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Educational Advance in Africa

By J. I. ROBISON

It was our recent privilege to visit the missions fields of the Northern European Division in East Africa. We then motored across the continent to the West Coast where we visited our work in Nigeria, Gold Coast, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

Last year we baptized in our mission fields 1,515, which was 164 more than we baptized in all our home unions together, and represented a net increase in church membership of 1,189 for the mission fields.

Our Sabbath-school membership in Africa has now surpassed the Sabbath-school membership in the home unions by 10,000, for there are now over 35,000 people attending our Sabbath-schools in Africa. This is surely a splendid record and makes heavy demands on our workers to prepare this great company for full church membership. As we visited our African missions we found that our work is growing in every field, and the Lord is giving us a large harvest of souls as a result of the faithful efforts of our missionaries and our equally faithful African workers.

A new day has dawned for our African missions, and the time has come for larger plans and for greater facilities to carry forward the growing work in every mission field. As we studied the problem we found that while in the past four years the membership has increased about fifty per cent, our European missionary staff has remained almost stationary and the number of African ordained ministers is just the

same as it was in 1934. Only in our staff of African teachers has there been any material increase, but these are largely young men



Pastor A. E. Bacon, one of the veteran workers that the British Union has just lost by death. See note in last issue.

with very little experience and all too often with a very limited training. It seems, therefore, that our greatest need is for a larger corps of trained workers in Africa to care for the increased membership, to bring the thousands of Sabbath-keepers into church fellowship and to answer the multiplying calls for workers from those who

still sit in darkness. We must, therefore, look forward to increasing our European staff of workers, especially by sending men who can train evangelists to carry the message to the waiting millions, and we must undertake in a larger way the training of a greater number of African young people to bear heavier burdens in the work for their own people.

I am glad to report that during our visit plans were laid for real educational advance in Africa. It is recognized on both the East Coast and the West Coast that our greatest need is for a larger corps of trained workers. We have not kept our training facilities abreast of our growing work. It was therefore planned to establish, just as soon as funds can be provided, two new training schools in Africa, one on the East Coast, to be located somewhere in the vicinity of Nairobi, and the other on the West Coast, to be established somewhere in the highlands of central Nigeria. It is planned that these two schools will serve all our mission territory in Africa and be the advanced educational centres for the training of evangelists and teachers. The building of these institutions will require an initial investment of at least £5,000, but with our growing work and our present needs we can do no less if we are to be true to our trust and develop the work of God in our African missions.

These institutions will have to be staffed with efficient European leaders and African teachers who can mould the students along lines

of Christian education and prepare them to carry the last message of mercy to Africa's waiting millions.

In addition to these two advanced training centres, it is also planned to strengthen our educational work in each of our local fields. At Kamagambo, Kenya Colony, where we now have our largest primary school in East Africa, we have already made funds available and laid plans for increased facilities and a larger enrolment. In Uganda plans were laid and funds provided to move the training school to the union headquarters at Kireka, near Kampala. Here a strong Primary Training Course will be established for the Uganda field. From this school it is expected that a few advanced students will be sent to the proposed new training school in East Africa for higher training.

In the Gold Coast Mission plans were laid and funds released for the building of a strong Primary Training School at Bekwai, the mission field headquarters. As in Uganda on the East Coast, selected students from this school will be sent to the advanced West African School for higher training.

We already have a good training school at Waterloo, Sierra Leone, that is serving this small field, with Liberia, very efficiently. It is planned that from this school some students will also be sent to the West African Training School for their advanced education.

The Division Committee has approved of these plans and at the time of the coming Winter Council it is hoped that some financial provision may be worked out to carry into effect this educational programme for our mission fields. It will take sacrifice on the part of all that the funds may be made available, but surely with the responsibility of carrying the message to the great section of Africa belonging to the Northern European Division, we must make provision for this educational development if we are to meet the need and fulfil our responsibility to our mission fields. The time has come when we must make a definite advance in our educational work in Africa, and I trust that our workers and believers will pray that the plans laid may meet the ap-

proval of the Lord and that the work in Africa may go forward

to still greater victories than we have seen in the past.

The Polish Union

BY WM. CZEMBOR

It is a good plan, dear brethren in the Northern European Division, whereby every number of the ADVENT SURVEY reports news from a special field. This brings us nearer together, gives us a better understanding of the greatness of our task, and enables us to appreciate the problems and difficulties of the various fields.

We can in this way better understand and so pray more intelligently for each other's needs. We have already read with great interest reports from the British and East Nordic Unions, and the mission fields. In this issue we have a number of reports from Poland. When we have read these, dear readers, let us kneel down and ask God to bless His work in this great land, and soon bring it to a close.

The Lord has blessed us hitherto. During the past year 362 souls were won to the truth. Of these, ninety per cent were either Roman or Greek Catholics. This was an increase of seventy-four over the preceding year. Two short experiences of recent date will indicate how the work is going in this land.

In the Silesian Conference we transferred a worker and his family to a new place of labour in the southern part of the field. We had attempted work in this city once before, but with no result. The difficulties were very great there, and this proved to be true this time also. Our worker had a very hard experience. Soon after he started his work he suddenly became very ill and was taken off to hospital, unconscious. In the meantime his wife was bitten by a dog, and his little son was tossed by a cow. The little boy was saved, and the father recovered. Then the mother was taken ill, and the boy, their only child, contracted a malignant disease and died. So our dear brother had sad experiences from within and without. It really looked as though the committee had made a mistake in

sending him there. However, the worker remained true, and before long wrote to his president saying that a great interest in the truth had arisen in that city, and that there were ninety-five families whom he was visiting and to whom he was giving Bible studies. We have the hope of winning a good group of believers in that place. Satan tries and tempts us, and does all he can to hinder the work, but the power of God and the Gospel is stronger, and is always victorious.

In the North Polish Mission field we had a good experience with a lay-preacher. He had regularly visited different families and held Bible studies with them. After we erected a prayer-house last year for our churchmembers, the priests became very excited, so that a policeman was sent to interrupt our brother in his work. The policeman found him with a family giving a Bible study. He remained and took notes. Shortly after our brother was summoned and fined Z1.50 for holding an unlawful meeting. The father of the family who listened to the study also received a summons and was also fined Z1.50. He did not see why he should pay this fine, and so he went to the authorities and said: "I have done nothing but read the Bible." Thereupon an official replied: "That may be true, but because you have read the Bible you must pay Z1.50." This sounds more like an experience of the Middle Ages, but unfortunately it is one of to-day. We are coming to a difficult time, and we know as Bengel has said in his commentary on Revelation 13:15: "It is an unfortunate fact that the last and most violent act of the beast coming out of the sea is not yet in the past." But the Lord will help, so that in this land also a large number will be made ready to meet Him when He comes.

Greetings to you from our members and workers throughout Poland.

The South Polish Conference

BY K. SCHAFER

THE South Polish Conference is the smallest and youngest in the Union, and numbers at present 387 members. The Lord who called the work to life in this conference did not fail to add His blessing to it during the year 1937, for it was the best in its history. By His help fifty-five souls were baptized, and three added by vote. The tithe increased by thirteen per cent, the Sabbath-school offerings by ten per cent, and the Harvest Ingathering was ten per cent higher than the year before, for all of which we heartily thank the Lord.

Our brethren and sisters are mostly poor, and many must receive assistance in order that they and their children may live through the year: but in spite of their poverty, they are happy and willing to help forward the work with their gifts and missionary labours. They often walk ten km. and farther to give a Bible study to an interested person, and will travel as far as 200 km. on foot to attend a conference and listen to the Word of God. The Advent message spreads farther and farther from year to year into the remote villages of the Carpathian mountains, and has become a great blessing to many sin-stricken souls. There is a great difference between our members and those who do not know the truth, for the message of the soon-coming of Jesus refines and ennobles men, and

makes them new creatures. In a financial way also our brethren and sisters stand higher than their neighbours since they accepted the message, just as the Lord has promised in Deuteronomy 28:13: "And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken to the commandments of the Lord thy God."

In their missionary work our brethren and sisters come up against various difficulties, because of fanatical Catholics. The priests stir up their members to persecute us. Their influence is so great that they cause even the police to molest and make difficulties for us. Our colporteurs are often fined and cast into prison, but the literature work goes forward, and sales increase in spite of all, for it is the love of Christ that impels them to carry the message from house to house and prepare men for His coming.

We have at present eight colporteurs and ten Bible-workers, but we need at least twice as many workers to proclaim the truth to seven million inhabitants, for the interest in the truth will grow greater from year to year. May the Lord in this conference also cause His eternal light to shine in the hearts of all who are longing for redemption and bring His work to a speedy finish.

The West Polish Conference

BY E. KLUTH

THE West Polish has the largest population of any conference in the Union, and contains one-third of the entire inhabitants of Poland. We have in our territory the largest and most beautiful city of the Union, and yet we must say as did Jesus: "The harvest is ripe, but the labourers are few," for nine workers among ten million inhabitants are not enough. They are all of good courage, however, and doing their best to carry forward the work.

We have made it our task to carry the Gospel to those cities where we have as yet no churches. Last year a Bible-worker was sent to labour in Sierpc, a city of some 13,000 inhabitants. In the suburbs he found some people that had discovered the Sabbath truth in the Bible, although they knew nothing of the Advent message. A village teacher had bought some books from an outside colporteur, and through these his attention was drawn to the Bible. When he had studied the Bible for a time he was convinced that the body repre-

sented by the colporteur did not have the truth, because they transgressed the commandments. He began to rest on the Sabbath, and to preach it. He wrote out Bible texts and distributed them on Sundays in front of the churches. As a result some are already keeping the Sabbath. As our brother distributed his papers and visited the people, the prelate became very angry and denounced Adventists every Sunday from the pulpit. He also sent the police to the people to frighten them from accepting the truth, but our brother worked zealously and joyfully on, and we hope in a short time to organize a church in that place.

One brother had a fine experience while engaged in the Harvest Ingathering work. He went to a certain village in order to reach his goal. In the course of the day he came to a certain house and offered his Ingathering magazine. The lady took it very unwillingly and he had to talk a long time before she would give him even half the price. As our brother left the home the householder came in and asked his wife who the young man was. She showed him the paper. He hurried to our brother, called him back to the house, and asked him who he was. He kept silent. Then the man said: "Are you an Adventist?" When he received an answer in the affirmative, he told his life story. He had studied the Bible and found that he was on the wrong path, yet there was no one who could show him the right way. Discouraged, he laid the Bible aside. After a couple of months he bought some books from a Bible colporteur and began to search the Bible anew. He became convinced that the body represented by the colporteur did not have the truth, and laid the Bible on one side again.

After a long time he commenced to study the Bible again and found the Sabbath truth. Then he went to his acquaintances and preached about the fourth commandment, and was denounced because he preached to others about the Sabbath but did not keep it himself. He then kept quiet and did not continue to proclaim this new truth, but searched for people who rested on the Sabbath. At last he

heard from a Jew that there were Adventists in Warszawa who kept the Sabbath. Highly delighted he went to Warszawa to find them, but in vain. And now an Adventist stood before him! The next question was: "Do you also rest on the Sabbath?" After that, the family was visited every Sunday, some neighbours coming in to the

Bible study. Now we have a church of eighteen members there, and still others are preparing themselves for baptism. The Lord knows His own and is finding them in wonderful ways. Our members and workers are working courageously on in the hope of finding many more precious souls whom they can lead to Christ.

some places with the mantle of intelligence, and in others appearing, as I have many times experienced, in a more brutal aspect, using insulting words, stone-throwing, and all kinds of threats. Nevertheless, we go forward with courage as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. Our loyal colporteurs stand right in the front of the firing line: none but consecrated men can successfully fill this place.

The work here has suffered considerably through the influence of false brethren, but it has recovered, and our members remain true and faithful, making willing sacrifices, so that from year to year all branches of the work have made forward strides. The mighty hand of the Lord is with His people, and we sincerely thank Him for it. The following figures will indicate the faithfulness and sacrifice of our membership:

	Mission Offerings	Tithes
1935	17,874.33	30,831.45
1936	18,238.26	31,524.99
1937	18,748.55	33,841.45

We firmly believe the Lord will continue to bless His people, and that His work will go forward with still greater power.

The Silesian Conference

BY J. GOMOLA

It is now more than thirty years since the truth was first proclaimed in the Silesian Conference. The saving message first found entrance into the hearts of the Protestant country people, and from there spread gradually to the Polish Protestants. These Protestant folk gladly bought our literature, but we were handicapped because most of it was in the German language, whereas most of the Protestants were Polish. This, of course, hindered the distribution of our literature. In addition, none of those who proclaimed the Word of God could use the Polish language, and this retarded but did not stop the development of the work. Then, all at once, we found an interpreter. In the enthusiasm for the message, several of Sister White's books were translated and written out by hand. These difficult problems were gladly undertaken in order to be in possession of one or more of these books. Naturally we did not have any literature in the Silesian dialect suitable for the printing press. It was not long before there sprang out of the ranks of the churches young people who knew both the Polish and German languages. These obtained their Christian education at Friedensau, and upon their return took up active work as evangelists.

As we worked only among Protestants at the beginning, the Catholic priests triumphantly asserted that the Adventists were a branch of the Protestants, and worked only among their own people. It was not until after the war that we won any Catholics, but now the Gospel is making its way among Protestants and Catho-

lics alike. Our greatest success in soul-winning has been obtained through the giving of family Bible studies, but this kind of work demands much time and trouble, especially in the villages, under bad weather conditions, and during the late evening hours. Because of the poverty of the people, the work of God goes slowly, but it is making headway, and new openings for our work continually present themselves.

I hesitate to mention difficulties, knowing that Satan is at work everywhere, clothing himself in

The East Polish Conference

BY J. ZIELINSKI

EVER since the conference was organized eleven years ago, the work has continued to make headway. We look back on the year 1937 with joy and gratitude for the progress that was made along all lines.

The average number of workers was ten. The Lord richly blessed their labours and crowned them with a baptism of 141 souls. This was fifty-five more than in the year 1936. A further fourteen souls were taken in by vote. We thank the Lord for giving us this measure of success. At the close of the year the membership of the conference stood at 1,293, organized into fifty-three churches.

The population of this conference live for the most part in great poverty. They were practically ruined during the world war. Our churchmembers are mostly land-workers, with very little income. Many of them have just a small

piece of ground where it is barely possible to make a living. By springtime many of them are without bread: yet in spite of this they are faithful to the Lord in tithes and offerings. In 1937 our tithe was Zl.15,394.60, which was Zl.2,961.99 more than the previous year. Gifts for missions amounted to Zl.11,937.21, an increase of Zl.1,712.33 over the previous year. Our members took a very active part in the Big Week and Harvest Ingathering Campaigns. It is not possible to raise the goal in cash, and so groups travel with a wagon and collect corn and other food products which they afterward sell, and joyfully bring in their mission gifts. Our song groups especially met with good experiences. One church divided into four song groups and collected food products to the value of Zl.100 in four days. One brother told how he had reached his In-

The North Polish Mission

BY J. KULAK

gathering goal among his neighbours. As he went to them with his Ingathering magazine, they said they were sorry, but did not have any money to give him. He replied that they could give gifts of grain for this important aim, and it was not long before he had collected Z1.20 worth of wheat from his neighbours. It is in such ways that we are enabled, with the help of God, to reach and go beyond our goal in the Big Week and Harvest Ingathering.

We have made a good beginning in lay evangelism. One lay-preacher stirred up a whole village. The lectures were well attended and a good interest awakened. Through the work of one brother seven souls were won. Another won three souls, and the work of other lay-preachers is meeting with success. A number of people are still awaiting baptism. All are happy that they can help in the task of winning souls. We are endeavouring to encourage more men to take up this kind of work.

In general, a good spirit prevails throughout our churches. Our members realize their responsibilities more and more and are endeavouring to do still more for God. May the work in this conference be richly blessed by God, and, with the work throughout the whole world, be quickly brought to a close.

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Attention!

A CABLE message from the General Conference urges strong promotion of the Week of Sacrifice this year. Here is a real S.O.S. call for missions. The times demand a greater sacrifice now than ever before that there be no setback in our world missions programme.

J. I. ROBISON.

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"AFFLICTION and adversity may cause sorrow; but it is prosperity that is most dangerous to spiritual life. Unless the human subject is in constant submission to the will of God, unless he is sanctified by the truth, prosperity will surely arouse the natural inclination to presumption."

THE North Polish Mission was organized as a conference in 1933, and in 1937 reorganized as a mission field. It is 500 km. long and 150-180 km. wide; borders on Russia, Lithuania, and East Prussia, and is populated by Poles, Russians, Lithuanians, Germans, and Jews. Here every worker who would work with success must speak at least two or three languages.

Out of four million inhabitants we have only 176 churchmembers, and these are organized into eight churches and groups. Two of them are city churches—in Wilno and Bialystok: the rest are village churches and groups. In this large field we have but one ordained minister, three Bible-workers, and two colporteurs. The city churches meet in hired halls, but the village churches have no meeting-place and have to gather in private homes so small that not even thirty people can come together. Last year, with very little means and much labour, we built our first prayer-house. Even the children helped by collecting stones and sand, and carrying them to the building.

The workers in the North Polish Mission field work under great dif-

ficulties. A notification of every meeting that we wish to hold must be sent to the authorities, and permission is often refused. When we do receive permission to hold a meeting, a policeman is sent to attend. The appearance of the police does not make a good impression on the interested people, and they are sometimes afraid to risk attending the second time. Often it happens that when one visits a private home where two or three neighbours are gathered together, he is fined, and so people are somewhat fearful of allowing Bible studies in their homes.

In one place, where we now have a fine group of believers, the enemies of the truth were so violent that the house where a meeting was held was absolutely destroyed and our worker left unconscious on the ground.

These things do not discourage us. Our workers and members are happy in the work. They bring their gifts with joy and do not shrink from the hardships they are called upon to suffer. We believe that the Lord will continue to bless our efforts, and grant us the privilege of leading many souls to Him.

Departmental Work in the Polish Union

BY A. KRUK

WE now have in the Polish Union 163 Sabbath-schools, with a membership of 4,200. Although most of these are very poor, they brought in through the Sabbath-school Z1.22,092.83, which was Z1.1,200 more than in the previous year. In order to develop more efficient teachers, we organized a Sabbath-school Teachers' Training Course, and this was taken and completed by no fewer than 221. We held ten Sabbath-school conventions during the year, and these proved a great blessing to the work of the department. We also plan to translate and print several of the Sabbath-school leaflets

issued by the General Conference.

Our 144 churches and groups, with 3,479 churchmembers, take an active part in mission work. They make mission visits, hold Bible studies, help the poor and the sick, sew garments, and distribute much literature. We have also some good lay-preachers. We baptized ninety-two souls during 1937 as a result of the work of our churchmembers. Since our Home Missionary Convention, at which Brethren Steen Rasmussen and G. E. Nord gave us some valuable instruction, we are planning to do a greater work in the Harvest Ingathering and are reorganizing

Report of the Northern European Division for the

Name of Conference or Mission	No. Churches	Baptism and Vote	Apostasy	Death	Net Gain	Present Membership	Evangelistic Workers	Colporteurs	No. Sabbath-Schools	Membership	Average Attendance	Tithe	Tithe per capita	Sabbath-School Offerings	Weekly Offerings
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
N. E. Division	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baltic Union	118	26	8	8	13	5,480	63	17	145	5,042	3,405	\$ 2,681.40	0.09**	548.18	1.34
British	2	85	54	24	30	5,757	123	75	154	5,772	4,380	\$ 36,273.00	0.51	6,649.11	...
E.Nordic	3	98	14	70	23	5,081	64	64	182	4,546	3,577	\$ 16,180.40	0.25	3,540.17	...
Polish	4	143	6	22	14	3,434	59	45	164	4,130	2,887	\$ 4,810.80	0.11	1,078.90	...
W.Nordic	5	138	26	56	23	6,830	65	61	176	6,237	4,753	\$ 23,729.90	0.27	4,988.31	4.60
Union Totals	582	126	180	98	-153	26,582	388	262	821	25,727	19,002	\$ 83,675.50	0.28	16,804.67	5.94
French Equa. Miss.	6	...	...	...	...	25	6	...	2	64	68	\$	N	O	...
Gold Coast Union	7	10	89	13	7	69	1,018	42	1	69	3,777	2,692	\$	...	...
Kenya	3	2	...	...	...	5,082	282	5	229	15,447	13,860	\$	...	...	...
Liberian Mission	9	2	17	...	...	17	87	10	17	258	193	\$	...	...	...
Nigerian Union	10	20	428	12	3	412	2,438	113	...	163	13,604	10,983	\$	...	...
Sierra Leone Miss.	11	2	...	...	...	431	25	...	33	1,596	1,100	\$	...	...	...
Upper Nile Union	12	3	62	15	1	49	361	38	...	28	885	738	\$	...	...
Mission Totals	69	596	40	11	547	9,442	516	6	541	35,631	29,634	\$	..	..	..
Grand Totals	651	722	220	109	394	36,024*	904	263	1,362	61,358	48,636	\$ 83,675.50	0.28	16,804.67	5.94

*Ethiopia transferred to Southern Europe

**For Estonia and Lithuania only

our churches to this end. We hope also to translate and print leaflets on Home Missionary work issued by the General Conference, and also to hold a number of Home Missionary conventions. We believe the Lord will equip us with His Holy Spirit and enable us to carry through a great lay effort, leading many souls to Him. Our members truly love God and His work.

The future of the work in Poland lies in our youth. We have 700 consecrated young people, organized into sixty-three societies. In addition to these, we have 662 juniors enrolled in Religious In-

struction classes. Our youth accomplish a great deal of missionary work, especially in the Big Week and Harvest Ingathering. They usually reach about fifty per cent of the church goals. We held thirteen Young People's conventions last year, and these proved a great blessing. This year we are planning a Youths' Congress in association with our young people from Czechoslovakia.

We believe the Lord will soon come, and that a great work yet remains to be done. We are doing all in our power to hasten His coming, and to be ready at His appearing.

Book Evangelism in Poland

BY A. WIESIOLOW

I HAVE just been looking at the report of our colporteur work for the past month, during which time we had forty-eight book evangelists in the field. We are happy that we were able to distribute during the month 990 large and small books, and also 4,650 magazines.

In obedience to the command of our Master, we daily sow the seeds of truth, working diligently, praying earnestly to our heavenly Father, and watching for the seed to spring up. Sooner or later we shall see the fruit of our labours, for the Lord has promised that this shall be so.

Time is passing quickly. Every

hour brings us nearer to the kingdom of God. Every day loyal and courageous book evangelists call on hundreds and thousands of families that still live in spiritual darkness.

One fellow-worker told me the following experience. He said:

"One day I was closing up my work in one of the villages. I had taken a fairly good number of orders for the book *The Hour of Decision*, and had entered into the last house. The householder did not greet me very kindly. When he learned the reason of my call, and saw the book, he cursed, tore it out of my hand, and attempted

to tear it. Upon my friendly remarks he cursed still more, screamed loudly for help, and wanted to kick me. I attempted to get away for safety, but his alarm caused many people to rush out. I hurried to the yard and directed my steps toward the woods, but on hearing the footsteps of people behind me, knew that I could not get away from them. In front of us stood a barn. I went round it, stepped up to the people, and said: 'Here I am: what do you want with me?' They made no reply, but cursing, flew at me, striking me in the face and wherever they could. As it was raining and very slippery, I fell to the ground. With my last strength I stood up and leaned against the wall. Feeling that at any time I would fall to the ground in a swoon I cried: 'Lord, help me!' When I had said these words, no one seemed to dare to lay his hand on me, and the people gradually dispersed. I washed the blood from my face, cleaned up my clothes, and went on to another village for the night.

"I prayed all the while that the Lord would permit me to help those people, and in spite of all, to deliver the books ordered. As the time for delivery came near, it was with beating heart and uncertain steps that I went among the wolves. To the glory of God and to my great joy, I delivered nearly every book. But an unfortunate thing happened just as

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Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offering	Miscellaneous Offerings	Week of Sacrifice	Young People's Offerings	Other Gifts	Big Week	Total Offerings	Total Offerings per capita	Percentage of Offerings to Tithe	Total Contributions for Home Missionary Work	Total Contributions for Local Church Work	Colporteur Sales
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
20.90	20.44	3.99	11.67	4.99	73.25	9.05	693.81	0.02	25.9	73.77	360.84	2,733.94
99.57	105.09	.....	77.62	135.33	243.13	58.55	7,368.40	0.10	20.3	199.16	5,286.26	21,151.62
118.14	42.73	1.24	31.11	4.09	1,125.18	257.99	5,120.65	0.08	31.6	2,173.91	1,486.71	14,952.81
7.83	52.09	16.86	0.93	11.38	64.83	453.17	1,685.99	0.04	35.0	18.19	295.10	1,898.91
411.44	165.62	14.71	63.35	58.22	717.44	92.63	6,516.32	0.07	27.5	1,217.16	1,539.69	22,129.91
657.88	385.97	36.80	184.68	214.01	2,223.83	871.39	21,395.17	0.07	25.6	3,682.19	8,968.60	62,867.19
R E P O R T S												6
												283.00
												75.74
												8
												9
												1,222.00
												10
												11
												28.21
												12
												1,608.95
657.88	385.97	36.80	184.68	214.01	2,223.83	871.39	21,385.17	0.07	25.6	3,682.19	8,968.60	64,476.14

I was about to deliver the last one. I had forgotten the address of my last customer, and went into a shop to get the necessary information. In this shop I met a woman who remembered me. She immediately rushed out on to the street, screaming loudly that the heretic had come back. Thereupon a number of men came toward me. I saw at once that there was no way out but to meet the enemy, so praying fervently and

silently, continued walking quietly toward them. As I passed by, greeting them in a friendly manner, a wonderful thing happened. They also quietly passed by, but I caught the last words that they said to each other: 'When he goes into the next house, then we will give it to him!' These words were a warning to me that I should leave the village, and under the protection of an angel I passed on to a new place of labour."

lowed to use them. The next problem which seemed rather difficult to solve was the question of getting our school principal and teachers recognized by the Ministry of Education. Although all teachers do not have their necessary diplomas, yet they all got permission to teach.

Thus we now have an officially recognized school. It co-operates with the Department of the Professional Schools of the Ministry of Education. According to our school programme we teach all the Bible subjects which are taught in our schools elsewhere. Besides these our students study the subjects of the Pro-Gymnasium School.

The Estonian Mission School

BY R. VINGLAS

THE Estonian Mission School has already been working for three years. During each of these years the school has experienced God's rich blessings, but throughout the past school year we have felt God's help and providence in a special way.

During the first two years our school was registered as a course, but last spring, when the second school year had ended, it was decided to try to get our school recognized by the Ministry of Education as a school. This decision was made because a recognized school gives the students better advantages.

Before our school could be registered, our classrooms had to be inspected by the municipal school physician. Although our rooms are rather small and not

very suitable as such, yet we are glad to report that we were al-



Faculty and students of the Estonian Mission School 1937-38.

Thus we were able to start our work in September, 1937, with thirty students, having a school which is recognized by the Government. This experience has greatly encouraged us all and showed us that God has heard our prayers and has given us success in spite of all difficulties.

When we look back upon the work that has been done during the past school year, we can gladly say that the students have done their best, and we have continued our work without any difficulties. Beside the regular school work the students have taken a lively part in the Missionary Volunteer work in Tallin, and have gladly done their share in the Harvest Ingathering and Big Week Campaigns.

On Sabbath, May 28th, we held the closing exercises. In the forenoon Brother Ed. Mägi, our conference president, preached the devotional sermon. At the close of it all students consecrated themselves anew to the service of the Lord. In the afternoon we had a special programme. We had five graduates this year. In their talks they expressed their heartfelt thanks for all they had received during the past three years. They had chosen the motto "In the Master's Footsteps," and on leaving the school it was their desire to grow in faith and knowledge and to follow their Master wherever He would lead them.

Our graduates sat for their State examination in May, and we are happy to report that they had good success. The examinations are in two sessions. In September our graduates will have to sit for the rest of the examination and then we hope they will obtain their Government certificates.

The result of the school year just closed shows that our young people in Estonia need no longer attend worldly schools; they can get the same education in our own school. And above all they can get a Christian education, a deeper knowledge of the Bible—the foundation of all wisdom and precept to life eternal.

The Estonian Mission School looks hopefully forward to the coming school year, knowing that God has rich blessings in store.

Christian Education at Newbold, England

BY LIEF KR. TOBIASSEN

ON May 22nd nine students graduated from the various courses at Newbold Missionary College, our central European training school. Of these graduates three had come to us from fields outside the British Union, two from Sweden, and one from Germany. Of



The three overseas graduates who completed their course at Newbold Missionary College this year. From left to right.—Alberto deMarco, Germany; Vernetta Nord, Sweden; Arnold Wallenkampf, Sweden. Apart from one year at a private girls' school, Miss Nord has attended only Adventist educational institutions throughout her elementary, secondary, and college grades.

the fifteen to twenty students looking forward to graduating in 1939 about half the number are young men and women from overseas.

During the school year 1937-38 as many as fifty students represented fields outside the British Union territory. They came from Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Switzerland, Finland, Estonia, India, Hungary, Canada, Poland, East and South Africa, New Zealand, Germany, the Arabic field, and Australia. A large number of these young people are now mak-

ing plans to continue their education at Newbold.

It has been gratifying to see how well the overseas students have taken hold of the opportunities afforded them. Each one of them has increased the usefulness of his training for wider service. The many fields represented will be able to place greater burdens of responsibility on these men and women when they return. The sacrifice of time and means has been well spent and will yield high interest.

The new school year begins on September 6th. Already a good number of young people from overseas have applied for their place at Newbold. Plans are being made, however, to take in also a limited number of new overseas students. Anyone having completed his course in our denominational school in his home country and being interested in an advanced Adventist education next year, should apply for further information.



In a recent number of a magazine entitled *United Presbyterian*, there appeared the following interesting item:

"In the Takoma Park Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Washington, D.C., there are 555 members. They have established a record of giving which appears to be unexcelled. Last year they gave for all causes the sum of \$76,028 or a per capita giving of \$136.98. There are no wealthy members in the church but they are all faithful tithers, and they take their religion seriously."

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