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REMEMBER!

**YOU
ARE
an
ADVENTIST**

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WE MUST never forget that we are Adventists. Our life here is a pilgrimage. Heaven is our home. There is ever a marked difference between the Adventist and the non-Adventist. The Adventist thinks, plans, and lives with the world-to-come in view. Hardship, suffering, and even injustice may be his lot, but he always comforts and encourages himself that this is but a passing phase of his journey to a better country. James, writing to fellow pilgrims, says, "Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." James 5:8.

The Adventist hope was vivid in the minds and hearts of the faithful who lived millenniums ago. How graphically Enoch, the seventh from Adam, spoke of it, "Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment upon all." Jude 14, 15. We may be sure that those who cherished this hope so fervently, lived consistently. No one, I am certain, said of faithful Enoch, "Well, he preaches the second coming of his Lord, but he does not live and act as if he believed it." His hope was too realistic to justify any such comment. His business, his home, his conversation, all testified to his faith.

The Scriptures clearly indicate that when the Lord appears, it will be to gather to Himself those who have been Adventists and who have made Adventism very prominent in their lives. The apostle Paul says that they will "love His appearing." 2 Tim. 4:8. Long have they cherished this hope. Daily it has been in their

thoughts. In sorrow it has comforted them. In success and prosperity it has tempered and sobered them. Nothing earthly has dimmed or obscured the Adventist vision.

This twentieth century offers many attractions to Adventist pilgrims. One has estimated that there are some 350,000 different articles on the market, alluringly displayed. A host of material things clamour for attention and affection. It is said that it has perhaps never been so difficult to keep the heavenward vision clear as in this present age. Adventists must not allow anything to divert their chief interest from heaven and the Lord's coming.

Joseph never settled down in Egypt. Great honour and wealth came to him. He was pre-eminently successful, as men count success, but his heart all the while was in Canaan the Promised Land. It was not in Egypt. So, when he was dying, the Record says that he "gave commandment concerning his bones." Heb. 11:22. He wanted to rest in the land God had given His people. There his bones rest today, mute but eloquent testimony to a man who kept his heavenward vision clear.

Our interest in the heavenly Canaan must be as deep, yes, even deeper, if possible, than that of Joseph. The things of earth must not lead us to forget that we are Adventists, looking for the soon appearing of our Lord. May we cherish that hope fervently, and in the great day of His coming be among those who "love His appearing."

THINGS I HAVE SEEN IN SOUTHERN ASIA

O. O. MATTISON

DURING recent months it has been my privilege to visit many of our union and local offices, schools, hospitals, dispensaries, clinics and churches, also the homes of our workers and believers. As I have gone in and out I have seen many things that were encouraging and which showed orderliness and efficiency. On the other hand I have seen things that were not so encouraging and which revealed neglect on the part of some. To you who are reading this I wish you would take an inventory of yourselves and decide which of the following remarks apply to you.

First, let us have a look into the offices. I am happy to say that I saw many offices neat and tidy, the floor was well swept and the furniture was painted and free of dust. Files were kept up to date, typewriters were workable and clean, and the tops of the desks showed that those who worked there were efficient. Their desks were clean of materials, which gave evidence of having their work up to date. On the other hand I saw some offices that were not so representative of the orderliness that God expects of His workers. I saw untidiness, with books, papers, and letters very much in evidence. Things were jammed helter-skelter in desk drawers, and the tops of the desks were littered with things that should have been filed long ago. If you asked for something, there was a scramble among this untidiness in a vain endeavour to locate what was wanted. The whole appearance of the office showed lack of efficiency. Will you not stop just a moment, look around your office, and see if it truly represents the sacred work that you are carrying forward. If not, will you put everything in order without further delay so that you can be proud of your office at all times?

Now, let us step into our schools. It was a pleasure to visit many of them. The grounds were neat and there were attractive flower beds; hedges were trimmed. Inside the buildings all was in order. There were no shattered window panes. The hostels were neat and orderly, with bedding, boxes, and other personal items in their proper places. Everything gave evidence of progress and things were running smoothly. These were schools that we could be proud to own. On the other hand I saw some schools that showed a lack of care. The premises were not well

HELP IN TEMPTATION

BY FAITH and prayer all may meet the requirements of the gospel. No man can be forced to transgress. His own consent must be first gained; the soul must purpose the sinful act, before passion can dominate over reason, or iniquity triumph over conscience. Temptation, however strong, is never an excuse for sin. "The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers." Cry unto the Lord, tempted soul. Cast yourself, helpless, unworthy, upon Jesus, and claim His very promise. The Lord will hear. He knows how strong are the inclinations of the natural heart, and He will help in every time of temptation.

Have you fallen into sin? Then without delay seek God for mercy and pardon. . . . Mercy is still extended to the sinner. The Lord is calling to us in all our wanderings, "Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings."—"Messages to Young People," p. 67.

kept, classrooms were disorderly, and so were the students. Sometimes both students and hostels were untidy and the floors and walls needed cleaning. Kitchens were not always as spotless and sanitary as they could be. This

will lead to ill health among the students and teachers. Principals and teachers, will you not right now take time to look over every corner of your entire premises and decide whether or not you can honestly be proud of your school? Does it measure up to the standard a Christian school should have?

Let us go into our churches and see what we find there. We have many fine church buildings built of good materials and others which were built more humbly. Some were made of bamboo and mud, some had seats and in others the worshippers sat on the floor. Nevertheless, these churches seemed to say "Welcome, come in and worship the Lord." Every detail bore witness that the ones in charge took pride in keeping their churches neat and attractive at all times. I was proud of these churches. The grounds were well kept and the gates and woodwork inside the churches were painted. But there were other churches I was not especially proud to call Seventh-day Adventist churches. There were broken windows, unwhitewashed walls, chipped plaster, unpainted woodwork and the desks or tables dusty and cluttered with things that should not be there. In so many ways they were unrepresentative, and it would be difficult to say, "Come in, this is the place where Jesus delights to dwell." If you are a pastor or an evangelist please stop right now and look over your church. Can you honestly say you are proud of its appearance? Is its atmosphere welcoming and worshipful at all times. If not, why not right now put your house in order because it is the place where you meet with God who is a God of order. Make your churches attractive, not only to your members but to any who might pass by on the road, so that they will want to come in.

I saw dispensaries and clinics that were clean and everything was in order, but others were not. Your establishment will bear witness to the efficiency of the one in charge. Is it conducive to the cheerful outlook and rapid healing of patients?

I visited many homes. These are your castles whether they are large or small, and they reflect your character, and your outlook on life more than anything else. Are they

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A NEW ADDITION TO THE VOICE OF PROPHECY "FAMILY"

A. E. RAWSON

AT LONG last our Telugu Bible School has come into being. It had been scheduled to open sometime in June, but due to unavoidable circumstances the opening had to be postponed. However, the time-lag did not dampen our spirits and we were glad to be told that the great day was to be on Friday, July 15.

At the appointed time, all the Voice of Prophecy workers and some of our Division compatriots assembled outside the room which was to accommodate the Telugu Bible School. As we stood outside looking in (the room was too small to accommodate everybody), we could see the neatly arranged tables with their typewriters, the shelves already filled with Telugu lessons and envelopes, and last but not least, the mailbags filled with Telugu lessons and literally bursting in their anxiety for the contents to be mailed!

The writer opened the proceedings with a few introductory remarks about the new school, and also named Mr. P. D. Purushottam as its Director. Mr. Purushottam then said a few words and stated that he, no less than the rest of us, had been anxiously awaiting this event for some years. He said he was deeply conscious of the heavy responsibility that had been laid upon him and was glad to have such capable co-workers assigned to assist him. He was sure that with their help the needs of the school would be properly cared for.

Our president, Pastor O. O. Mattison, was the next speaker. He mentioned that as he had watched the progress of the Bible School he was reminded of a large and prosperous family that was ever increasing in numbers—and needs! He said he hoped this new addition to the Voice of Prophecy family would develop along the right lines, and he was sure that nothing

but success could possibly attend its efforts since it was backed by its parent organization which had years of experience to its credit. He then formally opened the school by cutting the cords that bound the mailbags.

Prayer was then offered by Pastor O. A. Skau in which he invoked God's blessing on the new venture.

By way of a fitting end to this simple opening ceremony, refreshments were thoughtfully provided, and were heartily enjoyed by all.

At the time of the opening, 1,000 lessons were sent out and we are planning, at least for the time being, to take care of 100 lesson requests daily.

Our Telugu Bible School has got off to a good start. Its journey will necessarily be arduous and at times complicated, but with God's blessing and the goodwill and co-operation of those whose duty it is to help it along the way, it will reach its destination not only at the appointed time, but with an outstanding record of travellers bound for the kingdom.

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JALIRPAR SCHOOL

W. F. STORZ

TEN profitable days were spent at the Jalirpar School from July 8-17 during which time it was my privilege to conduct their Week of Prayer. The staff and students showed an unusual interest in the studies. The response was most heartening. On Friday, the consecration night,

about half a dozen manifested their desire for the first time to follow Jesus. At the close of this special Week of Prayer twenty-four students joined the baptismal class. We wish them the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they prepare themselves for membership in God's Remnant Church.

A fifty per cent increase over last year has brought the enrolment up to 131 students with more expected. The boy's hostel is uncomfortably crowded. The girls have overflowed into additional rooms. Class-room space is inadequate. They have only three regular classrooms. Classes are held in the library, the chapel, the front verandah of the principal's bungalow, and in a teacher's quarters that they have been able to vacate. The front verandah of the principal's bungalow also serves as the business office. More space is imperative. The boys eat their meals in the library and in a long hallway, and the girls eat in a similar hallway and in one of their hostel rooms. The children's Sabbath school classes are also being conducted in the girls' dormitory.

The great and minimum need of the school is a new two storey girl's hostel with dining room and kitchen facilities on the ground floor. This would release the first floor of the present building for classroom space making sufficient for bare necessity.

Whereas last year the paddy fields were inundated at this season, the school this year has had to replant their paddy twice in certain areas because of lack of water. The water in the rivers is rapidly rising now and we hope it recognizes the high-water mark when it is reached.

Brother and Sister B. J. Jacques have done a noble job during their few months' stay. They have been confronted with many hardships through privation and lack of accustomed food. I know they were many times tempted to give it all up but the Lord has sustained them and given them strength. They have settled into the school year with nothing but their work at heart. The school plant has taken on a new appearance. The students have learned to love their new missionary leaders.

Let us all remember these two young missionaries in our prayers as they labour in that isolated place in East Pakistan.

SOUTH INDIA UNION*President: E. L. Sorensen**Secretary: I. K. Moses**Treasurer: S. John (Acting)**Office Address: 9 Cunningham Road, Bangalore***VOICE OF PROPHECY
WORKSHOP—VIJAYAWADA**

R. I. MATTHEW

*Voice of Prophecy Secretary,
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MORE than forty Voice of Prophecy workers attended the Voice of Prophecy Council held in Bezwada, which was conducted by Pastors A. E. Rawson and C. Moses. The Council lasted two days and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

We were overjoyed to receive the news from Poona that the Telugu Voice of Prophecy lessons were ready to be sent out, and that all preparations were being made for the inauguration of the new Telugu Bible School.

The administration of our North Telugu section gave careful study to the needs of the Telugu-speaking people, and planned to invite the Division Voice of Prophecy director and the Union Voice of Prophecy secretary to hold a two-day Council meeting for the benefit of our workers.

The Council was scheduled for June 21 and 22. All workers were present for the first devotional service conducted by Pastor I Subushanam, who explained to all of us the urgent need of the Telugu Branch School in Andhra. A number of workers from the Giffard Mission Hospital were also present at the service.

Following the service the director of the Voice of Prophecy gave us a short review of the work being done in the various Bible Schools; and the progress of the Radio broadcasts over Radio Ceylon. Pastors Rawson and Moses then gave us some instruction in enrolling people in the Bible school. Much emphasis was laid on the importance of making contacts—especially individual contacts as on these our success is largely dependent.

The workers have benefited greatly by this meeting and each one is en-

deavouring to play his part in reaching the pledged enrolment goal of 550 by December 1955.

We were glad to hear that a Telugu broadcast was started recently, for we feel that both the Bible School work and the Radio broadcast will play an important part in finishing the gospel work in Andhra.

RALLY

While he was here for the Council meeting, Pastor Rawson also conducted a rally in Ram Mohan Library Hall, in Vijayawada. Two inspiring lectures were delivered, titled "Seven Keys to True Happiness" and "In the Footsteps of God." Despite heavy rain that day, there was a very good attendance, and it was evident that all who attended the rally greatly appreciated it. At the close of each meeting several people enrolled in the Telugu School.

We feel that with the opening of the Telugu Voice of Prophecy Bible School the prospects for our soul-winning endeavours are bright, and we have reason to believe that with every worker and church member behind this programme, the Telugu Voice of Prophecy Bible School will be an unqualified success, and will have to its credit many souls for the kingdom of God. May God bless this latest venture and new addition to the Voice of Prophecy organization.

**SOUTH TAMIL SABBATH
SCHOOLS**

D. DAVID

IT WAS at Prakasapuram in 1908 that the first Sabbath school in South India was organized by Elder and Mrs. J. S. James with a membership of eleven. Praise God, we now have sixty Sabbath schools in the South Tamil section with a membership of 1,582. The Sabbath school membership at Prakasapuram is 206; this is our largest Sabbath

school in this section. In 1909 Elder and Mrs. G. G. Lowry joined Elder and Mrs. James, and translated the Sabbath school lessons into Tamil.

A comparison of our Sabbath school membership and offerings at the end of two biennial periods shows how the Sabbath school work has been growing in our section:

	1952	1954
Sabbath school membership	1,444	1,582
S. S. offerings for one year	Rs. 2,331-10	2,761-10

We appreciate the liberality on the part of our faithful Sabbath school members. Our offering, however, is only eighteen per cent of our tithe whereas the goal is forty per cent. There is still room for improvement. Some of us are still thinking in terms of "mites" when we ought to be thinking in terms of rupees in our Sabbath school giving. When Jesus sits over against the treasury of our Sabbath schools, may it be said of each one of us that we have cast in all that we had, even all our living. And what a joy to give God our all. It all comes back to us in blessings a hundredfold.

Our Sabbath schools are a spiritual nursery for the tiny tots, a training centre for the youth, a school for Bible study for the adults, and above all it is a foretaste of the Sabbath school above where we will sit at the feet of Jesus and learn of His love throughout the endless ages of eternity!

**THREE BAPTISMS IN
SECUNDERABAD**

O. B. JONATHAN

THE evangelistic efforts which Pastor D. S. Harris and the writer conducted in Secunderabad have not been in vain. God says "So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth, it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isaiah 55:11.

This series of meetings began in November 1954 and continued until March 15, 1955. Pastor Harris conducted four English meetings a week and the writer conducted three Telugu meetings a week. In these

meetings hundreds of people have had the opportunity of hearing the truth for these times. Many expressed their appreciation of the message given by Pastor Harris. They took a great interest and attended the meetings regularly. The attendance seemed to increase from week to week until the Sabbath question was presented. On that night many were convinced of the true Sabbath of the Lord, but owing to the difficulty of getting Sabbath free only eight were ready for baptism at the close of the meetings in the middle of March.

At this time Mr. T. Ashlock, Miss A. E. Warhurst and the writer had to leave for Kirkee to attend the Summer Extension School. Pastor Harris could not leave for someone had to stay back and do the follow-

up work. So he conducted Bible classes and baptismal classes regularly and about sixty to seventy people attended. As a result another four earnest seekers after truth were baptized about the middle of April, 1955.

Pastor Harris continued his Bible and baptismal classes and faithfully visited the people in their homes. Three lady doctors who regularly attended his Bible classes eventually became convinced of the Sabbath truth and on July 9, with four others were buried with Jesus in baptism. So nineteen in all have been baptized so far from our efforts in Secunderabad. Please pray for our work and workers in this place that we may have a rich harvest of souls at the close of August, 1955 when we plan for another baptism.

Again we moved, this time to Southampton to catch our ship "Queen Elizabeth" which was to take us to New York. Our train arrived at the docks and we went into the great liner and were directed to our cabins. There were thirty-five Seventh-day Adventists on the ship. Those who were known to us were Pastor and Mrs. Tarr, Pastor and Mrs. Pierson and Bobby, and Pastor and Mrs. W. H. McHenry and children.

We spent five very enjoyable days on the "Queen Elizabeth." It was like a big city by itself on the great waters. The mighty Atlantic was calm except for one day when it was a little rough and at this time many were affected. Brother Akbar who is of a strong constitution was able to steer through along with the ship without being disturbed. I was slightly affected to the extent of absenting myself from the dining hall for one meal, but Brother Pein Gyi totally refused to patronize the dining hall the whole day.

The ship is built proportionately high in keeping with its length. From our cabin to the top deck there were nine stories. We spent one Sabbath on the sea. A service for all Sabbath keepers was held in the "Cinema" hall which the ship authorities very kindly made available to us. Elder W. R. Beach was the speaker. We had quite a number of visitors at the service from the passenger group.

The "Queen Elizabeth" arrived in New York on April 20 at about five in the morning. We were very happy to know we had reached America. Several hours before we docked in the New York harbour we saw, from a distance, the sky-scrapers and the "Statue of Liberty." The next thing was to get out of the ship. The process of getting our papers examined took about two to three hours after which we came into the docks and were pleased to see Pastor and Mrs. L. C. Shepard. They had arrived a few hours previous in order to sail for England on the same boat the next day. They were on their way to India. We were also happy to see Brother and Sister Slate who were very helpful in making reservations for us in the "Times Square" hotel. Brother Robinson Koilpillai, who was then studying in the New York State

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MY TRIP TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

(PART 4)

I. K. MOSES

WE WERE glad to reach Dover and we thought we were at home as every one spoke English and understood us. The men who were responsible for the comfort and convenience of the passengers were extremely courteous and kind. We enjoyed the travel. Within a few hours we reached Victoria Station, London. On the way we saw many country houses, factories, railways, etc. and had a glimpse of English life.

Our first business after alighting from the train was to go to our Transportation office on Charing Cross Road which is a few blocks from the famous Trafalgar Square. We were very happy to meet Brother W. G. Benwell who greeted us warmly and gave us the mail which was waiting for us. I got on the phone to Edgware, our Northern European Division headquarters, and soon I heard the familiar voices of Pastor and Mrs. A. F. Tarr who extended to us a very warm welcome. While in London we saw the Houses of Parliament and "Big Ben," St Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Cathedral, The Tower Bridge, London Bridge,

Madam Tussaud's Wax Museum, the British Museum, No. 10 Downing Street, Buckingham Palace, and the "Changing of the Guards."

We did not forget to see the "New Gallery" on Regent Street and that evening we attended the meeting and saw the beautiful hall filled to capacity. Elder G. E. Vandeman was the preacher. At the close of the meeting we greeted him and he was pleased to see us. On Sabbath we attended the Holloway church, north London, where we met several people we knew. Among them were Elder and Mrs. Pierson and Bobby. Pastor Pierson was the speaker that day. All of us from Southern Asia took part in the services. After lunch Brother Tarr took us to the sanitarium at Watford where we met Dr. W. H. Williams who was once in India. He recognized Brother Pein Gyi and spoke some Burmese and also some Tamil!! From there we went to Newbold College. On the way we passed Eton College and Windsor Castle. We spent the evening at the college and after a very profitable visit returned to London.

BURMA UNION*President: C. B. Guild**Secretary-Treasurer: Pein Gyi**Office Address: 68 U Wisara Road, Rangoon***MEDICAL EVANGELISM
IN RANGOON**

A. E. ANDERSON

THE accent has been on the material side of our needs here in Rangoon for the past few months at the Seventh-day Adventist Hospital. Many hours of planning and hard work have gone into the construction of our much-needed addition to the hospital building.

The new wing is truly a credit to the cause of God. The buildings and grounds are neat and attractive. The facilities are convenient to both the staff and the patients. The hospital is moderately equipped to meet the general medical needs that it is called upon to render.

Our hospital is staffed with a qualified medical personnel. Yet, with all of these commendable points, the hospital board and staff felt that the institution was falling short of its ultimate purpose. They realized that the material things, important as they are, are not enough. It was with this conviction in their hearts that they have made a positive step forward.

In checking our records for the first six months of 1955 we found that we have had an average of about eighty-two in-patients each day. In addition to these we have a daily average of over one hundred out-patients each clinic day. Think how many thousand rupees would be spent on advertising and other expenses connected with an evangelistic campaign capable of attracting an audience of a comparable number. Here we have this large group coming to us without us spending one rupee for advertising.

It was the unanimous conviction of the staff that use should be made of this splendid opportunity that is presented to us here each day. Plans were made to instal a complete public address system through the hospital whereby we can carry the gospel of Jesus by song and word to each room and to each patient.

Very soon now the project will be

a reality. The record changer, tape recorder and amplifier are on hand and in a few days the wiring will be completed. It is our plan to have at least two programmes daily for the in-patients, which will include health talks as well as spiritual thoughts. A strong follow-up work is planned for the interest found.

The supreme reason for the medical arm of the message is to promote and support the great evangelistic programme. We in Burma are determined that with the help of God this may become a strong means of winning souls for His kingdom.

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HARVEST**

ESTHER DAHLSTEN

THE Kandy church was gaily decorated for its annual Harvest programme. Our enthusiastic Sabbath school superintendent, Mrs. M. Claasz, had spared neither time nor effort to make it a success. The church members and their friends were all invited to be present and to bring their first fruits and anything else that they could spare for the big sale. The proceeds of the sale were to go to swell the Investment fund. That the invitation met with a good response was evident from the pile of produce that began to accumulate in the vestry of the church during the week before the sale and the perishable items which were brought in just prior to the programme which was scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

All the "first fruits" and gifts of various kinds were arranged at the foot of the rostrum where they could be seen. The programme included among other things, special organ music, a poem, "The Farmers Bring

Their Tithe," and a reading "Eleventh Hour Workers." Pastor B. D. Juriansz brought to our attention the significance of the gathering in of the harvest and reminded us of how God's people, in Bible times, were asked to bring of their first fruits to the Lord and also the tithe of all their increase which is the Lord's portion.

At the close of the programme all the fruits, vegetables, cakes, and other gifts were moved to the church school room and quickly disposed of to the waiting crowd. We were all very happy when told that with the proceeds of this sale, our Investment goal for the quarter of Rs. 100 had been reached. This is quite a high goal for such a small group, but with the loyal co-operation of our enthusiastic people we believe we shall reach the goal of Rs. 400 for the year which we have set for ourselves.

THINGS I HAVE SEEN*(Continued from p. 2.)*

such into which you can invite friends or strangers and let them know that you are a minister of the gospel? Will others carry away the impression that your home is all that a Christian home ought to be? Home to be inviting does not need to be filled with a lot of display and furniture. When it is clean and orderly it says "Welcome, here lives a minister of the gospel who respects the dignity of his high calling."

How do our workers carry on their work? Paul's admonition is that whatever we are doing we should do in such a way as to not be ashamed of it, to have a personal satisfaction in a job well done. It is a joy to meet a worker who takes pride in his work and gives of his very best by using all the talents the Lord has given him. His work shows that he recognizes that he is working for the Lord, and because of the good results he is a happy man. How thankful we are for such workers. But on the other hand I beheld those who had only excuses for not having accomplished many things. They do not radiate happiness and joy in a task well done, nor do they take much interest in their work. It was as if they said, "I am glad you came but I will be happy when you are gone so that I can be left in

my indolence and indifference. Let me carry on without too much effort and do not expect too much of me." Such workers usually have complaints against the leaders or committees, or against fate for their lack of success.

Stop and review your attitude. Do you radiate joy, happiness, and satisfaction in your work? Are you giving of your best every day for the Master? Is your attitude toward your flock, whether it be in the church, classroom or the office, that of a kind, loving shepherd who is doing his best to care for those under his charge? If you are, then I am thankful from the depths of my heart for you and for your service. If you are in the former class, I plead with you to change your indifference to an earnest application to your work. Desist from making excuses and join

the many who are tirelessly working for souls. All it takes is good earnest effort on your part and a deep consecration to your task. You will then have joy in knowing that you are accomplishing that to which the Lord has called you.

As I travel throughout the length and breadth of this Division field I am happy to find improvements on every hand. We are the people who are looking for the Lord's return so we must take the lead in every line of spiritual improvement. Let us determine anew to be efficient workmen and show that we are rendering service as unto God. May the Lord bless you in the conduct of this service, that the order of heaven, the neatness of a true Christian, and the love of a loving Saviour may radiate from everything that you do.

I had the privilege of attending another village effort which was conducted by Brother Devade and Brother Nade. Brother Devade visited this place several times before he started his effort. We had five or six members in this village, and others were interested in the message and asked for an effort there. Brother Wamanrao Kamble is a very faithful church member and assisted in the song service and musical items. The meetings were going well. About eleven people had given their names for the Bible class. They want to be baptized at the end of this quarter. Brother Devade is conducting the Bible class and Sabbath school regularly. We hope to baptize quite a number from this place. Please pray for these souls.

Ingali is a small village three miles away from Patan Kodoli where Brother B. H. Kale used to visit the people and preach the message from time to time. People from this village requested him to conduct a series of meetings. So with the help of Brother Nade he conducted an effort for six weeks, six days each week. Many attended these meetings and are interested in the message. Brother Kala has organized a class for them and is conducting a Sabbath school. We hope to baptize some souls from this village at the end of this quarter.

Yes, many many souls are hungering and thirsting after truth. We are trying our best to satisfy them by giving them the three angels' message. The Lord has promised to gather His precious jewels from the four corners of this world for His kingdom.



Sometimes a clear conscience can be nothing more than a short memory.—*Sunshine Magazine.*

Gratitude is a fruit of great cultivation; you do not find it among gross people.—*SAMUEL JOHNSON.*

Men are never so likely to settle a question rightly as when they discuss it freely.—*LORD MACAULAY.*

Adversity is sometimes hard upon a man; but for one man who can stand prosperity there are a hundred that will stand adversity.—*THOMAS CARLYLE.*

Money may be the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not loyalty; days of joy but not peace or happiness.—*HENRIK IBSEN.*



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**VILLAGE EFFORTS IN
KOLHAPUR DISTRICT**

S. B. GAIKWAD

AFTER the teachers' summer school at Hatkanagale in the months of March and April, some of our teacher evangelists were asked to conduct village efforts in Kolhapur District. These efforts were conducted in three different villages namely: Itiwade, Chokak and Ingali.

Brother D. P. Kate, our experienced village evangelist, was asked to lead out in Itiwade effort, assisted by Brother L. S. More. Last year we had an effort conducted here by Brother M. D. Nade and Brother S. B. Devade and nineteen souls were baptized into the truth. Besides these members, there were some other people who were interested and were asking for another effort. So Brother Kate and Brother More arranged with the patil for the meeting place and meetings were started. Brother Kate says the first meeting was attended by 150 to 200 people and the same number of people continued to attend regularly.

One non-Christian teacher who had the habit of chewing pan tobacco attended our meetings. One night Brother Kate was giving a health message. As he talked about this habit, the young teacher was convicted. At the close of the meeting he stood up and said he had decided not to use pan tobacco any more.

In spite of opposition, many attended these meetings. One old man who was recently baptized said: "I am seventy years old Christian in this village; when I heard this message I felt I was not a real Christian. Now I am a good Christian."

One of the head patils from this village gave his building for our meetings and helped us in many ways. As the result of this effort a class of nine members is organized. These candidates are taking regular Bible studies and preparing for baptism. We hope to baptize all of them at the end of this quarter. Brother Kate is conducting a Branch Sabbath school and is keeping up the interest although we do not have a place for our meetings and no permanent worker to carry on the work. Let us remember the work in this village.

HOW TO SECURE PERSONAL DECISIONS FOR THE TRUTH

M. K. ECKENROTH

TACTFUL means of awakening an interest is necessary in evangelistic work. However, for a person to give Bible studies or conduct a lay-preaching campaign and not bring people across the line in a full acceptance of the truth, is like a farmer planting corn or wheat, but never reaping a harvest.

One of the main reasons that we fail in obtaining more decisions for Christ is that we frequently hesitate to call for these decisions. Another reason for failure is that, at times, we are too blunt or abrupt in extending our invitation to the people. Both of these extremes are to be avoided.

We cannot over-emphasize the importance of the tactful approach, saying the right thing at the right time and desisting from speaking at inopportune times.

It was a tactful, careful approach on the part of the Master that brought Him the wonderful success that He had.

"His tender compassion fell with a touch of healing upon weary and troubled hearts. Even amid the turbulence of angry enemies He was surrounded with an atmosphere of peace. The beauty of His countenance, the loveliness of His character, above all, the love expressed in look and tone, drew to Him all who were not hardened in unbelief. Had it not been for the sweet, sympathetic spirit that shone out in every look and word, He would not have attracted the large congregations that He did."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 254.

A significant statement for every soul-winner to contemplate is given to us in the following words: "You

need not feel that all the truth is to be spoken to unbelievers on any and every occasion. You should plan carefully what to say and what to leave unsaid. This is not practicing deception; it is to work as Paul worked. He says, 'Being crafty, I caught you with guile.'"—*Evangelism*, page 125. This is one of the hardest lessons for us as soul-winners to learn.

APPEALS AT EVERY STUDY

It is highly important that we call for decisions of one type or another at the close of every meeting or study. It need not necessarily require a physical response, such as raising the hand, or going forward to the altar, or kneeling in prayer; but some earnest appeal on the part of the worker should be made. We are told, "At the close of every meeting, decisions should be called for."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 65.

It therefore follows that gradual steps of development should be followed through by the worker, and each successive appeal should be made more earnest and more urgent. It is a mistake to wait until the closing studies of the series to begin making appeals. Successful appeals should be made throughout the entire series of studies or meetings. Decision cards could be prepared. These have been found very successful.

IMPROVE EVERY OPPORTUNITY

Whole books have been written on the importance of personal work. "When personal work is neglected, many precious opportunities are lost, which, were they improved, would advance the work decidedly."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 364.

"We may speak words of encouragement to those whom we meet. 'A word spoken in season, how good is it!' Souls are perishing for the lack of personal labour."—*Evangelism*, p. 430.

"Not only is the truth to be presented in public assemblies; house-to-house work is to be done. Let this work go forward in the name of the Lord."—Ellen G. White in *The Review and Herald*, Aug. 11, 1903, p. 8. "This house-to-house labour, searching for souls, hunting for the

lost sheep, is the most essential work that can be done."—*Evangelism*, p. 110.

ASSURANCE OF SUCCESS

As we go forward in this service for Christ we may be assured of success if we have unlocked the heart's door. Here is a good word of assurance from the servant of the Lord:

"To all who are working with Christ I would say, Wherever you can gain access to the people by the fireside, improve your opportunity. Take your Bible, and open before them its great truths. Your success will not depend so much upon your knowledge and accomplishments, as upon your ability to find your way to the heart. By being social and coming close to the people, you may turn the current of their thoughts more readily than by the most able discourse. The presentation of Christ in the family, by the fireside, and in small gatherings in private houses, is often more successful in winning souls to Jesus than are sermons delivered in the open air, to the moving throng, or even in halls or churches. All who engage in this personal labour should be just as careful not to become mechanical in their manner of working as should the minister who preaches the Word."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 193.—*Review and Herald*.

GOD FOUND ME

Dorothy E. Walter

God found me in the shadows,
He took me by the hand;
And now I'm trav'ling upward
To heaven's glory land.
He saw me by the wayside,
Where fetters bore me down;
But now I'm going homeward,
Where waits a golden crown.

The way is not so weary
As where I walked before;
For God has gone before me
And gained the other shore.
I choose no more the pathway
That leads to bitter end,
But God's great arm now guides me;
He is my precious Friend.

God found me in the twilight,
Where lot of man should be,
But now I'm nearing homeland
To dwell eternally.
O come, my precious brother,
Before it is too late,
And walk with God the pathway
To heaven's outstretched gate.

LOOK AND LIVE!

D. A. DELAFIELD

“ON the Lord our God our eyes are ever fixed!” exclaimed David in one of his prayer songs (Ps. 123:2, Fenton translation). Though he was a king, David humbled himself as a servant and looked to God continually. “Behold,” he said, “as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until that He have mercy upon us.” Ps. 123:2.

Micah, disappointed by the frailty of human nature, concluded that his only safety was in looking to God. “Trust ye not in a friend,” he said, “put ye not confidence in a guide. . . . The son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; a man’s enemies are the men of his own house. Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.” Micah 7:5-7.

And Paul, aware of the obstacles in the race set before the Christian, reminded us that in “looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith” (Heb. 12:2), we would find strength to endure and win the prize.

How many have turned away from man, in whom there is no strength, to God, the source of infinite power and satisfaction. “It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.” Ps. 118:8.

To look to God is to centre the attention of the whole man upon the person of the Divine One. Nothing lifts us out of our humanity into the heavenly atmosphere like this. Said Mrs. E. G. White: “We are not to look within for evidence of our acceptance with God. We shall find there

nothing but that which will discourage us. Our only hope is in ‘looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.’ There is everything in Him to inspire with hope, with faith, and with courage. He is our righteousness, our consolation and rejoicing.”—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, pp. 199, 200.

When we are the object of criticism, when we feel that we are not understood or appreciated, we should look to Christ. “Let not the unkind speeches of men hurt you. Did not men say unkind things about Jesus? You err, and may sometimes give occasion for unkind remarks; but Jesus never did. He was pure, spotless, undefiled. . . . Look to Jesus, and work with an eye single to His glory.”—*Ibid.*, Vol. 8, p. 129.

SAFE SO LONG AS WE LOOK

The Christian who consults with selfish feelings is in a dangerous position. “As long as you look to Christ, you are safe; but the moment you think of your . . . difficulties, and begin to sympathize with . . . yourself, you lose your trust in God and are in great peril.”—*Ibid.*, Vol. 4, p. 522. “Looking to Jesus” is the most simple and accurate definition that can be given of the secret of victory in the Christian life. How we need to have our humanity charged with this vision of divine life and power. Oh how desperately the church stands in need of an infilling of the love and the life and the power of God! Again and again the servant of God wrote to the church the simple message: “Look to Jesus.” (*Ministry of Healing*, p. 85.) And the promise was given: “The darkness that encompasses you will be dispelled by the bright shining of His presence.”—*Ibid.*

“Look unto Me, and be ye saved . . . for I am God.” Isa. 45:22. Oh, what a glorious refuge in these stormy days! When did you last look to God for personal direction and power? Go back to the place where you communed with Him and look heavenward once more. Climb Jacob’s ladder and gaze upon the mansions God is preparing in the skies. Brother, sister, climb to heaven on Christ, and you will enter at last into the city of God. Look—look to Jesus!—*Review and Herald*,

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BAPTISM AT SHAMPURA

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LAST November Brethren Phares, Harnam Dass and Skaukat Massey erected a chapar in Shampura in which to conduct meetings. Immediately upon its completion they ran into difficulties. Although the people had given them this piece of ground for the purpose of holding meetings, they now decided they did not want any meetings held. So they tore down the structure even before the meetings could begin. Our brethren went to the authorities of the village and learned that they were desirous of having meetings held, and they promised their co-operation. Again a chapar was erected and arrangements were finalized for the commencement of the meetings. Soon after the preaching began opposition melted. The people said that they had never heard such things before. At the present time the message has been so favourably accepted that a land site has been offered for a very nominal figure as a permanent place. We hope to have a church in this village soon.

In February we baptized two pioneer souls, and as usual, opposition flared up. For the baptism a hole was dug near a well with a Persian wheel. Our opposers mockingly said, “The Adventists have dug a grave.” I chose the topic “Baptism Is a Grave” as my baptismal subject. Many people gathered to see the burial as commanded in the Scriptures. They watched with interest as we laid the canvass in the dirt grave and filled it with clear water from the well. Sikh women who had been attending the meetings took a special interest in every detail. After the baptism some asked when they could be baptized. We are continuing our meetings and ask that you join us in praying that many more in this place will be prepared to meet the Saviour.

THAT WE FAINT NOT

THERE is no easy road to heaven. The way of the righteous man is rough and stony. At times the heights before him seem insurmountable, and the roads impassable. The faint-hearted will never go far in this race. Only those who endure unto the end will be saved.

The question is, How may we endure? What shall be done when we are faint-hearted?

Of Moses we read: "He endured, as seeing Him who is invisible." Heb. 11:27. This man of God feared not the king of Egypt, because he saw by spiritual sight the invisible King of kings who was waiting to help him.

In another passage, referring to Jesus, Paul tells us: "Consider Him . . . lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds." Heb. 12:3. Here we have the complete answer to our fears and faint-heartedness. As we think of the greatness and majesty of God the Father, the compassion and power of His Son Jesus Christ, who have registered their interest in our behalf, there should be no cause for failure on our part. As the Scripture says, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" Rom. 8:31.

Long ago when Abraham and Sarah found it hard to believe God's word, God posed the question, "Is any thing too hard for the Lord?" Gen. 18:14. The same question should cause all our doubts and fears to cease.

To every worry, every over-anxious thought, every problem we cannot solve we should bring this testing question, "Is any thing too hard for God?"

If we have surrendered our lives completely to God's management, we may be free from every undue anxiety. When we come into extreme difficulty, we may know, "Man's extremity is God's opportunity."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 146. Commenting on this, Mrs. E. G. White writes:

"Labourers, co-workers with God, have a sense of the sacredness of the work and of the severe conflicts they must meet in order to carry it forward successfully. Labourers will not faint and despond in view of the labour, arduous though it may be. . . . We are without excuse if we fail to avail ourselves of the ample provisions made for us that we might be

wanting in nothing. Shrinking from hardships, complaining under tribulation, makes the servants of God weak and inefficient in bearing responsibilities and burdens."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 2, pp. 509, 510.

To all troubled and faint-hearted ones the Scripture says:

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40:29-31.—*Review and Herald*.

DEMONIC FORCES IN THE AIR

F. D. NICHOL

DR. HERBERT BUTTERFIELD, professor of modern history in the University of Cambridge, is a mixture of historian, philosopher, and theologian. Not a bad combination, to be sure! One needs a philosophy of history in order to understand it, and how can one more intelligently look at history than through the spectacles of theology. We were impressed with this fact as we read a quotation from a lecture Dr. Butterfield gave some time ago. He declared:

"Christianity, as it operates on mundane events, conducts the battle on behalf of righteousness in a manner that is its own, not in the manner of the men of the world. By the very definition of the situation, our fight is not against flesh and blood, but, to use the New Testament phrase, against principalities and powers—meaning by these not states or political bodies, and certainly not human beings, but pervading systems. Our fight is against some devilry that lies in the very process of things, against some thing which we might even call demonic forces existing in the air. The forces get men into their grip, so that the men themselves are victims in a sense, even if it is by some fault in their own nature—they are victims of a sort of possession."

What a commentary on the words

of the apostle John, who in vision, having seen Satan "cast out into the earth," filled with malignant enthusiasm, declared:

"Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." Rev. 12:12.

What a commentary on John's further words in description of the seven last plagues that are to bring judgment upon men:

"And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty," Rev. 16:13, 14.

What a commentary on the words of the messenger of God for our day, who long ago warned of the growth of satanic forces in the world, and who forecast that expanding spiritism would finally reach its climax in the scene described in Revelation 16:13, 14. (See *The Great Controversy*, pp. 561, 562.)

We talk much these days about atomic bombs and hydrogen bombs, and ever more powerful bombs that

are rumoured to be in the making. But let us not forget that the real threat to the world in its last hours is not from the power of bombs, but from the power of the wily devil. The threat from that growing power becomes greater each day as we draw nearer to the climax of the controversy between Christ and Satan.

NO FREEDOM FROM SATAN'S ATTACKS

Perhaps by withdrawing from great cities, out into the country, we may be free of the threat of bombs, but nowhere on the earth can we be free from the threat of the devil. His evil angels roam the wilderness and the forest as truly as they roam the great cities. These words are not intended to minimize the value of leaving the great cities, far from it. The literal, earthly environment of the country is undebatably much more conducive to heavenly thoughts and heavenly action than the environment of the city.

All we are seeking here to do is to bring sharply to the consciousness of our readers the fact that there is no place on earth where we can go that the devil is not already there seeking to seduce to evil and to destruction. We are the most deluded people in the world if we think that simply because we have gone to dwell amid the solitude of the hills, or in a sparsely settled valley, we are therefore protected from all evil. We are not. We must daily watch unto prayer if we are to escape the wiles of the devil, who daily, yes hourly, makes his assaults upon our minds and desires, who stimulates us to envy, jealousy, avarice, and lust, who ever tempts us to turn our thoughts from God to the things of this world.

If Satan has no more success in his assaults upon us than merely to make us perfectly content with the quiet spot in which we may now live, wholly satisfied to live and to die there, unconcerned to develop strong Christian character and to overcome innumerable petty sins that taint our souls, he will be perfectly satisfied. The devil's goal is not so much to cause men to commit great sins; he is content if they commit only small ones. He is interested, not in driving everyone into the penitentiary, but merely in keeping everyone out of heaven.



O ADVENTIST! WHERE ARE YOU?

O Adventist, where are you? What have you done with that great message of yours? or is it "great," as you once thought? If it is, how can you keep from being thrilled—and from thrilling others with it?

Are there "truly" royal courts on high—courts of an Eternal King? Is He "really" the Creator of the universe? Can we "know" that He is a personal God? Has He "surely" sent a Saviour? Is He for a "certainty" coming again?

If I knew this were true, I would shout it from the housetops! It would be my compelling passion. It would claim my everything. It would be my light in life and my hope in death!

If it is true, how can you treat me so? Isn't it my inheritance too? How dare you withhold that which is rightfully mine?

O Adventist, I am all mixed up. You say that to know Him is to love Him. But how can I know Him if not through you—if you do not show me the way? My heart is crying for something. Do you have it? Won't you share it if you do?

I am uncounted starving millions, hungering for a truth that makes men free. I am a desperately troubled world. I am Japan, Africa, India, the islands of the sea. I am your neighbour next door. O Adventist, I am depending on YOU!—"Review and Herald."



DANGER IN THE AIR

It would add little to the force of this article to remark that we live in great and dangerous days. That statement has been said and resaid in a thousand forms, until indeed, its force is largely lost on all of us. That, incidentally, is a tragedy. If the greatness and the danger of these days is not evident to every thinking man and woman, then we doubt that the evidence we might here provide would add much to their alarm.

These lines are written, not to announce the obvious fact of these dangerous times, but to make clear where the real danger lies, that we may rightly be on our guard. Scientists, commentators, and statesmen have been telling us that the threat to modern man is found in the explosive heavens above us. We would not minimize their statement; rather, we would magnify it by agreeing with it and going beyond it to declare that there is even a greater danger in the heavens surrounding us than we have

realized, the danger that is represented by "the prince of the power of the air." We would take most literally Dr. Butterfield's statement that there are demonic forces existing in the air.

MY TRIP TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

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College, was also there and it was a pleasure to meet him.

After spending a few minutes exchanging greetings we hired a taxi and drove to the hotel where we deposited our baggage and then went along with Brother Koilpillai to buy our food.

After food we went to see some of the sky-scrapers. Since there were a variety of these tall buildings we wondered which would be the best to visit. Considering the short time at our disposal someone very wisely suggested that we go up the tallest one—the Empire State building. We accordingly made our way there and took our places in the queue to purchase tickets. The charge was one dollar ten cents (equal to Rs. 5/-). We were told that the number of people who visited this building every day was 9,000. There are six elevators each carrying about twenty people every time. We were up to the 102nd storey in one minute and spent quite a few minutes up on top looking at the 40, 60, and 80 storied buildings which looked small indeed when compared with the Empire State building. The height of the building is said to be over 1,000 ft.

The next tallest building is the Radio City building which we saw for a few minutes then we went on to the United Nations building. We did not have the time to join any of the tours which were organized and so we just looked at the assembly rooms and came out. We saw the flags of several nations of the world being set up in front of the building and I did not fail to make a note of our own flags flying majestically among those emblems of freedom.

That night Times Square was a magnificent sight to us. The neon electric lights used for advertising are beyond description. The colourful, artistic decorations kept us spellbound.

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THE CERTAINTY OF OUR APPOINTMENT

FREDERICK LEE

WE LIVE in a day of spiritual floundering. Strong religious convictions are frowned upon. Science is permitted to dogmatize, but those who hold to any certain body of religious doctrine are looked upon as unworthy of any place among thinking men. One is permitted to hold a hazy idea of God and human destiny, but one must not be too certain in regard to divine revelation.

Faith in the Bible, which is the only authoritative source of Christian truth, has been undermined by modernist views. It is little wonder then that the Christian church is filled with voices that do not harmonize. Though many are working for unity with great earnestness, but few are willing to lay aside their own little tune and be led wholly by the teachings of God's Holy Book. Today, as in the days of the Reformers, the Bible and the Bible only is to be the source of our teaching. Men may persuade us by the power of their logic and the apparent wisdom of their philosophy, but we must ever ask by what authority they speak.

Christ made great claims for His message and work. It is little wonder then that the chief priests asked Him the question, "By what authority doest Thou these things? and who gave Thee this authority?" Matt. 21:23.

There was no question in the mind of Christ as to His authority. He was certain of His divine appointment. He taught as one having authority and not as the scribes. When He sent forth the disciples to teach and establish His church, He gave them power and authority to do so. They were not left in doubt as to what they should teach.

There must be no uncertainty in regard to the content of the Christian message for these days. There must be no hesitation and doubt as to our work. There will be little power to

convince men of truth when there is no great conviction.

CALLED OF GOD TO DO A SPECIAL WORK

The Advent Movement is not a product of human devising. It was born not by the will of man but by the will of God. The marks of divine sanction are upon it. We can be assured that we are not following cunningly devised fables but are acting under the authority of Heaven. There need be no wavering on this point. Those who preach the third angel's message can go forth with a certainty of purpose little known in these days. We bear a message for this last hour from the Ruler of heaven. Only those who are thus

definitely conscious of the authority and sanction behind this movement will be able to withstand the subtle doubts and questionings of this sceptical age. As the days go by and the scroll of prophecy is unrolled, we may grow more conscious of the unique position that the Advent Movement occupies.

Marvellous providences in connection with the rise of this movement and the mileposts that we have passed since that day—all of which are the fulfilment of prophetic utterances—are a wonderful incentive to our faith. We cannot read the great plan of God as revealed in the Scriptures and observe the working out of His plan in the fulfilment of His prophecies and promises without finding our faith taking firmer root.

We are a people who have arisen in fulfilment of prophecy. This is just as true as the Bible is true. The authority behind this movement is found in the fact that we meet the specifications of those whom the Lord has chosen to do a special work in a special time, as outlined in Revelation 14:6-12. Let us go forth with greater assurance and zeal to finish the work God has committed to us.

NEWS FROM

THE WORLD FIELD

CALLS FROM "UTTERMOST PARTS" OF NEW GUINEA

A. J. CAMPBELL

IN THE great heart of New Guinea there are hundreds of thousands of people who have not as yet heard the Advent message, nor of Jesus and His power to save. The outside world has known of this country and the secrets hidden behind and between its two mighty parallel mountain chains, the Bismarck and the Central ranges, for only twenty years. What a tremendous challenge these areas bring to God's remnant people.

Mount Michael is a thirteen thousand-foot volcanic cone, about which live many thousands of people who have been surrounded by the gross

darkness of heathenism but among whom at long last the light of the everlasting gospel is beginning to shine. What a wonderful dawning it is to these people, who in some areas are just now beginning to get their first glimpses of Christ and of His power to save their benighted souls. To the east of Mount Michael lies the Fore area, where most of the people have now given up cannibalism and the eating of their own dead in a very short space of time, and among whom a baptism is planned for the near future. To the west of this great extinct volcanic cone is the Bomai country, where people are calling for the message God has given His people.

The national director of the Bena Bena District, in the territory of

which the Mount Michael area lies, took with him into this new country several helpers, or volunteer missionaries. They built up new stations in uncontrolled territory, constructing neat, new types of native dwellings, the like of which these primitive people had not before seen. They were greatly impressed by these neat, compact, and practically fireproof dwellings. The European government office, responsible for extending government influence into these new primitive areas, was also much impressed by these new mission stations, and invited our native workers to construct more of these outpost stations among the Mount Michael people.

Tnto, a volunteer missionary, was placed in one section of this large territory. The inhabitants changed his name to Ikoli. This is the native name for the enormous volcanic cone of Mount Michael, which means "messenger from God." This name was given to their new missionary, for he was indeed a messenger from God to them. Sege is the name of one of the other volunteer missionaries. His name was changed by the people to Ouli, which means "peace," as opposed to their own evil customs, which involved so much warfare.

Remotely situated in the world, New Guinea has its own "uttermost parts." Soon the golden opportunities we have today to bring Christlike aid and succour to these desperately needy people will be gone forever. Oh, now is the time for God's remnant people to act and do, as never before. How wonderful will be the eternal reward when souls from these darkened lands whom we have won, or helped to win, stand with us in that glory land.

SEEKING OUT THE HONEST IN HEART

J. A. WINEMILLER

I WAS finishing my territory in West Virginia. To reach the last house in the country it was necessary to walk seven miles around a large mountain or three miles through a dense forest. It was getting late in the day, and I had to return fifteen miles to my headquarters, where another colporteur was waiting for me.

I was strongly advised not to cross



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through the forest, because men had been lost for several days. But I felt strongly impressed to go the short way.

I entered the thickest woods I had ever seen, but kept pushing on. Soon a voice said to me, "You are lost; you are lost." I knew angels were warning me, and I at once dropped to my knees imploring God to direct. When I rose I felt pressure against my right arm. So I turned halfway to the left. Then I felt pressure on my left side and at my back. I started in a new direction and in a few minutes came out into a small clearing with a house at the farther end.

When I stepped on a dry stick a woman who was getting water at a well became alarmed and fled into the house. She locked the door and then stood at the farther end of the room beside a gun hanging on the wall ready for instant use.

When I informed her I was a Christian she opened the door and invited me in, and I proceeded to introduce my books. We came to a picture of the darkening of the sun in 1780, and she said, "I saw that," and I looked at her, wondering how this thirty-five-year-old woman could have seen that sign. I proceeded to the picture of the meteoric shower of 1833, and again she said, "I saw that." Then I lowered my book and asked her how she or even her father could have seen either of those two signs. Then she told me this story.

"Several years ago," she related,

"I started saving six dollars for a book explaining the Bible. Every time I had that much saved something would happen to take the money away from me, until about a week ago, when it happened again. I fell down on my knees and cried out to God in my great grief. Then I fell asleep, and there came before me a man who looked just like you. He showed me these two pictures in a book, and a voice said to me, 'Get this book; it contains the truth.' So, thank God, you have come with the book He wants me to have."

The woman read the book, *The Great Controversy*, wrote to the Review and Herald, and was invited to attend a camp meeting not far from her home, where she was baptized. I thank God that He led me through the forest to this honest soul!

AT REST

BAIRAGI—Mrs. T. C. Bairagi passed away on April 6, 1955, at the age of fifty-three. She carried on her usual duties in the home till nine o'clock in the morning when she suddenly fell ill. Despite all efforts of two doctors she continued to get worse and breathed her last at 4:30 p.m. on the same day.

Sister Bairagi accepted the truth in 1915 and was baptized by the late Pastor L. G. Mookerjee in 1918. With her husband Mrs. Bairagi went from village to village and helped in the Lord's work until the time of her death. She was a Dorcas leader for many years and her influence encouraged others in Dorcas work. She was a very meek person and we will long remember her smiling face. She was buried in the mission cemetery at Gopalganj by Pastor G. C. Baroya.

A memorial service was conducted by Pastor R. S. Fernando at which time representatives from all churches in Faridpur and Barisal were present. Sister Bairagi leaves behind her husband, three sons, two daughters, and a host of friends to mourn her death.

We believe Sister Bairagi will have a part in the first resurrection. We are "looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."

—S. N. Arinda.

MEET OUR WORKERS



PASTOR W. H. MATTISON, son of our Division president, was born in Lucknow and lived in India off and on until 1940 when he returned to the U. S. A. for his college education. Brother Mattison returned to India to work as a missionary in 1947, the year of India's Independence. He began working in the town of his birth, Lucknow. After helping Pastor P. K. Simpson in some meetings in this town, and holding a series of meetings in Allahabad he was transferred to Agra in 1949. Here, with the Lord's help he was able to establish a church in the city of the Taj. During his stay in Agra he also held meetings in Kanpur, which were successfully followed up by Pastor I. M. Chand with another series of meetings and then the Kanpur church and school were established. Brother Mattison went on furlough in 1952 and when he returned to India he worked in Agra for six months and then was transferred in August of 1954 to Jullunder where he is at the present time. He is president of the North India Mission.

MY TRIP TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

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The next morning we saw some more of New York and its heavy traffic. That afternoon arrangements were made for Pastor Pierson and me to take part in a television interview for fifteen minutes. I went in with my Mysore turban and the gentleman who interviewed us asked us several questions about India and our work there.

Immediately after this programme we hastened to the station to board our train to Washington. On the way to the station we boarded one of the

underground tube railways and came to Pennsylvania station at 4 p.m.

Our train to Washington was one of those stream-lined trains which ran at over sixty miles an hour. We went through Philadelphia and other industrial cities and reached Washington at 8-30 p.m. Pastor J. F. Ashlock and his son-in-law were at the station to meet us and very soon we were at his daughter's home, where we were entertained with a very satisfying supper. We were then taken to the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Morse in Takoma Park where arrangements were made to accommodate us. We stayed in this lovely house for a week.

Our food was supplied by both the Washington Sanitarium and the Review and Herald Publishing House cafeterias where we were treated as guests. We went through the General Conference offices and met most of the secretaries and officers and the members of the staff. Elder Eric Hare spared no pains in showing us his office and the many new devices he had introduced into the Children's Division of the Sabbath School. We did not fail to go through the Ellen G. White Publication Bureau and Vault where we met Elder A. L. White who very kindly showed us the many original manuscripts of Sister White's books. We also lifted the big Bible which is much spoken of as being held by Mrs. White in her left hand for a long time. Next we went through the Review and Herald Publishing House where some of the workers remembered Brother C. N. Abraham of our Oriental Watchman Publishing House, as one who spent several months there.

Our next visit was at the Theological Seminary where we met Elder E. D. Dick who recognised us as he had seen us in India. Pastors S. Thomas and G. Isaiah have quite a few friends who still think of them.

We also visited the Washington Missionary College and Sanitarium. These two institutions are situated in one great campus. Brother J. W. Peeke, who is the treasurer of the College, took us around. I was greatly impressed by the large library this college has. At the Sanitarium we met Dr. Clifford Anderson, our "Radio Doctor" who was anxious to discuss with us about the reception of his Radio broadcast from Ceylon.

NOTICE

SPICER MEMORIAL COLLEGE GRADUATES

There is a large number of unclaimed High School certificates, Junior College diplomas and Degree diplomas lying in the registrar's office. We will be happy to send them to you if you will ask for them.—Registrar.

We also met Mrs. Michael who spent so many years in India. She was very glad to see us. Another Missionary to India who was interested in us was Miss M. Bruce who helped us very much during our stay in Washington. One evening the missionaries from India who were in Washington planned for an India Day when we were entertained to a special Bara Khana of rice and curry. I was not disappointed in the preparations and was eager to have some of the food specially after not having tasted rice and curry for nearly two months. We met at this gathering quite a few missionaries to India and some who were from India. There were in all about sixty people who had gathered. Pastor Pierson was the main speaker. Brethren Pein Gyi, Akbar, and I also spoke and conveyed the greetings of Southern Asia to all those present.

On Sabbath we attended the new Takoma Park church. The sermon was given by Pastor Pierson. After the service, Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Flaiz took us to their home for lunch. In the evening we attended the Sligo church where we saw about 2,500 people attend the service.

On one of the week days, Brother Hare, took us in his car to the city of Washington and showed us the Supreme Court, the House of Representatives, the Senate House (all these while in session), the Jefferson, Washington, and Lincoln Memorials, the White House, the Smithsonian Institute, etc., etc. One morning we went to an Academy near Washington where Brother H. T. Terry is the principal. We spoke to the student body.

It was now time for us to leave Washington for the long trip across the U. S. A.

(To be Continued)

Miscellany

● **LETTERS** from Brother A. H. Farthing and Miss Ada Warhurst give an encouraging report of the effort in Madura, as follows: "Our Sunday night attendance has risen to 700, with week night attendances of 400. Our special Bible studies on Revelation and Hebrews are bringing about 200 people of the regulars. We are finding plenty to keep us busy on our feet and humble on our knees. Do continue to pray for Madura."

● **PASTORS** O. O. Mattison and A. E. Rawson, accompanied by Mrs. Rawson spent several days at Roorkee conducting a V. O. P. institute and field school for the workers throughout the Northwestern India Union. The workers in this union have returned to their areas of labour with a new zeal and enthusiasm for soul-winning. Pastor and Mrs. Rawson also spent several days in the Dehra Dun area contacting Voice of Prophecy students. Several are already observing the Sabbath.

● **ON** July 27 Pastor E. Watts and family landed in Madras. As Brother Watts will be joining our evangelistic force in the Tamil field he will begin studying the Tamil language right away.

● **PASTOR** and Mrs. Neal Sherwin arrived in Karachi recently on their way to Rawlpindi. Brother Sherwin will do evangelistic work in the West Pakistan union.

● **PASTOR** and Mrs. M. E. Kemmerer and Peggy returned to Salisbury Park. They report a happy furlough and bring fresh news of the enthusiasm with which the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering was promoted in the U. S. A. Brother Kemmerer states, "It is great to be back home!" We are certainly happy the Kemmerers are with us for another term of service in Southern Asia.

● **REPORTS** of the successful Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer meetings continue to pour in from all areas of the Division. Large baptismal classes have been formed in every school and arrangements are being made for baptisms between now and the end of the year. Pastor J. F. Ashlock conducted the Week of

Prayer at Spicer College. He is now attending an M. V. Camp in Ceylon.

● **A LETTER** from Pastor T. R. Torkelson reports that they are now comfortably located in their new home at 27 Barakhamba Road, New Delhi. Pastor and Mrs. S. P. Vitrano are also living at the same address. The union offices will be located in rooms at 27 Barakhamba Road. This is the new property purchased for the Northwestern India Union headquarters in New Delhi.

● **BROTHER** M. S. Prasada Rao writes that the Week of Prayer readings are being translated now into



THINK ON THESE

None so blind as those that will not see.—MATTHEW HENRY.

The reward of a thing well done is to have done it.—RALPH WALDO EMERSON.
Whatever makes men good Christians, makes them good citizens.—DANIEL WEBSTER.

Trust that man in nothing who has not a conscience in everything.—LAURENCE STERNE.

Labour to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire—conscience.—GEORGE WASHINGTON.

When a man assumes a public trust, he should consider himself as public property.—THOMAS JEFFERSON.



Khasi, Garo, Lushai, Naga, Bengali, and Hindi in that field. It is good to know that this excellent material is being prepared in these many languages so that it can reach out into the homes and lives of the people.

● **BROTHER** S. Koilpillai who has for some months been working in the secretarial office of the Division has received a scholarship which will assist him to study in the school of business at Harvard University, in Boston, U. S. A. After a brief visit with his people he plans to fly from Bombay to Boston on August 23. We wish him well as he takes up studies in his chosen field.

● **THE** Voice of Prophecy summary report, ending with June, 1955, reveals that 71,896 students have graduated from the course. Many of these have not yet been contacted by a church member or a representative. Are we doing our part in this work?

● **PASTOR** E. R. Reynolds reports another baptism in Karachi of two persons. He also reports active visitation in the hospital.

● **PASTOR** H. T. Burr who is in charge of the work in Assam reports a baptismal class of thirty-five at the close of the Week of Prayer at the school. This is good news.

● **REPORTS** received just recently from Spicer Memorial College indicate that students attending the college come from Burma, Northeast India, Northwestern India, Pakistan, Bombay, South India, Ceylon, and Ethiopia. The total enrolment in college, secondary, and elementary sections is close to 300. This is the largest group of students ever to be enrolled at S. M. C.

—D. S. JOHNSON.

ERRATUM

In the "Miscellany" column of the August 1 issue of the "Tidings" it was stated that Mrs. P. Keane passed away after surgery at the Giffard Mission Hospital. We wish to correct this statement. Mrs. Keane did not undergo surgery. She died about two hours after admittance to the hospital.—Ed.

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**THE GOAL HAS BEEN
REACHED
CONGRATULATIONS!**

W. L. BARCLAY

IN A recent issue of the SOUTHERN ASIA TIDINGS an article appeared entitled "The Goal Is in Sight." It called attention to the progress of the Uplift campaign. Now we can write under the above title, "The Goal has been Reached."

Isn't it a wonderful feeling to know that we have had a part in helping the Southern Asia Division reach its goal? And the knowledge that the goal has been reached in a comparatively short time is most encouraging. It clearly indicates that the campaign in each Union and local Section, and in each church was well planned. For the first time in our Division history the goal has been reached in the first half of the year. Now we have the rest of the year to devote to other phases of the work.

As we study the reports from each field in the Division we find that four fields have not yet reached the goal set for them. We know that these fields will continue to work until they go over the top. It is not enough that the Division goal has been reached. The full joy of accomplishment will come only when *all* have reached the goal.

We are convinced that many of you have had interesting experiences as you called on your friends and businessmen in the interests of Uplift. We believe that these experiences would be a source of inspiration to others. We would urge the readers of the "TIDINGS" to write out these experiences and send them to:

The Home Missionary Secretary
Southern Asia Division of S. D. A.
Post Box 15, Poona, India

On a recent Uplift trip Pastor L. F. Hardin and the writer were beginning work in a certain area. It was with hesitancy that we approached the first place of business. Last year the manager of this place gave us a small cheque, but made it clear that he did not want us to return this year. In fact, he had been quite rude. Our first reaction was to pass up this place and go on to others, and after we had



UPLIFT RECEIPTS

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Union	Goal Rs.	Receipts Rs.	Percentage of Goal
Burma	30,000	50,000	166.33
Ceylon	15,000	12,500	83.3
Northeast	34,000	17,000	50
Northwest	26,000	24,150	92.5
South India	45,000	46,375	103
W. Pakistan	30,000	89,520	202.1 (Indian Rs.)
Bombay State	30,000	19,141	63.8
TOTAL	210,000	258,686	123.61

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION HAS GONE OVER ITS SUPER UPLIFT GOAL BY RS. 48,686/- —IN LESS THAN SEVEN MONTHS—FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITS HISTORY

This achievement is the result of prayerful hard labour by workers and church members throughout the Division. We thank you for your splendid co-operation.

West Pakistan Union has doubled its goal. Burma Union has gone over its goal by 66.33%. CONGRATULATION!!!! We trust that the other Unions will reach their goals very soon.—W. L. Barclay.



built up a list then return to this estate. However, it would have meant a long drive back and would have been inconvenient.

We decided to begin right there, leaving everything in God's hands, and go forward in prayer and faith. When we sent our card in to the manager, we were invited to his office. We were happily surprised to find a new manager. The old manager was gone. This new manager received us very courteously and invited us to his home which was nearby. There we presented our mission to him. He had many questions to ask, which we answered under the guidance of God's spirit. He was interested in learning the fundamental beliefs of our church. Finally he said, "Gentlemen, we must do what we can in God's good work," then he wrote out a cheque for *four times the amount* given by the previous manager. Before we said good-bye to this gentleman, we had the privilege of

kneeling with him in prayer. He was deeply touched by our prayers. It would have been unfortunate indeed if we had followed our human inclinations and passed this place by. If we had we would have lost a good sum of money for God's cause. We would have lost an opportunity to bear witness for the Master. We would have missed the joy of drawing a soul nearer to the Saviour. In our Uplift contacts it is always wise to go back to the same places year after year, no matter how we have been received in the past.

In closing, I again want to thank all who have had a part in making Uplift a success, and congratulate you on a work well done. I am sure this has been recorded against your name and Jesus will say: "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Matthew 25:23.