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The Laws of Bible Study.

Back even of Genesis there is still a beginning, in the adoption of proper methods of Bible study, which should be considered at the outset. The Bible itself gives emphatic directions for its proper examination. First of all, we are to remember that as the Book of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit, it demands for its true perusal a mind illumined by that same Spirit. Goethe says that before a reader complains of obscurity in an author, he should examine whether he himself is "clear within; in the twilight a very plain writing is illegible." "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned." No amount of light on the pages will compensate for a blind eye. "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!" The Bible should be taken up with the prayer, "*Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law.*"

This must be emphasized at the very threshold. No man can have spiritual insight into the Word of God without the influence of the illumining Spirit. The most able commentators have been the most devout. Bengel, author of "The Gnomon," bathed his studies in tears and hallowed them with prayers. Unless taught of the Holy Ghost, the Bible is a sealed book even to the learned.

This being assumed, three direct rules are found in the Word of God for its successful study: "**SEARCH,**" "**MEDITATE,**" "**COMPARE.**"

1. *Search* (Jno. v. 39): There is a great deal of listless, careless reading. Coleridge divided readers into four classes. The first class he compares to "an *hour-glass*; their reading being as the sand, it runs in and runs out, and leaves not a vestige behind. A second class resembles a *sponge*, which imbibes everything and returns it in nearly the same state. A third class is like a *jelly-bag*, which allows all that is pure to pass away, and retains only the refuse and dregs. The fourth class, like the slave of Golconda, cast aside all that is worthless, preserving only the pure gems." Or perhaps we might compare this fourth class to the *gold-pan* used for retaining the pure metal while the refuse is washed out. The only profitable reading of God's Word is a *searching* reading. The word translated "*search*" is emphatic and intense: it literally means to "*look carefully*," as a wild animal searches the sands to find the footsteps of a stray cub. The Bible is full of hidden treasures, to be sought as the merchantman sought goodly pearls. They are not revealed to indifferent and superficial readers.

The true beauty of a Scripture passage does not lie on the surface, nor reveal itself to a careless eye. A fragment of spar, which at first seemed lustreless and unattractive, as you turn it in your

hand, and let the light strike it at a certain angle, reveals beautiful radiance and even prismatic colours. A fragment of Scripture which is comparatively dull and dead to a superficial reader, becomes in the hand of a devout student, a marvel of beauty. He turns it round and round, views it at every angle, till he sees the light of God break through it, and it shines with the sevenfold beauty of the Divine attributes. Michael Angelo, on examining the work of one of his students, took his pencil and wrote on it the one word — "amplius" — wider. That word needs to be written over all our Scripture studies.

2. *Meditate* (Psalm 1:2): The process of prayerful reflection, — prolonged and concentrated thinking, — is the secret of true knowledge of the Word. There is a process of infusing, suffusing, transfusing the whole nature with the Divine Word, and it consists in devout meditation. The whole nature should be immersed in the Scriptures till they penetrate and permeate our whole being; till the mind is saturated with holy thoughts, the heart with holy affections, the memory with holy associations. This enables us to overcome evil with good.

Dr. Chalmers, riding on a stage-coach by the side of the driver, said: "John, why do you hit that off leader such a crack with your lash?" "Away yonder," said he, "there's a white stone; that off leader is afraid of that stone; so, by the crack of my whip and the pain in his legs, I want to crack his idea off from it." Dr. Chalmers went home, elaborated the idea, and wrote, "The Expulsive Power of a New Affection."

Great is the expansive and expulsive power of the Word of God when it indwells in the soul. Preoccupation is the true law of possession and conquest. The mind filled with God's own truth has no room for inferior, and especially for defiling, thought. Temptation has no hold upon a heart already thrilled with the love of things Divine. Meditation on the Word of God begets that spiritual mind which is the very opposite of the carnal mind, and the secret of life and peace.

3. *Compare* (1 Cor. 2:13): Dr. A. J. Gordon likens Scriptural teachings to a dissected picture, the fragments of which are scattered through the Word, needing to be brought together, laid side by side, matched and jointed, that they may present one complete view of truth. Let the careful student make trial of this method, and he will find not only the highest pleasure, but the highest profit. Almost any heresy may borrow apparent sanction from isolated Scripture texts, and so "even the Devil can cite Scripture to his purpose"; but when spiritual things are compared with spiritual, they mutually complete, vindicate, and illustrate each other.

Take, for instance, "Life Eternal" as set forth in the Gospel of John. Begin with the first mention of Life, in the fourth verse of the first chapter, and follow the process and progress of development of the grand thought and theme till you reach chapter twentieth, verse thirty-first, where all the teachings of that sublime Gospel are summed up in one sentence, and there will be found, at every new stage of progress, some new and beautiful addition to the complete truth. You are reminded of the story of Michael Angelo and the "sleeping Cupid," whose disjointed members had been separated and buried, and were again brought together in one beautiful statue.

These are the general principles upon which the Word of God itself counsels the earnest reader to pursue his study.

Besides these there are some obvious methods for successful mastery of the contents of the Bible which ought to be carefully observed.

Among them all none is of more importance than to find out *the exact purpose and object of each book*. To know who wrote it, where and when it was written, in what circumstances and for what end, is to throw a flood of light upon every chapter and verse. Bishop Percy therefore says, that "To understand the specific use of each book is the best commentary, and often makes needless any other." It is like a guide-book or map of a country in the aid it furnishes the traveller.

Having found the meaning of any book, as a whole, we are prepared to *examine into details*; to search into each verse, and ascertain its relation to the great general purpose for which the book was written, and the circumstances in which it was composed. To know that Paul wrote, at Ephesus, the first Epistle to the Corinthians, may help us to understand that third chapter in which the gold, silver, and precious stones of Diana's great fane are contrasted with the wood, hay, and stubble of the wretched huts and hovels of the abject poor. The Epistle to the Hebrews we shall expect to find full of references to Hebrew usages, customs, rites and ceremonies; and some things in it which would be stumbling-stones to Gentile readers, become stepping-stones to the Hebrew believer.

We must not forget that every step of Biblical study should be pursued intelligently. We ought to go no faster and no farther than we understand. "Understandest thou what thou readeest?" As in eating, it is not the quantity or even quality of food that determines nutritive value, but our power and capacity to appropriate and assimilate; so the profit of Bible study depends not on how much we read, but on how much we understand, receive, incorporate into ourselves. One verse thoroughly mastered, so that it lodges a new thought in the mind, a new joy in the heart, a new purpose in the life, is worth a hundred chapters read hastily, thoughtlessly, without leaving an impression behind. It pays to do thoroughly what we do at all, especially in Biblical study.

A. T. Pierson, D. D., in "Keys to the Word."

Our Medical Men Entering Russia.

W. K. Ising.

June 27, our medical unit consisting of Dr. and Mrs. C. Klepzig, Dr. Paul Schmid and nurse Toni Martin left Stettin on the steamer "Oberbürgermeister Haken" for Leningrad (Petersburg). Quite a large number of our brethren from the two churches at Stettin had assembled at the quay to bid them fare-well in singing several hymns as they departed. It was a memorable day, one that, we hope, marks the beginning of a new era in connection with our work in Russia.

From Leningrad our brethren will proceed to Moscow and thence south-east to Saratow. Here, on the opposite bank of the river Volga, Pokrowsk is situated, the capital of what is now known as the autonomous Republic of the Volga Germans. After a visit to the authorities, Elder K. A. Reifschneider,



Lower row: Nurse Toni Martin, L. R. Conradi, Mrs. Klepzig.
Upper row: Dr. P. Schmid, W. K. Ising, Dr. C. Klepzig.

president of our Volga Conference, will accompany them 50 werst up the river to Marxstadt, their ultimate destination.

This city was formerly known as Katharinenstadt, so named after Catherine II., empress of Russia during 1762—1796, who was the first German princess to occupy the imperial throne. It was due to her manifestos published in 1762—63 that a considerable number of Germans were encouraged to emigrate and finally settled in the lower regions of the Volga. They have since founded many colonies which were recently formed into a republic composed of fourteen administrative cantons with a population aggregating about 560,000 of whom 100,000 are Russians. It is interesting to note that our doctors departed on the anniversary of the founding of Marxstadt-Katharinenstadt, which was on the 27th of June 1766. It then had 123 souls and has since grown to 12,000 in the whole canton bearing its name.

Here our medical work is to be located. A spacious building has been made available to include two departments for which 25 beds are provided: an eye-clinic that has recently been transferred from Krasnojarsk with an indigenous specialist, Dr. Schäffer, in charge; a clinic for dis-

eases of the nose, ear and throat which will be operated by our Dr. Klepzig with the help of Mrs. Klepzig, and Sister Martin who has formerly been associated with our work in Russia. German is the common medium of speech.

We have appropriated \$ 2500 towards the transfer of the eyeclinic to Marxstadt and another \$ 5000 towards repairs of the building and other initial expenses. Our contract with the government runs for five years during which we must annually turn over to them the sum of \$ 7500 against the cost of the up-keep of these two departments in addition to the salaries of our own personnel sent from abroad, and such other expense for medical supplies on our particular department as may arise.

Marxstadt is an important medical center on which several other cantons depend, and it is the intention of the authorities to strengthen this base. They are planning to start training courses in mid-wifery as conditions in this respect are indeed lamentable. Here is an opportunity open to us for co-operation and we are now endeavouring to secure an experienced mid-wife to proceed possibly this fall.

At Köppenthal which is situated in the canton Kukkus farther south in the midst of a considerable Mennonite settlement, we have been offered a building and equipment for a doctor and a nurse.

We are happy indeed that the time has now finally come when we can assist our brethren in Russia, from whom we have been cut off for over ten years. They number over 12,000 and are deprived of all the facilities provided in other countries. It is providential that we can begin with our medical work as the "right arm" of the message. This opens up a vista of usefulness and co-operation which, under God, is bound to have a far-reaching effect.

The frequent crop failures in the Volga region have impoverished the people so that we shall not be looking for material returns at present as our work largely have to be carried on along philanthropic and relief lines. Then, again, government regulations are such that medical aid is usually rendered free of charge, in health institutions, the expenses being met from the budget through public taxes, from which we naturally do not benefit as the local means available fall far below the modest needs. No other plan of operation was feasible, and it is certainly one that is most practical inasmuch as it will help to relieve suffering and thus pave the way for the salvation of the soul. It is worthy of note that we are the only denomination, in fact, to whom such opportunities are granted.

Our doctors have made a considerable sacrifice in giving up their private practice in order to respond to the call of Russia. They have proceeded in the assurance that our brethren in the homelands will ever remember them in their prayers before the throne of grace, willing also to support this work to which we have set ourselves so that it

may prove a success, and result into a blessing to the cause in Russia.

"Brains and pluck are the best traveling baggage."

"I will go anywhere, provided it be *Forward*."

David Livingstone.

"Shall I tell you what sustained me amidst the toil, the hardship, and loneliness of my exiled life? It was the promise: 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.'"

David Livingstone, in his address at Glasgow 1856, whence he embarked for Africa sixteen years ago, on the occasion when he was to be made a Doctor of Laws.

Missionary Sailings.

New recruits are being sent to the mission fields operated by the European Division and to the regions beyond our own territory. Among those departing are the following:



Brother and Sister Johs. Effenberg.

John de Caenel of the Melun Publishing House left with his family the latter part of July for Haiti to connect with the school work in that field where he has already been labouring some years ago.

Brother and Sister Johs. Effenberg sailed on the s/s Schlesien, a freighter, early in August, for the Far East where he is to locate in western China. Brother Effenberg has been a successful evangelist in Germany and it meant a sacrifice to the East German Union to release him in view of their growing work in Saxony. His wife, née Emma Heil, comes from one of the early Adventist families of the Rhineland, from München-Gladbach. She has spent some time in the Zehlendorf Sanitarium before her departure.

Four young brethren are proceeding to the Arabic field middle of September. Two from England, viz. brethren Bull and Barr who are to locate



Brother W. Steffen.

Brother E. Bethmann.

in Syria for the present, and two from Germany, brethren E. Bethmann and W. Steffen, who are going to Egypt. They have all spent a little time at the Livingstone Institute in London for some special studies. This is a very hopeful beginning to supply the Arabic field with much needed workers.



Brother Long from the Waldensian Valleys.

Alberto Long, from Italy, who comes from Waldensian parentage, will also sail during the month of September for Erytraea, the Italian colony on the eastern border of Abyssinia. Other missionary families are under appointment. We are glad for this addition to our forces in the field.

Faithful to our Trust.

The Giver expects returns corresponding to the gifts. The humblest gift is not to be dispised or left inactive. The little rivulet does not say, I will not flow along my narrow channel because I am not a mighty river. The spires of grass do not refuse to grow because they are not forest trees. The lamp does not refuse to give its little light because it is not a star. The moon and stars do not refuse to shine because they have not the brilliant light of the sun. Every person has his own peculiar sphere and vocation. Those who make the most of their God-given opportunities will return to the

Giver, in their improvement, an interest proportionate to the intrusted capital.

The Lord does not reward the great amount of labor. He does not reward the greatness of the work so much as the fidelity with which it is done. The *good* and *faithful* servants are rewarded. As we cultivate the powers God has given us here, we shall increase in knowledge and perception, and be enabled to comprehend and value the immortal life. Those who have abused their God-given privileges in this life, and have been content with their ignorance, having their minds completely occupied with subjects of trivial value to themselves or others, will not comprehend personal responsibility, subdue evil tendencies, and strengthen high resolves for a purer, higher, holier life.

This lifetime is too short to be squandered in vain and trifling diversion, in unprofitable visiting, in needless dressing for display, or in exciting amusements. We cannot afford to squander the time given us by God in which to bless others, and in which to lay up for ourselves a treasure in heaven. We have none too much time for the discharge of necessary duties. We should give time to the culture of our own hearts and minds, in order that we may be qualified for our life work. By neglecting these essential duties, and conforming to the habits and customs of fashionable, worldly society, we do ourselves and our children a great wrong. Time is one of the important talents which God has intrusted to us, and for which He will call us to account. A waste of time is a waste of intellect.

Mrs. E. G. White.

The Sabbath School Convention.

A joint convention of the Home Missionary and Sabbath School Departments was held in Hamburg, July 13 to 22. While this was the second European convention that the Home Missionary Department had held, it was the very first that the Sabbath School Department here in Europe had ever had. The holding of this convention in connection with the Home Missionary Department was a considerable saving of expense, especially as in most cases the same person was both home missionary and Sabbath school secretary. Then, too, these are the two departments that touch every member of our constituency. As was pointed out by J. A. Stevens, the General Conference Home Missionary Secretary, who was present at this joint convention, every one among us from the oldest grandma to the youngest child needs the study of God's word in the Sabbath school and every one needs to be led to do active missionary service for Him whom that Word reveals.

Every morning the first hour from eight to nine was devoted to a Bible study. The studies by Elders Conradi and Christian were especially appreciated. There were three business sessions each

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Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	No. Colporteurs	Total Workers
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
European Division .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	12	..	..	13	..	25
Baltic Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	3	1	..	1	..	5
Latvian Conference	37	1913	70	9	3	82	16	2	1	19	63	1976	7	3	6	3	37	56
Esthonian "	18	1164	58	4	—	62	4	—	—	4	58	1222	4	4	1	3	21	33
Lithuanian Mission	10	149	8	—	—	8	1	—	—	1	7	156	3	—	2	1	—	6
Total	65	3226	136	13	3	152	21	2	1	24	128	3354	17	8	9	8	58	100
British Union Conference .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	4	3	..	2	1	10
South British Conference	45	2414	49	8	10	67	18	3	21	42	25	2439	16	2	26	6	63	113
North British "	81	1668	49	5	6	60	7	13	6	26	34	1702	10	3	15	1	49	78
Total	76	4082	98	13	16	127	25	16	27	68	59	4141	30	8	41	9	113	201
Central European Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	3	4	..	5	1	9
German Swiss Conference	31	1061	19	3	12	34	15	5	8	28	6	1067	4	4	4	1	19	31
Austrian "	20	825	47	1	3	51	12	1	5	18	33	858	8	1	3	1	14	27
Wurtemberg "	44	1455	32	2	11	45	10	7	12	29	16	1471	5	4	5	1	35	53
Baden "	19	833	16	1	11	28	8	2	11	21	7	890	4	3	2	1	25	35
North Bavarian "	22	1192	10	2	6	18	7	3	10	8	—	1200	5	3	4	1	19	32
South Bavarian "	32	1674	35	1	25	61	35	3	14	52	9	1638	6	2	7	1	20	36
Main-Neckar "	22	1287	30	2	18	50	3	2	10	15	35	1322	5	1	6	1	36	49
Aibling School Church	1	183	—	—	—	—	—	—	88	38	—38	145	2	2	—	4	—	8
Total	191	8560	189	12	36	287	90	20	101	211	76	8636	42	20	31	15	172	280
Czechoslovakian Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	1	1	1	1	1	5
Moravian-Silesian Conference	23	861	19	2	12	33	9	—	17	26	7	868	3	—	2	2	15	22
North Bohemian "	22	523	18	2	8	28	5	4	7	16	12	535	5	2	1	—	9	17
Central Bohemian Mission	10	202	9	—	1	10	—	1	2	3	7	209	2	2	—	2	16	22
Slovakian Mission	17	336	19	4	28	51	12	4	25	41	10	346	2	1	1	3	17	24
Total	72	1922	65	8	49	122	26	9	51	86	36	1958	13	6	5	8	58	90
East German Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	3	..	..	3	1	7
Berlin Conference	28	2054	37	11	30	128	16	5	28	49	79	2133	5	7	8	2	42	64
Brandenburg "	52	1889	35	3	22	60	16	7	30	53	7	1896	9	5	2	2	45	63
N. E. Saxonian "	43	1958	51	2	14	67	21	2	13	36	31	1989	10	7	5	1	43	66
East Prussian "	64	1994	63	6	5	79	41	6	13	60	19	2018	8	5	3	1	45	62
Pomeranian "	48	1555	42	10	2	54	13	5	17	35	19	1574	9	3	3	2	35	52
Silesian "	59	2193	68	—	11	79	10	7	5	22	57	2250	8	6	9	1	50	74
West Saxonian "	69	2337	77	8	12	97	59	3	17	79	18	2355	10	7	3	2	85	107
Total	363	13980	428	40	96	564	176	35	123	334	230	14210	62	40	33	14	346	495
Hungarian Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Central Hungarian Conference	26	599	28	3	3	34	8	3	3	14	20	619	4	2	1	7	33	47
East Hungarian "	19	522	41	1	3	45	5	3	1	9	36	558	2	1	1	3	16	23
Total	45	1121	69	4	6	79	13	6	4	23	56	1177	6	3	2	10	49	70
Latin Union .....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	9	1	2	..	1	13
Leman Conference	19	874	5	2	10	17	4	3	2	9	8	882	3	—	6	1	16	26
South France "	15	453	6	—	—	6	1	—	1	2	4	457	6	1	4	—	10	21
Belgian "	8	361	18	1	—	19	8	—	1	9	10	371	6	5	—	—	8	19
East France "	11	354	4	—	5	9	3	—	5	8	1	355	4	1	4	—	4	13
North France "	8	238	20	—	7	27	4	1	6	11	16	254	3	2	4	—	8	17
Italian Mission	10	293	11	1	9	21	2	2	1	5	16	309	4	8	4	1	22	39
Spanish "	7	223	10	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	233	4	4	5	—	19	32
Portuguese "	5	178	6	—	—	6	13	—	—	13	—7	171	3	4	—	—	7	14
Algerian Mission	4	79	3	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	—5	84	1	1	4	—	3	9
Total	87	3058	83	4	33	120	35	6	16	57	63	3116	43	22	38	2	98	203

Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending June 30, 1925.

Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita	Special Offerings (Big Week)	Contributions for Local Church Work	Books and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath-Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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Ls. 17664.08	9.23	1523.93	2225.76	435.96	3.66	2826.26	— —	4691.15*)	68	1983	1243
Emk. 595755.00	511.81	13557.00	117440.50	24114.50	171.42	44431.50	— —	209893.00*)	20	1171	738
Lit. 2062.46	13.84	205.27	542.38	117.37	7.80	297.63	— —	— —	10	144	105
Ls. 26797.61	8.30	1810.94	4094.14	822.61	3.20	3579.33	— —	7541.30*)	98	3298	2086
\$ 5184.10	1.60	350.17	791.92	159.51	0.61	694.40	— —	1455.85*)	—	—	—
£ 3581. 6. 3	1. 9. 3	31.14. 2	587. 5.11	202. 9. 0	0. 7. 9	314.12. 8	— —	2396.15. 0	69	2708	2093
" 2175. 8. 1	1. 6. 1	21.16. 0	348. 6.11	108. 2. 5	0. 8. 1	221. 2. 8	— —	2447. 4.11	58	1871	1469
£ 5706.14. 4	1. 7. 11	53.10. 2	935.12.10	305.11. 5	0. 8. 0	536.15. 4	— —	4843.19.11	127	4579	3562
\$ 27626.10	6.77	259.02	4530.06	1481.86	2.17	2610.67	— —	24.035.16	—	—	—
SFr. 26342.59	25.30	1139.40	3372.65	946.67	10.34	4968.90	2937.13	22653.00	30	383	650
Sch. 19243.25	23.82	977.93	1713.17	379.72	6.03	1903.45	1764.96	16396.55	20	918	612
Rmk. 24330.74	17.06	1930.38	3900.57	944.21	8.20	5162.31	3016.70	31054.30	44	1697	1367
" 15208.26	17.22	1472.48	2340.44	411.44	7.58	2472.55	3311.11	18521.40	19	1004	718
" 17423.95	14.61	962.13	2417.32	434.67	4.54	1599.21	3118.34	14726.05	22	1355	896
" 23831.10	16.95	2064.16	3391.42	804.44	5.27	2025.64	3755.51	12326.60	32	1978	1362
" 20475.84	15.90	1394.90	2653.89	566.09	6.22	3393.58	4025.33	24034.35	22	1519	909
" 1842.46	7.33	55.49	170.10	61.00	1.57	— —	32.95	— —	1	78	56
Rmk. 140753.37	16.44	9419.92	19561.36	4212.68	6.19	19801.13	20720.85	138235.60	220	9432	6570
\$ 33485.60	3.91	2240.50	4654.50	1003.80	1.47	4724.79	4937.33	32932.23	—	—	—
Kč. 63769.47	74.06	3718.91	7675.49	2353.20	22.61	3723.17	5433.42	45452.10	27	934	723
" 56340.13	107.72	3127.53	6919.54	1799.92	35.91	6935.85	4478.00	29323.30	24	523	431
" 21400.37	105.94	1597.17	2231.89	754.95	37.52	2944.54	856.40	57387.20	10	237	187
" 16322.11	50.06	904.62	2504.39	445.04	20.03	2377.59	1432.00	63137.90	22	424	370
Kč. 158332.08	32.33	9343.23	19331.31	5353.11	27.53	13431.15	12249.32	195900.50	33	2123	1716
\$ 4631.70	2.43	276.47	573.10	153.93	0.81	547.42	371.20	5347.74	—	—	—
Rmk. 44449.74	21.64	3986.39	4624.37	591.64	5.39	2903.76	3171.70	23393.00	28	2541	1380
" 29608.56	15.67	2429.03	3391.93	632.50	4.47	1436.50	2577.19	10720.00	52	2035	1444
" 35125.36	17.93	3344.14	5411.86	860.90	6.63	2964.29	4761.23	26531.00	43	2323	1619
" 19354.44	9.70	1214.50	3012.83	562.11	3.39	1963.51	1203.45	19599.00	64	2360	1603
" 22728.66	14.61	1432.34	2599.00	622.32	4.52	2320.33	2220.34	13471.00	43	1837	1457
" 33036.71	17.36	3563.33	7134.02	1093.31	6.36	2161.15	3474.69	29590.00	59	3302	2213
" 32075.65	13.72	2634.71	5279.17	736.93	5.13	3230.03	3460.57	33341.00	69	2690	1393
Rmk. 221429.12	15.34	19209.99	31933.13	5202.76	5.24	16932.62	25374.22	136969.00	363	17193	12069
\$ 52653.90	3.77	4567.37	7599.03	1237.69	1.25	4043.75	6160.52	44516.42	—	—	—
HKr. 103340245.-	173356.-	7027470.-	13734410.-	2999000.-	60014.-	12137600.-	24604500.-	294432000.-	26	570	469
" 340538305.-	103551.-	3459300.-	9177150.-	1421050.-	40577.-	7123800.-	2569633.-	135035000.-	19	532	427
HKr. 157394050.-	140351.-	10436770.-	22961560.-	4420050.-	50963.-	19261400.-	27174133.-	429517000.-	45	1102	396
\$ 2192.30	1.96	145.61	313.79	61.39	0.70	267.52	377.42	5976.91	—	—	—
SFr. 37138.47	42.54	572.32	5430.11	2109.66	10.27	366.44	— —	14032.50	24	593	490
FFr. 23757.65	52.44	244.-	3939.70	1032.10	17.52	2373.30	— —	21451.90	19	373	329
BFr. 33317.19	106.14	413.33	3233.67	1193.81	26.01	4494.50	— —	15753.75	9	423	357
FFr. 27530.90	77.85	1600.30	4115.75	2575.45	39.93	5344.55	— —	5643.50	13	362	257
" 22386.60	96.13	605.40	2632.67	962.05	30.43	3053.65	— —	7375.70	9	166	145
Lire 13762.60	64.03	923.20	1736.45	536.15	23.84	4323.35	— —	32616.35	20	247	256
Pesetas 4330.20	21.66	675.55	973.60	255.65	12.21	313.37	— —	13141.15	11	207	214
Escud. 3306.67	55.09	43.30	1329.60	234.70	9.03	— —	— —	12701.30	6	134	131
FFr. 3746.70	47.42	— —	922.05	399.20	37.07	1607.45	— —	14291.50	12	103	38
SFr. 73026.50	25.56	2046.61	10313.36	4073.30	7.91	7042.54	— —	54533.66	123	2613	2267
\$ 15113.20	4.95	396.29	2094.12	790.14	1.53	1397.70	— —	10593.77	—	—	—

*) Report for April and Mai only.

Statistical Report of the European Division of the General

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	No. Colporteurs	Total Workers	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
Polish Union																			
Posanian Conference	18	312	15	1	1	17	4	—	4	8	9	321	2	1	2	1	10	16	
Silesian "	18	547	31	15	3	49	25	1	12	38	11	558	1	4	1	1	10	17	
Warsaw Mission	28	519	31	1	15	97	6	1	22	29	68	587	3	3	3	1	9	19	
Total	64	1378	127	17	19	163	35	2	38	75	88	1466	7	8	6	4	30	55	
Rumanian Union																			
Muntenia Conference	56	1700	170	11	390	571	14	—	88	102	469	2169	3	1	18	2	11	41	
Moldavian "	39	1577	91	3	13	107	12	3	317	332	-225	1352	4	1	12	1	12	30	
Transylvanian "	66	1532	2	2	1	5	—	—	1	4	—	1536	3	2	9	1	13	28	
Banat Mission	25	568	38	1	1	40	2	3	9	14	26	594	1	3	3	1	11	19	
Total	186	5377	301	17	405	723	28	6	415	449	274	5651	17	11	42	7	47	124	
Scandinavian Union																			
Danish Conference	42	2410	44	3	1	48	8	5	7	20	28	2438	2	—	—	3	1	6	
Norwegian "	51	2138	112	18	2	132	7	11	1	19	113	2251	9	6	8	1	34	57	
Swedish "	43	1479	170	11	3	184	8	13	4	25	159	1638	6	3	6	1	29	45	
Finnish Conference	22	1167	15	1	—	16	20	2	3	25	-9	1158	5	2	7	2	29	45	
Total	158	7194	341	33	6	380	43	31	15	89	291	7485	30	15	30	8	120	203	
West German Union																			
Hanover Conference	48	1980	63	9	11	88	40	2	19	61	22	2002	2	—	—	5	1	8	
Hansa "	49	1935	143	7	18	168	42	9	28	79	39	2024	5	1	13	1	66	84	
Hess. Westphal. "	54	1810	31	4	9	44	24	1	13	38	6	1816	6	3	5	1	64	79	
Rhenish "	48	2890	72	8	18	98	22	5	16	43	55	2945	6	3	13	3	52	75	
Thuringian "	58	2035	48	5	14	67	35	10	9	54	13	2098	8	—	8	1	66	83	
Holland "	25	678	29	4	8	41	14	2	10	26	15	693	6	3	1	—	29	39	
Total	282	11378	386	37	78	501	177	29	95	301	200	11578	44	10	44	12	340	450	
Jugoslavian Union Mission																			
Adriatic Mission	24	321	9	—	3	12	2	—	—	2	10	331	2	—	2	—	19	23	
Voivodina "	26	343	34	3	—	37	—	1	—	1	36	379	1	—	4	1	16	22	
Sava "	6	121	5	—	—	5	4	—	—	4	1	122	1	1	1	1	10	14	
Total	56	785	48	3	3	54	6	1	—	7	47	832	4	1	7	2	45	59	
¹⁾ Bulgarian Mission	12	205	17	—	13	30	13	3	12	28	2	207	3	—	2	1	11	17	
²⁾ MISSIONS																			
³⁾ East African Missions																			
Kenya Mission	6	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	455	2	4	2	—	—	9	
Mwanza "	4	136	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	136	2	2	1	—	—	5	
Pare "	4	249	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	249	1	1	—	—	—	2	
³⁾ Ethiopian Union Mission																			
Central Abyss. Mission	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	2	—	—	—	3	
Gallaland	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	—	—	—	—	2	
³⁾ West African Missions																			
Sierra Leone	3	137	10	—	2	12	—	1	—	1	11	148	2	4	17	10	—	33	
Gold Coast Mission	4	255	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	255	2	3	8	16	—	29	
Nigeria Mission	13	328	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	328	2	3	10	—	—	15	
³⁾ Egypto-Syrian Mission																			
Egyptian Mission	5	75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	75	1	1	2	—	—	5	
Syrian Mission	2	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	47	1	1	2	—	—	4	
³⁾ Miscellaneous Missions																			
Eritrean Mission	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	2	—	—	3	—	5	
Faroe Islands Mission	1	20	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	20	1	—	—	—	—	1	
Greek "	2	86	1	—	2	3	—	1	11	12	-9	77	2	—	1	—	2	5	
Iceland "	4	211	12	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	12	223	1	1	1	—	1	4	
Mauritius "	7	168	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	168	1	—	3	3	1	8	
Mesopotamian "	1	11	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	13	1	—	1	—	—	2	
Persian "	3	82	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	82	2	2	3	14	—	20	
Rwanda Mission	3	11	11	—	8	19	—	—	1	1	18	29	1	1	1	1	—	3	
Turkish Mission	1	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	-2	41	1	—	1	1	1	3	
Total	67	2332	36	1	12	49	1	3	13	17	32	2364	28	25	52	48	6	159	

1) Report for the first six months of 1925.

2) Report for 1st Quarter 1925. Financial items taken from the reports to the Division Treasurer.

3) No report received.

Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending June 30, 1925.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita	Special Offerings	Contributions for Local Church Work	Books and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
ZI.	5980.66	19.16	398.87	880.20	257.77	6.86	496.96	370.41	4121.92 ³	22	862	848
"	6195.21	11.82	536.00	2129.72	239.28	6.72	772.01	370.88	2251.10 ⁵	27	674	568
"	5611.25	10.81	296.92	1550.81	227.61	6.23	1158.47	302.82	3508.10 ²	48	661	585
ZI.	17787.12	12.90	1231.59	4510.23	724.66	6.53	2427.44	1043.11	9876.12 ³	97	1697	1496
\$	8440.30	2.50	238.20	872.47	140.55	1.25	470.50	202.54	1905.54 ⁴			
Lei	668205.95	390.12	36664.10	98765.95	35986.75	142.98	76700.50	---	77969.00 ⁴	145	2777	2052
"	229534.65	145.55	11158.00	32753.45	9676.75	45.67	18443.70	---	82261.00 ⁴	64	1829	1400
"	281127.75	188.50	11409.65	28087.25	6527.75	33.57	5403.50	---	30386.00 ⁴	83	1247	688
"	101589.57	178.77	3288.85	18016.50	6174.25	57.00	9903.00	---	26860.00 ⁴	40	658	668
Lei	1275407.92	237.20	62510.10	167623.15	58815.50	74.18	110450.70	---	217426.90 ⁴	332	6511	4808
\$	6178.40	1.14	304.20	811.47	298.01	0.36	545.72	---	1048.28 ⁴			
D. Kr.	60426.55	25.07	12808.78	10451.87	4330.73	12.14	2161.62	---	88188.45	74	2115	1468
N. Kr.	38468.01	17.99	9738.50	8504.20	2010.87	9.92	952.84	---	53780.70	57	1487	800
S. Kr.	28964.05	16.20	5748.24	4630.79	1300.24	8.60	1050.59	---	40062.60	51	1801	1171
F. Mk.	91064.81	78.08	26858.85	16410.28	3819.90	44.42	4756.70	---	190963.00	89	987	654
S. Kr.	99368.40	13.81	23028.24	18889.51	6009.37	7.17	3633.67	---	117834.11	221	5790	4098
\$	26579.40	3.69	6161.59	5059.02	1612.06	1.92	975.25	---	31422.43			
Rmk.	34735.11	17.54	2102.25	6444.88	839.24	7.00	4482.47	3731.44	35260.00	48	2200	1399
"	39663.55	20.50	2944.35	5066.81	1037.58	6.64	3817.24	3154.33	39595.00	48	2121	1543
"	27145.07	15.00	1896.23	4441.82	794.16	5.87	3497.69	3150.73	46877.00	58	1834	1304
"	47558.14	16.46	3892.86	7948.84	877.06	6.29	5456.85	6482.50	47693.00	46	3139	2044
"	32799.43	15.37	2718.50	5099.05	1485.12	5.84	2878.62	3788.52	40904.00	56	2409	1780
fi	8560.90	12.62	388.87	1078.01	150.38	3.48	718.89	---	7272.18	21	827	605
Rmk.	196026.80	17.28	14186.75	30769.57	5281.29	6.29	21310.79	21257.52	222328.10	272	12530	9125
\$	46611.50	4.10	8373.65	7812.67	1256.96	1.50	5080.81	5061.30	53010.65			
Dinar	47482.20	147.91	835.75	1590.75	346.25	8.63	---	12097.75	---	85	461	485
"	35742.70	104.20	1215.75	2884.75	1524.50	16.39	---	---	250230.90	29	498	490
"	18215.40	150.54	206.50	958.75	862.00	12.62	---	---	---	8	140	140
Dinar	101440.30	129.22	2258.00	5434.25	2232.75	28.45	12404.75	---	280230.90	72	1099	1065
\$	1771.50	2.25	89.43	95.28	39.85	0.50	221.40	---	4608.65			
Lewa	84588.45	198.08	7685.00	15718.10	8819.15	137.31	12640.50	6482.75	76838.00	13	199	161
\$	614.00	1.50	55.45	113.55	68.74	1.00	90.91	46.60	587.38			
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	41	2592	2590
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	28	234	1648
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	9	405	590
"	166.58	27.75	23.98	48.50	5.90	13.05	---	---	---	2	77	75
"	103.87	25.96	18.00	33.40	3.82	13.80	---	---	---	2	13	10
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	13	413	303
"	1791.47	7.02	274.00	869.69	---	4.48	---	---	---	15	869	730
"	204.30	0.62	29.14	84.31	---	0.85	---	---	---	16	679	508
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	5	76	80
"	228.76	1.87	146.49	56.88	---	1.66	---	---	162.35	1		
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	32	22
"	49.66	2.48	15.05	20.10	6.84	2.10	---	---	---	4	32	27
"	383.96	4.46	72.55	33.75	---	1.23	---	2.89	290.72	3	185	125
"	476.91	2.26	80.28	116.62	33.87	1.09	---	---	20.94	3	186	91
"	693.84	4.12	822.44	107.10	32.21	5.72	---	---	46.06	33	564	261
"	102.66	9.33	168.70	60.88	4.91	21.27	---	---	---	1	22	20
"	194.00	2.36	10.30	31.70	---	0.51	---	---	---	5	294	233
"	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.27	---	3	349	279
"	179.64	4.18	14.46	11.04	---	0.59	---	7.88	---	1	53	41
\$	4575.10	1.96	1675.34	1472.97	87.55	1.39	---	13.04	520.07	181	7025	7038

Statistical Report of the European Division of the General

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	No. Colporteurs	Total Workers
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
**ALLRUSSIAN UNIONS.....													1	—	—	7	—	8
Allrussian Union District....	1	—	—	—	188	188	5	—	—	5	188	188	—	2	—	—	—	2
North Russian Union.....													1	—	—	—	—	1
Neva Conference.....	17	398	—	3	4	7	16	—	4	20	-13	385	1	2	4	—	—	7
North West Russ. Conf....	19	325	—	4	87	91	1	1	150	152	-61	264	2	1	—	—	—	3
White Sea Mission.....	1	181	—	—	—	—	—	—	172	172	-172	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Upper Volga Conference....	9	—	—	2	219	221	8	—	—	8	213	213	2	—	1	—	—	3
Central Russian Conference	—	231	—	—	—	—	—	—	231	231	-231	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	46	1135	—	9	310	319	25	1	557	583	-264	871	6	3	5	—	—	14
West Ukrainian Union.....													1	—	—	2	—	3
Black Sea Conference.....	23	482	—	3	5	8	20	—	—	20	-12	470	1	1	—	—	—	5
Dniepr Conference.....	37	1219	—	2	23	25	16	4	36	56	-31	1188	2	2	3	—	—	6
Podol Conference.....	46	1314	—	—	—	2	10	1	—	11	-9	1305	1	1	3	—	—	6
Wolhynian Conference.....	27	455	—	6	3	9	4	—	4	8	1	456	2	1	—	—	—	3
Lower Dniepr Conference....	26	—	—	—	547	547	—	—	—	—	547	547	3	—	—	3	—	6
Upper Dniepr Mission.....	10	—	—	—	143	143	—	—	—	—	143	143	1	—	—	—	—	2
Crimean Mission.....	8	—	—	—	184	184	—	—	—	—	184	184	2	—	1	—	—	3
Kiew Union District.....	5	230	—	—	—	—	2	—	68	70	-70	160	—	—	2	—	—	2
Total	182	3700	—	13	905	918	52	5	108	165	753	4453	14	5	15	2	—	36
South Russian Union.....													1	—	—	2	—	3
Asov Conference.....	23	602	—	4	3	7	39	—	43	83	-76	526	3	1	—	—	—	4
East Ukrainian Conference..	—	475	—	—	—	—	—	—	475	475	-475	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Don Conference.....	18	281	6	—	141	147	—	—	—	—	147	428	2	3	1	—	—	6
Cuban Blacksea Conference	25	—	8	1	586	595	15	2	20	37	558	558	1	1	—	1	—	3
Central Caucasian Confer...	28	—	2	10	813	825	8	—	4	12	813	813	2	1	—	—	—	3
Crimean Mission.....	—	168	—	—	—	—	—	—	168	168	-168	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Woronesh Mission.....	—	144	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	144	-144	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transcaucasian Mission....	13	—	5	2	233	240	—	1	1	2	238	238	2	—	—	—	—	2
Total	107	1670	21	17	1776	1814	62	4	855	921	893	2563	11	6	1	3	—	21
East Russian Union.....													—	—	—	—	—	—
Volga Conference.....	27	647	2	1	4	7	—	2	26	28	-21	626	2	—	—	—	—	2
Saratow-Tambov Confer...	10	283	—	—	14	14	3	—	19	22	-8	275	1	—	1	—	—	2
Samara-Orenburg Mission..	5	89	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	3	-3	86	2	—	—	2	—	4
Turkestan Mission.....	12	—	—	—	260	260	2	—	27	29	231	231	1	1	1	—	—	3
Total	54	1019	2	1	278	281	7	2	73	82	199	1218	6	1	2	2	—	11
*Caspian Union.....		2063	—	—	—	—	—	—	2063	2063	-2063	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Siberian Union.....													—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Siberian Conference	37	650	1	8	45	54	12	2	11	25	29	659	2	1	1	1	—	4
West Siberian ".....	18	470	—	—	5	5	—	—	16	16	-11	459	1	—	4	—	—	5
Irtysk Conference.....	14	756	—	2	—	2	—	—	225	225	-223	533	2	—	—	—	—	2
North Siberian Conference	4	179	—	—	2	2	2	1	8	11	-9	170	1	—	1	—	—	2
East ".....	4	105	—	—	28	28	—	—	—	—	28	133	1	—	—	—	—	1
Omsk Mission.....	5	—	—	1	199	200	1	—	3	4	196	196	1	—	1	—	—	2
Total	82	2140	1	11	279	291	15	3	263	281	10	2150	8	1	7	1	—	17
Grand Totals for Russia	472	11727	24	51	3736	3811	166	15	3919	4101	-289	11438	46	18	30	15	—	109

** Report for the first quarter 1925.

* The Caspian Union dissolved January 1, 1925 and the territory divided between the East and South Russian Unions.

day except as when now and then one was omitted to allow for more time for the committee on plans and resolutions to do its work. The morning session was from nine to twelve with a short intermission, the afternoon session was from two

thirty till five thirty, likewise with a short intermission to break the strain of continued attention, the evening session was from eight to nine thirty without intermission. The Sabbath school interests were considered in the morning sessions of July 14

Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending June 30, 1925.

Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath-Sch.-Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita	Special Offering (Big Week)	Contributions for Local Church Work	Books and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Rbl. 1715.80 \$ 902.78	9.87 4.98	58.48 30.76	264.89 139.41	13.00 6.84	1.08 0.94	— —	— —	— —	1	189	—
Rbl. 1383.11 " 397.31 " 809.58	3.59 1.50 3.80	87.15 16.08 25.28	166.98 64.56 84.14	14.64 — — 2.54	0.69 0.30 0.52	— —	— —	— —	17 19 9	385 264 213	—
Rbl. 2590.00 \$ 1363.16	2.97 1.56	128.51 67.63	315.68 166.14	17.18 9.04	0.52 0.27	— —	— —	— —	46	871	—
Rbl. 1169.00 " 1402.99 " 1076.70 " 604.89 " 590.36 " 288.95 " 391.76 " 680.78	2.49 1.18 0.82 1.32 0.96 2.02 2.12 4.25	44.91 69.16 81.47 29.07 19.08 6.94 22.23 16.93	169.25 214.46 195.39 75.27 101.77 42.44 98.03 91.13	16.42 24.83 58.49 21.79 5.21 1.86 7.32 6.40	0.49 0.26 0.26 0.27 0.23 0.35 0.69 0.71	— —	— —	— —	23 37 46 27 26 10 8 5	509 1356 1472 495 607 239 184 164	—
Rbl. 6145.43 \$ 3234.44	1.38 0.72	289.79 152.52	987.74 519.86	142.32 74.90	0.32 0.17	— —	— —	— —	182	5026	—
Rbl. 962.96 " 811.40 " 492.75 " 885.95 " 363.48	1.83 1.88 0.90 1.10 1.56	43.16 79.99 33.25 128.60 30.76	171.14 124.81 173.62 164.17 69.70	7.06 5.40 0.70 4.36 — —	0.42 0.49 0.37 0.37 0.42	— —	— —	— —	23 18 25 28 13	587 505 650 867 286	—
Rbl. 3516.54 \$ 1850.81	1.36 0.71	315.76 166.22	708.44 370.23	17.52 9.22	0.40 0.21	— —	— —	— —	107	2895	—
Rbl. 264.85 " 745.04 " 459.55 " 938.01	0.42 2.70 5.34 4.06	103.60 89.88 8.36 52.74	63.48 92.17 44.99 126.92	7.81 11.68 3.66 13.22	0.28 0.70 0.66 0.88	— —	— —	— —	27 10 5 12	642 266 79 269	—
Rbl. 2405.45 \$ 1266.02	1.97 1.03	254.58 134.00	327.56 172.40	36.37 19.14	0.51 0.27	— —	— —	— —	54	1256	—
Rbl. 595.35 " 749.63 " 599.76 " 418.05 " 246.62 " 273.41	0.90 1.63 1.13 2.46 1.85 1.39	45.20 46.04 48.86 33.42 18.94 59.26	90.05 66.69 68.71 81.09 35.63 50.90	9.02 5.80 — — — — — — 3.19	0.22 0.26 0.22 0.67 0.41 0.58	— —	— —	— —	37 18 14 4 4 5	203 488 388 170 139 189	—
Rbl. 2883.42 \$ 1517.58	1.34 0.70	251.72 132.47	393.07 206.88	18.01 9.48	0.31 0.16	— —	— —	— —	82	1577	—
Rbl. 19256.14 \$ 10134.79	1.68 0.88	1298.84 638.60	2992.38 1574.93	244.40 128.62	0.39 0.21	— —	— —	— —	472	11814	10000

and 15, and in the afternoon sessions of July 16, 20 and 22; then too they were given the evening after the Sabbath, July 18, from eight to nine thirty.

Every union in Europe, outside of Russia and the mission fields, was represented at this Sabbath school convention. Naturally, the limited time did

not permit of a discussion of all the points that should have received consideration. After a general report showing the present situation of the Sabbath school work in the European Division and the encouraging development which has been recently made, time was given for reports from each of the unions represented. Various phases of the

Report of the Home Missionary and Missionary

	Baltic Union		British Union		Bulgarian Mission		Central European Union		Czechoslovak Union		East German Union		Hungarian Conference		Iceland Mission	
	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.
1) No. of Church, & Comp.	67		117		12		191		72		368		45		—	
2) No. of " reporting	41		74		9		—		62		353		42		—	
3) No. of Y. P. Societies	25		62		2		83		24		179		10		—	
4) No. of Y.P.Soc. reporting	15		44		2		83		21		170		8		—	
5) No. of Church observing Miss. Sabbath	37		115		9		191		—		—		45		—	
6) Total Church Members	3354		4141		207		8636		1958		14210		1177		—	
7) " Memb. of Y.P. Soc.	545		1247		16		1447		328		5470		221		—	
8) No. of Persons reporting	1294	237	928	368	87	20	3855	912	815	169	6611	2680	638	144	—	—
9) % of Members "	46	%	31	%	52	%	55	%	50	%	65	%	66	%	—	—
10) No. of Bible Readings	2600	375	1002	877	413	39	14692	1805	5720	923	20243	5885	9145	3724	—	—
11) No. of Miss. Visits	3502	612	4196	648	363	85	11510	1427	4862	847	17144	4442	4190	1825	—	—
12) No. of " Lett. writt.	318	305	1895	450	51	4	1983	408	448	61	2155	709	316	291	—	—
13) No. of " " received	112	148	1247	415	37	—	1051	209	319	57	969	342	209	169	—	—
14) Subscript. for Period.	67	8	50	—	55	34	—	107	17	5	596	310	—	—	—	—
15) Periodicals sold	8915	2063	70123	16999	1401	218	116485	34266	8237	1428	172191	75961	4606	680	—	—
16) " lent or given	1727	392	8768	1761	19	—	7212	252	644	90	3345	598	111	103	—	—
17) Tracts sold	1396	442	408	93	55	15	2332	137	1194	189	4142	491	486	62	—	—
18) " lent or given	518	32	12839	8339	—	—	636	14	129	3	333	293	79	37	—	—
19) Books sold	924	226	2733	444	53	7	2521	360	165	50	2982	345	173	18	—	—
20) " lent or given	255	39	1427	289	—	—	212	118	12	5	28	11	94	14	—	—
21) Visits to Sick	282	44	1015	330	25	—	2401	633	—	—	4257	1240	475	185	—	—
22) Treatments given	85	6	498	282	12	—	469	79	—	—	1193	436	177	49	—	—
23) Souls won	9	4	18	3	6	—	40	21	—	8	138	56	54	8	—	—

¹ No report received.

Recapitulation for Quarter

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1. European Division	65	3226	136	13	3	152	21	2	24	128	3854	12	8	9	13	58	100	25
2. Baltic Union	76	4082	98	13	16	127	25	16	27	68	4141	30	8	41	9	113	201	8
3. British Union Conference .	191	8560	189	12	86	287	90	20	101	211	76	8636	42	20	31	15	172	280
4. Central European Union . .	72	1922	65	8	49	122	26	9	51	86	36	1958	13	6	5	8	58	90
5. Czechoslovakian Union . . .	363	13980	428	40	96	564	176	35	123	334	230	14210	62	40	33	14	346	495
6. East German Union	45	1121	69	4	6	79	13	6	4	23	56	1177	6	3	2	10	49	70
7. Hungarian Union	37	3053	33	4	33	120	35	6	16	57	63	3116	43	22	38	2	38	203
8. Latin Union	64	1378	127	17	19	163	35	2	38	75	88	1466	7	8	6	4	30	55
9. Polish Union	186	5377	301	17	405	723	23	6	415	449	274	5651	17	11	42	7	47	124
10. Rumanian Union	158	7194	341	33	6	380	43	31	15	89	291	7485	30	15	30	8	120	203
11. Scandinavian Union	232	11378	386	37	78	501	177	29	95	301	200	11578	44	10	44	12	340	450
12. West German Union	56	785	48	3	3	54	6	1	—	7	47	832	4	1	7	2	45	59
13. Yugoslavian Mission	12	205	17	—	13	30	13	3	12	28	2	207	3	—	2	1	11	17
14. Bulgarian Mission ¹	67	2332	36	1	12	49	1	3	13	17	32	2564	28	25	52	48	6	159
15. Missions ²	472	11727	24	51	3736	3311	166	15	3919	4100	239	11433	46	18	30	15	—	109
16. Russian Unions ²																		
Grand Tot's 2nd Q. 1925	2196	76320	2348	253	4561	7162	855	184	4830	5869	1293	77613	404	195	372	176	1493	2640
" " 1st Q. 1925	2152	75421	1881	240	738	2359	896	214	773	1960	899	76520	394	160	364	201	1485	2604
Grand Tot's 2nd Q. 1924	2015	70830	2574	235	545	3304	611	161	549	1532	1772	72602	332	151	274	216	1237	2375
" " 1st Q. 1924	1975	69305	2545	348	571	3464	630	179	698	1939	1525	70380	320	150	280	221	1162	2031
Grand Tot's 2nd Q. 1923	1832	63512	2604	358	703	3665	570	165	789	1893	1772	65284	304	148	245	234	982	2021
" " 1st Q. 1923	1816	62719	1812	292	803	2907	593	154	852	2115	792	63511	309	170	233	223	910	1952

¹ Report for the first six months of 1925.

² Report for 1st quarter 1925. Financial items taken from the reports to the Division treasurer.

Sabbath school work were then considered. In each case before the general discussion, someone presented a paper which he had prepared on the topic. Some of the subjects presented were:

- The relation of Bible study to missionary service.
- The role of the Sabbath school in our work.

The training of Sabbath school teachers.
How the Sabbath school teacher should study his lesson.

- The relation of the children to the Sabbath school.
- Methods of teaching children.
- Our goals and how to reach them.

Volunteer Departments for the Second Quarter 1925.

Jugoslav Mission		Latin Union		Mauritius Mission		Polish Union		Rumanian Union		Scandinavian Union		West German Union		Totals		Grand Totals	4rd Qu. 1924
Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	Adult	Y. P.	both	both
60		91		7		64		—		167		282		—		—	—
60		70		7		41		—		117		266		—		—	—
4		56		11		18		—		48		127		—		—	—
4		46		11		13		—		19		122		—		—	—
60		22		7		—		—		157		280		—		—	—
882		8116		168		1466		—		7485		11378		—		*58328	—
70		886		144		268		—		879		2088		—		13609	—
680	.45	781	414	114	76	528	148	—	—	1486	116	6911	1810	—	—	—	—
81	0/0	88	0/0	118	0/0	46	0/0	—	—	21	0/0	71	0/0	—	—	—	—
4648	137	4869	1267	845	164	8729	981	17465	2167	1581	57	15557	3421	102459	21822	123781	116588
8800	1195	5696	1951	156	18	2897	874	14776	1721	2448	154	17082	4518	92117	20817	112434	110660
294	—	1822	489	29	6	162	61	802	161	1008	76	1587	413	12865	3884	15749	18921
143	—	751	228	18	6	88	51	595	72	504	52	715	273	6748	2017	8765	6885
—	—	393	64	9	—	13	10	169	10	835	4	—	—	1704	552	2256	4513
1557	258	14108	—	49	—	4142	1876	6405	957	26118	1824	165170	74256	599502	210281	809788	712054
—	—	6711	8180	101	22	214	87	2089	243	3134	486	2025	601	86050	12715	48765	37980
302	748	1767	—	107	—	1147	67	10505	436	4507	222	2410	391	80708	3288	38996	206976
—	—	2980	2587	102	28	117	5	2056	151	4565	1225	292	10	24596	12719	37315	25585
594	18	2179	—	27	4	98	10	863	139	1843	29	3358	325	18518	1975	20488	14666
—	—	855	1842	95	16	6	—	493	70	885	56	209	48	4521	2508	7029	4472
—	—	580	—	96	83	132	46	1849	246	—	—	3500	568	14612	3325	17987	9411
—	—	570	78	35	—	61	24	946	68	278	20	620	101	4939	1138	6072	3656
7	—	15	18	—	—	24	4	88	10	11	2	70	48	480	172	652	588

* Total for the whole Division 77613.

Ending June 30, 1925.

	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
\$	5184.10	1.60	850.17	791.92	159.51	0.61	694.40	—	1455.85*	98	3298	2086
"	27626.10	6.77	259.02	4530.06	1481.86	2.17	2610.67	—	24085.16	127	4579	3562
"	38485.60	3.91	2240.50	4654.50	1003.80	1.47	4724.79	4987.88	32932.28	220	9432	6570
"	4681.70	2.43	276.47	573.10	158.98	0.81	547.42	871.20	5847.74	88	2128	1716
"	52658.90	3.77	4567.87	7599.03	1237.69	1.25	4048.75	6160.52	44516.42	863	17198	12069
"	2192.30	1.96	145.61	818.79	61.39	0.70	267.52	377.42	5976.91	45	1102	896
"	15118.20	4.95	396.29	2094.12	790.14	1.58	1397.70	—	10598.77	123	2618	2267
"	3440.80	2.50	288.20	872.47	140.55	1.25	470.50	202.54	1905.54*	97	1697	1496
"	6178.40	1.14	804.20	811.47	298.01	0.86	545.72*	—	1048.28*	332	6511	4808
"	26579.40	3.69	6161.59	5059.02	1612.06	1.92	975.25	—	31422.48	221	5790	4098
"	46611.50	4.10	3873.65	7812.67	1256.96	1.50	5080.31	5061.30	58010.65	272	12330	9125
"	1771.50	2.25	89.43	95.28	39.85	0.50	221.40	—	4608.65	72	1099	1065
"	614.00	1.50	55.45	113.55	68.74	1.00	90.91	46.60	587.88	13	199	161
"	4575.10	1.96	1675.34	1472.97	87.55	1.39	—	18.04	520.07	181	7025	7083
"	10184.79	0.88	683.60	1574.93	128.62	0.21	—	—	—	472	11814	10000
\$	240841.89	3.16	20767.39	37873.88	8520.71	1.16	21675.34	17170.00	218466.13	2719	87010	66992
\$	242279.27	3.17	22342.70	34541.80	8037.43	0.85	717.73	16303.89	220089.83	2650	84879	67382
\$	201315.85	2.77	20048.21	31864.54	8113.28	0.83	15840.87	11960.80	181604.21	2359	76283	59606
\$	169181.10	2.40	20847.62	24302.54	6768.07	0.90	11248.48	11051.51	150187.76	2335	74193	59343
\$	103679.70	1.59	21023.32	18526.96	0.61	168.88	725.12	100715.52	2163	61575	48560	
\$	125114.39	1.96	14106.85	19260.77	0.53	233.14	1207.51	96084.77	2181	61513	48073	

* Report for April and May only.

The Home Department and how it functions.

Class organization in the Sabbath school.

The importance of the Thirteenth Sabbath plan. Considerable time was also spent in the consideration and adoption of the excellent resolutions prepared by the committee on plans and resolutions. This first Sabbath school convention will mean

much to the future development of the Sabbath school work in the European Division. The delegates returned to their various fields of labor with a sense that God's blessing had been with them in the convention and that He would help them as they further labor to build up this important branch of God's work in the earth. L. L. Caviness.

Report of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the

	Baltic Union	British Union	Bulgarian Mission	Central European Union	Czechoslov. Union	East German Union	Hungarian Union	Iceland Mission
No. of Societies	25	62	1	83	24	179	10	—
Total Membership of Soc.	545	1247	16	1447	828	5470	221	—
Societies reported	15	44	—	—	21	170	8	—
Members reported	287	368	—	912	169	2680	144	—
Report of Missionary Work:								
1. Missionary and Sick Vis.	656	1078	—	2059	847	5682	2010	—
2. Bible Readings	375	377	12	1805	928	5885	3724	—
3. Treatments given	6	282	—	79	—	436	49	—
4. Subscriptions to Period.	8	—	34	9645	5	810	—	—
5. Papers and Magaz. distr.	2455	18760	194	34517	1518	76559	783	—
6. Books distributed	265	803	7	151	55	356	32	—
7. Tracts distributed	474	8482	—	478	192	784	99	—
8. Letters written	305	450	—	408	61	709	291	—
9. Letters received	148	415	—	207	57	342	160	—
10. Souls won:	4	3	—	21	8	56	8	—

European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A.
Report of the Publishing Houses for the Year 1924.

Name	Address	Book Sales	Periodical Sales	Total Value Literature Sold	Bldgs.	Empl.	Period. Publ.	Lan- guages
1. Hamburg Publishing House*	Hamburg, Germany.....	\$ 478534.75	159275.10	637809.85	9	140	8	3
2. Stanborough Press, Ltd.	Watford, Herts, England	66898.70	46721.80	113115.50	1	28	3	2
3. Norway Publ. House	Akersgaten 74, Oslo, Norway ..	31946.81	17822.81	49769.62	—	19	3	3
4. Denmark Publ. House	Margrethevej 5, Kopenh., Denm.	36106.00	9208.33	45314.33	—	4	2	1
5. France Publ. House	Dammarie-les-Lys, France	28382.13	9948.62	38330.75	—	16	3	2
6. Sweden Publ. House	Tunnelgatan 25, Stockh., Sweden	25697.00	12000.00	37697.00	1	6	2	1
7. Finland Publ. House	Annegatan 7, Helsingfors, Finl.	26640.00	2490.00	29130.00	1	5	3	2
8. Latvian Publ. House	Brivibas iela 11, Latvia	19158.00	1610.00	20768.00	—	6	2	3
9. Czechoslovak. Publ. House	Brunn, Kralovo Pole, Czechosl.	12240.00	2761.32	15001.32	1	4	2	7
10. Poland Publ. House	ul. Nakleiska 64, Bydgoszcz, Pol.	7751.81	6162.84	13914.65	1	3	1	1
11. Spain Publ. House	Apartado 492, Barcelona, Spain	10193.12	699.78	10892.90	—	2	2	1
12. Jugoslavia Publ. House	Petra Zrinskog Str. 13, Novi Sad	10460.00	—	10460.00	1	3	3	3
13. Rumanian Publ. House	Str. Labirint 116, Bukarest, Rum.	6408.00	1896.00	8299.00	1	2	2	3
14. Esthonian Publ. House	Merepiestee 14-a, Reval, Esth.	8052.00	—	8052.00	1	4	4	3
15. Italy Publ. House	Casella Post. 408, Florence, Italy	4507.18	758.00	5265.18	—	2	1	1
16. Iceland Depository	Reykjavik, P. B. 262, Iceland ...	1090.00	201.00	1291.00	—	1	1	1
17. Bulgaria Publ. House	P. B. 169, Sofia, Bulgaria	792.17	418.78	1210.95	—	1	1	1
18. Egypt Depository	2Sharia Ayad Bey, Shubra, Cairo	799.00	—	799.00	—	—	0	1
19. Portugal Publ. House	Rua Joaquim Bonifacio, Portugal	693.61	61.27	754.88	—	—	1	1
20. Turkey Depository	P. B. 109, Galata, Constantinople	508.07	—	508.07	—	—	1	2
21. South Kavirondo Press**	Gendia, via Kisumu, Kenya, E. Af.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grand Totals for the Year 1924		\$ 776323.35	271975.65	1048299.00	17	245	44	
Grand Totals for the Year 1923		\$ 476947.04	178247.11	655194.15	21	281	42	
Grand Totals for the Year 1922		\$ 487073.33	98457.95	580536.28	20	250	39	

* Includes Holland, Hungarian and Swiss Branches.

** No report received.

Miscellaneous.

Elder T. T. Babienco, formerly superintendent of what was known as the East Siberian Union Mission which was under the administration of the Far Eastern Division, in a recent letter expresses the hope of some day entering Russia proper to join in the work of that country of which he is a native. Writing from Harbin, Manchuria, he says: "I have started work in Harbin and the Lord has blessed us very much. We have 290 church members and 375 in our Sabbath schools. During the last two years I have also been conduc-

ting a Bible school with 40 students, and they are now ready to enter the work. This last spring our field has been reorganized. Our present mission takes in all the Russians in Manchuria and Mongolia. We have two men that are getting the Mongolian language and we shall start the work in that field this summer. We have chosen 18 men from our Bible school to work among the Russians. We have plenty young men here but unfortunately few people to work for. There are only some 75,000 Russians in Manchuria and they are scattered along the East Chinese Railroad."

European Division for the Second Quarter of 1925.

Jugoslavian Mission	Latin Union	*Mauritius Mission	Polish Union	Persian Mission	Rumanian Union	Scandinav. Union	West German Union	Total for the second quart. 1925	Total for the second quart. 1924
4	56	11	18	—	43	48	127	691	594
70	886	144	268	—	461	879	2088	14070	10676
4	46	11	13	—	—	19	—	351	498
45	414	76	148	—	—	116	—	5309	5406
1195	1951	18	920	—	1721	154	4449	22740	24927
137	1267	164	981	—	2167	57	3408	21282	23962
—	73	5	24	—	63	20	140	1177	607
—	64	—	10	—	—	4	1654	11734	312
253	8130	22	1413	—	1200	2310	61758	209872	193707
18	1842	16	10	—	209	85	429	4278	3549
743	2587	23	72	—	587	1447	307	16225	23329
—	439	6	61	—	161	76	639	3606	4008
—	223	6	51	—	72	52	289	2081	2112
—	13	—	4	—	10	2	51	180	173

* First Quarter 1925.

European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A.
Educational Institutions (1924).

Name	Address	No. of Bldgs.	No. of Acres	Capacity	Grades				Teachers	Grades done	Library	Laboratory	Manual Tr. Fac.	Stud. grad.	Grad. 12 grad.	Grad. 14 grad.	Grad. 16 grad.	Stud. ent. Work.
					1-8	9-12	13-16	17-18										
1. Baltic Union School	Brivibas eela 11, Riga, Latvia	8	275	127	—	127	—	7	7-12	1000	No	Yes	—	—	—	—	—	36
2. Finland Mission School	Tavastehus, Finland	1	1	25	—	25	—	4	9-12	100	some	some	5	1	—	—	—	3
3. Friedensau Miss. Seminary	Post Grabow, Bez. Magdeburg, Germany	3	200	300	20	—	210	12	9-16	2300	Yes	Yes	34	14	4	16	—	19
4. Latin Union Miss. Seminary	Collonges-sous-Saleve, France	8	66	125	—	103	22	13	9-14	1500	Yes	Yes	12	8	4	—	—	13
5. Levant Mission School	Box 216, Salonica, Greece	1	1	50	40	—	—	4	1-8	100	No	Yes	—	—	—	—	—	4
6. Marienhöhe Miss. Seminary	Darmstadt in Hessa, Germany	4	40	200	—	169	—	9	9-13	1000	Yes	Yes	5	5	—	—	—	37
7. Naerum Mission School	Naerum, Denmark	2	4	75	—	46	—	4	9-12	200	some	Yes	6	6	—	—	—	21
8. Neandertal Miss. Seminary	Mettmann, Rheinland, Germany	1	32	150	—	100	—	7	—	700	No	Yes	5	5	—	—	—	30
9. Norway S. D. A. Miss. School	Onsrud, Algarheim pr. Jessheim, Norway	6	225	50	—	29	—	5	9-12	250	Yes	No	10	10	—	—	—	7
10. Rumanian Mission School	Str. N. Savaanu 10, Focsani, Rum.	1	2	35	—	23	—	3	—	90	none	none	—	—	—	—	—	14
11. Stanborough College	Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts, England	2	151	232	72	32	78	16	7-16	2000	Yes	Yes	10	—	—	10	—	50
12. Swedish Mission School	Järnboas, Sweden	6	625	46	—	46	—	5	9-12	700	Yes	Yes	7	7	—	—	—	33
Grand Totals for 1924:		43	1622	1415	132	750	310	89		9940			94	56	8	26	—	267
Grand Totals for 1923:		41	1661	1230	236	525	306	81		8170			170	95	40	—	—	162
Grand Totals for 1922:		35	1314	1185	208	581	94	70		6900			134	94	33	—	—	7103

Transbaikalia and the Amur region which were part of the East Siberian Union Mission have been attached again to the All-Russian Union. This field is now being visited by Elder H. J. Löbsack.

The first letters have reached the Division office from our medical unit notifying their safe arrival at Marxstadt on the Volga. At Leningrad they were met by Brother Voitkewitsch. The custom formalities went off very smoothly. At Moscow they were received by the German Amba-

sador, also by Dr. Semaschko, Commissary of Health, and Dr. Kalina, another high official. They arranged for them to visit a number of hospitals in that city which, according to Dr. Klepzig, are really model institutions. Also at Pokrowsk, the capital of the Volga Republic, they were most cordially received.

At Marxstadt they are busily engaged in preparing quarters for their clinical work. The beds have been provided and the whole appearance of the building and the facilities is creditable. Dr. Klepzig reports that some brethren have been found

**European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A.
Report of the Sanitariums for the Year 1924.**

Name	Address	No. of Buildings	No. of Acres	Capacity	Persons treated	Value of Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Employees	Total Employees
1. Aibling Sanitarium	Kurhaus Wittelsbach, Oberb., Germany	7	25	50	379	\$ 691.67	—	4	20	24
2. Christiania Health Home	74, Akersgaten, Oslo, Norway	1	—	18	900	\$ 610.14	—	19	16	35
3. Lake Geneva Sanitarium	Gland, Ct. Vaud, Switzerland	3	93	75	308	\$ 1500.00	2	15	25	42
4. Skodsborg Sanitarium	Skodsborg, Denmark	21	8	340	1993	\$ 10275.22	5	106	164	275
5. Stanborough Park Sanitarium	Watford, Herts, England	1	17	80	596	\$ 1920.00	2	22	25	49
6. Sanitarium "Waldfriede"	Zehlendorf-West-Berlin, Germany	4	8	120	1025	\$ 5500.00	3	35	22	60
7. Kenya Colony Dispensary	Gendia, P. O. Kisumu, Kenya, East Africa	1	—	8	not estimated	—	1	—	2	3
Totals for 1924:		38	151	691	5201	\$ 20497.08	13	201	274	488
Totals for 1923:		40	157	730	4762	\$ 17758.80	15	196	275	485

Report of the Treatment Rooms for the Year 1924.

Name	Address	Capacity	Persons treated	Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Empl.	Total Empl.
1. Bergen, Treatment Room	"Kurbadet", Vestre Torvgate 11, Bergen	45	160	\$ 30.80	—	5	—	5
2. Nyhyttan Health Home	Järnboas, Sweden	85	190	\$ 266.67	1	8	22	31
3. Stockholm Treatment Rooms	Rumlegardsgatan 18, Stockholm, Sweden	90	700	\$ 867.00	—	13	3	16
Totals for 1924		220	1050	\$ 1164.47	1	26	25	52
Totals for 1923		215	1050	\$ 824.45	1	26	23	50

at Marxstadt of whom we had no knowledge and they have enjoyed a little Sabbath school with 8 persons in attendance. Others are living 12 and 20 verst distant and have come to visit them. Thus there is opportunity for spiritual fellowship. These brethren have not been visited since the departure of Elder Schmidt for Siberia and they are happy to be so near now to these new pioneers from abroad.

Elder C. C. Crisler, Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, informs us of the arrival of Brother and Sister Bahr and Sister Ihlenfeldt who had sailed on the s/s Koblenz in April. They are bound for Korea and were stopping a few days at Shanghai, the Division headquarters. Brother Crisler says: „We are grateful to the friends in Germany for the release of these good workers and we pray that as Brother and Sister Bahr and Sister Ihlenfeldt enter this field they will be given the hearts of the people among whom they are to associate.“

We congratulate the Missionary Volunteer Department on the Bulletin it is getting out for circulation among its secretaries. It is replete with inspirational material. Page 4 presents a graphic chart on the returns against the \$ 10,000 goal the

young people have set themselves to raise for the needs in the Far East. According to the General Conference report for the fourth quarter 1924 there are 2412 M. V. societies with a world membership of 51,266. Europe is given as 10,943. Russia, we understand, is not included in these figures.

Brother Nasif Hasso, brother of Bashir Abo Hasso of Mosul, Iraq, visited the Division headquarters while on a business trip to Europe. He has also spent some time in England where he has brought a younger brother to the Stanborough College. The Hasso Brothers are operating large department stores in the cities of Mosul and Bagdad and, as the Lord is prospering them in their business, they make very liberal contributions to our mission funds. According to recent letters from Brother James McGeachy, our resident missionary at Mosul, five new members were added to the little company of believers at Mosul during the first half of this year, among them a teacher formerly of Kurdistan. The Hasso family have erected a church building on the compound of their grandfather who was the first native of Mesopotamia to accept Protestantism in 1851. This church building was dedicated August 23 of this year. This is our first house of worship in Iraq, i. e. Mesopotamia.

Bidding Goodbye to the Homeland.

During the past few weeks several new recruits for the mission fields have been bidding goodbye to the homeland and setting their faces in the direction of some of the far-flung mission fields. Missionaries who have been home on furlough are also returning to carry on their work for the natives in the dark Continent of Africa.

For some time consideration has been given to the needs of the work in the Near East. The Moslem menace has loomed up before us as one of our greatest problems. Hitherto while we have worked in Mohammedan countries, we have not done much towards appealing directly to the followers of Islam. Now, however, we have some young men in train-



Br. A. Barr.

and Sister Long, who are citizens of that country, set sail at the end of September for Eritrea in north-east Africa.

Then again, Mauritius, away off in the Indian Ocean, but a speck on the map of the world, has also sent out its first foreign missionary. This is Brother Michael and family, natives of the island, who go still further east over to the Island of Rodrigues to open up the work. Thus this little island, in which the work began in 1914, sends out workers to neighbouring fields. The fields that have been receiving are now giving to those who are in greater need.

We rejoice to see these evidences of God's providence and we take courage as we think of the future of the work, but still "our watchword is to



Br. S. Bull.

ning for this work. Just a few days ago two young men sailed from England to Syria, and this week two young men from Germany set sail for Egypt. Ere long one of our physicians will be on the way to the ancient land of Persia to stand by and strengthen our already over-worked labourers in that field. We are planning on a training school for workers for the Arabic-speaking fields also, and at a not far distant date we expect one of our missionaries of experience to head up that work.

We already have our publishing work started in the Near East; soon we shall have a training school for workers, and now with our medical work commencing and young men in training definitely for service in these lands, we believe that God is going before us and will use these means to win many souls to His kingdom.

Not only are our larger and stronger fields sending out missionaries to the regions beyond to-day, but even some of the fields we usually call weaker, and even the mission fields themselves, are sending out foreign missionaries. At the recent Italian Annual Meeting, held at Genoa, we had a splendid missionary rally. Italy, at that meeting, send out her first foreign missionaries. Brother

be onward, ever onward. Angels of heaven will go before us to prepare the way. Our burden for the regions beyond can never be laid down till the whole earth is lightened with the glory of God," *"Gospel Workers"*, pp 470.

W. E. READ,
Secretary for Foreign Missions.



Our Statistical Report.

The fact that the Division Summer Council was held early this year, and preceding it — right at the close of the quarter — a combined convention of the Home Missionary and Sabbath School Departments, calling together the greater portion of our workers, occasioned a delay in getting in the reports for the second quarter of 1925.

Jugoslavia reports for the first time as a Union Mission; its three newly organized Mission Fields being: Adria, Vojvodina, and Save.

In Russia a thorough reorganization has taken place, the main changes being as follows:

1. The larger part of the Central Russian Conference has been separated from the North-Russian Union and organized as the All-Russian Union District.
2. The Caspian Union no longer exists, its territory having been attached to the South and East Russian Unions.
3. The West Russian Union has taken the Crimean Mission and other parts from the South Russian Union.

Figures are interesting not so much for their size, as for what they represent and our quarterly report therefore gives every reason for gratitude and courage, for 2601 souls have been won to Christ — 2601 additional means for the finishing of the work.

The financial report, as compared with the corresponding quarters of previous years, shows a considerable increase, as will be seen from the following table:



Delegates attending the Home Missionary and Sabbath School Conventions.

4. The Siberian Union includes the recently organized Omsk Mission.

Our membership in the Division has now reached 77,613, which shows a net gain of 1293 during the second quarter, while 2601 souls were added by baptism and vote. Compared with the previous quarter the net gain in membership is 394 more and even 480 more souls were added by baptism and vote. A comparison with the corresponding quarters of 1923 and 1924 however, does not give a similarly favourable picture:

	Baptism and Vote	Net Gain
2nd Qtr. 1925	2601	1293
" " 1924	2809	- 1772
" " 1923	2962	1772

	Title	Total Off. to For. Miss.
First six mths. 1925	\$ 483,121.16	132,083.91
" " " 1924	\$ 370,496.95	111,939.26
	<u>Increase \$ 112,624.21</u>	<u>20,144.65</u>

Besides the quarterly report of our Unions and Missions, we publish this time the report for our Institutions for the year 1924. For the purposes of comparison we append the totals for the previous year, from which the increase is evident.

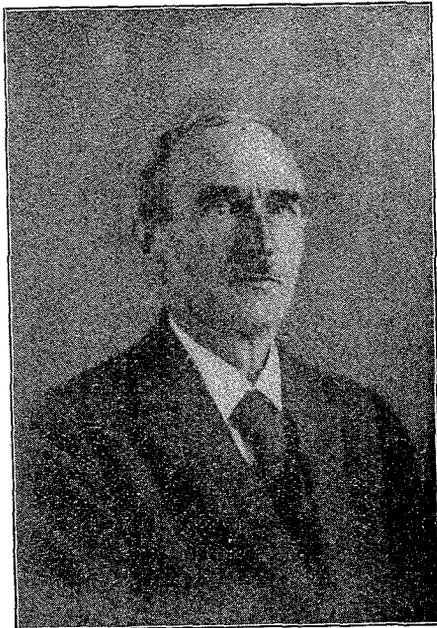
May the Lord continue to bless the efforts of His faithful children and may all do their part in spreading the message for these last days.

E. Borm.

Obituary.

The news of the sudden death of H. Hartkop at Budapest August 26 from heartfailure brought great grief to the Division family. The undersigned

was appointed to represent the Division Committee at the funeral services to be held at Hamburg, where the body was interred at the Ohlsdorf Cemetery September 10.



Brother Hartkop was born March 24, 1872, and was connected with the Hamburg Publishing House since 1894, being for many years its manager. He has had, under God, an important part in the development and the prosperity of the institution.

It has been my privilege to have been closely associated with him in the early years of our work in Hamburg and later, when Brother Hartkop served the cause in various capacities besides bearing the burden for the Publishing House.

His life has been exemplary in Christian devotion to the cause he loved. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss.

H. F. Schubert.