	26	37	—	3	1

its history, 34 were baptized on one Sabbath. Pastor A. M. Akbar reports a good spring harvest of souls from many villages in the Punjab. Karachi and Hyderabad reported 14 baptisms. Pastor Hawley is conducting a good evangelistic programme with the patients of the hospital, using the public address system with individual pillow phones for each patient, which are much appreciated. A strong Voice of Prophecy enrolment campaign has also been bringing in good results.

In Lahore the young people of the church conducted an evangelistic campaign in the church building. They were happy to report four baptisms at the close of this campaign.

In the Frontier area Pastor W. H. McGhee has been conducting special campaigns for Muslims. There has been good interest in the

health and temperance lectures which are conducted along with the regular presentation of our teachings. Pastor McGhee is confident that this method will bring good results, but over a longer period of time.

The Voice of Prophecy correspondence schools in both East and West Pakistan have made good contributions to evangelistic progress. The medical work also attracts many to our truth and there has been an increased sale of religious literature by our literature evangelists.

There are good prospects for evangelism throughout the remainder of 1958. East Pakistan has many who are waiting for an ordained minister to baptize them. We feel confident that 1958 will prove to be our best year to date for evangelism.

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WESTERN India Union has now approximately 1,600 members. We have a total of some 92 workers inclusive of all branches in the field. Thirty or thereabouts are pastors, evangelists, and teacher-evangelists. Approximately 25 are educational workers and some 25 are medical workers; the balance are colporteurs and office holders and helpers in the various union posts of duty. Ten of the workers are ordained ministers of which 7 are indigenous. Our foreign staff consists of four families and two single workers. Two of our schools, the Poona church school, and Hatkanagale boarding school are entirely indigenously manned.

Financially, we feel the field has done especially well, responding strongly to the efforts put forth.

Departmental reports reveal 45 Sabbath schools, which is a gain of 10 over last year—or 29%. There are also 21 branch Sabbath schools. The membership of the Sabbath schools at this writing is

2,275 or a gain of 376 over the same period last year—20%. Then we have 22 Dorcas societies, 22 Home commission classes in operation and 20 registered lay preachers having assisted with six evangelistic campaigns. We have now 19 MV Societies with 958 members as against a membership of 725 last year. We have 13 schools and about 477 students registered. This represents a gain of 5 schools and 222 students—or 47%. Our temperance programme has moved forward with two rallies in Dhulia and Sholapur and others being planned. Membership in the temperance organization is building up also.

Our VOP programme is moving forward most encouragingly. Our 12-month goal for enrolments is 14,000 and for the first six months of this year there have been 11,564 persons enrolled. The Marathi school, though having been founded only about two years ago, now ranks 8th in members enrolled of all the 17 language schools in the Voice of Prophecy.

The Gujerati field has been one of the greatest challenges of the Western India area. Our work has been in progress continuously for the past nearly forty years in that field and we have now only approximately 15 Gujerati members. But we believe a new day is dawning in the Gujerat with the beginning of the Gujerati VOP Bible school. For sometime there have been interests from all parts of this great field of 15 million population through the work of the English and other Bible schools. Now, though the Gujerati Bible school is only slightly over one month old, over a thousand enrolments have been turned in. We intend to exploit this possibility to the full, and have already made plans to cover the entire Gujerat field with 11 or 12 VOP rallies beginning at the close of this Division Committee meeting. Pastors Mookerjee and Moses of the VOP and Western India Union office have already rented halls, prepared advertising, set dates and are soon to be on their way. Pastor Wolfe and Bro. D. D. Kaley, one of our successful Marathi evangelists, loaned to the Gujerat, are both planning big things as they follow up these prospects. We request your earnest prayers for the success of this programme.

By way of summary of our public evangelism programme, I would say that a total of nine evangelistic campaigns have been held during the first six months of this year, three of which might be called city evangelism. Two of these city efforts (Dhulia and Sholapur) have been held in cities and districts in which the third angel's message has never been preached heretofore. Our baptisms for this first six-month period have been 98. I believe this is the largest number ever baptized in a single six-month period in the history of Western India. Practically every candidate has been prepared and baptized by our indigenious staff.

Our hopes for the future are as bright as the promises of God. For the remaining five months of 1958, our plans are to increase the emphasis on evangelism. Twenty-

four evangelistic campaigns comprising five youth, two follow-up, two revival, and six full scale efforts are on the docket. Of these, two full scale efforts in Bombay and Baroda are under the able leadership of Pastors Corban and Wolfe respectively. We believe God has

great things in store for Western India and we solicit your prayers that our men and all of us may remain humble, teachable, and useful to the finishing of the work in this great land of Western India.

—F. E. SPIESS

“CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING”

H. M. TIPPETT

YES, we joyfully subscribe to the plan of sending the gospel to all the world. But that world in too many minds is the vast continent of China or Africa or South America, and it never gets any closer home than that. We forget that each one lives in a little world of his own, where his area of influence is felt by others every day. We sing with the saints “Send the Light,” and “Bringing in the Sheaves,” but it is an activity from which we dissociate our own personal responsibility, except in offerings or a spasmodic prayer or two for missions.

But God has appointed us our unique place in His plan; for no believer is excused from the responsibility of witnessing. Some home on my street may be my particular mission field. Some relative may be looking my way for encouragement to identify himself with Christ and His cause. Some fellow worker in my place of business or labour may be one of the sheaves of God’s harvest that He wants me to bring in.

How shall we do this witnessing?

In the home—by love and unselfishness.

In business—by honesty and diligence.

In society—by purity, courtesy, and humility.

Toward the unfortunate—by sympathy and mercy.

Toward the weak—by helpfulness and patience.

Toward the wicked—by overcoming evil, without compromise.

Toward the strong—by trust and co-operation with good.

Toward non-Christians—by witnessing for Christ and His gospel.

Toward the penitent—by forgiveness and restoration.

Toward the fortunate—by rejoicing with them without envy.

Toward God—by reverence, love, and obedience.

Pastor J. C. H. Collett Passes Away

A letter just received from the Australasian Division conveys the message that Pastor J. C. H. Collett passed away on 12th August, 1958, at Rockhampton, Queensland.

In 1944, while heading the Bible department at Spicer Memorial College, Poona, Pastor Collett suffered a severe illness from which he never fully recovered. In spite of ill health he carried on loyally as a good soldier of the Lord Jesus, and was recently retired from active duty after a period of teaching in Fulton Memorial College, Fiji.

Brother Collett learned of this truth while working in the customs office in Madras, 1924, through the witness of Pastor P. C. Poley. He never wavered as he faced the test of Sabbath keeping, and had to resign his employment. Having met that test victoriously, he seemed to respond to every future test with a “Thus saith the Lord” or “It is written.” In meeting his own temptations and in those he met and shared with students and church members, he was ever ready with a text of Scripture or a word from the inspired messenger to the remnant church.

After a period of colporteur work Brother Collett completed his training at Spicer College, Krishnarajapuram, after which he remained on as a Bible teacher. He and Miss Florence Ritchie, both teachers, were united in marriage in June of 1929. They were called to Vincent Hill School where he served as head of the Bible department and church pastor from 1934 to 1939.

During the winter vacation at Vincent Hill School Pastor and Mrs. Collett responded to calls for help in evangelistic efforts, and held meetings in various places in the Northwest Union. They were located in Rawalpindi during 1940 and 1941, and a company of believers was raised up. He was called back to Spicer College, Poona, as Bible department head, and served from 1942 to 1945. He was blessed by bringing Dr. Nigel Buxton into the message at this time.

Pastor Collett served as evangelist and pastor at Dehra Dun in 1945 and 1946, and from 1947 to 1950, when the Colletts left for Australia, he was located in Karachi. He held meetings, carried on an intensive house to house Bible work, and was a great pillar of strength to the work in the newly organized Pakistan Union. Wherever Pastor Collett laboured he left behind men and women well grounded in present truth. His good wife took the poor into their home, visited the sick and afflicted and comforted the sorrowing.

Both were ever ready to respond to calls to the difficult and untried. He truly did the work of an evangelist.

In a letter during 1957, while suffering from a severe illness, Pastor Collett wrote the following to Pastor Mattison: “One thing I am sure of is that God’s plan is surely going to be realized in a new earth, and we know that the time is short because It says, ‘He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.’” Brother Collett passed on his regards to many fellow workers and friends, and then wrote this message to all his brethren in Southern Asia: “Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.’ Heb. 10:35-37. Tell them I confidently expect to meet them and their families in the kingdom of God.”

Brother Collett leaves to remember his Christlike life and good works his ever faithful wife, a daughter and two sons, fellow workers, former students, and many who came to a knowledge of this message through his life and teaching. These join the loved ones in gratefulness for the service Pastor Collett has rendered to the cause. While he rests from his labours, truly his works do follow him.

—D. S. JOHNSON

“THANK YOU”

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Biographical data is also highly desirable—birth and death dates, education, posts held, books or articles written, significant human interest features, and how Conditionalism came to be accepted. A photograph of the individual adds human interest.

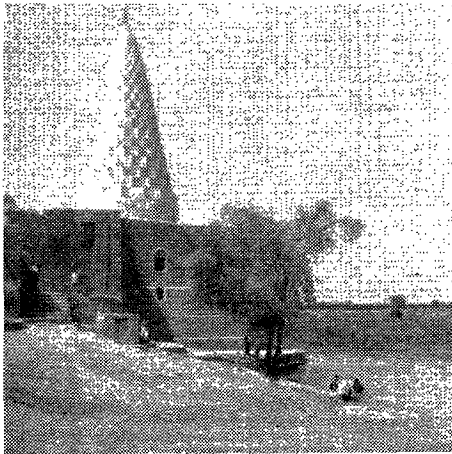
Your continuing help is earnestly solicited. If anyone finds further data, please communicate with L. E. Froom, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Takoma Park, D. C., U. S. A.

Sabbath in Shushan

D. K. DOWN

IT IS the Sabbath day and we are spending it just outside the ruined walls of Shushan the palace. There is no Adventist church for hundreds of miles, so we had our own Sabbath School using our house on wheels for a church. But what memories this Sabbath brings to us, for some of God's chosen servants have kept the Sabbath at Shushan. This was the dwelling place of Daniel, Mordecai and Esther. It was here that the vision of the 2300 days, which lies at the foundation of the Advent faith, was given; and here is the place that was hallowed by a visit from the mighty angel Gabriel.

Last Thursday morning we left our overnight camping spot which we calculated to be only 150 miles north of Shushan, expecting to reach Shushan that night. But we struck the worst roads of our journey and so winding that what seemed to be 150 miles on the map proved to be more than 250 miles by the speedometer. The result was that we did not arrive in Shushan until Friday afternoon.



The tomb of the prophet Daniel at Shushan, in south-west Persia.

Our excitement rose as the ruins of Shushan came into view ahead of us and we were able to recognize the ancient tomb of Daniel the prophet.

The ruins of the city of Shushan are standing in a massive pile

about fifty feet high and a mile square. The walls and city buildings have crumbled to ruins and been covered with earth, blown across the plains by the winds of twenty-two centuries. On top of this miniature plateau stands an impressive castle built by the men who have been excavating these ruins for the last sixty years. Most of the findings have been carried off to the museums of Paris and London, but inside the castle we saw many broken pillars, pottery vessels and ornaments in a remarkably well-preserved condition. Bricks with ancient cuneiform writing inscribed on them have apparently been so common that many of them are cemented into the castle walls as building materials.

At night our trailer was parked in the compound of the town's electricity generator. We are sleeping on the site of Ahasuerus' palace garden where he went in his fury when Esther exposed Haman's purpose to destroy all her people. (Esther 7:7) Just a short distance from here we found a huge mound of earth studded with the bases of thirty-six massive blue limestone pillars. These supported the lofty roof of the throne room. We are standing on the very place where the events of the book of Esther took place. A little to the south-west we walked across the pavement where Esther appeared uninvited before the king. A little farther and we are at the gate where Mordecai waited anxiously while Esther ventured her life. But many sites are still unidentified and as we wandered through the ruins we could only speculate as to whether we were in Esther's bedroom, Haman's house, or the ground on which stood the 90-foot high gallows where Haman proposed to hang Mordecai.

The village of Shoush is stretched out along the west side of the palace ruins. In the centre of the village is the tomb of Daniel the prophet. There is another place

in Iraq which claims to have the tomb of the honoured prophet, but there is every indication that Daniel really lies buried beneath this Muslim mausoleum at Shushan.



The palace ruins at Shushan with the archaeologist's castle in the south-west corner of the ruins.

As I entered the prophet's tomb my first thoughts were of Daniel 12:4—in "The time of the end many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased". If Daniel were to rise today he would certainly recognize that this is the time of the end. Over his coffin is an electric fan and the interior of the tomb is illuminated with fluorescent lighting. A mile away heavy motor trucks roared along the highway; a little farther and a diesel engine was pulling a long line of oil trucks from Abadan to Teheran, while a four-engined world airlines plane droned overhead. Yes, Daniel is standing in his lot at the end of days. (Daniel 12:13)

But I think my greatest thrill at Shushan came to me, not in the palace ruins, nor in the prophet's tomb, but by the banks of the river Ulai. Here we gave loose rein to our imagination and tried to visualize the past.

It was beside this small river, 2500 years ago, that Daniel stood in prophetic vision. Suddenly he looked up and saw, standing on the bank of the river, a two-horned ram. As he watched he saw it charge triumphantly westward towards Babylon, then northward to Greece, and then whirl southward

to conquer Egypt. The angel later explained that this was the Medo-Persian army.

But while he was pondering the meaning of the symbol another animal appeared. To the northwest Daniel could just make out the hazy outline of the Median Mountains. Before him stretched the shining plains of Shinar. Across these plains he saw a shaggy he-goat galloping at such speed that it seemed to Daniel that his feet did not even touch the plains. Daniel saw the he-goat, representing Alexander's armies, charge into the ram, breaking his horns and trampling mercilessly upon his mutilated body. The vision continued until the prophet saw a blasphemous little horn spring up which cast down the truth to the ground, and it practised and prospered. Spellbound, Daniel heard two angels conversing by this very

river. "How long shall be the vision?" asked one of the shining angels. Then it was that the other angel, the mighty Gabriel, spoke those vital words which laid the foundation of the great Advent movement—"Unto two thousand and three hundred days, then shall the sanctuary be cleansed." Daniel 8:14.

Daniel was perplexed, but such a momentous prophecy was not to be left even to the mighty angel Gabriel. The voice of the Son of God was then heard between the banks of the river. "Gabriel", He said, "make this man to understand the vision."

Was it any wonder that this Sabbath afternoon we lingered by the bank of the river Ulai, while its quiet waters slid by on their way to the Persian Gulf? Yes, we will long remember our visit to "Shushan the palace."

Adventist scholars and librarians. This is therefore a most hearty "Thank you!" for fine co-operation—and an appeal to keep on the alert a little longer for other materials, old or new, still scattered in many lands in periodical, book, and pamphlet form.

Where possible the original document should be secured. Quoted extracts need the full name of author, exact title of book, place of publication, name of publisher, and date (noting the particular edition or revision), with the quotation verified for exact wording, spelling and punctuation. In case of a periodical, the name of journal, place of publication, title of article, full name of author, volume and number, date, and the pages. When originals are unobtainable, photostats of title page and pertinent pages—or a microfilm of the entire work or the relevant sections—are of equal service. But these should always include the title page.

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"*Thank You*"

GRATIFYING RESEARCH REPORT AND APPEAL

This is to report that, through the wonderful co-operation of our workers and laymen in various world divisions, priceless evidence has been secured showing that Conditional Immortality has been held by individuals and groups of Christians throughout the centuries. For example, by some in Ethiopia in the sixteenth century—and about the same time by Nestorian Christians on the Malabar Coast of India, and in 1574 by certain Anabaptists in Poland—the unconscious state of the dead was cherished as an article of faith.

Each century since the Reformation has had its quota. Valuable evidence has been obtained regarding current holders of Conditionalism among the clergy of various denominations in Finland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Germany, France, Switzerland, and other lands. A century ago a remarkable

revival of Conditionalism took place, not only in Britain, continental Europe, and North America, but extending into India, Ceylon, Jamaica, South Africa, Australia, and the Far East as well.

As a result of this quest an unrivalled Conditional Immortality Source Library has been brought together at General Conference headquarters, comprising some two hundred original books, pamphlets, and bound periodicals, 150 microfilm copies of other rare items, including manuscripts, and two hundred packets of photostats, many of them priceless because difficult of access.

These provide the factual basis for the manuscript now in course of preparation. But such a denominational enterprise would have been impossible without the help of hundreds of alert eyes and helping hands, not a few being non-

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Miscellany

● Dr. and Mrs. Elton Morel of Los Angeles arrived in Calcutta on the fourth of August. Dr. Morel is a teacher from the College of Medical Evangelists and he and the family have spent a number of years in medical work in the Southern African Division. While travelling from Calcutta to Madras by plane one of the engines developed an oil leak and to avoid danger of fire the captain put down at the nearest emergency airport, Gondavarum, near Bezwada. When Dr. and Mrs. Morel found themselves only 25 miles from Nuzvid, they arranged for an old taxi to the Giffard Memorial Hospital. Dr. Morel will be relieving at Nuzvid for a period of weeks and will also help out in a number of our other institutions before returning to Los Angeles. We welcome Dr. and Mrs. Morel to Southern Asia.

● The Division Educational Board met on August 5 and 6 in Poona and in addition to the Union Presidents and representatives from Spicer College, J. I.

Calendar of Special Days and Offerings 1958

September 6	Home Missionary Day and Offering
September 20	Tithe Covenant Day
October 4	Home Missionary Day and Offering
October 4-11	"Review and Herald" Campaign
October 18	Colporteur Rally Day
October 25	Temperance Day and Offering
November 1	Lay Witnessing Day, H. M. Offering
November 8	Voice of Prophecy
November 22-29	Evangelism Day and Offering Week of Prayer and Sacrifice
November 29	Week of Sacrifice Offering
December 6	Home Missionary Day and Offering
THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING	
September 27	Inter-American Division
December 27	South American Division

Crawford, M. G. Champion, S. Jesudass, and D. H. Skau from the field were in attendance. A promotional programme for Christian Education was given careful study at this meeting.

● Pastor and Mrs. H. T. Burr, Janice, Brenda, and Marvelle, Mrs. F. E. Spiess; Mrs. S. Z. Koilpillai, Leela and Violet arrived in Bombay on the STEEL RECORDER on August 18. We extend a hearty welcome to these friends and workers who have returned to the Southern Asia Division. Brother Burr and family will proceed to the East India Section, Mrs. Spiess is joining her husband who arrived in February, 1958 and Mrs. Koilpillai and family will stay in Poona while Mr. Koilpillai continues his studies in Washington.

● Brother A. Popkiss reports from Simla that the annual Uplift Campaign was conducted during the Week of Prayer and the Lord blessed with a total of Rs. 1862.50. The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society conducted special meetings during the month of July, on Wednesdays and Fridays in English and on Sundays in Hindustani. Brethren P. T. Isaac, K. E. Sonne, and S. L. Charles led out in these meetings and there was a good attendance. T. R. Torkelson conducted the Week of Prayer in the Chapel using the theme, Spiritual Clinic. K. E. Sonne was ordained as the church deacon.

● Pastor and Mrs. O. O. Mattison report attending an India gathering in Southern California on Sunday night, August 17. They are having a profitable time helping with meetings in California, and Brother Mattison will be attending Regional Meetings in the Upper Columbia Conference of the North Pacific Union.

● Dr. and Mrs. Philip Nelson of Seattle, Washington will be arriving in Calcutta on the third of September. Dr. Nelson will locate at Nuzvid as Medical Director of the Giffard Memorial Hospital.

● M. E. Kemmerer is attending Constituency meetings at Kollegal in the Kannada Section and at Kottarakara, and D. S. Johnson will be attending the Association and Council Meeting of the

MEET OUR WORKERS



Pastor E. S. Eswar Rao is at present pastor-evangelist in Vishakapatnam. He was one of the early students in the day school in the village of Lakawaram where the work first started in Andhra Pradesh. Continuing his education in Narsapur and the South India Training School, he entered the work as an office assistant and translator in the Telugu Mission.

Through the years he has continued to serve in various capacities: Secretary-treasurer in the Telugu field, Cashier-accountant in the O.W. Publishing House and in the business offices of both the Nuzvid and Surat hospitals. He recently conducted an effort in Bobbili.

Christian Medical College, Vellore and the Constituency meetings at Prakasapuram and Nuzvid during late August and early September.

COUNCIL

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close co-operation between the union officers and local leaders in assisting Pastor Maywald, the newly-arrived union secretary, enabled South India, under the bountiful blessing of God to reach an all-time Uplift record of Rs. 76,824.98 early in 1958. For this outstanding success the brethren in the council thanked God.

The meetings were good from both the Home Missionary and Sabbath School point of view. Not only was much good enthusiasm inspired but strong, well-laid plans were made to carry forward the Lord's plan for work in Sabbath schools and churches.

—O. W. LANGE.