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## Opportunities in Harvest Ingathering

By E. R. Colson

THIS past week has been an interesting one here at the Division office. First of all, our little group at Edgware—the first week of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign—has reached the goal set by the conference. Secondly, several members of our group have reached their individual goals, which, for some, is five times as high as the one set by the conference. We should not stop when our goal is reached. We must press forward. There are still greater victories farther on. When the race is run, all unpleasant experiences are soon erased. Only encouraging reminiscences loom up in our minds. Thirdly, encouraging reports have been coming in from all parts of England. One field, even the very first week, has eighty-nine per cent of its goal. Isn't it marvellous? Others are near the half-way mark, and, as a whole, over a third of the entire goal for the British Union is reached.

I am wondering if the other Unions have done as much. The reports have not reached the Division office as yet, but I am sure that many have similar experiences. I know that everyone rejoices over the success of others.

The conditions in the world today are unique. The world seems to have gone mad. The Lord is sparing it a while longer for the sake of the few righteous to be found in it, and the few who can yet be saved. The similarity be-

tween the conditions now and those existing in Sodom and Gomorrah is very striking. Should we not all be more concerned than we are about our own salvation, and the salvation of others? Should fear, or the pleasures of this world distract us? I am certain that fear plays a large rôle in many lives, keeping them from taking an active part in this wonderful work. How is it in your own experience? How many times have you decided to be brave, but when the time came, you drew back? Why? It was on account of fear. Fear is robbing many of our churchmembers of the blessings God has intended for them. Fear is the cause of our ebbing funds. Fear robs the Harvest Ingathering Campaign of thousands of otherwise successful participants, and thousands of pounds. "I was afraid," said the unfaithful servant, "and went and hid thy talent in the earth."

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear." If we really love our missions, we will never be overcome by fear. Fear and love are diametrically opposed to each other. Fear and love can never dwell together in the same heart.

In a certain war, there were soldiers called "minute men." They were not so very well trained, but they were ready on the spur of the moment to join the battle. God tells us to be "in-

stant in season and out of season." We should always be ready to give a reason for our faith. No better opportunity is given than the Harvest Ingathering Campaign to proclaim our faith to the world. Everyone can take part, even the small children. Everyone can be "minute men."

Last year it took \$10.64 to operate our entire world-wide work for one minute. The work has advanced this past year in spite of difficulties, so that it now takes \$11.08, or approximately £2. 4s. 8d., a bit more than the average goal for the churchmembers of the British Union. Everyone can gather that amount, I am sure, and thus become what we could call "minute men."

Just think of it! Support our world-wide work for a whole minute! It may be that thousands of souls are deciding their destiny during the minute you are supporting the work. Much can happen in a minute—which contains sixty momentous seconds.

Then, again, that same amount of £2. 4s. 8d., or about 44-50 Scandinavian Kroner, will support a native worker in Africa from four to eight weeks. It may be that this will appeal to you more than the minute proposition. One or two months' salary! Yes, and many of them could warn and instruct scores of souls in that time. That will assure you of some stars in your crown.

Then there is another opportu-

ity to help during the Harvest In-gathering Campaign. Our depleted resources, the many calls, and the openings on every front caused our leaders to budget for a fifteen per cent increase in mission offerings over last year. So far there has been only a four per cent increase. I know our lay-members are faithful, but many are not blessed with an abundance of this world's goods. For some a fifteen per cent increase would be an impossibility up to the time of this campaign. But here comes the opportunity. By a little better planning, more enthusiasm, an ever-increasing love for our fellow-beings, and a

greater realization of the short-ness and seriousness of the time allotted us, we can spring our last year's amount fifteen per cent. It will not make us any poorer, but, on the contrary, it will enrich our experience and give us invaluable blessings.

We are not seeking and labouring for ephemeral, tinselled knick-knacks, but for imperishable treasures. The money we solicit means little in itself. It will perish. But the pearls of great price in the kingdom of heaven—which is now in our hearts—will remain and become more and more established.

holds them. They learn slowly, sometimes almost imperceptibly, but there is a positive forward movement all the time, about which we cannot but feel happy.

We have just closed the first organized Advisory Council in Elele District, and there is every reason to believe that the members have gone away with a new confidence in this movement, and a new sense of responsibility resting on themselves. The real interest they took in the Sabbath-school work, and in lay evangelism, and the resolutions to be faithful in other Christian obligations, speaks of genuine progress.

The material ways by which the spiritual life of the Mission may be judged are positive. The number of people in our baptismal classes is double what it was at this date in 1934, and there is over fifty per cent increase in the offerings and tithes rendered in the first half of 1935 over the corresponding period of 1934. The number of Bibles in use now among our companies is three times the number in use at this time last year. And next year, when we hope to be using Ibo Sabbath-school lesson pamphlets, there will be a still greater number of Bibles in use.

So the work is being built up. Although the foundation is taking so long to lay down, it is yet being truly laid, to the glory of God and the furtherance of His kingdom in this country.

We solicit a renewed interest in your prayers.

## Progress in S. E. Nigeria

BY A. C. VINE

THE work in the Elele District of the South-east Nigerian Mission is a comparatively young work, and has cost some anxiety and heartache in the course of the past five years. The Ibo people accept Christianity easily, and although this sounds ideal, the circumstance means harder work and more anxiety than would at first seem necessary.

All over the country appeals come to us to go and teach the truth. It is a matter of little difficulty to raise up a new company of "believers" from a community where Christianity is no strange thing. Many a time we have preached to a gathering and the people have said that they knew Jesus and believed in His power to save; but they desired to learn how best to serve Him, so had come to the Adventists because what they had heard of this people rang true. These requests cannot be denied. So new companies are formed, and we do our best to care for them with the small force of evangelists we have. Two, three, four—even five—companies are committed to the care of but one paid worker, who is expected to do regular evangelistic work besides caring for his churches. So it is not difficult to understand that the actual companies of believers have, in many instances, been weak in the faith and in good works. Some have thought that to join

the Sabbath-schools was to become members of the church. Others have not seen the necessity of joining the baptismal class, when to do so imposes restrictions upon them too hard to bear. This is why we show such a vast difference between our Sabbath-school and church memberships. We felt anxious over this general weakness. Sometimes it has seemed almost impossible that many of our people could ever become true Seventh-Day Adventists.

But here we have reckoned without the Holy Spirit. No other reason could be found for the fact that our Sabbath-school members stay with us, but that the Spirit

## The General Conference Advanced School

BY R. W. ENGSTROM

THE need of stronger Bible teaching in all our schools led to the establishment of the Advanced Bible Summer School at Pacific Union College, St. Helena, California, in 1934. A session comprises two periods of six weeks each. The purpose of this school is to make available to our Bible and history teachers, editors, ministers, and missionaries, courses on a graduate level in theology, religion, history, English, biblical

languages, speech, and education.

We believe that the providence of God has been at work preparing men qualified to give the advanced instruction and training in such a school; highly trained teachers, combining intellectual achievements with spirituality and eminent teaching ability. Our teaching staff is headed by Dean M. E. Kern, whose long experience in education and close connection with our world-wide work fit him

especially to direct the Bible School. On our teaching staff for 1935 are the following:

President M. L. Andreasen, Systematic Theology.

Dr. L. L. Caviness, Hebrew and Greek.

Pastor L. H. Christian, Religion and History.

Professor B. P. Hoffman, Religion.

Dean M. E. Kern, Methods of Bible Teaching.

Dr. F. A. Schilling, Church History.

Professor C. E. Weniger, Biblical Literature and Speech.

Dr. W. H. Teesdale, History of Antiquity.

Dr. G. F. Wolfkill, Education.

Besides the regular courses, a number of lecture series by leading denominational men are given on Church Organization and Administration, Stewardship, Religious Liberty, and Christian Education. In our regular courses special emphasis is laid on independent

research in connection with the subject taught, and the requirements in scholarship are high.

Last year the Bible School exactly reached its goal of forty students. This year the attendance reached fifty-eight. A source of great inspiration and blessing has been the intimate personal contact made with many of our leaders. But perhaps the greatest blessing received is the desire and determination to instil into the minds of the students whom we are to teach the same inspiration that we have received. The Bible School has helped us to see what we may be in scholarship, consecration, influence, and power over sin. A testimony recently given by one of our Bible teachers aptly expresses what we have received:

"No three months of my educational experience can compare with those of last summer for stimulus, broadening of vision, and deepening of spiritual values."

## A Faithful Witness

BY H. L. RUDY

WHILE visiting a newly-organized church in a Catholic city of Lithuania I was witness to an experience that should help others who may be ashamed to testify of the Advent message. This church is made up of members who came out of Roman Catholicism. Among the seventeen souls that were baptized recently there is a young lady who has had a remarkable experience.

This young woman—still a girl of eighteen—was married two years ago. She has a child five months old. Her husband left her to find work. Last winter she began attending the public meetings conducted by Pastor Birzgals in Panevezys, where she lived. Her parents and her husband opposed her terribly; still she didn't miss a meeting. When the first six souls were baptized, after midnight, one night last May, this young lady was among the number. When she returned from the baptism early next morning she expected to be treated worse than ever. She had prayed earnestly to God to give her the courage of her con-

victions, and to convert her loved ones. The Lord heard her prayers on her behalf and on behalf of her parents and husband.

When she met her father the next morning the first happy surprise came to her. Instead of scolding and beating her he quietly began to talk. He said: "You know I am a terrible smoker. When I found that you really went to be baptized, I decided to give my heart to God, too. To assure you of my sincerity I am throwing my pipe away this minute." He threw his pipe away and hasn't touched it since.

When the time for the next meeting came, both the father and mother went with their daughter to hear God's Word. Two months later both the parents were baptized. The young woman's husband wrote her a letter a few days ago telling her that he is coming home soon, and wishes to be baptized.

This young lady is now selling our truth-filled literature. She supports herself and baby. The day that I met her she had been

out selling literature and had been arrested by the police for doing that kind of work. She appeared at the police office and when the chief of police saw her he said: "You just go ahead and sell that good literature. The man who arrested you didn't know that you have a perfect right to canvass with Adventist literature. I know the Adventists. They do a noble work." This experience gave our loyal little sister more courage to work for the Master. She is qualifying to become a regular colporteur.

God has thousands of such dear hearts among Catholics. May God help us to find them! May this experience encourage others in faithful witnessing.



WE take the following from a report written by Brother M. J. Sorenson:

"From reports that reach us in Ethiopia, there seems to be a rumour current in the homeland that we missionaries have left. We are glad, however, to state that we are all here and instead of planning to leave, we are planning to remain at our post of duty. The future is uncertain and the time may come when it will be necessary to leave, but our intention and desire is to stay.

"It is true that early in July American missionaries were strongly urged to evacuate immediately. When the word came to us, the workers here in the capital met for counsel and prayer as we had already done many times previously. While appreciating the interest our governments took in the safety of their citizens, yet we did not feel that it was God's will we should leave and all decided to remain. We realize that we are God's ambassadors, and we are anxious to discharge our ambassadorial duties in a dignified and honourable manner. We also feel that our people have placed upon us a sacred trust and we do not want to disappoint them.

"At various times the Emperor has asked his people to fast and pray. To-day Ethiopia is stretching out her hands unto God."



*The Adventist Church in Resekne, Latgale, Latvia.*

## Latgale

BY H. LINDE

As in nature through earthquakes and other disasters islands disappear and islands emerge, so it happens also in the sea of nations. The last great European storm, which powerfully beat on the peoples of Europe and other continents, brought great geographical changes in the national boundaries of various races. Kingdoms went down and new ones, of which the world had known little or nothing, achieved their independence and founded their own governments.

Among these new states is Latvia. Latvia has a population of 1,950,000 and consists of four provinces: Courland, Widseme, Sengale, and Latgale. Latgale is bounded on the south by Poland, on the south-west by Lithuania, on the north by Estonia, and on the east by Soviet Russia.

In order that this section of the Widseme Conference may be better understood, together with its possibilities and the conditions under which we as a church must labour there, I send this brief account of our work.

Latgale is 15,679 square kilometres in extent, and has only 565,503 inhabitants, drawn from seven distinct peoples. The main languages are the Latvian and Russian. A many-coloured picture is presented by the religious divi-

sions. There are nine different confessions of faith, and each one is convinced of the necessity of its mission, and ardent in the work of holding its membership and winning converts.

These divisions, the many races, languages, and creeds, are great hindrances in the proclamation of the Advent message, so that it may truly be said that Latgale is as much a mission problem as we find in many of the lands called mission fields.

Although in Latgale the message had its beginning in 1921, we have to acknowledge that after these fourteen years of work we can count only seventy members. This condition of things has, in the past year or two, greatly exercised the Widseme Conference, until by God's help we have found a good way out. The far-sighted and sympathetic understanding of our Union president, Brother H. L. Rudy, was brought to bear on the problems above mentioned, and obtained for us practical help. The Union appropriated for Latgale Lats 2,000, and God sent us also suitable workers who were prepared to do advance work for Latgale, and to put their whole strength into the effort.

We attacked the territory from three directions. On the west, Brother J. Oltin began to preach

in the town of Balvi. Although not having a large population, Balvi made a good centre to work from. Brother Oltin's experiences in Lithuania, where he laboured for eight years, were well calculated to bring good results in Latgale. He is working along strong lines and has good prospects.

In the heart of Latgale, Brother M. Macanow set to work. He had laboured for seven years in Riga among the Russians with good results. He edits our Russian paper, *Obsor Mirowich Waprosow*. On this page is a photograph of the "Advent Kapelle" in Resekne, built for us by a Jew and rented to us now for several years. Resekne is a city of more than 20,000 inhabitants. The meetings are very well attended and give promise of a good harvest.

Then in the east in the town of Ludsa, on the main street where all have to see it as they go by, we have our church in which Brother P. Jakovlevs carries on his work. Ludsa is the most remote city in eastern Latgale, near the Russian border. It has a population of 5,350 and is surrounded by beautiful scenery, old fortress ruins, and hills. The ruins, which rise majestically on the shore of one of the many lakes, witness to centuries of history.

The brethren mentioned have done good work during the past winter, and we are thankful to God for the good interest and the encouraging prospects we now see in Latgale. The average budget for Latgale amounts to Lats 9,000 and will demand from the Widseme Conference a further heavy expenditure in the future.

Widseme Conference, to which Latgale belongs, shows in all thirty-five churches with 1,895 members, twenty-five young people's societies with 500 members, sixteen Gospel workers, and fourteen colporteur-evangelists. During the past five months we have baptized 110 persons. The welfare work is a great help to us, and of this a fuller report will be given in the autumn.

The Widseme Conference is bound up with the great Northern European Division family and is glad to have a definite share in the world-wide Advent work.

## The Baltic Youth's Congress

BY C. V. ANDERSON

To hear about a gathering of Advent youth in the Baltic Union is interesting enough, but it must be experienced to be fully appreciated. Each society had brought a flag or banner with the well-known initials "M.V." on it, as well as the name of the city they represented. At the close of the Courland and Livonian Conference session (these two conference sessions were held together this year because of a special government decision) a crowd of 1,200 made their way down to the quay where two barges conveyed the happy throng across the bay to Suschenhof, where the Baltic Union School is located. All landed safely and marched to the campus under an arch bearing the significant words, SVEIRA BRIVA JAUNATNE BRIVAJA LATUIJA (A Free Latvia for a Free Youth). Four hundred of this crowd of 1,200 considered themselves young people, and remained for the six days of the congress, while the rest went on to their homes happy that the youth might spend these days together.

A heat wave visited Latvia at the time of the meeting, making the water close by an inviting place every afternoon, except Sabbath. Brother A. W. Peterson, the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary, was present throughout the meeting, and his instruction was much appreciated.

Oh, how those Baltic folk do sing! You should see them sing to appreciate it. Surely it sounds good, though I do not understand a word, but to see them put heart and soul into the singing does one good. The great meeting closed with a "Song Feast" as they call it.

Fifty-three Estonians were present, fifteen Lithuanians, and the rest were Latvians. It is a marvel how these nations melt into one when the Advent message takes possession of them. A wonderful spirit prevailed throughout, in spite of crowded housing and, of necessity, a simple bill of fare. But the food was good, and there

was plenty of it, and everybody was happy.

Translation was a necessary part of the programme with so many nations present, but the gift of understanding tongues was manifest and our translators did well in conveying the speakers' messages to the hearers. Many practical themes were considered, the young people were willing to accept counsel, and took a fine stand for principle after each discussion.

Prominent among the workers present was the white-haired pioneer, Brother Sutta, as well as his colleague, Brother Purmal. They did seem to enjoy meeting with the young people. They looked back many years to the time when the work of God in the Baltic was young. Very few followed the message then. Now to see a throng of young people 400 strong was a scene to behold. "What hath God wrought," was no doubt the thought of their hearts more than once during those days.

The Sabbath afternoon praise service will long be remembered by those present. Short, pointed testimonies were given, and how they did press in to have a part! Two and a half hours slipped by as

one, and even then others wanted to speak.

Yes, God is working, and our young people in the Baltic Union are working with God. That partnership will bear fruit to eternal life. We want to be true to our God and meet in the great Youth's Gathering when Jesus comes.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.



THE Ethiopian authorities in cooperation with the British Legation here planned to call in foreigners from outlying mission stations to certain agreed concentration points on word being given from Addis Ababa. Brother Sorenson writes:

"You will be interested to know that all of our stations except the Gembie Station are located in what are called 'Concentration points,' and that we have been complimented for the wise selection of mission sites. So the first step called for in this plan does not affect any of our missionaries, as they are already in these centres, except our workers at Gembie.

The first step of the plan referred to involves the abandoning of ten mission stations of the societies affected by British protection and only one of these stations is ours. This shows that we have our stations in centres of strategic as well as political importance."



*Delegates to the Missionary Volunteer Congress at the Baltic Union Seminary, June 24-30, 1935.*

## 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>	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Baltic Union	116	251	20	21	204	5,465	59	49	144	5,702	4,157	5,384.30	0.08	1,053.06	.....	
British	2	81	54	26	20	36	5,254	102	74	146	3,910	33,833.10	0.50	6,356.32	.....	
E.Nordic	3	96	180	25	15	139	4,669	62	82	175	3,056	11,203.20	0.19	2,774.94	3.66	
Polish	4	149	113	25	8	88	3,164	59	44	183	3,586	2,319	2,191.30	0.05	574.30	.....
W.Nordic	5	131	239	44	24	171	6,630	59	67	175	6,104	4,960	19,683.90	0.23	5,146.60	5.56
<b>Union Tls. 2nd qtr. 1935</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>25,182</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>24,818</b>	<b>18,402</b>	<b>\$ 72,275.80</b>	<b>0.23</b>	<b>15,905.22</b>	<b>9.22</b>	
E. Afr'n Union Miss.	6	32	24	82	2	-95	3,436	16	...	152	8,460	7,980	1,225.20	0.03	606.45	.....
Ethiopian	7	7	...	...	...	3	321	16	...	9	411	402	571.00	0.14	146.60	.....
Gold Coast	8	6	...	...	...	2	601	2	...	42	2,431	1,664	626.60	0.03	194.41	.....
Nigerian	9	4	126	6	3	117	1,454	16	...	34	7,600	6,409	531.80	0.03	248.62	.....
Sierra Leone	10	4	...	...	...	...	485	6	...	22	1,055	746	390.60	0.06	124.96	.....
Upper Nile	11	3	...	...	...	-11	143	7	...	20	376	260	183.00	0.09	65.36	.....
French Equa. Misn.	12	...	8	...	...	8	14	3	...	1	38	70	45.30	0.58	14.91	.....
<b>Mis's Tls. 1st qtr. 1935</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6,454</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>20,371</b>	<b>17,531</b>	<b>\$ 3,573.50</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>1,401.31</b>	<b>.....</b>	
<b>Grand Tls. 2nd qtr. 1935</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>31,636</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>45,189</b>	<b>35,933</b>	<b>\$ 75,849.30</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>17,306.53</b>	<b>9.22</b>	

## Directing and Training Our Youth in the Baltic

BY H. L. RUDY

ONE of the most cheering features of our work in the Baltic Union is the advance made in the Missionary Volunteer movement. Several years ago one of our evangelists grasped the vision of extending his evangelistic efforts so as to include the children and young people of the church and others who attended his meetings. A large children's Bible class was organized. Grown young people also joined the class. A young people's choir and orchestra were organized, and every member was required to meet definite moral and spiritual standards if they wished to retain their membership. These classes were conscientiously fostered. More time and effort were required to care for the youth's organizations than for the public lectures as such. This evangelist found that his efforts were well rewarded. He not only had large baptisms from his public efforts, but he was educating and training young people for definite service in the church. After four years of diligent training the church was filled with a host of qualified young people. At one time no less than twelve of these young people were baptized and entered upon their work as active churchmembers. This was the beginning of greater

things in the Missionary Volunteer movement in Riga.

This experience, if repeated by every evangelist, would cure more ailments in the churches, and develop more strength in our membership, than any one kind of activity Gospel workers can engage in. In the conference where the above experience took place, the president has rallied his young people to great activity. He has just gathered several auto-loads of Missionary Volunteers and is now touring a part of his field, visiting health resorts and other places, holding Gospel meetings. The young people have prepared songs and orchestral selections. A large public recital will be a part of the campaign, and will more than finance the enterprise. Past experience has shown that the young people return from these tours with pleasant memories, a host of friends, and a live missionary zeal. When the Harvest Ingathering Campaign comes along the public are more than prepared to give of their means. All these youth's Gospel campaigns are carried out under the flying banner, "Seventh-Day Adventist Youth."

About a year ago our young people in Latvia and Estonia set their hearts upon having youth's

periodicals. The Union encouraged them in their desire. In a short time each country published its own youth's paper. For a year now these journals have been appearing, with constantly increasing editions, thus involving no increased expense to the conferences. The value of these papers is seen in increased unity and missionary activity. They appear monthly and average twenty-four pages per issue.

In 1934 a new day dawned for our young people's work. Following the Estonian annual meeting at Pärnu we had a youth's congress. About 150 Estonian young people were in attendance. The splendid spiritual and practical results of this congress encouraged us to organize a Union youth's camp. At the end of June this year this gathering took place on the grounds of the Baltic Union Seminary. On the opening day between 600 and 700 people were present. The regular attendance stood around 400 throughout the whole week. The last Sabbath was a day long to be remembered. Thirteen young people were baptized. The testimony meeting in the afternoon was the best of its kind the writer has ever attended in his ten years' experience in Europe. Our records show that more than a thousand people attended this congress. Of this number more than five hundred belong to the Missionary Volunteer societies. We were especially happy to have Elder A. W.

for the Quarter Ended June 30, 1935

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 Missionary Work	Total Contributions for Local Church Work	Colporteur Sales		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
1.06	0.53	.....	2.47	.....	9.70	1,062.07	2,128.89	0.03	39.5	317.84	1,389.76	4,453.04	1
630.30	.....	8.77	182.93	246.99	1,736.34	9,161.65	0.14	27.1	576.04	3,128.67	21,000.71	.....	2
15.75	2.98	29.58	2,248.85	145.13	1,508.01	6,728.90	0.11	60.1	2,596.88	1,246.36	12,313.49	.....	3
0.56	.....	0.10	397.64	23.39	111.08	1,107.07	0.03	50.5	33.19	118.26	1,324.96	.....	4
161.66	72.81	.....	2,769.11	316.41	1,862.64	10,274.79	0.12	52.3	1,257.35	1,085.49	20,929.20	.....	5
809.33	16.32	38.45	5,601.00	741.62	6,280.14	29,401.30	0.09	40.7	4,781.30	6,968.54	60,021.40	.....	.....
17.64	62.38	.....	147.50	.....	.....	833.97	0.02	68.1	.....	.....	166.44	.....	6
9.74	35.72	.....	.....	.....	.....	192.06	0.05	33.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
47.20	14.61	.....	.....	.....	49.92	306.14	0.04	48.9	.....	.....	622.79	.....	8
27.57	.....	.....	240.62	.....	.....	516.81	0.03	97.2	.....	.....	942.85	.....	9
299.85	26.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	451.35	0.07	115.6	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
24.61	.....	.....	111.22	.....	.....	201.19	0.10	109.9	.....	.....	53.57	.....	11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.91	0.19	32.0	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
426.61	139.25	.....	499.34	.....	49.92	2,516.43	0.03	70.4	.....	.....	1,785.65	.....	.....
1,235.94	155.57	38.45	6,100.34	741.62	6,330.06	31,917.73	0.08	42.1	4,781.30	6,968.54	61,807.05	.....	.....

Peterson from the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department with us. His timely messages and helpful suggestions were greatly appreciated. The Northern European Division sent Elder C. V. Anderson. He knows our field well and our young people find a real friend in him.

There is another feature of our youth's work in the Baltic that deserves special mention at this time. As everyone knows we are living in a time when our finances cause us great concern. This financial distress is prone to react unfavourably upon our educational activities. The pressing financial needs of public evangelism can easily take precedence over all other requests, but we are holding to the principle of pulling along even lines in all of our important endeavours. Our Union school, near Riga, is causing us much concern, but with the help of God we have been able to make the necessary improvements so that a strong educational programme can be carried out. The past year has marked definite progress in our seminary.

But the calls of the fields were not all answered with the one school for the whole Union. The Estonian church membership is constantly increasing and the time has come to begin our educational work in Estonia. During our last annual meeting in Tallinn a historic resolution was passed—to open a training school this fall.

The Union took up the question and definite plans were laid immediately which include the opening of a training school in Tallinn this year. Estonia has no school property yet. The school will be conducted in the adjacent rooms of our church building and publishing house. It has taken great faith to move ahead in this direction at such a time as this. But we have definite evidence already that our faith is to be abundantly rewarded. Brother E. Ney, the president of the Estonian Conference, is working untiringly for a school in his beloved country. He is entitled to our support. We are looking to our loyal people in other lands to help Estonia realize its longing for a well-equipped school.

Our greatest hope lies in the strength of our young people. May the Lord continue to strengthen them in the blessed Advent message.



THE Polish Union is planning and working to re-open its school at Bielsko this October. Brother Schiwital, the new principal, has been in the field for several months, and, in spite of the financial problems that students in Poland have to solve, there is prospect of a sufficient enrolment.



THE workers of the Baltic Union gathered together in August for a week of close study of their

problems. There was a very full agenda and it was barely disposed of when the hour came to break up. Brother J. Braun, president of the Austrian Conference, had been invited to assist and his contributions were intensely valuable, not only because of the thoroughness with which he had thought through the subjects he dealt with, but also because in his own personality he was a striking embodiment of a powerful ministry. Many of the workers of the Union rendered strong help, and Brother Rudy in the chair kept the interest at a high pitch.

There seems no reason why the Baltic Union should not go ahead strongly and fill its territory with a ringing message. From all parts of the field came encouraging reports of progress in evangelism, and forward moves in all departments. It is a field that bristles with problems, but so far the workers seem to thrive on these. All arrangements for the well-being of the visitors were well organized and thoroughly appreciated. The Division sent

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## With Our Evangelists in the Kisii Highlands

BY G. A. LEWIS

In the early days of the work in Kisii, Missionary E. A. Beavon did strong evangelistic work and trained his converts to become active evangelists. The work developed and grew to large proportions. The writer has tried to encourage and maintain this spirit and to enlarge the vision of our native believers. The church as a whole has nobly responded, old and young taking part. This faithful service has not been in vain. We are rewarded year by year by welcoming many new Sabbath-schools into our midst.

When making a "safari" in one of my districts, I spoke to the people at one of our older schools on lay-evangelism. At the close of the service I asked what they had done in their district to reach the heathen. One young man, little more than a boy, said that he had been working in a district about ten miles from the school and had raised up an interested group who averaged forty-six each Sabbath. Three others said that through their joint efforts they had raised up a little company of twenty-six. Again visiting the church of Nyan-turago, I suggested that each school be instrumental in raising up at least one new "helper-school" by the close of the year. Before the year was closed I found that many schools had raised up one new village, and some had added two or three. It thrills me with joy to see how actively they proclaim the Gospel.

Sometimes whilst walking along familiar bush paths under the tropical sky, and feeling very hot, I see a new village where perhaps six months previously nothing but bush existed. On inquiring of the local evangelist, I find that the village is one of our catechumenical centres. Someone in the church felt a burden to locate in that place, and, leaving home and possessions, had gone out in faith, built a little hut, and there gathered in the natives one by one. Seeing such villages acts as a tonic. The missionary no longer

notices the heat. God has many dark-skinned messengers.

Paul Ayora was once a teacher, but he left the school for a more lucrative livelihood. He soon became entangled by heathen practices, and finally left the church. A Christian named Samson was passing through the village where Paul lived, on his way to meeting. The village showed signs of festivity and Samson guessed that something of importance was on. The local Kisii harpist was there, strumming away on his old harp, accompanying a hilarious group of young men as they sang the praises of past and present heroes. Samson found that the merry-makers had gathered to celebrate Paul's wedding with a second wife. Samson felt compelled to speak a few words to Paul. Entering the hut where the company had gathered, after the usual polite greetings had been exchanged, Samson asked Paul to come outside for a few moments. He then told Paul in a few simple sentences what a disgrace it was that he, a former teacher, should be taking another wife, and how his example would be a stumbling-block to many. Samson pleaded with him to return. God used the earnest message. Paul re-entered the hut quietly, but with a determined look on his face. He picked up one of the large pitchers of beer, carried it outside and threw it to the ground, breaking it in pieces. This he did to all the pots of beer until the ground outside resembled a quagmire. The friends who had gathered were spellbound! Paul then told his friends that he could not go through with the ceremony. He told his prospective wife that he would take her home. She cried and pleaded, but Paul was firm. He led her back to her home. Paul's dramatic decision to return was noised abroad. From that day he worked indefatigably to bring back those who had apostatized with him. After a few months he had formed a school of forty-six readers and was the means of

putting new life into that district.

Recently we organized on rather a large scale a general evangelistic campaign. Over 400 adherents took part in the campaign. As a result of two weeks' work, interests were reported in thirty-two new places and over 600 desired to attend our schools. I called testimony meetings in the church at the close of the campaign. The general note of the meeting was that a new desire had come into their lives to work for the heathen. One teacher (unpaid) told how God's Spirit was being poured out in a marvellous way. Men were turning from their lifelong habits. He pleaded, with tears in his eyes, with the church-members who had not taken part in the campaign to do something for the heathen so that they might share with him the joy which comes in service for others. He then asked the church to release him from his school work so that he might go back and witness as a lay-evangelist. As I listened my heart was moved. I saw how God places the burden on native believers to help their own people. I realized as never before the great possibilities there are in training African converts to play their own large part in the finishing of God's work.

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BROTHER W. McCLEMENTS writes on August 9th:

"You will be interested to know that two school teachers at Ilesha are keeping Sabbath and some others have joined them. At present there are eight in their Sabbath-school. News has just come through that one of the teachers, the one holding a teacher's certificate, and who was trained at the C.M.S. College, Oyo, has been dismissed from the employment of the Apostolic Church.

These people at Ilesha have really read themselves into the message thus far, and it gives me much encouragement to hope that we shall have many such converts as a result of the literature sold and given away throughout Yoruba country. Our local F.M.S. told me yesterday about a goldsmith in Ibadan who has intimated that he will join our church. That, too, is from reading 'God's Answers.'"