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The Winter Council of the Northern European Division

BY H. L. RUDY

THE Annual Winter Council of the Northern European Division for the year 1931 convened in Riga, the capital of Latvia, December 23rd to 29th. Brother T. T. Babienco, the president of the Baltic Union Conference, together with his workers gave us a hearty welcome to Riga and very thoughtfully provided for all our needs. Amid the comfortable surroundings and the kindly atmosphere of the Council as a whole we spent a week packed to overflowing with the richest blessings that God could bestow upon any body of weak, erring men.

We greatly regretted that, due to circumstances that man cannot govern, Brother E. Kotz from the General Conference could not meet with us as was planned. Brother C. H. Watson, the president, and Dr. A. W. Truman, the Medical Secretary of the General Conference, were both with us and were a real help in the Council in every way. Brother Watson's practical counsels, both as to leadership and finance, found a ready response from all who were present. We believe that the future will have many good things in store for us if we will heed the counsel that God sends through His appointed servants. Dr. Truman had a great burden for strengthening the medical work in the Northern European Division. He made it

very clear to us that much more could be done by way of educating the ministry and the laity along the lines of good health principles. The medical convention at Hultafors which immediately followed the Winter Council at Riga will no doubt result in the formulation of many helpful plans for more effective utilization of medical means that God has so kindly committed to His chosen people.

There were a number of special matters that received repeated attention throughout the Council, in Bible studies by the brethren from the General Conference, in the various reports of the Division, and also during the sessions. These matters rested very heavily upon the hearts of the leaders. One was that of our *loyalty to the Advent message*. Special time was taken on Friday evening to review some of the fundamentals of the Advent message. Brother W. E. Read led out in this important meeting. He was followed by others who unanimously took their stand wholeheartedly upon such fundamental teachings as the sanctuary question, the message of justification by faith, Christ's ministry in heaven at this time, etc. The old adopted teachings of the Seventh-Day Adventist people, as revealed to them under the leadings of the spirit of

prophecy, were reaffirmed. Everyone present in that meeting declared his loyalty to the truth of God for this time by a reconsecration to the proclamation and the finishing of the great judgment hour message.

The next matter that was repeatedly emphasized was that of *winning and holding our young people*. All were conscious of the fact that our young people constitute one of the greatest single treasures that this movement possesses. A special meeting was appointed on the evening after the Sabbath for Brother G. A. Lindsay's report and strong appeal in behalf of the 6,000 young people in this Division. Later some very timely resolutions were worked out on this matter. These are published elsewhere in this number of the SURVEY.

A third item was very carefully studied, that of our *relationship to the popular philosophies clustering around, or in opposition to, the law of God as laid down in the seventh commandment*. Dr. Andersen from Skodsborg opened up this large field of study for us and the Council felt that some special message should go to our believers regarding our stand on the sex problem. This appeal, it is hoped, will add strength to all who keep the commandments of God in this day and age of the world's civilization.

The various reports of the Winter Council were indeed cheering. In his report for the whole Division, Brother Read presented some facts that were both encouraging and challenging. In fact this was true of all the reports. The past year has been exceptionally blessed with regard to soul-winning. In the first *nine* months of the year the net gain in membership shows 444 more than the net gain for the whole of 1930. With a total membership of 25,621 in 1930, and a total membership of 27,458 by the end of *nine* months of the year 1931, we have an increase in membership of 1,837. The prospects are that the total increase in membership for the year 1931 will exceed 2,000.

In this brief write-up it will be impossible to refer to all the reports of the unions and the departments. Suffice it here to state that all reports included strong appeals on behalf of a greater and more effective work that must be done with far less means than we have ever had at our disposal. That will call for greater economy all along the line, more diligence on the part of the ministry and laity, and, above all, an abundance of the propelling power of the Spirit of God.

The many goals for the year 1932 received much consideration. We felt that the loyalty of our dear members would not want us to retreat in any of our missionary endeavours. The Harvest Ingathering goal was raised five per cent. The goal for the Week of Sacrifice was set at \$16,000, which means that every worker in the Division, including all institutions, should sacrifice one week's salary. It means more. It means that a large percentage of our members will need to join the workers in sacrificing a week's wage or income during 1932 in support of the Lord's work. The goal for Big Week was not raised because we fell so far short of reaching it last year. We must reach it in 1932 in order to open up new work at home and abroad. A special goal of \$270,000 was set for literature sales in 1932. The publishing report revealed a decrease in literature sales in 1931 as compared with

1930. It was felt at the Council that this condition must be changed in 1932; that a greater army of colporteurs should join the ranks and sell our truth-filled literature at this time of many books.

The educational features of our work were strongly stressed. It was felt that the churchmembers must be better trained in missionary work; that the colporteurs should receive greater knowledge for their special line of service; and that our schools must be strengthened so that a better class of workers will go into the field. Very definite plans were formulated along these lines. These will appear from time to time.

It will be of special interest to all believers and supporters of the Advent message to learn that new work can be opened up in the mission fields in 1932. Two calls for missionaries could also be answered. A call was made for a recruit from the British Union to go to Tanganyika, and another call was made, also from the British Union, for someone to connect

with the book work in West Africa. Brother Clifford from the Gold Coast, who attended the Council throughout, also brought in some urgent requests from his field, but at present it was not possible to meet all these. There were many calls for help, at home and abroad, but most of them had to be postponed in the hope that God would yet open the way before us and finish His work where we are not able to enter just now.

When finally the last day of the Council had arrived we found a great amount of work accomplished, and also a large number of matters still to be attended to. Less than an hour before the trains left Riga, the Council was finally adjourned. With great courage, and with a profound determination, everyone turned his face to the great task. With a reduction of salaries; with smaller appropriations; but with faith in God's leadings we scattered, to serve the Lord in our different stations and trust to His unseen blessings for the year 1932.

Our Foreign Missions Campaigns in 1931

BY H. L. RUDY

THE two mission campaigns—The Harvest Ingathering and Big Week—were very taxing to faith and missionary zeal, but therefore all the more precious. Hardships, oppositions, and all that looms up before the promulgation of the Gospel are the most healthful stimuli for Christian growth. Church history clearly illustrates the fact that in times of prosperity and absence of opposition spiritual coldness and moral decline took the place of missionary zeal and spiritual power. We thank God for His gracious leadings, for permitting us to pass through a time when it takes faith and sacrifice to meet the crying needs of the message of salvation. As we look over our past year's experience in the missions campaigns we find that a most precious spiritual experience came to those who participated in them. We see also that the faith and labours of God's

loyal children were rewarded above all expectation.

At this juncture we want to express our gratitude and thanks to God for all His longsuffering kindness to us; and also to His believers for joining heart and hand throughout the Northern European Division in bringing in the funds so much needed to keep our missionaries at their posts of service and to send more help to places where the heathen are waiting for the Bread of Life.

A brief glance at what has been accomplished in the two campaigns will bring rejoicing to those who shared in the work. We will look at the goals and then notice the results.

BIG WEEK

	Goal	Reached	Increase
Baltic Union	\$1,600	\$1,694.89	\$94.89
British Union	3,300	2,930.50	369.50*
Polish Union	1,000	839.23	160.77*
Scandin'v Union	4,500	4,447.08	52.92*
Ice'd-Faroes Conf.	200	267.32	67.32
African Missions	425	400.88	24.12*

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HARVEST INGATHERING

	Goal	Reached	Increase
Baltic Union	\$8,700	\$ 8,827.64	\$ 127.64
British Union	45,500	42,954.31	2,545.69*
Folish Union	4,700	5,001.57	301.57
E. Nor'e U'n	13,200	17,124.17	3,924.17
W. Nor'e U'n	21,300	24,484.56	3,184.56
Ice-d Faroes C'f	2,000	3,343.68	1,343.68
African Miss'ns	5,000	3,633.46	1,366.54*
Totals	\$100,400	105,369.39	4,969.39

*Decrease.

These figures show that the two campaigns represent a large amount of labour. The Big Week results were a bit disappointing but the deficit will be made up in the coming campaign. The Harvest Ingathering Campaign was most cheering throughout. In some conferences as high as ninety-four per cent of the membership actively participated in the campaigns. The unions, however, do not show such high averages. A mean average of sixty-five per cent of the membership can safely be given for the unions in the European part of the Division.

The young people deserve particular mention and commendation for the large share they contributed to the success of the campaigns. In some churches they raised almost the entire goals. It isn't in the young people of the Advent movement to disappoint the Lord. We rejoice over the great treasure of youth in the church. We shall always count on our young people to do even more than their share. "As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth." Psa. 127:4.

It would be exceedingly thoughtless to overlook the scores of mothers in Israel who toiled so arduously in soliciting funds for missions during the great campaigns. These souls we find in every corner of the Division. Reports of their blessed work have come from Great Britain, Finland, Poland, Sweden, and a number of other countries. If all the facts were known there would be such work reported in every conference, yes, practically in every local church. God only knows what it requires of these gray-haired sisters to walk along country roads, climb high flights of stairs, leave their children alone for days, go without their food, etc., in order to

bring the hundreds and thousands of dollars to the mission treasury. Instances are known where sisters, over sixty-five years of age, have actually gathered as much as \$300 in the Harvest Ingathering. What an inspiration to the cause of truth! What a stinging rebuke to those who have excused themselves from such a needy work!

We have mentioned the youth and the aged, but we cannot fail to acknowledge the faithfulness of the great bulk of believers in giving their time and labour to the cause of missions. We acknowledge, too, the strong leadership that has been manifested in the various fields and churches, thus

making the campaigns possible. The great Giver of rewards has a perfect record in His courts above, and if we continue in faithfulness to Him He will cause us to rejoice above all that we can think or ask over the great privilege we have of working together with Him in the salvation of souls.

Again we are constrained to look forward to the coming campaigns. We do that with the assurance that the great God Who has kept us in His power and worked out so many victories in our own lives and in the progress of the Gospel, will be true to His promise to be with us to the "end of the world."

The Medical Council at Hultafors

BY W. E. READ

THE first Medical Council held in connection with the Division convened at the Hultafors Sanitarium, January 4th to 7th. We were privileged to have Dr. A. W. Truman, the secretary of the Medical Department of the General Conference, present with us, and his valuable help meant a great deal to the success of the meeting.

The sanitarium at Hultafors is located in a very beautiful place. It can be truly said to be "beautiful for situation," located as it is on a hill overlooking quite a large lake surrounded by rising lands, most of which are densely wooded. For the time we were there every-

thing was covered with a mantle of snow and the woods, the lanes, and everything around us presented a magnificent picture.

We were very comfortably cared for in the sanitarium and shall long remember the very pleasant associations formed during that meeting. Altogether about thirty-six were present, although the number of doctors was very small indeed. In addition to Dr. Truman there were present Dr. Andersen from the Skodsborg Sanitarium, Dr. Suchsdorff from Finland, and Dr. Garbo, who is the visiting physician at the Hultafors institution. We had hoped that others might

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Delegates at the Hultafors Medical Council

ON LOYALTY TO THE MESSAGE

THE signs all around us indicate very clearly that we are living in the close of earth's history, and we are convinced that the coming of the Saviour is very near at hand. The time in which we live is one of great peril to the church of God. The spirit of indifference, the teaching of modernism, the great wave of atheism and materialism which is spreading over all lands, together with the promulgation of false doctrines both in and outside the Christian pulpit, are leading many to lose their faith in the Word of God.

These dangers face us as a people and we need in these days to safeguard ourselves and our believers against losing the simplicity of the faith and being deceived by the many specious theories which abound on every hand. We should surely thank God anew for the saving message of truth He has committed to us, and for the hope of the blessed appearing of Jesus. We need to remind ourselves of the fundamentals of the message and review the evidence of God's providential leadings in the Advent movement from the beginning of 1844.

At such a time as this, when the world is fast hastening to its doom and when so many are turning aside from the path of virtue and righteousness, we would register our conviction that the third angel's message is of God and would urge all our believers to stand firm to the principles of truth and not be moved away from the solid foundation of the Advent message by any of the false teachings of this time. The message is our safeguard against the terrible apostasy of this age, and will keep us in the hour of temptation which has come on all the world. In these days of increasing wickedness God calls His people to grow in spiritual grace and to enter into a deeper experience in divine things. He not only enjoins this, but provides the enabling grace and power to make such growth possible.

More diligent attention and de-

termined effort should be manifest in the study of the Word of God, meditating particularly on the wonderful themes of present truth such as the atonement, the sanctuary, the investigative judgment, etc. We should read our truth-filled literature, especially the volumes of the spirit of prophecy, and seek to keep pace with the onward march of the movement by regularly reading the *Review and Herald* and other church papers in the various languages. We should enter into the various forms of missionary activity which will result in bringing blessing to our own souls, for in ministering to others we are blessed ourselves.

Let us be loyal to our God, loyal to the Advent message, loyal to our brethren and sisters, and faithful in giving and living the message, so that when the Master returns He may find us ready to enter into His everlasting kingdom.

AN APPEAL TO OUR MINISTERS

REALIZING that we have entered upon perilous times—times that demand the very highest standards on the part of the children of God and in particular of His ministering servants, we, the members of the Division Committee in Council, would bring to you, dear fellow-workers, our heartiest greetings and express our earnest desire that you might be successful in the great task which has been committed to you.

Such a time as this requires that God's ministers be whole-heartedly devoted to His cause, that they employ every talent and energy in His sacred work and at the same time walk humbly with their God. Our ministers are honoured with the highest and noblest calling ever extended to man, and we pray that you may be enabled to live a pure, holy, Christlike life which will manifest itself each day in unselfish service. The Lord expects His servants, as they preach the Advent message, to reveal the same faithfulness, the same zeal and self-sacrifice, as did the pioneers of the message, and that the same tender care of His flock be shown,

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especially on behalf of the weak and erring. It is your privilege to be examples to the believers. In this age of moral depravity it is of the utmost importance that our ministers avoid all undue familiarity with the sisters of the church. Such a time calls for a prayerful, circumspect walk and the exercise of the greatest care, that the ministry be not re-proached. In a Christlike way you should ever seek to lead the church forward and upward.

As faithful ministers you should take the lead in every endeavour promoted by the church and bear your proper share in every feature of its organized life—the Sabbath-school, the character-building of the young, and all the various lines of missionary activity.

In addition to the work in our churches, we naturally think of the solemn responsibility of preaching the message of present truth to the world. We realize that more exacting requirements are made on our ministers to-day than ever before. It means much to present the message in an acceptable and convincing way to an irreligious generation, therefore we pray that God might empower you with wisdom from above, with zeal and endurance, and enable you to see the need of seeking adequate physical, mental, and spiritual fitness in order that you may experience greater victories in His great cause.

MESSAGE TO OUR BELIEVERS

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

WE write to you from the Winter Council of the Northern European Division, gathered these days in Riga. Grace and peace be multiplied unto you richly. In our united prayers you have often been the subject of our petitions, and we believe that God has heard

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also your supplications on our behalf. We have realized His presence and blessing.

It has strengthened our own confidence to realize that God, in this time of diminished monetary resources, is yet calling us to go ahead more strongly than ever and is rewarding our faith more abundantly. This year the Division, notwithstanding panics, has reached its goal in the Ingathering. The net gain in membership is larger for the first nine months of 1931 than for any complete year in the past. Best of all, where our membership is most oppressed and persecuted, there its spirit is most undaunted. Are not these facts a token to us that while earthly revenues may be lessening the Spirit is being poured upon us from on high? According to our faith, it is being given unto us. The set time to favour Zion is come. As we draw nearer to God He will draw nearer to us, and we shall consequently see multitudes taking their stand under the banner of truth.

Now is the time to put away all that shuts the power of God out of our lives. Our own young people must not see in us any inconsistency that enables them to excuse themselves in weakness, self-indulgence, pleasure-seeking, worldliness in dress and conduct, or any other carelessness or neglect in spiritual matters. We must build again the family altars that have fallen down. By bringing all the tithes into the storehouse, we must show the sincerity of our desire that the windows of heaven be opened upon us. By heeding the principles of health we must go into training for more strenuous lives of unselfish devotion. The Sabbath-school and the prayer meeting must no longer be slighted.

We must cut down the time spent on newspapers and fiction, and give it to the Bible and our own edifying literature. If any have been following the ungodly multitudes to the pictures, and similar un-Christian amusements, let us put to a nobler use the hours thus wasted, and equip ourselves mentally and spiritually for better service in God's cause. Let us cease to be half-and-half, lukewarm Adventists, and take our appointed place in the ranks of the children of light.

Brethren and sisters, by what magic has Satan so beguiled some of us that while we are nominally on the side of truth, in so many vital respects we fail to honour the Lord Who redeemed us and through our influence sometimes lead weak souls astray? Let all bitterness and evil speaking, all party spirit, all old grudges, all cheap gossip, all unworthy jesting, be put away, "as becometh saints," and let the church rejoice over us as valiant, whole-hearted, generous, trusty, clean-living, members. Let our young people see that we are uncompromising champions of truth, without one atom of hypocrisy in our walk and conduct, walking in all the light that God has given, and yet let them find us wholly sympathetic to their inexperience, always ready to extend a hand of loving support in their time of need, no matter how often or how irritatingly it may recur. Let the world recognize in us true soldiers of our King, fearless light-bearers in a perverse generation, workers who have no need to be ashamed.

Has not the time fully come, brethren and sisters, to put off all the works of darkness, all weak connivance at the immorality of the age, and to put on the armour of God? We beg you to suffer this word of exhortation and join us in earnest prayer and consecration that, in these last hours of the conflict with sin, our Lord may not be put to shame through us, that His zealous spirit may find no hindering lack of loyal disciples to push the triumphs of His cross

into every corner of this Division, and that you all with us may go a full part to shed the saving light upon the one hundred and seventy millions in our home fields and in our African territories.

Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling and fulfil in you all the good pleasure of His goodness and complete through you the work of faith with power, that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you and ye in Him.

On behalf of the committee,
President: L. H. CHRISTIAN.
Secretary: W. E. READ.

APPEAL TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

"WE write unto you, young people, because ye are strong, and the Word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."

As we meet in Division Council, and consider the perils among which we live, and especially when we listen to medical warnings concerning the horrible ruin into which Satan has seduced so many promising lives, we feel we must address to our young people a solemn and affectionate appeal. We ask you to think earnestly of your own duty in such a time as this. The hour of temptation, widespread and deadly, is here.

Inventors of evil things have assisted the enemy of souls to convert modern life into one huge snare. In the picture palaces, on the hoardings, in shop windows, and popular magazines, are displayed to the eye every kind of incitement to unclean lust. Books and papers abound with sexual temptation. The radio is ready to bring into almost every home the allurements of the theatre and the music-hall. Dress fashions destroy modesty. Modern society sneers at virtue. Even science stands ready to break down characters by teaching men and women how to sin against their own bodies with comparative safety. Innocence and virgin purity are the object of Satan's continual attack.

Where are you standing, dear young people, in a world so fouled

by the tempter's hellish labours? Are you keeping the heart pure and the will strong by faith and prayer? Or are you being drawn into the slime and rottenness that are engulfing so many, physically, mentally, and morally?

We appeal to you most earnestly to live the white life, and stand on the side of purity, not only for your own sake, but also for the sake of others, perhaps younger and weaker than yourselves—it may be, your own brothers and sisters—to whom you may become true friends, real helpers. We need your full, unspoiled strength in giving to the world, by voice and conduct, the living Advent message that makes its receivers pure, "even as He is pure."

Rank yourselves decidedly under the banner of the Lord Jesus; unite yourselves with your fellow missionary volunteers in strong, unselfish efforts to rescue the young people of this corrupt age. Boys and girls all around you are selling themselves to be the slaves of evil. Save them. We who are older look to you to link your youthful enthusiasm with our efforts to fill the whole world with the message. We ask you, by the

Saviour's indwelling presence, to be the winning, venturesome, ardent crusaders that God meant you to be, that you and we may rejoice together in one Leader, one task, one victory.

God bless you all, we pray, as you try to raise aloft the standard of the message and carry it as it should be borne before the world.

We hope you will read often and thoughtfully the pamphlet that was written to our young people entitled *Standards of Christian Living*. We ask all of you to give earnest study to the teachings of this book, that none of you will ever be in the slightest doubt, when beset by the artful temptations of the evil one, as to what your attitude and course should be as one of our loved and trusted Missionary Volunteers.

STATEMENT OF THANKS TO OUR BELIEVERS

WE recognize the perplexing situation and the many difficulties which obtain in so many of the fields throughout our Division at this time. We think of the poverty and the hardships of many of our believers. We think also of the widespread unemployment and the very strenuous opposition and bit-

ter persecution in so many places.

We wish to pass on to our entire membership our deep appreciation of the splendid efforts and loyal co-operation of all our workers, our church leaders, and our churchmembers in all the conferences and mission fields, for their faithfulness in tithes and offerings, their liberality in Sabbath-school gifts, the splendid efforts they have made in the Harvest Ingathering efforts and in the other soul-winning campaigns this year.

The excellent help which has been given at so much personal sacrifice and given so freely and so willingly has resulted in many souls being won to the cause of present truth. We feel grateful for this excellent spirit of loyalty and more so in view of the present shortage of funds and the inflation obtaining in so many countries.

We rejoice with our brethren and sisters in every field in the remarkable achievements in the special efforts made this year. We are thankful, also, that during the first three quarters there were received into the church by baptism and vote no less than 2,755 souls. We would remind them that their labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Multum in Parvo

THE following is the gist of the reports given by some of our brethren at the Winter Council:

Baltic Union.—A remarkable spirit of sacrifice has been shown by our members in bringing of their treasures to the storehouse of God. The year 1931 is a banner year in the matter of soul-winning. The net increase in membership for nine months is over 300. Their work for the same year has been carried forward in thirty-five new centres and they have baptized believers in no less than sixty different places. There is a crying need for church buildings throughout the Union. For the ninety-four churches they have in the three fields there are only five church

buildings. A great difficulty is also being experienced by the evangelists in securing suitable halls in which to conduct their efforts.

British Union.—In this field serious financial conditions obtain and much unemployment. Yet the literature sales have increased and the Harvest Ingathering receipts have also been greater in 1931 than in previous years. Tithes have increased and mission offerings have not fallen below those of former years.

Polish Union.—This being a cosmopolitan field the work must be carried on in various languages. Last year was the first time that Poland has reached its goal in the

Harvest Ingathering Campaign. It has meant much hard work, some members travelling over 200 miles to secure their gifts. During an effort which yielded a fruitage of twelve souls, one evangelist was beaten no less than seven times. In other parts of the field, however, the authorities were indicating certain interested people and suggesting that Bible studies be given to them.

Scandinavian Union.—It is thirty years ago since this Union was organized. It is no longer known by the above name, however, for it has recently been divided into the East Nordic Union and the West Nordic Union. During the first ten years of its existence there was an

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BY J. J. STRAHLE

increase in membership of 966. During the second decade there was a gain of 2,471, while during the last ten-year period the gain was 3,728. Strong medical work has been carried on in this field, as well as educational and evangelistic labour. In addition to the sanitariums there are five denominationally owned clinics and seventy privately owned clinics. 1931 has been a very successful year. One conference departmental leader has just baptized eighty people as a result of an effort which he conducted in a town of not more than 5,000 inhabitants.

African Missions.—The fields in which our work is already established embrace fully 129 provinces, but there are ninety-nine of these as yet without a representative of the Advent message. Thus far we have entered only one of the French African colonies. The African evangelists are doing good work in winning souls. At one place in the Gold Coast there were over 100 baptized during 1931. In South-east Nigeria, where Brother J. Clifford has laboured for nine years, the African work is now entirely self-supporting. There are also 2,000 in the Sabbath-school in that part.

An action was taken to open a new station in the East African Union during 1932 if at all possible. The place in question is Tabora in Tanganyika and it is hoped that the funds for this will be forthcoming from Birthday Offerings and Investment Fund.

Educational Department.—During 1931 there were enrolled in our training schools 435 students; forty-seven graduated last year, and of these thirty-five entered the organized work. In addition, 152 students took up colporteur work last summer, sixty of whom were successful in securing their scholarships. The enrolment in our colleges represents but seven per cent of the total number of young people in the Division. Counting the children enrolled in church schools the percentage is fifteen. The standard of education in our schools must be raised, and special attention needs to be given to the proper supervision of the school homes.

E. M. E.

FROM the Gold Coast I travelled to Sierra Leone, and was met by Brethren Gronert and Berglund. Brother Gronert, the superintendent, told me that quite a number of workers had already arrived for the institute. A runner was sent notifying the workers that the institute would begin the next morning. To my happy surprise nearly twenty were present. These workers were very attentive and eager to learn how to sell our truth-filled literature. The prospects are bright for a good work in Sierra Leone, and I believe that good success will attend the efforts of the brethren there.

In this field I discovered that the Gospel is not only displacing heathenism, but it is also breaking through the barriers of Mohammedism. While I was at Waterloo, Brother Gronert introduced me to one of the most prominent chiefs of Sierra Leone who is a Mohammedan, who came to our mission head-quarters and requested our mission to send teachers and pastors to instruct his people in the Gospel. Later I learned of another Mohammedan chief who had invited one of our native workers to teach his people. Our worker in that place has already won forty Mohammedans who have accepted the Gospel as it is in Christ Jesus.

I was introduced to a native woman who, they said, was a hopeless case. She accepted Christ and became obsessed with a desire to be able to read the Bible so that she could work for others and win them to Christ. To-day, as an old Christian woman, she stands as an example to her people of cleanliness and thrift, and because of the remarkable change in her life she is inspiring others to give up their idols and become followers of the true God.

In conclusion let me say that West Africa, composing Nigeria, the Gold Coast, and Sierra Leone, presents one of the most fruitful fields for soul-winning I have ever seen. To-day Africa is appealing for us to bring her the third angel's message. The African has seen

that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation. Our primary task is to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ that will regenerate the African man and woman. May we do our part in meeting the challenge that comes to us from Africa.

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be present, but pressing duties prevented them.

A number of matters were given very careful consideration, matters upon which we had felt there should be some definite policy outlined for the guidance of our workers both in and out of our medical centres. Study was given to such questions as health standards in our sanitariums, duties on the Sabbath, preparatory training for young people who enter the nurses' course, presenting the truth to patients, the relation of our sanitariums to the conferences, increasing the patronage at our health institutions, principles and objectives which should govern us in our medical work, the matter of economy in operation, and a statement of our position on the question of health reform. Some of the actions taken at this meeting will doubtless be printed in later issues of the SURVEY.

God has given to this people a message of health reform which is not one-sided, but which is a reasonable, helpful phase of the message of truth for this time. Everyone enjoyed to the full Dr. Truman's presentation of our health message.

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Mrs. A. W. Allen

IN this issue of the SURVEY will be found photographs of four of our young people who have bidden good-bye to the homeland and turned their interests towards Africa's great need.

Brother and Sister A. W. Allen will connect with the East African Union and locate at the headquarters at Nakuru. Brother Allen takes charge of the colporteur work which shows great promise in that large field. Sister Allen has already spent several years in East Africa. On her last tour she was Miss Winnie Clifford and cared for the girls' school work in the East Tanganyika mission field.

Brother and Sister Ronald Carey will also connect with the work in the East African Union mission. Brother Carey will act as foreman of our little publishing house which is located in Kavirondo. This has been quite an urgent need for a long time now and we are glad that Brother Carey can look after this work and give it the close attention it needs.

We pray that God may abundantly bless these young people as they put their youthful energies into the task committed to them and that as a result of their efforts in the cause of God, the light of present truth

Good-bye to the Homeland

BY W. E. READ

may be brought to many darkened hearts in the great continent.

Transportation Notes

MRS. C. HOWE returned to South Africa on the s.s. "Carnarvon Castle," after spending some time in America. She stayed in England only a few days.

DR. AND MRS. E. W. INGLE sailed on the same boat as Mrs. Howe. Mrs. Ingle has been visiting America, where she left her son in school. Dr. Ingle has been studying in England for a short time, and returns to South Africa with further degrees.

MR. P. C. POLEY is in England on sick leave from India, and will spend some time at The Stanboroughs to recuperate his health. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter.

MR. R. G. MORTON passed through England en route for America for furlough from South



Mr. A. W. Allen

Africa, with Mrs. Morton and two little daughters.

MR. AND MRS. S. W. PALMER and their two children left England for South Africa, returning to their work, on the s.s. "Ussukuma."

MR. AND MRS. R. CAREY left home on January 9th to take up work in East Africa. They are both from Watford and will connect with the publishing work in Kenya Colony.

MR. AND MRS. A. W. ALLEN will sail by the same boat as Mr. and Mrs. Carey, but connecting at Genoa. Mr. Allen is taking up foreign mission work for the first time, but Mrs. Allen is returning to the field.

MR. J. J. STRAHLE, visiting mission stations, will sail on the same boat as the above two couples.

C. H. ANSCOMBE.



Mr. and Mrs. R. Carey

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"THE Lord God is bound by an eternal pledge to supply power and grace to every one who is sanctified through obedience to the truth. . . . The church on earth united with the church in heaven, can accomplish all things."
—"Testimonies," Vol. 7, pages 30, 31.