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## Signs of a Great Harvest

BY L. H. CHRISTIAN

OUR time is a fertile soil for false revivals. The mind of man now has entered into a strange state. With many, emotions and snap dictations have become a stimulant and a substitute for clear, safe thinking. The mentality of our day seems purposely prepared by evil angels for their full and final control of the human race. Passion, envy, hatred, fear, inspired often by pride of race, having reached flood-tide, are ready to burst the last bulwark. Eager for change and excitement, this war-weary age turns lightly to things new and sensational. Such conditions, favourable to counterfeit religious awakenings, in which God's truth is belittled or perverted, constitute a great sign and a great peril. Truly our days of a golden harvest are days of deadly dangers. But these very dangers are stepping-stones to higher ground for the Advent movement.

Another token of the reaping to come is the present yearning for a spiritual reformation seen in many Christian groups. A New Year's article in a large state-church paper on the Continent says: "One of the supreme needs in this land, and in all lands this coming year, is a great revival. We thank God for every sign of this which here and there appears, but we must have a world-wide, thorough-going revival which will influence whole nations. Modern Protestantism needs the shaking up of a mighty revival." Another writer in the same paper, report-

ing some meetings, confesses: "We had a good service last Sunday night, the best of the series, but even then we felt an atmosphere of spiritual darkness over it all. . . . A few moments indeed the fog seemed to lift, but only to settle down upon us again." Many seek for reform and revival in a wrong way. Yet even this desire for a new day of power among millions of Christians opens the way for the Advent message, and is a sure sign of the blessed harvest ahead.

A third token of an outstanding advance in God's cause is the gratifying fact that His people everywhere have a mind to do and to give far more for missions than ever before. The Bible prophecy for this day is, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power." We observe this willingness on the part of the true Advent people in every field of this Division. It is seen in the splendid response to the appeal for a larger missionary activity this year. It is very manifest in the courage and plans for the Big Week now right upon us. We have never before found our leaders so eager to make this the greatest Big Week Campaign the Division has known. It looks as if this time not one will shirk or fail. This readiness of our people to sacrifice and to serve is no ordinary experience. It is an

infallible proof that the loud cry of the third angel has begun.

We mention one other heavenly sign of the coming harvest. This one brings both joy and solemnity to our hearts. It is the longing now seen in the remnant church for a closer walk with God. Our people never prayed as much for the Holy Spirit as now. And it must be so. The burden of our deepest desires should be to receive the Holy Spirit. The presence of this divine representative is our only source of genuine success. God will not disappoint His own. He will pour out His Spirit in power. While false revivals and counterfeit spiritual manifestations are multiplying around us, we are to have clearer light and a fresh anointing from above.

As the farmer watches the winter snow, spring rains, and other tokens of what the coming summer's harvest will be, so we in the signs about us, like Elijah of old, are to recognize the "sound of abundance of rain." 1 Kings 18: 41. But we are not merely to think of rich blessings in the future. We are even now seeing a cheering ingathering of souls. Our ministers this winter have an unusual interest and attendance at their lectures. From London come reports of a mighty spiritual endowment in Brother R. A. Anderson's meetings. Our leaders in Finland tell of a great interest at Abo and other places. The past three years the British Union, so Brother W. E. Read writes, has a net in-

REMEMBER THE BIG WEEK CAMPAIGN

crease of 452 members, the largest for any three-year period in that Union. We have just attended the annual meetings of the Nordic Unions. Our membership in those lands is now 11,063—a very grati-

fyng growth over previous years. We appeal to all our believers to pray earnestly that this year may bring us an abundant harvest in spiritual victories and in precious souls won to Christ.

a silent prayer to God. Just then as he looked to the shore of the river near by, he saw a man beckoning him to come. Our brother walked over to the place and stepped into a boat and was rowed across the river to safety. Our brother, referring to his experience, said: "Truly an angel hath delivered me!" Later on the colporteur met the leaders who had planned to rid him from their town. They apologized and begged for forgiveness. They mentioned that they had planned to lay him cold, which means death. They now said: "The books you brought us have helped us to be better men. We now believe God sent you as His messenger for which we are very grateful." Several in this place are now keeping God's commandments.

## The Publishing Department

BY J. J. STRAHLE

THE circulation of our literature is one of the most vital questions that can engage the attention of this denomination. It is through this agency, we are told, that the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory, is to be largely achieved. Our truth-filled literature ought to be regarded as one of the most valuable resources in the world to-day.

### PROGRESS IN LITERATURE SALES

In our Division we have fifteen publishing houses, 109 employees, 27 periodicals, and we print in 24 languages. We have just received tracts, pamphlets, and leaflets from our printing plant in Liberia published in the Basa language. We are also glad to report that the Gold Coast has made a beginning in having literature printed for their field. The first subscription book was recently printed in the Twi language for sale among the Ashanti and the Coast people.

The literature sales from January to October, 1934, amounted to \$192,069. In comparison with the same period a year ago we showed a gain of \$4,800.40. In analysing the literature sales report, it was interesting to note that where the fields were able to maintain the same number of colporteurs as the year before the literature sales increased. The outstanding lesson to be observed is, that in one field the literature sales increased approximately \$1,000 for each additional recruit secured for the colporteur work. Hence our great need is to secure more recruits for the colporteur work.

### HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO SELL SO MUCH LITERATURE?

Some have asked the question,

How is it that we can keep up our literature sales year after year? Others are surprised that it is possible to place so many religious books in the homes of the people. There is not a great demand on the part of the public for the general run of religious books, but there is an earnest desire on the part of many people to know the meaning of the startling events that are now taking place throughout the world. The answer is found in our message-filled books and magazines. We truly ought to be grateful for the wonderful literature the Lord has given us as a people.

When the God-fearing colporteur makes known to the prospect that he has a book which explains the questionings in his mind, the prospect's interest is aroused and desires to secure that which holds out comfort and peace to the troubled heart.

### UNUSUAL EXPERIENCES

Just recently a young man who desired to join our church came late one night to the home of one of our evangelists. The minister asked the young man if he knew to whom he was speaking. The young man answered by saying, "I have read a book that has brought the light of truth to my heart. I am already keeping the Sabbath of the Lord and am anxious to join God's people."

One of our colporteurs in Poland, while working in a town, was spied out as a sectarian, and the priest stirred up the people to get rid of him. The colporteur observed that men and women were arming themselves with guns, pitchforks, and scythes. Our colporteur went about his work as though nothing out of the ordinary was taking place, but sent up

### FROM THE MISSION FIELDS

Field missionary secretaries of the mission fields have passed on to us most interesting experiences. Interests have sprung up in various places through the reading of our literature. A leading chief who had been greatly prejudiced against our work became a friend after having read one of our books. He is now calling for us to work for his people. We are expecting a great increase in the circulation of our literature in the mission fields inasmuch as new books are being published in several language areas. Some of the missionaries have written saying that when the publishing work is well organized it will enable them to get into touch with millions who otherwise they would not be able to reach.

### A WORD OF APPRECIATION

For the splendid work of our faithful colporteurs we are indeed grateful. We count it a privilege to work with such a fine body of men and women of the literature ministry. Our colporteurs are stationed from Hammerfest, the northernmost city of the world, to far south of the Equator.

Nearly every day the post brings messages of courage and cheer from our evangelists of the literature ministry. Reports of Bible readings given, persons interested

in the truth, others ready for baptism. In some instances whole families have been found keeping God's commandments who had never seen a Seventh-Day Adventist. All came about through the sowing of the Word of God by the faithful colporteurs. Into the high-ways and by-ways we see these ambassadors of the King go day by day, braving opposition

and inconvenience, carrying the precious seed. We believe that as a result of our faithful advance guard an indelible record of souls for eternity is being made.

Let us pray that many of the thousands of people who are coming into contact with our colporteurs may see the light of truth in our books and papers, and take their stand for it.

## Our Work in the British Union

BY W. E. READ

WE feel glad in the British Union for the privilege of passing on our greetings to our fellow-workers and believers in all parts of the Northern European Division. The year 1934 has been one of many perplexities, and yet one of many rich blessings. As we look back over the year, we feel that there is much for which to be grateful to God. We feel grateful for the faithfulness of God's people in their tithes and offerings, and particularly thankful for the number of souls won to this blessed truth.

Our evangelistic efforts during last year were well attended and the results to date are very encouraging indeed. The final figures have not yet been made up, but we are very glad to report that a number of large baptisms have been conducted in different places during the year. The reports for the year 1933 showed the largest number of baptisms in the history of the Union. What the record for 1934 will be we can hardly tell at the time of writing.

During the year we were glad for the privilege of making a further contribution to our missions overseas. Some of our promising young people left for Africa. Brother and Sister M. C. Murdoch and Brother and Sister T. H. Fielding bade good-bye to the home shores toward the close of the year and set their faces toward Africa's great need. We pray that God's richest blessing may be with them and use them mightily in the winning of souls in the great dark continent. Our Harvest Ingathering work has been very encouraging. Our people have worked with

great determination, and, notwithstanding the many economic problems, have, by prayer and persistence, brought in a larger amount in the Ingathering work this year than ever before. It looks as though our final figures will be in the neighbourhood of \$46,000. For this achievement we feel deeply grateful to God.

The economic situation in the country has brought increasing perplexities to our institutional activities. It is a problem in these times to know how to pilot our institutions, especially when one thinks of the peculiar situation in the commercial world. The Lord has blessed us, however, but there have been some anxious times. Both our sanitarium and our food factory have weathered the storm, even though they have been buffeted considerably on the high seas of commercial endeavour.

Our publishing work is moving along encouragingly, although the sales of our colporteurs are slightly below what they were the previous year. We were very glad that our student colporteurs during the summer earned so many scholarships. We had a larger number in 1934 than we have had for many years, and this has proved a real blessing to our educational work.

The school at Newbold has an excellent enrolment this year; and the reports which have just come to hand for the first term indicate that they have had one of the best terms in the history of our educational work in the field. Considerable study has been given of late to developing the industrial features of our school work so as

to provide more labour for our young people who find it impossible to bring full fees to the college. The agricultural work at the college is now well under way and we are hopeful for encouraging results in this line of our industrial endeavour. Following the example of our brethren at the Swedish school, we established a leather bag industry last year. These bags are made from scrap leather, and the work done during the first term of the school year has proved very encouraging. Nine of our young people are being cared for in this way at the present time.

During last year we had two church properties come into our hands in a rather remarkable way. While it meant a good deal of effort and sacrifice on the part of the new believers who accepted the truth, yet, in the main, the wherewithal to purchase the buildings was the gift of one individual. He has also accepted the message and to-day is rejoicing with his family in this blessed message. We feel very grateful for these two properties which are now silent witnesses to the truth of the third angel's message.

During the early part of the new year we expect to organize three or four new churches, and we hope that during the year other companies will take on the full responsibilities of church organization.

We face the year 1935 with courage and confidence in God. We feel particularly encouraged because of the counsel given in the *Testimonies* concerning the work in the British Isles. During the years a number of Testimonies were given concerning the work in the British Union.

There is a great work to be done in England. The light radiating from London should beam forth in clear, distinct rays to regions beyond.—*V. ol. 6, page 25.*

We read, however, that the work in these countries

might now be much farther advanced in these countries than it is if our brethren, at the beginning of the work there, had not tried to work in so cheap a way. If they had hired good halls, and carried forward the work as though we had great truths,

which would surely be victorious, they would have had greater success.—“*Gospel Workers*,” page 462.

How we wish we could follow this counsel to-day! But we have come to a time when funds are short, when appropriations are dwindling, and when it seems increasingly difficult to take the large halls, in London especially, and herald forth the blessed news of a soon-coming Saviour. London

with its teeming millions has relatively few workers. London has a population equalling that of several of the smaller European countries put together, and yet how meagre its facilities. May God help us to catch the vision, not only of the possibilities, but of the responsibilities which rest upon us as workers in this Advent message to herald the glad tidings to the millions who are yet in darkness.

## The West Nordic Union

BY L. MUDERSPACH

WITH twenty-three ordained, fourteen licenced ministers, twenty-one other workers, together with the help of the churches, we have baptized and accepted by vote 548 members during this year. This is 127 more than for last year.

The field has enjoyed a net gain of 306. Our 129 churches have a membership of 6,473, with 171 Sabbath-schools and 5,816 members. We also have forty-nine Missionary Volunteer societies with 1,937 members. During the year we have had an average of fifty-nine colporteurs who have sold literature to the value of Kr.259,852, which is a small gain over the previous year. The depression is yet keenly felt over these northern countries and the colporteurs have a difficult time.

In our training schools we have 124 students. Our schools are making steady progress. The Norwegian school at Onsrud has a marked increase in enrolment. Every room is filled and they have had to put four students in the guest room. It will be necessary to erect a small dormitory in the very near future. The school has carried out extensive repairs and alterations on the barns and other buildings, which have greatly improved the appearance and service of the institution.

The Danish school has been improved by the addition of a large lecture and gymnasium hall in which the Division Summer Council was held last summer. The basement of this building provides storing accommodation for the gardening department. The school

work itself is going along nicely. Nine students took the “Praeliminaereksamen” at the university in Copenhagen and passed with good grades. From a spiritual standpoint, too, the school is making good progress. During the school year twelve were converted and baptized.

Our nine church schools have an enrolment of 250 pupils. During the past year we have printed a book, *God's Great Plan*, which is being used in the advance classes of the church schools and is greatly appreciated by the teachers.

Our health work is also progressing and continues to be a strong feature of our work. The new surgical department at the Skodsborg Sanitarium is filled with patients. Heavy repairs and alterations have been carried out in the Copenhagen Clinic, which is now operating at full capacity, including a vegetarian restaurant, which is the first of its kind the denomination has operated in Denmark.

The tithe income has decreased some few hundred kroner, while the offerings are about the same as for 1933.

Last year we reported that the brethren from Faroe Islands had brought literature to Greenland. I am pleased to be able to report that these same brethren have done a good work on the west coast of Greenland also this year. They have taken literature to the important cities on the west coast of Greenland and sent a box containing papers and tracts to “Sukker-toppen” where 800 people are living. A man by the name of Pavia

in Faeringahavn is our best helper. His brother owns a passenger and freight boat which plies along the coast line and he distributes our literature wherever he goes. Most of the Eskimos understand and read Danish, but some articles from our papers have been translated into the Eskimo language and are being used in young people's societies and other places. The literature distributed includes a wide range of publications. Mr. Pavia promised to translate some of these in the Eskimo language.

One of our brethren from the Faroe Islands has a large fishing boat with a crew of thirty-two men, nine of whom are Seventh-Day Adventists. They have their regular Sabbath-school on board, and this summer two others of the crew have accepted the truth and are ready to be baptized. We now have about forty members on the Faroe Islands, eight having been baptized during the past summer. They greatly need a church building and have Kr.2,000 in the building fund for this purpose.

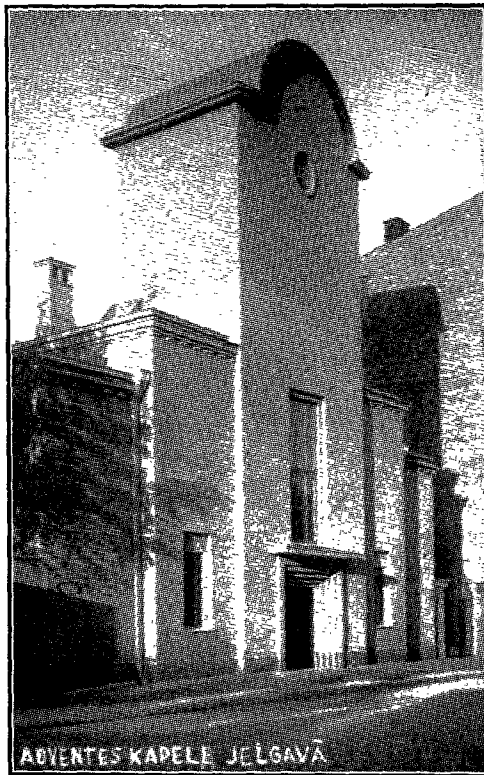
We have also good news from another outpost of our Union territory, the Svalbard or Spitzbergen Island. This island lies far north or Norway. Some years ago a man, in making a journey to the west coast of Norway, saw our paper *Tidens Tale*. He wrote to our office in Oslo to receive more literature of that kind, and the home missionary society sent him the paper for a year. The following year he subscribed to the paper and since then *Tidens Tale* has been a regular messenger to that part of the world. Some months ago this man ordered the paper sent to three other families for whom he wanted to do missionary work and enclosed the subscription price to the end of 1935. He also sent Kr.50 for the Harvest Ingathering, thus showing his interest in the missions. Brother Landeng, one of our colporteurs, visited him this summer and sold him a copy of *Great Controversy*.

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“No aim is too high, no task too great, no sin too strong, no trial too hard, for those who patiently and humbly rest upon God's grace: who wait on Him that He may renew their strength.”

## Providences in the Baltic Union

BY H. L. RUDY



Front of Adventist chapel and conference head-quarters, Mitau, Kurland. The new venture in church architecture has earned the commendation of the Latvian government.

WHEN the new year began in 1934 there were some very dark clouds hanging over the work in some parts of the Baltic Union. Lithuania seemed to be hardest hit. The president of the Mission and the leading evangelist were expelled from the country. This heavy loss could not be made good immediately, and it took more than six months to get the work re-organized and in running order. At the close of the year the outlook for our work in Lithuania is much improved. Two young Bible-workers, both Lithuanian citizens, were employed during the last half of the year, thus bringing the working force up to seven again. At present each worker is conducting one or more series of public lectures which give promise of good results. There are more than ten public evangelistic efforts in progress in Lithuania this winter, something that has not been in that country before.

We are experiencing some unusual things in Lithuania this year. There have been two definite cases

of divine healing. The first man healed was a business man in Memel. He has since been baptized and together with him one of his near kin, an influential lady. The other man was healed just a few weeks ago also in the Memel territory. I had the opportunity of visiting this man on the way to the winter council in Posen and became a witness to a remarkable case of divine intervention. The result of this experience is that the man, who is a boat-builder, is preparing to keep the Sabbath, and his wife, who was very bitter against the Adventists, is becoming very favourable. The whole community is stirred and new interests for the truth are developing. In this same community one of our evangelists, W. Wachhaus, is having an unusually large attendance at his lectures. We surely expect that the Lord will care for these large interests.

In the Roman Catholic part of Lithuania one of our evangelists who was recently transferred to an unentered city, Panevezys, found it very difficult to start his public meetings. The city authorities had never heard of Seventh-Day Adventists. After a special petition to the Ministry of Interior at Kaunas, three lectures were permitted to be held. After the three lectures the interest had grown so great that the Catholic papers became all stirred up. Among other things it was stated that a prophet had come to the city, that he had already organized an "Adventist Club," which was being regularly frequented by parents with their children. When further lectures were sanctioned by the authorities, the chief of police said: "The whole city is stirred up over Adventism. Why don't you rent a larger hall so that

you can accommodate all the people?" The last report is that the hall has to be watched day and night in order to keep order. The evangelist has sixty families interested in the truth, with whom he is holding Bible studies in the homes. We have given him a Bible-worker to help care for the interest. Perhaps the time has come for this dark Roman Catholic section of the Lord's vineyard to hear the third angel's message.

Turning our attention to Estonia, the smallest in point of population of the three countries comprising the Baltic Union, we find a different picture. There we have a church membership of 1,893, the largest constituency in the Union, yet with a very limited force of workers. At the beginning of the year two of the four active ministers were laid up with serious illness, leaving the conference president with only one active minister to care for the thirty-seven churches. The only evangelist there was in the field had a nervous breakdown, and has now been dropped from the work entirely because of the illness. There were only three Bible-workers in that whole field at the beginning of the year. The tithe, too, was down, and it seemed as if the work in Estonia must suffer. However, at our last annual meeting at Parnau, we launched out by faith and employed six young workers in addition to the existing working force. Nearly all these young workers are graduates from our missionary seminary near Riga. We are happy to report that the young Bible-workers are having success in the Lord's work. The future is much brighter as we begin the year 1935. Brother Mägi, whose illness kept him out of the active work over a year, is now back in harness again, and the Lord is blessing him healthwise and with a large public interest in the truth.

The outstanding feature of the work in Estonia is the large number of youth in the church. The Estonian young people are a great blessing to this Advent movement.

## Report of the Northern European Division

Name of Conference or Mission	No. Churches	Baptism and Vote	Apostasy	Death	Net Gain	Present Membership	Evangelistic Workers	Colporteurs	No. Sabbath-Schools	Membership	Average Attendance	Tithe	Tithe per capita	Sabbath-School Offerings	Weekly Offerings
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>N. E. Division</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baltic Union	113	78	52	18	9	5,267	59	45	146	5,618	4,204	9,801.90	0.14	1,582.82	.....
British "	2	75	182	58	109	5,195	103	64	146	5,335	4,024	34,459.50	0.52	5,670.58	.....
E. Nordic "	3	94	14	28	-37	4,600	69	54	174	4,114	3,272	12,275.30	0.20	2,833.55	5.35
Polish "	4	149	45	37	-5	3,100	58	45	179	3,590	2,428	3,995.50	0.09	929.00	.....
W. Nordic "	5	129	53	41	31	6,473	52	58	171	5,740	4,450	23,218.40	0.28	4,610.71	7.01
<b>Union Tls. 4th Qtr. 1934</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>24,635</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>24,397</b>	<b>18,378</b>	<b>\$ 83,350.60</b>	<b>0.26</b>	<b>15,626.66</b>	<b>12.36</b>
<b>E. Afr'n Union Miss.</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3,591</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>6,315</b>	<b>6,493</b>	<b>\$ 797.50</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>484.76</b>	<b>.....</b>
Ethiopian "	7	7	...	4	6	315	14	...	10	365	359	.....	.....	.....	<b>N O</b>
Gold Coast "	8	6	3	7	-4	552	2	...	41	2,278	1,649	346.00	0.05	164.32	.....
Nigerian "	9	4	26	22	10	1,387	16	...	92	6,746	5,926	667.20	0.04	279.74	.....
Sierra Leone "	10	4	...	...	...	485	6	...	23	1,091	673	283.30	0.04	85.51	.....
Upper Nile "	11	3	6	...	...	140	9	...	21	341	297	191.80	0.11	57.28	.....
French Equa. Msn.	12	...	...	...	...	6	2	...	1	19	39	61.90	0.79	20.78	.....
<b>Mis's Tls. 3rd Qtr 1934</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>17,155</b>	<b>15,436</b>	<b>\$ 2,347.70</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>1,092.39</b>	<b>.....</b>
<b>Grand Tls. 4th Qtr 1934</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>31,111</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>41,552</b>	<b>33,814</b>	<b>\$ 85,698.30</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>16,719.05</b>	<b>12.36</b>

We have spent much time studying their problems with them. They love this message and are willing to make great sacrifices for the truth's sake. They are approaching us with the very natural request, that we establish a training school for the youth in Estonia. We are giving a willing ear to this call, and if present plans carry, the Estonian young people will have their school within two years.

Latvia, the residential country of the Baltic Union, has great progress to report for the year 1934. Space will permit only the bare mention of the outstanding features of progress. By far the greatest single advance to be recorded in the work in Latvia is the erection of our beautiful chapel and conference head-quarters in Jelgava, the centre of the Kurland Conference. This building has cost the cause in Latvia over Lats 50,000. The total sum has been raised without a special appropriation from outside the Union. It was a great joy to our believers in Kurland, and to the city of Jelgava, who sent their mayor to attend the dedicatory service, to welcome such a lovely building as a house of Christian worship. The mayor also addressed the meeting and expressed the hope that now, since the church has such a fine place of worship, they would be even more active in missionary work than heretofore.

The other outstanding advance of our work in Latvia is to be re-

corded in Latgalia, the eastern and largely Greek Catholic territory in Latvia. Two new counties in that territory have been entered with the Advent message this year. In the county of Ludza we had the unusual experience of a Jew building us a house of worship. All we needed to pay him was one year's rent in advance. He feels that we are good renters. One of our graduates, a Russian Bible-worker, is preaching to a large interested crowd of listeners in both the Russian and Latvian languages. At Balvi, the chief city of the other county, a business man, who was building a house in the centre of the city, agreed to make a chapel out of one of the dwellings he had planned. This has turned out to be a most suitable meeting hall. Brother Oltin, who has had much experience among Catholics in Lithuania, is conducting the first series of lectures in that city. The attendance is excellent. Many men, landowners, attend the meetings. It is our hope to raise up a church in that large and fruitful district.

The year 1935 is to be one of great advance in evangelism in the Baltic Union. All forces are at work. We are favoured with good stable governments in each country and with the blessing of God we hope to gather in a large harvest of souls. Our tithes and offerings have held up without decrease in 1934, as compared with a decrease in 1933 of ten per cent.

This is a remarkable fact in agricultural countries like the Baltic states, where the prices of farm products have fallen as much as 400 per cent in one year. We have a very loyal company of believers. They understand what sacrifice means. They literally *toil* during the great missions campaigns such as Harvest Ingathering and Big Week.

During the past two years we have given much attention to the welfare work. A recent report in the SURVEY by Brother Linde, the president of the Livonia Conference, clearly indicated the direction in which we are working along welfare lines. Other parts of the Union are rapidly following along, too. Our Ingathering journals helped us greatly, and we are definitely engaged in large things along welfare lines in all parts of the Union this winter. This work has won the undivided confidence of our believers.

The educational work is making good progress in our field. The enrolment at our seminary stood at sixty-three when school opened last fall. Several very large improvements have been made at the school during the past year, such as two new hot-houses for the garden, and a central heating system in the principal building. It has been exceedingly difficult to make all these investments without outside help, yet we are glad that we were able to provide for our needs as well as we have.

for Quarter Ended December 31, 1934

Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offering	Miscellaneous Offerings	Week of Sacrifice	Young People's Offerings	Big Week	Total Offerings	Total Offerings per capita	Percentage of Offerings to Tithe	Total Contributions for Home Missions and Foreign Work	Total Contributions for Local Church Work	Colporteur Sales	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
7,076.59	1,630.60	.....	106.09	25.75	5.04	10,426.89	0.15	106.4	139.90	1,331.85	3,892.57	1
17,295.97	3,351.15	498.45	382.32	206.49	6.50	27,411.46	0.41	79.5	231.43	4,353.76	26,049.60	2
4,715.84	2,249.31	32.20	9.61	4.22	9.50	9,859.58	0.16	80.3	1,757.84	1,453.65	6,910.81	3
1,127.12	538.26	1.17	73	16.54	.....	2,612.82	0.06	72.7	41.17	195.43	1,373.01	4
10,914.00	5,367.19	.....	58.88	36.08	35.43	21,029.30	0.25	90.6	244.80	2,626.75	16,488.94	5
41,129.52	13,136.51	531.82	557.63	289.08	56.47	71,340.05	0.22	85.6	2,415.14	9,861.44	54,714.93	
150.58	359.59	.....	19.72	.....	.....	1,014.65	0.02	127.2	.....	.....	189.68	6
134.68	.....	.....	17.05	.....	.....	316.05	0.04	91.3	.....	.....	258.45	7
44.46	0.85	.....	193.38	.....	7.08	525.51	0.03	78.8	.....	.....	412.95	8
27.11	.....	.....	49.47	.....	11.20	173.29	0.03	61.2	.....	.....	56.00	10
3.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.95	0.03	31.8	.....	.....	.....	11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.78	0.27	33.6	.....	.....	.....	12
360.50	360.44	.....	279.62	.....	18.28	2,111.23	0.03	89.9	.....	.....	917.08	
41,490.02	13,496.95	531.82	837.25	289.08	74.75	73,451.28	0.18	85.7	2,415.14	9,861.44	55,632.01	

The literature ministry has brought great joy to the work during 1934. The sales have greatly increased in both Estonia and Latvia. We have had to increase the monthly issue of our missionary paper in Latvia from 12,000 to 15,000 copies. Two special issues

of this journal, one on Mother's Day and the other for Welfare, reached a circulation of 17,000 each. The increase in sales has been especially good in Estonia, due to a new and better book and a definite improvement in the appearance of the journal.

work on behalf of the church occupies only a portion of their time, it is, in its way, just as sacred as that of the worker who gives all his time to spiritual things. An efficient church officer can do much to lighten the cares of his pastor. Efficiency in an officer of the church is largely a matter of supervised study of the problems involved, and systematic training. The Home Study Institute is offering a series of valuable lessons for church and Sabbath-school officers which are replete with timely instruction. Busy men can usually cover the work of the course in about six months; but the Institute allows them a full year. The cost for tuition and books is very reasonable. The course is highly recommended by our leaders, and is giving excellent satisfaction to the growing numbers of church officers who are taking it. For full particulars concerning this and many other interesting courses carrying full school credit that you can take in your own home, address THE HOME STUDY INSTITUTE, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.

## Our Work in Poland

BY T. T. BABIENCO

In this great country with more than thirty-two and a half million people, and with very strong Roman Catholic organization, the last warning message is being sounded in four different languages: Polish, Russian, Ukrainian, and German. These four languages are also represented in our church membership of 3,110, our fifty-seven workers, and in the good literature being distributed.

The year 1934 was a very hard one. The world crisis did not fail to make itself felt in Poland and thus make life very hard for the people. Notwithstanding this the work of God has gone forward. Our workers, colporteurs, and churchmembers have done a noble work and have gathered into the fold 240 dear souls. The enemy of the children of God, however, has neither slumbered nor slept. Indeed, he has been much alert, laying plans to hinder the progress of God's work. The agency employed, now gone to pieces, was like a

whirlwind blowing dust in the eyes of many for a moment, but the churches were shaken of the dust and are now watching and working very eagerly. They have seen the danger of being careless in the things of God, and I believe a new day has dawned for our work in Poland, and we expect great things from God.

We are happy to say that all our churches have done good work this past year in helping to gather in funds for missions, and we have a large programme for the coming year. All our churches are of good courage and there is a splendid spirit now being manifested throughout the Union.



### Of Interest to Church Officers

ELDERS, Sabbath-school superintendents, deacons, and deaconesses have responsibilities of a very important character. While their

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# From In & Out & Round About

WE are happy to welcome Pastor A. N. Ingle of South Africa to the mother country. Pastor Ingle will spend some time in association with Pastor R. A. Anderson, with a view to getting acquainted with our work and methods of procedure, particularly along evangelistic lines. We wish him a pleasant and profitable stay among us.

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A CABLE from East Africa brings the sad word of the death of Brother and Sister E. R. Warland's young baby. Our hearts go out to them in deepest sympathy as they pass through this hour of trial. May the God of all comfort be precious near to strengthen and sustain them.

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On January 29th the s.s. "Deutschland" brought Dr. and Mrs. R. Stadin to our shores, en route from America to Ethiopia, their appointed field of labour. Dr. Stadin is of Swedish nationality, a graduate of both the Skodsborg Sanitarium and the School of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda. Mrs. Stadin is also a graduate nurse from Skodsborg. Dr. Stadin goes out to Ethiopia to take charge of our work at Dessie.

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On February 5th, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Hyde left the homeland for Kenya Colony, East Africa. Sister Hyde, who is a graduate nurse from the Skodsborg Sanitarium, goes out for the first time, while Brother Hyde returns from furlough.

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PASTOR and Mrs. J. J. Hyde with their son have

once more said "good-bye" to the homeland and turned their faces toward West Africa, where they hope to continue their pioneer work in Northern Nigeria.

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ON March 1st, Pastor H. W. Lowe joins our Division force as secretary of the Home Missionary Department. From that date, therefore, all correspondence pertaining to the work of that department



Above.—Dr. and Mrs. Stadin, appointees to the hospital at Dessie, Ethiopia.

Below.—Mr. and Mrs. Einar Nielsen of Denmark, who have recently connected with the Sierra Leone Mission.

should be addressed to Pastor H. W. Lowe, 41 Hazel Gardens, Edgware, Middx., England.

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## Missionary Sailings 1934

### January

J. Clifford and wife (returning), England to Gold Coast, W. Africa.  
A. C. Vine (returning), England to Nigeria, W. Africa.

### February

Dr. T. C. Nicola and wife, America to Ethiopia, E. Africa.  
Miss A. Lind, Sweden to Ethiopia, E. Africa.

### March

N. B. Nielsen, Denmark to Ethiopia, E. Africa.

### May

Mrs. A. Cook, England to Nigeria.

### July

Miss E. Hange, Denmark to Uganda, E. Africa.  
Miss C. J. Schuil (returning) England to Kenya, E. Africa.

### August

H. Hanson and wife, Norway to Ethiopia, E. Africa.  
W. Till (returning), England to Nigeria, W. Africa.  
Mrs. A. C. Vinc and two children, England to Nigeria, West Africa.

### September

Dr. C. E. Cumings, England to Kenya E.A. (Iocum-tenens).

### October

Miss Karen Nielsen (returning), Denmark to Kenya, E. Africa.

### November

F. Muderspach, wife and family (returning), England to Uganda, E.A.  
Miss Margit Halvorsen, Norway to Ethiopia.  
F. H. Thomas, wife and family (returning), England to Kenya, E.A.

### December

Hans Rasmussen (returning), Denmark to Sierra Leone, W. Africa.  
K. Noltze and wife (returning), Germany to Liberia, W. Africa.  
L. Edmonds (returning), England to Nigeria.  
T. H. Fielding and wife, England to Gold Coast.