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Greater Evangelism

While we would not attempt to minimize the importance of the administrative branch of our organized work, departmental and promotional phases, I wish to state emphatically that no work can supersede that of public Evangelism. This is repeatedly stated in the Scriptures as well as the writings of **"The Spirit of Prophecy."** This all important work runs like a golden thread through the Gospels. Daniel speaking through inspiration states, "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." Dan. 12:3. Our Lord gave this assurance to His disciples when He said, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men. What greater calling can there be than to be a follower of Christ, and what greater ambition could we each have than to be a successful Fisher of Men? The names that have engraved the religious pages are men who have been giant exponents of the Word. They rest from their labours and their works do follow them. How different would be our history if we did not have names like Spurgeon, Moody, Luther, Charles Wesley, and in our modern times, Billy Graham, H. M. S. Richards and others.

In recognition of the lateness of the time and the importance of the great unfinished work, the West Indies Union

has voted a Centurion Evangelism plan that is being published in this issue of the "Visitor." We sincerely hope that more ministers will become interested in big Evangelism and dedicate themselves to this important work. Let us no more feel that the Evangelist is the forgotten man of the movement. In reality he is the No. 1 man because he is bringing Christ to the nations. It would not be wrong to state that he is the salt of the Church.

We are extremely happy for the recognition that has been given to one of our Evangelists of the East Jamaica Conference, Pastor H. E. Nembhard, in having one of his sermons published in the "Star", also the increasing interest that is being taken in his broadcasts over J. B. C. periodically on Sunday mornings at 10:15. The last one was on Sunday, March 12, when his message was dedicated to the Christian Home.

Individuals as far as the Cayman Islands have listened with rapt attention to his messages. He has also received many requests for copies of his sermons.

"All who engage in ministry are God's helping hand. They are co-workers with the angels; rather, they are human agencies through whom the angels accomplish their mission. Angels speak through their voices, and work by their hands. And the human workers, co-operating with heavenly agencies, have the benefit of their education and experience."

Education, p. 271.

"Whenever you're working in office or shop,
And however far you may be from the top,
And though you may think you're just treading the mill,
Don't ever belittle the job that you fill.
For however little your job may appear,
You're just as important as some little gear
That meshes with others in some big machine,
That helps keep it going, though never is seen."

—Rail and Tie.

—M. G. Nembhard

Centurion Evangelism

SUBJECT: To develop Centurions (men baptising 100 souls each year) throughout West Indies Union.

I. Requirements:

- At least 100 baptisms in district.
- At least one major effort of from 6-12 weeks per year.

2. Recognition of Achievements:

- Quarterly report in "Visitor" showing status of each aspiring Centurion.
- Picture of individual in "Visitor" when century mark is reached.
- Attendance at yearly council of Centurions — venue to be determined by Union committee. Length of Council to be from 1-3 days. West Indies Union to pay $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$ by local Conference.
- £12 evangelistic equipment free to be shared by Union and Conference ($\frac{1}{3}$ Union; $\frac{2}{3}$ local Conference.)
- One centurion to be chosen by Union on recommendation of local field and made available for three months to other fields in I.A.D.
 - Basic Salary to be paid by local field.
 - Expenses to be paid by calling field.
- "Blue-print Inter-Change Fellowship."
 - Centurions to team up with a worker in some other field of Union for one week.
 - Reverse order for one week.
 - Clearance must be made through employing organization of West Indies Union.

Disaster and Famine Relief Offering

Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived, wrote in Proverbs 11:24—"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." This text can literally be fulfilled in our forthcoming Disaster and Famine Relief Offering, which is to be taken on May 13. This day is being designated "The Day of Self-denial." The day has been so labelled to encourage our people to deny self on this day by sacrificial giving. This giving is ostensibly for the relief of famine areas throughout the world. However, since we are in a disaster area, it may be that we are giving help to ourselves. By that I mean, that should disaster strike anywhere in the West Indies, the benefits that we will derive from the Disaster and Famine Relief offering will far surpass anything that we might give to that offering. We should therefore, do everything possible to make this offering an overwhelming success. This we should do even if it takes self-denial on the part of each of us.

At our last Union committee meeting, it was unanimously voted to raise £540 throughout the Union. This amount was divided among the conferences and missions as follows: East Jamaica Conference £220, West Jamaica Conference £220, Bahamas Mission £80 and the Cayman Islands Mission £20. To many of us, this represents an insignificant amount compared with our demands should a catastrophe strike us such as an hurricane, conflagration, famine or any other unusual event that may happen.

We can all understand that our brethren of the General Conference would do everything in their power to alleviate any suffering caused by disaster. They would be willing to send any amount needed to alleviate whatever suffering was caused in our territory. For this assurance, it seems fitting and proper that each and everyone of us do his part to reach the small goal set for us. May we encourage you to do your part and to encourage others. By scattering we may increase our own benefits, by withholding "more than is meet" we could bring ourselves to want. May the Lord help us to give liberally with a self-denying spirit.

—E. H. Schneider

Lady Symonette Declares Bahamas Welfare Centre Open

Sir Roland and Lady Symonette graced the opening of the Bahamas Mission Relief and Welfare centre by their attendance declaring the service open and ready for business.

Sir Roland, the principal guest speaker, commended the activities of the Bahamas Mission of Seventh-day Adventists for their philanthropic ventures and for the establishing of a relief and welfare depot. He stressed the need of some unfortunate individuals throughout the Bahamas archipelago. His remarks were well received by a capacity crowd who were in attendance at the opening of this important station.

Lady Symonette followed Sir Roland commending the ladies who had laboured indefatigably for the establishing of the welfare centre. These ladies were all dressed in green uniforms which is the established dress of the Seventh-day Adventist welfare units throughout the world. All of these ladies presented a picture that would justify the name that has been given to Seventh-day Adventists welfare workers around the world as "angels in green".

Mrs. R. M. Mote director of the Welfare centre followed Lady Symonette in a speech of thanksgiving for those who have participated in the establishing of the centre.

Pastor A. C. Stockhausen, President of the West Indies Union of Seventh-day Adventists, prayed the dedicatory prayer; Pastor E. H. Schneider, director of the welfare depots throughout the West Indies Union gave a resume of the work of Seventh-day Adventists in their health and welfare services around the world.

In attendance at this opening were Miss Ann Hopkins, director of the Bahamas Red Cross; Reverend and Mrs. Makepeace, chairman of the Christian Council in the Bahamas, who expressed their appreciation for the work of the health and welfare unit.

Major Thomas Brooks of the Salvation Army, and Reverend Otis Brady, Secretary of the Church World Service also expressed their appreciation of the work being carried on by Seventh-day Adventists.

Pastor R. M. Mote, president of the Bahamas Mission, was chairman of the function and was ably assisted by Pastor W. W. Nairn, Secretary-treasurer of the Bahamas Mission.

The Bahamas Mission Relief and Welfare centre in 1960 was able to help 14,902 needy people distributing 10,974 articles of clothing. They furnished 7,387 foodbaskets to the needy, besides their monetary gifts of £3,325. This, Director Mote says, is a small beginning of what will be done in the future.

At the depot both clothing and food stuff are being stock-piled to care for any emergency, should it be hurricane, fire, flood, famine, drought or any other catastrophe. This is only one of the services that Seventh-day Adventists are ready to render for humanity.

The Health and Welfare centre is located on the first floor of the Bahamas Mission office on East Shirley Street, Nassau, Bahamas.

the work by our local Elder, Brother Lorenzo Sterling and others, I heard that Sister pray and thank God for what He had done for her as she had never prayed before.

She had been our treasurer for the past two years and was re-elected for 1961. She is also one of our Mothers in Israel, and is active in house to house work. As a result many are taking their stand for the truth.

The wife of one of our Ordained deacons and another sister also had similar experiences. They also claimed the promise of the Lord and were anointed and prayed for. The great Physician honoured their faith and today they are strong and well, praising God for His loving-kindness toward them.

These Sisters are actively engaged in the work of the church realizing that the work is great and time is short.

The members of the Hunts Town church seek an interest in your prayers, as they move forward under the direction of the Holy Spirit to finish the work in this part of the field.

—Isaac Russell

Ordination of H. N. Moore

The ordination of Hezekiah N. Moore to the gospel Ministry, Sabbath, January 28 at the Grants Town Church, Nassau, Bahamas, was the culmination of sixteen fruitful years in colporteur and evangelistic ministry. Two large churches rasied up and scores of souls won to this message testify well of Brother Moore's untiring labour. His godly wife, who too has been a faithful worker, witnessed his ordination and then shared in his welcome to the ministry.

Pastor E. H. Schneider, Home Missionary Secretary of the West Indies Union delivered the sermon. Pastor A. C. Stockhausen, the West Indies Union president, gave the charge. Pastor William Nairn, the local Secretary-Treasurer, offered the prayer of ordination. The president of the Bahamas Mission, Pastor R. M. Mote, welcomed Pastor Moore to the brotherhood of the gospel ministry. Pastor V. T. Boyce, Treasurer of the West Indies Union also assisted in the service.

Pastor Moore is the fourth worker ordained to the gospel ministry in the Bahamas during the last two years. Pastors S. N. McKinney, N. Scavella and William Nairn were previously ordained. Pastor Moore is now located at Kemps Bay, Andros, where he is in charge of our churches on this Island.

Miracles In Hunts Town Church

Sometime ago a Sister in the church was very sick. She was taken to the Port Maria hospital, where she spent a few weeks, but the doctors could not bring any relief to her suffering so she was sent to the University College of the West Indies. She was there for some time and was sent home without hope of recovery.

On her arrival she sent for her brethren to come and administer the cure given in James 5:13-16. At the close of

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Anyone knowing the present addresses of the Misses Martha Stewart and Estella Martin, members of the Hunts Town S. D. A. Church, kindly communicate with the Clerk.

ISAAC RUSSELL (CLERK)  
HUNTS TOWN, DRESSIKE P. O.



# Honesty and Dishonesty

By Howard A. Munson

Superintendent, Adventist Home, Inc., Livingston, N.Y.

We begin doing business with our fellow men at a tender age. Marvin, an alert Adventist boy of ten years, entered the field of business when he contracted to mow the neighbour's lawn once a week for two dollars. Linda was a little business woman at fifteen years of age, when she sat with Mrs. Brown's children twice a week and was paid a stipulated sum for her work.

Business deals may involve thousands of dollars, or they may involve no money. Mrs. Jones broke a contract when she borrowed a cup of sugar from her neighbour with little intention of ever returning it. A farmer shrugged his shoulders and gave a sly wink, saying, "Business is business," when he successfully sold a horse that was blind in one eye to a neighbour who did not know the defect.

What are the standards under which Seventh-day Adventists do business with their fellow men? Are those standards identical with the standards governing the average business deals throughout the world? Before answering these two questions let me ask and answer some others.

Who is the person we call a Seventh-day Adventist? What are his aims in life? What ideas about his fellow men does he have? What are his ideals? Why is he in business? Before we talk about him as a business-man let us consider him as a man.

## The Highest Standard

No higher standard has ever been set for man than that of being a Seventh-day Adventist. This includes standards covering business conduct. Why? Because his orders come from a perfect God, and his example is Jesus Christ the Righteous. The Bible outlines the programme, and the Holy Spirit urges the man to follow it to the letter.

Certain cardinal beliefs mould the sincere Seventh-day Adventist and the Adventist businessman into a pattern of God's own design. For example: (1) He believes in a loving God who causes all things to work together for good, and he shows his love for God by obedience to His laws; (2) he believes every man is his neighbour, and therefore follows the injunction to "do good unto all men"; (3) he believes that Christ is soon to return to this earth, and with that event in view he guards his thoughts and actions asking daily that the Holy Spirit put the impress of Christ's character upon his life; (4) he knows he cannot take anything, cash or chattels from this world. He, therefore, puts proper values on material possessions.

God hates dishonesty. "A false balance is abomination to the Lord; but a just weight is his delight" (Prov. 11:1). The margin says, "balances of deceit" are an abomination; "a perfect stone" is his delight.

In the business world, dishonesty seems to have several shades of meaning. It is accepted, in some circles, to lie a little if it seems necessary; or to deceive or defraud if it will in all probability never be detected.

But the Seventh-day Adventist businessman will have no part in dishonesty in any form. No matter what the cost may be to himself, he will not use fraud to increase his wealth. He realizes that "the accounts of every business, the details of every transaction, pass the scrutiny of unseen auditors, agents of Him who never compromises with injustice, never overlooks evil, never palliates wrong."—*Education*, p. 144.

To the Christian, honesty means: (1) undeviating integrity to Christian principles, (2) straightforwardness in conduct and dealings with others, (3) absolute freedom from deceit and fraud in any form.

For the true Christian this honesty is habitual; it is as natural as breathing. It is practiced by the man who has patterned his life after the life of Christ, the man who refuses to lie, to steal, or to deceive in the minutest details of his business life. It is this rigid honesty that will be part of the business, the social, the spiritual life, of the Adventist businessman.

"An honest man, according to Christ's measurement, is one who will manifest unbending integrity. Deceitful weights and false balances, with which many seek to advance their interests in the world, are abomination in the sight of God . . . When a man is indeed connected with God, and is keeping His law in truth, his life will reveal the fact; for all his actions will be in harmony with the teachings of Christ. He will not sell his honour for gain. His principles are built upon the sure foundation, and his conduct in worldly matters is a transcript of his principles. Firm integrity shines forth as gold amid the dross and rubbish of the world."—*Testimonies*, vol. 4, p. 310.

"Those who choose honesty as their companion will embody it in all their acts. To a large class, these men are not pleasing, but to God they are beautiful." *Ibid.*, p. 607.

The fact that God hates deceit and fraud in any form is brought out in His command to the children of Israel as recorded in Leviticus 19:35, 36: "Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard or in weight, or in measure. Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye give."

## Dishonest Practices

God's prophets constantly warned the people about dishonest methods in business, yet apparently "a perfect stone" was not easy to find. Merchants we are told, had two sets of stones. The set they used for buying was overweight; the set they used for selling was underweight. In point of fact this was stealing for their own financial advantage. In spite of the civil authorities, these dishonest practices were widespread. Such practices have continued from that day and that land to our own.

During fourteen years of hospital purchasing I had many opportunities to ob-

serve deceit, fraud, and dishonest business practices. One fall day a "farmer" drove up to the hospital door with a load of potatoes in 100-pound sack. His story was that he had driven down from a nearby State and had sold all but this load of 100-pound sacks. He needed to get rid of them in a hurry so he could get back to care for his stock. Therefore he would sell them at a greatly reduced price if I would buy the whole load.

I was reared on a Main farm and knew something about potatoes. I also knew that the previous two nights had been cold enough to freeze potatoes if they were left out in the open. He was eager to make the sale fast, but I insisted that two sacks be put on the ground and opened. This he did, and it took only a few quick presses of my thumbnail into those fine-looking potatoes to tell they had been frozen. In a day or two they would be soft and black and totally unfit for use. The poor "farmer" was sent away to try, I suppose, to dispose of his frozen potatoes to some less-wary customer.

The pocketbook of every citizen is affected adversely by dishonest and fraudulent business practices, even in our so-called Christian nation. Our Government spends large sums trying to control such practices, yet they flourish in almost every field of business. Several Federal regulatory agencies, operating on inadequate appropriations and grossly understaffed, make token attempts to protect the consumer's pocketbook and his health. Other regulatory agencies are operated by the States, and they attempt to check the content of many of the things the consumer eats and wears.

But the task is too great for these organizations. Any day of the year they can find violations in apple cider or antibiotics, applesauce or cancer cures. The public is cheated out of millions of dollars annually by dishonest men using deception, clever advertising, and downright lies to get their poisonous products into the suffering stomachs of millions of people.

While I was in the purchasing business I subscribed to one of the monthly bulletins issued by a Federal regulatory agency. Month after month this bulletin listed firm after firm that had been caught knowingly using decayed, spoiled, putrid foods in their products. Others used cheap and often harmful "fillers" in order to cut costs and increase the profits of their products.

Scales are a widespread source of dishonesty, and large sums are spent to keep merchants in line with honest weights and measures. Recently the largest city in the nation was shocked to learn that housewives had been cheated out of thousands of dollars by meatcutters who were falsifying weights.

(To be continued)



# West Indies Union Mission of Seventh-day Adventists

## TITHE AND MISSION OFFERINGS COMPARISON

| TITHE RECEIPTS  | MISSION OFFERINGS                              |       |       |          |      |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|------|
|                 | For Three Months Ended March 31, 1960 and 1961 |       |       |          |      |
| Organizations   | 1960                                           | 1961  | Gain  | Gain %   | 1960 |
| Bahamas Mission | 3514                                           | 4730  | 1216  | 34.60%   | 2223 |
| Cayman Islands  | 857                                            | 591   | (266) | (31.05%) | 460  |
| East Jamaica    | 12378                                          | 12845 | 466   | 3.77%    | 4594 |
| West Jamaica    | 13929                                          | 14157 | 227   | 1.64%    | 2494 |
| Totals          | 30681                                          | 32325 | 1644  | 5.36%    | 9773 |

God's Gold in My Hand, a free book, for each advent family in Jamaica will soon be in your hands. I am confident that the losses reflected in the above summary will be turned into gains during the second quarter. "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meat, but it tendeth to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." Proverbs 11:24, 25.

V. T. Boyce, TREASURER—WEST INDIES UNION MISSION OF S.D.A.

## First Quarter Centurion Evangelism Report East Jamaica Conference

| Names                | Souls Baptized |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Elder R. W. Ashmeade | 34             |
| " J. G. Bennett      | 19             |
| " K. O. Boyd         | 29             |
| " V. O. Brown        | 7              |
| " W. U. Campbell     | 2              |
| " C. F. Edwards      | 19             |
| " H. E. Nembhard     | 87             |
| " C. A. Newman       | 8              |
| " V. G. Newman       | 8              |
| " C. H. Parchment    | 37             |
| " O. S. Rugless      | 24             |
| " E. C. Walton       | 10             |
| " F. E. White        | 40             |
| " B. A. Woodburn     | 21             |
| " A. A. Hunter       | 24             |
| Mr. H. Holmes        | 10             |
| " A. G. Lawrence     | 13             |
| " C. Clough          | 20             |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>412</b>     |

## West Jamaica Conference

| Dist. No.    | Names             | Souls Bapt. |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 1            | Elder S. Anderson | 34          |
| 2            | " B. McKenzie     | 33          |
| 3            | " V. Miller       | 6           |
| 4            | " B. Henry        | 27          |
| 5            | " R. Williams     | 35          |
| 6            | " W. Kirlew       | 19          |
| 7            | " A. Parchment    | 5           |
| 8            | " H. H. Fletcher  | 45          |
| 9            | " E. C. Reid      | 16          |
| 10           | " C. Salmon       | 22          |
| 11           | " N. Nosworthy    | 20          |
| 12           | " R. Douglas      | 30          |
| 13           | " E. Wright       | 15          |
| 14           | " R. Henry        | 17          |
| 15           | " C. Holness      | 18          |
| 16           | " C. Mair         | 16          |
| 17           | " D. O. Spence    | 22          |
| 18           | " F. Bromfield    | 19          |
| 19           | " T. McLeary      | 27          |
| 20           | " Z. Reid         | 25          |
| 21           | " H. Richards     | 34          |
| 22           | " T. Thompson     | 14          |
| 23           | " G. A. E. Smith  | 10          |
| 24           | " K. G. Vaz       | 7           |
| 25           | Office            | 3           |
| <b>Total</b> |                   | <b>519</b>  |

## The Worth Of A Soul

"To save souls should be the life-work of every one who professes Christ." 4T:53: "In comparison with the worth of one soul, the world sinks into insignificance." 3T:614.

"The worth of a soul cannot be fully estimated by finite minds. How gratefully will the ransomed and glorified ones remember those who were instrumental in their salvation! No one will then regret his self-denying efforts and earnest heart-yearnings for souls that might have been lost had he neglected his duty or become weary in well-doing." 5T:620.

"One soul is of more value to heaven than a whole world of property, houses, lands, money. For the conversion of one soul we should tax our resources to the utmost. One soul won to Christ will flash heaven's light all round him, penetrating the moral darkness, and saving other souls." 6T:22

"But of what value is untold wealth, if it is hoarded in expensive mansions or in back-stock? What do these weigh in comparison with the salvation of one soul for whom the Son of the infinite God has died?" 6T:453

"When you see souls in the kingdom of God saved through your gifts and your service, will not you rejoice that you had the privilege of doing this work?" 6T:480

"The rescue of one soul over whom Satan has triumphed causes joy among the heavenly angels." 8T:73.

"The soul that has given himself to Christ is more precious in His sight than the whole world. The Saviour would have passed through the agony of Calvary, that one might be saved in His kingdom. He will never abandon one for whom he has died. Unless His followers choose to leave Him, He will hold them fast. DA:480.

"The value of a soul, who can estimate? Would you know its worth, go to Gethsemane, and there watch with Christ through those hours of anguish, when He sweat as it were great drops of blood. Look upon the Saviour uplifted on the cross. Hear that despairing cry, 'My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken Me?' Look upon the wounded head, the pierced side, the marred feet. Remember that Christ risked all. For our redemption, heaven itself was imperiled. At the foot of the cross, remembering that for one sinner Christ would have laid down His life, you may estimate the value of a soul." COL:196.

"If but one soul would have accepted the gospel of His grace, Christ would, to save that one, have chosen His life of toil and humiliation and His death of shame. If through our efforts one human being shall be uplifted and ennobled, fitted to shine in the courts of the Lord, have we not cause for rejoicing? MH:135

"The loss of even one soul is a calamity infinitely outweighing the gains and treasures of the world." GC:21

"Only in eternity can we rightly estimate the loss of a single soul." GC:640





Reading from left to right: Lenora Roach, Sandra Cokely, Thelma Musgrave.

The accompanying picture is of three young ladies from the Grants Town Seventh-day Adventist Church who have done excellent work in the Ingathering programme in the Bahamas Mission.

The young lady on the left, Miss Lenora Roach who is fourteen years old and attends the Bahamas Academy raised \$103.60 during the recent campaign. This took much of her time and dedication. Sandra Cokely, who is in the middle gathered in \$72.80. She is fifteen years old and is also a student at the Academy. The smallest girl to the right in the picture, Thelma Musgrave, is twelve years

old. She did hard work to earn \$50.00. Together, these three raised \$226.40 which is not only an unusual accomplishment, but shows what our young people are doing to advance the work of the Third Angel's Message.

We pray that these young ladies will continue to gather funds for the advancement of the Cause, and by their example show others the good work that is being done by the juniors in this year's Ingathering Campaign.

— E. H. Schneider  
Home Missionary Secretary

churches in East and West Jamaica Conferences. Pastor Mote gave very valuable help in his spiritual messages as he visited the churches. He left on Thursday, March 2, for the Bahamas.

On Thursday, March 2, Pastor H. A. Mills left for the Bahamas to conduct a Teachers' Institute. He also visited the Cayman Islands with the purpose of making preparations for a Youth Camp to be conducted there in the Summer.

During the month of March, Dr. H. E. Rice from the General Conference spent a few days at the Andrews Memorial Hospital making a survey of the needs and also made recommendations on general improvements. He left on Thursday, March 9 for British Honduras.

Among the visitors to Jamaica were Pastors F. A. Soper, Associate Secretary of the Temperance Department of the General Conference and V. W. Schoen, of the Inter-American Division. A number of Temperance lectures were given in the larger centres, Montego Bay and Kingston. They left on Friday, March 3.

A very unusual Week of Prayer convened at the Andrews Memorial Hospital from Sabbath, February 25 to March 4. This was especially for the staff and nurses of that Institution. The time for the daily services was 1:30 — 2:30 p.m. The nurses who are at present taking the one year course in Practical Nursing provided special music for the meetings. Pastor M. G. Nembhard was the guest speaker.

Since the first of March, Mrs. Ruth McKinney has joined the Secretarial staff of West Indies Union. Her husband, Pastor Silas McKinney, is taking the advanced Theological Course at West Indies College.

## West Indies College News

### West Indies Union News Flashes

Pastor L. Herbert Fletcher has been appointed Chaplain of the University College of the West Indies, to serve the Seventh-day Adventist group who are now enrolled there. At present there are approximately thirty Seventh-day Adventist students enrolled in the nursing and academic sections. The following places are represented: Jamaica, Barbados, Grenada, North America, Trinidad and St. Kitts.

March 7, was the official field day for the Ingathering of the West Indies College. All the available cars from the Union office, West Jamaica Conference office and the College were used in conveying the students to the various parts

of West Jamaica. This has been a record-breaking field day as £337 0 0 came in from the solicitations of the students. Miss Veronica Perry's group that was conveyed to Sav-la-mar by Pastor Nembhard has received the laurel for the largest returns of £25 8 6.

Pastor D. C. McCalla who has been taking the advanced Theology Course at West Indies College, and who did part-time work in the Voice of Prophecy department of the Union Office, left on February 25 to attend Andrews University in Michigan.

Pastor & Mrs. F. A. Mote spent a number of days in Jamaica visiting the

### INGATHERING

Each year the students and staff of West Indies College join with the thousands of Seventh-day Adventists in Jamaica and around the world in the Annual Ingathering programme.

Our annual field day took place on Tuesday, March 7, and most of the West Jamaica territory was covered on that day. Many students remained at their work but contributed to the programme from their day's earnings.

The total receipts of the day showed an intake of £340 10 6. as a part of the goal of £600. Other means of Ingathering have been used, however, and the total amount thus far received is £594.

We are extremely grateful to God for His blessings.



## ANNUAL SCHOOL PICNIC

At 4:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 15, there was a buzz of activity on the campus of West Indies College. By 5:00 a.m. three bus loads of students were on their way as they began the first leg of the journey that took them for a climb up the Shooters Hill Mountain peak. This was the initial activity of the annual picnic of West Indies College, sponsored by the United Student Movement, under the leadership of Hubert Smith, newly-elected president.

A full day of games including cricket, soft ball, foot ball, volley ball, flat races, was spent at Kirkvine Field, obtained through the courtesy of Alumina Jamaica Ltd. The day's activities were under the direct guidance of Joseph Murray, chairman of the Student Committee on Health and Recreation of the United Student Movement.

Some activities were curtailed by heavy rains and the students returned to the Campus where at 8:00 p.m., under the direction of the Student Committee on Social Education, (Chairman, Israel Kent) a highly educational film was shown.

**Joe Fletcher**

Co-ordinator of Student Activities

## New President Of The U. S. A.

The recent elections which took place in the United States of America drew front headlines in the newspapers over all the world. The citizens of the U.S.A. contested one with the other to decide whether or not the president of their country was to be a Roman Catholic. It seems that while the Protestant vote was divided between the two political parties of the country, the Roman Catholics voted enmasse for their champion, and so it has been decided that for the next four years, the U.S.A. will have a Roman Catholic president for the first time in history.

Now that John Kennedy is to be the president of the United States, we need not necessarily look forward to nor expect too rapid or drastic changes in the subject matter of the country's legislation. The current trend may continue as it has done during the past few decades. There are a few important items before the various legislatures of the country that are being hotly contested, as the demand that Government funds be channelled through to help support Roman Catholic parochial schools or to cover expenses in connection with these schools. There is also the more subtle agitation for "co-operation between Protestants and Catholics" to enforce Sunday legislation, which has the backing of the most powerful of the labour unions. It is to be expected that as far as his authority as president is involved, President Kennedy will uphold the public trend in this direction. Whether or not the new president will endeavour to fill as many public offices with Roman Catholic personnel as possible is another factor to consider.

The real and basic significance of the state of affairs is that after so many decades, the Roman Catholics have reached a point in their steady numerical growth whereby they have succeeded in swinging the pendulum over to their side of the presidential issue. For decades the Roman Catholic population of the U.S.A. has been increasing almost phenomenally, until about one-third or more of the population is Catholic.

This growth has been due not only to natural increase through the birth of Catholic children, or to a steady influx of Roman Catholics by immigration from Europe, but also to carelessness or indifference on the part of many of the Protestant churches in failing to teach their membership properly in regard to the great issues involved in their relationships to the Roman church, for there have been many conversions almost daily to the Roman church. The fact is that there are now so many Roman Catholics in the U.S.A. that they have succeeded in passing the barrier of Protestant opposition in regard to the matter of having a Roman Catholic as their president.

We as Seventh-day Adventists are greatly concerned in this matter although we are not necessarily citizens of the United States. We with some other of the Protestant denominations are students of the prophecies handed down to us through the Holy Scriptures. These prophecies reveal the climax to be reached in the last days of earth's history, especially of some texts such as that one in Revelation 13:3, which states, "And all the world wondered after the beast" and in verse 8, which states, "And all that dwell upon the face of the earth shall worship him whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." "If any man have an ear, let him hear." This short article has not the space to present before its readers all that the Scriptures have to say on this subject, and the providential warnings given to those whose hearts and understanding are open to these prophetic utterances, as found repeated over and over again in both the Book of Revelation and the Book of Daniel. We would advise our people to read again Chapter 35 of "The Great Controversy", by Ellen G. White. On page 573 is found the following words — "In the movements now in progress in the United States to secure for the institutions and usages of the church the support of the state, Protestants are following in the steps of the papists. Nay, more, they are opening the door for the papacy to regain in Protestant America the supremacy which she has lost in the Old World."

May God grant us the power of the Holy Spirit to carry forward the work entrusted to us with greater power before the day comes when the powers that be shall close the door and leave us to face the issue of suppression and persecution that is foretold in the Holy Scriptures.

Love and loyalty to Christ are the spring of all true service. In the heart touched by His love, there is begotten a desire to work for Him. Let this desire be encouraged and rightly guided.

E. G. White, Ed. P. 268

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## ADVENTIST YOUTH LEADER WRITES NATIONAL ANTHEM:

The Samoan national anthem, which will be sung for the first time officially at ceremonies marking that land as self-governing, was composed by Sauni I. Kuresa, assistant youth leader for the Seventh-day Adventist Samoa Mission. The mission choir sang it at the time it was elected by the government committee appointed to find a national anthem.

## ADVENTISTS GIVEN LEGAL STATUS IN JORDAN

Seventh-day Adventists now enjoy legal status as a bona fide denomination in Jordan, a decree to this effect having been signed by King Hussein.

## BIBLE THE BEST SELLER IN JAPAN:

The Bible was the best-selling non-fiction book in Japan during 1960, with total sales of 1,886,900 volumes. This total is second only to Bible distribution in the United States of some 10,000,000 volumes. Since the end of World War II, 27,074,553 Scripture volumes have been sold in Japan, and Bible quotations are appearing with increasing frequency in Japanese newspapers.

— Signs of the Times, April 1961

## Obituary

**THEOPHILUS GORDON** was born June 5, 1885. He married Ethel Gordon October 1910, and accepted this message in 1918. Up to the time of his death he remained a faithful member of the Hunts Town S. D. A. Church. After a long period of suffering he passed away February 13, 1961. He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, five daughters, four sons, grand children and many friends in his community.

We look forward to meeting him in the First Resurrection when the Life Giver shall call the sleeping saints from their graves.

Isaac Russell

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