BIG WEEK ILLUSTRATED SPECIAL



# A Call to Action

#### By J. Harker

THE time set for the British Union BIG WEEK is here. All the agencies that have anything to do with the promotion of this work have done their utmost to make it a success. The General Conference Publishing Department has sent information telling of the wonderful results already achieved by the Missions Publishing Fund, and emphasizing present urgent needs. Our committees have given careful consideration to what might be done here in this field and an objective—a press for Kenya—has been set before us.

The presidents and the Home Missionary Department have placed Big Week plans before the churches. The Stanborough Press has placed at

our disposal large supplies of suitable literature. All that now remains to be done is that 4,000 volunteers, conference workers, colporteurs, institutional workers, young people, children and every adult member, shall come forward and within the space of ONE BIG WEEK — May 3rd-9th — act their part by selling and giving so as to raise the necessary £400 for the proposed press for Kenya.

#### CHURCH LEADERS.

The success of this effort, and in fact every effort where the united energies of our people are called into action, depends largely upon our faithful church leaders. We have faith to believe you will lead your churchmembers on to victory. Set a goal based on 2/6 per member. Encourage the selling of "Present Truth," "Good Health" and small shilling books. Don't forget the young people. Make Sunday, May 4th, a "Big Day." See that all are supplied with territory. Take up the offering, in the envelopes provided, on May 10th.

#### COLPORTEURS.

We look to you especially to give a strong lead in this work. The plan to call for the profits of the biggest day of Big Week originated in the minds of those who know by experience the colporteurs' capacity for doing big things. Decide now to come into line with the suggestion. Give the profits of your biggest day to advance the work of God in

heathen lands and see if He will not open the windows of heaven and send showers of blessing on your labours.

#### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEERS.

"I have written unto you, because ye are strong," says the Lord through the apostle John. Strength is a talent and here is an opportunity to make an investment of your strength to the glory of God. Determine to sell large numbers of books and papers, and thus carry into effect your membership pledge "to help others and to finish the work of the Gospel in all the world." The Kenya workers to whom we are sending the press are young people from your own societies. They ask you to help them to make their efforts to reach the heathen of dark Africa stil more effective.



Brother F. Archer, sent from The Stanborough Press to assist in the French Publishing House at Melun, at work on a press supplied by the Missions Publishing Fund, He looks happy.

#### INSTITUTIONAL WORKERS.

Those who must keep the presses going, care for the sick, work in the manufacture of health foods, as well as many others in business and other employment who cannot leave their work can donate one day's pay to the Missions Publishing Fund. Place your offering in the envelope and pass it in on May 10th, not forgetting to pray during the week that God's blessing may rest on the efforts of all who work with the literature.

#### THE GENERAL ARMY.

To you who so valiantly came to the help of the Lord during the war when the African missions were in jeopardy and whose exploits in the Harvest Ingathering and other missions campaigns have proved that the cause of God is dear to you, we confidently make our final appeal in the interests of Big Week, s assured that you will not allow this golden opportunity for helping our African missionaries to pass by unimproved.

Yours for a successful Big Week,





# What the Bible-Workers are doing in South-West London By Winifred D. Clifford

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"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good." Eccles. II:6.

The Bible-workers in the South-West London area have applied the wisdom of Solomon with severity. From morn till night, cheerfully facing the various moods of Nature, they have toiled unceasingly to broadcast the seeds of truth. As is the case in every place, the ground had to be prepared. It was neither a pleasant task to gather out the stones, nor an easy one to remove the thorns.

At present there is scarcely a street in Wimbledon and district where the workers do not enter one or more homes; and in keeping with the glorious springtime, the tender leaves of faith and hope are bursting forth on every branch of the tree of promise. The Lord has plainly indicated that Wimbledon should bear much fruit, and we, who tend the vines, await a bountiful harvest.

From the list of seven hundred names, which represented requests for literature, we are glad to report a growing interest in the truths of the message, and a deep desire on the part of many to obey the fourth commandment. The Sabbath afternoon attendances are decidedly encouraging. It is interesting to note how vivaciously each worker welcomes his or her readers at those n eetings.

But the sweetest moments are the ones spent in personal contact with souls. A little friendly talk, a Bible study and a prayer are the mightiest factors in persuading men and women to accept Christ.

Under the leadership of Brother Maudsley all of the workers maintain a loyal, harmonious spirit. The Master has "called us with a high and holy calling;" He has given to each a passion for souls; and as "workers together with Him" we labour and pray for grand results.

May we invite the WORKER family to remember us in their private devotions.



ON Sunday, February 24th, we began a small effort in one of the poorer districts of Cardiff. Being new to this field, and the light evenings coming on, we thought it best to spend as small a part of our budget as possible at this season of the year. Brother Bevan and Sister Olive Davies are also having their first experience in effort work. So far we have held six meetings. The average attendance has been from 200-250, and we have received £3 a week in collections and gifts. Considering the small amount of advertising done, the attendance has been good.

Since coming here in February two have taken their stand for the Sabbath as a result of Bible studies. We are of good courage and ask an interest in the prayers of the WORKER family.

The Cardiff Church now hold their services in the Friends' Meeting House, Charles Street. Sabbathschool, 10 a.m. Prayer meeting and preaching service, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. We gladly welcome all visitors.

#### The Blackburn Church

Our church elder, Brother Nicholson, assisted by the writer, has recently been giving a series of lantern lectures on Seventh-Day Adventist mission work. Brother J. Harker's kindness in loaning the slides to us enabled us to hold these services which have given us some idea of the difficulties encountered by our missionaries in East Africa. The lectures were well attended and quite a number of people not of our faith were greatly interested and the writer was asked to show the slides at four different non-conformist churches. We have granted these requests, and believe that the illustrating of our missionary work will yield good results during the coming Harvest Ingathering Campaign. We as a church desire the prayers of our MISSIONARY J. W. BONSALL, Miss. Sec. WORKER readers.

### At Rest

Tourell.—Mrs. Tourell passed away on March 8, 1924, at the age of 82. Sister Tourell became acquainted with our work about twelve years ago through a call made by Mrs. E. A. Bailey. Her deep interest in the study of God's Word was evident and Gospel workers were ever welcome at her home. She was also a good friend to the needy. We are conscious of a vacant place in our ranks and extend to her relatives our warmest sympathy. We laid her to rest Wednesday, March 12th, in the Highland Road Cemetery, Portsmouth. The service was conducted by the writer. G. W. BAILEY.

# Annual Session of the North England Conference

#### APRIL 17-21, 1924

Our annual conference convened in Sheffield over the Easter holidays, from Thursday evening, April 17th, to Monday night, the 21st. The Lord not only favoured us with glorious weather, but with a blessed spiritual feast. The unanimous testimony was that it was the best conference those who were present had ever attended. While the number who were present was not as large as we had expected, yet a most excellent spirit pervaded the whole assembly.

We were highly favoured in having with us Elder C. H. Watson, the vice-president of the General Conference. His Bible study Friday afternoon on "The Cities of Refuge;" his stirring address on Sabbath morning on "The Certainties of the Message;" and then his wonderful recital of "The Miracle of Modern Missions as seen in the Cannibal Islands of the

Pacific" on Sunday evening, were among the outstanding features of a very helpful and instructive conference.

The opening service of the conference, Thursday night, was taken by the president, who took as his text Mark 1:14, 15. Friday evening Brother Jayne gave a very helpful talk on "Consider Him" from Heb. 12:3. The Sabbath afternoon testimony meeting was one of great cheer and inspiration. On

Saturday evening Pastor A. S. Maxwell F. W. Goodall, (editor of "Present Truth"), robed in the Home Missionary Sec. picturesque garb of a Bedouin of the Holy Land, gave us a splendid lantern lecture on Palestine, where he has recently been privileged to visit many of those intensely interesting places so well known to us all through the words of Holy Writ. Then on Monday evening, the closing service of the conference, he once more furnished us with a great treat in the shape of a lantern lecture on Egypt. Both of these lectures were very much appreciated, and we hope in the



Brother Archer, senior, sold 146 copies of the May "Good Health" in 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours during the North England Conference at Sheffield.

number of questions. We were also favoured with the presence of the following brethren: S. Joyce, J. Harker, G. Baird, E. H. Marsh and H. D. Clarke, also Mrs. Jayne and Miss Argent. The three devotional services



Pastor A. E. Bacon entering the Vestry Hall where the annual session of the North England Conference was held.

were conducted by Pastors A. K. Armstrong, H. F. De'Ath and F. C. Bailey, Pastor A. S. Rodd taking the Bible study Monday afternoon. Brother Davies, our Field Missionary Secretary, would very much have liked to have seen a larger number of our col-

porteurs present.

The business of the conference was completed in five sessions. The Sabbath-school was in charge of Brother F. W. Goodall, with Sister A. F. Clarke in charge of the Brother juniors. Maxwell took the teachers' meeting, and Pastor E. E. Craven conducted the review of the lesson, "God's Ownership and Man's Stewardship." There were fifteen adult classes with a membership of 150, and three junior classes with an

mary Sec. attendance of thirty. After an earnest appeal by Pastor Watson, the Sabbath-school offering was taken up, which amounted to £13. 6s. 10d.

On Friday evening at 6 o'clock, in the Woodseats Baptist Chapel, kindly loaned for the occasion, we baptized six men and five women. These, with one other sister, were received into fellowship Sabbath afternoon at 2 p.m., when we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house with the isolated members. We greatly appreciated the use of the Sheffield Meeting Hall for our young people's services, also other meetings; and our thanks are due to those officers of the church, also members, who did what they could to make our conference a success.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

President-Alfred E. Bacon.

Secretary and Treasurer-W. G. Baldry.

Field Missionary Secretary-D. Davies. Home Missionary, Young People's, and Sabbath-School Sec-retary-F. W. Goodall.

Executive Committee—A. E. Bacon, W. A. Hall, A. K. Armstrong, F. C. Bailey, W. G. Baldry, F. W. Goodall, D. Davies, G. T. Bryan, L. Brooking, A. E. P. Rae.
Auditing Committee—W. Slow, J. Schuil, W. R. Short.

The Committee on Credentials and Licences presented the following report:

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W. G. Baldry, D. Davies, Miss E. Cum-mins, Miss A. F. Clarke, Miss H. Van-denborgh, Miss M. Simms, Miss J.

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W. G. Baldry. Secretary-Treasurer Page



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#### Three Objectives

THERE are three aims set before us as we think of the Big Week Campaign, and while these have all been mentioned before, a repetition will do no harm. The good work now being done as a result of the Big Week Campaign is bound to inspire the heart of everyone who loves the third angel's message.

This Big Week Campaign is certainly one of the ways God has given us to help finish the work, and everyone who takes part in it will surely receive the reward for good service, if they continue faithful to the end.

The first aim is this: "United effort put forth by churchmembers to place our message-filled literature in the homes of the people."

God alone knows what will be the result of this work. Hundreds of thousands of pages filled with truth will be read by as many people the world over. If this were the only purpose of the Big Week Campaign, it would surely be a noble aim indeed. There must be many thousands of people in this sin-cursed earth who are hungering for truth and seeking for light. We believe that we have a truth that will satisfy the most hungry soul and we have a light that shines amid the gross darkness surrounding us. Surely, then, it becomes our duty to give that which we have to the needy world; and any extra effort put forth will only be what we owe to our neighbours. Let us endeavour during this campaign to scatter broadcast the pages of truth and God will see that the seed sown brings forth fruit.

The second aim of this campaign is to provide a Missions Publishing Fund from which new branches and publishing houses may be built up in unentered fields and those already in existence enlarged. We have read much of the good work that has been done through this fund. New nations, tongues and people are now being reached because this fund has made it possible to start new enterprises. There are thousands of people to-day who are reading the message of truth because this Big Week Campaign provided money to supply the need. Again, if this were the only purpose of the campaign it would surely be a worthy one. Many of us received our first knowledge of the truth through our papers and books; many thousands of others are now doing the same because of this Missions Publishing Fund, and when such a glorious end is in view ought we not all to put our best into the campaign, giving all our profits to this fund, and making our quota at least equal to one day's pay? This will only be a small sacrifice compared with the good results that must follow.

Third, but not least, our aim should be "to win some precious souls to the truth" by our labours in this Big Week Campaign. As we meet with people we may be led to some hungry souls and it should be our duty to watch for them and to work for them until they are won over to the Master's side. It seems to me that we should pray to this end, that we may not only distribute literature, not only provide a fund for new publishing enterprises, but that our feeble efforts may be the means of saving some lost What a wonderful triumph it would be for soul. our efforts if, in the near future, we could look back upon the work we did during the Big Week Cam-paign and be able to say, "These dear souls came into the truth as a result." May this be the aim for



we may be sure that in that glad day when the Saviour comes to give His reward to His children we shall hear Him say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

W. H. MEREDITH.

#### Forward North England!

THIS little note will come into the hands of our members just as the Big Week Campaign is about to start for this year. If you will only stop to think of the blessings that the Missions Publishing Fund has been to the extension of our publishing work throughout the world, and the very vital part it is playing in helping to finish this work quickly, I am sure every member will seek to make it the biggest week in our history for the scattering "Present of the papers "Presen Truth," and "Good Health," and the books "Steps to Christ" and "Looking Be-yond." Not only will this provide the necessary funds for the Missions Publishing Fund, but consider what good

will be accomplished in the homeland by the scattering of so much of our message-filled literature. Then remember the blessings that will come to all who thus do their part. Surely eternity alone will reveal the results of all such faithful endeavours. The Union goal is £400, the North England goal is £200. Our noble army of colporteurs are going to make it a record week in our history, and give the profits of the biggest day to the fund. Let all our members take hold with enthusiasm, do their part, and we shall more than reach the goal.

Alfred E. Bacon.

#### B.B.C. or B.B.W.?

EVERYONE has become familiar with the letters B.B.C., and everyone knows that they signify British Broadcasting Company. The word broadcast, though used in connection with a modern invention, is not a new word. It is as old as the hills

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sh men! n! one go, o sow. nd I, try, ek the best? the rest. ou are strong! e along! d the way! s your day! lag behind! Brd.—in mind. —B.B.W Lord's time farmers were accustomed to broadcast their grain over the land, and the same method of sowing seed is still used. And what is true in the physical world is also true in the spiritual realm; for many generations servants of Christ have been scattering in this way the golden grain of truth.

The letters B.B.W. are as significant as B.B.C., and they have to do with broadcasting, too; they stand for BRITISH BIG WEEK during which the men and women of Britain who compose the advent cause are to distribute our literature "broadcast" over the land.

Big Week has come to stay. There can be no doubt about it. Introduced a few years ago to meet a particular need, Big Week has become one of our regular institutions. We can no more think of doing without it than we can think of abolishing the Sabbath-school offering or the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for missions. All three are on a par: all are needed. They represent three distinct methods of raising funds for carrying the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

The Sabbath-school offering is a weekly offering given by our people. The funds obtained in this way are used for mission operations all over the world, the thirteenth Sabbath offering alone going to a specific field.

The Harvest Ingathering funds are obtained entirely from those not of our faith, and chiefly by means of solicitation, during a specified period each year. Like the weekly Sabbath-school gifts, the Ingathering funds are used for the world work in all its phases.

The funds obtained during Big Week also come very largely from those not of our faith, but they are obtained not through solicitation, but by the sale of literature. These funds are used "for the establishment and maintenance of Seventh-Day Adventist publishing facilities in all nations and language areas of the world." That this is an important object will be recognized by all who remember that we have

been told that the final phase of the work will be accomplished to a large extent through the distribution of our publications.

Big Week is big with possibilities. We may be used this week not only to sell books and papers, but to lead souls into the faith. Big Week is big with promise. Every one who goes out in the Master's name at this time may claim the promise: "Lo, I am with you." It is big with blessing. Blessed is he who sells, and he who buys; and blessed are they who, hungering and thirsting after righteousness, shall be filled through the medium of the presses purchased with Big Week funds.

F. A. Spearing.

#### Belfast Calling!

#### BIG WEEK, MAY 3RD--9TH.

We take this opportunity of reminding our brethren and sisters in Ireland that the first week in May is Big Week. This means that each one is invited to sell as much literature as possible during that week, turning the profits of the sales into the Missions Publishing Fund. Those who cannot for any reason engage in colporteur work are earnestly invited to donate the equivalent of one day's wage to this fund. Programmes and detailed particulars of this effort will be sent to all our churches and isolated members toward the end of April. Many of us would probably never have heard of this blessed truth had it not been for our publishing houses. Therefore let us each and every one contribute our share toward the extending and strengthening of this powerful means of spreading the message.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

We wish to give all our people the preliminary notice that during the week-end June 6th--8th the Irish Mission annual meeting will be held at Belfast in the S.D.A. Church, Florenceville Avenue. The members of the Belfast Church are already making preparations for these meetings and we trust there will be a record attendance of our people from Dublin, Banbridge, Kilmoyle, Magherafelt and the Mission generally. We are very anxious that our isolated members may remember to come up to the sanctuary at this special season. For the farming community the first week-end in June is surely a convenient time to break away for forty-eight hours to seek the Lord unitedly as a whole family of believers gathered in one place. Remember Pentecost-"they were all of one accord in one place." Plan now to come. In our next message we will tell you who of our brethren besides Pastor J. E. Jayne will be with us at the meetings.

#### DUBLIN.

We are happy to report that in Dublin our "ain folk" are busy, very happy and expectant in the work these days. Pastor W. J. Young and Sister Bastow are stretching every nerve to rouse and rally all the forces for the advance in the Free State capital. Pastor Young has adapted himself to the Dublin way admirably and the future should bring success and growth in all departments of the work. Pray without ceasing for the work and workers in Dublin and all other parts—and don't forget Big Week, May 3rd-9th, and the annual meeting in Belfast, June 6th--8th. F. S. JACKSON.

#### North England Conference

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Handysides, Mrs. D. Casey, Miss M. Basher, Miss D. Brown. Colporteur Credentials—B. Belton, A. E. Hulbert, W. Row-land, P. Mayoh, W. E. Laming, W. H. Hilton, J. C. Gallaher, E. G. Gregory, W. James, G. W. Griffiths, R. H. Holland, Miss K. Timings, J. Bolam, P. Bolam, G. Hamblin. Colporteur's Licence—J. H. Greenhow, A. Lacey, W. E. Gregory, A. Reeves, B. H. C. Davies, E. Halstead, N. S. Hall, E. Hosking, A. H. Glennister, F. J. Young, P. Binks, W. Slow, Mrs. S. Hamblin, Miss S. Leck, Miss I. Himsworth, Mrs. M. Thorpe A. G. Briscombe Miss B. Carr. Miss I. G. Nisbet, Miss

Thorpe, A. G. Briscombe, Miss B. Carr, Miss J. G. Nisbet, Miss L. Pugh, E. Horspool.

The Committee on Plans presented the following report:

1. For the manifold blessings of God during the past conference year as revealed in the loyalty and devotion of His people and the health and care of the workers, which have resulted in the growth in membership, the increase in tithes and offerings, the success of Home Missionary activities and the encouraging report of colporteur work, and all in spite of times of excep-tional difficulty—we here in conference assembly do heartily express our deep gratitude to our heavenly Father and solemnly dedicate ourselves anew to the completion of the task before us.

2. Whereas, There are in the conference large areas of thicklypopulated territory presenting wonderful opportunities for evangelistic and missionary endeavour, and-

Whereas, The Lord calls for the consecrated energy of the entire churchmembership and counsels those who have the spiritual oversight of the church to devise ways and means whereby every member can act some part in God's work, therefore-

Resolved (1) That we seek to utilize our resources of men and means to the utmost limits in strong evangelistic work especially in the great cities within our territory.

That wherever possible the churchmembers be called (2)upon to unite with the conference workers in their efforts to reach the people.

(3) That as a preparation for such work the pastoral oversight of the churches include well-directed instruction in simple methods of missionary work, and that plans be set in operation in every church for missionary activity, definitely assigned.

(1) In view of our small constituency and the compactness of this Union field, the British Union Committee submits the

(a) That the territory of the British Union Conference, Ireland excepted, be included in two local conferences.

(b) That the territory now comprising North England and Scotland be the North British Conference, Scotland being operated as the Scottish Division, directed by a superintendent.

(c) That the territory now comprising South England and Wales be the South British Conference, Wales being operated as the Welsh Division, airected by a superintendent.

(d) That the work of the Home Missionary, Missionary Volunteer, and Sabbath-School Departments, within the territory of the British Isles be carried by one secretary for the British Union, and one secretary for each of the local conferences.

(e) That the work of the Field Missionary Secretary be carried by one secretary for the British Union and one secetrary for each local conference, with such special assistance as may be needed in emergencies.

(2) In view of the fact that there are insufficient colporteurs in Ireland to work the territory in that field; and in view of the fact that Ireland would form an excellent outlet for the colporteurs of South England-

We Recommend, That South England, Wales and Ireland be combined under one supervision for the conduct of the colporteur work.

(3) That North England and Scotland be combined under one supervision for the conduct of the colporteur work.

(4) That the conference bearing the expense of the colporteur work be credited with the 4% on sales from the publishing house.

(5) We therefore, the North England Conference, in view of the adoption of these recommendations, extend to the Scottish Conference our fraternal greetings, and cordially invite them to become a language division of the North British Conference, and to heartily co-operate with us in every way in our endeavours to further extend and establish the cause of God in the proposed North British Conference.

4. Realizing the importance attaching to our publishing work in the speedy advancement of the message in all lands, and also in response to the special call which has come for a cylinder press for Kenya-

Resolved, That as colporteurs, conference workers, church officers, and churchmembers generally we individually do our part in helping to make Big Week, May 3rd-9th, a record week in literature sales, turning into the Missions Publishing Fund the suggested proportion of profits so as to realize an average of at least 2/6 per member for the conference.

5. Whereas, The various features of the Sabbath-school organization—its systematic study of the Scriptures, its personal ministry in behalf of our children, youth and adult members, its contact with the world-wide mission field and its general educational and spiritual training, make it of inestimable value to the building up of our church life, and-

Whereas, There are still many churchmembers throughout the conference not sharing in the privileges and blessings which the Sabbath-school affords-

Resolved, That we adopt for the ensuing conference year the following threefold objective:

(1) A complete enrolment in the Sabbath-school of all churchmembers, young people and children.

(2) Increased faithfulness in the daily study of the lesson.

(3) A united endeavour on the part of each school to reach the missions offering goal of 9d. per week per member.

6. *Realizing* that the salvation of the young people and their training for service in the cause of God calls for constant and sympathetic care and that the burden for such work carried by by conference workers and officers of the church

We Recommend, That evangelists, pastors and church officers give close attention to the needs of the youth and children connected with our churches, supervising their Standard of Attain-ment studies, Reading Course, and Bible Year work and by personal effort seek to bring early decisions for Christ.

. Resolved, That we express ourselves as in hearty accord with the plans being put into operation for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of our world-wide missions enterprise, and that we pledge our loyal support to the offering to be taken up July 12th for the erection of a hospital in Kenya as a memorial of our Jubilee of Missions.

8. In view of a recent action by the British Union Conference Committee which provides for a six weeks' Ingathering Campaign as from August 31st to October 12th-

Resolved, That we plan our 1924 Ingathering work as provided for in the above action, fixing the conference goal on the basis of 30/- per member.

9. Whereas, Our colporteur work is acknowledged to be a most important branch of our pioneer work and in consideration of our desire to double the number of our colporteurs during 1924, therefore—·

Resolved, That we make diligent search throughout the conference for suitable men and women and that we urge them to communicate at once with Brother D. Davies with a view to becoming Gospel book workers, and further, that where necessary and desirable that they be encouraged to take the special colporteurs' course of instruction now offered by the Stanbor-ough Park College.

10. Believing that our periodicals have greatly assisted in the good results reported of the work of our lay members, and realizing that they provide means by which the energies of many in the church can be enlisted for definite soul-winning service, therefore-

*Resolved*, That we encourage our churchmembers to work their districts thoroughly and regularly with both "Present Truth" and "Good Health," endeavouring to interest readers in the truth and watching for opportunities to follow up the work with other literature and Bible readings.

11. Recognizing the demand of the hour, "Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel," we, the members of the North England Conference, here pledge ourselves to study more thoroughly and to adopt in our lives the principles of healthful living as emphasized in the Word of God and the Spirit of prophecy, that we may present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God.

12. Inasmuch as the rapid development of the third angel's message in the homelands and in the mission fields makes the supply of well-trained ministers, missionaries and Bible-workers absolutely necessary, therefore-

Resolved. That we call the attention of all our young people to the fact that this is now the hour of golden opportunity to prepare themselves for service. In this endeavour the College at Watford places its services at the disposal of every young person in the North England Conference.

#### Report of Young People's Meetings of the North England Conference, Sheffield

BETWEEN forty and fifty of our young people assembled at the conference held in Sheffield. Meetings were arranged for each morning except Sabbath. Those present received real spiritual help from the messages given and from the association together.

Brother Jayne addressed the Friday morning meeting, basing his remarks on Isa. 55:6-13. In simple language he outlined before us the opportunities of youth. Young people, who are in the sunny period of life, are called by the Lord to seek Him while they have the opportunity. He said "we must make hay while the sun shines."

The rain and snow descending upon the earth are essential for the growth of vegetation. In the same way the Word of the Lord—the water of life—is absolutely essential for the growth of God's children. His Word is a lamp. If we will use it, our pathway will be illuminated. We shall be led to the Saviour, the One Who has power to cleanse from sin, to forgive the past, and also to keep us in the hour of temptation.

Brother Jayne emphasized the great need of allowing the Word to become part of ourselves. It is by that Word that a new life is begotten in us, and we are made partakers of the divine nature.

On Sunday morning, Brother Watson, vice-president of the General Conference, spoke on the experiences of Elijah and Elisha. To prepare for translation when Jesus comes, we must tread the path Elisha trod prior to the translation of his master. He very beautifully and clearly outlined the last journey of Elijah as given in 2 Kings 2.

We find Elisha starting from Gilgal, this name meaning "the rolling away of the reproach." We must all start from Gilgal by having our sins washed or rolled away. This is only a starting place, however, and we must not stay here, but go on to Bethel or "the place of God" representing the church of God. Our young people should become members of the church and thus share in the blessings of God's family. Even here we shall find many to discourage us as did Elisha, but we must press on un-pleasures which appear so lovely and attractive at first, but we must not stay here. The only call from Jericho must be one of service. We must keep our eyes fixed on the prize. The prophets might have continued with Elisha and shared the blessings but they stood afar off. We must press on even though we have to go alone.

Elisha then follows his master to Jordan—"the place of troubles and difficulties." They seem impassable, but the mantle of Elijah disperses the waters and opens up a pathway through them.

Over Jordan Elisha is privileged to see his master taken up in the fiery chariot. He kept his eyes fixed on Elijah and thus received the promise of power—the blessing belonging only to the first-born. Through constancy, steadfastness of purpose and continuance in the things of God we shall be ready to see Jesus.

On Monday morning, the editor of "Present Truth," Brother Maxwell, spoke to us on the inspiration of the Bible. With enthusiasm he outlined before us the wonderful power of the Book of God.

At one time Bibles were burned, but this method of attack had long been abandoned by Satan. More subtle means were used nowadays to destroy the Word of God.

He spoke of the seven proofs of the inspiration of the Bible. 1. The fact of its preservation. 2. Its continuity. 3. Its revelation of the love of God. 4. The truthfulness of its biographies. 5. The accuracy of its history. 6. The fulfilment of its prophecies. 7. Its transforming effect on the lives of men.

No other book in the world has so changed the hearts and lives of men and women. Cannibals are transformed into God-fearing Christians. In the place of devil worship we see churches, schools, hospitals and strong, healthy people, happy in their service of uplifting humanity. The Bible is true. It is the Rock of Ages. It is the only sure and firm foundation.

This closed the series of meetings held for our young people, and we are sure that all who were privileged to be present will carry with them the words of inspiration and of encouragement received at this conference. May all our dear young people remain steadfast and faithful till we gather together on that eternal shore. F. W. GOODALL.

BARNET.—Our dear Sister Barnet of the Mansfield company, after suffering terribly for a long time from that dreaded disease —cancer—passed away on April 9th, at the age of 38. About five years ago Sister Barnet accepted the truth under the labours of Brother George Hyde, and her consistent, faithful life both in the church and in the home, will bring its reward in the great resurrection day. On Sabbath, April 12th, Brother Baldry performed the last rites in the Mansfield Cemetery where our dear sister was laid to rest. After the committal, the mourners were comforted with the singing of two hymns by the Mansfield and Sutton company. It was a cold, gloomy day, but as we sang, "Oh, we see the gleams of the golden morning." the sun broke through and made the hymn very real to us. A husband, son and three daughters are left to mourn, but they know that the dear departed will answer the call of the Life-giver at the first resurrection.

WALKER.—It is with profound regret that we report the death of an old and esteemed member of our North London Church, David Walker, who peacefully passed away on April 9, 1924, at the advanced age of 99 years and three months. He was able to attend church up to a short time before he departed this life. Considering his age he had wonderful vitality. His illness was very brief, death being accelerated by an attack of bronchitis. His venerable figure will be missed in the house of God, from which he was rarely absent. Mr. Walker and his wife received a knowledge of the message through reading some tracts that were circulated by Brother Arthur Warren in the spring of 1906. After a few visits they opened their home for Bible studies, and were received into church fellowship. When young in years Brother Walker gave his heart to the Saviour, so that his long life was spent in the service of the Master. He was laid to rest in the Islington Cemetery, until the Life-giver shall come to awaken His sleeping saints. A brief burial service was conducted by the writer. J. WEST.

MRS. WM. BUTTERV, Wellington, Salop, desires to thank her many friends for kind letters of sympathy received, and to say how these have inspired her to ever keep in mind her late husband's wish for the progress of the third angel's message in Shropshire.

SMITH.—It was with deep sympathy that we laid to rest in the Cardiff Cemetery the infant daughter (age 14 months) of Brother and Sister J. Smith. Her sweet little face will be much missed. Truly the resurrection is a blessed hope.

O. M. DORLAND.

SUNSET CALENDAR.			
May 2nd May 9th	LONDON 8.25 8.36	CARDIFF 8-37 8-49	EDINBURGH 8.52 9.6



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Copy for the next issue must reach us not later than Thursday, May 8th.

" All Hands to the Pumps!"

THERE are still occasions when this cry is heard at sea. The ship has sprung a leak, water is pouring in, and every available man is ordered to the pumps to preserve the vessel.

To-day a similar call is made, but for different purposes. It is "All Hands to the Pumps," not to pump out, but to pump in. The s.s. "Missions Publishing Fund" is in desperate straits and needs all that you can pump into it during the great Big Week Campaign. If the new press is to be purchased and sent to Kenya this year then every member in the British Union will have to do his part like a man. Four hundred pounds are needed and that means some pumping. But "many hands make light work." "All hands" will make it an easy task.

When is the campaign? It is on at this moment. It lasts from May 3rd-9th. That means you must get your pump working first thing Sunday morning. By this time you should have on hand a big supply of the fortieth anniversary number of "Present Truth," the May "Good Health," "Steps to Christ," and "Looking Beyond." If you haven't sufficient in hand, wire the Press at once.

Keep your pump working all through the week. You will benefit by getting increased returns and a grand experience; the people will benefit by receiving the truth-filled literature; the fund will benefit by your Big Day gifts; the Kenya mission will benefit by getting its long-awaited press; the African natives will benefit by reading the message in their own tongue. Thus the results of your efforts during Big Week will be pumped on and on, even into the very heart of Africa. Who can tell what ultimate good will be accomplished by what you do this week? Isn't it worth while pumping hard?

But it must be a general effort. Don't leave it to the other fellow. Don't say, "The Home Mission-

ary Secretary will look after that' or "That's the church elder's job." It's your job. It's everybody's job. If you haven't received your papers from the secretary, don't say, "All right, I need not do anything." Go and fetch them. Wake up the secretary. If your friend says she is "not going to bother this time," don't let her persuade you to idle-ness. Invite her to come out with you. And if you really can't get out, don't forget that suggestion about the equivalent of a day's wages. That gives the opportunity of assisting to every soul in the church. And it is going to mean every soul at work if the job is to be done. Four hundred pounds in one week is no

light task. But it can be done. All hands to the pumps!

#### ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED .- Situation as general domestic help or housemaid where Sabbath can be kept. Age 30. Address: Rachel Owen, 25 King Street, Pont Dowlais.

WANTED .- Girl with thorough knowledge of the truth (age 15-17) to act as general help or companion to new Sabbath-keepers. Small house; two in family; good home. Write in first instance to Miss I. Baldwin, 31 Nicholl Street, Swansea.

READERS are invited to send for price list and shade card of the very best seamless wool socks and stockings. Mending wool supplied with every pair purchased. Apply: Martin, Stocking Knitter, Buxton Street, Bradford, Yorkshire.

WANTED.—Refined middle-aged person to keep house. Lady out during day. Good place for suitable person. Apply: M. Smith, 10 Crescent Road, S. Woodford, London, E.18.

WANTED.—By young man, age 38, ex-bank clerk (10 years' experience), situation as secretary. Can use typewriter. Appointment with Sabbath-keepers preferred. Apply: T. J. Prail. Brookside Cottage, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, Devonshire.

WANTED.—Situation where Sabbath can be kept, by young man, age thirty-two. Nine years' experience in motor and general engineering. Willing to work in any capacity. Please write : W. H. Wallace, 114 Bowes Road, Palmers Green, London, N.13.

To LET .- Two unfurnished rooms in North London. Apply : Mrs. Thicke, "Restholme," 31 Lorne Road, Finsbury Park, London, N.

S.D.A.'s can have printing done by Adventist firm. Posters, handbills, billheads, specialities. Samples. Price list free. Apply: Electric Press (Dept. B.), Bentham, Lancaster.

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#### How to Help Africa

A RECENT communication received from Elder W. T. Bartlett, of Gendia Mission, Kenya Colony,

the following contained paragraph: -

'If any would like to help us with garments, preferably in strong prints that do not show dirt too quickly, now is a good time. Since the Japanese earthquake put the mills there out of competition, the price of good calico has soared from thirty-six to sixty shillings for a bolt of thirty yards. This makes it so much harder for the Christian natives to clothe themselves."

Serviceable material, or garments suitable for native use, delivered to me will be enclosed with shipments sent to Brother Bartlett from time N. H. KNIGHT. to time. Stanborough Press, Watford, Horts.



Seen at the Sheffield Conference