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The Impact of Medical Ministry upon the Gospel Message

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Only those who have experienced the prejudice and disfavor of non-Christian people in their attitude toward Christianity will fully appreciate the situation of those attempting to preach Christ in the face of such circumstances.

Our first missionaries in the town of Nuzvid, South India, found themselves in a decidedly hostile atmosphere. This was manifested by all, from the small children on the street to the men and women in their homes where, when the doctor entered to visit the sick, cooking vessels were rudely seized and drawn well away from the doctor's pathway so that his presence or shadow might not defile these articles.

A little later the favorite son of the Hindu head priest was brought into the hospital not expected to live. Under no other circumstance would he have consented to come. The skillful care of Dr. A. E. Coyne with the added blessing of God soon restored this youth to excellent health. Immediately the father became the fast friend of the doctor and his hospital. More than that, he discovered that his Christian physician had something about him which had never been seen before in those parts. He gave the same kindly attention to the poorest coolie as to the wealthy merchant. The nurses and helpers, though from the out-caste community, were Christians and carried themselves with a dignity and yet with a devotion to duty which demanded not only respect for them personally but also an inter-

est in the religion which had brought such a change in their lives. The ultimate result of this experience was the breaking down of caste and religious prejudice; and a very cordial attitude toward Christians and their religion took its place. An interest in learning more of our religion exists even among the higher castes. This change has opened the way for our schools and evangelistic work to follow.

The Spirit of prophecy gives much instruction regarding the union which must exist between religious teaching and health education and living. We are told that "without this union neither part of the work is complete. The medical missionary work is the gospel in illustration."

Medical services provide opportunities to reach many hearts with the story of Jesus' love and saving power who could not otherwise be contacted. An example of this is noted in an incident reported by Alberta Hodde, director of nurses of the Rio de Janeiro Clinic and Rest Home in Brazil:

"We have had some excellent contacts through the 'right arm' of the work. Some months ago a young woman from a wealthy family came to the clinic for rest and treatments. Soon after her arrival she stated that she was unhappy and dissatisfied with life in general. It seemed that her soul longed for something better than she had, in spite of the pious life she was living as a member of her church. She faithfully attended her own church almost daily, and on various occasions I found her on her knees seeking the Lord in prayer. One day she entered into a discussion

of the teachings of Seventh-day Adventists with two of our clinical workers. The outcome of this was that she secured a Bible and studied it carefully. To make a long story short, she fully accepted the Bible truths and is now a consecrated Seventh-day Adventist. She has returned to her home in the interior, and writes us that her family has a marked interest in this religion of hers and some of them want to begin Bible studies with our Bible instructor in that town. Great has been our joy in seeing a soul accept the truth as a result of our medical work."

God expects his commandment-keepers to maintain healthful environments. This is apparent from the fact that the law of God, and the sanitary regulations for the camp of the children of Israel were given to Moses. A unique, present-day illustration of the practical working out of this divine requirement is noted in an observation made of Pitcairn Island. A reliable public health publication entitled "Global Epidemiology, A Geography of Disease and Sanitation" by Dr. J. S. Simmons and others, includes a detailed report of the health status and services of the island. It will be recalled that Adamstown, with a population of approximately two hundred, is the only village on the island. This public health report indicates that this community is a model of neatness and cleanliness; also that the religious emphasis of the people necessitates a clean-up of the community every Friday in preparation for the Sabbath. Is it not significant that the cleanliness of this tiny island should be conspicuous among the islands studied.

and should be reported in a scientific treatise of global epidemiology?

The results are the same the world around and throughout all eras of history. It is said that on the plaque which marks the grave of Doctor Elizabeth Blackwell, the first woman physician, there is inscribed a quotation from one of her lectures. It reads: "It is only when we have learned to recognize that God's law for the human body is as sacred as—nay, is one with God's law for the human soul, that we shall begin to understand the religion of the heart."

In most of our major mission fields the value of the medical ministry has been fully appreciated and this phase of our work has been given great emphasis. In order that our medical work may be established on a firm basis, a training program has been initiated to educate medical workers in their own fields. Unless there are those on the ground who in their own country serve their own people, we cannot feel that the work is fully established. In India, in the Far East, in China, in Australia, and in Europe we have established strong nurses' training schools. The students in these schools are to become the workers of tomorrow. In some parts of the world, as in China, excellent progress has been made in the education of our own national doctors to become medical missionaries. Of our fourteen hospitals in China, ten are under the complete control of our national doctors—and what a wonderful work they are doing! In Tsingtao, north of Shanghai, our Doctor Abraham in his little hospital is so highly regarded that he has been made the physician and surgeon for our American consular officials. Over in Lanchow, in Northwest China, our national doctor has been made the family physician of the local army officers and also of the governor of that province. This physician is in addition a very energetic evangelist. What a wonderful opportunity! A physician and surgeon in the family circle of the governor, teaching Christ! How else could this work be better done? Yes, all over China we have a loyal band of medical workers healing China's diseases and preaching the gospel to China's confused and hopeless masses.

It is not alone in China and other non-Christian lands that medical ministry is carrying the gospel. Nor is it only in our medical institutions in this country that such witness to the truth is being given. Besides our hundreds

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Church Dedication

The White Plains Seventh-day Adventist church was organized in February, 1915, and for over a quarter of a century its members worshiped in the various halls of the city. In June of 1946, however, this picture was changed, for the small group moved into its present church home. The writer and his wife then found themselves comfortably ensconced in a very beautiful and spacious six-room parsonage and the members were finally

of faithful physicians and nurses, there is an ever-growing number of laymen who are learning how to bring comfort, help, and cheer to those who are ill. More and more Adventists are known as people who can be called upon in times of illness and distress.

One of our sisters in Canada was called to visit at the home of a newly-arrived neighbor. She was shown the sick child, with the explanation that upon learning she was a Seventh-day Adventist these people were sure she would know what to do for the child. "But," the Adventist sister remarked, "why do you call me to see one who is seriously ill? This child needs a doctor." The reply was, "Yes, but they tell me you are a Seventh-day Adventist. Over in Alberta a Seventh-day Adventist lady cared for people all over that part of the country. Even the doctors would send her the less serious cases. We thought you would know what to do."

Yes, even here at home every church should have a program of health education, both for its own members and for others. The home missionary society should have an active program for visiting and helping the sick. There should be full justification for the impression that Seventh-day Adventists can be looked to for help when illness strikes in the home. We have the example of our Saviour as the most consistent Friend of those in distress. How many homes were opened to Jesus because of the sympathy, the comfort and healing, which characterized His ministry! Shall we not allow the ministry of healing to hold that vital place in our activities which it held in the ministry of our Saviour?

located in a church edifice of their own.

The interior of the church was decorated and, for a few years, all went well until fire broke out early in this year and in a matter of minutes almost demolished the entire building. Discouragement was rampant but God in His mercy wrought order out of chaos and confusion and immediately after this, the building was again placed in order with a few additions—a new piano, the installation of a modern automatic heating plant for both the parsonage and the church; the complete renovation of the basement, making room for the Junior Sabbath School Department and the various activities carried on by the Young People's M. V. Society; and last, but by no means least, the lifting of the church debt.

Services for the dedication of the church were held September 17-18. On Friday evening, the pastor and choir from the A.M.E. Zion church of White Plains were present and rendered a very good program. At the worship hour, Sabbath, September 18, Elder L. H. Bland, our conference president, brought a soul-stirring message to the membership and representatives of all the churches of the conference. We were happy to have with us Elder and Mrs. George E. Peters. Elder Peters brought to us the dedicatory message at the four o'clock service in the afternoon. All present, I

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am sure, will long remember his much needed and inspiring message.

Some of the many visitors, along with the above mentioned, were: Elder F. E. Roy Jeffries, pastor of City Tabernacle church, New York City; Elder Owen N. Holiness, from Manchester, Jamaica, British West Indies; Pastor George Earle, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mr. Moses Mayne, Book and Bible House Manager, Northeastern Conference; Sister Rosa Lee Jones, a former member and now Bible Instructor of Ephesus, New York City, and scores of others.

"To the glory of God our Father, by whose favor we have built this house, to the praise of the Holy Spirit, source of life and light, we dedicate this house, O God, to Thee. For worship in prayer and in song . . . we dedicated this house. O God, to Thee. We, the people of the White Plains church, consecrate ourselves anew and dedicate ourselves and the entire church building to the cause and service of God." E. A. LOCKETT

Priceless Treasures

At such a time as this, when the conditions of earth have decidedly taken a downward plunge, when men have forsaken the counsels of our all-wise loving Father and have instead, substituted their pseudo-cures for the world's ills, and for their own benefits, we as a people should feel grateful to God for allowing us to become depositors of His word. Yet, it is a very unfortunate thing that we do not sufficiently read the golden books that contain the priceless treasures of earth. No wonder it is that we fail to enlighten souls who ask counsel of us on some technical points.

Permit me to ask a few searching questions. Do you fully understand the significance of the 2,300 days instead of the mere theory? Do you have the faith and courage of our fathers? Do you want to read of real and lasting adventures? And best of all do you want to be drawn by the side of Him with whom you will live forever? If so, be sure to read the following books which you may obtain from the Northeastern Book and Bible House, 560 West 150th St., New York, N. Y.:

Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers\$5.00
Keith Argraves the Paratrooper1.50
The Return of Jesus, Deluxe (special)	4.20
Mysteries Unveiled (special)	.80
Radiant Religion (special)	.80
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Illustrated Bible Studies

Saturday evening, October 16, found Lloyd Johnson and Arnold Cann conducting their regular illustrated Bible study class group in a private home at Mount Hill. These men are laymen who first received their instruction through the Voice of Prophecy and later from our local ministers. Neither one has as yet been baptized but they are earnestly pointing people to the "Lamb of God."

The Bible words and pictures were shown on an improvised screen which was located at the end of a long cement porch. Many chairs were occupied while other listeners stood or found a seat along the porch rail. It was a blessed thrill to notice the reverence manifested as the thirty-five young people were called to prayer. The subject was "The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast." At the closing appeal Brother Johnson called for a response from those who desired the seal of God. Many raised their hands and signified that they wished to keep the holy Sabbath in spirit and truth.

At the conclusion of this service another Bible study was held inside the home by the writer. Those in attendance were seven older ones who studied about "Victory through Faith in Christ." There was an earnestness felt that convinced those present that Christ was near with power from the Holy Spirit.

We feel to congratulate these workers for their interest in giving the message. On the other hand we must

Let us make use of our opportunity, for "reading maketh a full man" and preserveth the soul. Be assured of prompt service.

M. MAYNE

SPECIAL DATES 1948 -

Nov. 6 Home Missionary Day
Nov. 6-27 Review & Herald Campaign
Nov. 13 . 2nd Sabbath Mission Offering
Nov. 13-20 . . . Wk. of Prayer & Sacrifice
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day
Dec. 4 Home Missionary Day
Dec. 11 . 2nd Sabbath Mission Offering
Dec. 25 . . . 13th Sabbath Offering
(Middle East, W. Africa, Ethiopia)

realize that the service rendered to God is in itself the greatest blessing of life. Those who bring souls to the truth will with Paul exclaim: "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? For ye are our glory and joy," I Thess. 2:19, 20.

R. W. PRATT

Our Church School

Members of the Southampton church have responded well to the need for more room for their church school. A commodious room has been built adjoining the room ordinarily occupied for school purposes. This added room makes it possible to accommodate the children in a much better way, especially at their general assembly meetings.

With Mr. Adrian Simons as instructor, the school opened September 14 with thirty-two pupils in attendance. Yes, thirty-two lives like tender plants in dire need of careful cultivation and protection, young lives to be fed with the Bread of Life and watered with the abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit. When you pray, will you add to your already long prayer list, the Southampton church school? Thank you.

R. W. PRATT

As the Sabbath Begins

Brother George Hinds of Somerset reports that an average of twelve people are visiting his home every Friday evening. They are finding out about the threefold message of Revelation 14:6-14. Two are keeping the Sabbath, six are definitely interested in doing so, while eleven are progressing in the Christian way as they study the 20th Century Bible course.

What a wonderful way to open each new Sabbath day. Nearly all of us could enjoy this blessed privilege if we only would. Let us remember, "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Prov. 11:30.

R. W. PRATT

Let us not ask God for lighter loads, but for stronger backs.

The smallest good deed is far better than the grandest intentions.

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Our Church Schools

We are happy to note that this year when the church schools opened their doors for our boys and girls, three new schools were added to the list in the Greater New York Conference. Our schools for 1948-1949 now stand as follows, with the three new ones given first:

Schools	Teachers
Middletown	Mrs. A. R. Lawson
Kingston	Mrs. Mary Belle Thompson
Woodside	Mrs. June Gorman
Washington Avenue	Mrs. Helga Esteb
	Mrs. Mary Silva
	Mrs. Marie Ulloth
Spanish Bronx	Mrs. Doris Shaw
Danish Norwegian	Miss Ruth Ekdahl
Staten Island	Miss Shirley Barnell
Newburgh	Mrs. Hilda Tessier
Poughkeepsie	Miss Mary Ann Mead

We are glad for this increase in church schools. Statistics reveal that investment in the church school pays dividends—varied and manifold. It adds a new beat to the pulse of the church that no other activity can supply! It constitutes "evangelism" of the first magnitude! It brings new life into the church—it is God's blueprint for the saving of our boys and girls!

May God richly bless our church schools this year. We are praying that other new schools will join the ranks next year.

WILLIAM E. BURNS

New York German Church

On October 16 we had another beautiful baptism in the New York German church. Six dear people were baptized and one was taken in by profession of faith. Since some were not able to be in this baptism we may have to have another one before the end of the year. We do praise the Lord for the many great and wonderful blessings we receive from His hands.

The work for the foreigners is not yet finished in the United States. There are thousands of precious souls waiting for this wonderful advent message. The good Lord brought those precious souls to America for us to give them the message. Many of those foreigners will never be reached unless the mes-

sage is brought to them in their mother tongue. The future is bright for God's people. Many thousands will join our ranks before the door of probation will close. Let us pray for those precious souls.

J. A. WASENMILLER

Wayfarer Bible

The Bible House, headquarters of the American Bible Society, stands on one of the busiest corners in New York City. In a window on Park Avenue the Bible Society has maintained a Wayfarer Bible for more than ten years—the page is turned every day and an arrow points to a specially chosen passage. The Book is lighted all through the night.

Do You Read Spanish?

There has come to the GLEANER office a sample copy of the *Review and Herald*, World Edition, in the Spanish language. While some of us can not read it, when we see the words *Cristo*, *la Biblia*, and *el Sabado*, they thrill us in any language.

This paper is published each month in Cristobal, Canal Zone. We know our Spanish-speaking believers who receive it are encouraged by reading in their own language the reports of our work in various parts of the world. If you know of some who should have this paper and do not have it, please tell them about it. The price is only \$1.00 a year. It can be secured through your Book and Bible House.

Do not forget your life may be the only Bible your neighbors ever read.

Staten Island Church

Beginning Sabbath, October 23, the time of the Staten Island church services has been changed. Sabbath school now begins at 1:30 P.M., and the church service at 3:00 P.M.

SUNSET TABLE

Eastern Standard Time

	Nov. 5	Nov. 12
S. Lancaster, Mass.	4:35	4:28
Portland, Maine	4:27	4:19
Syracuse, N. Y.	4:52	4:44
New York, N. Y.	4:47	4:40
Add one minute for each 13 miles west. Subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.		

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Dorcas Federation Officers for 1949

Our church Dorcas leaders may wish to clip out and keep the following list of 1949 Dorcas Federation officers. These officers were elected at the recent Federation meetings held throughout the conference.

Federation No. 1

President—Mrs. Helen Johns, 4 So. Marble Street, Stoneham 80, Mass.; Vice President—Mrs. Elizabeth Lindquist, 1 Wilson Rd., Stoneham, Mass.; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Brahm, 311 Granite Ave., E. Milton, Mass.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Rosamund L. Howes, South Lancaster, Mass.

Federation No. 2

President—Mrs. Adele Emin, 157 Jewett St., Providence 6, R. I.; Vice President—Mrs. C. Taylor, R.F.D. 1, Great Rd., Saylesville, R. I.; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. L. Sargeant, 79 Central Ave., Seekonk, Mass.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Elsie Sumner, 30 Plymouth St., Middleboro, Mass.

Federation No. 3

President—Mrs. Marie Mathewson, 662 Savin Ave., West Haven, Conn.; Vice President—Mrs. Daisy Shreve, 13 Meadowbrook Rd., Fairfield, Conn.; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. M. Miller, 581½ Pequot Ave., New London, Conn.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Elsie Marsh, Mansfield Center, Conn.

Federation No. 4

President—Mrs. N. E. Cushman, Sheffield, Mass.; Vice President—Mrs. A. C. Butler, 30 Flansburgh Ave., Dalton, Mass.; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Alice Turner, R.F. D., Athol, Mass.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. E. L. Parker, Shelburne St., Greenfield, Mass.

The Conference Federation Officers elected during camp meeting are as follows:

President—Mrs. Chester Meyer, Old Common Road, Auburn, Mass.; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Louise Abell, 61 Hancock St., Fitchburg, Mass.

News Notes

Fifty Per Cent Increase. Elder H. E. Fagal baptized five candidates Sabbath, October 16, all being received into membership of the Waterbury church. This increases the membership of that church from ten to fifteen—a 50% increase.

Elder and Mrs. H. E. Fagal are also rejoicing over a 50 per cent increase in their home circle, caused by the arrival of Carolyn Delight on October 11. Congratulations and God's blessings!

Colporteur News. Our local and union field secretaries were in Hartford, Sabbath, October 16. Five of the Hartford church members indicated their desire to take up the colporteur work. Mrs. W. Burke of Lynn, and Mrs. Paul Burgess of Stoneham are now canvassing on a part-time basis. Brother Burgess plans to start soon. Peter Battistoni of New Britain, at present a part-time worker, will become a full-time colporteur November 1. More and more of our people are sensing the importance of the colporteur-evangelist work and we are glad to welcome new members to our ranks.

Home Nursing Refresher Course. Seven graduate nurses have been selected to attend a refresher course on techniques of conducting home nursing classes to be given at the New England Sanitarium. When they have completed this course they will return to their churches to conduct classes in home nursing. These nurses were chosen at the recent Dorcas Federation meetings and will represent their respective federations. They are as follows:

Mrs. Marjorie Campbell, Worcester
Mrs. Isabella Martin, Everett
Mrs. Selina Putnam, Providence
Mrs. Elizabeth Koppel, Pawtucket
Mrs. Harden, New London
Mrs. Gladys Ford, Bridgeport
Mrs. Ivan Greene, Northampton

Sabbath School Statistics. The Sabbath School Statistical Report issued by the General Conference for the quarter ending June 30, 1948, shows that we have 56 Sabbath schools in our conference, with a membership of 4,533. According to this report only 71% of our church members are attending Sabbath school, which means that 29% of our members are missing a great blessing each week. The total Sabbath school offerings for the quarter amounted to \$17,013.20, or a per capita of 27.4¢ per week. In 1947 our Sabbath school offerings amounted to 16.5¢ for every \$1.00 tithe, whereas in 1948 these offerings amounted to 15.9¢ for every \$1.00 tithe. As stated in last week's GLEANER our tithe shows a good increase so far this year, as compared with last year, which shows that the Lord has prospered our members. Let us therefore return thanks to the Lord for His goodness to us by being faithful in our tithes and free-will offerings.

The Ten Commandments. How

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Bible Course Influences

It is always heartening to see honest souls study the message and accept it unhesitatingly. There are those, however, who are somewhat bewildered by the array of Bible truth presented. They seem unable to shake off the conviction that has been formed by early training and religious teaching. In order to help our students obtain a clearer conception of the truths taught, we have provided a free lending library. Such books are included as the "Conflict of the Ages" Series, *Christ Object Lessons*, *Ministry of Healing*, *The Sabbath*, *A Faith To Live By*, *Daniel and The Revelation*, *The Abiding Gift of Prophecy*, *Stewardship*, and many others.

The plan is proving very successful and is having a molding influence even on those who have failed to respond at the close of the thirty-lesson Bible course.

One student writes thus: "I am very sorry I did not return this book (*Acts of the Apostles*) as I should, but my Nazarene pastor wanted to read it and he enjoyed it so much I will gladly pay for keeping it too long. I want to say that it is certainly a wonderful book."

A lady in the Moosehead Lake region of Maine, far removed from the influence of any of our believers, writes: "I am sorry to have kept the book over my allotted time but I did so much want to finish reading it, even tho' company hindered. I enjoyed it very much and I'm beginning to understand better what is expected of us as Christians, and why."

many have read the book *The Ten Commandments* by Taylor G. Bunch? You would never think the Decalogue could be so comprehensive until you have read this book. You are going to have a chance to read it soon. How? It is the study help to be used with the first quarter Sabbath school lessons for 1949. Just a tip to save you money—this book is now \$1.50, but between November 15 and December 31 you can buy it for \$1.35. Place your orders early with the Southern New England Book and Bible House, South Lancaster, Mass.

A few days ago a letter came from a Vermont student who has unhesitatingly disagreed with our teaching on the Sabbath. In spite of this attitude she continues to ask for our larger books which may in time change her attitude. She said: "Not being interested in church doctrine I felt the lessons on the Sabbath were more propaganda for the cause of the Seventh-day Adventists, than an honest-to-goodness plain Bible study. To be perfectly frank I would not have taken the course if I had known it was to spread Adventist doctrine. But to get away from things I don't like to things I do, I must say I think the outline and form of the lessons are excellent. You ask if the course has been a help? Yes, most certainly."

One man, who had written, "You are still 'straining at gnats', I am anxious to get on with more important teachings," wrote after completing the course: Please send me two more (enrollment) cards and a *Marked Bible*, also Reading Course Books, *Acts of the Apostles*, and *Steps to Christ*. I think I need more help."

The influence of the Bible course is beyond our ability to measure. It is a question whether any heart that has been touched by its message will be able to withstand the silent, imperceptible effect exerted. Given time the enemy's stronghold must surely crumble beneath that gentle but persuasive influence. Our part is to bring as many hearts as possible where they will be touched.

S. B. OLNEY

Enlarging Our Influence

The Dorcas-Welfare work is the entering wedge for the reception of the message just as much as is the medical missionary work. Before the peculiar features of the message are presented, the hearts of those for whom we labor should be won by acts of kindness, sympathy, and helpfulness. The task of enlarging our influence faces our Home Missionary forces. This can be more fully accomplished when a strong Dorcas organization is active in the church.

The following Dorcas Federation meetings will be of deep interest to every church in the conference as well as every one of our sisters. Elder G. R. Nash will be with us for the first three of these meetings to help organize more fully our new welfare program.

These Federation meetings present an

opportunity for isolated sisters to take part in the Dorcas work and share in its objectives. We would like to have more than just Dorcas leaders attend. Take the day and come to the Federation meeting nearest your home, bringing a basket of lunch. When the day is over you will be aware that you have missed a great deal in the past by not attending.

Aroostook Federation - Presque Isle Church - Sunday, October 31.

Southern Maine Federation - Norridgewock Church - Monday, November 1.

New Hampshire Federation - Concord Church - Wednesday, November 3.

Northern Vermont Federation - Burlington Church - Sunday, November 28.

These meetings will convene from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. on the days specified.

S. B. OLNEY

News Notes

The following churches are planning a systematic distribution of literature: Kezar Falls, Burlington, Cliff Island, Brattleboro, Randolph, Bath, Woodsville, Presque Isle, Rochester, and Richmond. A 20th Century card is being placed with each tract. We know that the Lord will bless in this work.

T. K. Martin and Harold Wagar, of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, recently spent some time in Portland and vicinity. Pictures of denominational interest were being taken and will be seen in coming issues of the *Review and Herald*.

The *Temperance Bulletin* for the fourth quarter is now ready. The price is \$1.00 per hundred and \$7.50 per thousand. Each church has a Temperance Fund, and the purchase of these bulletins would be very timely. Order through the Northern New England Book and Bible House, Box 1340, Portland, Maine.

The Road Back

THE ROAD BACK by R. E. Finney. Not since *The Marked Bible* was issued has any book come off our presses that carries the reader so convincingly through all the principal arguments of the advent faith as this compelling narrative. It is the true

New York Conference M. V. Rallies

Youth, attention! A series of rallies for youth will be held in the New York Conference in the next few weeks. Plan to attend. Enjoy Christian youth fellowship at its best. Devotional, Inspirational, Educational, Christian recreation and moving pictures Saturday evening.

The Book and Bible House will have their attractive display of Bibles, 1949 Reading Course Books, etc., that was so well received last year.

October 30, Olean — November 6, Glens Falls — November 27, Rochester — December 4, Jamestown.

H. W. BASS
M. V. Sec.

story of the Goodrich family and their conversion to the Sabbath and allied truths through an evangelistic campaign held in their city. There is a thread of romance running through the pages of this book so chastely and interestingly told that it will appeal in a special way to young hearts. Some of the fundamental themes are treated with full sermon outlines thus making the book particularly helpful as a missionary medium. (Price 50¢.) Order from the Northern New England Book and Bible House, Box 1340, Portland, Maine.

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MARK OF THE BEAST, by Charles T. Everson. Obviously this new booklet is doctrinal and discusses a controversial subject, so it should not be handed out indiscriminately as is commonly done with the devotional titles in this series. On the other hand, thousands of our people will appreciate having in print this sermon by Elder Everson which deals with the question in a clear but restrained fashion that should not give offense to any honest seeker after truth. Price 10¢.

WHICH DAY OF THE WEEK DID CHRIST SANCTIFY, BLESS, AND KEEP? by Charles T. Everson. Another sermon by Elder Everson reprinted for distribution through the Pocket Companion Series. The title suggests the content and the presentation is fully up to Elder Everson's well-known standard of preaching and power of persuasion. Price 10¢.

Wedding

The little Adventist church in Oshawa, Ontario, was the scene of a simple wedding service which united Olivine Nadeau and John Frederick Bohner, Jr., on August 15.

Mrs. Cecil Marsden provided an appropriate background of sacred organ music. The groom's father, Elder J. F. Bohner of Syracuse, New York, performed the ceremony, assisted by Pastor J. E. Griffiths of Bowmanville, Ontario.

After a brief trip through the Catskill mountains the couple returned to Syracuse, where they are teaching in the new church school at 1005 James Street.

We never see drift-wood floating up stream.

OBITUARIES

YELLAND—Mada Wendell Yelland was born in Woburn, Mass., July 9, 1874, and was married to Frederick W. Yelland, August 11, 1897. To this union were born four children, Irving W. of Woburn, Malcolm T. of Stoneham, John S. of Peterboro, N. H., and Edith Ardelle of Orlando, Fla., all of whom survive her.

Sister Yelland embraced the third angel's message a little over fifty years ago, and comes from a family who have been active in various phases of missionary activity of the Seventh-day Adventist church. She was a member of the Boston Temple for over thirty years and served in its many departments. For the past four years she has been an active member of the Pasadena, California, S.D.A. church, cheering its Home Department members with her encouraging letters.

Sister Yelland passed away at the New England Sanitarium in Melrose, Thursday evening, October 7, 1948, and will rest in the Newton, Mass., cemetery, awaiting the soon-coming of her Saviour. In addition to her four children she is survived by six grand-children, two brothers, Paul C. Wendell of Woburn, Robert E. Wendell of Canaan, N.H., and a sister, Mrs. Jotham Hobbs of Fairfield, Maine, besides many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted in the Boston S. D. A. Temple, Sunday afternoon.

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LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

Report for Week Ending October 9, 1948

GREATER NEW YORK

R. D. McGann, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

Miss Hazel Brent, *Asst.*

DeJesus, P.	41	126 50	116 50
Potash, A.	37	125 25	89 75
Thirado, M.	31	87 70	55 50
Addicks, A.	23	114 50	91 00
Norheim, L.	20	35 75	21 00
St. Amant, R.	18	17 25	17 25
Peterfreund, F.	12	22 45	22 45
Murray, A. & J.	11	35 00	35 00
Melin, A.	6	24 50	24 50
Paulien, E.	5	6 45	6 45
Ceislser, I.	4	17 45	6 45
Pothman, H.	2	3 25	3 25
Curtis, B.	1	2 75	50
Woodworths, T.		63 00	63 00
Turner, D.			30 00
Higgs, A.	9	5 50	7 70
Outhouse, V.	6	20 00	20 00
Benoit, L.	27	134 65	182 15
St. Amant, R.	10	17 50	17 50
Schub, J.	6	29 90	13 15
Laurell, D.	4	11 25	9 50
Mier, B.	4	15 00	15 00
Oliveir	2	30 00	
Alvarez, J.	2		15 00
Ortiz, H.	2	6 40	6 40
Medina	2	3 75	3 75
Vega, E.	2	3 40	3 40
Guerrero, E.	2	2 85	2 85
Santos, S.		10 00	
Aguirre, A.		8 50	8 50
29 Colporteurs	289	980 50	887 50

NEW YORK

Charles Dilts, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

Mrs. Phyllis Margerum, *Asst.*

Jensen, B.	51	113 55	113 55
Cox, L.	50	209 05	59 80
Walkowiak, C.	43	99 25	99 25
Walkowiak, C.	42	107 00	107 00
White, C.	35	69 00	
Waldo, CE & DP	24	70 00	33 25
Mills, M.	23	55 55	55 55
Hooenboom, A.	12	350 00	350 00
Kitzrow, B.	8	27 00	
Morrison, Mrs.	6		20 25
White, D.	5		
Kinnicutt, L.	4	16 00	16 00
Evans, A.	3	7 75	75
Cleveland, Mrs.	2	12 00	
Nitchman, H.		10 00	10 00
15 Colporteurs	308	1146 15	865 40

NORTHEASTERN

C. M. Willis, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

M. Morrison, S. O. James, M. Barber, *Assts.*

Bell, M.	53	147 50	157 50
New Haven Group	26	120 00	120 00
Johnson, M.	17	68 50	37 70
Carter, E.	16	13 00	13 00
Bridgeport Group	14	38 00	36 00
Worker, A.	13	60 00	60 00
Coleman, R.	8	14 00	14 00
Douglass, T.	5	5 00	5 00
Douglass, T.	3	3 65	3 65
Campbell, V.	56	112 15	112 15
Anderson, G.	49	159 90	178 10
Hughes, F.	37	142 00	58 50
Starks, L.	33	96 25	40 75
Snowden, I.	28	36 95	36 95
Stanley, C.	27	42 50	44 00
Coates, P.	26	8 40	37 00
Nelson, S.	24	74 85	74 60
Cargill, C.	24	29 75	29 75
Heyliger, J.	16	50 75	37 00
Heyliger, J.	15	70 30	23 50
Brown, R.	10	27 90	5 40

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Watson, R.	3	2 65	2 65
Powell, L.	2		4 55
Edgecombe, J.	40	104 65	85 40
Davis, F.	35	109 00	103 75
Lawrence, A.	30	183 00	32 50
Smith, K.	30	99 95	66 70
Farrell, M.	30	10 55	41 15
Colins, L.	29	121 00	36 50
Jones, S.	29	112 65	18 65
Lawrence, J.	24	63 00	59 75
Bramwell, M.	22	85 10	20 60
Bethel Aux.	20	61 50	61 50
White, E.	20	45 00	45 00
Williams, M.	20	21 90	9 40
Jones, S.	20	20 00	3 00
Carter, V.	17	53 75	
Thompson, F.	4		22 50
Morgan, M.	36	196 13	111 63
Lee, V.	34	30 00	30 00
Barber, S.	33	85 75	85 75
Brunson, M.	31	6 75	6 75
Law, C.	25	31 00	31 00
Blake, R.	18	27 30	27 30
Johnson, P.	17	3 80	3 80
NE. A. Aux.	15	25 00	25 00
Mt. Vernon Group	10	21 00	21 00
Law, C.	10	25 80	25 80
Mc Intyre, L.	10	15 00	15 00
Darby, W.	10	14 95	14 95
Bethel Jr. Aux.	10	14 95	14 95
Glover, L.	10	5 15	5 15
Spooner, L.	8	6 85	6 85
Abrams, M.	5	6 80	6 80
Walker, J.	4	6 75	6 75
Harvey, M.	4	12 70	12 70
Wade, D.	4	8 00	8 00
Brownsville Aux.	4	4 25	4 25
Admas, C.	4	1 70	1 70
No Name	4	9 80	9 80
60 Colporteurs	1182	2972 53	2203 13

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

L. D. Dryer, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

Barnett, E.	27	56 50	56 50
Gowell, I.	30	151 85	13 10
McGraw, I.	9	52 00	22 00
Mansfield, E.	26	97 95	15 30
Nickerson, F.	21	111 70	25 45
Pearson, F.	8	35 50	
Poland, L.	8	53 25	2 00
Stafford, H.	6	12 40	12 40
Willard, R.	14	46 85	13 35
9 Colporteurs	149	618 00	160 10

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Roger Van Arsdell, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

C. Lampton, Miss Thelma Flanagan, *Assts.*

Alger, Mrs. P.	3	13 00	
Bauer, Mrs.	5	30 00	28 00
Birosack, Mrs. C.	14	35 20	35 20
Carlson, J.	7	5 85	5 85
Chase, R.	20	51 50	118 50
Crandall, E.	21	14 75	14 75
Emory, V.	10	60 00	60 00
Entwistle, N.	15	30 25	
Fratrall, Mrs. F.	26	25 30	25 30
Glandt, Mrs.		18 75	18 75
Henderson, E.	28	58 50	58 50
Hill, N.	5	6 20	6 20
Howes, R.	3	4 70	4 70
Knox, W.	34	68 25	68 25
Knox, W.	36	20 50	10 50
Lombard, C.	27	61 50	61 50
Marshall, J.	8	9 75	9 75
Marshall, M.	3	5 75	5 75
Melville, Mrs.	10	40 00	10 00
Minchin, E.	2	1 00	1 00
Musick, B.	2	1 00	1 00
Nash, B.	2	3 00	3 00
Riley, T.	4	4 05	4 05
Trafford, G.	26	27 25	21 95
Webb, J.	4	3 00	3 00
Weiss, S.	14	30 00	30 00
Woods, C.	13		157 60
A. Worker	2	5 75	5 75
28 Colporteurs	344	634 80	768 75

BERMUDA

I. A. Toop, *Pub. Dept. Sec.*

Robinson, L.	25	39 09	22 64
Anderson, K.	6	7 51	12 74
2 Colporteurs	31	46 60	36 38
Union Totals	Hours	Orders	Del.
143 Colporteurs	2303	6398 58	4921 26

Fifth Column Activities

During the war we heard much about the "Fifth Column Activities" of our enemies, and how every loyal American should be on the alert. If there ever was a "fifth column" at work among Seventh-day Adventist homes it is today through *comic books and funny papers*. All kinds of crime and immorality are the subjects which have the greatest appeal. Gangs, murders, bold robberies, torture, drunkenness, immorality, and vices of all kind are pictured and being fed to the youth of our nation to the amount of from sixty to seventy million copies per month. This is one of the biggest rack-ets in the land, and worst of all, it enjoys freedom of the press and is allowed special postal mailing privileges, paid for by the taxpayer who are 75 per cent.

Seventh-day Adventists in a very definite way have been placed in the world as the dominant church to wage war against all forms of evil. This is one of the greatest evils of our day, but sad to say we are not doing much about it. In fact, on the contrary we allow our own boys and girls to read them, and too many adult Seventh-day Adventists read them themselves. . . .

But some may ask why? Why is this great evil tolerated by church people who know and profess to teach better? One of the main reasons is because parents have failed to surround their growing boys and girls with true wholesome character books and papers. Our publishing houses are producing the best selection of books for children and youth of any organization in the country . . . which our people should buy and read and urge their children to read. Also at this time of year scores of our sisters and many of our junior boys and girls should be encouraged to order from the Book and Bible House a case of these children's books and take them to their neighbors and friends and tell them how these will help counteract the juvenile delinquency problem Why not try this wonderful *child evangelism program* now —From an article by R. G. Campbell in *The Record* of Sept. 29, 1948.

Elect A Church Press Secretary

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active church press secretaries are doing a service that cannot be measured in its influence for good. Due to their faithful efforts the Seventh-day Adventist church in many communities is becoming more favorably known. Prejudice is breaking, interests are developing, and the way is opening for the program of the church to make more rapid progress.

One report just received tells of a young man who read the news stories coming from the local Adventist church in his home city of about 8,000 population. As a result, "he made his first venture to our church," we are told. And for the past ten weeks he has been regularly attending Sabbath services and prayer meetings. He is studying our books, and evidently preparing himself for church membership. No wonder the leaders of this church "believe wholeheartedly in the press work."

We would earnestly urge the leaders of every church to plan definitely at the time of the annual election of officers to have a church press secretary. This is recommended by the General Conference, and hundreds of churches have adopted the plan and our work is benefiting from it. If you have an active and able press secretary, our suggestion is to re-elect, recognizing that in press relations frequent changes are inadvisable. Continuity of service on the part of secretaries who have become proficient is recommended.

Newly elected press secretaries will be fully instructed and given opportunity to learn the work assigned. Every additional secretary becomes a link in a mighty chain of Seventh-day Adventist church publicity that is lengthening around the world. It isn't a question of the size of the church, or its location. We have remotely located churches, small in membership, whose live press secretaries are, through their nearest newspapers, bringing our work to thousands of families.

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A Message From Autumn Council (Report of First Two Days)

At the present I'm sitting in the Denver S. D. A. church listening to cheering reports from the world field. I believe the reports have never been so heartening. Every division of the world field is represented except one. It has been ten years since we had such a representative group.

Monday evening Elder McElhany gave the keynote address. He emphasized in a very earnest and serious manner the fact that we are an evangelistic body and that major emphasis must always be placed on evangelism. Nothing should ever cause us to become parish-minded. A letter written to all believers will appear in the *Review* shortly after the Council. I'm sure that all our believers will want to read it.

On Tuesday morning Elder Dick, secretary of the General Conference, gave a world wide picture of the work. It was most inspiring to hear about the progress of a world wide movement. We now have a membership of 628,594. Last year was the best year in our history in baptisms—54,715. However, the challenge of an unfinished task is almost overwhelming. In faith God's people are steadily advancing.

This morning, Wednesday, October 20, Elder Ham, president of Southern Asia, gave a report which stirred every soul present. He used as his text Ex. 14:15 and pointed to experience after experience showing that a new day is dawning in India and Burma. The experiences related of Brahmans and Mohammedans of high repute accepting the message will never be forgotten. Tears of joy could not be held back as we listened to these experiences. The Voice of Prophecy is doing a wonderful work in India. Many of the upper class people are coming to the knowledge of the message.

Next week we will have another brief report.

R. R. BIETZ

Many Languages

Five hundred years ago, before the days of printing, some part of the Bible appeared in 33 different languages. Today, some part of the Bible has appeared in 1,090 languages. The latest language is Zanaki, a dialect spoken in Africa. The American Bible Society printed the Gospel of Matthew in this dialect.