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## Graduation Service at Newbold

By E. E. WHITE

ONE of the chief events of the Seventh-Day Adventist's calendar is College graduation. This year's ceremony has been no exception, and hundreds of visitors again came to do honour to those who had finished their course. On Friday evening we were privileged to hear Pastor E. E. Craven call for consecration to a sacred warfare. The students had been on garrison duty, he said, but now they were to enter upon active service, some period of which, he was convinced, should be spent in the Irish Mission where conqueror's courage is developed.

The baccalaureate address was taken by Pastor L. G. Hardinge, from Exeter; to a keenly interested audience he traced God's plan for the sons of Noah. Preaching from Amos 9:6, 7 he showed how firstly Ham's descendants, then Shem's posterity, had miserably failed in accomplishing God's purpose; how God had last of all called the Gentiles—Japhetics—to proclaim the last message of mercy.

On Saturday evening an excellent programme was given by the graduates, based mainly on their Motto and Aim: "Semper Sursum (Ever Upward)—Till Christ We Meet." We listened in amazed silence to the thunderous tones and superb eloquence of those to whom in their own country we had not given honour, and to ourselves we said, "Are these

also among the prophets?" Among this class of seven Scandinavians and eight British there is a wealth of consecrated talent which is to be directed in the winning of souls for the Master.

Sunday morning dawned bright and fair, and very soon Newbold's beautiful estate was thronged with

visitors, most of whom arrived by road adequately directed, we hope, by the dozen or so A.A. signs fixed at various places in the vicinity. Appropriate use was made of a golden opportunity to sell the new quarterly college magazine *Newbold*, as some of the young lady students waylaid cars and charabancs as they arrived.

The gymnasium was packed to its utmost capacity for the four o'clock meeting, a number overflowed into the concert-room, one or two bold spirits listened (?) from the roof, and some, we regret to say, could not even get inside.

After the opening exercises, which included an item from the college choir, Pastor W. G. C. Murdoch, the college principal, gave the graduation address. Taking as his theme the Class Motto he appealed to his hearers to climb ever upward. Their graduation, he said, though a peak experience, was but one of the foothills of the vast unexplored mountains beyond. Encouraging them to persevere in study and service, he inspired all present to more diligent labour for the Master.

The presentation of the diplomas was tinged with sadness by reason of the absence through death of Brother Wilfred Bunker. His course had been complete, but God saw fit that his race on earth should be run ere he received

### At Rest



Pastor F. W. Goodall, Departmental Secretary of the British Union Conference, who passed away on May 28, 1939.

his hard-worked-for diploma.

The graduates' responses and their parting gift of two letter-racks to the college brought the graduation service to a close. Fortunately the rain which fell did not paralyse the arrangements for feeding the multitudes; everyone

seemed happy as in the hour or two before the exodus old friends were seen chatting together, reminiscing of *their* graduation, and even the alumni of former years admitted that 1939 was the best graduation yet—except one!

of them very carefully and chose one which he thought excelled all the others. He then asked the artist, "Which is your best picture?" The artist paused for a moment and looking at him with resolute determination said, "My next one, sir. My best production is yet to be." Ever upward and onward was his motto, and so it is with you graduates to-day. The gates of life are opening wide for you. The fields are already whitened and the opportunities are unparalleled.

## Graduation Address

Delivered by Principal W. G. Murdoch

THIS large congregation has assembled to-day to honour those who have completed their college course. We rejoice with these graduates in their successes. Theirs has not been a race in vain. No alluring, fascinating scene has caused them to deviate from their path, and now they have reached the goal of graduation from Newbold Missionary College. It has meant careful untiring study, inflexible faithfulness, indomitable resolution, and persistent tenacity of purpose to bring them where they are this afternoon. We extend our congratulations to them on this splendid achievement.

Yet we must pause while we think of others who have laboured and toiled through many years to make this possible. There are in this audience fathers and mothers whose hearts are beating proudly to-day. Their dreams have at last become realities; their long-cherished hopes have been fulfilled. A mother's prayer, a father's counsel, have been of incalculable worth to you who stand as graduates to-day. What joy and happiness also comes to the Board and Faculty when they see these young people willing and ready to give their lives in service for the cause they have espoused.

Semper Sursum, Ever Upward. This motto tells us that you feel you have not yet attained, but the unattained is challenging your powers and inviting you on to higher ground. Like the apostle Paul, "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: . . . but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God

in Christ Jesus." You are pressing on.

Six years ago, as you began your college course, you looked at the lofty mountain peak of graduation and wondered if one day you might stand upon its summit. Now you find it is but the foothill to some higher mountain that towers above you and bids you climb again. Education is a great adventure and he who pursues knowledge is an explorer. His feet are never still but always desiring to advance, ever realizing that there is more beyond. That great scientist, Sir Isaac Newton, at the close of his brilliant career made the remarkable statement, "I feel myself like a little child, playing with the pebbles upon the shore of knowledge, while the great ocean of truth with its height and depth of wisdom lies surging before me."

When I was a boy I looked out upon the neighbouring hills and thought they bounded the world; and when the rainbow dipped down on the horizon a great longing desire came into my heart to travel to the end of the rainbow and stand in the beautiful colours at the edge of the earth's rim. But as we grow in years our vision enlarges, and the horizon is pushed back until it encompasses the whole world. Your vision must not be insular; it must take in all countries.

This graduation to-day is by no means the end. It is but a landing on the stairway. You stop for a brief moment to exchange thoughts and greet friends before you climb again. Every end ought to mark a new beginning; every success the setting for a new goal.

A visitor stepped into an artist's studio one day. Hanging all round the walls were the old artist's productions. This visitor examined all

### WHAT WILL KEEP YOU FROM ADVANCING

Success is not a gift of nature, but the result of patient, persistent toil. If you would emulate the greatness of others, you must emulate their love of toil. It won't always be bright and cheerful as it is this afternoon. The sun will not always shine. You may find yourself in some lonely mission field. You may be put in prison for your faith's sake. Will the reserves which you have here built up be sufficient to carry you through these dark experiences? Will you be able to stand in the shadow of to-day and see the sunlight of tomorrow? Will that ideal of Browning's, in his epilogue to *Asolando*, be yours: "One who never turned his back but marched breast forward, never doubted clouds would break, never dreamed though right were worsted, wrong should triumph. Held, we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better, sleep to wake!"

### STEPS IN THE LADDER OF PROGRESS

First: Aim high. "Higher than the highest human thought is God's ideal for His children." Always higher, ever onward.

Second: Do not wait for the world's applause. "Some will praise and some will blame." There are two classes of people in the world: those who do things and those who get credit for doing them. Be in the former class, for there is much less competition there. The world has not appreciated its greatest men. It crucified the Son of God, the Saviour; executed John the Baptist; Isaiah was sawn asunder, and John the Beloved was put into a cauldron of boiling

oil. Many of the great inventors were jeered at and looked upon with grave suspicion in their lifetime. They told George Stevenson that it was impossible that the wheels of a train should grip the rails and that the locomotive was a dangerous machine. They ridiculed James Watt. When the penny post was introduced the world said, "What business have folks writing so many letters anyway?" The man who thought of the aeroplane was mocked. He who first caught wireless signals was looked upon as being in touch with nefarious powers. Do your best and do not wait for the world to praise you.

Third: You should value time. You should see that every hour bears interest. Great men have been misers of moments. To those who value time the joy of enduring youth is theirs.

Fourth: Do not stoop to mean and petty things. Every resentment that you encourage, every grudge, every despondency, every smug conceit will keep you from advancing.

Fifth: Have that courage which is born of heaven, that fortitude which says, "We will climb the mountains or cut through them." As Bunyan says in *Pilgrim's Progress*: "To run when I can, to walk when I cannot run, and to creep when I cannot walk. My mind is on the other side of the river which has no bridge." Like melting snow before the sun, difficulties go when a brave heart comes along. Half the people of the world spend half their time wondering how they will cross a bridge which they will never reach.

Sixth: Have a heart of love. Love all men. Love will win its way where hate will never go. It is the one thing that never fails.

Seventh: Above all, take the Saviour with you. You cannot go without Him. You may gain the intellectual heights, but without Him these are of no avail. You may become richer than Cræsus, but if you lose your soul, you are buying in too dear a market. Bear the greatest flag that was ever hoisted—the blood-stained banner of Calvary. Serve the greatest hero that ever wore a crown—the crown of thorns.

It is a noble Christian character

that is needed to-day to face the issues of a changing civilization. Behind you lies the heritage of the centuries and before you the hope of the ages. Always be on duty; onward, ever onward. Recognize that you are debtors to all men. You go forth to-day with the blessing of the College upon you. May you foster and nourish the high

ideals which have been here implanted in your soul, and wherever you go, may you show that you have a great mission to fulfil. "May the Lord bless you and keep you, and make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you, and give you peace."

## The Evangelism Class at Newbold

THE class in Evangelism has been very much appreciated this year as an addition to our curriculum. We all knew what evangelism was, but if we had been asked to state exactly what organization is demanded of one conducting an evangelistic campaign we should have revealed a sad lack of knowledge. But that is not so now—thanks to the one who came into our midst as our teacher in this subject.

We were not told all that could be told about evangelism in the short time we met together, but sufficient to lead us to a greater appreciation of the soul-winner's work, and an ample sufficiency to guide us in whatever plans we shall make when we are privileged to begin such work. We were caused to wonder just what others had done who had left college without the knowledge which was given to us. Week by week we studied important features of evangelism: finance, halls, adver-

tising (methods and materials), organization for campaign, and other items of equal interest.

Our teacher, Pastor S. G. Joyce, compiled for the class a textbook. The information he put into it came largely from his own wide experience in evangelism; as a class we felt therefore that it was not mere theory. In conjunction with the teaching, we had the unique opportunity of seeing the things we had been taught put into practice. Whilst the Coventry effort was being held in the first hall, the class went to the meeting each Sunday evening by coach.

We were glad to give the little help we could. School has closed, but we are still very interested in the effort that has been part of our class training. We are now waiting for the baptism.

R. H. BAINBRIDGE.



"THE art of prayer is learned in the same manner as any other art—by working at it."



The Evangelism class at Newbold College with their instructor, Evangelist S. G. Joyce.

## With the Student-Colporteurs

By G. D. KING

ALREADY the Scholarship Race of 1939 has started. At the present time about fifty students are in the field; forty-two of them hope to return to Newbold with a well-earned scholarship bonus at the beginning of September.

This year the majority of the students are handling the new book, *Bible Certainties*. At the College Colporteur Institute great enthusiasm for this book was manifested, indicative of the fact that while students are anxious about the financial results of their work, they are also anxious that the Advent message should enter the homes they visit.

A "Small Literature Scholarship Plan" has also been evolved this year, making it possible for a half-scholarship to be earned by the sale of eighty copies of *Good Health* and forty-three shilling books per week, during the summer months. Two-thirds and full scholarships can also be secured on the same ratio. This is the first time that magazines and shilling books have

been linked together for the scholarship plan, and it should mean a great deal to first-year students or others who feel inexperienced for the larger book. Certainly the opportunities for gaining a Christian education at Newbold, through the sale of literature, have never been so plentiful as they are at the present time.

Last summer was a glorious one for student-colporteurs, almost £3,000 worth of literature being sold and a record number of scholarships earned. This summer, however, should be even more glorious. Remember the student-colporteurs in your prayers that it may be so.

The first news from the field is encouraging; five reports for about three days' work indicate about £50 worth of orders secured. Such an average maintained throughout the field this summer would certainly give the results we are praying for, working for, and expecting.

A. J. MUSTARD, Folkestone 45  
C. A. REEVES, Romford 22  
A. G. TAPPING, Bedford 15  
J. H. BAYLISS, Holloway 17  
(A number of other Sabbath afternoon meetings—over twenty—are being held throughout the conference and non-members are attending.)

### LAYMEN EVANGELISTS

ABOUT twelve weeks ago we began to compile a weekly layman's Evangelistic Tabular. We greatly appreciate all our lay-brethren are doing to help forward the cause we all serve, and trust this tabular will prove very useful to them.

### CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS' COUNCIL

A SUCCESSFUL institute was held this week for all the teachers from the church schools. It served its purpose admirably. A full report will appear in a later issue. We very much appreciated the help of Brother J. I. Robison from the Division, Brother H. W. Lowe from the Union, and Brother W. G. C. Murdoch from Newbold. It was evident that the teachers had consecrated their lives to the saving of the boys and girls for God's kingdom.

### FINANCE

WE appreciate the splendid liberality of our faithful membership. The conference income continues to show progress. The tithe shows an increase of £280 over the same period of last year, and the Sabbath-school Offerings an increase of £30. We can assure you that every penny you give is used most carefully in the work of God by men who know they must one day answer for their stewardship.

### THE NEEDY

JUDGING by some remarks I heard not long ago, it is evident that some of our members are not well informed about what we, as a people, are doing for the needy in our midst. We fully recognize the truth of the Lord's statement while on earth, "The poor always ye have with you." Because of this we have an Employment Bureau in the Union which keeps a list of available situations to give assistance to those who require work. We have the Medical Aid Plan for those physically ill. We have the Good Samaritan Fund in every church for the needy locally, which is replenished from time to time by gifts, and quarterly by the

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### Notes from the President

"AND the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2:47. The Lord added, not man; man was the instrument. It was a daily occupation with Him, and He has never ceased adding to the church from the days of that eventful sermon of Peter's.

Since January 1st candidates have been baptized from Chiswick, Folkestone, Clapham, Iford, Forest Gate, Southend, Colchester, Harlesden, Gillingham, Wood Green, Holloway, Clacton, and Norwich. At the moment the evangelists are working in the following new places: Bromley, Slough, Clacton, Bedford, Fern-down, Herne Bay, and Worlingworth. We hope all these places

will be included on the Seventh-Day Adventist map this year. Between now and the annual conference we will have organized seven churches and five companies. Thank God for His saving power, the fruits of which can be seen in our midst.

Every week we receive a report from each minister. This is compiled into what is known as the Evangelistic Tabular and sent to each worker as a source of encouragement and instruction. The following facts, taken from recent reports from the evangelists with full budgets, will interest you:

	Non-member Sabbath attendance
F. C. BAILEY, Bromley	10
A. K. ARMSTRONG, Plymouth	6
G. R. BELL, Winton	25
C. R. BONNEY, Slough	18
L. G. HARDINGE, Exeter	38
J. M. HOWARD, Clacton	25

special offering on Communion Sabbath. We have the Dorcas societies to prepare articles of clothing for those in need. We have a Students' Aid Fund to assist young people to go to college. Every year a special sum is set aside to supply Christmas parcels. I am sure that those who thought we were failing in our help for the needy in our ranks will be glad to receive this information and to help through the channels mentioned here.

JEWELLERY

THE following is an experience sent us by one of our members. "Surely we know the last days are upon us, when evil is increasing on every hand. Soon we shall not be able to call our homes our own! A few days ago, on returning home after a few hours' absence, I opened the door, and heard sounds of occupants roaming overhead. They were intruders seeking for hidden treasure. Since my youth I'd laid aside my gold trinkets waiting for some 'special' call when I would lay them on the plate for the extension of God's work. How like the man among the 'great multitude of impotent folk . . . waiting for the moving of the water'! All my trinkets had gone. Let us live, not hoarding our gold, not waiting for a special call. Let us give into His cause ere it is too late."

ANNUAL MEETING

As Pastor Ochs has never visited this country, we wrote to America for his photograph, which is reproduced on this page. He is the Associate Secretary of the General Conference Young People's Department. A few days ago Pastor C. L. Bond, well known to us all after his ministry at our conference in 1937, wrote to me and mentioned that he was sure Pastor Ochs (pronounced Oaks) would be much appreciated by young and old in England. You will remember that scores could not gain admission to many of the services last year because of limited accommodation. You will be glad to know that we have arranged to seat comfortably a much larger number than in previous years.

If God saw that it was necessary for His people to meet together to worship Him at certain special

periods in Old Testament days, how much more do we need to do this in these serious days! It is very necessary that we gather together to represent the cause of God. "Go to the annual meeting, even though you have to make a sacrifice," we are told in *Testimonies*, Vol. 6, page 40. Let us not serve our temporal interests to the neglect of God's requirements. "Prepare your children for the



Pastor D. A. Ochs, Assistant Secretary, General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department.

occasion. . . . Remove every obstacle that may have been in their way."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, pages 164, 165.

The object of the conference is to lead young and old to separate themselves from worldly cares and devote the brief hours exclusively to the worship of God. Brethren Bayliss and Normington will be in charge of the apartments. They are well acquainted with the district and will personally inspect apartments, including the beds. Let them know your requirements and they will do their best to see that you are comfortably located. Please address all communications to Apartment Secretary, 506 Holloway Road, London, N.7. To assist you, a supply of application forms and envelopes have been dispatched to each church and company and all the isolated.

Some of you may not have kept step with the movement since the

last conference. Like Lot, you may have "lingered." Lot's wife, whom we are told to "remember," "looked back from behind" and was lost. Come to these meetings and see that you put yourself wholly on the side of God. Some may have become discouraged. "Our brethren have discouraged us," said the men of Moses' day, and this happens sometimes even now. Remember that discouragement is Satan's surest weapon, but that if you walk with God on your side, "no weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper." Isa. 54:17. R. S. JOYCE.



South England Conference

Annual Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given that the thirty-sixth annual session of the South England Conference will be held in the Holloway Hall, Holloway Road, London, N.7, from Thursday evening at 7.30, July 27th, to Sunday evening at 9 o'clock, July 30th.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the ensuing year, to receive reports, and to conduct such other business as may properly be brought before the delegates.

Delegates should be appointed from each church and the list sent to the conference secretary, 506 Holloway Road, London, N.7, on or before July 10th.

"Each church shall be entitled to one delegate for the organization without regard to number, and one additional delegate for each ten members."—*Article 4, Section 5.*

"Isolated members and companies of believers, other than organized churches, shall be represented by the delegates at large, and such of their own number as may be appointed by the Executive Committee."—*Article 4, Section 6.*

"The standing committees of the conference shall be nominated by a Recommendations Committee composed of one delegate from each church up to fifty members, and one for each additional fifty members, the members of this committee being chosen by the respective churches."—*Article 8, Section 4.*

For apartments apply: Apartment Secretary, Midland Bank Chambers, 506 Holloway Road, London, N.7. Everything possible will be done to locate applicants comfortably.

R. S. JOYCE, *President*,  
J. H. PARKIN, *Secretary*.

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### Notes from the Superintendent

WE wish more of our Welsh friends could have been present to take part in the dedication services at Swansea recently. We had a very representative gathering, however, and the proceedings brought blessing and encouragement to all. The pictures which have appeared in the MESSENGER do not do justice to the building. The interior is very tastefully decorated; there is dignity and charm about the whole interior decorations. Best of all, most of the work was done by our own members under the skilful hands of Pastor F. S. Jackson and the local elder, Brother F. E. Powell.

You, dear fellow-member of the Welsh Mission, will be able to see for yourself and appreciate this fine addition to our places of worship, at the time of our annual meeting, July 13th to 16th. For it has been arranged that this year's conference be held in our Swansea church. There is ample accommodation and every facility for our conference needs, and it will be a great encouragement to our Welsh people to have our conference congregation assembled in our own dedicated place of prayer.

A distinguished visitor to the conference this year will be Pastor D. A. Ochs, of the General Conference staff. Two ex-Welsh superintendents will also be present to greet old friends and bring help to us all—Pastors H. W. Lowe and G. D. King. And there will be others, in addition to our own local workers.

Was there ever a time when God's people needed more the inspiration of an annual gathering? Although war has been postponed, few imagine that the days ahead are not subject to the gravest dangers and developments, indicating the nearness of the return of our Lord. We all need the help that this year's annual meeting will provide. Won't you plan now to come and ask the Lord to help

remove any obstacles that there may be to your coming? There will be reasonably priced apartments and, if you wish to combine conference with a holiday or a day's excursion, where better could

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### A Fallen Warrior

In memory of the late Pastor F. W. Goodall

*With saddened hearts we mourn the loss of one whose work on earth is now for ever done, who spent himself in service for the youth, to win them for the cause of God and truth. How can we spare our friend? Ah! God knew best, and in His love, laid down His child to rest. Faithful unto the last, a warrior falls, and falling speaks; to each and all he calls, for deeper consecration in God's cause; let us, in silence for a moment, pause. The seed of truth he faithfully has sown, the fruit therefrom, one day, our God will own. Who will arise, in love, to fill the breach, and spend himself as he, the youth to reach? Who will stand forth to grasp the fallen sword, to lift on high the standard of the Lord; and bravely press the battle to the gates? For this the Master calls, and calling—waits.*

STANLEY COMBRIDGE.

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you go than to the Mumbles and famous Gower coast?

Now is the time for each church and company to elect its delegates and send the list to the Cardiff office. But whether you are an appointed delegate or not, your presence is vital to yourself and the cause we love.

Programmes are being printed and will be sent to all members a week or two before conference. At the time of writing, only five Sabbaths intervene between us and conference Sabbath. So let us get busy.

MEANWHILE let us all press in with our annual Ingathering during the weeks before the conference. With long evenings and fine weather we could very easily finish our task by the end of July. Will

you help us and do your bit each week please? Get that box filled each week, at least, and then we need not fear the results.

MEMBERS of the Welsh Mission have learned of the death of Pastor F. W. Goodall with profound sorrow. Everybody loved Brother Goodall. We feel that he has done a great work for God and us and that his efforts among us will yield greater fruit yet. A little more than a week before his illness, Pastor Goodall spent a week-end with us in Wales.

Brethren, cannot we show our esteem for our late brother by deciding that our Ingathering Campaign this year will be the speediest and the most successful of all previous campaigns? For the past few years Brother Goodall has led us in this great work, but for some reason he has been laid to rest just on the eve of the present campaign. But we will do our work faithfully, as though he were still at the helm.

Will you help us to get a quarter of the goal by June 19th? Two weeks—all doing their part and then a report to this office. May God bless your labours and give you favour with the people.

Probably the first off the mark this year was our busy magazine worker, Brother Smart. He reported a week ago his first 25/-. Thank you, Brother Smart, for that good lead—we know you will set the pace for us and we will follow.

S. G. HYDE.

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## NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

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### The Coventry Campaign

ABOUT twenty years ago several efforts were held in Coventry, producing a faithful church that has just over twenty members. Within recent years other efforts have been held, none reaching to the commencement of Sabbath services. Much open-air work and many other meetings had been conducted, but all with no positive results in souls won.

We commenced our campaign in February of this year. It was impossible to hire a good hall, for

all the cinemas and theatres are open on Sunday. So the Baths Hall had to serve. It was cold and draughty—on some evenings papers and curtains literally waved to and fro in the chilly breeze! The highest attendance recorded was the best part of a thousand, and the lowest was still several hundreds, in spite of the cold. After the first few meetings scores of messages of appreciation were sent to us. There was also a great deal of opposition, for we were getting the truth home!

The day for the first Sabbath meeting arrived. We arranged seating for one hundred in the hall. The older members smiled sceptically at our faith. Nearly ninety came to that first Sabbath meeting. On Sabbath, May 28th, about eighty were present, forty-eight of them being non-members. Now after only fourteen weeks' work, thirty are actually keeping the Sabbath, and there are sixty-five good prospects in addition!

The College helped in every possible way. It is mainly to record this grand help that we write before the story is half complete and the baptisms over.

The students gave out thousands of bills each week for six weeks. The young men acted as ushers in a dignified Christian and efficient manner. A male voice choir of thirty voices rendered good service on a number of occasions. And there were quartettes and solos. Brethren H. T. Johnson, E. E. White, and L. Meredith were the willing efficient leaders. The College lived up to its name of being a "missionary" one.

It is impossible fully to state our appreciation and to tell how much we enjoyed this happy, helpful association. It has been one of the happiest experiences we have ever had. Certainly, and rightly so, the students were critical. We invited this criticism. It was good for the students to examine everything carefully, and helpful to the evangelist to hear their findings!

Now the College year is over. This loyal happy band of helpers has dispersed. But they assure us that their prayers are with us as we stay to finish the work they so ably helped. How grateful we are for this assurance. S. G. JOYCE.

## At Rest

### Pastor F. W. Goodall

PASTOR F. W. GOODALL, who has for some years served the Union as the leader of our Missionary Volunteer, Sabbath-School, and Home Missionary Departments, passed away at The Stanboroughs on the morning of Whit-Sunday, May 28th. He had been ill for about four months and it slowly became evident that his illness was of a grave nature.

### Where He Sleeps

Dedicated to the memory of the late  
Pastor F. W. Goodall

*Where the bluebells rise at the call  
of Spring,  
There to scent the air with the breath  
of Heaven  
And grace the field with their lovely  
flowers,  
He sleeps; at rest.*

*Where the breezes play in the tall  
oak trees,  
Where the thrushes sing and the  
blackbirds call,  
And the grasses wave so glad and  
free  
He sleeps; at rest.*

*And the nodding bells and the waving  
grass  
Which arise each Spring to a glad  
new life,  
Sing soft and low of his hope, where  
now  
He sleeps; at rest.*

*And the breezes sing of a coming day  
When the blight of sin shall be gone  
for aye,  
Oh, then he shall rise! though now,  
to-day,  
He sleeps; at rest.*

*What a glad, glad shout shall the oak  
trees hear  
From his once pale lips when his  
Lord draws near,  
And he breaks from the earth where  
now, just now  
He sleeps; at rest.*

*Oh, come, joyous Spring of eternal  
years!  
Oh, come, Lord of life, and dry Thou  
our tears!  
Come, break death's bonds and give  
life to him  
Who sleeps; at rest.*

A. WARREN.

Brother Goodall had endeared himself to all as a patient, kindly, consistent Christian man who loved his work, and was beloved of the people. He was quiet and confident in the Lord to the end, which came the morning after his fiftieth birthday.

He first heard the Advent message under Elder McCord when he was about nineteen years of age. He was later baptized at Kings Heath, Birmingham. After demonstrating his zeal for the cause as a layman he entered the work, first as treasurer of the North British Conference, and later served in the departments of the North England, South England, and Union Conference organizations, the whole period of his official connection with the work covering about twenty years.

He leaves a wife, two daughters, three

brothers, two sisters, and a mother eighty-two years of age to mourn their loss. We extend to the bereaved relatives our Christian sympathy in the darkness of this hour. We shall miss a good worker, a faithful friend, and a man of God, but we rejoice in the blessed hope which maintained him to the end, and we shall meet him when Jesus comes. He was laid to rest in the North Watford Cemetery on Wednesday, May 31st, in the presence of a large company of relatives, friends, and fellow-ministers, whose floral tributes testified to their deep affection and Christian love.  
H. W. LOWE.

MORTON.—Southend church has lost another of its charter members by the death of Sister Clara Morton, the last of a family of four maiden sisters. She accepted the third angel's message with her sisters under the labours of Pastor Douglas Armstrong, all being baptized in Tottenham Public Baths twenty-six years ago. She lived to the good age of eighty-six years and fell asleep in Rochford Hospital on April 17, 1939. We laid her to rest in Leigh Cemetery, where she awaits with her sisters the return of the Life-giver. She was faithful in all she did.  
Church Clerk.

ROSE.—The Wimbledon church has lost one of its oldest members by the death of Brother E. S. Rose, age sixty-one, on March 17th last. He accepted the Advent message through Brother Langford and was baptized in March, 1912, by Elder S. G. Haughey. He then became elder of the Balham church, and also laboured at Tooting, Kingston, and Wimbledon. He suffered for years with paralysis which made him almost helpless, but he was always faithful and cheerful and loved to talk of the message. He was laid to rest by Pastor H. W. Armstrong in the Morden Cemetery. We extend our sympathy to his widow, two sons, and a daughter who mourn their loss. We do not sorrow as those without hope, but believe that God in His mercy gave him rest from his pain and that when Jesus comes, if we are faithful, we shall meet him again in that land "where there is no more pain."  
F. M. TURNER, Church Clerk.

ISBISTER.—Sister Isbister, for many years a faithful member of the Edinburgh church, passed away on May 6th, after a long illness very patiently borne. She was buried at her home in Orkney. Our sister first heard the truth in the United States, and in later years joined the church here. Pastor J. McMillan, Sister J. Smith, and others brought much hope and cheer by their faithful visits and kindness to her while she was laid aside. We hope to meet her again in that kingdom Christ is preparing for all those who love Him.  
JESSIE C. HUNTER, Church Clerk.

WESTON.—We have to record yet another death in our ranks in 1939, on May 7th. Brother James Weston was known and loved by many, both in the Southend church and in many others. Stricken with disseminated sclerosis some seven or eight years ago, he read himself into the truth, a direct answer to the prayers of his parents, who embraced the message under the labours of Pastor T. H. Cooper in 1916. Many will remember Jim for his patient endurance in affliction. He had indeed learned the lesson contained in Psalm 37:5, which was a great favourite of his. His joyous, happy disposition in his helplessness was a lesson to all who came in contact with him. The funeral service was conducted on Thursday, May 11th, in the Southend church, which was crowded with members and outside friends. The service will long be remembered by all. Brother T. L. Gillett officiated, assisted by the church elder, A. Vince. He was laid to rest in the Borough Cemetery, Sutton Road. A number of his old boys from Wesley Church, Leigh, where he at one time was Captain of the Boys' Brigade, formed a guard of honour as he was carried to his last resting-place. At the close of the interment service they played, on the bugles, the Last Post and the Reveille, in honour of a dead comrade. Beautiful floral tributes numbered forty. So we left Jim, until the Master comes again to call him forth into everlasting joy. Church Clerk.

## Notes from the Union President

OUR young men affected by the Military Training Bill may be interested to know that following the advice offered to our young men in the matter of registration on Sabbath, June 3rd, the officers of local Labour Exchanges seem to be willing to accommodate our people to the extent of allowing them to register on some other day. The first case of this kind to come to our notice has just occurred at Lewisham, London, S.E., where one of our young men called at the Labour Exchange and on stating his position was told courteously that he could go on the following Monday, if it would be convenient for him to register then. This shows that officials are willing and able to meet those who state their convictions courteously and firmly.

THE revised pamphlet on the question of our relationship to warfare is now available and is being sent to workers and church elders, free of charge, as well as to young men who apply for the certificate of membership, to help them meet the provisions of the Military Training Bill. A limited number is available for distribution otherwise.

OUR attention has been called to a number of instances in which our people have become involved in financial and other difficulties through accepting the responsibility of guarantorship for friends and others. The Union Committee recently studied this question, and while we are not able to regulate the private actions of our lay members we took action recommending that our paid employees, particularly our ministers, shall not involve themselves in such problems, whether it is a case of acting as guarantor for a member or non-member. We think that some of our members might avoid a good deal of difficulty if they, too, would follow this counsel.

For the last time we are publishing information concerning our annual meeting times and places, and we invite our people to make their definite plans to attend these annual gatherings of the Lord's

people. The times are such that we need more fellowship in the Advent movement. Problems are multiplying, the Lord's work is developing, and soon it will be finished throughout the world. Let us come together to receive and impart the help and blessing which are very valuable for the Lord's people in this age of crises.

### Ireland

Belfast, June 29th to July 2nd.

### Scotland

Glasgow, July 6th to 9th.

### Wales

Swansea, July 13th to 16th.

### North England

Nottingham, July 20th to 23rd.

### South England

Holloway, July 27th to 30th.

A VERY helpful plan for assisting our colleges in Northern Europe is now in operation. To encourage the development of educational institutions, a schedule of financial assistance from the Division provides that for every five pounds raised within the Union two pounds will be given from without. Under this plan donations can be accepted for any phase of development at Newbold, so that five pounds becomes seven pounds for our school.

WE call the attention of our people to such Newbold needs as classrooms, science laboratory, kitchen equipment. We hope you will send your gifts so that we may claim this help from outside. The plan operates for a limited period.

H. W. LOWE.

## IRISH MISSION

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### Irish Annual Meetings

OUR annual meetings—the fiftieth anniversary—will convene over the week-end June 29th to July 2nd. These meetings will be held in the West Belfast Orange Hall, Shankill Road. We give you all a hearty invitation to be present.

In volume 6 of the *Testimonies*, page 40, we read, "If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict!"

"Come, brethren and sisters, to these sacred convocation meetings, to find Jesus. He will come up to the feast. He will be present, and He will do for you that which you most need to have done."—*Ibid.*, Vol. 2, page 575.

"It would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible."—*Ibid.*, Vol. 6, page 39.

Come. We invite you.

E. E. CRAVEN.

NEWBOLD COLLEGE.—Some work is immediately available on building extensions, also in the home and industrial departments during the summer months. Prospective students, male and female, could earn their summer board and room and accumulate a small balance toward their fees for next school year. For further particulars write to the Business Manager, Newbold Missionary College, nr. Rugby.

WANTED.—General maid, live in or out. Also girl for office work; shorthand/type-writing not essential but sound common sense necessary. Apply, with reference from minister, to: Miss Lynda Britton, 6 Llanwern Road, Christchurch, Newport, Mon.

EXPERIENCED general maid or cook-general required. Modern house. Two adults, two children. Mother's help kept. Apply: Mrs. Holliday, North Oaks, High Press Road, Reigate, Surrey.

### SUNSET CALENDAR

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June 16th	9.19	9.32	9.32	10.01	10.02
June 23rd	9.21	9.34	9.34	10.02	10.04

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