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A BIBLE-BASED MESSAGE

By Robert H. Pierson

SOME years ago in a country where Bible study is not encouraged, a clergyman of the established church discovered one of his parishoners reading her Bible.

"You have become a Seventh-Day Adventist!" he cried accusingly.

"No," was the astonished reply. "I am only reading my Bible."

"You have become a Seventh-Day Adventist!" the visitor charged again. "Only Seventh-Day Adventists study their Bibles in this country!"

It is a high honour, a reputation we should zealously justify, to be labelled special students of the Word.

John Wesley once said, "I want to know one thing—the way to heaven, how to land on that happy shore. God Himself has condescended to teach the way; for this very end He came from heaven. He hath written it down in a Book! Oh, give me that Book! At any price, give me that Book of God! I have it; here is knowledge enough for me. Let me be a man of one Book."

Seventh-Day Adventists also say, "We want to know one thing—the way to that better land where we may for ever fellowship with our Lord and Master, Christ Jesus." As did Wesley, we believe that the way to that golden shore is revealed in only one Book, the Bible. "Give us that Book! At any price, give us that Book," we cry. "Let us truly be a people of one Book."

The teachings of the remnant church are Christ centred and Bible-based. We believe that Jesus is "the Way, the Truth, and the Life." We believe that "no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me [Jesus]." John 14:6. It is our profound conviction that "neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among

men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12. We are convinced that the place to find Christ is in Christ's book, the blessed Bible.

Substitutes for the Word will not suffice in things eternal. Jesus declared, "In vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Mark 7:7. Man-made philosophy may delight the ear and please the fancy, but it cannot save the soul.

The Bible is a wonderful book. It is a true book. It is a fact-filled and interest-packed book. Its variegated contents range through theology, history, science, philosophy, ethnology, ethics, romance, drama, public and personal relations, and other topics that have captured human interest and attention through the centuries.

AN INSPIRED BOOK

The Bible is more than a good book, a true book, a wonderful book. Man may write a good book, a true book, even a wonderful book. But man has never produced a volume that compares with the Holy Scriptures. The Bible *lives!* Through its sacred pages the living God moves and speaks to human hearts. It is a book of divine origin destined from the beginning to fill a unique need among the human family. No other volume has successfully challenged it.

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3:16, 17.

Evidence of the Bible's divine origin is both ample and convincing. Only God can foresee the future. Only His Book contains prophecies whose fulfilments are established as historical fact. "I am God, and there is none like Me, declaring the end



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from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done." Isa. 46:9, 10. With God the future is present and He alone is able to declare accurately what the next day, the next year, or the next century will reveal.

Years before the events took place, inspired prophets of God foretold such events as the rise and fall of Babylon, of the Medo-Persian kingdom, Greece, and Rome (Dan. 2:31-33), Artaxerxes' decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem (Dan. 9:25; Ezra 7:7, 8), the anointing of Christ as Messiah and His crucifixion (Dan. 9:25), the proclamation of the Gospel to the Gentiles (Dan. 9:26, 27), the pagan persecution of the Christian church (Rev. 2:10), the 1,260 years of papal supremacy. (Dan. 7:25, etc.)

Only God could have guided the hands of the holy men who chronicled these events for our admonition and learning today. "Prophecy came not at any time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." 2 Peter 1:21 (margin).

A POWER-FILLED BOOK

The Book of God contains the power of God. The Bible is more than an accurate history, an enthralling story, a sublime philosophy; it is a living, throbbing power able to change men spiritually, physically, and mentally, making them new men in Christ Jesus.

"The Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, . . . and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Heb. 4:12.

The Word once changed a would-be assassin in South America into a submissive child of God. It changed a perverse West Indian sorcerer into a preacher of righteousness. It transformed a drunken Central American antagonist into a stalwart leader in the local Adventist church. It led a Brahman printer in Dutch Guiana to renounce heathenism even at the cost of giving up family and home. It has rescued such men as Jerry McAuley and John B. Gough—apparently hopeless alcoholics—and made them into effective temperance welfare workers.

The power of God's Word has dethroned kings, established governments, opened and closed the heavens, convicted the sinner, lifted the fallen, revived the backslidden, perfected the saint, healed the sick, cleansed the leper, delivered the oppressed, fed the hungry, clothed the naked, cheered the discouraged, united broken homes, bound up broken hearts, cooled tempers, revived hope, saved lives, and ransomed souls. Only the living God possesses such power. Only He could Author such a book.

STUDY OF THE WORD ENJOINED

"Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me." John 5:39. To be people of the Book we must be students of the Book. Truth on the shelf, in the bookcase, or on the table will never save us. Truth to be effective, redemptive, must be in the mind, in the heart, in the life. It is well to be "in the truth;" it is even more essential to have the truth *in us!*

No occasional, superficial skimming of the Word will suffice. "The most valuable teaching of the Bible is not to be gained by occasional or disconnected study. . . . Many of its treasures lie far beneath the surface and can be obtained only by diligent research and continuous effort. The truths that go to make up the great whole must be searched out and gathered up, 'here a little, and there a little.'"—*Education*, page 123.

And when we read we must read aright. "There is much reading of the Bible that is without profit, and in many cases a positive injury. When the Word of God is opened without reverence and without prayer; when the thoughts and affections are not fixed upon God, or in harmony with His will, the mind is clouded with doubt; and in the very study of the Bible, scepticism is strengthened."—*Steps to Christ*, pages 83, 84.

A time of great trial is just ahead for God's people. Only a prayerful study of the Word will prepare us to stand the test. "None but those who have fortified the mind with the truths of the Bible will stand through the last great conflict." (*The Great Controversy*, pages 593, 594.) How much we need to treasure up the precious promises of His Word to strengthen us for the days just ahead.

THE PERIL OF IGNORANCE

Would Jesus speak to some of us as churchmembers today the words He directed to the Sadducees of His day: "Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures?" Matt. 22:29. The servant of the Lord points out a truth that members of the remnant church dare not forget or ignore. "No church can advance in holiness unless its members are earnestly seeking for truth as for hid treasure."—*Ibid.*, page 522. (Italics supplied.)

We may erect beautiful new buildings—and we should. We may reach all of our financial and other church goals—and we should. We may work diligently in many different departments of God's last-day programme—and we should. But we cannot advance in holiness ("without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14) unless we are "earnestly seeking for truth as for hid treasure." We must be careful, prayerful students of God's Word.

THE SECRET OF POWER

"The study of the Bible will ennoble every thought, feeling, and aspiration as no other study can." It expands the mind, sharpens the perceptions, and ripens the judgment. "It gives stability of purpose, patience, courage, and fortitude; it refines the character, and sanctifies the soul."—*Ibid.*, page 94.

What a matchless power the Advent church of prophecy would be in the world if every member were a giant in the Scriptures. What a tremendous stir we would create in every corner of the globe. We would be known not only for our efficient organization, our per capita giving, and our world-wide medical welfare programme; the people would know us because of our sanctified characters, our patience, our courage, our stability of purpose, our good judgment. In short, they would know that indeed we have been with Jesus.

"O give us that Book! At any price, give us that Book of God!" Let us always be people of the one Book!"—R. & H.

The passing of these veteran workers should stimulate our young people to dedicate their lives to the unfinished task of evangelizing the world.

UNION NOTES

CHURCH DEDICATIONS

It is very gratifying to record the dedication of three churches during the past few months. The first of these was in Liskeard, Cornwall. Here the revival under Wesley resulted in the building of many Methodist churches. Today, however, a number of these have fallen into decay. One such building was purchased by the brethren when bereft of floor, furniture, roof, and windows. It stands now as a memorial to the Advent message.

The second building dedicated is in Aberdeen. This property affords ample accommodation for the growth of the work in this northern city, and we trust that the way will open up for strong evangelism in that beautiful city of granite.

The third church, dedicated on Sabbath, January 17th, is in Chelmsford. It was formerly dedicated as a place of worship, then used by the British Legion for over a decade, and now it houses the Chelmsford Adventist church. We hope that similar dedications will take place in Brixton, Ealing, Manchester, and Slough before the end of this year.

The company in Carlisle is being organized into a church on Sabbath, January 31st. We rejoice with this group of believers in their development and pray that the Lord will lead them onward to still greater growth in numbers and spiritual influence.

A WELCOME VISITOR

By the time these notes appear, Elder H. M. S. Richards, beloved preacher of the Voice of Prophecy, will be with us. He is to lead out in the New Gallery evangelistic programme for the next three months. We solicit the prayers of God's people for His servant in this vital task. Remember also all our evangelists as they proclaim the everlasting Gospel from Sunday to Sunday, that hearts may be melted and moulded by the Spirit of God.

MEMBERSHIP

ANOTHER cause of rejoicing is the large number of souls won to the truth during the past year. Altogether 654 souls were added to church membership by baptism and vote. This is the largest number of accessions in any year, and is 145 more than in 1957. The tithe returns for 1958 were correspondingly substantial and reflect the blessing of God upon His people.

L. E. A. LANE

WE regret the death of Pastor L. E. A. Lane, who passed to his rest on Sunday, January 11th. Had Brother Lane lived just one week more, he would have reached his seventieth birthday. An obituary notice appears in this issue.

ANNUAL SESSIONS

THE Union Committee has voted the dates for the Conference and Missions Sessions to be held this year, as follows:

Scottish Mission July 2nd—4th
Irish Mission July 9th—11th
Welsh Mission July 16th—18th
North England July 23rd—25th
South England July 30th—August 1st

The committee decided that in each session, the business of the conference would be concluded on the Friday, and the services end on Sabbath evening. This would leave the delegates and members free to return to their homes on the Sunday. We are confident that a shorter business session will enhance the spiritual fellowship of these biennial meetings and ensure the enjoyment of the blessings of the Sabbath services.

THE "MESSENGER" OFFERING

AN offering to help defray the expense of printing and circulating the MESSENGER will be taken up in our churches on Sabbath, February 14th. In considering what we should give, let us keep in mind that each MESSENGER costs 6s. 6d. per annum. Those who can afford this amount, or more, should give accordingly, so that others may receive the benefit.

J. A. McMILLAN.

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Speech Night at Stanborough School

STANBOROUGH SCHOOL held its annual Speech Night on November 26, 1958. The main speaker for the evening, Pastor A. J. Woodfield, treated a capacity audience to an address packed with wit, epigram, and good sense. After speaking sincerely of his past connections with, and present interest in the school, he led us step by step up the ladder of success and happiness until we felt that both were well within our grasp.

Earlier, the present headmaster, Pastor R. Syme, had reported upon the activities of the past year. His theme was, "Expansion and Extension." The enrolment in the school was higher than ever, and this was having two notable results. First, it was almost impossible to accommodate all parents in the Estate Hall on Speech Night. The second, more significant result was that for the past two years, there had been not one first form, but two. In three more years the number of classes in the Secondary School will have doubled. This not only



The Headmaster giving his report of the year's activities and achievements.

shows the esteem in which the school is held by the public, but is making for greater efficiency in teaching and a further raising of academic standards.

That these standards were already high was demonstrated by the number of students who received G.C.E. certificates, one boy gaining a distinction at Advanced Level.

Pupils of the fourth year (the year before G.C.E.) had for the first time been entered for the College of Preceptors Examination and the results had been very gratifying, with many distinctions, one boy gaining 100 per cent in the Mathematics paper.

Many new facilities had been added over the year, among them a completely new woodwork and science building equipped and decorated in very modern fashion. Thus two more classrooms have been made available in the main school building, where the cloakrooms have also been re-equipped.

Mention was also made of the long-awaited and quite luxurious boarding school which came into existence in January, 1958, and which has been running to capacity under the able and kindly leadership of Miss Williams and Mr. Jones since its inception.

Expansion was also noted in the realm of charitable giving, over £700 having been collected for

and given to the Ingathering, Dr. Barnado's, and other funds.

Pastor Syme ended his report by touching on the continued success of the choir, which had again distinguished itself by supporting our evangelists and by winning two more trophies in competitions.

The giving and receiving of certificates, the singing of the choir, the votes of thanks by the Head Boy and Head Girl, all these are common to most Speech Nights and were impressive, dignified, and encouraging. But what, surely, was most encouraging was the fact that this Speech Night symbolized a school of boys and girls growing up in a Christian atmosphere, equipping themselves not only academically and physically but also spiritually to face the problems and to shoulder the responsibilities which will surely be theirs.

H. LEONARD, B.A.

Oxford Calling!

THE second year of the Oxford campaign series opened on January 18th. As I suggested in my last brief report we were allowed only two Sundays in

The Stanborough School Choir rendered items during the evening.



The School Cup is triumphantly held aloft by the captains of Shaftesbury House.



the Town Hall this year, yet two more than we expected to have!

The Luton Girls' Choir with their Director, Mr. Arthur Davies, M.B.E., came over to support this opening service, at which there were between 700-800 people present. It was an encouraging beginning indeed and there was rapt attention as we answered the propounded question: "Was Calvary's Cross a Failure?" The choir's singing was heavenly; of all the choirs we have heard, the Luton Girls' is the most pleasing. In March this choir flies out to Australia for a three months' singing tour. So we were fortunate to have them, busy as they are making their preparations.

The second Sunday we suffered a set-back for three main reasons:

1. The pavements were unsafe for walking from severe frost, especially outside the city centre from where most of the people come.

2. The annual Pantomime Service in the big New Theatre—a traditional service in Oxford—at which David Nixon was to read the lesson and "Cinderella" sing, etc.

3. The Press had reported, during the week, our identity—and as our church is still, unfortunately, the occasion for much prejudice, many would be deterred from returning.

But in spite of the set-back we had a really good service and an appreciative audience which included: a Doctor of Divinity, an ex-Arabic preacher from Lebanon, and the curate of St. Clement's church from which sprang last year's press attack!

The subject on this second night was: "Mass Invasion of the Highways of Space: the Bible's Remarkable Prophecy."

For our third Sunday we begin a series of nine Sunday evening services in the Assembly Rooms situated at the famous cross roads known as Carfax. The amenities of this hall are not to be compared with the Oxford Town Hall, of course, but we are grateful for this opening, one that we would have liked to have had last year.

We have had a good response from the audience for the printed sermon, though the response in Ox-

ford does not compare as favourably as in campaigns we have conducted in other places.

We do need, as workers, grace and courage. To know that the friends of the MESSENGER family are praying for us in our tough crusade in Oxford is a great consolation. A few encouraging letters would be much appreciated if sent to 33 St. Paul's Crescent, Oxford.

In the last edition of the MESSENGER I inadvertently omitted the name of our third team-member. The copy was sent in a hurry and not re-read! Mr. Mark Leeds, B.A., is the young minister who makes up our evangelistic quartet.

Raising churches is very much like creating lovely gardens. Both are to be admired when matured, but oh, the toil, the heartaches, and disappointments which precede the maturity! Rudyard Kipling expressed this sentiment.

MEET THE NEW DIVISION H.M. SECRETARY

at the
London Dorcas Federation

Spring Meeting

on

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th,

at 11.30 a.m. in the

**New Gallery Centre,
REGENT STREET**

Division H. M. Secretary, Pastor O. Jordal, will be present to give the opening devotional address of this important Dorcas session.

ATTENTION, LONDON!

Pastor E. B. Hare wants to meet all London members who can come to the New Gallery on Sabbath, February 21st.

He will preach in the morning.

He will discuss important aspects of Sabbath school work with you in the afternoon.

In the evening he will give illustrated information of our world-wide mission fields helped by your offerings.

Don't miss it, London!

NEW GALLERY, ALL DAY, FEBRUARY 21st.

Special day of practical instruction to an invited company of Sabbath school teachers, Sunday, February 22nd. A memorable experience is in store for all who attend. You will never forget Pastor E. B. Hare!

*Our England is a garden, and such gardens are
not made
By singing "Oh how beautiful!" and sitting in the
shade,
While better men than we go out and start their
working lives,
At grubbing weeds from gravel paths with broken
dinner-knives.*

S. G. HYDE.

Tell the "Good Tidings"

MEMORIES were unravelled and brought to life again when Pastor J. H. Bayliss, our conference president, stepped into the pulpit at Holloway church on Sabbath, December 20th. Many years earlier at the outbreak of war on old London, he had stood in that same pulpit proclaiming the promises of God to his flock, for he was the pastor there at that time.

As he glanced over the large congregation he expressed his gladness in being able to look into the faces of so many old members, and the joy of seeing so many new ones.

These words were used as an introduction to the seasonable greetings Pastor Bayliss had come to extend to the members of Holloway:

"Let the peace and tranquility of God rule your heart in a world of darkness. We have found the Messiah. We have found the Man who knows how to turn on the *Light*. I bring you tidings of great joy, for a Saviour is risen from the dead: raised for our justification, delivered for our offences."

He continued by asking a question:

"Are you sharing the Good Tiding with others? . . . Christ and His disciples counted it their responsibility to proclaim them; it is our responsibility to do likewise today."

"The great Redeemer," he said, "become the world Redeemer, and in so doing He linked earth with heaven."

"More important than physical health is the knowledge of sins forgiven. It relieves mankind of a great pressure and He substitutes unrest with peace, true peace; . . . this is Christ's broadcast message to all the world."

Thus another message of peace and goodwill was wafted into eternity, leaving its sweet impression and influence upon the hearts of the listeners. A feeling of assurance and content, mingled with the honest resolve to shed abroad light and cheer, gripped our hearts.

One thing we had learned that Sabbath morning was that the sweetest thing in this world is to feast upon the eternal promises of God to His people.

Space does not permit me the recording in full of his message but we may well hope these few gems from it may rekindle our first love of our Redeemer.

G. MUDFORD.

Baptism at Wimbledon

SABBATH, November 22nd, was indeed a happy day in the Wimbledon church, for the Week of Prayer was appropriately brought to a close with a baptism, when many members and friends witnessed three precious souls follow their Lord through the watery grave to rise to newness of life in Christ Jesus.

Pastor A. J. Mustard spoke words of counsel before administering the ordinance of baptism, and a message in song was rendered to us as Mrs. Mustard sang, "Lead us, dear Lord, by Thine own hand." As each candidate was immersed a verse of that well loved hymn, "Just as I am without one plea," was sung by the congregation.

The first candidate was Mrs. Kent, followed by her eldest son, Peter. This family first came to a knowledge of the truth through our organist, Sister Lacy, and afterward received Bible studies from Pastor Mustard. Mr. Kent has also accepted the truth, but owing to ill-health was unable to be baptized at this time. We ask your prayers especially for this brother, that if it is the Lord's will He will restore him fully to health and strength.

The last candidate was Miss Roache, who came in contact with the truth back in her homeland of Jamaica. She has faithfully attended the church ever since the first week of her arrival in England some eight or nine months ago.

May the Lord richly bless each one of these dear people, together with others who are preparing for baptism.

CHURCH CLERK.

Weston-Super-Mare Starts Dorcas Society

INSPIRED by the vision of God's purpose for women in these last days, the Weston ladies held their first Dorcas meeting on Tuesday afternoon, January 13th.

In contrast to the cold, wintry weather outside, and thanks to the kind hospitality of one of our sisters, a beautiful fire and refreshments made a

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BRITISH ADVENT MESSENGER

Cancer, Coronary Artery Disease and Smoking

A Preliminary Report on Differences in Incidence Between Seventh-Day Adventists and Others

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DURING recent years much evidence, presumptive, statistical, pathological, biological, and chemical, has been accumulated pointing to smoking, particularly of cigarettes, as a cause of primary cancer of the lung.⁵ The causative connection between smoking and lung cancer has now been regarded as proved by the Surgeon General of the U. S. Public Health Service and the British Ministry of Health.^{6,7} Our own studies have indicated that occupational exposures and air pollution play a much lesser rôle in the development of lung cancer.¹² As far as cancer of the mouth, larynx, and œsophagus are concerned, all types of smoking have been shown to play an important etiologic rôle.^{8,9,10} However, in these locations cigar and pipe smoking are known to carry a greater risk than cigarette smoking. Heavy smokers were shown to have a further increased risk of getting these diseases if they were also heavy whisky consumers.

In the development of coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction a number of etiologic factors have been suspected, including diet, especially animal fats, endocrine factors, stress and strain, as well as smoking.⁴ The latter factor was most recently emphasized in a study by Hammond and Horn which showed that the incidence of myocardial infarction is seventy per cent greater in smokers than in non-smokers.¹

The present study was conducted to further elucidate some of the above points by noting the hospital incidence of these diseases, as well as the incidence of other cancers in a non-smoking and non-drinking population, largely located in urban and industrial areas. The more detailed findings of this study will be reported subsequently.¹³ In addition, one of us (F. L.) is engaged in a prospective study covering the total Seventh-Day Adventist population in California.

BACKGROUND DATA

This study is based upon the analysis of hospital records of eight Seventh-Day Adventist hospitals including the following: Loma Linda, White Memorial, Glendale, Paradise Valley, and St. Helena in California; Hinsdale Hospital, Hinsdale, Illinois; Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Washington, D. C.; and New England Sanitarium and Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts. It involved a survey of all

A study was made of the incidence of certain types of disease among Seventh-Day Adventists, a religious group of special interest because they refrain from smoking and drinking.

Epidermoid cancer of the lung, previously shown to be related to smoking, was ten times less common among Seventh-Day Adventists than among the general population, even among those Seventh-Day Adventists living in the Los Angeles area where all are exposed to smog. Similarly, cancers of the mouth, larynx, and œsophagus, previously shown to be related not only to smoking but also to heavy drinking, were at least ten times less common among Seventh-Day Adventist men than among men of the general population. All other types of cancer, with the exception of cancer of the bladder and cervix, occurred among Seventh-Day Adventists with the same frequency as in the general population. The latter occurred slightly less than in the general population.

Myocardial infarction in Seventh-Day Adventist males was less frequent and occurred at a later age than among males in the general population; while the age distribution of the disease among the Seventh-Day Adventist females was similar to that of females in the general population.

cancer and coronary artery disease reported in these hospitals for the study period and included 8,128 non-Seventh-Day Adventists and 564 Seventh-Day Adventists with such diagnoses. The total number of cases reviewed, in both male and female patients, was 3,679 for cancer, 3,082 for coronary artery disease, and 1,931 for myocardial infarction. Fifty-two per cent of the total cases came from hospitals in the Los Angeles area. In addition to studying the patients' case records, we interrogated Seventh-Day Adventist males and females drawn from the Southern California hospital patient population to obtain information about their background and environmental habits. Fifty-five per cent of Seventh-Day Adventists over the age of forty were found to have belonged to another religion (usually Protestant) before joining the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Very few females had a history of smoking. Seventy-one per cent of Seventh-Day Adventist males over the age of forty were found to have never smoked; twenty-three per cent, though having done so,

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DISTRIBUTION OF HOSPITAL CANCER CASES (BY SITE AND SEX)
Male Seventh Day Adventists

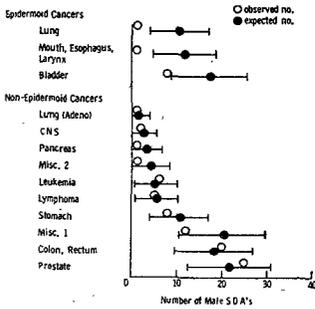


Chart 1.—The actual number of Seventh-day Adventists at each site is represented by the white circle. The black line represents the range into which the actual number of Seventh-day Adventists should fall if the following assumptions are true: (1) Seventh-day Adventists have the same chance of appearing at a given site on the chart as the non-Seventh-day Adventists and (2) the Seventh-day Adventists are 8.8 per cent of the non-Seventh-day Adventist hospital population. If these assumptions are true, then the actual numbers of the Seventh-day Adventists will fall within the given ranges approximately 95 per cent of the time.
In Charts 1 and 2, the classification "Miscellaneous 2" embraces skin cancers of all types and "Miscellaneous 1" includes all cancers not otherwise listed.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOSPITAL CANCER CASES (BY SITE AND SEX)
Female Seventh Day Adventists

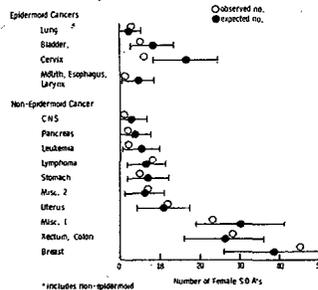


Chart 2.—See note under Chart 1.

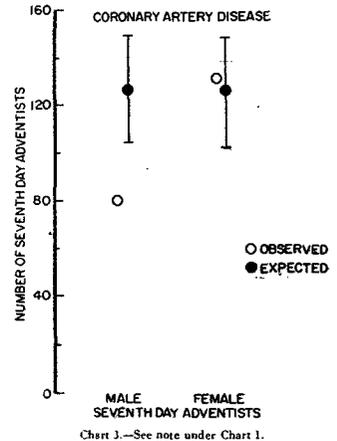


Chart 3.—See note under Chart 1.

smoked for less than twenty years. Thus, only six per cent of the Seventh-Day Adventist males had a smoking history of more than twenty years, which compares to 85.4 per cent in a sample of the general population. Only 3.5 per cent had still smoked occasionally during the five-year period after joining the church. Therefore, as far as long-term smoking habits are concerned, the Seventh-Day Adventist males are similar to females in the general population.

Alcohol consumption is also uncommon among Seventh-Day Adventists of both sexes. Seventy-seven per cent of males never drank alcohol and only 0.5 per cent of the males admitted some drinking after joining the church. Thus, for all practical purposes they were a non-smoking and non-drinking population.

The dietary intake of Seventh-Day Adventists also differs from that of the general population. Only 41 per cent of the Seventh-Day Adventists eat meat, and those who do, eat less than does the general population. We found only 5 per cent among the general population who did not eat meat. Only 9 per cent of the Seventh-Day Adventists drank coffee regularly and 17 per cent drank tea. Egg and butter consumption was similar to that of the general population; milk consumption was found to be higher. Thirty-three per cent of the Seventh-Day Adventist males consumed more than three glasses of milk a day, compared with 13 per cent among the controls. However, the diet of Seventh-Day Adventist males and females was quite similar. These background data are based upon interviews with 261 male and 199 female Seventh-Day Adventists. Further interviews, yielding additional details, especially of dietary habits, are being carried out and will be presented in our final report.¹³

Except for the somewhat larger proportion of professional people, the occupations of Seventh-Day Adventists in this group are similar to those in the general population.

In summary, the Seventh-Day Adventist group

was for the most part made up of persons who had never smoked or had not smoked for long terms and who did not use alcoholic beverages, but otherwise differed from the general population only in lower intake of meat, coffee, and tea and higher intake of milk.

EXPECTATIONS

If the factors of smoking and alcohol consumption are of etiological significance in the development of certain diseases, then the following conjectures could be made as to these diseases in this group.

1. Lung cancer, found to be significantly related to smoking but not to drinking, would be less by at least 90 per cent in the males of this study group than in the general population, the male and female rate tending to be equal.
2. Cancer of the mouth, larynx, and oesophagus, found to be related to smoking and heavy drinking, would be lower in the study group by at least 90 per cent, and the male and female rates would again tend to be equal.
3. Myocardial infarction would be significantly less, particularly in the younger males, and the male and female rates as well as the age distribution among males and females would tend to be equal.

RESULTS

CANCER

Chart 1 shows the results for the cancer cases, in males, presented as observed and expected numbers.* The expected values are based on the per cent of the Seventh-Day Adventist hospital admissions, which is 8.8 per cent of the non-Seventh-Day Adventists group. It will be noted that for the non-epidermoid cancers the observed values are within statistical expectation; this also includes adenocarcinoma of the lung. The difference for bladder can-

*The statistical analysis of this data was carried out by Dr. I. J. Bross and Mrs. Charlotte W. Zweifach.

cer is just statistically significant. This is of interest in view of the fact that bladder cancer has also been shown to have some association with smoking.² The differences are greatest for cancer of the mouth, œsophagus, larynx, and lung. There were 133 cases of cancer of the mouth, lip, and œsophagus among non-Seventh-Day Adventists. The expected number of such cases among the Seventh-Day Adventists was 11.8, but we only found one cancer in this area, a cancer of the lip. Cancer of the lip is known to be precipitated by over-exposure to sunlight. There were 118 cases of lung cancer in non-Seventh-Day Adventists, all histologically proved to be either epidermoid or anaplastic. The expected number in Seventh-Day Adventists was 10.4. We found only one. This one case occurred in a 63-year-old Seventh-Day Adventist man who, unlike most Seventh-Day Adventists, had been a regular one-pack-a-day smoker for twenty-five years before joining the church in 1941. Lung cancer developed in 1954. In addition, this man had long-term exposure to metal dust and metal burning.

The data for females is shown in Chart 2. The rates for lung, mouth, œsophagus and larynx cancer among male and female Seventh-Day Adventists are similar, giving a sex ratio near 1:1. Among the cases in females, no significant difference was found in the expected and observed values except for cancer of the cervix. There were 186 cases in the non-Seventh-Day Adventists; the expected number for Seventh-Day Adventists was 16.4, and we found six. This may be a result of better hygiene among Seventh-Day Adventist males as compared with males in the general hospital population as seen in this study, a factor considered to be important in the incidence of cancer of the cervix in previous studies.¹¹

CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

For both coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction the observed values were significantly lower for Seventh-Day Adventist males and were

similar to the expected values for Seventh-Day Adventist females (Charts 3 and 4). In view of the more definite diagnosis of myocardial infarction as compared with other coronary artery disease, the former data may be more pertinent, although both show the same trend. Both coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction occur among Seventh-Day Adventist males at about 40 per cent less than expected rates as compared with the male controls in this study. Of particular interest was a study of the age distribution of coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction as summarized by the accumulated age total in Charts 5 and 6. These graphs show the same age distribution for these diseases among the Seventh-Day Adventist males and females, while showing a decidedly earlier onset of these conditions among non-Seventh-Day Adventist males. Thus, we observed that Seventh-Day Adventist males not only have less than expected coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction, but when these disorders do develop, they do so later in life, at roughly the same age distribution as in females in the general population. Among these Seventh-Day Adventist males, less than 2 per cent of the attacks of heart disease occurred before the age of forty-four as compared with 8 per cent under that age in the non-Seventh-Day Adventist group; 11.6 per cent occurred before the age of fifty-four as compared with 30 per cent; and only 38 per cent occurred before the age sixty-four as compared with 62 per cent in the non-Seventh-Day Adventist group.

DISCUSSION

The present data have shown that in this non-smoking population lung cancer among men occurs at least 90 per cent less often than in the associated general population, even though a majority of the non-smoking population lives in smog-polluted areas of Southern California. It has also been shown that in such a population lung cancer occurs equally in men and women. These data are, therefore, con-

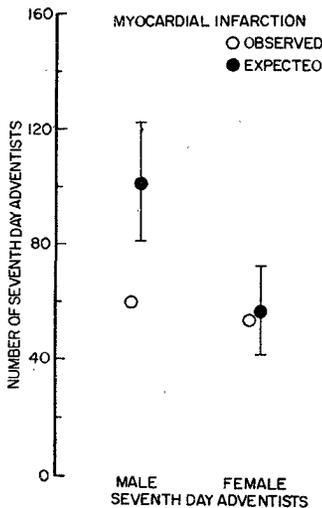


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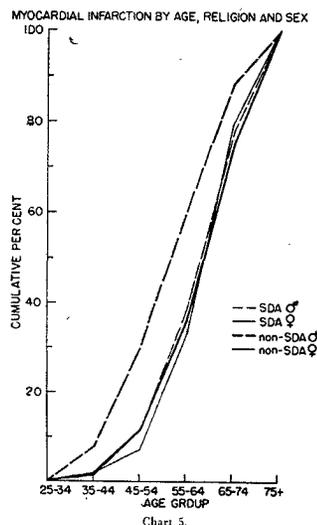


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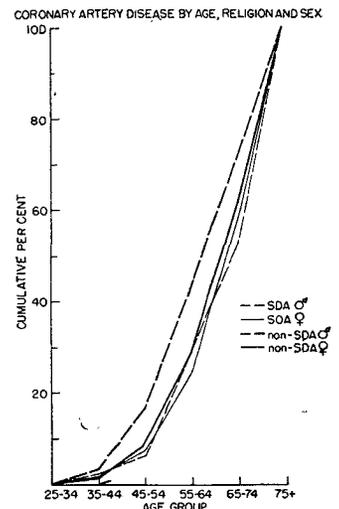


Chart 6.

sistent with previous estimates of lung cancer incidence in a non-smoking or minimal-smoking population and are consistent with the conjectures stated earlier. From these findings, smog does not seem to have a significant rôle in the development of lung cancer. Although dietary differences exist between Seventh-Day Adventists and non-Seventh-Day Adventists, such dietary factors have not previously been shown to play a rôle in the development of lung cancer and it cannot be assumed that they accounted for the difference observed here.

The data also reveal that in this non-smoking and non-drinking population the incidence of cancer of the mouth, larynx, and œsophagus is reduced from expected rates by at least 90 per cent and that the incidence in the two sexes is equal, consistent with the previous conjectures. It could be expected that conditions which relate both to smoking and to drinking would be especially low in a population group which does neither. Again, since the dietary differences existing among the Seventh-Day Adventists have not previously been shown to influence the development of the above diseases, such differences are not thought to account for the scarcity of upper respiratory and œsophageal cancers in this group.

Of particular interest was the lower incidence of coronary artery disease and myocardial infarction in the study group and the fact that this low rate is prominent in the younger males, whereas the incidence in females was as expected. The present data, of course, do not rule out the possibility of stress and strain, endocrine and dietary factors playing a part in this reduction. There is no clear evidence, however, that Seventh-Day Adventists live under less stress and strain than the general population. Diet is certain to play a significant rôle in the development of atherosclerosis. Certainly the dietary pattern among Seventh-Day Adventists differs from that of the general population. We are still in the process of determining the extent to which this is true. Their intake of meat is low while their intake of milk is high. However, since the diet of male and female Seventh-Day Adventists is similar, we do not believe that dietary changes can readily account for the much less than expected male rates of coronary artery disease. It seems more reasonable to account

for this lower incidence among men by their similarity to women in low tobacco consumption. The present data are thus consistent with the findings presented by Hammond and Horn and other investigators showing smoking to be a factor in the development of myocardial infarction. We prefer to consider this association as a precipitating factor rather than causative, as in the instance of cancer of the lung. We propose that smoking precipitates symptoms of either coronary artery disease or myocardial infarction in an already diseased coronary system. Regardless of whether we refer to it as a precipitating or causative factor, if tobacco increases the incidence of so important a disease as myocardial infarction, it is a matter of just concern.*

FACTORS OF SELECTION

Little² pointed out that the relationship of smoking to lung cancer may be statistically sound, but that the relationship may not be one of cause and effect.³ He proposed that there may exist a neurohormonal factor which both produces lung cancer and makes a person smoke. With the present data added to the already overwhelming evidence linking smoking to lung cancer, Little would now have to propose that this neurohormonal factor not only predisposes to lung cancer and causes one to smoke, but also prevents one from joining the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, a combination of factors virtually impossible to accept.

The evidence presented in this report would be less important if it did not fit into a pattern of causation or precipitation established by previous epidemiological and experimental studies. As in any phase of life, especially when the issues concern economic or emotional interests, and as long as man is man, there will be dissenters. But if the sum total of the scientific evidence is sound, as we believe it to be in the case of tobacco, these conclusions and interpretations concerning cancers and coronary artery disease will stand the test of time. The dramatic importance of lung and upper respiratory cancer and coronary artery disease as a cause of morbidity and mortality in men today calls for the application of the preventive measures suggested by this sum total of evidence.

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happy atmosphere in which to discuss plans for future work.

Everyone present took an active part and left feeling happy that it had been time well spent.

Our desire and prayer is that in caring for the material and practical needs of others this loving ministry may grow to be a strong soul-winning agency in the church, and that through it we may have sheaves to lay at the Master's feet.

MRS. M. BARTLETT,
Secretary-treasurer.

Plymouth Dorcas Society Busy

DOWN in the West Country, in Plymouth, our Dorcas society, though small, is by no means idle. We have a beautifully appointed room with a pleasant interior decor thanks to the hard work of Brother and Sister Glen Bunker, who, with their paint brushes, transformed a dingy and ugly basement into a thing of light and charm. It is decorated in eggshell blue and crimson. Brother Pearce and others also worked hard to effect the change, and to make it practicable for our activities, spacious cupboards have been donated.

During the past twelve months we have had two small sales in our own well-equipped school hall and have made over £60 profit. This has enabled us to help various good causes, such as Sue Ryder's project, "Wings of Friendship," and parcels to Poland, the latter being a private appeal.

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After half an hour of games a lovely tea was enjoyed by all, during which a "first" birthday cake was cut, as this happy event had been ably organized by the Young People's society. The evening was all too short, young and old joining in the competitions and games, which followed one after the other in happy succession.

"Auld Lang Syne" and prayer concluded a most enjoyable social, with thanks being expressed to one and all.

MRS. D. LOWE,

Press Relations Officer.

**SABBATH-SCHOOL
DEPARTMENT**

We Will Not Fail South Africa

MANY members will remember Pastor B. E. Sparrow (now Seton), one of our former youth leaders who, responding to the call of Africa's needs, worked first in Angola and later at our Helderberg College. Though now the editor of the Sentinel Publishing Company, in South Africa, he has a deep concern for the spiritual welfare of God's people both in South Africa and Britain.

He sends us his warmest greetings and, as the overflow of our Thirteenth Sabbath offerings this quarter is for Southern Africa, he gives the following interesting information about the special project which is to benefit by it, the Good Hope Training School.

"The special project on which the Southern African Division has concentrated its Thirteenth Sabbath Appeal is a new training school for our Cape coloured people within the Union of South Africa. Since very few people outside of the Union



A happy group of Llandudno members and friends during their recent social evening.

really understand who these people are, let me personally explain:

"The coloured people are not Europeans and not Africans. They are a mixture of many races and as such face peculiar problems. They are descended from two or three religious units in the Union and now number over one million souls.

"We have a special conference organization for our work among these people and the work is progressing since they are an enthusiastic race and make a ready response to the appeal of religion. They react very favourably to all opportunities for missionary work and reward anyone who takes the trouble to work with them.

"Their training school has for some years been situated on the outskirts of Cape Town. This place is very inadequate, especially the auditorium—a corrugated iron affair, which has threatened to collapse many times during the past ten years. If you could see the physical needs of the people and the poor equipment with which they have to train their young people, I am sure that you would most generously respond to the appeals for help that are being made on their behalf this quarter.

"One of my close friends here has been the Bible teacher at the training college for the past three years and he confirms what I have long suspected—these people only need leadership before they will accomplish spectacular work for the Lord. Ultimately this leadership must come from their own ranks, and this of course needs training—hence the need for a training school.

"In a most earnest personal note, I would like to appeal to all of our members of the conferences in Britain to give most generously on behalf of the Cape coloured people, at the close of this quarter. Thank you very much."

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those attending at least six of the eight lessons, or who have completed the correspondence course, provided they have also read the book *You Are a Teacher*, which can be borrowed from the conference or mission Sabbath school secretary or purchased for 2s. 6d. only. E. R. WARLAND.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Dare You "Share Your Faith"?

It is just three years since we came to the little market town of Ledbury, situated in the West Midlands. It is a border town, sixteen miles from Gloucester, sixteen from Worcester, and fourteen from the city of Hereford. The people around here are very homely, their accent being similar to the North Country folk. Both men and women are very hard working, much of their work being done on the farms as this is an agricultural district. Being brought up myself on a farm, I have much in common with them regarding their occupation.

Our sole purpose in coming to Ledbury was to spread the third angel's message, and we had to face many problems and difficulties, which are well known to Adventists, before we could get established.

For a time I circulated our literature and made many contacts, and many friends.

As I think back to the first few weeks we were here I remember noticing little children running in the streets until late at night, and I recalled the statement our Lord made about the fields being white unto harvest. We prayed that the dear Lord would lead us, and our prayers were answered. We were led by the Holy Spirit to place a notice at the front of our house announcing that there would be a meeting for children, with a series of films. This attracted the passers-by, and I think we had about ten children the first night. As the weeks passed the number grew, and as our accommodation was limited, we dared not advertise further. We ran these meetings each Friday evening for three months and I can assure you we had some very happy times together.

We thought we would start earlier the next year, so we began in October and carried on until the end of March. We were delighted to see many of the same children who had attended the previous year. We thought we would like to increase our attendances, but still we were afraid to advertise as we did not want to disappoint anyone. So we thought we would try through the school, where our daughter attended. I sent a note to the school asking the teacher to announce the meetings, which she kindly did.

The following Friday evening, long before time, little knocks came on the door, and when we commenced, our audience had risen to about eighteen or twenty. We were now faced with a problem of seating and we prayed that the Lord would

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Brother and Sister A. Beal.

open the way. Our prayer was again answered and at the next sale in Ledbury we were able to purchase six chairs at quite a reasonable price which was a great help, and we were indeed a happy family. My wife used to take the smallest children on her knee. Our number had now grown to twenty-six. This presented a new problem as we had as much as we could do to keep order. We made a rule that if a child didn't behave he would have to leave, so on the whole they were very good. As we look back we ask ourselves what will be the result of our labours? Only eternity, of course, will reveal that. We can only do the sowing; God gives the increase.

I would have loved to continue with this work, but owing to ill health, and lack of adult support I could not continue the meetings in addition to other calls connected with the Lord's work.

I am now "sharing my faith" with the folk who are attending other churches and I find that this is taking up much of my time visiting the sick, giving out tracts, etc. Last Wednesday evening I was invited to give a film talk entitled, "Will Christ come in our day?" This was in the home of a Christian lady and we had ten adults present. Each Wednesday night at this home we have a Bible study and I have been invited to give another film talk in two weeks' time. I hope to continue these films and would like to thank the Union Conference for the loan of these film-slides and projector. We need more workers in this form of missionary activity. Christ is coming very soon. What shall we say when asked what we have done for Him? Friends, we have the tools at our disposal, let us get busy. If we have done our part we can and we shall meet Him unashamed. I am not an evangelist, but just an isolated member of the Adventist family, to which I am proud to belong.

In closing, may I say how much I appreciate the financial support that was given me through the Gloucester and Cheltenham churches. When Brother Harvey and Pastor West knew of the work we were doing in Ledbury among the children, they, without my asking, offered to help in any way. So God again answered our prayer.

I would invite all the MESSENGER family to do a practical work for God. It's the finest cure for depression. We never have a dull moment. Please pray for us.

E. W. HAMMOND.

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E. R. WARLAND.

Have you thought of sending *Our Times* to your unsaved kinsfolk; to your neighbours and friends out in the world during 1959?

Heaven will bless you for it. Why not sit right down tonight with your family and make out the

list of the people to whom you ought to be sending our missionary magazine and then secure adequate and regular supplies from your home missionary secretary? Eternity will be the richer for it. May Jesus bless you in your decision. J. M. BUCY.

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At Rest

Leonard Ernest Alfred Lane



WE record with sadness the falling asleep in Jesus of Pastor L. E. A. Lane.

Leonard Ernest Alfred Lane was born in London, on January 19, 1889. When fifteen years old he was baptized by Elder O. A. Olsen, and a year later entered the International Tract Society to learn the printing trade. During this time he took the ministerial course, graduating at Stanborough Park, Watford, in 1911.

Following a call to East Africa, Brother Lane took a course in tropical diseases at Livingstone College in London. In 1912 he left for Kenya Colony, associating with Elder A. A. Carscallen and others in that field. During his furlough in 1920 he was united in marriage with Lois L. Wakeham, both then returning to Kenya.

Pastor Lane carried out the first printing work in the Luo language, operating a hand press and training native boys for this work. He also helped to erect the mission buildings, and the Kendu hospital, discovering the best way to make bricks.

In 1927 Pastor and Mrs. Lane and family returned to England for health reasons. In the homeland he laboured in Plymouth, London, Lowestoft, Southampton, Southend, and completed his work of ministry in the Gillingham district. He was associated for fifty-four years with

the work of God. Above all else, he was known for his kindly spirit of ministry.

Pastor Lane died on January 11, 1959, a few days before his seventieth birthday, after a short illness. He was laid to rest in the Gillingham Cemetery on January 15th, the funeral service being conducted by Pastors J. A. McMillan and J. H. Bayliss, assisted by Pastor R. H. Smith and the writer.

He leaves to mourn their loss his wife; two sons, Mr. K. E. A. Lane of London, and Pastor L. A. D. Lane of Carlisle; and one daughter, Mrs. Rosemary Sisson of Dublin. To these we extend our sympathy and share with them the certainty of a glad reunion at our Lord's appearing. G. EMM.

ROOK.—With sorrow we record the sudden passing of our dear sister, Alice Maria Rook. Sister Rook had been in contact with the Advent people for many years and after systematic studies conducted by Pastor A. Norman was baptized in 1956 at the old Ulceby church. Sister Rook loved the Advent people and was noted for her hospitality. Her end came suddenly in hospital on January 4, 1959. Pastor D. Lowe conducted the

funeral service in the home and we laid our sister to rest in the little churchyard just across the road. To Brother Rook we tender our consolation. His loneliness on account of his sister's passing will be relieved by the knowledge of a glad reunion when Jesus comes to claim His waiting saints. E. M. BAILDAM.

STREET.—The Derby church records the death of its oldest member, Sister Mary Ann Street, on December 15, 1958, at the age of ninety-two, after many years of indisposition, which had prevented her from enjoying church fellowship for a long time. Sister Street accepted the message under the ministry of Pastor J. D. Gillatt and became a member by vote in 1919. Her few relatives being of the Baptist faith, the last rites were performed by a Baptist minister before interment in the Notingham Road Cemetery on December 18th. H. JERRAM, *Church Clerk*.

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Feb. 13th	5.10	5.23	5.12	5.11	5.26
Feb. 20th	5.23	5.36	5.27	5.25	5.40

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