

AN ARMY WITH BANNERS

Report of the first weekend of the forty-eighth General Conference Session, June 19-28, 1958. By W. L. Emmerson.

ONE of the most vivid descriptions of the church of God in the Old Testament is that it would be mighty "as an army with banners."

Without doubt, the primary significance of this picture is of the church bearing the banners of love, righteousness, and truth into all the world. Yet I could not but think how literally this prophecy was being fulfilled before my eyes in the "Pageant of Missions" on the first Sabbath of the forty-eighth quadrennial General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists in Cleveland, Ohio, as, in the sight of a congregation of nearly 18,000, there streamed down the aisles of the great auditorium a procession of some 600 missionaries and native believers bearing banners naming almost every nation on the face of the earth. As this vast Advent

Part of the huge Sabbath congregation attending the General Conference Session. The choir is on the right of the platform, and beyond is another hall seating 3,500. Total 18,000.



company took their places on the platform they could certainly proclaim, in the words of the Psalmist: "We will rejoice in Thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners." Psa. 20:5.

The story they had to tell that Sabbath afternoon was expanded in report after report which came to the delegates and visitors as day succeeded day during the thrilling conference:

In the opening address of the Conference, Pastor R. R. Figuhr, who the next day was re-elected president for a further quadrennium, reminded his hearers that in 1863, when the first General Conference was held, the Advent believers comprised a mere 3,500 members with nineteen attending the first session! Then he revealed the fact that in the past quadrennium 314,439 new members were added to the church, or ninety times more than the entire membership ninety-four years ago. "In one year now we baptize in excess of twenty-two times more than these 3,500 who constituted the Seventh-Day Adventist church membership in 1863."

In a further contrast between those days and ours, he said: "They had the most meagre facilities. The messengers travelled on foot, on horseback, and by horse-drawn carriage. They utilized the painfully slow and comfortless sailing ships. Laboriously they spelled out the message in printed form." But "today thanks to the miracle of modern science every important part of the world can readily be reached within a matter of hours. Through the development of efficient machinery large amounts of literature are produced in an incredibly short time. The voice of the preacher is now carried to thousands—yes, to millions—over the radio. By means of television, the preacher and his associates enter the very homes of other millions who not only hear but see the earnest messengers of God. These effective means of proclaiming the three angels' messages are utilized in carrying forward to completion the work begun by our humble forebears. The stage is set for a grand consummation of God's work in the earth."

As he spoke, our eyes were raised to the conference theme wrought in words of silver across the backcloth of the rostrum: "Thy Kingdom Come," and we could not but feel that it will not be long before this age-long prayer of the church will be answered.

A further indication of the advance of the Adventmessage into all the world was provided on the opening night by the admission into the sisterhood of church organizations, of eleven new unions, conferences, and missions in the Americas, in Asia, Europe, Africa, and the islands of the Pacific. While a touching link with the old pioneer days of the message, was the row of forty-eight seats reserved for the veterans of the cause, one of the oldest, now in his eighty-eighth year, being our beloved Professor G. McCready Price.





The spacious Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio where the General Conference Session has been held.

On Friday, the reports of the secretary and treasurer, and of the statistical secretary, provided further evidence of the growth of the Advent movement on every continent.

Graphically, Pastor W. R. Beach, also later re-elected for a further period of service in this capacity, told how sixty-two years of arduous labour was needed for the Advent movement to grow to a membership of 250,988. By 1940, however, that is fifteen years later, the half million mark was reached. In ten more years, the membership reached three-quarters of a million and at the end of 1955 -only five more years-the million mark was passed. Today the membership stands at 1,102,910. He further told the delegates that whereas twentyfive years ago there was one Adventist to every 5,732 persons in the world, today there is one to every 2,522. Many of these Adventist believers have been won in the great cities of the Western world. Many others are upholding the truth of God in newly entered lands, like Greenland, the high Himalayas, the jungles of South America, and remote islands of the sea on the "last frontiers of missionary activity."

The report of C. L. Torrey, who remains General Conference treasurer for the next quadrennium, revealed the wonderful growth of the giving of the Advent people through the years which has, under God, contributed largely to this great advance. He read the treasurer's report presented to the General Conference of 1866, which it revealed total receipts of the previous year of 1,301 dollars. Then he told us that the tithe and mission offerings during the past quadrennium amounted to more than 223,-000,000 dollars, which in itself was 49,000,000 dollars in excess of the previous quadrennial period. "How amazed our pioneers of 1866 would be," he said, "if they could be with us at the 1958 General Conference, and see the things which we accept with comparative equanimity."

In his statistical report, H. W. Klaser brought more details of the many phases of activity of the Advent church in the world. He told of our 4,672 elementary schools, and 278 secondary schools and colleges, preparing the Advent youth for service in the cause of God, of the forty-three publishing houses located in strategic centres around the world, and of the twenty-one and a half million dollars worth of truth-filled literature which they circulated in 1957, of the 102 sanitariums and hospitals, the eighty-five clinics and dispensaries, and the seventy medical launches which together brought the ministry of healing to 220,456 bed patients, and gave two and a half million treatments to outpatients who came for medical aid, of the gathering of nearly twenty-four million dollars of Ingathering funds, and of the proclamation of the Gospel message over the ether in twenty-seven languages by 961 radio and 150 television stations.

Significant of the impact of the Advent message upon statesmen and governments of the world today, were the gracious messages of greeting at the opening session from Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States and John G. Diefenbaker, Prime Minister of Canada, and the personal visits of the Governor of Ohio, the Honourable C. William O'Neill, and a representative of the Mayor of Cleveland who regretfully was not able to attend.

Another welcome visitor who came to the conference, was Dr. Robert T. Taylor, secretary of the American Bible Society, who received from the treasurer of the General Conference a cheque for 26,000 dollars as a token of our appreciation of the great work the society is doing in putting



the Word of God into the hands of all men everywhere in their own tongues. Hearts were touched by his speech of acceptance in which he said: "This is not a cheque; it is Bibles" for waiting souls.

The Sabbath was a day of fasting and prayer at the General Conference as in all the world. It was also a day of Bible study and worship, of sacrifice and pageantry.

In Sabbath school, before the study of the lesson for the day on "The New Jerusalem," the General Conference Sabbath school secretaries, E. B. Hare and W. J. Harris, presented a dramatic roll call of the Sabbath schools of the world, beginning their Sabbath schools as hour by hour the sun made its circuit of the earth.

The climax of the sermon which followed, when Pastor Figuhr preached on: "The Faith Once Delivered to the Saints," was the taking up of the largest offering ever given in an Adventist meeting. After the congregation had given its generous offering, representatives of divisions, unions, and institutions, came forward to swell the total. Just what the congregation gave will not be known till later in the conference, but the special gifts brought in from collections and donations made around the world prior to the conference, totalled 1,230,900 dollars. It was to have been a million dollar offering. Actually the figure will be near one and a half million dollars for the further advance of the Advent message in the world. No wonder Brother Torrey proposed that the congregation rise and sing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow.'

In the afternoon there was not a vacant seat for the Pageant of Missions which we mentioned at the beginning of this report. Words fail to describe the impression made upon all who were there as American Indians, Eskimoes, Europeans, Moslems, natives of African, South America, the Middle and Far East, and the islands of the sea, marched in their varied and colourful national dress onto the platform to tell the story of the victories of the cross in their lands. It was, indeed, God's church

"THY KINGDOM COME"

DOMINATING the platform of the Public Auditorium in Cleveland where the General Conference meetings were held, was a huge motto in silver foam letters against a blue backdrop: "THY KING-DOM COME."

This motto spoke to the hearts of the delegates from the poem in their printed programme and specially written for the occasion by Jessie Wilmore Murton, of Battle Creek:

"The midnight hour of history hastens on, And weary pilgrims wait the golden dawn; Arise, arise, O Morning Star so bright! "Thy Kingdom Come," O Prince of love and light.

"The nations muster for that last great strife; And cheap the price of virtue, and of life; The winds of wrath are struggling for release; 'Thy kingdom come,' O Prince of joy and peace.

"'Thy kingdom Come!" O hasten that glad hour When we shall meet Thee clothed in light and power,

While hallelujas through creation ring;

'Thy kingdom come!' O mighty God, and King!"

on the march, God's people made willing in the day of His power.

In the evening of the Sabbath, two of the great world divisions, South Africa and South America, continued the story of Advent Missions in the first of a series of mission reports which will occupy most of the evenings of the conference.

On Sunday the departments of the church continued the reports, begun on Friday, of the activities of the laity of the church in all their varied home missionary, health, and welfare activities. We learned of the 4,985 Adventist schools and colleges, culminating in the latest and most advanced Adventist school of learning, the Potomac University, of the religious liberty which is afforded us in many lands, and also of the menaces to religious liberty which Advent believers must meet—liberty which we must use for the fuller proclamation of God's message for our day.

Between the sessions, the delegates and visitors wended their way down into the basement below the great hall, wherein thirty-nine booths filling the exhibition area, mutely told of the advance of the Advent message through its ten world divisions. Here the many departmental activities were dramatically presented.

It has been a wonderful week-end, further enhanced by the meeting of friends not seen for years; and the days to come will be yet more thrilling. It is, indeed, a privilege to be able to attend a world assembly of Seventh-Day Adventists such as this.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS More General Conference Appointments

(Resumé)

By R. R. Figuhr

WE open this forty-eighth General Conference session on a note of confidence and courage. There is every reason for God's people to feel confident and to be courageous, for we can say, as the prophet of old said, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us" (1 Sam. 7:12), and "We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history."-Life Sketches, page 196. .

We are happy to be in Cleveland for this world conference. This is the first time a General Conference session has been held this far east since 1946, when a limited session, necessitated by unsettled world conditions, was held in Washington, D.C. It is interesting to note that, with but five exceptions, our first 36 General Conference sessions were held in Battle Creek, Michigan. The next seven sessions were held in various places-only one at Battle Creek-until in 1918 San Francisco was discovered. Since then, with but two exceptions, the following nine were held there. So we believed it was time to come to a new place such as Cleveland. We cannot but speak with warm appreciation of the helpfulness of the city of Cleveland, its officials and citizens, the Convention Bureau, and other organizations, all of whom have done so much to make us feel welcome and to make our stay here pleasant.

The General Conference session is always an important gathering. This one doubtless is our most important to date. With the end of all things at hand, and recognizing ourselves as a people to whom there has been committed the message "Prepare to meet thy God," the significance of this gathering cannot be over-emphasized. While we meet in an atmosphere of courage and confidence, it must also be in one of solemnity and seriousness. We cannot but be solemn, understanding the great issues before us.

Looking back over the four-year period since we last met in a General Conference session, we see many things that encourage. The period has been one of material progress and general prosperity. The prosperous times have been reflected in our church income. As our treasurer will report, members have paid in the largest amount of tithes and offerings in the history of our cause. An expanding work has demanded this. It is with deep appreciation that we recognize this loyalty to God's cause on the part of our churchmembers. In addition to the regular contributions for the carrying on of our world work, a large sum has been given for the erection of church buildings, schools, medical institutions, and other needed facilities. The wonderful participation of our membership in the annual In-(Continued on next page.)

The Middle East representatives tell their story during the missionary pageant.

GENERAL CONFERENCE

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Missionary Halliwell explains with the aid of a model, the work of the Amazon mission launches.

gathering has meant so much to our movement. The scripture, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power," has found remarkable fulfilment in the loyal participation of our people. The plan of united giving to support this great, world-wide, unified programme, we believe is of God. Such a united and sustained effort makes possible the carrying forward of an evenly balanced and growing work, and results in solid building and steady advance. Let us make no mistake about it—our plan of financing this world work is safe and efficient. Experience has taught us the value of united effort.

In this connection may we say that earnest effort has been made to effect economies wherever possible in the operation of the work. In this our leaders, and workers have loyally co-operated. A minimum of large gatherings has been planned. Whereever these have been necessary, the endeavour has been to do so under the most practical conditions. Emphasis has been put upon more of the smaller gatherings, feeling that a larger number of our churchmembers would thus be directly benefited. Larger representative meetings, however, at times must be called. Certain councils must be called. There is no other people that carries forward its work so unitedly as does this people. First we plan together. Then we move together. And finally we rejoice together over the fruitage of our united labours under God. Unity is one of our watchwords. It must continue to be so; hence the need for frequent counselling together. No group must go off on a tangent by itself. Divided activity would result in weakening the work and making ineffective our organization. We must move forward with ranks unbroken until final victory is attained.

We are a universal church. We could not be otherwise. The divine mandate, to proclaim the Gospel to every nation and people, makes us such. Consistent with this fact, we believe, is the universal brotherhood of man and that God "hath made of one blood all nations . . . to dwell on all the face of the earth," as the Scriptures say. We therefore deplore, as contrary to the spirit of the Gospel, any effort to depreciate as inferior any nation or people, believing that all alike are precious in God's sight. We believe in the oneness that there is in Christ and as set forth by the apostle Paul, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:28. . . .

OUR PRESENT MEMBERSHIP

Our church membership today stands at 1,102,-910. Recently it has been possible to obtain more accurate membership figures of certain countries from which we were largely cut off. This has made necessary some revision in our membership figures. But when we return to 1863 and that little Gideonlike band of 3,500. We think of their unshakable conviction that they were divinely called and commissioned to carry God's message to the entire world. Resolutely they moved into action, committing their all to the undertaking. Today the message they proclaimed out of their humbleness and poverty has encircled the globe. They had the most meagre facilities. The messengers travelled on foot, on horseback, and by horse-drawn carriage. They utilized the painfully slow and comfortless sailing ships. Laboriously they spelled out the message in printed form, and undertook to scatter the precious pages like leaves of autumn. What faith was theirs! The largeness of the world, the multitude of earth's



The Governor of Ohio, C. William O'Neill, fraternizes with a missionary family from South America, after addressing the conference.

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inhabitants, the prejudice and unfriendliness they encountered on every hand, in no way discouraged them. Their faith overcame the world. They loved not the world, recognizing that if any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. So they had set their affections on things above. We must not forget that the work begun in such faith and sacrifice is to be finished in the same way. Faith must never languish, and sacrifice never be permitted to die. The total of all our giving has risen to a large figure today, but gifts and efforts are still measured by self-denial and given value in proportion to the sacrifice that they represent. The words of the Master are as true today as when first spoken, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Matt. 16:24. . .

EVANGELISM OUR CHIEF TASK

Evangelism remains our chief task. Our leaders continue to place first emphasis upon this all-important work. Evangelists today are meeting new problems. There is an increasing bid for the interest and the attention of people that did not exist in former years. Consequently these men must experiment and try new methods to awaken interests and bring people to meetings and to decisions. We believe that experimentation is justified. The truth must be proclaimed in a challenging manner to every nation, kindted, tongue, and people quickly. Public evangelism today is more costly in terms of money and effort than in former years. Where once a few dollars would rent an ample meeting place, today hundreds and even thousands of dollars are required. This is particularly true in great centres of population. Time on the radio and on the TV is costly, but these means of communication have proved effective. These and every other legitimate agency must be utilized in the carrying forward of our task until it is completed. . .

We fully believe that the greatest days of accomplishment are still before us. We shall see an increasing acceleration of the work in the days to come. As a people we have never been in such a favourable position to witness for the truth. The name Seventh-Day Adventist has gained a larger measure of respect than ever before. The publicity, that has been given to Seventh-Day Adventist world-wide activity has led many to inquire what Adventists stand for. There has been a new willingness to listen to an exposition of our teachings. It is for us a day of opportunity. The seed sowing of many years is bearing fruit. This should not lead us into an attitude of self-complacency and contentment. We must be more alert and active than ever, recognizing that with opportunity also comes a great responsibility. "Let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch.'

We stand near the borders of the Promised Land. World conditions clearly indicate that Christ's coming is near. "When we shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Matt. 24:33. The longing and prayer of every Seventh-Day Adventist today should be, "Thy kingdom come."

JULY 11, 1958



Pastor C. L. Torrey (right), General Conference Treasurer, hands a cheque for \$26,000 to Dr. Robert Taylor, Secretary of the American Bible Society.

Facts from the Treasurer's Report By C. L. Torrey

THE tithe reported for the past four years amounted to \$169,768,129.22. For the previous quadrennium: \$130,113,965.95. Gain: \$39,654,163.27.

During the years 1953-1957 the income on which tithe was paid amounted to \$1,697,681,292.20. Is it any wonder so many are astonished when they learn how the Seventh-Day Adventists in all lands give to their church for its work? . . .

During these years the funds for our world work have been the largest in our history. The Sabbath school offerings have been a large factor in the gathering of money for missions. The total receipts during the quadrennium amounted to \$25,-310,439.33 compared with \$21,023,984.50 for the previous four years, or a gain of \$4,286,454.83.

The second greatest source of mission funds has been the Ingathering. During the past quadrennium \$23,768,333.69 has been received as compared with \$18,544,787.21 for the previous four years, or a gain of \$5,223,546.48.

The total of all mission funds received has amounted to \$53,689,125.43 as compared with \$44,-367,399.71 during the years 1950-1953, or a gain of \$9,321,725.72.

TOTAL TITHES AND MISSION OFFERINGS

The grand total of tithes and mission offerings amounted to \$223,457,254.65. This is a gain of \$48,975,888.99 over the preceeding four-year period of 1950-1953.

In addition to the tithes and offerings our members have contributed \$59,834,216.25 for home and local church work. Therefore the total tithes, mission offerings, and home and local church contributions amounted to \$283,291,470.90. This exceeds the previous four years by \$68,281,418.12.



At the close of the missionary pageant, Pastor R. R. Figuhr, General Conference president (extreme left on platform), asks God's blessing on new missionaries about to leave for their fields of labour.

Since the Harris Pine Mills was turned over to, the denomination by Brother and Sister Harris, \$600,000.00 has been made available for our world budget. This has been a real blessing to the world field.

For the benefit of those delegates who were not present at the General Conference session in 1954, I would like to state that in 1951 Brother and Sister Clyde H. Harris placed their entire business—the Harris Pine Mills—at the disposal of the General Conference. This business was worth considerable money and represented forty years or more of untiring effort to accumulate funds for the cause. Brother and Sister Harris stipulated that the proceeds from the earnings of the Harris Pine Mills be used for the extension of our world-wide work.

It is with deep gratitude that I take this occasion on behalf of the General Conference to thank our loyal members for their faithfulness in paying their tithe and for their gifts, which have resulted in carrying the Gospel into so many lands of earth, thus hastening the finishing of the task and the return of our Lord.

| Baptisms an | | | Increase | 1950-1957 | | |
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| Membership | | | | | | |
| | Dec. 31 | | tisms | Membership | Increase | |
| Division | 1957 | 1950-53 | 1954-57 | 1950-53 | 1954-57 | |
| Australasian | 46,077 | 11,140 | 13,093 | 9,432 | 9,662 | |
| Central European | 42,536 | 6,901 | 4,951 | 143 | 1,177 | Loss |
| China | 21,168 | | | 2,247 Loss | | |
| Far Eastern | 94,722 | 28,664 | 33,092 | 21,347 | 25,860 | |
| Inter-American | 120,624 | 38,417 | 41,549 | 24,395 | 24,445 | |
| Middle East | 1,983 | 662 | 692 | 1,619 | 196 | |
| Northern European | 53,226 | 14,143 | 12,286 | 10,200 | 6,861 | |
| South American | 91,662 | 24,006 | 33,024 | 17,003 | 21,677 | |
| Southern African | 165,906 | 64,900 | 78,268 | 45,304 | 50,332 | |
| Southern Asia | 19,005 | 5,981 | 6,735 | 3,936 | 4,696 | |
| Southern European | 97,306 | 33,144 | 24,582 | 27,840 | 2,574 | |
| <u>U.S.S.R.</u> | 40,000 | | | 18,389 | | |
| Totals (Overseas) | 794,215 | 227,958 | 249.272 | 177.441 | 145,126 | |
| Totals (North America) | 308,695 | 63,467 | 69,213 | 32,540 | 32,962 | |
| Grand Totals | 1,102,910 | 291,425 | 318,485 | 209,981 | 178,088 | |

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE SECRETARY'S REPORT

(Resumé)

By W. R. Beach

THIS great Advent Movement came upon the scene of action as a direct response to the call of prophecy. Our conviction on this point deepens as the years go by. Nor is our conviction less firm that this people has received from the hands of the Master a mission to the world. At the appointed time the last messages of God were understood and the concluding phase of the Gospel programme began to move into focus. Soon the church of the remnant was marching into all nations.

All this was revealed to John on the Isle of Patmos. In the prophetic picture unveiled by the angel of the Revelation the apostle beheld the proclamation of the "everlasting 1954-57 Gospel" to "every nation, and 1,177 Loss St. 25,860 Rev. 14:6. The founders of the 24,445 Advent Movement undertook to 1962 fulfil this forecast. One August 21,677 day of 1874 they gathered near 50,332 Battle Creek, Michigan, and out-1,676 lined what was to be the over-all world-wide strategy of this cause. 178,088 John Nevins Andrews, our first

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foreign missionary, sailed from the port of Boston for Europe.

Ten years later, in 1885, a group led by S. N. Haskell and J. O. Corliss sailed out of San Francisco's Golden Gate to unfold a golden future for this church in the Pacific area. Since then they that "keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus" have marched eastward and westward, northward and southward. Approximately 8,000 of these men and women-thoroughbreds of the Advent race-have been sent to lands afar. More than 2,200 of them are on the field. Today some 43,700 national ministers, Bible instructors, educators, doctors, nurses, and institutional workers have joined the overseas workers. Immense strides have been made toward the ultimate goal. Indeed, the achievements of the past eighty-four years cheer our hearts. The full picture of the present will be portrayed as completely as possible by the General Conference leaders and the presidents of our world divisions. Their reports will marshal a thrilling array of facts and figures to show that indeed our lines have gone out to the end of the earth. . . .

New fields have been entered and new organi-

zations have been set up. In 1954 our work was established in the arctic isle of Greenland among "Greenland's icy mountains." Elder Andreas Nielsen is maintaining a courageous witness, and a fervent interest in the Advent message appears to have been aroused. The Skodsborg Sanitarium made an outstanding contribution to this pioneer programme by providing a qualified nurse for initial medical work. The erection of a church and clinic in Greenland is envisioned for the immediate future.

During the past four years the Southern Asia Division has made a concerted drive to reach out into unentered territory. Work has been established in the Garo Hills of East Pakistan. New territories have been entered along the Afghanistan border and in the Sind section between Lahore and Karachi. A mobile medical unit operated by Dr. Bazliel has penetrated the Himalayas beyond Simla to the Tibetan border, pushing right into Kashmir. The Northeast Union of India has entered Nepal; also Elder A. Maberly has developed a chain of solid interests on the borders of Sikkim and Bhutan. In South India work has been established in seventyfive towns and villages.

In the Far East three new missions were organized



Representatives of many nations file off the great platform after the "Pageant of the Advent Movement" programme on Sabbath.



during the quadrennium: the Musa Tenggara (Timor) Mission, the Sidang Advent Mission (for Malay-speaking people), and the Cambodia-Laos Mission. In South America two new missions were organized to give strength to the work in Minas and Santa Catarina, Brazil.

Reorganization has brought strength to the Frenchspeaking lands of the Inter-American Division. The work in the Republic of Haiti, on the islands of Martinique, Guadeloupe, and Marie Galante, and in French Guiana on the South American mainland, has been organized as the Franco-Haitian Union, with a baptized membership of approximately 16,000.

NEW CHURCH EDIFICES

While we have been reaching out into new fields we have made prodigious efforts around the circle of the earth to consolidate past achievements. This has been particularly evident in provision for muchneeded church facilities. . . .

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Since the early days of the Advent Movement we have been committed to a programme aimed at providing a complete education in our own schools. In pursuance of this concept the church undertook in 1934 to offer training in advance of that provided by the senior college, and founded the Seventh - Day Adventist Theological Seminary.

Since that time thinking and planning have advanced further. At the 1956 spring meeting of the General Conference Committee the leadership of the church was brought face to

J. N. Snider, of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, explains the wonderful value of the latest "dollar volume." Have you ordered yours? Hetcher Christian, delegate from Pitcairn, explains a model of the "Bounty" to his friends.

face with the fact that our most promising and dedicated youth were forced to attend non-Adventist institutions of higher learning in order to provide our denominational institutions with men and women who meet the required teaching qualifications. Our leaders were stirred by the necessity of making this advanced training available within the framework of Christian education. At the 1956 Autumn Council the development of a university-type educational institution, involving the organic union of the Seventh-Day Adventist Theological Seminary and a new School of Graduate Studies and an affiliation

with Washington Missionary College as the undergraduate college, was agreed upon. This new institution was created and was named Potomac University by the 1957 Autumn Council. The first courses to be offered in the School of Graduate Studies began with the 1957 summer quarter, and the first degrees now have been granted.

The organization of Potomac University is an epoch-making event in the development of God's cause, and brings us more completely into line with the divine instruction given this people by the Spirit of prophecy in the field of education.

We should add that throughout the world field the needs of the church educational programme indeed have top priority. In the Northern European Division, Newbold College, England, has achieved senior college status through affiliation with Washington Missionary College. In 1957, at a cost of \$350,000, a large, well-appointed administration building was erected to serve the needs of this Division training institution.



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MEDICAL MINISTRY

Another area in which advance and consolidation have marked the quadrennium is that of the medical ministry. New and often impressive facilities have been provided at great cost to give effectiveness to our efforts to make man whole. In one division -the Far Eastern-six new medical institutions were erected, bringing the total serving that far-flung field to twenty-six. Important wings and new facilities were added to the existing institutions in North America and overseas. Total bed capacity has increased 15.32 per cent, exclusive of selfsupporting institutions. In South America construction has been begun on the Penfigo (Savage Fire) hospital near Campo Grande, Mato Grosso, Brazil. Yet another medical launch, the Samaritana, was commissioned and dedicated April 17, 1955, on the Sao Francisco River, bringing the number of medical launches plying the great water empire of the Amazon and other rivers of South America to nine.

The home base for these far-flung activities is the College of Medical Evangelists, founded at Loma Linda, California, more than fifty years ago. This institution has extended its activities on both the Loma Linda and Los Angeles campuses. It now embraces within its organization, in addition to a School of Graduate Studies, eight professional schools with a current enrolment of 810 students. Teachers, students, and employees, not including members of their families, form a total community of about 4,000 people...

IN NORTH AMERICA

Certainly one of the very important links in the Advent Movement as it encircles the globe is the North American Division. It no doubt was in the providence of God that the launching and organization of this world movement shaped up on these fair shores. God has blessed His work and workers during the past quadrennium, and I would like to record several significant items.

A new procedure in evangelism has been developed. It is based on the projection of a series of preaching films entitled: 'It is written." This plan was first tested in the Central California Conference. Then, during recent months, eighteen churches in the Washington, D.C., area have co-ordinated their efforts with the telecast of *It Is Written* from the nation's capital. There have been responses from more than 500 cities and towns and approximately 15,000 people have enrolled in the Bible course.

We believe that such action is an implementation of William Carey's programme to expect greater things than ever from God and to attempt ever greater things for Him. . . .

We should mention, too, the financial support provided for the cause of God through the North American Division. During the past four years the members in North America remitted \$130,652,696 in tithe and gave and raised \$94,478,318 for home and overseas work. The grand total was \$225,-131,014. This was the largest amount ever given in a four-year period and represents 79.58 per cent of the money given and raised in the world field. For Ingathering alone our people in the North American Division raised \$17,217,057 during the

quadrennium. This was an increase of more than \$4,000,000 over the previous four-year period.

Such is a partial picture of the great Second Advent Movement today. The delegates to this session represent the forces and organizations that have made the success of this quadrennium possible. We welcome you from so many lands.

THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY IN THE REMNANT CHURCH

By E. R. Warland

THE Bible connects the gift of prophecy with the closing Gospel work of this dispensation. (Rev. 12:17; 19:10.) That church which is to accomplish the perfecting of the saints, and to fit them for translation, will be guided and kept by spiritual gifts, and among them the Spirit of prophecy.

gifts, and among them the Spirit of prophecy. When the Lord marks "the remnant of her seed" as those who "keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ," we need to be humbly and reverently aware that He means *us.* There is neither boasting nor pride in making this claim, but a deep, humble sense of gratitude that the Lord has been so wonderfully gracious in thus vouchsafing to us His special guidance in all the affairs of His church. His tender regard for this church is revealed in messages He has sent to us through His chosen messenger:

"I testify to my brethren and sisters," wrote Ellen White, "that the church of Christ, enfeebled and defective as it may be, is the only object on earth on which He bestows His supreme regard. . . . His church is to be a temple built after the divine similitude, and the angelic architect has brought his golden measuring rod from heaven, that every stone may be hewed and squared by the divine measurement, and polished to shine as an emblem of heaven, radiating in all directions the bright, clear beams of the Sun of Righteousness."—Testimonies to Ministers, pages 15, 17.

On the trials and tests of the future, as well as on our present duties and responsibilities, the messenger of the Lord gives us precious instruction. The panorama of world events today, both within and without the Advent movement, constitutes an incontrovertible testimony to the truthfulness and the divine origin of the Spirit of prophecy messages. Our great need is to know the testimonies.

"As the end draws near and the work of giving the last warning to the world extends, it becomes more important for those who accept present truth to have a clear understanding of the nature and influence of the *Testimonies*, which God in His providence has linked with the work of the third angel's message from its very rise."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, page 654.

The closer we get to the end of time, the more we shall need the guidance of the Spirit of prophecy. Indeed, we shall never be able to find our way through the present jungle of confused thinking nor will we be skilful enough to meet the new issues that will arise, unless we acquaint ourselves fully with this instruction from God.

Sister White says: "In reviewing our past history, having travelled over every step of the way of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment, and with confidence in Christ as leader. We have no need to fear for the future except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us."—Testimonies to Ministers, page 31.

"Through the Holy Spirit the voice of God has come to us continually in warnings and instruction, to confirm the faith of the believers in the Spirit of prophecy. . . Time and trial have not made void the instruction given, but through the years of suffering and self-sacrifice have established the truth of the testimony given. The instruction that was given in the early days of the message is to be held as safe instruction to follow in these closing days."—Review and Herald. Then shall we not regard these messages as a precious treasure through which God is still guiding us on to final victory? If we disregard, forget, neglect, or make secondary the wonderful light given us, we will surely fail. If we continue to hold it in high esteem and to be guided by its counsels we will certainly prosper. The choice is with us, and must be made.

"In vision I saw two armies in terrible conflict. One army was led by banners bearing the world's insignia; the other was led by the blood-stained banner of Prince Immanuel. Standard after standard was left to trail in the dust as company after company from the Lord's army joined the foe, and tribe after tribe from the ranks of the enemy united with the commandment-keeping people of God. An angel flying in the midst of heaven put the standard of Immanuel into many hands, while a mighty general cried out with a loud voice: 'Come into line. Let those who are loyal to the commandments of God and the Testimony of Christ now take their position.'"—Testimonies, Vol. 8, page 41.

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Baptism in Wimbledon

SABBATH, May 24th, was indeed a happy day when four precious souls passed through the waters of baptism to rise to newness of life in Christ Jesus.

We were privileged to have with us Pastor H. W. Hollingsworth, President of the North New South Wales Conference and Brother N. H. Knight from the British Union Conference. Pastor A. J. Mustard and Pastor Hollingsworth spoke timely words of advice and encouragement to these dear souls, both speaking on the necessity of following Jesus every step of the way. Yes, these candidates have heard the call of Jesus, and by His grace will follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.

The first candidate, Brother Dudley Emmer, was a member of the remnant church some twenty years ago. A wonderful story could be written on the way the Lord has led this dear brother back. Through the Holy Spirit working upon his heart, and the influence of our church elder and his wife, Brother and Sister Morton, we rejoice to see this brother safely inside the fold. Brother Emmer would like to thank his many friends for their interest in coming to witness his baptism, and for their prayers during the past months.

Then came Sister E. K. Brown who first become interested in the message through the witnessing of her daughter.

Finally, there were two of our young people who have grown up in the church, Sisters Rosemary Masters and Margaret Lacy. They had attended baptismal classes for a considerable period of time before expressing their desire to be baptized, for they realized there was much to learn before making the decision.

We solicit your prayers that they with us may remain true and faithful to the Saviour. May the Lord richly bless each one of these dear people.

> B. L. BOOTHMAN, Church Clerk.

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The Yorkshire Dorcas Federation Y.D.W.F. Sale

You would have scarcely believed the transformation! Where there had been men in ancient overalls wielding distemper brushes and plasterer's trowels, others sawing wood, hammering nails, repairing broken windows, installing pieces of wire for lights here and there, assisted by an assortment of children, large and small; now everything was set. Tables were laden with a multitude of goods of all shapes and sizes, and there were many eager helpers ready to empty the purses and fill the shopping bags.

This was the scene at the Yorkshire Dorcas Welfare Federation sale at the Leeds centre on Monday, March 31st, when member and affiliated societies joined together to raise funds for the Federation which was organized last October.



Mrs. Sheldon cuts the Federation cake.

At 3 p.m. the President of the Federation, Mrs. J. Shone, accompanied by the Vice-President, Mrs. Bolton of York, and the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. Parkin, welcomed the visitors to the Sale. Pastor E. H. Foster made a few remarks on the purpose of the Federation and its activities, and our guest of honour, Mrs. Sheldon, cut the special Federation Cake and declared the sale open. An amusing song by the scholars of the Laurieston School, a bouquet of flowers presented to Mrs. Sheldon, the presentation of prizes for the children's competition, and then the buying and selling, really began.

Each member society had a stall at which a varied display of goods were for sale—and how persuasive these stall holders were, and how tempting, too, were the things offered! One table, in a classroom lent to us by the School, was laden with a fascinating array of cakes, pastries, and trifles, while in the Federation room there were two attractions appealing to the appetites of all present an ice-cream kiosk, and a snack bar which offered a variety of tasty morsels.

An "Over Sixty" competition had attracted many entries, and what wonderful work was displayed. This included brilliant embroidery which won first prize for Mrs. Atkinson, age ninety-one years, also knitted articles and hand-made dolls. We were all very much impressed by the high standard of all the work submitted.

The Federation sale was mindful of the children.



Mrs. Sheldon being presented with a bouquet after opening the sale.

and catered for them down in the "Grotto," colourfully decorated with fairy lights. There, Punch and Judy offered amusing entertainment; a newborn lamb really was the centre of attraction—complete with the feeding bottle; a bran tub with mysterious parcels; hideous masks at twopence each; and all this ankle deep in straw!

Was the sale a success? Most certainly! For by 6 p.m., $\pounds 45$ had been raised, and the final figure was $\pounds 50$.

A word of appreciation is due to all Dorcas members who worked so hard to make this day a success, to those representatives who came to sell their goods, to the Headmaster of Laurieston School for use of a classroom, to Mrs. Sheldon for coming



Each member society of the Federation was responsible for a stall.



This newborn lamb held by Mrs. C. Smith, was the main centre of attraction for the children.

to open the sale, to Pastor Foster for his encouragement and support to the venture, and for the unflagging zeal and enthusiasm of the Federation officers.

This is but a small part of the activities of the Y.D.W.F., and it is a reminder that Dorcas is not dead, but lives on, and presents a mighty challenge to every member of the church, old and young alike. D. MUSTOW.



Sisters J. Wear and R. Handysides.

Newcastle Makes Ingathering News

INGATHERING! In future that word will always remind me of the Newcastle church. Even more than a week before the campaign began, enthusiasm was running high among a few devoted collectors. Secretly, goals were set, and competition developed between two experienced Ingatherers. Who would reach £300 first? With sweat and toil, and undeterred by rain, which came down in abundance, both Miss J. Wear, and Mrs. R. Handysides, not only reached, but passed their goal, collecting £312 and £309 respectively.

Another £440 was collected by eleven young people, who willingly gave their time and energy to this noble work. Many others contributed their share to the grand total of over £1,360.

Yes! over $\pounds I$,000 collected by thirteen people. Let us not merely sit back and admire their achievement, but determine that, by God's grace, we too will give the same loyal and unstinting service when "Ingathering" comes round next year.

AUDREY LAMING.

Baptism at Newcastle

JUNE 8th was indeed a wonderful day for the Newcastle church, for the Holy Spirit came into our midst, and we could feel His presence very near. The first-fruits of Pastor F. C. J. Pearse's campaign came forward to give their testimony of faith, and ten precious souls were added to the church, nine by baptism, and one by vote. It must have brought great joy to the hearts of Pastor Pearse and his associates, Brother Eric Winch, and Sister A. Laming, for it was truly wonderful to see a mother and her daughter, and again a mother and father and two sons, along with others, coming foward in baptism.

Pastor Pearse officiated, and Pastor J. H. Bayliss spoke appropriate words to all present, and we were all led to realize more fully our need of Jesus, our divine Saviour. Our prayer was for a fuller consecration, and for us to be united as brothers and sisters of one great family, and to be able to work daily, to please our Heavenly Father by following in the footsteps of Jesus.

> M. HANDYSIDES, Church Clerk.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Pictorial Aid to Bible Study

ONE hundred copies of this help in giving Bible studies have been sold to laymen in Britain. Since the last copy was sold a number of inquiries have come to us, and *if the demand is sufficient* we are ready to get another fifty sets from America and have them bound in this country as we did before.

We shall be glad to send particulars of this publication to any who do not recall them as given in the MESSENGER full-page announcements during last year.

Any conference worker or layman who desires a copy—probably at the former price of only two guineas—should send word on a postcard as soon as possible to Pastor E. R. Warland, B.U.C. Office, Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts. Do not send any money at this time. This inquiry is to determine whether or not the demand is sufficient to support our having another fifty sets prepared.

E. R. WARLAND.

* THE success of any great moral enterprise does not depend upon numbers.—William L. Garrison.

* The world is so filled with interesting things to do that the longest human life could not exhaust more than a small fraction of them.—Frank L. Gaines.

* If you wish to travel far and fast, travel light, take off all your envies, jealousies, unforgiveness, selfishness, and fears.—Glenn Clark.

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Wedding Bells

LEONARD-BEDDALL .-- On April 2, 1958, at 2.30 p.m. in the Stan-borough Park church, Mr. Harry Leonard of Edmonton, and Miss Christine Beddall of Torquay, both teachers at the Stanborough Park Secondary School, were united in marriage.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-length lace Empire line dress with train. coronet, and short veil, and carried a bouquet of white and yellow roses and lilies-of-the-valley.

The bridesmaids were Misses Anne Westley, Wendy Millard, the bride's cousin, Jean Thomas, the groom's cousin, and Christine Toussirot, who wore full-length dresses of lemon taffeta covered with lemon nylon flowered organza, and carried bouquets of blue irises, yellow tulips, and hyacinths. The page boy was Jean Louis Toussirot, and he wore blue trousers, with a white blouse and blue bow tie.

The service was conducted by Pastor K. H. Gammon and the Stanborough School choir provided the special music. Mr. Christopher Oddy was the best man, Mr. Brian Combridge played the organ, and Mr. G. Jones and Mr. C. Vesey were the groomsmen. The reception was held in the Stanborough Park Annexe, after which the couple left for the honeymoon in the Lake District. We wish Brother and Sister

Leonard God's richest blessing as they carry on with their work as teachers in the Stanborough Park School. DARLENE HEWLETT.

SHUTTLEWORTH-EVERETT,-Whit Monday, May 26, 1958, was the day chosen by Miss Beryl Everett of Bradford, for her marriage to Mr. Peter Shuttleworth of Burton-on-Trent. The wedding took place in the German Evangelical Church, Chester Street, Bradford. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. Vernon Everett, and attended by her two sisters Anne and Hazel. She wore a figured white satin gown, and carried a bouquet of red carnations, and the bridesmaids had pink-flocked terylene dresses beautifully made by the bride. Pastor S. Howard Parkin conducted the ceremony, assisted by Pastor C. D. Watson. Afterward the reception was held in Legrams House where the gardens made a lovely setting for photographs of the wedding groups. The three sisters made a charming picture. We wish the couple every happiness in their new home and service for the Master. MRS. M. PARKIN.

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Till the Day Dawn

SLIGHT.—It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Sister Grace Slight, who passed away on December 5, 1957. Sister Slight was a faithful servant until death, and we look forward to meeting her again on that glad resurrection morn. Our sym-pathics go to her devoted sister who is also suffering much sickness. Sister Slight was baptized by Pastor S. G. Hyde, and remained a member of the Edmonton church for ten years. CHURCH CLERK.

MUSK.—One of the oldest and a member of long-standing in the Edmon-ton church, Sister Musk at the age of eighty-three, after forty-eight years in the Lord's service, passed peacefully away on April 30, 1958. The funeral service, conducted by Pastor A. E. Farrow was held in the Edmonton church on May 3rd. Our sister will be greatly missed by all who knew her lovely ways and encouraging words. We thank God for her wonderful ex-ample in Christian living, and long for the time when we shall meet again. CHURCH CLERK.

SAUNDERS.—It is with deep regret that the Ilford church report the death of Sister Jane Saunders on May 19, 1958. She was in her eighty-fourth year. For many years a faithful member of the church in Walthamstow, she had, with advancing years, moved to be with her daughter in Ilford. Age and in-firmity did not permit her to attend the church, but she loved the Advent mes-sage, and we believe she rests in Jesus, and that she will come forth at the first resurrection. The funeral service took place at the City of London Crema-torium on May 27th. Our sincere sym-nathy is extended to her daughter, son-in-law, and grand-daughter, who mourn her passing. Church Clerk.

Church Clerk.

LEWIS.—The Gloucester church has lost another of its oldest members by the death of Mrs. Annie Lewis, of Churchdown, on May 6. 1938, at the age of eighty-one years. Mrs. Lewis had long been a student of the Bible before the Advent message came to Gloucester, and it fulfilled a deep desire when she the Advent message came to Gloucester, and it fulfilled a deep desire when she joined the company of believers who kept the seventh-day Sabbath. Pastor J. G. Bevan first pioneered the work in Gloucester in 1932, and it was in these days that Sister Lewis was bap-tized. She gave unstintingly of her means, her time, and her counsel, and faithfully attended church, although she lived some miles from the meeting place. lived some miles from the meeting place. She suffered much pain during the last months of her life, but her faith and hope were strong enough to endure to the end, and she fell asleep in the comfort of God's promises. Sister Lewis was laid to rest at Churchdown Ceme-tery, where she awaits the return of Jesus on the resurrection morning. JUSTINE L. ASH, Church Clerk.

NOBLE.—It is with sorrow we report the death of Brother Philip Noble of the Newcastle church, who died at the age of eightyfive at his home on May 23, 1958. Brother Noble accepted the message under the labour of Pastor F. C. Bailey in 1926, and was baptized the following year. All through the years our brother remained faithful to the blessed truth which he loved to talk about, and which he always endeav-oured to proclaim. He spent much of his time in the colporteur work, and precious souls were won through his ministry. For twenty-four years Brother Noble held the office of deacon, and was al-ways ready to encourage and sympa-

thize, ever pointing forward to the coming of Jesus. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor F. C. J. Pearse on May 27th at Saltwell Cem-tery, Gateshead, where appropriate words ware croken to realctives and friends. tery, Gateshead, where appropriate words were spoken to relatives and friends. Our sympathy goes out to his dear wife, Sister Noble, to his daughter Sister Dickenson and family, and we pray that they may be comforted by the hope of the coming of Jesus and the resurrection. M. HANDYSIDES, Church Clerk.

VIOLET.—Brother Violet passed away on October 1, 1957 at a Plymouth hospital, and was laid to rest on October 4th, following a funeral ser-vice conducted by Pastor J. C. French. He first became acquainted with our message at the New Gallery under the ministry of Pastor G. E. Vandeman, and was baptized there on February 20, 1954 by Pastor A. G. Tapping, and received into the Edgware church. The last few months of his life were spent in Cornwall. The courage and faith of Brother Violet were recognized by all who knew him. He died, after illness, with a great hope in his heart for the resurrecton to new life with our Lord. K. J. BUNKER.

FRETTEN.—It is with much sorrow that we record the death of Sister Fretten, a faithful member of the Hollo-way church, who came to us from Gillingham more than twenty years ago. Our dear sister had been an invalid for many years, but had borne her burden with patience and cheerfulness. She passed quietly to her rest on Sunday, June 15, 1958, and was in-terred in Olney Park Cemetery on the following Friday. The last rites were conducted by Pastor A. E. Farrow. our deepest sympathy goes out to Brother Fretten, his son, and two daughters, one of whom—Sister Betty Musgrave— is now with her husband in the work in Borneo. It is our confidence that they will soon be reunited on the great day will soon be reunited on the great day of

resurrection. Mrs. E. WALKER, Church Clerk.

WATSON.--We regret to record the death in Derby, on Sabbath, June 28, 1958, of Pastor Albert Watson, at the age of eighty-five. Pastor Watson was a pioneer missionary who gave many years of valuable service in East Africa. Our sympathies go to his wife, and two sons, Albert and Charles. A fuller notice will appear in a later issue of the MESSSENGER.---ED.

Advertisements

I AM taking this opportunity to express our deep feeling of gratitude to all of you who have so kindly responded to our call for old used magazines and tracts. I have been and I am still con-vinced that you are one with us in the soulsaving work here in East Nigeria, West Africa. I sincerely require to use West Africa. I sincerely promise to use these papers to a good effect in the soul saving work. Thank you all. A. A. Nzotra,

Secretary, Home Missionary Dept.

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Dr. H. E. Hargreaues

DR. HENRY ELLISON HAR-GREAVES was born in Bath, England, in March, 1898, and brought up as a Seventh-Day Adventist by his godly mother. At the age of fifteen he attended the Stanborough Park Missionary Training College, and then was called into His Majesty's service during the first World War. On demobilization he began to study medicine at Charing Cross Hospital, and after qualifying, was called by the Seventh-Day Adventist Mission Board to serve in Persia. He spent twenty-five years in this needy country as a medical missionary and minister, bringing healing and blessing to thousands. He was ordained to the Gospel ministry in 1937, and was Acting Superintendent of the Iran Mission for a time as well as carrying out his medical work. Because of the prevailing eye diseases in Persia, he made a special study of this scourge, and on one furlough period qualified with the diploma of Ophthalmic Medicine Surgery.

In 1950 he was called to the Australasian Division as Medical Secretary, and became well known to the membership of this Division in his itineraries and service at camp-meetings, and in his frequent visits to the South Sea island mission field. In 1953 he joined the Repatriation Department as an eye specialist, and held this office at_the time of his decease.

Dr. Hargreaves was a consistent Christian gentleman, always to be found in prayer-meeting, Sabbath school and divine service, and ever willing to help forward the work of the church.

While at home on June 4th, recovering from an attack of mumps, he had a sudden attack and in a matter of minutes suffered a coronary occlusion which proved fatal.

He leaves to mourn his widow, Mrs. Hargreaves, a son, Roger, and three daughters, Mrs. Katherine Gillespie of Melbourne, and one grandchild, Karen, daughter of Mrs. Gillespie, Caroline and Margaret; also his brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. J. Hargreaves of Wickford, Essex. His family are faithfully following the noble ex-

ample of their father in active Christian witness in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

We take this opportunity to sincerely express to his widow, Mrs. Hargreaves, his family, and other relatives, our very profound sympathy in the great loss they have sustained, and earnestly pray that the God of all comfort will sustain them in this their hour of need, and keep each one faithful until the glad reunion on the resurrection morn. E. E. WHITE.

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WANTED, used literature for West Africa (Our Times, Signs of the Times, etc.) Also second-hand copy of volumes 1, 2 and 4 of Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers for purchase by African worker. R. E. Hulbert, S.D.A. Mission, P.O. Box 201, Calabar, E. Nigeria, W. Africa.

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