

## EASTBOURNE INSTITUTE for Lay Preachers

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South England lay preachers pictured outside their conference centre.

IN his book *Feed My Sheep*, H. M. S. Richards, one of the denomination's master preachers, reminds us that preaching, simply defined, is the communication of God's message of truth by man to men. To improve this communication was the aim of sixty-five laymen from thirty-three churches in the South England Conference who attended the Lay Preachers' Institute at Eastbourne, March 21-23, 1969. Visiting brethren from the Northern European Division (Pastors Duncan Eva and A. Lohne); British Union (Dr. B. E. Seton, Pastors R. E. Graham and B. F. Kinman); South England Conference (Pastors E. H. Foster, B. Ball, R. Logan, and R. Riches) together with Dr. L. G. White, a lay preacher of considerable experience presented important guiding principles for more effective service in the pulpit.

It is not often that a congregation has the privilege of hearing four stimulating sermons in a week-end. There were, understandably, no complaints, for we had come to learn from men of experience and it was evident that we were not to depart empty-handed. Since sermons may be classified in a variety of ways, those presented were designed specifically to illustrate the thematic, devotional, expository, and biographical types. Each speaker clearly explained his own approach to the task of preparation and

presentation, stressing the need for heart preparation and for prayerful study of the Scriptures and of the invaluable counsel contained in the writings of Ellen G. White. The preacher's message is the result of his contact with God and, as has been well said: "God does not inspire a vacuum."

With the members of the Eastbourne church who met with us in the Sabbath morning services, we were thrilled to hear Brother Lionel Acton-Hubbard's account of the progress of the work under difficulties in Biafra and of the excellent witness of the Church's welfare work in that war-torn land. We were greatly blessed by Dr. Seton's capable presentation of the Sabbath school lesson and by his revision of the underlying principles of successful teaching. Pastor Eva's message in the divine service, that the finishing of God's work involves a spiritually-minded and wholly consecrated people, and his call to rededicate our lives to God's service as lay preachers, met with a unanimous response.

All speakers emphasized that the preacher who would feed the flock must be a diligent student. Dr. White showed how a layman could, by careful reading, by observation of conditions in the contemporary world, and by use of his own experiences, prepare a sermon that would meet the needs of his fellow laymen in the congregation. While the content of the message is important, the way it is delivered should never be overlooked, for it is an essential part of communication. The preacher's voice and decorum in the pulpit were two determinants of success that Pastor Kinman stressed. But the sermon is only part—though a vital one—of the complete hour of worship and Pastor Logan reminded us that leading God's people in an act of worship is the greatest privilege and the most exacting task of the preacher.

Expressions such as "a time of real spiritual uplift"; "an excellent refresher course"; "a challenge to better study and exposition of the Scriptures," indicated that those who had attended were grateful to Pastor Foster and the Conference Committee for the opportunity to learn more of what the late Dr. Sangster called, the "craft" of preaching.



# REFORM or REGRET

by **Lionel Acton-Hubbard**, M.R.H.S., Health Educator, British Union Conference



"EDUCATION in health principles was never more needed than now. Notwithstanding the wonderful progress in so many lines relating to the comforts and conveniences of life, even to sanitary matters and to the treatment of disease, the decline in physical vigour and power of endurance is alarming. It demands the attention of all who have at heart the well-being of their fellow men."

—*Temperance*, page 247.

How very true and how very thought-provoking is the above statement. On every hand we hear people lament their lack of physical vigour and endurance, also the inability to concentrate mentally.

Perhaps it is this apparent decline that has caused many to lean for support on the "revitalizing" (?) pills and potions advertized in almost every popular journal published. Prescriptions for lassitude, debility, weakness, lack of concentration, tiredness, etc.—they are legion.

In the recently convened Westminster "Conference Concerning Addiction," which had its venue in the New Gallery Centre, we heard much about the problems of those who for one reason and another cannot cope with the stresses and strains of this space age. Lecturers prominent in the field of addiction spoke valuably of the problem now confronting society, and in their learned presentations endeavoured to trace the patterns that lead to total addiction be it to alcohol, tobacco, or hard drugs.

Though each speaker dealt with a different problem,

the similarity in pattern of origin was amazing in its clarity and simplicity.

To the ears of a Seventh-day Adventist many of the terms used could have been culled from the Ellen G. White writings.

Four eminent speakers, specialists in their individual fields, all non-Seventh-day Adventists, made reference to the fact that there is in the majority of persons predisposition to addiction to the hard drugs, etc., because a pattern has already been established in dependence on tea or coffee. Each of the four speakers hastened to state that "of course these addictions were harmless enough!"

Are they?

"Christ knew that in order to successfully carry forward the Plan of Salvation He must commence the work of redeeming men just where the ruin began. Adam fell by the indulgence of appetite. In order to impress upon man his obligations to obey the law of God, Christ began His work of redemption by reforming the physical habits of man. The declension in virtue and the degeneracy of the race are chiefly attributable to the indulgence of a perverted appetite."

—*Testimonies*, Vol. 3, page 486.

"Indulgence of appetite is the greatest cause of physical and mental debility, and lies at the foundation of the feebleness which is apparent everywhere."

—*Testimonies*, Vol. 3, page 487.

"We repeat, intemperance commences at our tables. The appetite is indulged until its indulgence becomes second nature. By the use of tea and coffee an appetite is formed for tobacco, and this encourages the appetite for liquors. . . ."

"When we hear the sad lamentations of Christian men and women over the terrible evils of intemperance, the questions at once arise in the mind: Who have educated the youth and given them their stamp of character? Who have fostered in them the appetites they have acquired?"—*Counsels on Health*, page 607.

At the New Gallery "Conference on Addiction" Pastor B. F. Kinman talks with Prof. Francis Edward Camps during an interval. Below: Also at the Conference: Lord Stonham, O.B.E., Minister of State, Home Office; Councillor C. A. Prendergast, Mayor of Westminster; and Dr. B. E. Seton, President, British Union Conference.





The use of tea and coffee is also injurious to the system. To a certain extent, tea produces intoxication. It enters into the circulation and gradually impairs the energy of body and mind. It stimulates, excites, and quickens the motion of the living machinery, forcing it to unnatural action and thus gives the tea drinker the impression that it is doing him great service, imparting to him strength. This is a mistake. Tea draws upon the strength of the nerves, and leaves them greatly weakened, when its influence is gone and the increased action caused by its use is abated, then what is the result? Languor and debility corresponding to the artificial vivacity tea has imparted.

"When the system is already overtaxed and needs rest, the use of tea spurs up nature by stimulation to perform unwonted, unnatural action, and thereby lessens her power to perform, and her ability to endure; and her powers give out long before Heaven designed they should. Tea is poisonous to the system. Christians should let it alone."—*Counsels on Health*, page 87.

In the light of present scientific knowledge, sup-

ported as it is by these instructions, given almost one hundred years before, what should our attitude be? I am sure that none of us would wish the harrowing experience of having a much loved son or daughter swallowed up in the abyss which is addiction—we would do nothing to lead them one step toward certain destruction. It is possible that we, unconsciously by our carelessness set such an example that would tend in this direction. At a time when the world leaders of our Church are asking us to consider carefully how we stand in relation to the counsels given to us, when they suggest reforms in our ways of living, in our homes, in our diet, etc., how do we respond?

"He designs that the great subject of Health Reform shall be agitated, and the public mind deeply stirred to investigate; for it is impossible for men and women, with all their sinful, health destroying, brain enervating habits, to discern sacred truth, through which they are to be sanctified, refined, elevated, and made fit for the society of heavenly angels in the Kingdom of Glory."—*Counsels on Diet and Food*, page 70.

## General Conference Literature Leader in Britain



A WELCOME visitor to the British Union from February 27th to March 5th was Elder Carson Adams, Associate Publishing Secretary of the General Conference.

Elder Adams was based in London for a time during World War II while serving in the non-combatant corps of the U.S. Army, and frequently attended our Holloway and other North

London churches. Therefore we were especially happy to welcome him back to our shores.

He spoke at the Watford Town church on Sabbath, March 1st; and then, accompanied by Elder Wickwire of the Northern European Division, Elder Adams conducted surveys at the Press, two Book & Bible Houses, and the Home Health Education Service.

Reported colporteur sales for 1968 revealed an increase of £6,948 [5.9%] over 1967, while more than 46 were baptized as a direct result of colporteur contacts.

Tony Brownlow of Londonderry topped the sales chart for the second year running with deliveries of £2,679 8s. 6d.

Trade book sales to churchmembers increased by over 33% thus indicating a favourable response to the vigorous sales promotion in different churches by our hard-working Book & Bible House staffs.

Your prayers for, and active participation in, the Church's literature programme would be most appreciated, as we endeavour to make 1969 our best year ever in the area of sales and soul-winning.

### Additional Missionary Activities by Literature-Evangelists in 1968

1. Pieces of literature distributed (V.O.P. cards, etc.):	146,183
2. New persons attending church or Sabbath school:	494
3. Former S.D.As. contacted and invited to church:	1,617
4. Homes where prayer was offered:	3,287
5. Bible studies:	1,691
6. Baptisms from Literature Evangelist contacts:	46

## NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE



## Dell Highlights

OVER seventeen months have passed away since I left Canada and the North York Branson Hospital in Toronto where I was a chaplain, and finally located in Oulton Broad, Suffolk as chaplain of The Dell Rest Home.

I can assure you that this place is anything but "a home of rest!"

The past twelve months have been most rewarding. Here are some of the highlights of the church's activities during 1968.

We opened the year in February with an unusual service for an "Old People's Home"! This was the dedication of Ruth Naomi Sampson—the very first dedication ever held in our beautiful little church at The Dell. (It was also a personal privilege for me to officiate! Many years before, I had baptized the grandmother in my campaign in Lowestoft in 1934, and I later married her to Mr. Oscar Pitcher.)

At the moment, our membership numbers 41, including residents and staff. Most of us are in



the 70s, 80s and 90s. Read the following report of achievements of this aged but remarkably active group of believers during the past year.

Sabbath School Offerings . . . . £548 0. 0.  
Ingathering for Missions . . . . £242 0. 0.

*Note:* One resident over 70 years of age personally collected from house to house and shop to shop the amazing total of £120.

There is not an offering that is overlooked. Over £73 was contributed for New Church Buildings, and the Week of Sacrifice offering reached over £57.

We were all amazed at the sacrificial gift of £239 contributed by this group of old age pensioners for the starving East Nigerians.

In 1968 our 41 members contributed from their meagre funds well over £1,600.

We have fifteen services every week. Most of these are 20-30 minute worship periods and we find much comfort and strength from meeting together and studying God's Word. Seven or eight of our residents help us by leading out in some of these worship periods when they are able. We are very grateful for the regular weekly help of Brethren Benwell, Crowe, and Pitcher, and of course, Pastor W. J. Newman, the district minister, visits us one evening every week. Then, too, we occasionally have a very enjoyable evening when the Lowestoft young people come and sing to us.

The Sunday school was officially opened early last year by Sisters Dible and Clifford. It now has an enrolment of 12 juniors and an average attendance of

10 members. Sister M. C. Clifford is the leader and she is ably assisted by Sister Alliston. At Christmas-time the children entertained the elderly people on Sunday morning and their efforts were much appreciated. In looking over the year's work it is rewarding to see the progress the children have made in their Bible knowledge and singing. We now look forward to another year of advancement and pray that the lessons taught may make an indelible impression on the minds and hearts of the children and that they will finally be saved in the kingdom. Over £10 was given by the children in offerings during the year.

One last word. Every Wednesday afternoon the Welfare group meet under the able leadership of Sister Hulbert, those who can, sew and knit. But with many of us the hands are stiff and sight is dim. However, the majority of the group can knit blanket squares. Even I attempted to knit a square last year with the help of one of our aged sisters who was over 90 years of age (we have just laid her to rest). Sister Hulbert tells me that they are badly in need of wool, *any* kind of wool. We do not want to rob our churches of their supply, but there may be some of our isolated members who have odd balls of wool. If they have no further use for them, remember us here at The Dell. Our address: The Dell, Home of Rest, 45 Cotmer Road, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, Suffolk. Thank-you and remember us in your prayers.

J. M. HOWARD,  
*Chaplain and P.R. Sec.*

## BLIND PEOPLE by Roland R. Hegstad

I SUPPOSE what started this column is a sermon I'll never preach. The sermon was taking tenuous shape in my mind one evening in the midst of a conversation with my wife. And sermons a-borning don't wait for wives to finish their account of the day on the home front. When I came up with an answer to a question she had not asked she realized she had lost me; my chair was occupied but there wasn't anyone there to communicate with her. When I "returned" to the room, she had gone to visit a neighbour.

In an imaginary scene a writer has pictured a young mother who had died in childbirth. In the scene she is permitted to return to her town for one day. She chooses her twelfth birthday as the one she would like to relive. Entering again the scene so familiar to her, she finds everyone too busy to see one another, or even to stop and enjoy life itself. At last in distress she cries out: "Ah, Mamma, just look at me one minute as though you really saw me . . . just for a moment now we are all together . . . just for a moment we're happy. Let's look at one another."

But no one stops. No one hears. The preoccupation with nothing goes on. In despair she says: "I can't, I can't go on. Ah, ah, it goes so fast. We don't have the time to look at one another. . . . I didn't realize. . . . So all *that* was going on and we never noticed."

She begs to be taken back, but turns to say good-bye, world. Good-bye, Groves Corners, mamma, papa, good-bye to clocks ticking, mamma's sunflowers, and food and coffee. And new-ironed dresses and hot baths . . . and sleeping and waking up. Oh, earth, you are too wonderful for anybody to realize you."

She turns to a man nearby. "Don't any human beings realize life while they live it? Every, every minute?"

"No," he answers. "The saints and poets, maybe they do a little."

"That's all human beings are," she answers, "blind people."

The other evening my son was talking with a school friend and came up with a bit of reasoning that caught my attention. He has a good mind, I thought, looking at him.

And suddenly, for a weird moment or two, I seemed to see him for the

first time. Had he grown up without my noticing it? Did I really know him any more? Here he was, a young man, a personality all his own, yet a seeming stranger to me.

I turned to look at my wife and other children. Still it was as if by some strange twist of fate I was a stranger to my own family, sitting with them, but strangely removed from them. The feeling was frightening and yet illuminating. I felt like crying out: "I'm here, I'm here, and I see you. . . . I see you as you are, beings in your own right, independent of me. I see you! See me, too. See me as I see you. Know me and appreciate me in this moment as I know and appreciate you."

I have not sought a psychological explanation of that moment. I can think, off-hand, of no Bible verse that explains it. I just know that the experience was strangely cleansing.

Seek such a moment with your wife and children, will you? See them as they really are, having needs that only you can meet. Enter into that moment of truth and then communicate to them what you feel.

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# YOUTH

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## 100 ADVENTIST YOUTH AT UNIVERSITY

MORE than a hundred of the hundred-and-sixty week-end conference students at the University of Nottingham were in the under twenty-five age bracket reports Pastor James Huzzey, associate organizer of the Science and Scripture Conference, March 21st-23rd. Asked what percentage came from each conference he said that the ratio was about 75% North to 25% South. "Mind you, because we were fully booked, we had most regretfully to turn down about fifty applicants who wanted to come for the full time or part of the time."

Both organizers were enthusiastic about the venue. "For a conference of this sort it was the nearest to ideal of any place we have ever

seen. Everyone was comfortable and some had been in first-class hotels which offered less facilities." To the natural question, "What about food?" they became almost lyrical. It appears that for quality and variety, plus presentation, the commissariat side of the operation was quite unsurpassed. "For one thing there was this great refectory hall with the vast expanse of polished oak tables set with the distinctive green bordered china and gleaming silver leading the eye to the heraldic crests which backed the dias. From an aesthetic point of view, you can't serve any sort of food in a setting like that." Most of the folk coming in to this room for the first time drew in their breath quickly and

stood transfixed staring at the magnificent sight. Pastor Huzzey, who had discussed the menu earlier with Mr. Stocks, the steward of Lincoln Hall, said that he [Stocks] had asked three of his trainee chefs to prepare a special two-day vegetarian menu. "They did a marvellous job," he said. "And not just on paper." It was an education to watch those Spanish waiters in their green livery serving up this colourful, well prepared food, and a joy to sink your teeth into it.

To the question, "Were these features the most striking part of the week-end? the unequivocal reply was that, in fact, though enjoyable, they were only incidental to the main purpose of the conference which was

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About one hundred and sixty, mainly young people, attended the Science and Scripture Conference in the University of Nottingham. The first-rate facilities and superlative catering helped make the Conference an unqualified success.





You have met a University  
Lecturer, a Dentist and a Librarian  
This month . . .

## meet Mr. Sidney R. Rose

a Chartered Quantity Surveyor  
He has written his own introductory  
biographical notes

I WAS brought up in an Adventist home. In fact, one of my earliest recollections is of travelling by tram from our home in Wimbledon to church in Balham on a Sabbath morning.

Adventism for me was, I am afraid, a rather furtive business. At school I did my best to see that not too many people knew of my peculiar beliefs. When it came to start earning my living, I drifted into an office job and because of lack of conviction, or courage, or both, I did not bother to ask for Sabbath privileges.

A few months after leaving school, an evangelistic campaign was held locally conducted by Pastor C. A. Reeves. Toward the end of the series I realized that I had to make my mind up and decided to be baptized. This entailed a change of job and before long, through the good offices of a churchmember, I found myself working for an Architect and Surveyor.

A few years later the time came to move again and once more I had to face the problem of Sabbath observance. After a successful interview at which I secured the job with full Sabbath privileges, I was so overwhelmed I walked round Victoria station several times before returning home.

It was winter time and when the first Friday afternoon came I had to see the chief assistant to let him know that I was leaving early and why. To my surprise, instead of showing scorn or incredulity as I had expected, he reached into his pocket and brought out a Bible. He was a keen Evangelical and is today still a good friend of mine. Through him I have heard, and met, a number of well-known preachers of the Church of England.

A few years after the war I was called into the office of the senior partner and asked if I would go to Singapore for a few months. Although it was two weeks before Christmas, my wife readily concurred and in a few days I found myself sweltering in the humid heat of south-east Asia.

Providentially the six months I spent on this tropical island coincided with a six months campaign by Elder Detamore. I was impressed by his tremendous drive and energy. Although he spent five nights a week preaching, he still had time to give lectures on Sunday mornings to those of us who were keen to learn how to improve our public speaking.

I was also impressed by the hospitality and friendliness of the American missionaries; as a result of this it was quite common-place to see British soldiers in church on a Sabbath morning, and ultimately some were baptized. Here again, for the first time in my life I was taught to give Bible studies and in this

way I entered the homes of a number of British servicemen and their families, the wardroom of a naval shore station, and also the home of an Indian who was interested in studying the Christian religion. I was amazed to discover how many people I met knew of our church, chiefly through the work of our hospital. Adventism, I discovered, was not a back street affair in this part of the world!

Some years later I spent some time in Hong Kong as a temporary office manager. Again I was impressed, in this outpost of a fading Empire, with the turn of events. Shortly after the partner's return from leave in England he had dinner with the Bishop of the Colony. It so happened that this gentleman had spent the war in a Japanese prisoner of war camp, and some of his fellow missionaries were American Seventh-day Adventist missionaries. Their bearing so impressed the Bishop that he formed a high regard for Adventists. I think after this meeting I was regarded in a rather more favourable light.

While in Hong Kong I assisted in a small way in conducting Sunday evening services for the European population. The meetings were poorly attended but there was one man, an Englishman, who came regularly. I feared that the result of this effort would be completely negative, but when I returned to the colony three years later our only regular attender had been baptized and was the very active elder of the newly-formed English speaking church; his wife and large family had also joined him.

Many are the stories one could tell of Christian refugees from China and white Russians from the distant province of Sinkiang who came to our church services. One Sunday morning I preached to a large congregation of Chinese refugees of many Protestant denominations who had come to regard our church as their spiritual home since they had no churches of their own persuasion at that time in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong can be a pleasant place to live, except for the poor refugee where the overcrowding, malnutrition and general living conditions have to be seen to be believed. And yet apparently this is preferable to what they have left behind, for this means freedom, and many still struggle to cross the border, some losing their lives in the process. I sometimes reflect how much liberty we have and how little we value it.

Since those early days when I first learned to give Bible studies I have had many interesting experiences unfolding the Word of God in people's homes. My job has also brought me into touch with many people in different walks of life, and has provided many opportunities for witnessing.



# The Chartered Quantity Surveyor

I BECAME a Quantity Surveyor almost by accident. I had been working as an office boy for a year when I got the chance to work for an Architect and Surveyor for very little money but with time to study. Furthermore it was a job where I could keep the Sabbath—not an easy thing in those days.

After studying at night school for several years and later on taking correspondence courses, I finally qualified in the early part of the war and became a Professional Associate of the Surveyors' Institution.

Since those days the profession has moved on a good deal. The young man today wishing to become a Chartered Quantity Surveyor has several alternatives by which he may obtain his training. First, he must have obtained the General Certificate of Education in six subjects (Ordinary level); fewer O Level subjects may be admitted, provided a certain number of A level subjects are taken as well. It is likely that in the near future a minimum of two A level passes will be required.

Having surmounted this hurdle there are a number of choices open to the prospective surveyor. If he chooses full-time training, he can take a university degree or college diploma course, followed by two years practical training in an approved office. Alternatively, he may choose to work in an approved office by day and go to evening classes, or to have one day off a week to attend college, or he can study through a correspondence course.

The whole period of training will take a minimum of five years.

Perhaps before going any further I ought to give some idea what a

Quantity Surveyor does. All over the country, building and engineering work is constantly going on, changing the face of Britain, and, we hope, improving our amenities in the process. As you can see the new towns, the new skyscrapers, airports, etc., as well as the smaller developments, you think of the Contractor who built them, and almost certainly of the Architect who designed them. But today the construction industry is very complex and in a scheme of any size the Architect needs a team of specialist consultants to advise him on matters of design.

The Quantity Surveyor is a member of this team. "For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?" Luke 14:28. It is the Quantity Surveyor who counts the cost. His job is to advise the Architect or building owner of the approximate cost of the proposed development, advise the Architect on how he may design to this figure, recommend the type of contract to be entered into, report on Contractors' tenders, and be able during the construction period to inform the developer of the value of work executed to date, the value of any variation in design and the estimated final cost.

All this involves a thorough knowledge of building construction and estimating, and the basic principles of design and contract law. It necessitates keeping up-to-date in new techniques and materials and requires some knowledge of economics and current market trends.

The prospective Quantity Surveyor must be above average in two subjects—English and mathematics. English is essential because much of a surveyor's duties involve communications and these must be clear and accurate. Mathematics are required in the field of measuring and estimating.

The Quantity Surveyor's job is usually varied and interesting. Although there is a certain amount of desk work there is always a good deal of site visiting and attending conferences with Architects, development committees, etc. The hours are not always 9 to 5: in fact, one will be expected to work much longer hours when the time factor is critical.

Occasionally the Quantity Surveyor is called in to interpret the contract and to settle disputes between the Contractor and Building Owner. Needless to say, his skill, integrity and absolute impartiality must be known and respected by both sides.

I have often thought of the words of an old L.C.C. poster advertising night classes—"Knowledge is Power." As Adventists we often have to ask for Sabbath privileges, or the recognition of other religious scruples, and it is necessary to offer something in return. A professional training enables one to do this and also gives a certain amount of independence.

In the words of Ellen G. White: "A business man is not necessarily a designing, policy man, but . . . he may be a man instructed of God at every step."—*Prophets and Kings*, page 546.

Like any other profession the degree of success achieved depends largely on how much you are prepared to put into it. Obviously, this may entail a lot of work outside of office hours—attending lectures, seminars, sitting on committees, and so on. I must say that as an active church officer I have had very little time to devote to such activities, but this, of course, is a matter for the individual conscience to decide.

Many years ago Sir Winston Churchill wrote the foreword for a book about the work of chartered surveyors. This is what he said: "Here is a scheme of existence which combines variety of experience with a sense of design and of responsibility. Here is also thoroughness, care and exactitude. Above all there is a strong element of creativeness."

In spite of changed circumstances, these words are no less true today.

SIDNEY C. ROSE.

## Did you know...

- That the depth of the ocean at the North Pole is 13,410 feet.
- That more than 50 per cent of the children in the United States have decayed teeth at the age of two.
- That a satellite parked in orbit 22,300 miles above the earth can locate a speeding car to within a distance of 1,000 feet.
- That perhaps one bed in four in the world's hospitals is occupied by a patient there because of a water or filth-borne disease. A study has indicated that safe, adequate water is not available to 90 per cent of the population of developing countries around the the world.



# ROUND and ABOUT WITH THE M.V. SOCIETIES

## PATHFINDER'S DIARY

9TH FEBRUARY, 1969. Went out with literature this morning. Going a bit tough, even selling *Our Times* in the flats near the church. Two Pathfinders (the youngest) went out in their own area. Sold more than the group did. Cheery smile, innocent faces, and God's blessing, no doubt.

This afternoon a departure from usual programme. Went to Shipley Glen and tried to lay a half-mile trail in six inches of snow. Not exactly a success, but we all enjoyed it, especially the snowball fight afterwards. That will not be forgotten in a hurry, particularly by those who suffered most direct hits. One instructor (name withheld) resembled the Yeti, and Director Mansel Jones had a polythene sack-full of snowballs tipped over him.

*Verdict*—a wonderful day, and we will get the half-mile trail right next time.

8TH-9TH MARCH, 1969. Went to Sabbath school in uniform this morning. We are camping out over the week-end at the back of the church. Pastor Seton visited Bradford for the Sabbath. Gave us an excellent sermon, very searching truths, good advice to our M.Vs.

All Pathfinders came to M.V. meeting in uniform this afternoon. Pastor Seton welcomed two of our Pathfinders into Newbold Club. Ten members in Newbold Club now. Only two not connected with Pathfinders.

Pastor Seton also showed slides of the work in South and Eastern Europe. Very glad we don't have their difficulties. Wish we could help over there.

After Sabbath, tents erected in the church "back garden." Very windy, very cold. Could still appreciate God's handiwork in the stars. Orion a glorious sight.

Rather difficult getting off to sleep. Choral efforts of Orion unit not appreciated at 11.30 p.m.

A few found it too cold and moved into the Youth Hall. The "Yeti" of a month ago slept in open air without a tent.

We all arose early, reasons obvious. Cooked our own breakfasts. Flag raised, Morning Watch held, and enjoyed a vigorous P.T. session.

Went to Cartwright Hall later in the morning. Interesting museum.

Came back to a cooked dinner, then started planning our next camp out for March 22nd. Rounded off with a bonfire and roasted potatoes.

*Verdict*—an excellent week-end. Looking forward to March 22nd. We are new to Pathfinding, but we are learning fast. DAVID CROFT, Counsellor, Rigel Unit, Bradford.

## M.V. RETREAT IN THE REPUBLIC

TWELVE young people from Belfast wondered if they would ever reach the venue of the annual, all Ireland Youth Retreat. They were stranded just inside the Republic of Ireland on Friday evening, March 28th, by a broken axle on their hired minibus. It was dark, and they didn't have the telephone number of the Somerholme Holiday Centre of the Dublin Central Methodist Mission situated on the coast at Laytown, Co. Meath.

Two stalwarts set off by the rule of thumb and after an adventurous 35-mile trip brought news of the stranding to Retreat Master, Paul Smith, who with his colleagues Pastors Smart and Leeds, set out on a rescue mission. And so the beleaguered travellers reached the retreat tired and rather bleary-eyed in the early morning hours. At its conclusion they unanimously voted that it had been well worth the effort.

The well-appointed premises made possible the attendance, not only of young people, but also a number of young married couples and their children. These, together with a group of "young in heart" (we did not ask their ages!), provided a family-type atmosphere.

Separate services were held for the young people and the children throughout the week-end. The emphasis was on the full possibilities of total commitment to Jesus Christ and His message. Over two hours slipped by in profitable discussion on Sabbath afternoon and the weather "played fair" and thus made possible a delightful seaside Sabbath walk. After sunset vespers, two films were shown and George Sisson, of Dublin, organized a social evening. In a quiet commitment at the conclusion of the retreat on Sunday lunchtime each young person stood in

personal surrender to the Christ of the Cross.

Genial representative of Newbold College was Albert H. Watson. In the lesson study, the discussion period, and in his notable "Newbold Today" presentation, this minister-teacher left valuable impressions of the validity of Christian Education.

All groups joined briefly for a simple Investiture service held on Sabbath afternoon by M.V. Secretary Roy E. Graham. Three of the "Little people" of Dublin's M.V. Society were invested as Busy Bees—Lynda Sisson, Raymond Sisson, and Stewart Leeds.

Fifty-three folk enjoyed the full week-end together, and their number was lifted to over a hundred on Sabbath when visitors from all the churches and companies came in for fellowship.

The hospitality was the typical, generous Republic variety. No thanks can sufficiently convey the heartfelt appreciation of every visitor to the ladies of the Dublin church led by Mrs. Eileen Murtagh and Mrs. Betty Sisson who catered so fully for all the guests. Credit for other aspects of organization go to Pastors Smith and Leeds and their wives.

## TWENTY-TWO COMPLETE PATHFINDER STAFF TRAINING COURSE IN SOUTH-EAST LONDON

PASTOR REX RICHES, M.V. Secretary of the South England Conference, recently signed his name on 22 Pathfinder Staff Training Certificates. They were earned in a twelve-hour marathon session he conducted at Lewisham church one Sunday in March.

Delegates from Lewisham were joined by neighbouring church groups from Croydon, Brixton, Peckham and Harlesden. The intensive course covered the basic unit [10 hours] of the 60-hour General Conference Programme for Pathfinder Leadership training.

With nearly 2,000 young people of Pathfinder age in the Greater London Area, these churches are to be commended on their far-sightedness in sending present and potential leaders to this training session.



## PASTOR SUNDQUIST VISITS MIDDLESBROUGH

THE Tyneside and Teesside young people had the second of their monthly youth "specials" when Pastor Sundquist, Division M.V. Leader, recently visited the north. The local ministers, D. M. Marley and R. L. Vine, have the support of their churches in these joint ventures and on the week-end of March 8th, it was the turn of the Teesside members to provide accommodation for the Tyneside young people.

For the Friday evening M.V. meeting several musical items were provided by Sister Ann Marley and Tyneside M.Vs. who conducted the

programme. Pastor Sundquist then took us on a lecture tour of one of his Division trips, showing the activities of Adventist young people from Iceland in the north to the mission fields of Africa in the south—a beautiful and inspiring demonstration of the universal effect of the message of Jesus.

On Sabbath morning a large congregation gathered to worship, and in the afternoon re-assembled to witness the investiture of a group of children who have worked hard on these various courses:

Marion Hamilton—Busy Bee, Andrew Powls—Sunbeam, Wendy and Sharon Powls—Builder, and Sylvia Harrison—Helping Hand.

That evening the whole group met in a small local hall for a meal provided by the Teesside ladies, and games led by Richard Vine.

Sunday morning turned fresh, even if cold, and just right for a walk in the hills before dinner and football on the beach at Saltburn.

Our thanks to the ministers involved and to the members who assisted so willingly.

## BRADFORD PATHFINDER CAMP-OUT

ON March 8th the Bradford Pathfinders, a new and young group, had their first camp-out of the year. This was a practice run in very cold weather but their director, Mansel Jones, tells us that they all thoroughly enjoyed the experience and plan many more this spring. This is really leading up to the Pathfinder Camporee in May when they aim to run off with the conference shield.

PASTOR J. M. HUZZEY opened the M.V. Week of Prayer at York when members of the Hull church travelled over to share the afternoon meeting. In the evening, a group of about a dozen met to complete work on the Pathfinder Staff Training Course and we are looking forward to a club being established in this area.

Young people from Teesside and Tyneside who enjoyed a Sunday morning walk on the hills during their special week-end.



## VIEWPOINT . . . on enthusiasm and work

BUT surely you have got it wrong! Enthusiasm we know and work we know, but putting them together? And one's mind races to the man, or woman, who trudges to daily toil without any joy or enthusiasm, and who, years before retirement age, is already living there in thought and whose work is affected by those thoughts.

We think of our own experience. Sometimes there is an original enthusiasm. Perhaps for a subject at school. And then the teacher changes or the pace quickens and that which we once loved becomes a chore. Or we start out enthusiastically in a new job and then the department head changes, or the foreman bawls us out and life becomes frustrating and irksome.

Greater tragedy is it when this enthusiasm dies from those who are in God's work. The secretary becomes careless, the teacher mechanical, the estate manager slacks off,

the book-keeper works to the clock and the preacher becomes a "sounding gong or a clanging cymbal."

Long ago in that so contemporary-sounding chapter twelve of Romans, Pastor Paul had it straight. After explaining and exploring theology—the intellectual expression of faith, he turns to Christian ethics—the expression of that faith in deeds rather than words. As he crams sentence upon sentence, cryptic thought upon cryptic thought in this twelfth chapter of his manifesto, he urges in verse 11. "Let us not allow slackness to spoil our work, and let us keep the fires of the Spirit burning as we do our work for God." (J. B. Phillips.)

And there it is. Enthusiasm means literally, "God inside." When this is true then enthusiasm and work become inseparable. And the world waits for this witness from British M.Vs. every day and everywhere.



# NEWBOLD NEWS

## Choir tour reflections

WITH a thousand miles and five days of singing behind them, the Newbold Collegium Musicum rolled gaily back to Newbold College on Monday, March 3rd. This singing group, along with a larger sixty-voice choir, had performed nine times and travelled over thirteen hundred miles in the last three weeks, visiting churches in London, Wolverhampton, Grantham, Newcastle, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Manchester.

The smaller group travelled to Scotland during their mid-term break and the singers stayed in the homes of churchmembers for whom they sang. One of the choir-members observed: "Not only were we warmed physically but our souls were warmed

by the sincere prayers we heard in most homes during their family worships. It encourages me to see that God means so much to so many in Great Britain."

The Collegium Musicum is an international group made up of students from Finland, Norway, America, Yugoslavia and Britain. The group not only presented choral works but various instrumental pieces as well.

Roy Scarr, the choirmaster and Director of Music at Newbold College, feels that the purpose of these trips is not only to please the audience with a fine concert, but also to bring to their attention some of the results of a Christian education

at Newbold. A similar trip to Scandinavia two years ago did much to bring Newbold to the attention of Adventists there.

What do the students themselves think of the choir? Is it worth the time, effort and money that goes into a trip such as these mentioned here? "For me, choir is one of the highlights of college life. It's good to be able to go away from campus now and again and meet new faces and gain new ideas. And I think the people enjoy our visits; at least, they seem to," said Monica Vine enthusiastically. And this seems to be the general attitude of Newbold College choir students.

TOM MC ALEXANDER.

## Week of prayer and A.F.M.

"How many here were undecided as to what course they should take in life at the beginning of this school year, but now know what they should do?" The hands went up—one, three, seven, ten—a dozen people, who while at Newbold had reached the crossroads in life and chosen The Way.

This was how the discussion period began on the first evening of our Spring Week of Prayer. It was a week which demanded response intellectually as well as spiritually, for our evening meetings took the form of discussion groups which thrashed out the main point of Pastor Knowles' morning talks. For many, it was the first time that they had found themselves expressing points of theology and basic Christianity in their own words. It is one thing to feel it but another thing entirely and very taxing on the powers of intellect to *speak* it.

Well, what did we speak about? Problems to be clarified for our own individual satisfaction were those such as—How do I know what God wants me to do? and, once I know, how do I react to this

knowledge, as regards my church, my fellow Christians and the world in general?

It was Michel Quoist who wrote: "There are very few who are willing to listen to their brothers, for very few indeed can forget themselves completely enough to hear." Having a concern for the feelings and needs of others is truly the essence of the Christian life, and appropriately enough, after a week of spiritual emphasis the College had the opportunity of expressing this concern in action. Immediately after the week of prayer we had A.F.M.

What is A.F.M? Where is A.F.M? Who is A.F.M? were the questions to be answered as posters appeared all over the campus bearing these letters. Gradually the situation became clearer. Our Lay Activities Committee had it in mind to ask students to submit ideas for slogans of three words starting with those letters to suit our forthcoming Ingathering campaign.

The ideas came in: Action, Faith, Money; Aim for More; and even Annual Foot-slogging March! Quite

a few even thought of the one the Committee had suggested, Ask For More. Whether the students have been like Oliver Twist asking for more or not, Ingathering has certainly gone well this year and at the time of writing we are half way toward our goal, and are preparing for the final surge to take us to the summit: £4,000.

After Ingathering, what then? A brief respite at Easter to nurse aching feet, and then press on to exams, Graduation and the end of the College year. Newbold then will once more become an empty shell, for those who make it a living College will have departed to spend the summer reaping in the fees for next year.

It appears that the life of a Newbold student is "all go," but those here are willing to sacrifice time in order that they might obtain a true education which will fit them not only for this life but eternity. Even though we say "Good-bye" to friends at the end of the term, there is always hope that we shall meet again.

MARTIN SAXBY.



## 100 ADVENTIST YOUTH AT UNIVERSITY

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to take an objective look at the creationist faith which we hold, and to compare it with the alternative in the theory of evolution. The general impression was that the lecturers had made excellent use of the time allotted. They had successfully avoided the style adopted by some older fundamentalist authors in addressing the proponents of Darwinism—a rather patronising manner more calculated to lose friends than influence people. No attempt had been made to survey all the ground but enough material had been presented to show us that creationism has a case to answer. Certainly it was not "kids stuff"—the mental horizons tended to expand rather than shrink. In any case, the lectures, when edited and reproduced in type-script, will speak for themselves very effectively. Reports are also currently being prepared for the *Messenger* and *Review* which will give more



Conference delegates enjoying one of the "banquets" in the Lincoln Hall dining room.

detailed presentation.

Our last question was about fellowship. "There is only one word for it—superb." We wish you could have seen the Junior Common Room on Saturday night (not that there is anything common about that tastefully furnished room) with the cheerfully chattering folk sitting around

after the last lecture. Convivial was the scene in the adjoining bar where normally ale and spirits are dispensed. These had given place without decline in sociability to soft drinks and fruit juice. The sound of folk music accompanied by guitars was a cheerful echo of the happy spirit of an outstanding week-end.

## Here's to Health

UNDER this title we propose to present current thinking on issues of health of special concern to young people. We have invited contributions from a number of individuals whom we consider have something worthwhile to say to us and we are sure that the British Union Medical and Temperance Departments, headed by Pastor Bernard Kinman and Mr. L. Acton Hubbard, will give us valuable advice.

This month, a few facts gleaned from a very interesting talk on the problem of alcoholism given by Professor F. E. Camps in connection with the Westminster Conference on Addiction convened at the New Gallery recently.

Professor Camps described himself as "a pathologist approved by the Home Office." This modest, self-introduction belied the wealth of experience, learning and authority this eminent gentleman brought to his lecture. A charming and convincing conversational-style speaker, the Professor is equally at home in discussion of the problems of alcoholism in Britain and the U.S.A.

Some of the points arising from his lecture were that:

- 10 per cent of productivity is lost annually in the U.S.A. through alcoholism.
- A large proportion of prison inhabitants are alcoholics.
- No one ever dare call an alcoholic cured—his problem is just arrested.
- A multi-disciplined and teamwork approach was necessary in meeting the needs of alcoholics.
- There are an estimated 300,000 alcoholics in Britain.

What has this lecture to say to us? First, we note that there can be no alcoholic unless he takes alcohol. No moralizing is necessary on this point. Second, our stand on Temperance and Total Abstinence is not something which the twentieth century has made unnecessary. Third, we need to communicate more clearly and more powerfully the facts with persuasive speech and writing. We owe it to the world to share what we know and to show that healthy living is satisfying living.

## SMALLEST CHURCH SCHOOL RECEIVES HIGH HONOUR IN LOCAL FESTIVAL

ALMA PARK (Grantham) S.D.A. Church School secured merit certificates in every individual and collective section for which it entered in the recent Kesteven Schools' Speech and Drama Festival. Fifteen merit certificates were awarded.

James Dodding, the adjudicator, not only commended favourably on the standard of oral presentations but also complimented the school on its smart appearance.

With just 13 pupils, Alma Park is the smallest church school of the six in Britain. But it is unlikely to stay that way. Limited to a total enrolment of 16 because of its temporary and unsatisfactory quarters it is anticipating rapid growth when it moves to a new location in connection with the new Grantham church and school project.

Already Mrs. V. Meredith, the headmistress, has received inquiries from a number of interested parents. The recent Festival successes are expected to create wider interest. Mrs. A. Blackburn serves as assistant mistress.



# Boat-burning at Aberdaron

THAT was the title which caught our eyes. It appeared in a duplicated, six-page foolscap circular *N.E.C. News*. This turned out to be a "News broadsheet for Adventist workers in the North England Conference." And very interesting reading it proved to be!

However, back to the boat-burning and at Aberdaron, too. We recalled the castaway row-boat we last saw in its decorative stance at Senior Camp concert 1968. We also remembered how it had sunk ignominiously when introduced to

the water in 1967. Was it now to end its days in conflagration? As we read on we were reassured.

"Only a symbolic conflagration we hasten to add. What we mean," says *N.E.C. News* editor, Jack Mahon, "is that the medium-sized corrugated structure which once did double duty as summer-camp kitchen and winter rodent-shelter is no more. Gone to make way for the slick new building which will indicate to the locals that the Adventists are strengthening their bridgehead on one of the loveliest unspoiled bits

of coast the world can offer. Fortunately not too many people know how beautiful this peninsular-tip is, so we may be able to enjoy it some time yet."

Further paragraphs reveal that the Camp-site Development Director has received the go ahead for this project on the understanding that North England young people and members work to raise £2,000 toward the cost. The North England M.V. Department is planning a campaign to raise this money and a schedule of work parties on the site is also contemplated.

## Teesside Fellowship

PAUL's advice in Hebrews is vital to Adventist youth today. He wrote: "Neglect not the gathering of yourselves together." Hence the youth week-end of March 7th-9th when Teesside and Tyneside M.V. Societies met at Middlesbrough for fellowship together. We were privileged to be joined by Pastor James Huzzey and Pastor Paul Sundquist, Secretary of the Northern European Division, and his wife.

On Friday evening Pastor Sundquist showed us delightful pictures of other Adventist young people whom he photographed on his recent tour of the Northern European Division, from Iceland to the Ivory Coast via Europe and Ethiopia. We saw the desperate need for medical missions, and how this need is being met by some of our own young people including Sherard Wilson and his wife Sheila [née Anscombe] and

David Syme, in Ethiopia.

On Sabbath morning, the Sabbath school lesson study conducted by Pastor James Huzzey and the Christ-centred message of Pastor Sundquist brought inspiration to all. Pastor Sundquist's theme was: "To whom shall we go?" Lovingly and forcefully he showed the perils of this present evil world and how we must flee to Christ that we might have life, and have it "more abundantly."

After a rousing song-service, the afternoon meeting was climaxed by an M.V. Investiture conducted by Pastors Huzzey and Sundquist. The following were invested:

Andrew Powls—Sunbeam, Marion Hamilton—Busy Bee, Sylvia Harrison—Helping Hand, Sharon Powls—Builder, Wendy Powls—Builder.

In the evening we gathered for sunset Vespers conducted by Pastor Sundquist, and a social evening with fine food and organized games in

a nearby hired hall. We were sorry to bid farewell to Pastor Sundquist and his good wife who by their living cheerful Christianity had become dear to each one of us. On Friday and Saturday nights our friends from Tyneside were welcomed as guests into the homes of various Teesside members.

On Sunday morning the sun shone brightly as we motored to the snow-capped Cleveland Hills on the edge of the North Yorkshire Moors near the village of Great Ayton, birthplace of Captain Cook. After a brief climb we boarded the cars again after seeing the bleak beauty of the moors, and enjoyed a game of football on the golden beach at Saltburn-by-the-Sea. After planning a Lake District caravan week-end early in May, we departed, having thoroughly enjoyed these unforgettable days of fellowship.

RICHARD L. VINE.

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## Italian Sabbath school class

CENTRAL LONDON.—"Tu sei il mio Figliuolo, oggi ti ho generato . . . Tutti gli angeli di Dio adorino!"

I turned to my companion in the Sabbath school class with a hopeless expression on my face and said: "I don't understand what this is all about, I thought you said we were coming to an English church."

"Well," he said, "this is an English church, but there certainly seems to be something unusual about this morning's proceedings."

The young man taking the class, David Gierraputo, aged twenty-three had realized by this time that we were in difficulties, and broke off to ask us courteously whether we understood their language, for we were in the special class which has been started at the Central London church for its Italian-speaking members. We said that we were not very well up in his language, but would like to stay in the class to see if we could benefit from it.

The Gierraputo family—David, his younger brother Emanuel, sister Elizabeth, and their parents came over to England from Santa Margherita Belice (A.G.) in Sicily about four years ago, thereby escaping the recent devastating earthquake, which demolished most of the town. Each Sabbath morning they gather in a group of about a dozen in the balcony of the New Gallery to study the Word of God as set out in the Italian Quarterly, which is being sent from the Conference in Italy for their use.

After a short time we found we were learning both the Gospel and Italian quite quickly and could see in the memory verse from Hebrews 1:5, 6, the promise of the Father to the Son, that, having won through, He was worthy of the kingdom—"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing." Rev. 5:11-13. JAMES A. FRERE, F.S.A.



The Sinphonia Del Acordia Choir

## It was a P.H.A.B. night

HOLLOWAY.—The Sinphonia Del Acordia in the past few months has raised £200 in five concerts for local churches.

On a recent Saturday evening the programme was in aid of P.H.A.B. (first letters of Physically Handicapped—Able Bodied.) It was "FAB" (P.H.A.B.) anyway you look at it that the Sinphonia Del Acordia should be able to contribute to the Physically Handicapped—Able Bodied National Association of Youth Clubs.

Appropriately enough, if you take the first letters of the Choral you get S.D.A.—for all choral members are S.D.As. Our P.H.A.B. programme included outstanding harpist, Kirsten Unnersten who played on a harp given to her by the King of Sweden.

Educating the able bodied young people to mix with the physically handicapped young people and vice versa, and to acquire skill and confidence is a two-way thing explained Miss Jane Martham, the P.H.A.B. representative who addressed the congregation.

HILARY MARSH.

## Fellowship of Prayer

SINCERE believers everywhere are earnestly invited to remember in their family and private prayers at the sunset hour each Friday evening, the needs of fellow members who have special burdens or problems. Particularly are they invited to remember before the Throne of Grace the requests here published. Letters of request for prayer, and of thanks and praise for answered prayer should be addressed to: The Messenger Fellowship of Prayer, The Stanborough Press Ltd., Alma Park, Grantham, Lincs. All letters will be carefully filed, and remembered. For the encouragement of others we will be happy to publish special answers to prayer, and expressions of thanks. Kindly let us know.

"Would you please pray for my son who has not been able to work for ten years due to rheumatoid arthritis."—S.A.R.

"My many thanks for your prayers which I requested some time ago on behalf of my friend, Sylvia, who had suffered a nervous breakdown. Her words to me, when I last saw her, were: 'Surely God can answer prayers because He has cured me.' Please keep praying for her that very soon she will be a sheep in the true fold."—LUCILLE SCOTT.

"I would like us to pray for Gerald Brooke who has been gaoled overseas, and whose gaolers are putting a lot of mental pressure on him. His surroundings are not as comfortable as our prisons. Please let us add his name to our daily prayer, that he will soon be released."—A. MURRAY.

## NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE



## A musical evening

MANCHESTER.—On Sunday March 2nd, the Newbold Collegium Musicum under the direction of Brother Roy Scarr, gave their worthy services to raise funds in aid of the Manchester church school. They presented a wonderful programme, praising the Lord in selected items for the choir and solo instruments, all beautifully rendered by these talented young students from Britain, Norway, U.S.A., Finland, and Yugoslavia. The instrumentalists showed their versatility in that they formed the greater part of the choir.

The school building fund was enriched by £8 4s. A very enjoyable evening ended with the Anthem: "Hide me under the shadow."

F. M. FRIBEL,  
Press Relations Secretary.



# PIONEERING IN HARROGATE

Campaign report by Pastor C. Denys Baildam

TRADITION and history ring loud in Yorkshire, where ancient abbeys, castles, stately homes, and picturesque villages are all part of the scene. The Spa town of Harrogate is the gateway to many of them.

It was in this popular town where one in seventy of the population attended the first lectures of the Archaeological and Bible Lands Campaign which was launched last October in the well-appointed Lounge Hall. This Victorian-designed Lounge Hall is in keeping with the nineteenth century atmosphere pervading this town of about 60,000 people.

The Lounge Hall attached to the famous Spa-baths, was made to seat only six hundred people, and earlier in the year when the hall was booked for our meetings, we had not anticipated such a response would be forthcoming. We had sent out five thousand invitation cards by post to chosen people. In addition we gave out a quantity of handbills in different districts, and ordered a well-placed newspaper advertisement. During the ten days prior to the opening lecture, the telephone lines were so busy dealing with requests for seats that at one point, the lines between Harrogate and Leeds were jammed! It was a Leeds telephone number that was being used to book seats. By the Thursday prior to the opening night we had had to put into operation an emergency plan. We had booked almost every seat in the hall and this was not taking into account the many people who would come along without bothering to book seats. The local newspaper held up its printing on the Friday so that we could add a special notice to our advertisement to say that a second session would have to be held on the same evening in order to cope with the interest. Consequently our two sessions at 7.30 and 8.45 p.m. housed a total of eight hundred people, the first session being completely packed. And this happened for several nights. In fact on the third night we had our largest attendance. The subject was on Tutankhamen and Moses.


This was beyond all our expectations but we could only recognize that the Lord had guided the plans we had made for this town. Attenders represented a good cross-section, and many of the well-known local people were present who serve in the spheres of business, medicine, education, farming, and the public services. We were more than encouraged. Would we at last, be able to break through with the message to these more influential people? It seemed so. One local clergyman and his wife have attended every week.

What an interest there was on our sixth night when we presented Daniel 2 under the now newly-introduced title of: "Gods of Gold and Graves of Ashes." Some said: "The best lecture yet!" And one gentleman went home that night and immediately read six chapters of Daniel! It is unusual, to say the least, to have prolonged applause for preaching Daniel 2. These are the truths that, like jewels, must be reset in the clasp of modern thinking. Many have told us that they have been reading their Bibles for the first time for many years, but with new understanding.

It has been gratifying to see a sustained interest now for sixteen weeks (at the time of writing). Of

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Pastor Baildam's opening handbill.

course, we have had our problems. Fog, snow, ice, rain—we are constantly facing them all. Even so despite weather vagaries, there are those who have chosen to walk to and from the lectures when transport was not available. One of our biggest problems has been the question of a secondary hall. Halls in Harrogate are almost non-existent. We had booked a small room in a hotel, but this was not going to be large enough. Months before, we had gone to all the hotels in the area, but none of their rooms had been available. What could we do? We prayed about it—and then made inquiries again. A hall suddenly became available—and currently we are still meeting in the splendid ballroom of the Crown Hotel, with a manager and staff who have been most helpful and friendly. The rent is high, but there has been no alternative.

Appreciation is extended to a number of laymen, under the leadership of Brother C. Anscombe, who have so kindly supported us in the work of ushering and who have travelled untiringly after a hard day's work every week from long distances, arriving home very late at night. Brother Colin Cook, minister from Bradford, gave us good platform help during the first nights. Brother Erich Metzger has kindly travelled 45 miles on many occasions to add his support. Pastor Arthur Cooper has made a journey from York every week to give invaluable help. Mrs. J. Shone has kindly been responsible for arranging flowers. Without these people it would have been difficult to conduct the two sessions that we are still holding each Monday evening. Miss Gillian Cole, a new graduate of Newbold has done good work in the heavy programme of organizing and visiting.

Last August we organized a small company of Adventists who live within a few miles of Harrogate. We now look forward to seeing this group augmented by others who are taking an interest in the things we believe. Please pray that a church may be raised up here to God's glory. Then Adventists will form part of the tradition of the town.



### "Ask for More"

WITH the thousands of present-day little Olivers—black, yellow, and white—in their minds to serve as a goad, and the daring of the first little Oliver in asking for more, as an inspiration to go out and do likewise, students and staff poured out of Newbold College last week-end to see what asking for more would do for Ingathering this year. The result was gratifying: £1,261 on Saturday night and Sunday, with more coming in all the time. To date—Wednesday morning—asking for more has brought £1,547 in as evidence that asking in faith, nothing wavering, will bring results.

Newbold's Ingathering campaign began publicly—behind the scenes it had been preparing longer of

course—about a week before the first red tin was presented to the first public house proprietor. Neat little posters carrying the teasing legend "afm" appeared on every door and at every vantage point on the Newbold campus. Then came a contest inviting submissions as to what the mysterious letters "afm" could represent. Finally there was a grand rally on the Friday morning before the black and yellow scarves packed into their cars when after the best attempts were rehearsed the truth came out. Oliver Twist asking Mr. Bumble for more porridge was the symbol and slogan which was to carry the students and staff in an irresistible campaign of red-tin shaking in every public house, shop, and at every door-step in all the available territory around.

And so the campaign is on, the campaign to raise more than last year's £4,800. But it's not only for the sake of raising a goal; as more posters reminded the Newbold tin rattlers: "Anything you do for Oliver, you do for Him."

REPORT FROM DR. A. J. WOODFIELD.

**In 6 days Newbold College collected £4,140**

## Wales and Border Counties News

### Tracts in the Vernacular

MEMBERS in Wales may be wondering if anything has been done regarding translations into the Welsh language. We are glad to be able to report in the positive.

We considered that the present series of tracts issued in connection with the *Our Times* tract campaign were the best introduction, so we have had four translated:

"Do we need God today?"—"A oes angen Duw arnom heddiw?"

"How you may know there is a God?"—"Sut ye gellwch chwi wybod fod yna Dduw."

"Passport to Happiness"—the title for this is changed to "Road to Happiness" because the Welsh word for passport is "licence" and therefore not suitable. So—"Ffordd i Hapusrwydd."

"God's Guide Book"—"Llyfr Cyfarwyddo Duw" is being processed. Several kind friends have helped financially in this project. Printing was too expensive, so the tracts have been duplicated in booklet form and enclosed in attractive flower-picture covers.

Welsh people who have read them are thrilled with the message and appreciate the fact that they are in their native language. We asked several well-educated people to check them—ministers, teachers, lay preachers, etc., and all were delighted with them and thanked us for giving them the opportunity to help. We, of course, wanted as many as possible to read them not only for checking translation but also to give the readers themselves new ideas and fresh outlooks.

It is difficult for some of the local people to hear or read English and translate into Welsh quickly enough to get new truths into their minds.

We are distributing tracts selectively at present as funds do not permit random circulation. We must make sure the person can read Welsh. Many speak Welsh but cannot read it.

Some tracts have gone into circulation at Bangor University. We are anxious to prepare more tracts ready to respond to possible applications for further reading matter as advertised on the back of the tracts.

If anyone feels he can use some of this literature to good advantage, please apply to Pastor K. Clothier, Albert Villa, Albert Street, Rhyl, N. Wales, enclosing something for postage and packing.

Mrs. White has admonished us to get the truth translated into all languages and in these days when so much emphasis is being put on the Welsh language, this is our day of opportunity. Please pray for a great blessing on this literature so that people may be brought into the truth and then be able to explain it to others in language they can understand. Time is short, and the work of the Lord requires haste.

ETHEL R. THOMPSON,  
Blaenau Ffestiniog.

### Student teachers knit bandages

As a result of an appeal in the Barry and district newspaper, two young ladies from a nearby teachers' training college called on the Barry Welfare secretary, Mrs. K. Geen, to offer their help in knitting bandages for Masanga leper hospital. The ladies then organized a list of knitters from among their fellow students. They got through 100 oz. of cotton and produced the bandages; further supplies were ordered to keep up the interest. Thanks to the faithful work of Mrs. Geen and her young helpers, the bandages have now been sent to Masanga. Through the work of one faithful member useful local contacts have thus been made.

STUART R. WARE,  
Barry.



# THANK YOU, INGATHERERS

Twenty-two per cent of our members have already taken part in Ingathering this year, and £23,906 have been collected. By the time you read this we expect the appeal to have attracted £60,000 with 50 per cent of our members participating. With £100,000 as our goal, an all-out effort is needed during the week-end of April 26th and 27th—and then it will be all over!

The directors of World-Wide Advent Missions at their meeting on March 26th wished me to express their sincere thanks to all our collectors for the time and energy they have sacrificed in support of our world-wide mission programme.

V. H. COOPER,  
B.U.C. L.A. Secretary.



## TILL THE DAY DAWN

**McGERRIGLE.**—The Londonderry members were saddened by the passing away of Brother Bertie McGerrigle on Monday, February 17, 1969, aged only 41 years. Our brother had endured a lifetime of very poor health. He first studied the Voice of Prophecy lessons, then had studies with Pastor Paul Smith, and was eventually baptized by Pastor D. Lowe on March 5, 1967. His was a short but effective Advent witness. In death, the witness, in a sense, reached a heart-warming climax in that thirty car-loads of friends and relatives came to hear of the Advent Hope which Bertie had embraced, at the beautiful service conducted by Pastor Smith both at the house and at the graveside. To his wife Florence and his brothers and sisters our tenderest sympathies are extended. He now rests in the Lord at Mount Castle, Donamara, Co. Tyrone. We look forward to the Lifegiver's call to all such faithful servants as Bertie—on the great resurrection day. Such was Bertie's hope.

T. A. BROWNLOW.

**WALLACE.**—In the early hours of Wednesday, March 26, 1969, Sister Annie Wallace, the oldest member of the Dundee church, passed to her rest at the ripe old age of 95. Although she had weakened physically over the last few months, she was very alert mentally and took a keen interest in the affairs of the church and loyally supported it. She joined its membership through the ministry of Pastor K. Lacey and was baptized in the spring of 1951. Although we mourn her passing as being yet "another soldier fallen from the ranks" we nevertheless are comforted by the "blessed hope" which gives us the assurance of a reunion with our dear sister when the Saviour comes to claim his own. Pastor L. Barker officiated at the services in the funeral parlour and at the graveside, speaking words of comfort and hope to the relatives and friends. Our sympathy goes out to her daughter who is left alone to mourn her loss, and we commend her to the care of our loving heavenly Father.—N. S. MYLES, Church Clerk.

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May 9th	8.35	8.48	8.45	9.06	9.12

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