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Day of Fasting and Prayer

By A. F. Tarr

W<sup>E</sup> DESIRE to share with our church membership throughout the Northern European Division a portion of a letter received from J. I. Robison, associate secretary of the General Conference. It reads:

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"The General Conference officers in planning for the coming Session in Cleveland, have been giving serious thought to the importance of this meeting to our world work, both at home and abroad. We are living in very serious times and our work, world-wide as it is, becomes involved in every crisis, either political or economic, wherever it may strike. These crises are multiplying and we recognize that we must depend more and more upon the strength that comes from prayer and a full surrender to God in these hours of international tension and constant upheavals in so many lands.

"We feel that at the coming General Conference Session we ought to join in a special season of prayer and fasting to invite the fullness of God's blessing and the plenitude of His power, not only upon the Session itself, but upon our work and workers in all parts of the world field in these crucial times. We have therefore appointed the first Sabbath of the Session, June 21st, as a day of fasting and prayer."

The purpose of Brother Robison's letter is not only to tell what the brethren assembled at the General Conference plan to do. It is also to invite the churchmembers in all lands who cannot be present at that meeting to join with their brethren and sisters in Cleveland, in praying for God's richest blessing to be poured out on His church, both in Cleveland and all over the world in this momentous hour. Brother Robison further suggests that the fast now called for "need not be a complete abstinence from food, but a fast like Daniel experienced when no pleasant food was eaten, but extra time given to earnest prayer and supplication."

We are confident that every worker, church officer, and member, in the Northern European Division will respond to this earnest call to prayer issued by the General Conference. Both the occasion and the hour demand it. We want with all our hearts that the power of God shall attend His people in their individual lives, and in their great task in these closing days. We desire most earnestly that every plan laid and every appointment made by the General Conference be in harmony with His will, and be a contributing factor toward the hastening of His coming.

Everything about us seems so unstable and so unsatisfying. The coming of God's kingdom is the only sure hope that we have. All else seems to pale into insignificance compared with this. How reassuring, therefore, to learn that the theme which the General Conference brethren have chosen for their great gathering is: "Thy Kingdom Come."

We desire that this petition be the earnest burden of every supplication on June 21st, and further, that in every church a portion of the morning service be set apart for prayer for the presence and guidance of God at the General Conference Session. With a united cry ascending from the hearts and voices of Seventhday Adventists in every land, surely the promised blessings of God will be bestowed in copious measure both on the assembled delegates in Cleveland, and on God's faithful ones in all the world.

# Doors Open For Christian Education

## By J. Alfred Simonsen

DURING my recent itinerary in Finland and Sweden, there was marked evidence that a new day is beginning to dawn on the educational horizon. There have been seemingly unsurmountable difficulties in the way. The problem of educating and training teachers has caused much concern. All seminaries hold school six days a week. This would necessitate Sabbath attendance, which Seventh-day Adventist youth cannot conscientiously agree to do. Therefore, it has been impossible to train teachers that would be recognized by the State. State recognition is a necessity in these countries.

It has been the desire of our leading brethren, that a seminary where Sabbath privileges would be available might be found. For this we have worked and prayed, but the search was apparently not successful. There is One, who never slumbers nor sleeps. We believe that He has ways through which He accomplishes His purpose when His people are prepared to follow His leading. Our prayers are not in vain.

"Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3.

On November 17, 1957, the Sydsvenska Dagbladet published an article, by a leading principal of one of the Teacher Training Seminaries, which has brought courage and hope to our brethren and people in Sweden. This man, writing about the Bible and theology, enters a discussion of Sunday and Sabbath observance. In his discussion he states:

"What consequence is there in this kind of Bible truth? Concerning the Sabbath, for example, there is nothing written in the Scriptures except that it shall be celebrated on Saturday. Jesus Himself, has witnessed to the Law's requirements. However, man still accepts the idea that the church, a long time after the New Testament times, has moved the Sabbath to Sunday. Consequently, you accept a new step in direct opposition to the rule about the Sabbath, as found in the Scriptures. The Seventhday Adventist church demands our deepest respect for their regard to the Bible truth."

Since this school principal apparently has an understanding of the Scriptures and the Bible Sabbath, some of the brethren were instructed to make an appointment to meet this man. The visit was encouraging. An invitation was extended to our youth at Ekebyholmsskolan to apply to this Seminary for study toward the Student Examination, also to take the course in Teacher Training. Further it was stated that arrangements would be made for the Seventh-day Adventist youth to be excused from classes on the Sabbath.

We rejoice and thank God for this opportunity and privilege that has been extended to our people in Sweden. Our churches are enthusiastic over the possibility of eventually opening church schools where the children may be taught in the way of the Lord. The people in several churches expressed their interest and desire to give material help to provide for church schools in Sweden. Consideration and study has been given to a plan of encouraging every churchmember to give a minimum of one Swedish kroner per week, or an additional one per cent of the income when remitting tithe, for Christian Education. If this plan is developed, church schools will be a reality in Sweden.

The brethren and sisters in Finland expressed a keen interest in church schools. The problems in Finland have been much the same as in Sweden, but here also there are omens of better days ahead. A new school law which was enacted and became effective, July 1, 1957, makes provision for establishing and operating small private schools.

Educational Secretary Dr. H. Karstrom, has learned that there is also an avenue by which Seventh-day Adventist youth in Finland may obtain a recognized course in Teacher Training, without Sabbath problems. These facts bring encouragement and hope to our churches in Finland. It is definitely planned that a school be started in one of the larger centres of Finland in the near future.

The need of trained workers is urgent. The desire for modern "cities of refuge" for our children and youth, where they can learn the facts of nature and science in the light of Bible truth, is becoming more and more obvious. There is a consciousness on the part of Christian parents that all is not well in the education of their children. These are momentous times, and the training of our youth is of most importance.

"Upon fathers and mothers devolves the responsibility of giving a Christian education to the children entrusted to them. In no case are they to let any line of business so absorb their minds and time and talents that their children are allowed to drift until they are separated far from God. They are not to allow their children to slip out of their grasp into the hands of unbelievers. They are to do all in their power to keep them from imbibing the spirit of the world. They are to train them to become workers together with God. They are to be God's human hand, fitting themselves and their children for an endless life.

"Our educational institutions are to do much toward meeting the demands for trained workers for the mission fields. Workers are needed all over the world. The truth of God is to be carried to foreign lands, that those who are in darkness may be enlightened. Cultivated talents are needed in every part of the work of God. God has designed that our schools shall be an instrumentality for developing workers for Him-workers of whom He will not be ashamed. He calls upon our young people to enter our schools, and quickly fit themselves for service."-Fundamentals of Christian Education, page 545.

We solicit the interest and prayers of all workers and churchmembers for the early establishment of church schools in Finland and Sweden. This is one of our greatest missionary opportunities.



Pastor B. Fernstad from the Adventist church in Jönköping presents a clock for the new chapel in Gränna. Pastor Ragnar Svenson is on the right. "This clock is a suitable gift," said Pastor Fernstad, "because Adventists speak very much about time. We talk about the end of time, the time prophecies of the Bible, and the time of the Sabbath. We hope that this clock will serve your church until time shall end."

# News From the Swedish Union By Gosta Berglund, Press Secretary

#### Church Dedication

SWEDEN'S Number One main highway runs f r o m Stockholm southward to Malmö for some 600 kilometres. Halfway between these two large cities is a small town called Gränna. The highway passes straight through this beautiful little town, and just by the side of the highway, in the centre of the town, is located the newest Swedish Adventist church of the South Swedish Conference. It was dedicated on March 15, 1958.

The president of the Swedish Union, Pastor C. Gidlund, and the president of the South Swedish Conference, Pastor Ragnar Svenson, conducted services during the week-end in connection with the dedication of this church. Several other workers attended the celebrations and members from churches far and near filled the little chapel all during the Sabbath.

May God bless this new church on Sweden's main highway, Number One!

#### A Welcome Visitor

One morning a few weeks ago the

telephone rang in the office of the Swedish Union. When the union president, Pastor C. Gidlund, answered, he heard a voice which said in English: "I am Dr. Steen from Addis Ababa."

We were very surprised to learn that the doctor was in Stockholm, and he told us a most interesting story of how he came to be here. He was on a trip from Ethiopia to California where he was going to attend the annual meeting of the American Surgeons' Association.

When he recieved the call to that meeting, he did not know how it would be possible for him to go to America. Even a missionary doctor's finances are limited. He asked the Ethiopian Airline Company if they would grant him some discount, and they promised to give him fifty per cent on a round trip to Athens. They also advised him to contact the Scandinavian Airlines and ask them for some discount. This he did, and of course told SAS what the Ethiopian Company had given him. Their answer was that it was not possible for them to give him fifty per cent, but offered to give him one hundred per cent-a free return ticket from Athens to California over Copenhagen and the Pole.

The doctor said that he was convinced that God was behind this wonderful offer.

When his plane arrived at Copenhagen, the mist was so thick that it was impossible to land. The pilot therefore brought the plane to Stockholm. Dr. Steen thus had an opportunity of seeing Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, and some of the brethren here had the opportunity of spending a few hours with one of our missionary doctors.

# Bergensfjord

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from the ship came: "Thank You, Pitcairn, for the Lovely Day."

Experiences like this make us feel that we are part of the great world-wide evangelistic effort, as in a slightly different way we are able to bring Christ to men. —*Australasian Record*, March 24, 1958.

The president of the Swedish Union, C. Gidlund, delivering the dedication sermon in the new chapel in Gränna.



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Evangelism in Edinburgh

### By Dennis Hall

N EXT to one of the busy road junctions about half a mile from the Edinburgh church is the Cameo Cinema. Although not a large cinema, seating 500, it is select and as the manageress explains: "We provide f a mily programmes." This was the hall chosen for the opening seven nights of an evangelistic campaign which began on October 27th last year.

To begin with, the team comprised Pastor B. F. Kinman, President of the Scottish Mission; Pastor D. J. Dabson, the pastor of the Edinburgh church; Mr. D. C. Hall, associate minister and Mrs. Dabson, Bible Instructor. But before long a call was sent to Miss J. Mitchell in Aberdeen to help cope with the good number of names received.

The emphasis in the opening meetings followed a plan which has been successfully used twice before in Scotland of making it a "family night." A programme that the whole family could enjoy: a film, doctor's health talk, community hymn singing, and the evangelist's topic. Newspapers, handbills, and window bills carried the opening announcements. Reserved seat tickets were used and on the opening night the hall was nearly full to capacity. The attendance dropped a little afterward, but it was only a week or two before we could see that the audience was a regular one showing good interest.

While in the Cameo, the literature offered took the form of a magazine. These were well edited and produced by Pastor Dabson and contained not only a copy of the address but answers to questions, several items of interest and also competitions for the children. The services were preceded by music provided by Mr. Hall at the electronic organ. It frequently happened that when familiar hymn tunes were played, many joined in by humming or singing, thus creating a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. The Cameo Cinema, showing the illuminated advertising for the evangelistic campaign in Edinburgh.

But time was limited to seven weeks in the cinema. To transfer the audience to the church, the film "Martin Luther" was used, and the number present filled every seat that could be used for the showing of a film. As one deacon remarked afterward: "We have never seen the church so full before, not even for a conference session!" We were much encouraged.

The Word was presented faithfully and clearly by Pastor Kinman, and although we have been sorry to find some keeping away after hearing the testing truths, there are those who are accepting the special message for these days. At the time of writing we have witnessed the first-fruits of this campaign, as four candidates were baptized by Pastor Dab-



son and welcomed into the church on Sabbath, April 5th. Another baptism is planned for May before Pastor Kinman leaves for the General Conference, and on his return we look forward to yet another.

The Scottish people are very proud of their country and heritage; but to the evangelist, their customs, their past, and outlook, present unique problems which demand a specialized approach. We feel this campaign has reached many hearts, and although the fruitage is not large, a good number have heard God's special message for a judgment-bound world.

Although we know you have prayed generally for the work in Scotland we invite you to pray more specifically now you have read this brief report.

Progress in the Publishing and Radio Work

By J. M. Bucy

As one travels across the great expanse of territory in the Northern European Division which also encompasses East and West Africa, he sees evidences on every hand of God's leading and progress in our work. Particularly did I thrill with joy as I met with our Publishing Department leaders in our publishing houses and in the field. New plans are being laid, and new books are being printed to meet the ever-increasing demands. I heard experiences from the lips of colporteur-evangelists who had served faithfully for as long as forty years. I had the pleasure of photographing a group of five colporteur-evangelists recently in our field, whose combined years of service totalled 150 years.

#### Progress In Finland

The greatest gain in literature deliveries in 1957 was made by the Finland Union. This field with its enthusiastic publishing leaders, both men and women, and their colporteur staff delivered well over \$200,-000 worth of our literature during 1957. This is a most encouraging achievement coming from one of our northernmost unions, lying alongside the great Russian nation.

They have also shown a fine increase in new colporteurs recruited for the year. The reports for Finland show the largest gain in the eight unions for last year.

#### Africa Speaks

The second largest gain in deliveries and new colporteurs recruited was made by the West African Union. Having recently spent two months intinerating by use of car and air travel in West Africa, I have witnessed personally the great spiritual awakening there. The union publishing secretary and I stood in the centre of a large African city and each of us held 100 Bible tracts as a number of college students passed by on the path. In less than three minutes those tracts were gone. Each student seemed most interested in the contents as they opened and studied the tracts. The next 100 tracts went just as fast. Store proprietors came out of their shops in order to secure the wonderful words of life. Drivers of African cars stopped; others stopped their bikes and asked for tracts. Somehow our thoughts went back to that

thrilling experience as we started to canvass African government officials, business men, and police officials, and others the following day. In just two and a half hours we sold over  $\pounds75$  (\$220) worth of literature.

In one instance a member of the Court of Justice said: "I prayed yesterday that God would send someone to help me understand His Word. Now you have come!" He gladly bought the large volume, *The Bible Speaks*. He then asked if there was any reason why the African colporteur who was with us could not come that evening and give him a Bible study.

In the rest houses and hotels in which we stayed, we had Moslems, Catholic converts, and members of several other religions, come to our rooms pleading for us to tell them more about God's holy law and His blessed Son who came to reconcile man again to his God. Everywhere we travelled we found God's children hungering for the Word. Their faces deeply marked with tribal markings, yes, but with hearts longing for the better way.

Truly, Africa is wide awake. Several other denominations have tremendous evangelistic programmes functioning across East and West Africa. There are religious films, radio programmes, books and tracts being promoted with intense zeal. We must be out in the front. There must be more funds made available somehow. The personnel must be increased, our publishing houses must have better

presses and equipment. The people of Africa must be fed. Whether it is a free tract given in the market place, or a large religious volume sold in an office or the home of a high official, both can do a great work today. The African wants tracts dealing with Bible questions and answers, he wants religious books, and magazines. Our presses in East and West Africa are under-equipped and undermanned. The hands of our Conference workers are tied because of lack of free literature to meet the new demand. While at the same time we think of the counsel given to us in the Spirit of prophecy which states that "one text of Scripture is worth more than 10,000 words or men's ideas." We as a people must provide the message literature at all costs, never under-estimating the influence of the Holy Spirit upon the human heart.

A great cry goes up to our heavenly Father from native hut, village, and city: "Send help. This is the hour of our greatest need. Won't you help us now?"

#### Radio Bible Correspondence Schools

Again, in the Voice of Prophecy Radio and Bible School Department we have also witnessed signs of the new awakening in Africa. From across the Division come thrilling experiences of new gains, keener interest, and more souls being won through our Bible Schools. Our Radio Department leader told me the other day that they had graded well over one million lessons in the past six years in this particular school in Africa, the average for the past four years being 200,000 lessons graded per year. The total number of pieces of literature sent out in the past six years was 2,054,773. Since the opening of this school in Ibadan, West Africa, ten years ago, they have had well over 60,000 graduates. Many of these precious souls are now rejoicing each Sabbath as they join us in worshipping the true God in sincerity and truth.

The external marks remain on their s'sin, but the idols are gone, the sin blots on mind and soul are gone, and lovely smiles grace the faces of these precious souls who have been delivered from heathenism and paganism through your liberality in giving and your faithfulness in prayer.

Yes, indeed, great will be the harvest



The colporteurevangelist, W. C. Smart, stands beside 13,000 magazines at the Stanborough Press, England. He sold over three times this amount plus over 2,000 "Bedtime Stories." His cash sales for 1957 were £2,074.

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of souls in the Northern European Division one day ere long, because of your continued support along with the dedication of our leaders, workers, and churchmembers in the Division, who unhesitatingly go beyond the call of duty in order to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Sanctified Press

Bv M. Roe, Publishing Secretary, Wales

"Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book." Jer. 30:2.

**T** was not until 1476 that the press was taken to England. Within fifty years of the printing of the first Bible, the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, and the translation of the Psalms were multiplied.

Through the press dawn broke upon the earth. It is surprising how soon truth was discovered and published, which paved the way to Luther's separation from the Roman Catholic Church.

Then a fundamental change was made in 1800 by Earl Stanhope's introducing the press made of iron. In 1848 a great step forward was made when type, as well as the paper was put on a cylinder. How all this coincides with the great awakening of 1844! In 1816, the year the American Bible Society began its work, the pope issued a bull declaring Bible Societies to be a fiendish instrument for the undermining of the foundation of religion.

Today, in Britain, we now have one of the most up-to-date printing machines at The Stanborough Press, dedicated to full production of the truth for these last days.

How thankful we should be that this channel of spreading the Gospel has been with us since the beginning. It is truly ordained of God, pure, untainted, strong in its witness. It is going forward throughout the world with unbounded success, at all times dependable in its declaration of the fundamental principles.

Let us "anoint our eyes with eyesalve" that we may see and appreciate what has been accomplished in a little over a hundred years by this Covenant-keeping people. The grain of mustard seed in the historic "carpet bag" of James White, compares with two student-colporteurs in Scotland who sold 1,000 shilling magazines each week for six weeks. It is possible that we may hold a record with one of our regular colporteurs who sold over 40,000 undated magazines in one year. Surely this must be the beginning of what Sister White saw being accomplished when she wrote, in the Reveiw and Herald, August 13, 1908: "Scatter them [Gospel magazines and tracts] like the leaves of autumn;" and again: "The final moves will be rapid ones."

We must have a deep and lasting faith in this arm of our work, which, we are told will continue as long as probation lasts. Today, there are few people who cannot read—a vastly different situation from the time when printing was first introduced. A matter of great importance to us, should ever be that we seek to neutralize the adverse literature which, more than ever before, finds its way into the homes of the people. We have the promise: "Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound."

It is a challenge to all who are able to do their part in scattering the printed page, the silent witness. If ever there was a time when we needed to understand our responsibilities, it is now. The printed page can go where meetings cannot be held, and where there may be little interest to hear the preacher. Millions in Britain still have not heard the present truth. Let us take every opportunity of presentation, and pray



Miss B. Lassila of Finland who sold over £200 worth of literature in seven weeks in Wales to earn her scholarship in 1957.

that our own lives will impress favourably those we meet, so that they may recognize our possession of something they have not got.

I was conducting a mid-week meeting for one of my colporteurs in another church a few weeks ago. At the close the chairman extended the usual vote of thanks. Then a lady stood up and said she would like to say a few words. A few weeks ago she had visited this colporteur at his home. The second time on returning home she said to herself: "They have something in that home we haven't got, and I feel I must come to your church to find out what it is."

Yes, the time of famine, not for bread but for the living Word, is upon us; and the people must know that we are possessors of the Word. What a privilege and a responsibility it is to live at such a time as this.

May we be willing to be used of Him, as true and living witnesses, leaving wherever we go, and whenever possible, a message in print, for them to ponder.

Man is fast approaching his extremity, God is opening before us great opportunity. Join in this battle for truth!

# Bergensfjord:

# "Thank You, Pitcairn, for a Lovely Day"

### By Lester N. Hawkes

**P**<sup>ITCAIRN</sup> ISLAND, geographically speaking, is one of the most isolated spots on the face of the globe. Few people have had the privilege of walking its steep paths.

But despite this seeming remoteness, Pitcairn has wonderful opportunities to witness for God before men and women of all walks of life. As Israel of old was placed by God at the cross roads of the ancient nations to teach them of God, so today He has placed a people on a tiny dot of land to be a beacon light across the great shipping lanes of this last-day world.

For months the islanders had been planning and preparing for the arrival of "the big ship," as the three-year-old Norwegian ship *Bergensfjord* was termed. Specifically built for the wealthy tourist trade, she arrived at Pitcairn carrying 383 passengers and 420 crew.

At 4.45 a.m. on January 28th, the island bell tolled five strokes, and soon almost every man, woman, and child had piled into three of the island boats and were waiting out on the calm Pacific under an early morning sky. Such a modern ship, built on such striking lines, presented a beautiful picture as it glided in on a sea made golden by the rising sun.

The three island boats lay-to a short distance off the port side of the ship and sang one of the favourite hymns: "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning." For five hours we were able to mix freely with the passengers, meeting men and women well-known in the highest circles of the financial and political world, some of whom had paid as much as \$9,000 or even \$18,000 for the two-and-a-half month voyage; men who seldom have opportunity to meet with Seventh-day Adventists.

For their entertainment Pitcairn had prepared a programme which was held on the sports deck under a blazing sun. The St. John Ambulance Brigade, both men and women, looked smart in uniform as they sang the Norfolk and Pitcairn song: "Ship of Fame." This song has such an appealing tune that for the last two verses many of the passengers joined in the chorus.

Group singing of three other Pitcairn favourites, "The Sweet By and By," "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and, "Shall We Gather at the River?" by the whole island community, was well received. This was followed by a recitation from one of the young men, and the Mouth Organ Band presented a bracket of numbers.

The youngest member of the Ambulance Brigade then stepped up, carrying a beautifully detailed model of a Pitcairn whaleboat under full sail, which measured almost two feet in length. The magistrate thanked the people for the great day we had all enjoyed, and taking the model from Ruth's hands he presented it to the captain of the ship as a reminder of a memorable day for Pitcairn. In the captain's warm response he stated that the model would be placed in the head office of the company in Oslo, Norway.

It was while the island visitors were being cared for in the gloriously muralled Viking Dining Room that the captain and a few select officers and passengers went ashore to see the island at firsthand. The captain soon returned but the others went on up to the village. One passenger was a musician, and decided to try the church organ. Normally the instrument plays reasonably well, but this day it did not, and the musician-passenger said to the others: "They really need a new organ here."

Meanwhile, aboard the ship the captain handed me \$2 which a passenger had given "for the island." I told him that it would go into our new organ fund, and should any further money come in it also would go to this fund. As I finished talking with the captain the chief steward called me. He wished to make a presentation of a Bible for each family on the island. A little time was taken in stamping and packing the sixty lovely volumes, and the task was almost completed when I was called up to the ballroom, where the ship's orchestra was playing for the benefit of the islanders.

The musician who had tried our church organ was speaking of his visit to the island and had just made an appeal to the other passengers for donations toward a new instrument. In a very short time \$250 was placed in my hands. Then others came with bills—some single, others \$5, \$10, \$20, and even some \$50. Each department of the crew sent up its envelope with donations. A final count revealed that \$724.50 had been presented. Both the magistrate and I expressed the sincere thanks of the islanders.

The Pitcairn people were then called to the front to offer their appreciation in song, and soon that grand ballroom resounded to the sweet harmony of the hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

A message received the next day from the ship stated that we were not to order the organ till we had further word from the passengers. Pitcairn can now sing from the heart: "To God Be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done."

One of the comments most commonly heard from the passengers was in regard to the honesty of the Pitcairn people. The ship had just come from another island where everyone had to keep tight hold on their purses and other removeable objects. Now, to see the Pitcairn people simply leave their baskets with money exposed to all while they went down to breakfast amazed the passengers. One passenger told me he did some trading for one woman in her absence. This unfeigned honesty made a very deep impression, and I believe it will lend strong support to the material presented in the many copies of the Signs and other papers given to the passengers. May God add His blessing to those silent messengers.

The three island boats once again moved away a little, and across the water floated the song: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Then in reply

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THIS is to report that, through the wonderful co-operation of our workers and laymen in various world Divisions, priceless evidence has been secured showing that Conditional Immortality has been held by individuals and groups of Christians throughout the centuries. For example, by some in Ethiopia in the sixteenth century—and about the same time by Nestorian Christians on the Malabar Coast of India, and in 1574 by certain Anabaptists in Poland—the unconscious state of the dead was cherished as an article of faith.

Each century since the Reformation has had its quota. Valuable evidence has been obtained regarding current holders of Conditionalism among the clergy of various denominations in Finland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Germany, France, Switzerland, and other lands. A century ago a remarkable revival of Conditionalism took place, not only in Britain, continental Europe, and North America, but extending into India, Ceylon, Jamaica, South Africa, Australia, and the Far East as well.

As a result of this quest, an unrivalled Conditional Immortality Source Library has been brought together at General Conference headquarters, comprising some 200 original books, pamphlets, and bound periodicals, 150 microfilm copies of other rare items, including manuscripts, and 200 packets of photostats, many of them priceless because difficult of access.

These provide the factual basis for the manuscript now in course of preparation. But such a denominational enterprise would have been impossible without the help of hundreds of alert eyes and helping hands, not a few being non-Adventist scholars and librarians. This is therefore a most hearty "Thank y o u!" for fine co-operation—and an appeal to keep on the alert a little longer for other materials, old or new, still scattered in many lands in periodical, book, and pamphlet form.

Where possible the original document should be secured. Quoted extracts need the full name of author, exact title of book, place of publication, name of publisher, and date (noting the particular edition or revision), with the quotation verified for exact wording, spelling, and punctuation. In case of a periodical, the name of journal, place of publication, title of article, full name of author, volume and number, date, and the pages. When originals are unobtainable, photostats of title page and pertinent pages or a microfilm of the entire work or the relevant sections—are of equal service. But these should always include the title page.

Biographical data is also highly desirable—birth and death dates, education, posts held, books or articles written, significant human interest features, and how Conditionalism came to be accepted. A photograph of the individual adds human interest.

Your continuing help is earnestly solicited. If anyone finds further data, please communicate with L. E. Froom, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Takoma Park, D.C., U.S.A.

# College Hymn for C. M.E.

LOMA LINDA.—The winner of the first phase of the two-part contest held in search of a college hymn for the College of Medical Evangelists was announced recently. Recipient of a \$50 cash award for her entry in the contest for words for the hymn was Miss Merilyn Chace, secretary to CME Dean of Faculties Keld J. Reynolds.

A second portion of the Hymn Contest is now open, and this is to provide music for the hymn. This contest will close on June 30, 1958, and entries may be sent to the Office of the Dean, School of Medicine, College of Medical Evangelists, 1720 Brooklyn Avenue, Los Angeles 33, California, up until this time. The hymn tune should be written in four-part harmony. The winner of this part of the contest will also receive a \$50 award.

Words selected for the hymn are as follows:

#### To Make Men Whole

Thou God of endless love, With whom there is no death, We praise Thee for Thy pow'r That givest man his breath.

Thou God of radiant life, Who yet on earth art found, We are Thy willing hands To make Thy life abound.

Thou Healer of the soul, Physician. King, divine. Thy Spirit grant, we pray, To understand mankind.

Thou Teacher, Healer, King, Teach us to serve, we pray. Forgetting self in love For others day by day.

Thou Father of mankind, Who healest body, soul; Bless us who serve Thee here In making all men whole.

Judges for the contest include English and music teachers from the three west coast Seventh-day Adventist colleges. Anyone is eligible to enter the contest; and, although a number of entries in the first half of the contest were postmarked from many points in the United States. as well as England, the College hopes that many more people living in other countries will take part in this final phase. All entries become the property of the College, and an individual may send as many entries as he wishes.

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