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Publishing the Word

By W. L. EMMERSON

"WHERE no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety," is as good advice to-day as when it was first offered by the wise king of Israel. And it was for this reason that from April 4th to 8th the leaders of the publishing work in the Northern European Division came together at Stanborough Park, Watford, England, to discuss plans for the development and strengthening of literature evangelism in their various fields.

In view of the vital part which the ministry of literature is to play in the closing up of the work of God upon earth, it was perhaps not inappropriate that the Publishing Convention should be the first

of the Divisional councils held during the present quadrennial session.

The publishing houses in the Division were represented by their managers and some of the editors, while the Union and some local Field Missionary Secretaries represented the three hundred colporteurs throughout the Division.

The General Conference very kindly arranged for Pastor C. E. Weaks, the Secretary of the Publishing Department, to be present, and his valuable counsel was much appreciated. Brethren Charpiot and B6x, the Field Missionary Secretaries of the Southern and

Central European Divisions, were also invited and contributed much to the discussions.

Pastor W. E. Read was present during most of the convention and Pastors J. I. Robison and T. T. Babienco were in attendance part of the time.

The only field not represented was Latvia, whose delegates were unable to obtain permission to leave the country.

The programme of the convention had been drawn up by Brother L. A. Vixie, Secretary of the Publishing Department of the Northern European Division, and it was largely because of his careful preparatory work and his guidance during the sessions that so much



Delegates attending the Northern European Division Publishing Convention.

Row: F. W. Goodall; O. M. Dorland; H. Pilt; M. Wasidl6w; A. Wiesol6w; W. Newman; Y. Miettinen; S. Jonasson; A. Johansson; I. Heikkinen. Second Row: A. Carey; W. L. Emmerson; B. Belton; E. Laimets; M. B6rengrub; K. Stradauskas; W. Cook; O. S. S6rensen; R. Jensen; L. Nilsen; P. Frivold; Miss Muderspach. Front Row: Mrs. A. Warren; A. Warren; Brooks; H. W. Lowe; F. Charpiot; C. E. Weaks; L. A. Vixie; W. E. Read; S. Joyce; J. I. Robison; G. D. King.

valuable study was crowded into the days the delegates were together.

The devotional hours were times of rich blessing as Pastors Read, Weak, Robison, Lowe, and King dwelt upon the times in which we are living and the great need of earnest, consecrated, and Spirit-filled leadership in the work of God.

The reports of the Publishing House managers and colporteur leaders showed encouraging progress in the literature work in every field. Brother S. Jonasson, of the East Nordic Union, which has the largest colporteur force in the Division, reported an increase in literature sales in Sweden during 1936 of 109 per cent over 1935, while in Finland the increase was no less than 128 per cent. Seventy-seven full or part scholarships were earned by the students in the East Nordic Union last year.

In the British field 19,000 bound books were sold by the colporteurs during 1936, this figure being larger than in any previous year.

Space will not, of course, permit reference to all the vital matters discussed. Suffice it to say that the spiritual aspect of the literature ministry was uppermost throughout the convention. The burden of each and all was that the books and papers sent forth from our Publishing Houses might present the truth of God for these times in a strong yet appealing way, and that those who carry the literature might be more and more conscious of the sacred character of their work.

In view of the fact that restrictions are already being placed upon the circulation of the printed page in some parts of the Division, it was felt that every effort should be made now to increase greatly our colporteur force that the message may be placed in the homes of the people while yet there is opportunity.

Because of increasing indifference and antagonism to religion, it was realized that the literature evangelists should receive the most careful training in Christian salesmanship. To this end, plans were laid for the strengthening of

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Publishing Work in the West Nordic Union

BY L. A. NILSEN

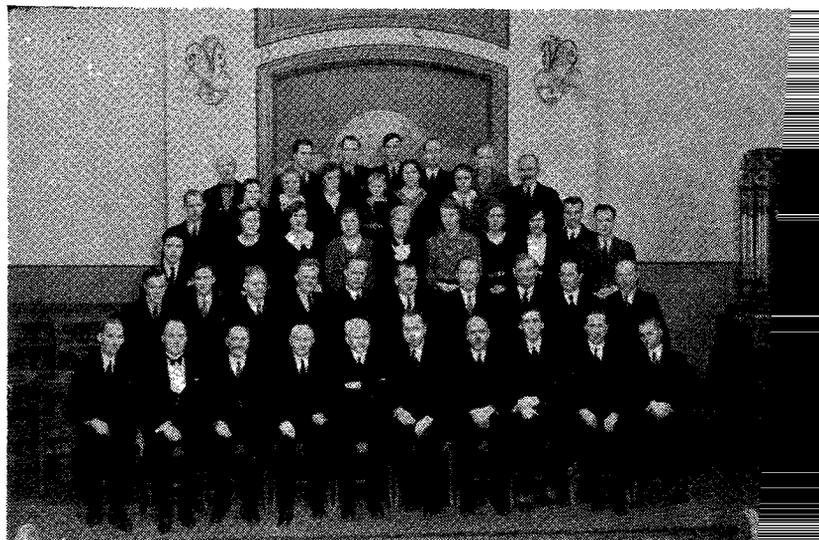
THE publishing work in Denmark and Norway started in the year 1879, when Elder J. C. Matteson took the lead in establishing our own press in Oslo. We still have the same hand press which the brethren used in the beginning, and it still has an important part to play—namely, the pulling of proofs. We now have two linotype machines, three large printing presses, and a smaller one; two folding, two stitching, and two cutting machines, in addition to other necessary equipment.

During the year our publishing work has met with many difficulties. Especially was this true during the depression, when book sales dropped to about one-third of the average in better times. The past two or three years have shown a tendency to increase, which suggests that the economical conditions are better. The war in Ethiopia made a difference in our sales during 1936. Missionary G. Gudmundsen's book about our work in Ethiopia proved our best seller. Altogether about 32,000 copies were sold. Our literature has gone to the most out-of-the-way places. One of our lady colporteurs visited Spitzbergen last summer, and among others, sold

about 200 copies of the book on Ethiopia among the miners at that place. She is very happy over this experience, because she found souls there who were hungering after the light of truth. She has determined to make another journey to this most northerly point of the civilized world, where the inhabitants are shut up in the ice desert for five-sixths of the year.

Besides Brother Gudmundsen's book, our colporteurs have worked with the one written by Elder L. H. Christian, *Facing the Future*, as well as Mrs. White's *Great Controversy* and other smaller books, of which *Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories* are the most important. One which we always have had through the years is *Steps to Christ*. From three to four thousand copies of this book are sold on an average every year. All told, our colporteurs and churchmembers have sold about 200,000 copies in our small countries. We print about 15,000 copies of our health paper *Sundhetsbladet* every month, and from nine to ten thousand copies of our missionary paper *Tidens Tale* (Present Truth).

For 1937 we have prepared a new book, *Et hjem—samfundet—beste vrn* (The Home—the Bes—



The Publishing House staff, Oslo.



The press room, Oslo Publishing House.

Defence of Society) by L. Muder-spach. An edition of 10,000 has been printed for Norway, and a force of faithful colporteurs have started with this, as well as others of our good books. We have already received the first encouraging reports. In addition, we are just issuing a new cookery book written by Mrs. Carla Ottosen. There has been an increased demand for practical help in vege-

tarian cooking, and we believe that this will be well received.

We look forward to the future with good courage, and are sure that the Lord God who has led in the establishing of our publishing work will guide it through all the hindrances the enemy tries to put in its way. Our colporteurs are of good courage, and work with the assurance that they are performing the commission of God.

East Danish Conference

BY T. TOBIASSEN

We are never quite satisfied with the success of our work, but we often have to admit that we have had much better results than we deserved. Denmark was divided into two conferences in July, 1931. Since then the East Danish Conference has increased its membership by 236—from 1,424 to 1,660—and we are very grateful to the Lord for this success. The tithe for the Union period, 1932-1935, shows an increase of Kr.18,310.00. The total amount was nearly half a million kroner, and this is mainly due to the fact that God's Spirit has been working upon the hearts of His people, causing them to be faithful to His instructions.

We have also felt the working of the Holy Spirit with regard to our mission offerings. The Sabbath gifts, Week of Sacrifice, Missions Extension Fund, and Harvest In-gathering all show a good increase.

As a result of our success along these lines, we have been able to

have a part in spreading the message in other countries and conferences by giving the tithe of tithe to the Division and Union, as well as mission offerings. We have also made a large contribution to the work in the West Danish Conference. We have also been able to decrease the expense of our public efforts. Formerly we began in October of one year and continued until June the following year. Now we start in January and continue until June. We thus save a lot of expense for hall rent and advertisements. Because of this, and also the increase in tithe, we have been able to take on three new workers.

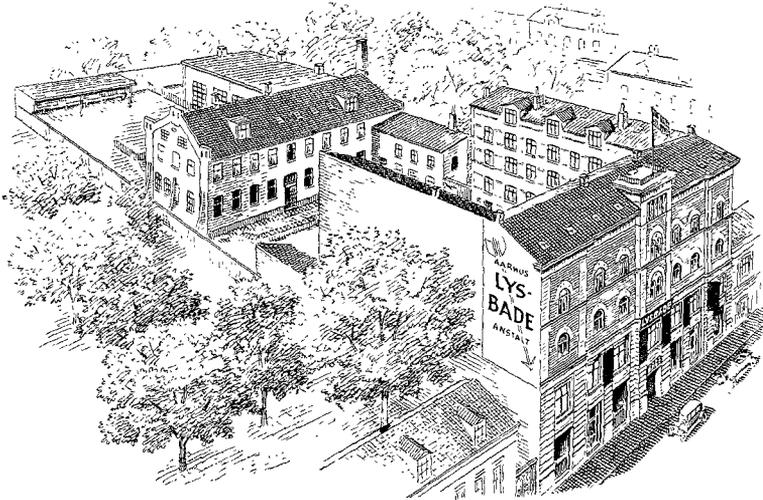
We have two church schools in our conference, with an enrolment of seventy. Four teachers are employed in these schools, which are financed by the churches.

The Danish people are not very religiously-minded. It is only now and then that we are able to gather large audiences, but on an average we get twenty-five to thirty from each effort.

At present we are having great opposition, especially from those who have left our denomination. They report us to the police for selling papers and doing Ingathering work, and distribute tracts and books against us. But we continue to work with good results, ever keeping the motto before us found in Isaiah 8:10, "God is with us." We experience this daily.



The composing room, Oslo Publishing House.



Treatment rooms and church buildings, Aarhus, Denmark.

West Danish Conference

BY A. VARMER

It is now just sixty years since the "Apostle of the North," John Gottlieb Matteson, returned to his native country from the United States to preach the Advent message that he had received in America as a young man. Elder Matteson found a few Sabbath-keepers near where the Danish Mission School is now situated, and from this small beginning the work in Denmark has been steadily growing.

Scattered all over the territory of the West Danish Conference are thirty-five churches and eleven or twelve smaller groups, with a total membership of 1,517 at December, 1936. Eight of these have their own houses of worship, and four have their own church schools. Only eight of the total number have a membership of over fifty. As in the work at large, there are "not many wise, not many mighty or rich men after the flesh" in our churches; but in 1936 our constituency gave Kr.91,459 in tithes, and about Kr.65,000 in offerings. We have not felt the depression in our work in Denmark so much as some other countries. During the past two years our tithes and offerings show an increase of about Kr.14,000 and Kr.4,000 respectively.

During these sixty years our colporteurs have gone all over the country scattering our literature—only God knows how much—but it must be several million kroner's worth. Out in the country you can hardly find a home where they do not have at least some Adventist literature.

The year 1936 was the best we have had in our Harvest Ingathering work, when we reached the substantial sum of Kr.29,757, or an average of twenty kroner's per member, which was our goal.

The West Danish Conference has altogether twelve to fourteen workers. Six preachers and five Bible-workers are out in the field conducting public efforts, some of them in very small towns with a population from 500-2,000. Last year we baptized 100 souls, or an average of about fifteen per effort.

During the past few years several of our young people have gone to the mission fields in East and West Africa. As we pray for them, and the work in the great world field, we pray also that God will endow the workers and the churches in West Denmark with spiritual fire for the finishing of the work in our country and in our people's hearts.

THE Advent movement is faithfully marching forward in our field. We are glad that at the end of 1936 the membership had passed the 5,000 mark. This growth is not as rapid as we ourselves would like it to be, but it is consoling to observe that those who join our ranks are, as a rule, of that firm and steadfast type that are not easily turned by every wind of doctrine that blows. This is one of the characteristics of people reared in conservative countries, and it is well known that the Nordic people are among the most conservative in all Europe.

Sweden and Finland both had their spiritual revivals before the Advent message came there. The Pietistic movement from Germany had struggled hard and met to some degree with success. Methodists, Baptists, and other revival movements came on the scene, but because of certain laws enacted in 1734 to curb such movements, all these new sects suffered much persecution from ecclesiastical and civil authorities alike. Nevertheless, when God's appointed time had come, ways were opened and means ready to herald the message that was due to the people.

In Sweden especially, the fundamental tenor of the early Advent faith was being preached perhaps earlier than in most parts of the world. The child preaching of 1842 and 1843, known more or less to all the readers of the ADVENT SURVEY, emphasized the coming of the Lord and the judgment, even declaring that the hour of judgment was set not later than 1845. Recent investigations in this interesting awakening reveal that the movement was widespread in Sweden, and that the bishops in some of the dioceses where the movement was the strongest, were ordered to make personal investigations and examine some of the children and youth as to their spiritual and mental conditions. It is remarkable that none of the higher church officials wholly condemned the movement. Following that revival others more durable have com

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and have made deep impressions on the religious life and thinking of the people.

While the visible results of the preaching of the Advent message at present is a membership of about 5,000, we are glad that practically all of these have become builders with us in the ministry of the kingdom of God. Their splendid co-operation is happily felt both in the local church work and in mission campaigns. Then we are told by those who know, that there are many thousands both in Sweden and Finland who have attended our public meetings and are believers in the truth, but who have for several reasons not had courage to come forward and make themselves known. Even in the days of our Lord many rulers and others believed, though they did not confess Him. Perhaps a little more of the trials and persecutions that believers in other parts of the world have had to suffer will make them more daring and also ripen them for the heavenly garner.

Recently we had a conversation with a young man who attended the meetings of one of our evangelists in a town in North Sweden a few years ago. Quite a number had joined our faith in that place and a church was organized. Perhaps the evangelist felt that all who believed had come forward and joined the church. This young man confessed that he did not have the courage to take his stand, and that he is even to-day hesitant as to how he should relate himself to the truth. He also said that he knew personally of scores in the same town who felt as he did. Some try, as he does, to keep the Sabbath. A change has come into their lives. He said at last: "Surely the time will soon come when we shall dare no longer to put off the hour of decision."

All of us in the East Nordic Union have great reason for thanksgiving to God. His dealing with and through us is marvellous. The reports given at the beginning of the year of the various organizations of the Union were most



The Hultafors Sanitarium, Sweden.

encouraging. In the conferences the number of baptisms compared very favourably with the average of several years. The tithes and mission offerings showed a substantial increase, and most of the institutions were able to report gains on the year's operating. The publishing houses both in Helsingfors and Stockholm have done well. Because of the remarkable sales of a book dealing with our missions in Abyssinia, the Stockholm house more than doubled its sales during 1936. This made it possible for the publishing house to come to the assistance of the conferences in Sweden in balancing their budgets.

Our two missionary training schools are doing good work. Both still have debts and are burdened with heavy interests on loans, so naturally it was not easy for them to show a gain. Due to careful management, however, the loss was brought down to a minimum. The attendance is growing in both schools. Interest in mission work is running high at both these important centres of Adventism in the Union. At present, large colporteur hands are doing preparatory work for the coming institutes at the close of the school year.

It is with a prayerful interest that we watch the development of the Lord's work within our borders. Soon the fruits of the winter's evangelistic efforts will be garnered in. We trust that there

will be large baptisms in the many places where our evangelists are working this year.

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Institute and field training and supervision.

There was a very general feeling that many more souls might be led into a full knowledge of the truth if some adequate follow-up plan could be put into operation. Much interest was shown in the plan being used in the British field in which specially interested purchasers are followed up by the Home Missionary Department through its Home Bible Study League.

Student-colporteur work came in for considerable attention, as also a variety of other subjects such as reaching the better classes, increasing the percentage of deliveries, financial relations with the colporteurs, and a host of other field and Publishing House problems too numerous to mention.

That the time spent together was most profitable to all was clearly indicated by the inspiring testimony meeting with which the convention closed. And as the recommendations are approved by the Division Committee and put into operation, we shall undoubtedly see resulting from it a mighty advance of literature evangelism in every field.

Itinerating in Sierra Leone, West Africa

BY G. E. NORD

THE silvery moon shone beautifully, and a gentle breeze blew in from the sea, as I wended my way through the streets of Freetown in search of our little Seventh-Day Adventist church. I inquired of an elderly man if he knew where it was. "Seventh-Day Adventist church? Do you mean Babcock's church? It is the next church on your left, sir." So our building here is known by the name of the man who built it, and who was the first to preach the message. This was the first Seventh-Day Adventist church organized in the whole of West Africa.

Though now dead, Brother Babcock still lives in the memory of those who heard him pray and preach. "He prayed us to God," said one dear old member, "and having heard him you could never forget him. He did not preach smooth things. He preached the truth, and nothing but the truth. When he preached about the Sabbath, you didn't go wondering which day to keep." This member is not alone in praying that God will again visit Freetown and revive the praying and preaching of their beloved apostle of bygone days. I had the privilege of spending a little time with our members in this city, and the meetings seemed to bring a real refreshing to them.

When visiting Sierra Leone three years ago, my visit was confined to Waterloo, the headquarters of our work here, where I met the workers at the annual meeting. This year, however, for the first time in the history of our work, it was held up-country, at Bo. Brother Wilson, who visited several of our European conferences last summer, is located at this place. A fine tabernacle of palm branches had been built, well seated, and neatly decorated. The meetings began on January 12th, and lasted five days, with a very full daily programme. On Friday night I spoke to a large assembly

in the open court in the centre of the town, and closed an inspiring meeting on Sabbath afternoon with a baptism of fourteen, the result of the work of Brother Wilson and his helpers at this place.

Brother Broberg, the superintendent of Sierra Leone, was to accompany me on a visit to our out-stations in the heathen and Mohammedan districts, but owing to a slight accident, he was advised by the doctor to return to Waterloo, and so I proceeded without him but accompanied by Pastor Nicol, a native of the country who was to be my interpreter. He is district leader of the Temne territory and a very faithful, earnest brother and worker.

Reaching our first little mission station at Yeleh, twenty-five miles from Bo by truck, Brother Nicol, my house-boy, and I made the rest of the trip on foot and cycle, through bush, along narrow paths, and by wading through streams or crossing them on logs. At the old Matamp mission station, nine miles through the bush from the motor road, where our work has been entirely closed down for some years on account of the attitude of the chief and the people in general, we had a very interesting experience.

About two years ago a young student from the Waterloo training school begged to be sent out to teach and preach, and was finally sent to this place. Now it was my great joy and privilege to find twenty well-instructed, converted fathers and mothers, and young people, ready for baptism. It was a glad day for this young teacher to see these precious souls go down into the watery grave, and rise to walk in newness of life.

The chief had built a very nice little church without cost to the mission, and this was dedicated to the service of God the same day. There is also a good school, and a fine class of new baptismal candidates there, and every prospect of

a strong work being established. Brother S. N. Wright, the young native worker, had done a great work at this place, for which both the chief and the whole village hold him in high esteem.

Thirty or forty miles more on foot and cycle brought us to Matatoka, where Pastor Nicol, the worker who faithfully watched over me day and night throughout the journey, is stationed. This is a Mohammedan stronghold, but the old chief, with a big ring in his nose, and with his forty wives and many children, has shown a kindly interest in our school work, and has built us a real good church building without cost to the mission. It was packed full at the meeting, and many stood outside, listening to the message. Twelve were baptized at this place.

Time did not permit me to visit our Mende stations, but all the workers were present at the annual meeting. The field has in all, twenty-six native workers, pastors, teachers, and evangelists, with some newly-added probation workers. There are thirteen out-schools, with an enrolment of 678 pupils; 332 baptized churchmembers, 181 in baptismal classes, twenty-nine Sabbath-schools, and 1,494 Sabbath-school members.

The training school at Waterloo, which educates the pupils up to standards nine and ten, has the reputation of being a very good one. They have a good staff of teachers. Brother H. Rasmussen, who is now on furlough, has done much toward raising the standard of the school, and we should in the very near future be getting a much larger number of well-trained, consecrated evangelists and teachers from it. There is also a very great need for a girls' school in Sierra Leone. Brother Broberg is giving himself entirely to the task of building up the work, and has the confidence and co-operation of all his fellow-workers.

Let Christ walk with you in your streets, and sit with you in your offices, and be with you in your homes, and teach you in your churches, and abide with you as the living presence in your hearts, and you shall know what freedom is.—*Selected.*

Conference in Latvia

BY T. T. BABIENCO

WE have been waiting a long time for permission from the Latvian government to hold our annual conference, and this was granted for March 5th to 8th. The government has taken away from us the church rights which we had before and requested that all churches be re-registered—none with less than fifty members—that their leaders be appointed for a period of three years, and that their budgets be submitted for approval. When this was done the ten churches had the right to work out a conference constitution and come together. Two delegates from every church were appointed to approve the constitution, to choose five men to arrange for the registration of the constitution, and to call the conference to elect new officers for three years.

On March 5th eighty-five delegates came together to do the business of the conference. There were about 500 believers present in our church in Riga when it took place. The Minister of Religious Cults attended the first meeting and gave a good speech lasting about twenty minutes. He said that the Latvian government would protect all religious bodies in Latvia and give them freedom to worship. After his speech, the conference president's report was read and also the financial reports of the conference, the publishing house, and the legal association. The amount of money given by the believers for the work in Latvia seemed to stir the government minister and he rose to speak. He said that from now on the government would regulate the money used for church activities, and would see to it that the members were not pressed hard for money, and that they should no longer pay tithes to support the work. Here he met with an unexpected protest from the whole house. All our people said loudly that they were going to pay their tithe, and that no one could stop them from doing that, as it was their duty to God. This protest was a great testimony

to the faithfulness of our people in Latvia.

The business of the conference was very heavy, as there were many new things to be regulated in conformity with the new law. It required that five men be chosen by the conference as leaders for the next three years, and Brethren Oltin, Klotin, Jurkevics, Krievis, and Willson were elected. These men have the right to choose from among their number the president, secretary, treasurer, and other needed officers. Brother Brutan was elected as director of our missionary school, Brother Eglit as Bible-teacher, and Brother Klotin as editor of our papers.

The conference was a very interesting one. No foreigners took part in any meetings or discussions, but the Latvian brethren took hold of the situation very well. God blessed them in the work. The men chosen have the confidence of all the people and we wish them much of the blessing of God. Brethren, remember Latvia in your prayers.



Notes from the Secretary

THE month of May sees the beginning of our annual conference meetings in the Northern European Division. The Division staff will be scattered during the next few weeks, attending meetings in all parts of the Division including far Iceland in the North Atlantic, North Norway above the Arctic Circle, South Poland on the borders of Czechoslovakia, and the other fields between. Let us pray that God will visit His people as they gather to seek His face during the coming weeks.

WE are glad to report that C. L. Bond, Associate Secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference, will be visiting the Northern European Division during the next few weeks, and will attend as many of the annual meetings as possible. We welcome Elder Bond to our

Division and trust his ministry will be a great blessing to our people. Because of conflicting dates, it will not be possible for Elder Bond to attend all the annual meetings in the Division.

THE year is quickly passing. Four months have gone. It may be well to check up and see if plans are maturing to put the recommendations passed at the Skodsborg meeting into effect. For example, how is the debt reduction plan working in your field? Are "churches encumbered with debt making every sacrifice and effort possible to free themselves from the burden of debt as rapidly as they are able"? This was a part of the recommendation on debt reduction and we hope it is receiving the attention it deserves. It would be well to read the whole recommendation again and put forth every effort to carry it out as fully as possible during 1937.

THE Week of Sacrifice comes this year during the month of May. Surely the times demand real sacrifice on the part of every worker. We are living on the verge of the eternal world. Doors now open may soon close. Let us as workers each make this a sacrificial week in rededicating our lives in service and in bringing an offering to the Lord that will be commensurate with the great need.

ALL our fields have now been operating for four months under the 1937 budget. What has this period revealed? If the rest of the year continues as the first four months, will there be a deficit or a gain on December 31st? Now is the time to check up and if need be, readjust our work so that every field may be assured of closing the year without a loss.

THIS is a good time also to check up on our per capita mission offerings. It will be remembered that at the Skodsborg Council, per capita goals were fixed for every field in the Division. We have not received the first quarter's summaries yet, but hope they will reveal a good advance in mission offerings throughout the Division.

WE are glad to report that three of the winter evangelistic efforts

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Our Division Annual Meetings

By W. E. READ

ERE long the annual meetings in the Division will begin and doubtless many of our believers are already making their plans to be present at these special convocations of the people of God. In the days of ancient Israel, the Lord gave specific directions to His people that they should come at regular seasons to the city of Jerusalem to associate in fellowship and to seek the face of the Lord. The counsel He gave them was: "Three times thou shalt keep a fast unto Me in the year." Exod. 23:14. "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall choose." Deut. 16:16.

"To these holy convocations the children of Israel came, bringing to the house of God their tithes, their sin-offerings, and their offerings of gratitude. They met to recount God's mercies, to make known His wonderful works, and to offer praise and thanksgiving to His name. And they were to unite in the sacrificial service which pointed to Christ as the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. Thus they were to be preserved from the corrupting power of worldliness and idolatry. Faith and love and gratitude were to be kept alive in their hearts, and through their association together in this sacred service, they were to be bound closer to God and to one another."—*"Testimonies," Vol. 6, page 39.*

The same thing is true to-day. We all need the blessings which come from communion with each other, and with the Lord. We need also the inspiration which larger meetings can bring to us all.

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason of the hope that

is in you with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege."—*Id., Vol. 6, pages 38, 39.*

"Let all who possibly can, attend these yearly gatherings. All should feel that God requires this of them. If they do not avail themselves of the privileges which He has provided that they may become strong in Him and in the power of His grace, they will grow weaker and weaker, and have less and less desire to consecrate all to God. Come, brethren and sisters, to these sacred convocation meetings, to find Jesus. He will come up to the feast. He will be present, and He will do for you that which you most need to have done."—*Id., Vol. 2, page 575.*

It is really an important thing that we be present at these special gatherings. The plan to which we



If God's Word were studied as it should be, men would have a breadth of mind, a nobility of character, and a stability of purpose rarely seen in these times. . . . One passage studied until its significance is clear to the mind, and its relation to the plan of salvation is evident, is of more value than the perusal of many chapters with no definite purpose in view and no positive instruction gained. . . . Never should the Bible be studied without prayer. MRS. E. G. WHITE.



have worked for many years in this Advent movement is to have annual conferences, and as many of our believers as possible should make every effort to attend. The business of the conference must be cared for, which includes the election of officers and the adoption of plans for carrying forward the work of God. It is well that there be a good representation from our churches to take part in the proceedings of these meetings.

We certainly look forward to a time of real blessing and spiritual refreshing from the presence of the Lord as we come to these conferences. Let us remember the counsel given to Israel of old. As they faced the great day of atonement, they were exhorted to afflict their souls and in a definite way

prepare their hearts for the blessing of the Lord.

"The object of a camp-meeting is to lead all to separate from business cares and burdens, and devote a few days exclusively to seeking the Lord. We should occupy the time in self-examination, close searching of heart, penitential confession of sins, and renewing our vows to the Most High."—*Id., Vol. 2, page 601.*

Let us urge our believers to be present at the annual meetings this year. Let us all come up with earnest prayer to God that He may bless us individually. Pray also that His blessings may rest upon both speakers and people, and that He may lead us all to a deeper consecration of our hearts to the service of God.



Notes from the Secretary

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In the South England Conference have resulted in forty-seven, sixty-five, and forty-one people respectively who are already keeping the Sabbath and attending the Sabbath meetings. We trust equally good reports will come in from other fields.

We welcome two new recruits to the mission fields this month. Miss Eva Raitt has accepted a call to Nigeria. She will be head mistress of the girls' school in Aba, taking the place of her sister, Miss Ruth Raitt, who returned home last October because of sickness.

W. J. NEWMAN has responded to a call to Nigeria as departmental leader for the Union. These workers will fill a great need in that field as it has been working short-handed for some months past.

J. I. ROBISON.

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of Seventh-Day Adventists

Containing Statistical, Financial, and
Institutional Reports for the Year Ended
December 31, 1936

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The Annual Reports

WE herewith present the complete annual reports of the various activities of the Northern European Division for the year ending December 31, 1936. We are glad to note that in almost every department of our work a good advance is recorded. These cold figures represent days and weeks of faithful service on the part of our 559 evangelistic workers, 322 colporteurs, 323 teachers, 790 workers in our medical institutions, and 106 publishing house employees. Eternity alone will reveal the full fruitage of these 2,100 workers.

These reports also indicate that associated with the workers we have a faithful constituency of 34,249 believers in the Advent message who are giving their whole-hearted support to the cause of God. A total of \$310,373.40 was paid in tithe during 1936 and \$209,700.57 in mission offerings. The total of \$520,073.97 represents an average of \$15.18 for every believer in the Division, both at home and in the mission fields. In addition to these generous gifts we are glad to note that the missionary activity of our laymen won 331 souls to the truth during 1936. Many other lines of missionary work are also reported, and we believe that the seed sown will yet bear fruit unto life eternal.

Our Sabbath-school membership now stands at 55,693, which is an increase of 5,000 above the 1935 total. In offerings our Sabbath-school members gave \$68,198.15, or an average of 3.8 cents per week per churchmember for the Division.

A study of our church member-

ship totals reveals some interesting facts. The total net increase for 1936 was 1,505, or five per cent over the 1935 figure. The largest increase in membership was in the mission fields, being thirteen per cent over the previous year, while in the home fields we had only a two per cent increase, the lowest ever recorded since the organization of the Division. We trust that during 1937 our home Unions will make a better showing in soul-saving, for surely that is the real object of our work.

We take this opportunity of ex-

pressing our hearty thanks to all our fellow-workers and to our brethren and sisters who have laboured so faithfully during the past year. We have appreciated your whole-hearted co-operation and your willing service. We are living in troublous times. No one can tell how long these days of comparative peace will be ours. Let us reconsecrate our all to the Master for the finishing of the work of God in the Northern European Division before doors now open shall be closed for ever.

April, 1937.

J. I. ROBISON.

Membership Summary for Six Years

	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Home Unions	21,754	23,080	23,882	24,635	25,639	26,222
% of Increase	5%	6%	3%	3%	4%	2%
Mission Fields	5,747	6,443	6,104*	6,476	7,105	8,027
% of Increase	18%	12%	11%	6%	10%	13%
Total for Division	27,501	29,523	29,986*	31,111	32,744	34,249
% of Increase	7%	7%	5%	4%	5%	5%

*930 members were transferred to Central European Division on December 31, 1932. The per cent of increase is reckoned without taking this loss into consideration.

Report of Church Schools for the Year 1936

PLACE	No. Teachers	Enrolment	Building	Estimated Value of Equipment	Expense of Annual Maintenance
British Union					
Plymouth, North Road	2	43	.....	\$ 243.50	\$ 1,558.40
Stanborough Park, Watford, Herts.	2	50	.....	790.50	2,191.50
Walthamstow, Grace Road	2	37	.....	487.00	1,582.75
East Nordic Union					
Stockholm, Tunnelgatan 25, Sweden	3	22	.....	396.24	1,610.02
West Nordic Union					
Aarhus, Norre Alle 30, Denmark	2	35	.....	268.82	1,129.03
Frederikshavn, Haabets Alle, Denmark	1	16	.....	161.29	510.75
Jerslev, Friskolen, Denmark	1	13	.....	134.41	268.82
Kobenhavn, Suomisvej 5, Denmark	2	38	.....	322.58	967.74
Nårum, Konkordtavej, Denmark	2	19	.....	268.82	1,155.91
Oslo, Kingosgt 1, Norway	2	38	.....	.....	1,693.55
Vejlefjord Højskole, Denmark	3	20	.....	.....	645.16
Westmann Islands, Iceland	2	70	888.88	100.00	955.55
Totals 1936	24	401	\$ 888.88	3,113.16	14,269.18
.. 1935	23	398	\$ 444.44	3,124.27	14,521.78
.. 1934	26	394	\$ 666.67	3,147.63	14,007.29
.. 1933	25	380	\$ 888.88	3,431.61	13,509.25

**Publishing Department of the Northern European Division
Report of Colporteur Work for Year 1936**

	Book Sales Including Helps				Sales of Magazines			Grand Totals in Do. l.	T'l. Value B'ks. and Mags. D'd	Grand Totals 1935
	Aver. No. of Colp.s	No. of Hours	Value of Books and Helps	No. of Subn's	No. of Single Copies	Value of Sub'n's and Singles	Value of Books and Mag. Sales			
Baltic Union										
Estonian Conference	14	28,228	EKr. 7,434.10	7,119	78,586	EKr. 17,300.15	EKr. 24,734.25	\$ 6,595.80	\$ 2,822.13	\$ 4,903.46
Kurseme Conference.....	9	14,696	Ls. 5,353.00	3,385	49,099	Ls. 11,999.10	Ls. 17,352.10	3,349.84	1,345.22	4,855.21
Vidseme Conference	13	17,689	Ls. 6,436.00	9,978	91,033	Ls. 20,563.96	Ls. 26,999.96	5,212.34	1,899.61	6,625.50
Lithuanian Mission	4	6,397	Lt. 4,605.20	.....	8,137	Lt. 3,811.40	Lt. 8,416.60	841.68	442.35	920.85
Totals	40	67,010	\$ 4,718.82	20,432	226,855	\$ 11,280.84	\$ 15,999.66	15,999.66	6,509.31	17,305.02
British Union										
South England Conference	28	45,716	£ 6,349 15 8	.....	.....	£ 1,348 5 9	£ 7,698 1 5	37,489.60	34,375.83	36,473.67
North England Conference	24	39,200	£ 5,060 0 4	.....	.....	£ 1,657 3 2	£ 6,717 3 6	32,712.64	28,174.44	31,042.41
Welsh Mission.....	4	7,770	£ 780 7 3	.....	.....	£ 598 9 3	£ 1,378 16 6	6,714.86	6,242.26	7,474.61
Scottish Mission.....	5	8,339	£ 1,426 13 4	.....	.....	£ 53 13 5	£ 1,480 6 9	7,209.25	6,276.21	7,197.24
Irish Mission.....	3	4,409	£ 302 7 6	.....	.....	£ 128 13 6	£ 431 1 0	2,099.22	1,629.77	1,649.83
Totals	64	105,434	£ 13,919 4 1	.....	.....	£ 3,786 5 1	£ 17,705 9 2	86,225.57	76,700.51	83,837.76
East Nordic Union										
South Swedish Conference	16	17,300	SKr. 74,904.59	1,011	.....	SKr. 5,897.60	SKr. 80,802.19	21,721.01	17,856.87	13,802.41
North " "	27	37,944	SKr. 136,737.90	553	.....	SKr. 2,860.65	SKr. 139,598.55	37,526.49	32,288.95	14,552.48
Finnish Swedish "	6	7,174	F Mk. 104,186.12	112	.....	F Mk. 3,958.00	F Mk. 108,144.12	2,843.89	2,732.21	1,030.13
Finnish " "	36	48,181	F Mk. 515,094.50	1,775	.....	F Mk. 73,440.00	F Mk. 588,534.50	15,487.74	15,454.82	16,274.44
Totals	85	110,599	\$ 73,189.97	3,451	.....	\$ 4,391.16	\$ 77,581.13	77,581.13	68,332.85	45,657.46
Polish Union										
South Polish Conference.....	8	6,797	Zl. 673.00	.....	9,455	Zl. 3,595.00	Zl. 4,268.00	477.94	476.59	593.72
West " "	13	18,381	Zl. 4,107.00	34,690	.....	Zl. 13,380.00	Zl. 17,487.00	1,958.25	1,958.25	2,025.20
East " "	10	12,372	Zl. 5,266.00	.....	4,104	Zl. 1,324.00	Zl. 6,590.00	737.97	543.46	376.58
North " "	4	3,817	Zl. 1,513.00	.....	5,387	Zl. 1,988.00	Zl. 3,501.00	392.05	392.05	785.67
Silesian " "	13	22,576	Zl. 6,902.00	.....	13,722	Zl. 5,019.00	Zl. 11,921.00	1,334.93	1,214.99	1,626.87
Totals	48	63,943	Zl. 18,461.00	.....	67,358	Zl. 25,306.00	Zl. 43,767.00	4,901.14	4,585.34	5,408.04
West Nordic Union										
East Danish Conference	12	13,863	DKr. 36,861.70	3,027	.....	DKr. 24,216.00	DKr. 61,077.70	16,418.75	13,912.45	17,032.21
West " "	18	22,373	DKr. 50,819.18	2,707	.....	DKr. 21,656.00	DKr. 72,475.18	19,482.58	17,353.35	18,448.59
South Norweg'n Conference	28	38,160	NKr. 94,494.23	4,451	.....	NKr. 35,608.00	NKr. 139,102.23	34,973.72	31,513.49	26,272.21
North " "	9	14,435	NKr. 40,676.70	1,776	.....	NKr. 14,208.00	NKr. 54,884.70	14,753.95	13,000.48	14,088.92
Iceland-Faroes " "	1	4,471	IKr. 10,207.70	.....	.....	IKr. 10,207.70	IKr. 2,268.37	2,268.37	2,189.19	3,139.30
Totals	68	93,302	\$ 62,174.77	11,961	.....	\$ 25,722.60	\$ 87,897.37	87,897.37	77,968.96	78,981.23
East African Union										
.....	7	12,121	Sh. 2,571.00	.....	.....	.....	Sh. 2,571.00	626.04	626.04	557.26
Ethiopian Union										
.....
Gold Coast Union										
.....	1	.....	£ 229 18 6	.....	.....	£ 20 18 0	£ 250 16 6	1,221.51	1,221.51	846.08
Nigerian Union										
South Western Mission	1	.....	£ 180 10 5	.....	.....	£ 180 10 5	£ 879 14	879 14	879 14	611.29
South Eastern "	4	30,870	£ 646 3 6	.....	.....	£ 646 3 6	£ 3,146.87	3,146.87	3,146.87	1,296.49
Totals	5	30,870	£ 826 13 11	.....	.....	£ 826 13 11	£ 4,026.01	4,026.01	4,026.01	1,907.78
Sierra Leone Mission										
.....
Upper Nile Union										
.....	4	14,750	Sh. 2,775.45	2,496	.....	Sh. 2,775.45	Sh. 675.84	675.84	675.84	125.65
Grand Totals for 1936	322	498,029	\$ 216,385.01	38,340	294,213	\$ 62,769.25	\$ 279,151.27	279,151.27	240,646.37	.....
Grand Totals for 1935	315	474,778	\$ 177,107.16	33,611	330,816	\$ 57,519.12	\$ 234,626.28	234,626.28	.....	234,626.28

Report of the Publishing Houses for the Year 1936

NAME	ADDRESS	Book Sales	Periodical Sales	Total Value Literature Sold	Buildings	Employees	Periodicals	Languages
1. The Advent Press	Gendia, P.O. Kisumu, Kenya E. Africa	\$ 353.22	838.57	1,191.79	3	7	.....	4
2.*Advent Publishing House	Waterloo, Sierra Leone, West Africa	\$ 290.00	35.00	325.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
3. Aikain Vartiija	Annegatan 7, Helsingfors, Finland	\$ 19,973.68	6,988.45	26,962.13	.....	7	3	1
4. Dansk Bogforlag	Suomisvej 5, Copenhagen, V. Denmark	\$ 31,123.33	21,774.15	52,897.48	.....	5	4	1
5. Estonian Publishing House	Merepuiste 14a, Tallinn, Estonia	\$ 3,626.29	5,234.38	8,860.67	.....	3	2	1
6. Gold Coast Depository	P.O. Box 45, Bekwai, via Takoradi, Gold Coast, West Africa	\$ 1,845.32	48.70	1,894.02	.....	.....	.....	1
7. Iceland Publish. House	P.O. B. x 262, Reykjavik, Iceland	\$ 2,268.37	.....	2,268.37	.....	.....	2	1
8. Latvian Publish. House	Brivibas iela 11, Riga, Latvia	\$ 7,815.39	8,893.33	16,708.72	.....	6	4	2
9. Lithuanian Depository	Vokietiu g.ve 57, Kaunas, Lithuania	\$ 704.43	362.56	1,066.99	.....	2	.....	1
10. Polish Publish. House	Ul. Turecka 1, Warsaw, Poland	\$ 6,032.92	2,880.25	8,913.17	.....	3	5	4
11. Scandinavian Pub. Hse.	Akersgaten 74 Oslo, Norway	\$ 41,206.07	24,076.85	65,282.92	.....	19	2	4
12. S.E. Nigerian Depository	P.O. Box 41, Aba, S. Nigeria, W. Af.	\$ 3,146.87	.....	3,146.87	.....	.....	.....	.....
13. S.W. Nigerian Depository	P.O. Box 19, Ibadan, Nigeria, W. Africa	\$ 879.14	.....	879.14	2	7	1	3
14. Stanborough Press Ltd.	Stanborough Park, Watford, England	\$ 91,542.30	37,649.87	129,192.17	1	39	5	2
15. Swedish Publish. House	Tunnelgatan 25, Stockholm, Sweden	\$ 61,572.84	23,017.21	84,590.05	.....	8	4	1
*No Report	Totals for 1936	\$ 272,380.17	131,799.32	404,179.49	6	106	32	26
	Totals for 1935	\$ 216,991.60	131,191.16	348,182.76	6	104	30	23
	Totals for 1934	\$ 204,844.48	129,932.45	334,776.93	6	107	30	26
	Totals for 1933	\$ 197,411.38	122,031.92	319,443.30	12	109	27	23

Report of the Northern European Division

		Tithe	Tithe (weekly per capita)	Total Offerings (Columns 29-36)	Sabbath-School Offerings 12 Sabbaths	13th Sabbath Offerings	Weekly Offerings	Harvest Ingathering	Annual Offering
		26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Baltic Union Conference									
Estonian Conference	1	E.Kr. 29,313.90	0.30	16,690.85	5,101.04	964.14		8,586.78	1,066.99
Courland	2	Ls.							
Livonia	3	Ls.							
Lithuanian Mission	4	Lt. 11,903.45	0.72	8,980.68	2,551.45	946.43		4,341.70	415.25
Totals		£ 1,695 16 8 \$ 8 258.70	0 1½ 0.03	1,058 13 6 5,155.72	302 18 6 1,475.24	65 7 3 318.30		557 6 10 2,714.25	66 11 2 324.13
British Union Conference									
South England Conference	5	£ 15,796 13 11	2 4½	8,655 18 6	1,922 15 1	820 13 2		4,922 2 9	451 8 10
North England	6	£ 8,041 7 1	1 9½	5,446 7 1	1,088 2 2	370 4 11		3,705 1 1	111 2 0
Welsh Mission	7	£ 1,766 4 10	1 7½	1,368 7 4	271 0 0	80 18 4		941 3 7	36 3 8
Scottish	8	£ 1,157 8 10	1 7	1,063 11 8	205 2 4	61 8 3		733 10 8	24 7 7
N. Ireland	9	£ 519 14 4	1 8½	404 2 9	124 11 2	50 0 11		192 19 0	17 13 8
Irish Free State Mission	10	£ 266 1 10	2 6	247 13 7	48 3 9	12 0 9		174 5 10	4 0 3
Totals		£ 27,974 13 4 \$ 136,236.50	2 1½ 0.51	17,694 17 0 86,173.91	3,801 16 0 18,514.79	1,395 6 4 6,795.19		10,669 2 11 51,958.74	644 16 0 3,140.17
East Nordic Union Conference									
North Swedish	11	S.Kr. 2,196.90							
South	12	S.Kr. 73,059.18	1.07	54,465.63	13,102.55	4,569.63	57.50	29,890.22	2,925.40
Finland Swedish	13	S.Kr. 78,254.59	1.39	56,196.83	13,260.24	4,773.20		31,877.20	2,924.64
Finland	14	F.Mk. 199,960.95	9.94	146,101.60	29,989.00	13,147.85	7.25	80,963.05	10,536.20
		F.Mk. 545,306.20	6.08	344,100.50	82,566.45	23,040.45		167,745.90	30,832.00
Totals		S.Kr. 217,081.94 \$ 54,468.80	0.93 0.23	152,819.78 38,247.38	36,042.54 9,020.09	12,455.04 3,116.67	58.12 14.50	83 156.37 20,809.18	9 407.70 2,356.41
Polish Union Conference									
East Polish Conference	15	Zl. 12,432.61	0.22	9,374.30	3,339.76	785.99		4,244.30	304.41
North Polish	16	Zl. 3,713.70	0.46	3,050.83	799.30	160.52		1,638.66	131.65
Silesian	17	Zl. 31,524.99	0.69	17,081.52	6,550.02	1,211.92		7,136.34	1,039.16
South Polish	18	Zl. 6,039.30	0.36	4,915.74	1,315.49	317.09		2,600.63	220.82
West Polish	19	Zl. 27,320.70	0.84	15,003.28	5,367.76	1,330.00		5,754.72	1,255.73
Totals		Zl. 81,031.30 \$ 9,092.40	0.50 0.06	49,425.67 5,546.13	17,372.33 1,949.43	3,805.52 427.00		21,374.65 2,398.50	2 951.77 331.21
West Nordic Union Conference									
East Danish Conference	20	N.Kr. 119,026.65	1.45	66,271.31	19,092.23	7,210.21		25,498.39	7,381.91
West	21	D.Kr. 91,459.53	1.24	62,290.74	17,176.76	5,422.94	42.10	29,757.73	5,724.99
South Norway Conference	22	N.Kr. 135,208.82	1.19	74,504.03	21,340.15	5,264.99	42.90	34,727.22	6,704.16
North	23	N.Kr. 31,700.00	0.72	21,468.55	6,436.68	1,418.47	4.50	11,222.75	1,561.76
Iceland-Faroes	24	L.Kr. 15,390.92	0.82	8,530.68	3,261.94	569.48		3,766.75	702.53
Totals		N.Kr. 368,102.33 \$ 89,815.80	1.11 0.27	217,067.98 53,126.45	62,852.41 15,338.44	18,408.11 4,494.60	84.83 20.68	98 341.97 23 999.70	20,527.42 5,011.07
Totals for Unions for year 1936		\$ 297,872.20	0.24	188,249.59	46,297.99	15,151.76	35.18	101,880.37	11,162.99
East African Union									
Central Kenya Mission	25	£ 896 6 8							
N.W.	26	£		50 14 11	13 17 2	4 0 3		23 0 10	4 8 3
South	27	£		81 0 9	32 0 7	7 16 10		11 11 2	17 13 11
West	28	£		369 15 10	96 5 4	66 3 6		72 2 11	110 19 6
Coast Mission	29	£		871 4 1	412 12 10	84 14 1		96 8 5	210 12 11
		£		48 0 0	12 4 2	3 11 7		23 14 11	3 17 2
Totals		£ 896 6 8 \$ 4,365.10	0 1½ 0.02	1,420 15 7 6,919.19	567 0 1 2,761.30	166 6 3 809.95		226 18 3 1,105.06	347 11 9 1,692.75
Ethiopian Union									
Gold Coast Union	31	£ 542 18 4 \$ 2,644.00	0 4½ 0.09	539 5 6 2,626.27	126 12 3 616.60	47 19 11 233.74		312 13 2 1,522.65	
Nigerian Union									
Northeast Nigerian Mission	32	£ 57 10 0							
Northwest	33	£ 31 8 4		38 9 9	6 8 7	1 0 11		24 11 9	1 0 0
Southeast	34	£ 101 10 10	0 1½	161 14 8	66 18 11	9 4 6		69 10 9	6 6 10
Southwest	35	£ 381 12 6	0 2½	368 9 2	153 10 4	20 9 8		175 2 4	1 7 8
		£ 87 6 8	0 1½	238 16 7	70 19 2	12 12 4		126 17 0	5 0 8
Totals		£ 659 8 4 \$ 3,211.40	0 2½ 0.05	807 10 2 3,932.58	297 17 0 1,450.53	43 7 5 211.22		396 1 10 1,928.97	13 15 2 67.00
Upper Nile Union									
Kampala Mission Station	36	£ 134 6 3	0 9½	71 9 9	28 4 3	5 6 6		8 1 0	16 10 7
Nchwanga	37	£ 36 13 11	0 2½	25 6 1	8 0 10	1 9 2		6 19 9	3 8 5
Kakoro	38	£ 44 14 0	2 10½	39 12 0	11 19 8	2 5 4		15 18 9	4 18 11
Totals		£ 215 14 2 \$ 1,050.50	0 7½ 0.15	136 7 10 664.21	48 4 9 234.91	9 1 0 44.07		30 19 6 150.84	24 17 11 121.24
French Equatorial Af'n Mis.									
	39	£ 39 7 6 \$ 191.80	2 6½ 0.61	22 5 11 108.57	12 10 3 60.94	4 1 11 19.94			2 8 9 11.87
Liberian Mission									
	40	£ 58 3 4 \$ 283.30	1 4½ 0.34	19 14 1 95.96	7 2 6 34.70	1 1 8 5.28	3 0 0.73		6 6 1.58
Sierra Leone Mission									
	41	£ 155 0 10 \$ 755.10	0 1½ 0.03	160 12 8 782.29	43 2 10 210.10	11 6 4 55.12		63 9 0 309.00	12 5 3 59.72
Totals for Missions for year 1936		£ 2,566 19 2 \$ 12,501.20	0 2 0.04	3,106 11 9 15,129.07	1,102 9 8 5,359.08	283 4 6 1,379.32	3 0 0.73	1,030 1 9 5,016.52	401 5 4 1,954.16

for the Year Ended December 31, 1936

Miscellaneous Offerings	Week of Sacrifice	Young People's Offerings	Big Week Missions Extension Fund	Total Offerings Including Big Week	Total Offerings Weekly per Capita	Percentage of Offerings to Tithe	Total Contributions for Home Missionary Work	Total Contributions for Local Church Work	Colporteur Sales	
34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44
23.94	946.16	1.80	6.40	16,697.25	0.17	57.0	252.89	6,890.05	24,734.25	1
							476.21	5,387.73	17,352.10	2
							1,205.16	11,646.33	26,999.96	3
	725.85			8,980.68	0.54	75.4		116.78	8,416.60	4
18 1	65 9 8	2 0	7 0	1,059 0 6	0 1	62.4	80 10 0	1,054 18 5	3,285 7 0	
4.41	318 90	0.49	1.70	5,157.42	0.02		392 03	5,137.46	15,999.66	
368 14 7				508 16 1						
10 16 0	440 13 11	87 8 9	234 7 4	8,890 5 10	1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	56.3	112 13 10	2,301 13 9	7,698 1 5	5
	132 14 5	39 2 6	135 12 7	5,581 19 8	1 3	69.4	56 7 2	952 16 1	6,717 3 6	6
2 4 6	28 12 11	8 4 4	21 19 9	1,390 7 1	1 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	78.7	7 14 8	131 6 8	1,378 16 6	7
	34 3 8	4 19 2	10 9 7	1,074 1 3	1 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	92.8	5 4 5	225 13 8	1,480 6 9	8
3 11 0	12 12 6	2 14 6	12 10 9	416 13 6	1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	80.2	1 9 4	52 5 3	431 1 0	9
	7 0 0	2 3 0	9 5 0	256 18 7	2 5	96.6		55 4 0		10
383 6 1	655 17 5	144 12 3	424 5 0	18,119 2 0	1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	64.8	183 9 5	3,718 19 5	17,705 9 2	
1,866.69	3,194.08	704.25	2,066.10	88,240.01	0.33		893.50	18,111.40	86,225.57	
218.27	3,515.60	186.46	2,227.70	56,899.33	0.83	77.6	8,855.79	6,700.64	189,598.55	11
	3,167.91	193.64	2,355.47	58,552.30	1.04	74.8	11,887.25	7,157.74	80,802.19	12
85.70	10,052.25	1,320.30	6,378.65	152,480.25	7.58	76.3	15,951.10	21,705.70	108,144.12	13
11,500.00	23,511.80	4,903.45	15,878.35	353,978.40	4.02	66.0	7,411.15	30,492.40	588,534.50	14
1,214.64	9,570.02	915.35	6,497.25	159,317.03	0.68	73.4	22,752.19	18,347.41	288,601.80	
305.28	2,395.64	229.61	1,626.33	39,873.71	0.17		6,124.56	4,988.15	77,581.13	
	609.57	90.27	660.65	10,034.95	0.18	80.7	169.19	288.35	6,590.00	15
	293.19	27.51	278.66	3,329.49	0.42	89.7	188.13	300.27	3,501.00	16
	857.83	285.25	1,156.74	19,238.26	0.40	57.9	1,085.69	1,023.80	11,921.00	17
	431.20	30.51	400.00	5,313.74	0.32	88.0	83.21	146.30	4,268.00	18
	1,117.97	177.10	1,086.88	16,090.16	0.49	58.9	561.17	1,091.02	17,487.00	19
	3,309.76	611.64	3,582.93	53,008.60	0.33	65.4	2,087.39	2,849.74	43,767.00	
	371.38	68.61	401.56	5,947.69	0.04		233.74	319.12	4,901.14	
	6,405.47	683.10	2,801.88	69,073.19	0.84	58.0	6,202.78	9,597.76	61,077.70	20
100.00	2,980.84	1,085.38	2,467.89	64,758.63	0.88	70.8	619.06	7,240.63	72,475.18	21
194.00	5,740.55	490.06	2,270.49	76,774.52	0.68	56.8	3,710.64	11,757.24	130,102.23	22
	733.14	91.25	741.84	22,210.39	0.50	70.1	937.52	2,195.77	54,884.70	23
	229.98		362.43	8,893.11	0.48	57.8		3,860.12		24
282.89	15,017.06	2,153.29	8,011.71	225,679.69	0.68	61.3	10,712.02	28,950.00	326,978.22	
70.21	3,665.71	526.04	1,955.96	55,082.41	0.17		2,879.58	7,782.25	87,897.37	
2,246.59	9,945.71	1,529.00	6,051.65	194,301.24	0.15	65.2	10,523.41	36,338.38	272,604.87	
	5 8 5		18 1	51 13 0	1 11 $\frac{1}{2}$				128 11 0	25
	11 18 3		1 19 5	83 0 2	1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$					26
	24 4 7		1 14 9	371 10 7	0 2 $\frac{1}{2}$					27
	66 15 10		10 7 5	881 11 6	0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					28
	4 12 2		13 1	48 13 1	9 4 $\frac{1}{2}$					29
	112 19 3		15 12 9	1,435 8 4	0 2	160.3			128 11 0	
	550.13		76.15	6,995.34	0.04				626.04	
P O R T										30
	52 0 2		13 19 11	553 5 5	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	101.9			250 16 6	31
	253.28		68.16	2,694.43	0.09				1,221.51	
	5 8 6		1 13 0	40 2 9		127.8				32
	9 13 8		1 14 9	163 9 5	0 2	161.0				33
	17 19 2		8 17 7	377 6 9	0 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	98.9			646 3 6	34
	23 7 5		6 19 6	245 16 1	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	281.5			180 10 5	35
	56 8 9		19 4 10	826 15 0	0 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	125.4			826 13 11	
	274.86		93.71	4,026.29	0.06				4,026.01	
	13 7 5		3 9 1	74 18 10	0 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	55.8			138 15 5	36
	5 7 11		8 5	25 14 6	0 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	70.1				37
	4 9 4		13 3	40 5 3	2 7	90.1				38
	23 4 8		4 10 9	140 18 7	0 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	65.3			138 15 5	
	113.15		22.10	686.31	0.10				675.84	
	3 5 0		1 19 8	24 5 7	1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	61.7				39
	15.82		9.66	118.23	0.38					
	11 0 5			19 14 1	0 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	33.9				40
	53.67			95.96	0.12					
	30 9 3		2 0	160 14 8	0 1 $\frac{3}{4}$	103.7				41
	148.35		0.48	782.77	0.03					
	289 7 6		55 9 11	3,162 1 8	0 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	123.2			1,344 16 10	
	1,409.26		270.26	15,399.33	0.05				6,549.40	

Recapitulation for Year

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
N. E. Division	15
Baltic Union	118	330	180	98	48	5,506	68	40	148	5,557	3,997	\$ 8,259.70	0.03	1,793.54	.....
British	2	82	458	225	63	5,525	112	64	153	5,546	3,993	\$ 136,236.50	0.51	25,309.98	.....
E. Nordic	3	97	355	143	80	5,007	61	85	177	4,209	3,315	\$ 54,468.80	0.23	12,136.76	14.50	
Polish	4	150	238	142	48	3,335	53	48	163	4,066	2,849	\$ 9,092.40	0.06	2,376.43	.....
W. Nordic	5	137	386	135	96	6,849	52	68	178	5,784	4,552	\$ 89,815.80	0.27	19,833.04	20.63	
Union Tls. for year 1936	584	1,817	825	385	583	26,222	361	305	819	25,162	18,706	\$ 297,872.20	0.24	61,449.75	35.18	
E. Afr'n Union Miss.	6	32	722	159	17	4,478	16	...	192	13,595	13,188	\$ 4,365.10	0.02	3,571.25	.....
Ethiopian	7	7	...	...	...	321	23	...	9	418	358	\$ .....	.....	N	O
Gold Coast	7	7	217	31	42	810	3	...	59	3,538	2,433	\$ 2,644.00	0.09	850.34	.....
Nigerian	9	4	245	24	12	219	15	...	132	10,641	9,076	\$ 3,211.40	0.05	1,661.73	.....
Upper Nile	10	3	95	4	5	256	7	...	26	642	483	\$ 1,050.50	0.15	278.98	.....
French Equ.	11	...	1	...	-1	13	4	...	1	73	104	\$ 191.80	0.61	80.88	.....
Liberian	12	2	30	...	...	28	4	...	12	180	294	\$ 283.30	0.34	39.98	0.73
Sierra Leone	13	...	100	4	-104	365	4	...	29	1,444	1,167	\$ 755.10	0.03	265.22	.....
Mis's Tls. for year 1936	57	1,309	319	80	922	8,027	73	...	460	30,531	27,103	\$ 12,501.20	0.04	6,748.40	0.73	
Grand Tls. for year 1936	641	3,126	1,144	465	1,505	34,249	434	305	1,279	55,693	45,809	\$ 310,373.40	0.20	88,198.15	35.91	

Missionary Volunteer Report for Year Ended December 31, 1936

	Baltic Union	British Union	East Nordic Union	Polish Union	West Nordic Union	East African Union Mission	Nigerian Union Mission	Sierra Leone Union Mission	Upper Nile Union Mission	Liberia Mission	French Cameroons Mission	Totals		Increase
												1936	1935	
No. Societies	69	94	34	66	53	61	39	14	7	.....	.....	437	398	39
Membership	868	1,749	641	811	2,068	1,387	2,067	415	58	.....	.....	10,064	7,524	2,540
Average Attendance	519	1,260	353	464	904	2,290	714	314	24	.....	.....	6,842	5,741	1,101
No. Reporting	492	780	204	354	299	995	253	210	24	5	10	3,626	3,554	72
Per Cent reporting	57%	45%	32%	44%	14%	72%	12%	51%	41%	.....	.....	36%	47%	11%*
Missionary Work														
No. Y.P. Baptized	1	71	25	50	76	164	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	387	467	80*
Bible Readings	10,352	2,135	3,553	15,415	3,028	53,361	5,941	5,600	400	53	349	100,187	108,008	7,821*
Missionary Visits	17,333	8,310	5,745	6,172	3,848	46,293	4,505	4,418	561	41	201	97,227	116,464	19,237*
No. taken to Services	2,517	1,426	606	1,469	326	33,314	464	3,318	127	20	777	44,364	51,713	7,349*
People Helped	6,211	22,260	862	3,375	22	59,492	4,588	2,962	315	37	471	101,095	131,034	29,939*
Treatments Given	1,578	3,339	657	2,174	173	.....	4,945	1,049	.....	7	.....	13,922	13,042	880
Articles of Clothing Given	757	1,337	912	802	174	.....	612	.....	.....	.....	90	4,684	3,860	824
Books, Tracts, etc. Distributed	24,206	147,705	23,824	11,834	26,424	9,301	1,900	562	137	9	62	245,564	206,748	39,216
Missionary Letters Written	1,143	3,735	1,753	705	1,116	12,850	367	325	251	13	12	22,270	21,992	278

*Decrease

Report of the Educational Institutions for the Year 1936

NAME	ADDRESS	No. of Buildings	No. of Acres	Capacity	Grades				Teachers	Other Employees	Grades Done	Library No. of Vols.	Laboratory	Manual Tr. Fac.	Graduated			Stud. entered work
					1-8	9-12	13-16	16							12	14	16	
EUROPEAN																		
1. Advent Missionseminar	Postkaste N. 440, Riga, Latvia	12	270	56	...	56	...	6	5	9-12	2,125	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
2. Ekebyholm Missionary School	Rimbo, Sweden	11	1,800	72	...	72	...	7	15	9-12	1,300	Yes	Yes	8	8	.....	40
3. Estonian Mission School	Merepuistee 14a, Tallin, Estonia	1	.....	27	...	22	5	4	...	9-14	546	Yes	No	11	6	5	3
4. Newbold Missionary College	Near Rugby, England	15	300	110	...	105	35	10	4	9-14	2,700	Yes	Yes	16	...	16	.....
5. Onsrud Missionsskole	Algarheim, Jessheim, Norway	6	393	51	...	42	9	5	5	9-13	1,260	Small	Some	9	10	.....	25
6. Polish Union Missions-schule	Pensjonat J. Schwital, Kamienica 230, na Slasku, Poland	3	.....	21	...	21	3	2	9-12	848	Yes	No	10	.....	.....	.....
7. Toivonlinna School	Piikkiö, Finland	10	188	55	...	49	6	4	9-12	400	Yes	Yes	12	10	.....	25	
8. Vejlefjord Højskole	Daugaard Station, Denmark	12	100	80	...	64	6	5	9-12	1,000	Yes	Yes	7	7	.....	20	
Totals		70	3,051	472	.....	431	49	47	40	.....	10,179	.....	.....	73	41	21	113
AFRICAN																		
9. Addis Ababa Training School for Girls	P.O. Box 145, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Africa	2	2 1/2	40	C L O S E D T E M P O R A R I L Y											
10. Addis Alem Training School for Boys	P.O. Box 145, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Africa	6	40	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. Agona Training School	Agona, Ashanti, Gold Coast, West Africa	6	13	180	63	.....	6	.....	1-8	10	No	Yes	4	.....	.....	.....
12. Ibadan Training School	P.O. Box 19, Ibadan, Nigeria, West Africa	3	7	100	86	.....	6	.....	5-8	150	No	Yes	.....	.....	.....	1	
13. Kamagar bo Training School	P.O. Kisii, Kenya Col., B.E.A.	25	25	100	90	15	6	2	5-10	100	No	Yes	.....	.....	.....	3	
14. Waterloo Training School	Waterloo, Sierra Leone West Africa	6	5	250	170	.....	6	1	1-8	.....	Nn	Yes	8	.....	.....	7	
Totals		48	92 1/2	730	409	15	24	3	.....	260	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	11	
Totals for 1936		118	3,143 1/2	1,202	409	446	49	71	43	.....	10,439	.....	85	41	21	.....	124
Totals for 1935		100	3,060 1/2	1,126	449	365	38	73	58	.....	10,109	.....	74	42	15	.....	155
Totals for 1934		88	2,994 1/2	1,126	490	330	30	64	43	.....	7,470	.....	103	33	14	.....	138
Totals for 1933		86	3,002	1,267	409	270	71	61	45	.....	7,431	.....	94	31	10	.....	118

Ended December 31, 1936

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 Title	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
2,714.25	324.13	4.41	318.90	0.49	1.70	5,157.42	0.02	62.4	392.03	5,137.46	15,999.66
51,958.74	3,140.17	1,866.69	3,194.08	704.25	2,066.10	88,240.01	0.33	64.8	893.50	18,111.40	86,225.57
20,809.18	2,356.41	305.28	2,395.64	229.61	1,626.33	39,873.71	0.17	73.2	6,124.56	4,988.15	77,581.13
2,398.50	331.21	.....	371.38	68.61	401.56	5,947.69	0.04	63.4	233.74	319.12	4,901.14
23,999.70	5,011.07	70.21	3,665.71	526.04	1,955.96	55,082.41	0.17	61.3	2,879.58	7,782.25	87,897.37
101,890.37	11,162.99	2,246.59	9,945.71	1,529.00	6,051.65	194,301.24	0.15	65.2	10,523.41	36,338.38	272,604.97
1,105.06	1,692.75	.....	550.13	.....	76.15	6,995.34	0.04	160.3	.....	.....	826.04
1,522.65	.....	.....	253.28	.....	68.16	2,694.43	0.09	101.9	.....	.....	1,221.51
1,928.97	67.00	.....	274.86	.....	93.71	4,026.29	0.06	125.4	.....	.....	4,026.01
150.84	121.24	.....	113.15	.....	22.10	686.31	0.10	65.3	.....	.....	675.84
.....	11.87	.....	15.82	.....	9.66	118.23	0.38	61.6	.....	.....	.....
.....	1.58	.....	53.67	.....	.....	95.86	0.12	33.9	.....	.....	.....
309.00	59.72	.....	148.35	.....	0.48	782.77	0.03	103.7	.....	.....	.....
5,016.52	1,954.16	.....	1,409.26	.....	270.26	15,399.33	0.05	123.2	.....	.....	6,549.40
106,896.89	13,117.15	2,246.59	11,354.97	1,529.00	6,321.91	209,700.57	0.13	67.6	10,523.41	36,338.38	279,154.27

Home Missionary Report for Year Ended December 31, 1936

	Baltic Union	British Union	East Nordic Union	Polish Union	West Nordic Union	East African Union	Liberian Mission	Nigerian Union	Northern Cameroon Mission	Sierra Leone Mission	Upper Nile Union	Totals, 1936	Totals, 1935	Increase
Church Membership	5,506	5,525	5,007	3,335	6,849	4,478	44	1,740	13	365	256	33,118	31,259	1,859
Number Reporting	2,164	2,244	1,234	1,662	1,452	2,231	2	228	13	158	14	11,389	12,383	994*
Per Cent Reporting	39%	41%	25%	50%	21%	50%	5%	13%	...	43%	6%	34%	40%	6%*
Missionary Activities														
Bible Readings	44,047	8,504	13,293	57,047	17,752	111,497	104	5,941	349	5,600	400	264,534	287,536	23,002*
Missionary Visits	54,957	30,214	20,650	23,371	18,861	99,966	80	4,505	201	4,418	561	256,884	298,879	41,995*
No. taken to Services	11,272	3,742	3,974	4,852	1,204	67,649	153	464	777	3,318	127	97,532	113,236	15,704*
No. People Helped	29,445	38,551	9,739	14,057	144	123,043	91	4,588	471	2,962	315	223,406	295,342	71,936*
Treatments given	10,593	6,256	4,238	9,927	1,844	.....	22	4,945	.....	1,049	.....	38,874	41,249	2,375*
Articles of clothing given	4,646	8,576	9,780	2,631	4,296	.....	.....	.....	90	612	.....	30,631	27,633	2,998
Books, Tracts, etc., distributed	88,562	865,014	138,697	41,416	154,508	17,395	16	1,900	62	562	137	1,308,269	1,448,626	140,357*
Missionary Letters written	3,714	11,211	5,520	2,086	5,098	21,223	34	367	12	325	251	49,751	53,926	4,175*
SOULS WON	28	84	42	128	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	331	378	47*

*Decrease

Report of the Sanitariums for the Year 1936

NAME	ADDRESS	No. of Buildings	No. of Acres	Capacity	Persons Treated	Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Employees	Total Employees
1.*Haile Selassie I Hospital	Debre Tabor, Begemder, Ethiopia, Africa	7	40	.....	.....	.....	2	2	5	9
2. Hultafors Sanatorium	Hultafors, Sweden	8	172	125	952	\$ 2,096.77	2	23	58	83
3. Kendu Mission Hospital	Gendia, P.O. Kisumu, Kenya E.Af.	4	10	41	13,595	\$ 3,963.69	1	3	23	27
4. Skodsborg Badesanatorium	Skodsborg, Denmark	25	12	340	2,228	\$ 17,253.03	6	115	179	300
5. Stanboroughs Hydro & Hosp.	Watford, Herts, England	5	60	100	947	\$ 1,056.79	2	31	57	90
6. Taffari Makonnen Hospital	Dessie, Wollo, Ethiopia, Africa	13	20	14	2,000	\$ 1,623.33	1	1	20	22
7.*Zauditu Hospital	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Africa	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
	Totals for 1936	62	314	620	19,722	\$ 25,993.61	15	175	342	532
	Totals for 1935	55	314	722	37,128	\$ 29,047.49	13	169	356	538
	Totals for 1934	46	225 ³	662	17,607	\$ 38,296.94	13	155	305	473
	Totals for 1933	45	231	595	19,818	\$ 38,711.30	13	152	282	447

*No Report 1 Report for 1935

Report of the Treatment Rooms for the Year 1936

NAME	ADDRESS	Capacity	Persons Treated	Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Employees	Total Employees
1. Advent-Missionsseminar	Postkaste N. 440, Riga, Latvia	10	225	\$	1	1	1	3
2. Ekebyholms Badsanatorium	Rimbo, Sweden	70	170	\$ 107.53	1	6	38	45
3. Fysikaliska Kuranstalt	Humlegardsgatan 18, Stockholm, Sweden	75	1,000	\$ 621.77	.....	9	4	13
4. Fysisk Kuranstalt	St. Kongensgade 36-38, Copenhagen, Denmark	125	20,612	\$ 994.62	.....	17	22	39
5. Haugesunds Kurbad	Breidablikgt. 97, Haugesund, Norway	100	150	\$ 26.88	.....	2	5	7
6. Helsingfors Fysikaliska Institut	Annegatan 7, Helsingfors, Finland	50	522	\$	1	3	.....	4
7. Kurbadet	Akersgaten 74, Oslo, Norway	225	1,200	\$ 1,658.60	.....	28	25	53
8. Nyhyttans Badanstalt	Järnboas, Sweden	100	419	\$ 874.60	1	10	35	46
9. Toivonliinan Kylpyparantola	Piikkiö, Finland	80	210	\$	1	7	33	41
10. Vejlefjord Sommerpensionat	Daugaard Station, Denmark	10	20	\$ 26.88	.....	1	6	7
	Totals for 1936	845	24,528	\$ 4,310.88	5	84	169	258
	Totals for 1935	936	63,759	\$ 2,375.75	4	70	163	237
	Totals for 1934	740	47,250	\$ 1,451.90	5	54	140	199
	Totals for 1933	740	43,750	\$ 857.00	3	46	95	144

Report of African Work for the Year Ended September 30, 1936. (4th Qtr., 1935, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Qtrs., 1936)

NAME OF MISSION	Ordained	Licensed	Licensed	Teachers	Colporteurs	Other Workers	Total	Number in	Train.	Schs	Stat.	Scho's	Out-Schools	Girls' Schs	Med. Miss. W	European Tithe	African Tithe	Per Cent of African to Total Tithe						
	Ministers	Ministers	Missionaries				Baptistal Class	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment				No. Per. giving Treatments	No. Treatments given				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22			
East African Union .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£ 491 5 0	405 1 8	45.2	
West Kenya Mission	1	1	14	2	93	1	22	133	1,470	1	100	2	367	70	2,866	1	19	20	26,467	.....	.....	1
South "	2	1	4	6	45	1	57	.....	.....	1	86	37	1,372	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Central "	3	.....	2	3	3	4	12	39	.....	1	104	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Coast Mission	4	1	1	2	1	1	5	7	.....	1	40	1	15	.....	.....	.....	1	2,912	.....	.....	4	
Northwest Kenya Mission	5	.....	2	1	2	1	6	6	.....	.....	.....	1	5	.....	.....	.....	1	226	.....	.....	5	
Totals	3	19	12	144	7	28	213	1,522	1	100	5	597	109	4,258	1	19	22	23,605	£ 491 5 0	405 1 8	45.2			
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 2,392.36	1,972.74	.....		
Ethiopian Union .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shoa Mission	6	.....	.....	4	.....	11	15	C L O S E D	T E M P O R A R I L Y	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
Wollo "	7	.....	.....	2	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
Begemder "	8	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Arrussi "	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
Wollega "	10	.....	.....	3	.....	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Eritrea "	11	1	.....	4	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Totals	1	.....	.....	19	.....	13	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	No report received
Gold Coast Union	12	2	2	27	1	11	43	1,034	.....	.....	2	158	18	379	.....	.....	4	4,331	£ 107 19 10	434 18 6	80.1	12
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 525.96	2,118.04	.....	
Nigerian Union .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwestern Nigerian Miss.	13	2	1	3	7	1	15	215	.....	.....	1	83	3	105	.....	.....	4	4,147	£ 57 10 0	.....	.....	13
Northwestern "	14	1	.....	9	.....	13	23	170	.....	.....	.....	3	119	.....	.....	.....	6	5,181	£ 20 10 0	66 16 8	76.5	14
Northeastern "	15	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	16	.....	.....	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	5,218	£ 23 13 4	77 17 6	76.7	15
Southeastern "	16	1	2	24	17	4	10	58	1,339	.....	2	288	4	279	.....	.....	.....	.....	£ 25 3 4	7 15 0	24.7	16
Totals	4	3	39	24	5	24	99	1,740	.....	.....	4	381	10	503	.....	.....	12	14,546	£ 195 6 8	464 1 8	70.4	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 951.30	2,260.10	.....	
Upper Nile Union .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kampala Mission Station	17	.....	3	3	4	.....	15	82	.....	.....	1	21	4	63	.....	.....	1	9,115	£ 85 10 11	48 15 10	36.3	17
Nchwanga "	18	.....	1	3	3	.....	7	60	.....	.....	1	18	2	48	.....	.....	1	3,886	£ 23 11 0	13 3 2	35.8	18
Kakoro "	19	.....	2	2	2	.....	6	133	.....	.....	1	12	1	35	.....	.....	2	6,272	£ 25 3 4	19 9 11	43.7	19
Totals .....	.....	3	13	8	4	.....	28	275	.....	.....	3	51	7	146	.....	.....	4	19,273	£ 134 5 3	81 8 11	37.8	
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 653.90	396.60	.....	
French Equatorial A. Miss.	20	2	1	3	42	1	24	1	8	2	7,829	£ 35 2 4	4 5 2	10.8	20
.....	£ 171.07	20.73	
Liberian Mission	21	1	.....	4	1	.....	7	85	.....	.....	2	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	
Sierra Leone Mission	22	5	4	10	3	.....	22	.....	1	40	1	148	11	373	.....	.....	1	448	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	No report received	
Grand Totals for the year 1936	16	31	78	228	17	78	448	4,698	2	140	18	1,424	155	5,659	4	30	46	77,313	£1,010 17 7	1,401 0 9	58.1			
.....	\$ 4,923.14	6,822.96		
" " " " " 1935	14	21	89	185	14	60	383	3,845	3	171	32	1,918	134	5,716	2	20	47	82,795	56.8			
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